

# Combinatorial Algorithm Note

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## Before start

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'\*' means it is not covered in detail in the course.

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# Combinatorial Structures & Concepts

## Graphs

Graphs		
undirected graph	$G = (V, E)$	
directed graph	$G = (V, E), E = \text{set of tuples}$	
colored graph	$G = (V, E, f), f : V \mapsto \text{Colors}$	
hypergraph/set system	$G = (V, B)$	

- complete graph
- tree
- clique
- hamiltonian cycle
- induced subgraph :  $G[W]$  is the graph induced by a set of vertices  $W$
- steiner triple system, STS

$$STS(3) = \{\{0, 1, 2\}\}$$

$$\exists STS(n) \iff n \bmod 6 = 1 \text{ or } 3$$

- \*Latin square

$$L = n \times n \times \Sigma = \{(row, col, content)\}$$

$$L = \text{set system}(V, B), V = X \times \{1, 2, 3\}, B = \{3\text{-subsets of } V\}$$

Example,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

- \*transversal design

$$TD = \text{set system}(V, B, X), |V| = 3n, B = \{3\text{-subsets of } V\}, X = \{X_1, X_2, X_3\} \text{ a partition of } V$$

Example,

$$(V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, B = \{\{1, 3, 5\}, \{2, 3, 6\}, \{1, 4, 6\}, \{2, 4, 5\}\}, X = \{\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}, \{5, 6\}\})$$

data structures:

- incidence matrix : a  $|B| \times |V|$  matrix

$$\text{Example, } V = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, B = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 3, 4\}\}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- adjacency matrix
- adjacency list

- point-block incidence graph

## Graph Isomorphism

- isomorphism / isomorphic
- automorphism

		Examples
invariant	an encoding that $G_1 \cong G_2 \implies I(G_1) = I(G_2)$	sorted degree sequence, number of cliques
certificate	an encoding that $G_1 \cong G_2 \iff \text{Cert}(G_1) = \text{Cert}(G_2)$	tree certificate
canonical form	representative of isomorphism class	matrix canonical form

- invariant inducing function

$D : V \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, k\}$  is an invariant inducing function, if  
 $\phi_D(G) = [|B[0]|, |B[1]|, \dots, |B[k]|]$  is an invariant (under isomorphism), where  
 $B[i] = \{v \in V : D(v) = i\}$ .

## Vertex Partition

- induced vertex partition

Given function  $D : F \times V \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, k\}$ ,  $F$  is a family of graphs on vertices  $V$ .  
 partition induced by  $D$  is  $B = [B[0], \dots, B[k]]$ , where  $B[i] = \{v : D(G, v) = i\}$

- discrete partition : finest
- unit partition : only 1 block
- equitable partition :

graph  $G = (V, E)$ , adjacency / neighbor of  $u$ ,  $N_G(u) = \{x \in V : \{u, x\} \in E\}$ .

partition  $P$  is equitable  $\iff$  Given any  $i$ ,  
 $\forall u, v \in B[i], \forall j, |N_G(v) \cap B[j]| = |N_G(u) \cap B[j]|$ .

- matrix associated to an equitable partition :

Given equitable partition  $P$  with  $k$  blocks, matrix  $M_P \in \mathbb{N}^{k \times k}$ ,  $M_P[i, j] = |N_G(v) \cap P[j]|$ ,  
 where  $v \in P[i]$ .

Well-defined by definition of equitable partition

- (ordered) partition refinement

## Sets

- set
- k-subset
- directed graph  $G = (V, E)$
- hypergraphs/set system  $S = (V, B)$

## Bit vectors

- gray code
- binary reflected gray code
- hamming distance
- (totally) balanced sequence

## \*Code

- \*(block) code :

**$q$ -ary (block) code  $C$  of length  $n$**  is a non-empty subset of  $(\Sigma_q)^n$ , where  $\Sigma_q$  is a finite alphabet of size  $q$

Example,  $C = \{000, 001, 201\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_3^4$  is a ternary code of length 3

**Equivalence of code :**

$$C_1 \cong C_2$$

$\iff C_1$  can be obtained by permuting coordinates and permuting  $\Sigma_q$  from  $C_2$

Example:

$$C_1 = \{000, 011, 201\} \xrightarrow{\text{position } 1 \leftrightarrow 2} \{000, 101, 021\} \xrightarrow{\text{value } 1 \leftrightarrow 2} \{000, 202, 012\} = C_2$$

- \*linear code :

**(linear) code  $C$  of length  $n$  over field  $F$**  is a subspace of  $F^n$

Representation of linear code :

1. generator sets
2. generator matrix

**Equivalence of linear code :**

1. Permutation Equivalent

$$C_1 \cong_{\pi} C_2$$

$\iff \exists$  permutation matrix  $P$ , s. t.

$\forall G_1$ , generator matrix of  $C_1$ ,  $G_1 P$  is a generator matrix of  $C_2$ .

$\iff$  rearranging columns of generator matrix of  $G_1$  gives generator matrix of  $G_2$

2. Monomially Equivalent

**Def (Monomial matrix).** square matrix  $A$  is monomial  $\iff A$  has exactly 1 nonzero entry in each row and column.

$$C_1 \cong_M C_2$$

$\iff \exists$  monomial matrix  $M, s. t.$

$\forall G_1$ , generator matrix of  $C_1, G_1 M$  is a generator matrix of  $C_2$ .

$\iff$  scalar (in field  $F$ ) multiple and permutation of columns of generator matrix of  $G_1$  gives generator matrix of  $G_2$

Example :

Remark :

$$\cong_{\pi} \implies \cong_M$$

### 3. Code Equivalent

$$C_1 \cong C_2$$

$\iff \exists$  monomial matrix  $M, \exists$  automorphism of  $F_q, \sigma, s.t.$

$\forall G_1$ , generator matrix of  $C_1, G_1 M \sigma$  is a generator matrix of  $C_2$ .

$\iff$  scalar (in field  $F$ ) multiple, permutation of columns of generator matrix of  $G_1$  and automorphism of alphabet, gives generator matrix of  $G_2$ .

Example :

$$\langle 001, 211, 120 \rangle \cong \langle 002, 122, 210 \rangle$$

## Types of Problems

- **decision problem**
- **search problem**
- **optimization problem**

(generic optimization)

instance: A finite set  $S$   
 an objective function  $P : S \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ .  
 a finite set of feasibility functions  $F_i : S \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq i \leq m$ .  
 solution:  $x$  in  $S$ , s.t.  $P(x)$  maximal,  $F_i(x) \geq 0$

## Complexity Class

P	decision problem	solve in polynomial time	tree encoding
NP	decision problem	<b>verify</b> in polynomial time	
NP-complete	NP (decision problem)	any other NP problem can be reduced to it by polynomial transform	Knapsack(Decision), Max clique(Decision)

NP-hard	any problem	problem that can be <b>Turing-reduce</b> to NP-complete problem	Knapsack(Optimization)

- \*Polynomial transformation :  $P_1 \propto P_2 \iff$  any instance of  $P_1$  can be transformed to instance of  $P_2$  in polynomial time and they share the same "yes"/"no" answer.
- \*Turing reduction :  $P_2$  with algorithm  $A_2$ ,  $P_1 \propto_T P_2 \iff \exists$  algorithm  $A_1$  that solves  $P_1$  and uses  $A_2$  as sub-routine.

## Searching techniques

- backtrack
  - state-space tree / search tree
  - choice set
  - pruning
  - bounding function
  - branch & bound : exploring the nodes in Choice Set with priority given by bounding function (explore nodes with better potential first)
- exhaustive search
- heuristic search
  - neighbourhood
  - neighbourhood search
  - hill climbing
  - simulated annealing
  - tabu search
  - genetic search

Remark:

backtrack	any problem
backtrack with bounding	optimization problem
branch & bound	optimization problem
heuristic	solution "close to" optimal, optimization problem



# Combinatorial Problems & Algorithms

## Generation

### All Subsets

AllSubsets: find all subsets of a given set

**characteristic vector** : !! Notice  $n=3, \{1,2\} \rightarrow [1,1,0]$

### lexicographic ordering

- ranking: easy
- unranking: easy
- successor:

```
for i= n -> 0
  if i not in S
    S.add(i)
    remove all number in S bigger than i
```

### minimal change ordering

- ranking:

```
1.concatenate top 0
2.add 2 consecutive bit
3.get corresponding bit in rank in binary
```

Example:  $\{1,2,5\} \rightarrow 11001 \rightarrow 011001 \rightarrow 10101 \rightarrow 21$

- unranking:

```
1.make rank to binary
2.add all bits left to current bit (including current bit)
3.get corresponding bit in characteristic vector
```

Example:  $21 \rightarrow 10101 \rightarrow 11001 \rightarrow \{1,2,5\}$

- successor:

```
1a. if even weight -> flip last bit;
1b. if odd weight -> right to left, flip bit after the first 1
```

Example:  $\{1,2,5\} \rightarrow \{1,2,4,5\}$

## k-subset

AllSubsets: find all subsets of a given set

### lexicographic ordering

- ranking:  $rank(S) = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=s_{i-1}+1}^{s_i-1} \binom{n-j}{k-i}$
- unranking: left to right, judge whether (x=1 to n) is at that place
- successor: right to left, increase first number that can be increased, reset number behind it to its successors.

```
for i= k -> 0
  if S[i] < n-i
    S[i]+=1
    reset number after position i
```

## Permutation

### lexicographic ordering

- successor:

```
1. from right to left, find longest decreasing suffix
2. exchange non-decreasing element with its predecessor in the suffix
3. sort suffix in increasing order
```

Example: [1,3,5,4,2] -> [1,4,5,3,2] -> [1,4,2,3,5]

- \*rank:

$$rank(\pi, n) = (\pi[0] - 1)(n - 1)! + rank(\pi', n - 1)$$

$$where \pi'[i] = \begin{cases} \pi[i+1] - 1 & \text{if } \pi[i+1] > \pi[0] \\ \pi[i+1] & \text{if } \pi[i+1] < \pi[0] \end{cases}$$

Example:

[1,3,5,4,2] -> 0+[2,4,3,1] -> 0+6+[3,2,1] -> 0+6+4+[2,1] -> 0+6+4+1+0=11

- \*unrank:

factorial representation of a number,  $r = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (d_i \times i!), 0 \leq d_i \leq i$

```
p[n-1]=1
for i=n-2 to 0
  calculate d_i
  p[i]=d_i+1
  for j=i+1 to n-1
    if p[j]>d_i, then p[j]++
```

Example:

unrank(11,5)--> [?,?,?,1], r'=0+6+4+1 --> [?,?,?,2,1], r''=0+6+4 --> [?,?,3,2,1], r'''=0+6 --> [?,2,3(+1),2(+1),1], r=0 --> [1,2(+1),4(+1),3(+1),1(+1)]=[1,3,5,4,2]

## Backtrack

### Knapsack

Instance:  $K=(P,W,M)$ ,  $P$ =list of profits,  $W$ =list of weight,  $M$ =maximum weight  
 Solution: a list of items taken  $S$ , total weight  $\leq M$   
 (Decision) Is there a solution  $S$  with given profit  $p$ ?  
 (Optimization) Find solution  $S$  with maximum profit

#### Backtrack

iterate over all combinations of choices of items

#### Backtrack with Choice set

$C_l = \{\text{items with larger No. and weight not exceeded}\}$ , current weight maintained

#### Backtrack with bounding

sort items according to *profit/weight*

using *RKnapsack* as an upper bound

## All Cliques

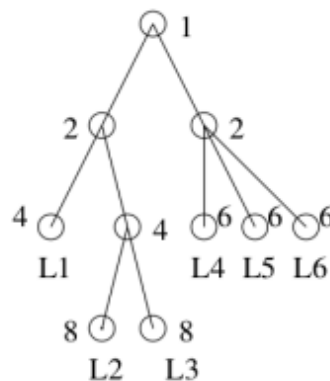
Instance: a graph  $G$   
 Solution: a list of all cliques in Graph

- $C_l = A_{X[l-1]} \cap B_{X[l-1]} \cap C_{l-1}$ ,  $A_{X[l-1]} = \{\text{vertices adjacent to } X[l-1]\}$ ,  $B_{X[l-1]} = \{\text{vertices } > X[l-1]\}$  for eliminating repeated cliques
- $N_l = A_{X[l-1]} \cap N_{l-1} = \{\text{nodes that can potentially added to form bigger clique}\}$   
 partially 'maximal' clique  $\iff N_l = \emptyset$

## Size of Backtrack Tree

Instance: a backtrack algorithm/tree  
 Solution: number of nodes estimated

- one path: go through a certain path estimate corresponding to branch number



$$\text{estimate}(L2) = 1 + 2 + 4 + 8 = 15$$

- several paths: calculate the average, or calculate the weighted average by the ratio of probability of selecting that path.

**Theorem** the expectance of estimated tree size = real size

## Exact Cover

Instance:  $(X, B)$ ,  $B = \{\text{subsets of } X\}$

Solution: a exact cover  $S \subseteq B$ ,  $S$  consists of disjoint sets,  $\cup S = V$

### Transforms to clique problem

$$V = B, (B_i, B_j) \in E \iff B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset (\text{disjoint})$$

exact cover  $S \implies$  a clique in  $G = (V, E)$  that covers all  $V$

### Backtrack

The idea is the same as solving clique problem.

But now, we do NOT need to find all the cliques, what we need is a clique covering all numbers if exists.

- First, sort the blocks  $V = B$  in lexicographic **decreasing** order
- $C'_l = A_{X[l-1]} \cap G_{X[l-1]} \cap C'_{l-1}$ ,  $A_{X[l-1]} = \{\text{vertices adjacent to } X[l-1]\}$ ,  $G_{X[l-1]} = \{\text{vertices } > X[l-1]\}$  (since vertices are subsets,  $> = >_{lex}$ ) for eliminating repeated cliques, as usual.
- maintaining variable  $r$  = least number that is NOT covered in current cover
- $C_l = C'_l \cap H_r$ ,  $H_r = \{\text{blocks whose least element is } r\}$

## Maximum Clique (with bounding)

Instance: a graph  $G$

Solution: maximum size of clique exists in Graph

The same as all clique algorithm but with bounding.

```
...
Compute choice set C_1
b = B(X)
for each x in C_1
    if b <= currOpt then return
    x_1 = x
    next iteration
```

### general bound

$B(X) = |X| + \text{bounding}(G, X)$ ,  $\text{bounding}(G, X)$  is yet to be designed

Remark: " $b \leq \text{currOpt}$ " need to be checked every cycle, since during next iteration,  $\text{currOpt}$  may decrease and make " $b \leq \text{currOpt}$ " satisfied in later cycles

**size bound**

$$B(X) = |X| + |C_l|$$

**greedy color**

**Lemma**  $G$  has a  $k$ -coloring  $\implies G$  don't have clique of size  $>k$

a greedy heuristic algorithm for finding a small coloring (NOT solving coloring problem, but finding a upper bound for color needed)

```
GreedyColor(V,E)
  k=0 //colors used currently
  for i=0 to |V|-1
    find an existing color that all neighbours of i is NOT in that color
    if not found
      add 1 color
      color i with new color
      k++
  return k
```

**sampling bound**

run *GreedyColor* before hand

$$B(X) = |X| + |\{Color[x] : x \in C_l\}|$$

**greedy bound**

$$B(X) = |X| + GreedyColor(G[C_l]), G[C_l] \text{ is the induced graph}$$

## Heuristic Search

**Generic Optimization**

```
instance: A finite set S
         an objective function  $P : S \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ .
         a finite set of feasibility functions  $F_i : S \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq i \leq m$ .
solution:  $x$  in  $S$ , s.t.  $P(x)$  maximal,  $F_i(x) \geq 0$ 
```

**neighbourhood function**

computing neighborhood of a (partial) solution

remark:

1.  $N(X)$ =(partial) solutions "close to" current solution  $X$
2. fast to compute

3. should be designed that possible to achieve real optimal with finite steps of applying neighborhood function

$N(X)$  may give infeasible solutions

## neighbourhood search

4 classic strategies

- exhaustive
  - steepest ascend
  - best neighbour
- randomized
  - random improvement

```
return the random result if it improves current solution
else "fail"
```

- random feasible

remark:

1. should be designed to only give feasible solution or "fail"

## Generic Heuristic

```
GenericHeuristic(c_max)
  select X = initial solution
  while c < c_max
    Y = NeighbourhoodSearch(X)
    if Y is not fail
      X=Y
      if Y improves OptX
        OptX=Y
  c++
  return OptX
```

## Uniform Graph Partition

Instance: a graph  $G=(V,E)$  on  $2n$  vertices  
 cost function,  $c: E \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$   
 Solution: partition  $(X,Y)$  of  $V$ ,  $|X|=|Y|=n$ ,  $\text{Cost}(X,Y)=\sum c(x,y)$  is minimal

$\text{neighborhood}((X,Y)) :=$

$\{(A,B) : (A,B) \text{ is obtained by exchanging 1 element in } X \text{ with 1 element in } Y\}$

random initial partition can be achieved by

1. random  $n$ -subset
2. shuffle

## Hill Climbing

continuously applying **steepest ascend** neighborhood search, exit if "fail"

## Simulated Annealing

using **randomized** neighborhood search, allowing downward move by probability according to current temperature

## Tabu Search

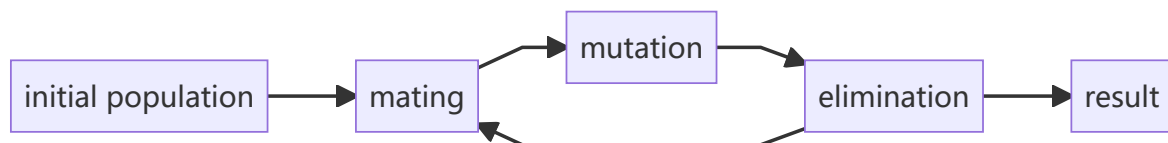
register change in **Tabu list** to forbid cycling for short term

Remark:

to be designed:  $\text{change}(X, Y)$

additional data structure: Tabu list (queue)

## Genetic algorithm



### mutation scheme

applying neighborhood search on each member individually

### elimination scheme

- balanced scheme (keep best *popSize*-people in old and new generation)

### mating scheme

- grouping scheme
  - randomly evenly grouping (randomly partition population into pairs)
- reproducing scheme
  - "better" parents can have more kids
  - evenly reproducing

### cross over

for linear object

variable  $j$ =random cross over point

Example:

$j=3$ ,  $x=\underline{110}1001$ ,  $y=010\underline{1111}$

$\text{crossover}(x,y)=\underline{110\ 0111}$ ,  $0101001$

### partially matched crossover

for permutation

variable  $j,k$ =random match segment

Example:

$j=3$ ,  $k=6$ ,  $x=[1,2,3,4,\underline{5},\underline{6},7,8]$ ,  $y=[3,7,1,\underline{5},\underline{8},\underline{6},2,4]$

$\text{pmc}(x,y)=[1,2,3,\underline{5},\underline{8},\underline{6},7,4]$ ,  $[3,7,1,\underline{8},\underline{4},\underline{6},2,5]$

for both  $x$  and  $y$ : 1. exchange  $5 \leftrightarrow 4$ , 2. exchange  $4 \leftrightarrow 8$ , 3. exchange  $6 \leftrightarrow 6$

## Travelling Salesman Problem

instance: complete graph  $K_n$

cost function  $c: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

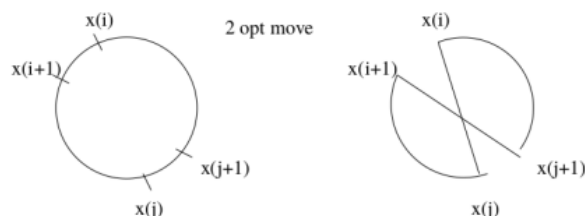
solution: hamiltonian circuit  $X$ ,  $C(X)$  is minimized

### 2-opt move

#### MGK recombine

- Mutation/Neighborhood search:

#### 2-opt move



Gain in applying a 2-opt move:

$$\begin{aligned} G(X, i, j) &= C(X) - C(X_{ij}) \\ &= c(x_i, x_{i+1}) + c(x_j, x_{j+1}) - c(x_{i+1}, x_{j+1}) - c(x_i, x_j) \end{aligned}$$

steepest ascend among all 2-opt moves

- Initial population is done by Permutation Unrank
- Mating:

1. Partially match over

2. **MGK recombine**

variable  $j$ =random position,  $l$ =random length



the segment  $S$  is first copied to the beginning of a new child, then completed to a feasible solution by appending the nodes of the other parent not in  $S$  in the order in which they appear.

Example:

$j=2, l=4, x=[1,2,3,4,5,6,7], y=[2,1,5,3,7,6,4]$

$mgk(x,y)=[1,5,3,7,2,4,6], [2,3,4,5,1,7,6]$

## Knapsack

neighborhood is defined by Hamming distance = 1 (drop or pick an item)

### simulated annealing

**randomized** neighborhood search

drop item = downward move

add item = upward move

### tabu search

"**best neighbor**" neighborhood search, "best" according to maximal  $(-1)^{x_i} \frac{p_j}{w_j}$

## Steiner Triple System

### Stinson's Algorithm (hill climbing)

instance:  $n$   
 solution: construct an STS( $n$ )

**Lemma**  $STS(n) = (V, B)$ , then every points in  $V$  occurs in exactly  $r = \frac{n-1}{2}$  blocks and  $|B| = \frac{n(n-1)}{6}$

**Theorem**  $\exists STS(n) \iff n \bmod 6 = 1 \text{ or } 3$

```
switch()
  randomly choose live point x
  randomly choose y,z, s.t. (x,y), (x,z) are live
  if (y,z) is live
    add block {x,y,z}
  else
    find and delete block {y,z,w}, add block {x,y,z}
```

```
stinson()
  while |B| < n(n-1)/6
    do switch()
  return (V,B)
```

# Isomorphism

## Using Invariants

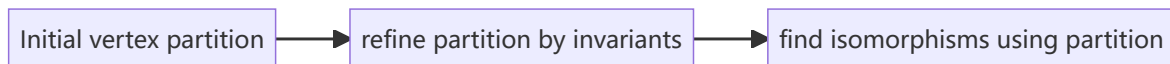
### invariants

- $SDS(G)$ , sorted degree sequence

### invariant inducing functions

- $D_{\triangle}(G, v)$ , number of triangles in  $G$  passing through  $v$ .
- $D_{ngbd}(G, v)$ , tuple/sequence representing the number of neighbors for each degree

### general scheme



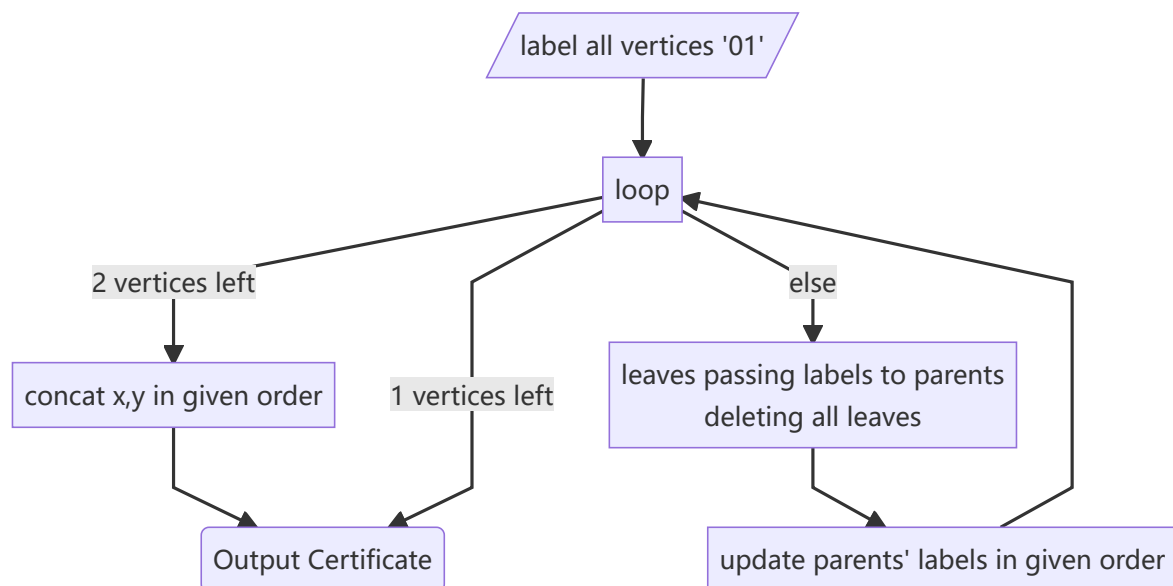
## Certificate (for tree)

$Cert : F \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^*$ ,  $F$  is a family of trees,  $Cert(T)$  = a balanced binary string of length  $2|V|$

### Encoding

```

Label all vertices with string 01.
while there are more than 2 vertices in G:
    for each non-leaf x of G do
        1. Let Y be the set of labels of the leaves adjacent to x and the label of
           x with initial 0 and trailing 1 deleted from x;
        2. Replace the label of x with the concatenation of the labels in Y ,
           sorted in increasing lexicographic order, with a 0 prepended and a 1
           appended.
        3. Remove all leaves adjacent to x.
If there is only one vertex x left, report x's label as the certificate.
If there are 2 vertices x and y left, concatenate x and y in increasing
lexicographic order, and report it as the certificate.
  
```



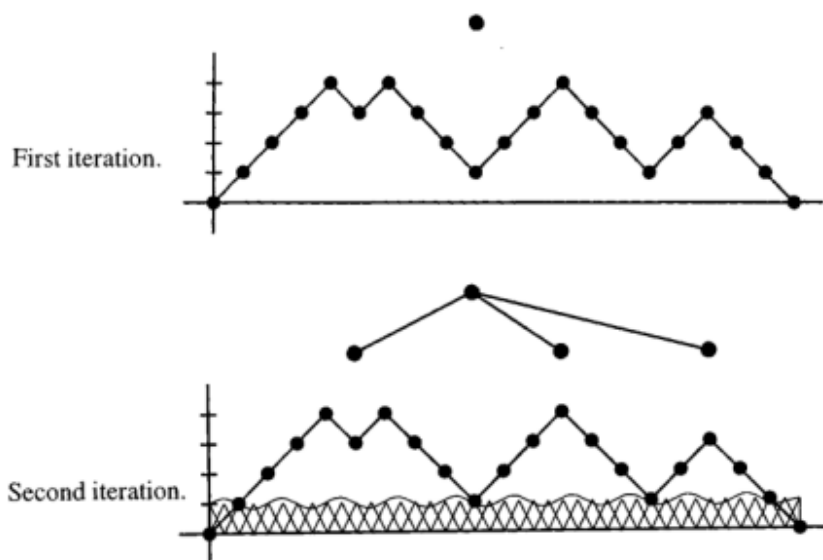
in book: given order = increasing lexicographic order

### Decoding

0=up, 1=down,

attach nodes correspond to mountain range at different see level (depth of tree).

Initial certificate: 00001011100011100111



## Certificate (for general graph)

### Cert1

- adjacency matrix
- adjacency number

$Num(G)$  = binary string obtained by concatenate (upper half of) adjacency matrix column by column

Example :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow 110101 \text{ (column by column)}$$

- minimum num:

$$Cert_1 = \min\{Num(\pi(G)) : \pi \in Sym(V)\}$$

a certificate that difficult to compute. (NP-hard)

### Cert2

Instead of going through all permutations, possible to go through a less class of permutations  $\Pi(G)$ , according to structure of a particular graph  $G$ .

Recall: (equitable partition)

graph  $G = (V, E)$ , adjacency of  $u$ ,  $N_G(u) = \{x \in V : \{u, x\} \in E\}$ .

partition  $P$  is equitable  $\iff$  Given any  $i$ ,

$$\forall u, v \in B[i], \forall j, |N_G(v) \cap B[j]| = |N_G(u) \cap B[j]|.$$

Recall: (matrix associated to an equitable partition)

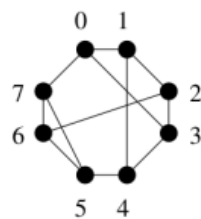
Given equitable partition  $P$  with  $k$  blocks, matrix  $M_P \in \mathbb{N}^{k \times k}$ ,  $M_P[i, j] = |N_G(v) \cap P[j]|$ , where  $v \in P[i]$ .

Similar to what is done in  $Cert1$ ,

$Num_e(G, P)$  = binary string obtained by concatenate (upper half of) equitable matrix column by column.

Example : (the notation in the picture is a bit different)

$B = [\{0\}, \{2, 4\}, \{5, 6\}, \{7\}, \{1, 3\}]$  is an equitable partition w.r.t.  $\mathcal{G}$ :



$$M_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $Num(B) = [0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 2, 2, 0, 0]$ .

**Lemma** If  $P$  is a discrete partition,

then  $P$  corresponds to a permutation  $\pi : P[i] = \{\pi[i]\}$ , and  $Num_e(G, P) = Num(\pi(G))$

### equitablization

Given a set of vertices  $S$  in graph  $G$ , define the equitablize function

$$D_{G,S} : V \rightarrow \mathbb{N}, D_{G,S}(v) = |N_G(v) \cap S|$$

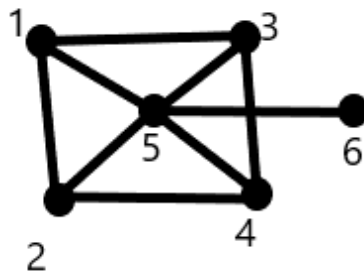
Given an (ordered) partition  $P$ ,

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copy and push blocks of P into stack S
while S not empty
  B=S.pop()
  refine P by  $D_{G,B}$ 
  push newly splitted blocks into S

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Example,

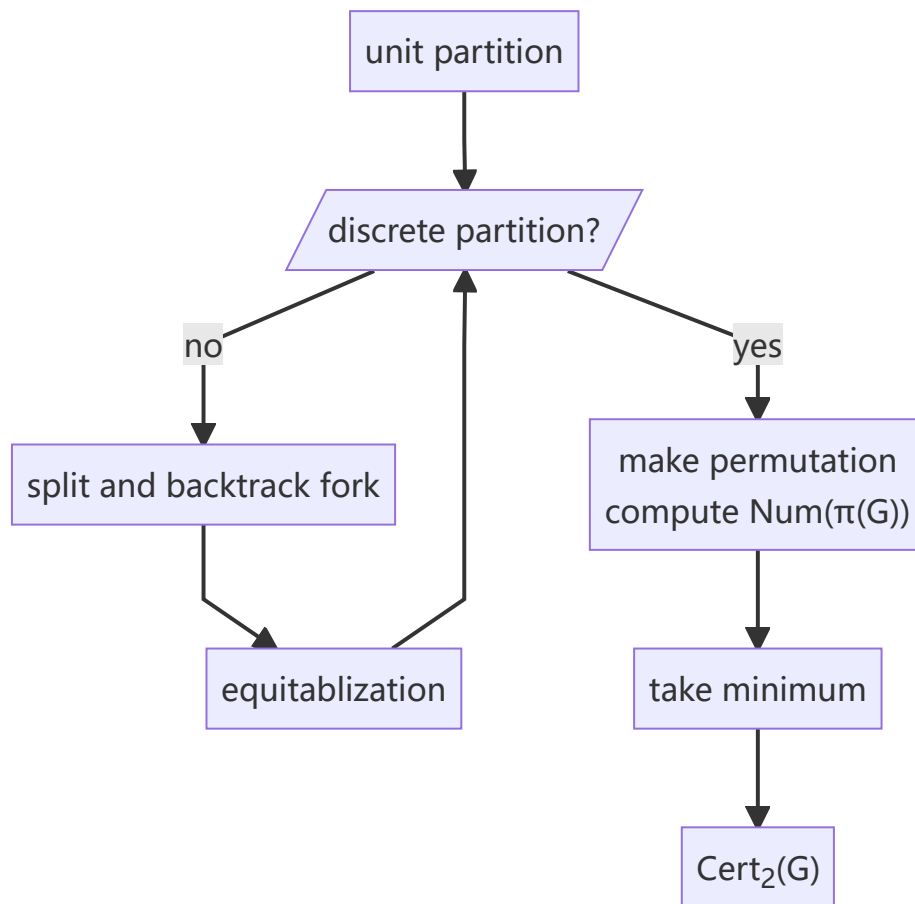


initial partition  $P = \{\{1, 5\}, \{2, 3, 4, 6\}\}$  (NOT equitable), after refining,  
 $P = \{\{1\}, \{5\}, \{4\}, \{6\}, \{2, 3\}\}$

Remark:

If  $P$  is a unit partition ( $P = \{V\}$ ), then refine  $P$  by  $D_{G,V}$  is equivalent to refining by degree.  
 (Since  $D_{G,V}(v) = \text{degree of } v$ )

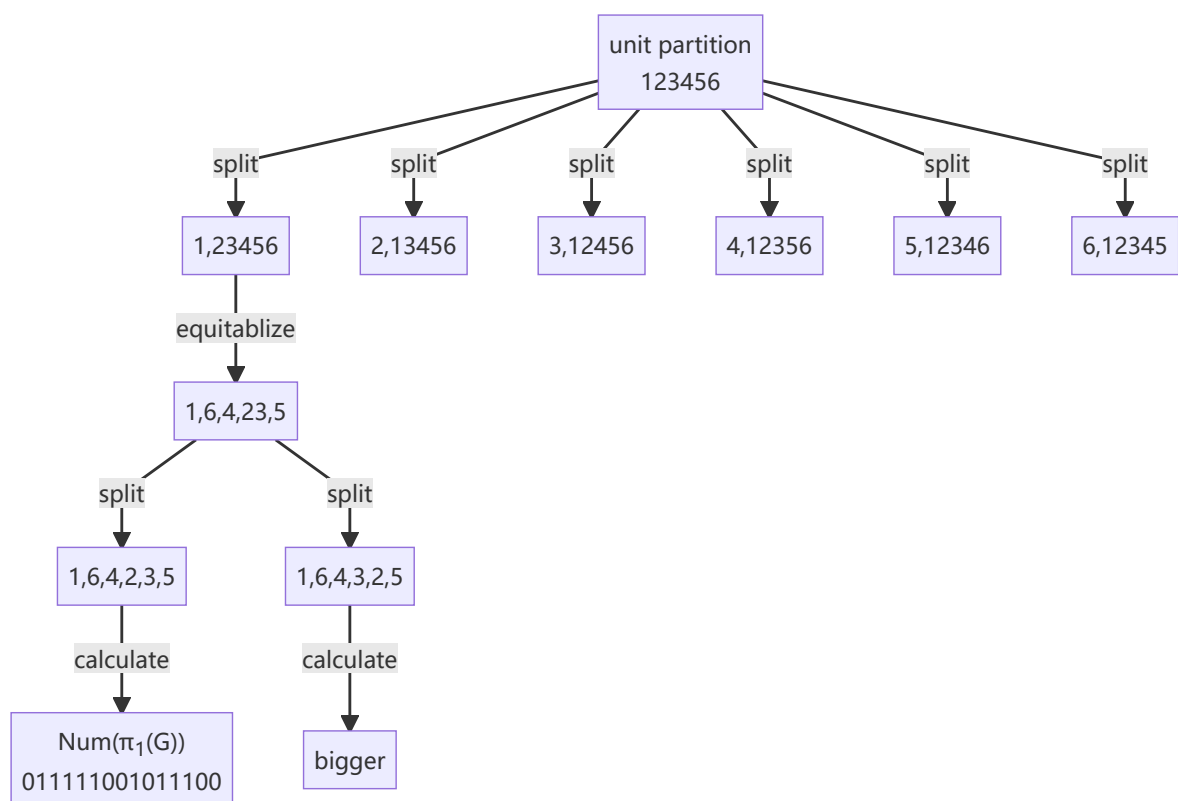
### computing Cert2



Remark:

Actually, the comparison is done not when the whole certificate is computed, but every time the partial certificate is known. This can prune the search tree partially

Example :



Remark:

Notice when run this for complete graph, it will still go through  $Sym(V)$ .

### \*pruning with automorphisms

**Lemma**  $Num(\pi(G)) = Num(\pi'(G)) \implies \phi = \pi \circ \pi'^{-1}$  is an automorphism

1. find automorphisms by Lemma
2. generate automorphism group using discovered automorphism as generators
3. use known automorphisms to prune the search

### \*Isomorphism of Others

#### colored graphs

preserving color

## Set systems

Isomorphism of set system can be transformed to isomorphism of (bipartite) graph.

Given set system  $S = (X, B)$ , define bipartite graph  $G = (V, E)$ , where  $V = X \cup B$ ,  $E = \{(x, b) \in X \times B : x \in b\}$ .

**Theorem**  $S_1 \cong S_2 \implies G_1 \cong G_2$

Remark:

Converse is NOT true

## Lemma

$S_1 = (X, B_1) \cong S_2 = (X, B_2) \iff G_1 \cong G_2$  with respect to partition  $P_1 = [X, B_1], P_2 = [X, B_2]$   
And for isomorphism  $\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  with respect to  $P_1, P_2$ ,  $\phi|_X$  is an isomorphism of  $S_1, S_2$ .

## Codes

Isomorphism of codes can be transformed to isomorphism of colored graph.

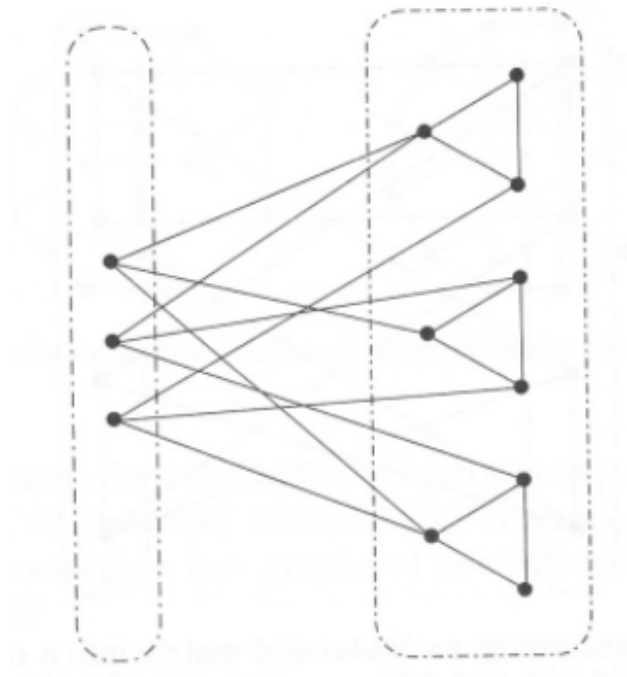
Given  $q$ -ary code  $C \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_q^n$ , defined coloured graph  $G = (V, E, f)$  with

- vertices,  $V = C \cup A$ , where  $A = (\{1, 2, \dots, n\} \times \mathbb{Z}_q)$ ,
- edges,  
 $E = \{\{x, (i, x[i])\} : x \in C, i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\} \cup \{\{(j, a), (j, b)\} : j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_q\}$
- (vertex) colouring,  $f(C) = \{0\}, f(A) = \{1\}$ , that is, only 2 colors indicating code elements and positionals.

Example,

code elements

positionals



This graph can represent  $\{000, 011, 220\} \cong \{000, 110, 022\} \cong \{111, 221, 100\} \dots$



The End... Thanks for reading. Ray loves you ❤️.