

## Comp 2804 - Introduction.

Today we will do Chapter 1 from the textbook.

Purpose is to remind you of COMP1805 concepts.

Also - introduce problems that we will later solve using probability.

Ramsey's Theory: the idea that structures emerge once problem is big enough.

Problem 1: 6 people are at a party  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_6$

Any two people must be either friends or strangers.

Example:  $P_2, P_4$  either know each other or do not.

Claim:  $\exists$  group of 3 friends

or group of 3 strangers in any group of 6 people.

How do we prove this?

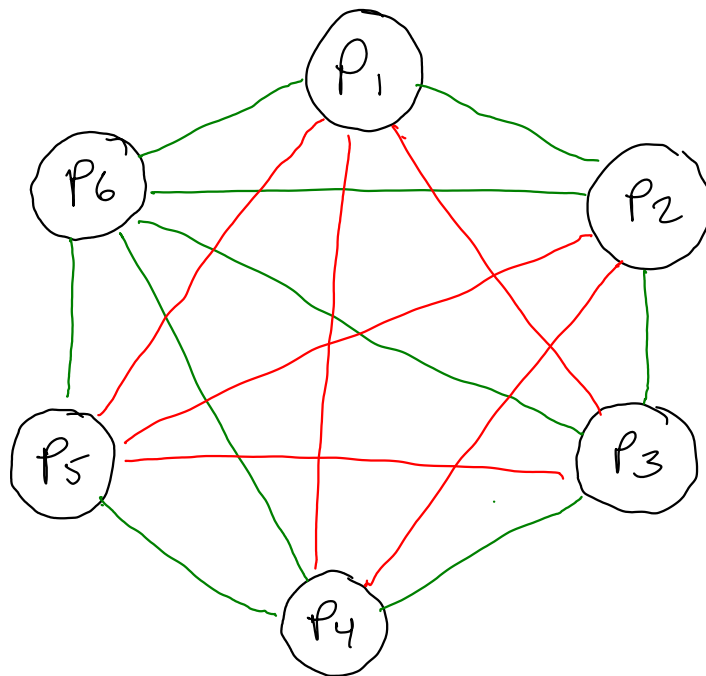
First we must model the problem.

When solving real world problems in math or computer science, we must first model it.

What is a good model? Graph.

Total number  
of edges?

$$5+4+3+2+1 \\ = 15$$



Specifically the complete graph  $K_6$

Red edge - strangers

Green edge - friends

An equivalent claim:

There is a red triangle or  
a green triangle.

In this example it is true

$P_1, P_3, P_5$  is a red triangle

$P_2, P_3, P_6$  is a green triangle

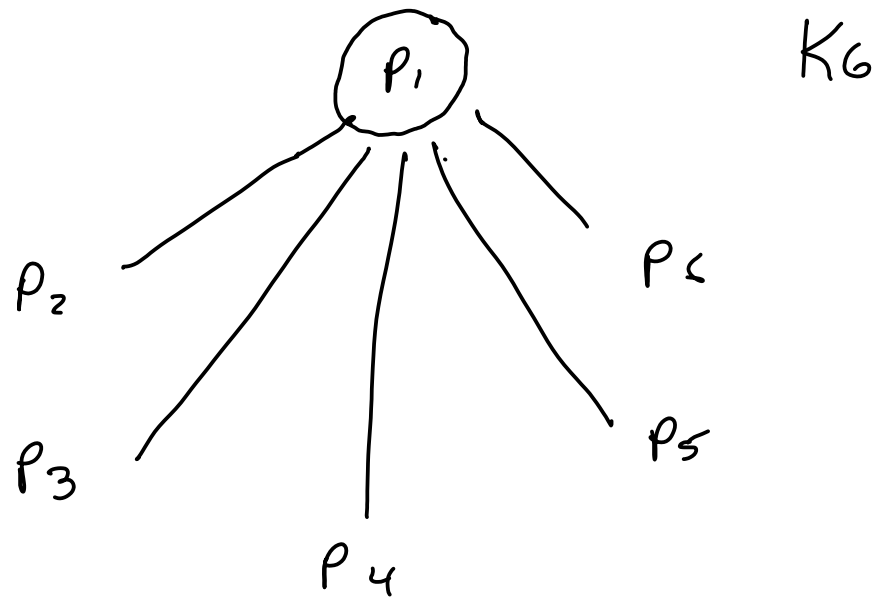
In this example both are true  
only need one

Example is not a proof.

Consider a single vertex:

$P_1$  has 5 edges.

Claim:  $P_1$  has at least 3 red or 3 green edges.



Prove (by contradiction):

1.  $\neg (P_1 \geq 3 \text{ green edges} \vee P_1 \geq 3 \text{ red edges})$

2.  $\neg (P_1 \geq 3 \text{ green}) \wedge \neg (P_1 \geq 3 \text{ red})$

3.  $P_1 < 3 \text{ green edges} \wedge P_1 < 3 \text{ red edges.}$

4.  $P_1$  has  $\leq 4$  edges

5. False

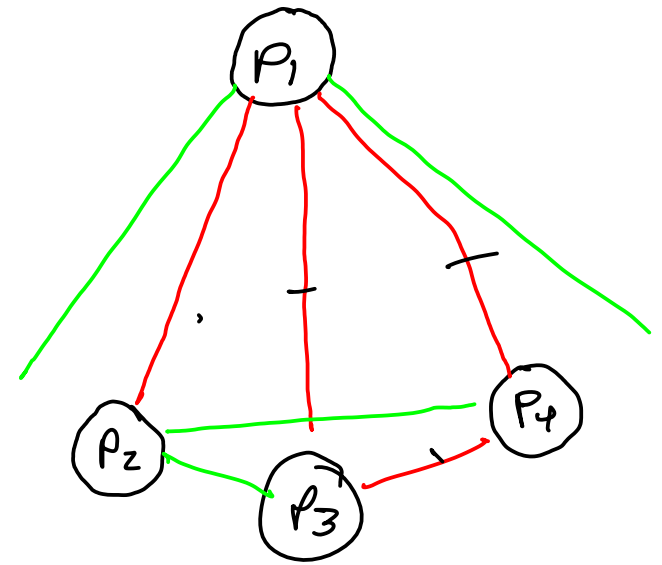
Without loss of generality, assume  $P_1$  has  $\geq 3$  red edges.

$P_2, P_3, P_4$

We will examine 2 cases:

① All three edges are green.

② At least one edge is red.



Case 1: All 3 edges are green.

$\rightarrow \exists$  a green triangle.

Case 2: At least 1 red edge

a) if it is  $P_3 P_4$ , then  $P_1 P_3 P_4$  is a red triangle

b) if it is  $P_2 P_3$ , then  $P_1 P_2 P_3$  is a red triangle

c) if it is  $P_2 P_4$ , then  $P_1 P_2 P_4$  is a red triangle.

$\therefore$  at least 1 red triangle.

$\therefore \exists$  at least 1 red triangle or  
1 green triangle.

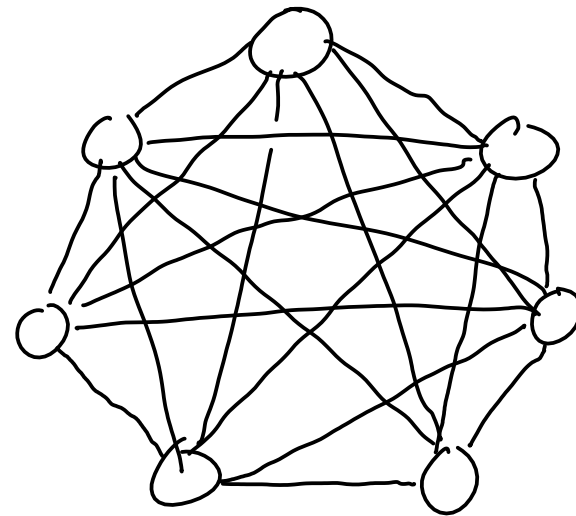
$\therefore$  For any group of 6 people, there is a group of 3 strangers  
or a group of 3 friends.

What about a group of 7 people?

In our model we make it into a graph -  $K_7$

Does this claim hold for  $K_7$  and above?

Yes because  $K_7$  has a copy of  $K_6$ .



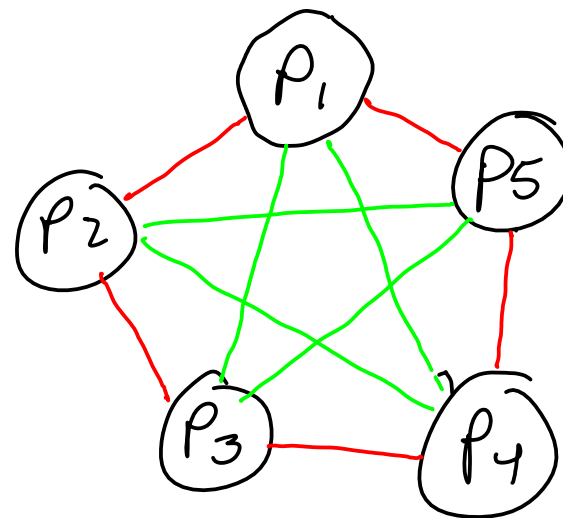
Is it true for  $K_5$ ?

How could we prove it is not true?

$\forall P(K_5)$

$\neg(\forall P(K_5))$

$\exists \neg P(K_5) \longrightarrow$  show that there exists an edge colouring of  $K_5$  with no green and no red triangles



Every triangle has two inner edges and one outer edge.  
(could prove that, but won't)

∴ not true for a group of 5 people.

More general Claim: there is a group of  $k$  friends or  $k$  strangers.  
in any group of  $n$  or more people,  $k \geq 4$

Known for some numbers, but many are still open.  
No general proof.

Claim: For any group of  $n = 1024$  people

- no group of 20 friends AND
- no group of 20 strangers.

with probability 99.99999999999999158%

For any group of 20 people there are at least  
2 friends AND  $\geq 2$  strangers with high probability

## Subsets

Set  $S = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$

Take subsets  $S_1, S_2, S_3, \dots, S_m$

$\forall i \neq j: S_i \not\subseteq S_j$  and  $S_j \not\subseteq S_i$ .

(At least one element in  $S_i$  not in  $S_j$  or  
" " " " "  $S_j$  not in  $S_i$ )

If  $|S_1| = |S_2| = \dots = |S_m|$  then one is a subset  
of the other only if they are equal.

How big  
can  $m$   
be?

for  $n=5$   
 $m \geq 10$

$$S_1 = \{a, b\} \quad \{c, d, e\}$$

$$S_2 = \{a, c\} \quad \{b, d, e\}$$

$$S_3 = \{a, d\} \quad \{b, c, e\}$$

$$S_4 = \{a, e\}$$

$$S_5 = \{b, c\}$$

$$S_6 = \{b, d\}$$

$$S_7 = \{b, e\}$$

$$S_8 = \{c, d\}$$

$$S_9 = \{c, e\}$$

$$S_{10} = \{d, e\}$$

All subsets of size 2.

If we took all subsets of size 3, we  
would get 10 subsets also. How do we know?

In general for  $n \geq 1, |S| = n$   
then  $m \leq \binom{n}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}$

$\binom{n}{k}$  "n choose k"

Binomial coefficient -  $\binom{n}{k}$  = number of subsets of  
size  $k$  in a set of size  $n$ .

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} n=5 \\ k=2 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \binom{5}{2} = 10 \\ \binom{5}{3} = 10 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{we will learn how to compute} \\ \text{this in general.} \end{array} \right\}$$

To prove question above, we use random numbers.  
Which is strange, because there are no random numbers.

## QuickSort ( $S, n$ )

$S$  = sequence of  $n$  numbers.

QuickSort Algorithm: (Recursive)

base case: if  $n=0$  or  $n=1$ , list is sorted

if  $n \geq 2$ :

choose an element  $p$  of  $S$  as pivot

rearrange  $S$  such that:

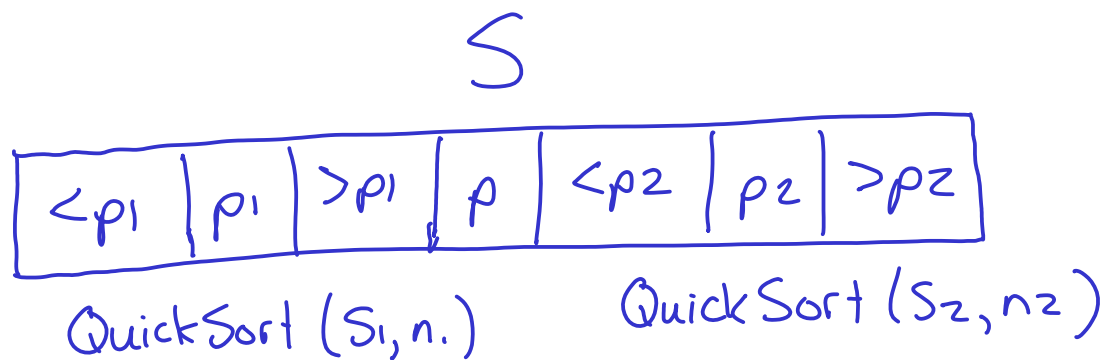
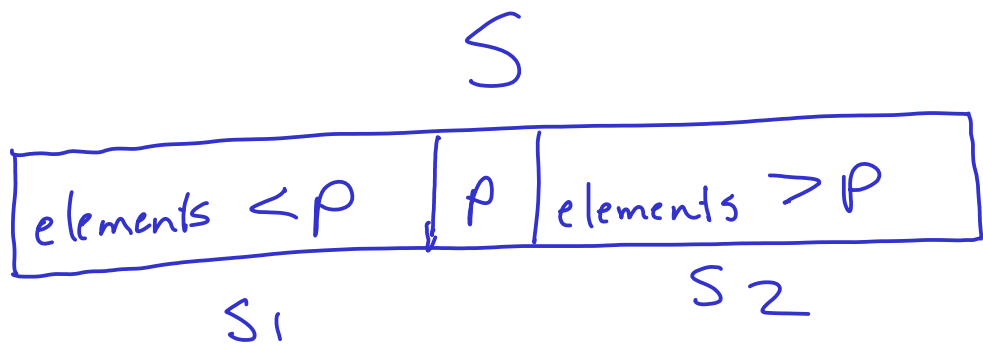


Two things to note:

① Once location of  $p$  is found, it does not change

②  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  stay in their positions  
(positions may change inside  $S_1$  or  $S_2$ ).

$\Rightarrow$  We can recursively sort  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  independently in their positions.

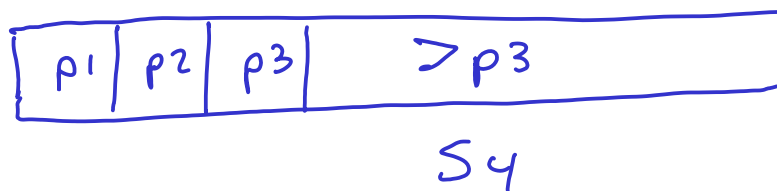
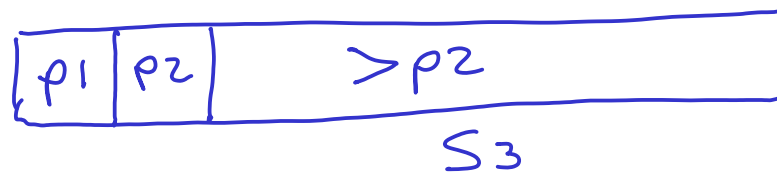
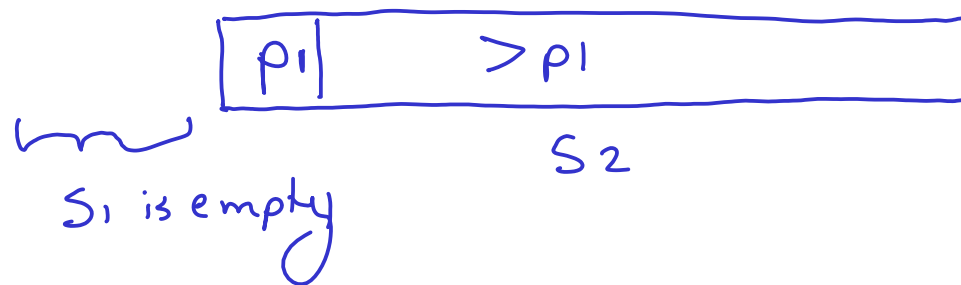


How quick is QuickSort? Depends on location of  $p$ .

What is a good choice for  $p$ ?

What is a bad choice for  $p$ ?

## Quick Sort ( $S, n$ )

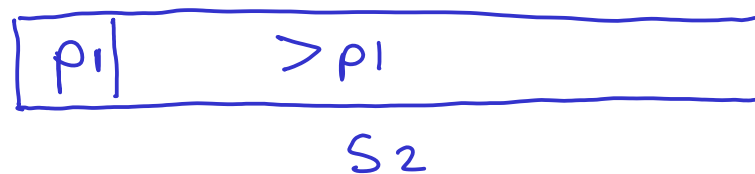


What if we choose smallest element as  $p$ ?

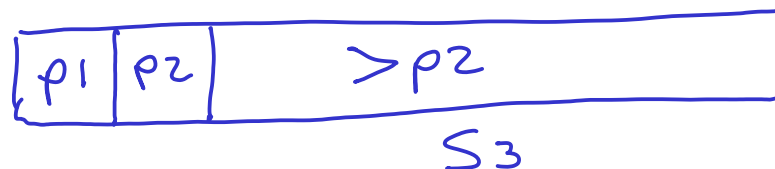
Then next smallest

And next smallest

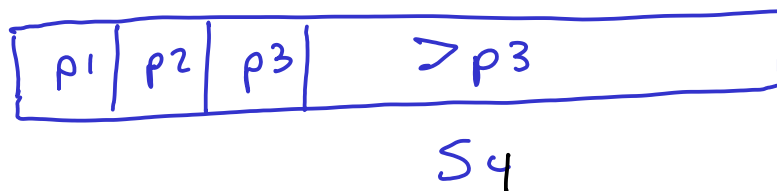
How much work is done?



compare  $n-1$  elements to  $p_1$



compare  $n-2$  elements to  $p_2$



compare  $n-3$  elements to  $p_3$ .

Pass 1: rearrange  
n elements

Pass 2: n - 1

Pass 3: n - 2

⋮

Pass n: 1

Total steps =

$$n + (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 1$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$n + (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 2 + 1$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n-1) + n$$

$$\underbrace{(n+1) + (n+1) + (n+1) + \dots + (n+1) + (n+1)}_{n \text{ terms}}$$

$$= \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Big-O and Big-Ω

$f(x) = O(g(x))$  if  $\exists c, k$  such that  $\forall x \geq k, f(x) \leq c \cdot g(x)$

$f(x) = \Omega(g(x))$  if  $\exists c, k$  " "  $\forall x \geq k, f(x) \geq c \cdot g(x)$ .

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{2} \leq n^2 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$\therefore$  QuickSort is  $O(n^2)$

$$\frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{2} \geq \frac{n^2}{2} \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

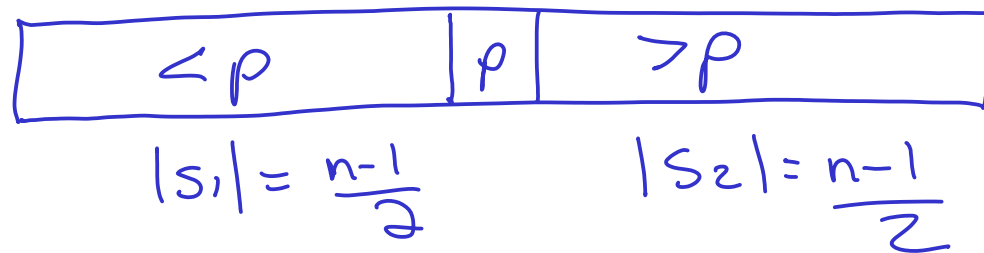
$\therefore$  QuickSort is  $\Omega(n^2)$

$\therefore$  QuickSort is  $\Theta(n^2)$

Merge Sort is  $\Theta(n \log n)$

Why called "Quick" Sort?

What happens if we choose a good pivot?



Still same work each pass  
- less passes } Problem size is cut in half each pass, then  $\log_2 n$  passes.

If we choose a random pivot, expected running time is  $O(n \log n)$

Expected = (weighted) average

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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On average how far from the middle is a random pivot?