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Preface

This book was written by undergraduate students at Wright College who were enrolled in my Math 299 class, Writing in the Sciences.

For many years, I have been teaching Discrete Math using the open source mathematical software SageMath. Despite the fabulous capabilities of this software, students were often frustrated by the lack of specific documentation geared towards beginning undergrad students in Discrete Math.

This book was born out of this frustration and the desire to make our own contribution to the Open Education movement from which we have benefitted greatly. In the context of Open Pedagogy, my students and I ventured into a challenging learning experience based on the principles of freedom and responsibility. Each week students wrote a chapter of this book. They found the topics and found their voice. We critically analyzed their writing and they edited, and edited again and again. They wrote code, tested it and polished it. In the process we all learned so much about Sage and we found some bugs in the software that are now in the process of being fixed thanks to its very active community of developers.

The result is the book that we dreamed to have had when we first attempt Discrete Math with Sage.

Our book is intended to provide concise and complete instructions of how to use different Sage functions to solve problems in Discrete Math. Our goal is to streamline the learning process helping students focus more on mathematics and reducing the friction of learning how to code. Our textbook is interactive and designed for all math students, regardless of programming experience. Rooted in the open education philosophy, our textbook is, and always will be, free for all.

I am very proud of the work of my students and hope that this book will serve as inspiration for other students to take ownership of a commons-based education. Towards a future where higher education is equally accessible to all.

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Hellen Colman
Chicago, May 2024

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Chapter 1

Getting Started

Welcome to our introduction to SageMath (also referred to as Sage). This chapter is designed for learners of all backgrounds—whether you're new to programming or aiming to expand your mathematical toolkit. There are various options for running Sage, including the SageMathCell, CoCalc, and a local installation. The easiest way to get started is to use the SageMathCell embedded directly in this book. We will also cover how to use CoCalc, a cloud-based platform that provides a collaborative environment for running Sage code.

Sage is a free open-source mathematics software system that integrates various[1] open-source mathematics software packages. We will cover the basics, including SageMath's syntax, data types, variables, and debugging techniques. Our goal is to equip you with the foundational knowledge needed to explore mathematical problems and programming concepts in an accessible and straightforward manner.

Join us as we explore the capabilities of SageMath!

1.1 Intro to Sage

You can run and edit the Sage code directly in the SageMathCells embedded in this webpage. All the cells on the same page share the same memory. Be sure to run the cells in order. If you run the cells on a given page out of order, you may get unexpected results.

Before we get started with discrete math, let's see how we can use Sage as a calculator. Here are the basic arithmetic operators:

- Addition: +

- Subtraction: -

- Multiplication: *

- Exponentiation: **, or ^

- Division: /

- Integer division: //

- Modulo: %

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[1] doc.sagemath.org/html/en/reference/spkg/

```
# Lines that start with a pound sign are comments
# and ignored by Sage
# Run this cell by clicking the Evaluate (Sage) button
# or use the keyboard shortcut command + shift
1+1
```

```
100 - 1
```

```
3*4
```

```
# Sage uses two exponentiation operators
# ** is valid in Sage and Python
2**3
```

```
# Sage uses two exponentiation operators
# ^ is valid in Sage
2^3
```

```
# Returns a rational number
5/3
```

```
# Returns a floating point approximation
5/3.0
```

```
# Returns the quotient of the integer division
5//3
```

```
# Returns the remainder of the integer division
5 % 3
```

1.2 Display Values

Sage offers various ways to display values to the screen. The simplest way is to just type the value into a cell and Sage will display it. Sage also has functions to display values to the screen.

- `print()` displays the value of the expression inside the parentheses to the screen.

- `pretty_print()` displays rich text.

- `show()` is an alias for `pretty_print()`.

- `latex()` produces the raw LaTeX code for the expression inside the parentheses. You can paste this code into a LaTeX document to display the expression.

Sage will display the value of the last line of code in a cell.

```
"Hello, World!"
```

`print()` outputs a similar result without the quotes.

```
print("Hello, World!")
```

View mathematical notation with rich text.

```
show(sqrt(2) / log(3))
```

If we want to display values from multiple lines of code, we can use multiple functions to display the values.

```
a = x^2
b = pi
show(a)
show(b)
```

1.3 Object Oriented Programming

Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) is a programming paradigm that mirrors the world as a collection of objects that interact with each other. An object can be used to model almost anything. More specifically, an object is an instance of a **class**.

Classes are like blueprints and define the **attributes** and **methods** of the objects they create. An attribute is a characteristic or property. A method is a function associated with an object that can perform actions on it or related to it.

Let's use these new terms to describe the following example.

```
vowels = ['a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u']
vowels
```

In Python and Sage, when we type a variable name, we are referring to an object. We initialize the object by assigning it a value. In this case, the object is a list of vowels.

```
type(vowels)
```

Sage let us know `vowels` is an instance of the class `list`. By assigning a series of characters enclosed in square brackets to the variable `vowels`, we create a `list` object. This object, `vowels`, now represents a list of vowels, and we can interact with it using various methods.

Dot notation is a syntax used to access an object's attributes and methods. The list class has methods and attributes that we can use to interact with the list object. For example, we can use the `append` method to add an element to the list.

```
vowels.append('y')
vowels
```

A **parameter** is a variable that is passed to a method when it is called. In this case, the parameter is the string 'y'. The `append` method adds the string 'y' to the end of the list. The list class has many more methods and attributes that we can use to interact with the list object. While `list` is a built-in Python class, Sage offers many more classes that are specialized for mathematical applications. For example, in the next chapter we will learn about the Sage `Set` class. Objects instantiated from the `Set` class have methods and attributes that are useful for working with sets.

```
v = Set(vowels)
type(v)
```

While this concept might seem abstract at first, it becomes clearer as we dive deeper into Sage. We will learn how Sage utilizes OOP principles and built-in classes, offering a structured way to represent data and perform powerful mathematical operations.

1.4 Data Types

Sage has many different classes of objects. Sage is built on top of Python, so it has all the data types that Python has. Sage also has its own classes that are well suited for mathematical computations. Let's ask Sage what type of object this is.

```
n = 2
type(n)
```

Sage tells us that 2 is represented by an object which is an instance of the **Integer** class. Sage has many classes for different types of numbers and mathematical objects.

In the following example Sage does not evaluate an approximation of `sqrt(2) * log(3)`. Sage will retain the **symbolic** value.

```
n = sqrt(2) * log(3)
type(n)
```

String: Sequence of characters used for text. You can use single or double quotes.

```
greeting = "Hello, World!"
type(greeting)
```

Boolean: The type bool can be one of two values, `True` or `False`.

```
# Check if 5 in contained in the set of prime numbers
b = 5 in Primes()
type(b)
```

List: Mutable collection of items within a pair of square brackets `[]`. If an object is mutable, the value can be changed after it is created.

```
l = [1, 3, 3, 2]
type(l)
```

Lists are indexed starting at `0`. Here we access the first element of a list by asking for the value at index zero.

```
l[0]
```

Lists have many helpful methods.

```
# Find the number of elements in the list
len(l)
```

Tuple: Immutable collection within a pair of parenthesis `()`. If an object is immutable, the value cannot be changed after it is created.

```
t = (1, 3, 3, 2)
type(t)
```

set: Collection of unique items within a pair of curly braces `{}`. `set()` with lowercase `s` is built into Python. Every item in a set is unique.

```
s = {1, 3, 3, 2}
type(s)
```

Set is a built-in Sage class. `Set` with a capital `S` have added functionality for mathematical operations.

```
S = Set([1, 3, 3, 2])
type(S)
```

We start by defining a `list` within square brackets `[]`. The set is then created with the `Set()` function.

```
S = Set([5, 5, 1, 3, 5, 3, 2, 2, 3])
print(S)
```

Dictionary: Collection of key-value pairs.

```
d = {
    "title": "Discrete Math with SageMath",
    "authors": ["Zunaid Ahmed", "Hellen Colman", "Samuel
        Lubliner"],
    "institution": "City Colleges of Chicago",
    "topics_covered": [
        "Set Theory",
        "Combinations and permutations",
        "Logic",
        "Quantifiers",
        "Relations",
        "Functions",
        "Recursion",
        "Graphs",
        "Trees",
        "Lattices",
        "Boolean algebras"
        ],
        "format": ["Web", "PDF"]
    }

type(d)
```

The `pprint` module may be used to print the dictionary in a more readable format.

```
import pprint
pprint.pprint(d)
```

1.5 Iteration

Iteration is used to create loops that allow a program to repeat a sequence of instructions until a certain condition is met. In a `for` loop, the loop variable is assigned a value from a sequence, and the body of the loop is executed once for each value.

```
# Print the numbers from 0 to 19
# Notice that 20 is not included
for i in range(20):
    print(i)
```

```
# The starting value of the range is included, unlike the
    ending value
for i in range(10, 20):
    print(i)
```

```
# We can also specify a step value
for i in range(30, 90, 9):
    print(i)
```

Lists are often used in iteration. Here is an example of list comprehension, which is a concise way to create lists.

```
# Create a list of the cubes of the numbers from 9 to 100
# In list comprehension, the for loop is written inside the
    square
# Unlike the range function, the ending value is included in
    the range
[n**3 for n in [9..20]]
```

1.6 Debugging

When you learn how to program you will make many mistakes. This will always be part of the process. Please try your best to get comfortable with making mistakes and experimenting. Over time you will learn to recognize how to correct these mistakes quicker. Reading error messages is an essential element of programming. Sometimes error messages are helpful and descriptive. Other times they will seem confusing and will become more clear over time and with practice. Let's make some mistakes together!

```
# Run this cell and see what happens
1message = "Hello, World!"
print(1message)
```

Why didn't this print `Hello, World!` to the screen? Sage told us we have a `SyntaxError`. In this case we are not too concerned with the meaning of `invalid decimal literal`. The problem is with how we named our variable. It turns out there are rules about naming identifiers.

Rules for naming identifiers in Python:

- Identifiers cannot start with a digit.

- Identifiers are case-sensitive.

- Identifiers can include:

- ○ letters (a - z, A - Z)
- ○ digits (0 - 9)
- ○ underscore character _

- Do not use spaces, punctuation or special characters when naming identifiers.

- Keywords cannot be used as identifiers.

Let's use an acceptable identifier to name our variable.

```
message = "Hello, World!"
print(message)
```

Here are some more keywords that cannot be used for variable names
False, None, True, and, as, assert, async, await, break, class, continue, def, del, elif, else, except, finally, for, from, global, if, import, in, is, lambda, nonlocal, not, or, pass, raise, return, try, while, with, yield.
Here is another error:

```
print(Hi)
```

It looks like we have a NameError because Hi is not defined. In this case Sage thinks that Hi is a variable because there are no quotes around it. Let's make it a string by adding quotes around it.

```
print("Hi")
```

Alternately, we could have kept Hi without quotes to use it as a variable and assign a value to it.

```
Hi = "Hello, World!"
print(Hi)
```

1.7 Defining Functions

Sage comes with many built-in functions. Math terminology is not always standard, so be sure to read the documentation to learn what these functions do and how to use them. In Sage, you can also define your own functions. Defining a function in Sage is similar to defining a function in Python.

To define a function in Sage, use the def keyword followed by the function name and the function's arguments. The function's body is indented. The return keyword is used to return a value from the function.

Here we have a function that takes a name as an argument and returns a greeting:

Notes. For an extra challenge, you can implement our greetings function more elegantly with string formatting.

```
def greetings(name):
    return 'Hello, ' + name + '!'
```

Try calling the function for yourself. Be sure to run the Sage cell with the function definition first to define the function and use it in other cells. When you run the cell that defines the function, you won't see any output. You will only see output when you call the function.

```
# Replace 'World' with your name
your_name = 'World'

greetings(your_name)
```

You can also add input validation to your functions to make them more robust.

```
def greetings(name):
    if not isinstance(name, str):
        raise ValueError('Name must be a string')

    if not name:
        raise ValueError('Name cannot be empty')
    return 'Hello, ' + name + '!'
```

Try calling the function with an empty string or a non-string argument to see the input validation in action.

```
no_name = ''
greetings(no_name)
```

```
greetings(9000)
```

Functions can also include a `docstring` to provide documentation for the function. The `docstring` is a string that appears as the first statement in the function body. It is used to describe what the function does and how to use it.

```
def greetings(name):
    """
    This function takes a name and returns a greeting. It
        ensures the name is a string and not empty, raising
        a ValueError with a message if these conditions are
        not met.

    Parameters:
    - name (str): The name to include in the greeting.

    Returns:
    - str: A greeting message which includes the given name.

    Raises:
    - ValueError: If 'name' is not a string or is an empty
        string.

    Example:
    >>> greetings("Alice")
    'Hello, Alice!'
    """
    if not isinstance(name, str):
        raise ValueError('Name must be a string')

    if not name:
        raise ValueError('Name cannot be empty')

    return 'Hello, ' + name + '!'
```

Let's use what we learned about functions to define a function that is

relevant to mathematics. You may have heard of Pascal's Triangle, a triangular array of numbers in which each number is the sum of the two numbers directly above it. Here is a function that generates the nth (0-indexed)row of Pascal's Triangle:

```
def printPascalRow(n):
    # List to store the nth row
    nth_row = []

    # Generate each item in the nth row using the binomial
        coefficient
    for k in range(n + 1):
        nth_row.append(binomial(n, k))

    # Print the nth row
    print(nth_row)
```

After running the above cell, you can call the function `printPascalRow`.

```
printPascalRow(5)
```

1.8 Documentation

Sage can do many more mathematical operations. If you want an idea of what Sage can do, check out the Quick Reference Card[1] and the Reference Manual[2].

The tutorial[3] is an overview to become familiar with Sage.

The Sage documentation[4] can be found at this link. Right now, reading the documentation is optional. We will do our best to get you up and running with Sage with this text.

You can quickly reference Sage documentation with the ? operator. You may also view the source code with the ?? operator.

```
Set?
```

```
Set??
```

```
factor?
```

```
factor??
```

1.9 Run Sage in the browser

The easiest way to get started is by running SageMath online. However, if you do not have reliable internet, you can also install the software locally on your own computer. Begin your journey with SageMath by following these steps:

1. Navigate to the SageMath website[1]

2. Click on Sage on CoCalc[2]

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[1]wiki.sagemath.org/quickref
[2]doc.sagemath.org/html/en/reference/
[3]doc.sagemath.org/html/en/tutorial/
[4]doc.sagemath.org/html/en/index.html
[1]https://www.sagemath.org/
[2]https://cocalc.com/features/sage

3. [Create a CoCalc account](#)[3]

4. Go to [Your Projects](#)[4] on CoCalc and create a new project.

5. Start your new project and create a new worksheet. Choose the Sage-Math Worksheet option.

6. Enter SageMath code into the worksheet. Try to evaluate a simple expression and use the worksheet like a calculator. Execute the code by clicking `Run` or using the shortcut `Shift + Enter`. We will learn more ways to run code in the next section.

7. Save your worksheet as a PDF for your records.

8. To learn more about SageMath worksheets, refer to the [documentation](#)[5]

9. Alternatively, you can run Sage code in a [Jupyter Notebook](#)[6] for some additional features.

10. If you are feeling adventurous, you can [install Sage](#)[7] and run it locally on your own computer. Keep in mind that a local install will be the most involved way to run Sage code.

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[3]`https://cocalc.com/auth/sign-up`
[4]`https://cocalc.com/projects`
[5]`https://doc.cocalc.com/sagews.html`
[6]`doc.cocalc.com/jupyter-start.html`
[7]`doc.sagemath.org/html/en/installation/index.html`

Chapter 2

Set Theory

This chapter presents the study of set theory with Sage, starting with a description of the `Set` function and its variations, then how to use it to calculate the basic set operations.

2.1 Creating Sets

2.1.1 Set Definitions

To construct a set, encase the elements within square brackets `[]`. Then, pass this `list` as an argument to the `Set()` function. It's important to note that the `S` in `Set()` should be uppercase to define a Sage set. In a set, each element is unique.

```
A = Set([5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 2, 1])
print(A)
```

We can ask Sage to compare two sets to see whether or not they are equal. We can use the `==` operator to compare two values. A single equal sign `=` and double equal sign `==` have different meanings.

The **equality operator** `==` is used to ask Sage if two values are the same. Sage compares the values on each side of the operator and returns the Boolean value. The `==` operator returns `True` if the sets are equal and `False` if they are not equal.

The **assignment operator** `=` is used to assign a value to a variable. The value on the right side of the operator is assigned to the variable on the left side.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
B = Set([5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 2, 1])
A == B
```

If you are familiar with Python, you may have used a Python `set`. Notice how the Python `set` begins with a lower case `s`. Even though Sage supports Python sets, we will be using Sage `Set` for the added features. Be sure to define `Set()` with an upper case `S`.

2.1.2 Set Builder Notation

Instead of explicitly listing the elements of a set, we can use a set builder notation to define a set. The set builder notation is a way to define a set by describing the properties of its elements. Here we use the Sage `srange` instead of the Python `range` function for increased flexibility and functionality.

```
# Create a set of even numbers between 1 and 10
C = Set([x for x in srange(1, 11) if x % 2 == 0])
C
```

Iteration is a way to repeat a block of code multiple times and can be used to automate repetitive tasks. We could have created the same set by typing `C = Set([2, 4, 6, 8, 10])`. Imagine if we wanted to create a set of even numbers between 1 and 100. It would be much easier to use iteration.

```
D = Set([x for x in srange(1, 101) if x % 2 == 0])
D
```

2.1.3 Subsets

To list all the subsets included in a set, we can use the `Subsets()` function and then use the `Set()` function to display the set of subsets.

```
A = Subsets([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
Set(A)
```

2.1.4 Set Membership Check

Sage allows you to easily check whether a certain element belongs to a set. You can use the `in` operator to check membership, which returns `True` if the element is in the set and `False` otherwise.

Let's consider $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. We can check if the number 3 is in set A:

Notes. For organizations such as clubs, gyms, or online subscription services, set membership checks can be used to validate if a user is a member or subscriber. This can help control access to facilities or content.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
3 in A
```

We also can check if $B = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$ is a subset of A by using the `Subsets` function to generate a set S with all the subsets of A. Then we use the `in` operator to check whether B belongs to the set of subsets of A.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
S = Subsets(A)
B = Set([3, 4, 5, 6])
B in S
```

2.2 Cardinality

To find the cardinality of a set, we use the `cardinality()` function.

Notes. In social networks like Facebook or Twitter, cardinality can represent the number of friends or followers a user has. Understanding the cardinality of social connections can help in personalization, targeted advertising, and studying social influence.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
A.cardinality()
```

Alternatively, we can also use the `len()` function, built into Python. Instead of returning a Sage `Integer`, the `len()` function returns a Python `int`.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
len(A)
```

In many cases, using Sage classes and functions will provide more functionality. In the following example, `cardinality()` gives us a valid output while `len()` does not.

```
P = Primes()
P.cardinality()
```

```
# This results in an error because the
# Python len() function is not defined for the primes class
P = Primes()
P.len()
```

2.3 Operations on Sets

2.3.1 Union of Sets

There are two distinct methods available in Sage for calculating unions.

Suppose $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and $B = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$. We can use the `union()` function to calculate $A\ B$.

Notes. This operation can be visualized in real-world scenarios such as merging two distinct music playlists into one. In this case, any song that appears in both playlists will only be listed once in the merged playlist.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
B = Set([3, 4, 5, 6])
A.union(B)
```

Alternatively, we can also use the `|` operator to perform the union operation.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
B = Set([3, 4, 5, 6])
A | B
```

2.3.2 Intersection of Sets

Similar to union, there are two methods of using the intersection function in Sage.

Suppose $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and $B = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$. We can use the `intersection()` function to calculate $A\,B$.

Notes. A practical application of set intersection could be finding common members between two different social media groups. Members who belong to both groups represent the intersection of these groups.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
B = Set([3, 4, 5, 6])
A.intersection(B)
```

Alternatively, we can also use the `&` operator to perform the intersection operation.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
B = Set([3, 4, 5, 6])
A & B
```

2.3.3 Difference of Sets

We have two methods to solve for difference as well.

Suppose $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and $B = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$. We can use the `difference()` function to calculate the difference between 2 sets.

Notes. In a real-life context, this can be seen as identifying items on a restaurant menu (set A) that you have not yet tried (set B), with A - B representing the new dishes to explore.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
B = Set([3, 4, 5, 6])
A.difference(B)
```

Alternatively, we can also use the `-` operator to perform the difference operation.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
B = Set([3, 4, 5, 6])
A - B
```

2.3.4 Multiple Sets

For doing operations involving multiple sets, we can repeat the operations to get our results, let us see an example.

Suppose $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, $B = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$ and $C = \{5, 6, 7\}$. To find the union of all three sets, we will repeat the `union()` function.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
B = Set([3, 4, 5, 6])
C = Set([5, 6, 7])
```

```
A.union(B).union(C)
```

Alternatively, we can also repeat the `|` operator to perform the union operation.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
B = Set([3, 4, 5, 6])
C = Set([5, 6, 7])
A | B | C
```

Similar operations can also be done using the `intersection()` and `difference()` functions as well as their operators.

2.3.5 Complement of Sets

Let $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ be the universal set. Given the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. We can use the `difference()` function to find the complement of A.

Notes. This is analogous to having a list of all possible ice cream flavors (U) and identifying those flavors you have yet to try (A').

```
U = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
U.difference(A)
```

Alternatively, we can also use the `-` operator as well.

```
U = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
U - A
```

2.3.6 Cartesian Product of Sets

Suppose $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and $D = \{x, y\}$. We can use the `cartesian_product()` and `Set()` functions to display the Cartesian product $A \times D$.

Notes. This concept can be applied in situations like determining all possible combinations of two different sets, such as shirt colors and pants styles in a wardrobe.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
D = Set(['x', 'y'])
Set(cartesian_product([A, D]))
```

Alternatively, we can use the `.` notation to find the Cartesian product.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
D = Set(['x', 'y'])
Set(A.cartesian_product(D))
```

2.3.7 Power Set of Sets

The power set of a set A is the set of all subsets of A, including the empty set and A itself. This Sage code defines a set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and uses the `powerset()` function to generate all subsets of A. The `list()` function is then used to convert the power set iterator into a list.

Notes. Exploring the power set of a set can be particularly useful in fields such as combinatorics, probability theory, and computer science, where understanding the relationships between subsets of a given set is crucial.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
list(powerset(A))
```

Chapter 3

Combinatorics

Counting techniques arise naturally in computer algebra as well as in basic applications in daily life. This chapter covers the treatment in Sage of the enumeration problem, like counting combinations and counting permutations as well as listing them.

3.1 Combinatorics

3.1.1 Factorial Function

The factorial of a non-negative integer n, denoted by $n!$, is the product of all positive integers less than or equal to n. In Sage, the `factorial()` function computes this value, which is essential in permutations and combinations calculations.

Notes. Factorials are widely used in probability problems, such as determining the number of possible ways a set of items can be arranged.

For example, to compute the factorial of 5:

```
factorial(5)
```

3.1.2 Combinations

The combination (n, k) is an unordered selection of k objects from a set of n objects.

Notes. Combinations are useful in scenarios like determining the number of possible committees that can be formed from a larger group.

For instance, to calculate the number of ways to choose 3 elements from a set of 5:

```
Combinations(5, 3).cardinality()
```

Another method would be using the `binomial()` function.

```
binomial(5, 3)
```

3.1.3 Permutations

A permutation (n, k) is an ordered selection of k objects from a set of n objects.

Notes. Understanding permutations can help solve problems like scheduling where the order of tasks or events matters.

For instance, to calculate the number of ways to choose 3 elements from a set of 5 when the order matters, we use the `Permutations()` and the `cardinality()` functions.

```
Permutations(5, 3).cardinality()
```

To display the set of permutations for 3 chosen elements from a set of 5 in order, we use the `Permutations()` function and the use the `Set()` function.

```
A = Permutations(5, 3)
Set(A)
```

When $n = k$, we can calculate permutations of n elements.

To calculate the permutation of a set with 3 elements, we use the `Permutations()` and the `cardinality()` functions.

```
Permutations(3).cardinality()
```

Similarly, we can also show the sets of permutations:

```
A = Permutations(3)
Set(A)
```

We can also specify the elements:

```
A = Permutations(['a', 'b', 'c'])

for f in Set(A):
    print(f)
```

Chapter 4

Logic

In this chapter, we introduce different ways to create boolean formulas using the logical functions `not`, `and`, `or`, `if then`, and `iff`. Then, we show how to ask Sage to create a truth table from a formula and determine if an expression is a contradiction or a tautology.

4.1 Logical Operators

In Sage, logical operations such as AND `&`, OR `|`, NOT `~`, conditional `->`, and biconditional `<->` play crucial roles in constructing and evaluating logical expressions.

Operator	Symbol	Mathematical Notation
AND	&	$\wedge$
OR	|	$\vee$
NOT	~	$\neg$
Conditional	->	$\rightarrow$
Biconditional	<->	$\leftrightarrow$

Notes. Logical operators are fundamental in digital circuit design. They are used to create complex circuits like ALUs (Arithmetic Logic Units) in computer processors, where operations such as addition, subtraction, and bit shifting rely on combinations of AND, OR, and NOT gates. Understanding these basics is essential for designing efficient electronic and software solutions.

4.1.1 Boolean Formula

Sage's `propcalc.formula()` function allows for the creation of Boolean formulas using variables and logical operators. We can then use `show` function to display the mathematical notations.

```
A = propcalc.formula('(p & q) | (~p)')
show(A)
```

```
 # Displays the Boolean formula (p AND q) OR (NOT p) in
     mathematical notation.
```

4.2 Truth Tables

The `truthtable()` function in Sage generates the truth table for a given logical expression.

Notes. Constructing truth tables is a practical method for debugging complex logical conditions in software development, ensuring all scenarios are accounted for.

```
A = propcalc.formula('p -> q')
A.truthtable()
```

An alternative way to display the table with better separation and visuals would be to use `SymbolicLogic()`, `statement()`, `truthtable()` and the `print_table()` functions.

```
A = SymbolicLogic()
B = A.statement('p -> q')
C = A.truthtable(B)
A.print_table(C)
```

`SymbolicLogic()` creates an instance for handling symbolic logic operations, while `statement()` defines the given statement. The `truthtable()` method generates a truth table for this statement, and `print_table()` displays it.

Expanding on the concept of truth tables, we can analyze logical expressions involving three variables. This provides a deeper understanding of the interplay between multiple conditions. The `truthtable()` function accommodates expressions with any reasonable number of variables.

Notes. Truth tables for three variables are particularly useful in the study of digital circuits and Boolean algebra, where each variable represents a different input or condition.

```
B = propcalc.formula('(p & q) -> r')
B.truthtable()
```

4.3 Analyzing Logical Equivalences

4.3.1 Equivalent Statements

By comparing the truth tables, we can ascertain if two logical statements are equivalent, meaning they have identical truth values for all possible inputs.

Notes. This approach is invaluable in simplifying logical expressions in computer algorithms and understanding proofs in mathematical logic.

```
E1 = propcalc.formula('(p -> q) & (q -> r)')
E2 = propcalc.formula('p -> r')
T1 = E1.truthtable()
T2 = E2.truthtable()
T1 == T2
```

4.3.2 Tautologies

A tautology is a logical statement that is always true. The `is_tautology()` function checks whether a given logical expression is a tautology.

Notes. Understanding tautologies is essential in computer science, particularly in optimizing algorithms and validating logical propositions in software verification. It's also fundamental in mathematical proof strategies, such as proof by contradiction.

```
a = propcalc.formula('p | ~p')
a.is_tautology()
```

4.3.3 Contradictions

In contrast to tautologies, contradictions are statements that are always false.

Notes. Analyzing the relationship between tautologies and contradictions can aid in the development of critical thinking skills, important for debugging in programming, constructing mathematical proofs, and designing logical circuits.

```
A = propcalc.formula('p & ~p')
A.is_contradiction()
```

Chapter 5

Relations

In this chapter, we will explore the relationships between elements in sets, building upon the concept of "Cartesian product" introduced earlier. We will begin by learning how to visualize relations using Sage. Then, we will introduce some new functions that can help us determine whether these relations are equivalence or partial order relations.

5.1 Introduction to Relations

A **relation** R from set A to set B is any subset of the Cartesian product $A \times B$, indicating that $R \subseteq A \times B$. We can ask Sage to decide if R is a relation from A to B. First, construct the Cartesian product $C = A \times B$. Then, build the set S of all subsets of C. Finally, ask if R is a subset of S.

Notes. In database management, relations model the connections between different entities (e.g., customers and orders). Each record in one table can relate to records in another, facilitating complex queries and data analytics essential for operational intelligence and decision making.

Recall the Cartesian product consists of all possible ordered pairs (a, b), where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$. Each pair combines an element from set A with an element from set B.

In this example, an element in the set A relates to an element in B if the element from A is twice the element from B.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])
B = Set([1, 2, 7])

C = Set(cartesian_product([A, B]))
S = Subsets(C)

R = Set([(a, b) for a in A for b in B if a==2*b])

print("R =", R)
print("Is R a relation from set A to set B?", R in S)
```

Let's use relations to explore matching items of clothes. Let's define two sets, jackets and shirts, as examples:

Notes. In online shopping platforms, relations help personalize customer experiences. Products and user preferences can be modeled as sets, with relations

based on past purchases or browsing history to recommend new products effectively.

$$\text{jackets} = \{j_1, j_2, j_3\}$$

$$\text{shirts} = \{s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4\}$$

The Cartesian product of jackets and shirts includes all possible combinations of jackets with shirts.

```
# Define the sets of jackets and shirts
jackets = Set(['j1', 'j2', 'j3'])
shirts = Set(['s1', 's2', 's3', 's4'])

# View all the possible combinations of jackets and shirts
C = cartesian_product([jackets, shirts])

Set(C)
```

Notes. Recommendation systems in services like streaming and e-commerce use relations to connect users to products or media they are likely to enjoy, based on similar user preferences and behaviors, enhancing user engagement and satisfaction.

Since the Cartesian product returns all the possible combinations, some jackets and shirts will clash. Let's create a relation from jackets to shirts based on matching the items of clothing.

```
# Define a matching relation between jackets and shirts
R = Set([('j1', 's1'), ('j2', 's3'), ('j3', 's4'), ('j1',
    's2')])

print("Matching relation R =", R)
```

5.2 Relations on a set

When $A = B$ we refer to the relation as a relation **on** A.

Consider the set $A = \{2, 3, 4, 6, 8\}$. Let's define a relation R on A such that aRb iff $a|b$ (a divides b). The relation R can be represented by the set of ordered pairs where the first element divides the second:

```
A = Set([2, 3, 4, 6, 8])

# Define the relation R on A: aRb iff a divides b
R = Set([(a, b) for a in A for b in A if a.divides(b)])

show(R)
```

5.3 Digraphs

A digraph, or directed graph, is a visual representation of a relation R on the set A. Every element in set A is shown as a node (vertex). An arrow from the node a to the node b represents the pair (a, b) on the relation R.

Notes. Digraphs are essential in the modeling of computer networks where nodes represent computers or routers and directed edges represent the direction

of data flow. This aids in understanding and optimizing network traffic and routing protocols.

```
# Define the set A
A = Set([2, 3, 4, 6, 8])

# Define the relation R on A: aRb iff a divides b
R = [(a, b) for a in A for b in A if a.divides(b)]

DiGraph(R, loops=true)
```

We can add a title to the digraph with the `name` parameter.

Real-world Application: Social Network Analysis. In social network analysis, digraphs are used to represent relationships where direction matters, such as Twitter followers or citations in academic papers. This helps in identifying influential users or key research papers.

```
DiGraph(R, loops=true, name="Look at my digraph")
```

If the digraph does not contain a relation from a node to itself, we can omit the `loops=true` parameter. If we happen to forgot to include the parameter when we need to, Sage will give us a descriptive error message.

```
# Define the set A
A = Set([2, 3, 4, 6, 8])

# Define the relation R on A: aRb iff a < b
R = [(a, b) for a in A for b in A if a < b]
DiGraph(R)
```

Real-world Application: Systems Biology. Directed graphs are crucial in systems biology to model regulatory networks where nodes represent genes or proteins, and edges represent regulatory influences, helping to decode complex biological systems and interactions.

We can also define the digraph using pair notion for relations.

```
DiGraph([(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 4)])
```

Alternatively, we can define the digraph directly. The element on the left of the : is a node. The node relates to the elements in the list on the right of the :.

```
# 1 relates to 2, 3, and 4
# 2 relates to 3 and 4
# 3 relates to 4
DiGraph({1: [2, 3, 4], 2: [3, 4], 3: [4]})
```

5.4 Properties

A relation on A may satisfy certain properties:

- **Reflexive**: $aRa \, \forall a \in A$

- **Symmetric**: If aRb then $bRa \, \forall a, b \in A$

- **Antisymmetric**: If aRb and bRa then $a = b \, \forall a, b \in A$

- **Transitive**: If aRb and bRc then $aRc \, \forall a, b, c \in A$

So far, we have learned about some of the built-in Sage methods that come out of the box, ready for use to use. Sometimes, we may need to define custom functions to meet specific requirements or check for particular properties. We define custom functions with the `def` keyword. If you want to reuse the custom functions defined in this book, copy and paste the function definitions into your own Sage worksheet and then call the function to use it.

5.4.1 Reflexive

A relation R is reflexive if a relates to a for all elements a in the set A. This means all the elements relate to themselves.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3])
R = Set([(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (2, 3)])
show(R)
```

Let's define a function to check if the relation R on set A is reflexive. We will create a set of (a, a) pairs for each element a in A and check if this set is a subset of R. This will return `True` if the relation is reflexive and `False` otherwise.

```
def is_reflexive_set(A, R):
    reflexive_pairs = Set([(a, a) for a in A])
    return reflexive_pairs.issubset(R)

is_reflexive_set(A, R)
```

If we are working with `DiGraphs`, we can use the method `has_edge` to check if the graph has a loop for each vertex.

```
def is_reflexive_digraph(A, G):
    return all(G.has_edge(a, a) for a in A)

A = [1, 2, 3]
R = [(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (2, 3)]

G = DiGraph(R, loops=True)

is_reflexive_digraph(A, G)
```

5.4.2 Symmetric

A relation is symmetric if a relates to b, then b relates to a.

```
def is_symmetric_set(relation_R):
    inverse_R = Set([(b, a) for (a, b) in relation_R])
    return relation_R == inverse_R

A = Set([1, 2, 3])

R = Set([(1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 3)])

is_symmetric_set(R)
```

We can check if a `DiGraph` is symmetric by comparing the edges of the graph with the `reverse` edges. In our definition of symmetry, we are only interested in the relation of nodes, so we set edge `labels=False`.

```
def is_symmetric_digraph(digraph):
    return digraph.edges(labels=False) ==
        digraph.reverse().edges(labels=False)

relation_R = [(1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 3)]

G = DiGraph(relation_R, loops=true)

is_symmetric_digraph(G)
```

5.4.3 Antisymmetric

When a relation is antisymmetric, the only case that a relates to b and b relates to a is when a and b are equal.

```
def is_antisymmetric_set(relation):
    for a, b in relation:
        if (b, a) in relation and a != b:
            return False
    return True

relation = Set([(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)])

is_antisymmetric_set(relation)
```

While Sage offers a built-in `antisymmetric()` method for `Graphs`, it checks for a more restricted property than the standard definition of antisymmetry. Specifically, it checks if the existence of a path from a vertex x to a vertex y implies that there is no path from y to x unless $x = y$. Observe that while the standard antisymmetric property forbids the edges to be bidirectional, the Sage antisymmetric property forbids cycles.

```
# Example with the more restricted
# Sage built-in antisymmetric method
# Warning: returns False

relation = [(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)]

DiGraph(relation).antisymmetric()
```

Let's define a function to check for the standard definition of antisymmetry in a `DiGraph`.

```
def is_antisymmetric_digraph(digraph):
    for edge in digraph.edges(labels=False):
        a, b = edge
        # Check if there is an edge in both directions (a to
            b and b to a) and a is not equal to b
        if digraph.has_edge(b, a) and a != b:
            return False
    return True

relation = DiGraph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)])
```

```
is_antisymmetric_digraph(relation)
```

5.4.4 Transitive

A relation is transitive if a relates to b and b relates to c, then a relates to c.

Let's define a function to check for the transitive property in a `Set`:

```
def is_transitive_set(A, R):
    for a in A:
        for b in A:
            if (a, b) in R:
                for c in A:
                    if (b, c) in R and not (a, c) in R:
                        return False
    return True

A = Set([1, 2, 3])

R = Set([(1, 2), (2, 3), (1, 3)])

is_transitive_set(A, R)
```

You may be tempted to write a function with a nested loop because the logic is easy to follow. However, when working with larger sets, the time complexity of the function will not be efficient. This is because we are iterating through the set A three times. We can improve the time complexity by using a dictionary to store the relation R. Alternatively, we can use built-in Sage `DiGraph` methods.

```
D = DiGraph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (1, 3)], loops=True)

D.is_transitive()
```

5.5 Equivalence

A relation on a set is called an **equivalence relation** if it is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive. The **equivalence class** of an element a in a set A is the set of all elements in A that are related to a by this relation, denoted by:

$$[a] = \{x \in A \mid xRa\}$$

Here, $[a]$ represents the equivalence class of a, comprising all elements in A that are related to a through the relation R. This illustrates the grouping of elements into equivalence classes.

Consider a set A defined as:

$$A = \{x \mid x \text{ is a person living in a given building}\}$$

```
# Define the set of people
A = Set(['p_1', 'p_2', 'p_3', 'p_4', 'p_5', 'p_6', 'p_7',
    'p_8', 'p_9', 'p_10'])
A
```

Create sets for the people living on each floor of the building:

Notes. Equivalence relations are fundamental in data classification systems where objects need to be grouped based on shared characteristics. This is crucial in fields ranging from library science, where books are grouped by genres, to digital marketing, where consumers are segmented by purchasing behaviors.

```python
import pprint

# Define the floors as a dictionary, mapping floor names to
    sets of people
floors = {
    'first_floor': Set(['p_1', 'p_2', 'p_3', 'p_4']),
    'second_floor': Set(['p_5', 'p_6', 'p_7']),
    'third_floor': Set(['p_8', 'p_9', 'p_10'])
}

pprint.pprint(floors)
```

Let R be the relation on A described as follows:

$$xRy \text{ iff } x \text{ and } y \text{ live in the same floor of the building.}$$

```python
# Define the relation R based on living on the same floor
R = Set([(x, y) for x in A for y in A if any(x in
    floors[floor] and y in floors[floor] for floor in
    floors)])
R
```

Notes. In social sciences, equivalence classes help in the study of social groups and structures, analyzing how individuals within the same social class share certain characteristics and behaviors, facilitating targeted sociological studies and policy-making.

This relation demonstrates the properties of an equivalence relation:

Reflexive: A person lives in the same floor as themselves.

```python
def is_reflexive_set(A, R):
    reflexive_pairs = Set([(a, a) for a in A])
    return reflexive_pairs.issubset(R)

is_reflexive_set(A, R)
```

Symmetric: If person a lives in the same floor as person b, then person b lives in the same floor as person a.

```python
def is_symmetric_set(relation_R):
    inverse_R = Set([(b, a) for (a, b) in relation_R])
    return relation_R == inverse_R

is_symmetric_set(R)
```

Transitive: If person a lives in the same floor as person b and person b lives in the same floor as person c, then person a lives in the same floor as person c.

```python
G = DiGraph(list(R), loops=true)
G.is_transitive()
```

5.6 Partial Order

A relation R on a set is a Partial Order (PO) $\prec$ if it satisfies the reflexive, antisymmetric, and transitive properties. A poset is a set with a partial order relation. For example, the following set of numbers with a relation given by divisibility is a poset.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8])

R = [(a, b) for a in A for b in A if a.divides(b)]

D = DiGraph(R, loops=True)

plot(D)
```

A Hasse diagram is a simplified visual representation of a poset. Unlike a digraph, the relative position of vertices has meaning: if x relates to y, then the vertex x appears lower in the drawing than the vertex y. Self-loops are assumed and not shown. Similarly, the diagram assumes the transitive property and does not explicitly display the edges that are implied by the transitive property.

If R is a partial order relation on A, then the function `Poset((A, R))` computes the Hasse diagram associated to R.

```
A = Set([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8])

R = [(a, b) for a in A for b in A if a.divides(b)]

P = Poset((A, R))

plot(P)
```

Moreover, the `cover_relations()` function shows the pairs depicted in the Hasse diagram after the previous simplifications.

```
P.cover_relations()
```

Chapter 6

Functions

This chapter will briefly discuss the implementation of functions in Sage and will delve deeper into the sequences defined by recursion, including Fibonacci's. We will show how to solve a recurrence relation using Sage.

6.1 Functions

A function from a set A into a set B is a relation from A into B such that each element of A is related to exactly one element of the set B. The set A is called the domain of the function, and the set B is called the co-domain. Functions are fundamental in both mathematics and computer science for describing mathematical relationships and implementing computational logic.

Notes. Defining functions in Sage is not only useful for mathematical calculations but also for creating complex algorithms, modeling data, and simulating real-world scenarios in various fields of science and engineering.

In Sage, functions can be defined using direct definition.

For example, defining a function $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ to calculate the cube of a number, such as 3:

```
f(x) = x^3
show(f)
f(3)
```

6.1.1 Graphical Representations

Sage provides powerful tools for visualizing functions, enabling you to explore the graphical representations of mathematical relationships.

Notes. Utilizing graphical representations of functions can greatly aid in understanding complex concepts in calculus and analysis, such as differentiation and integration, by providing a visual context.

For example, to plot the function $f(x) = x^3$ over the interval $[-2, 2]$:

```
f(x) = x^3
plot(f(x), x, -2, 2)
```

6.2 Recursion

Recursion is a method where the solution to a problem depends on solutions to smaller instances of the same problem. This approach is extensively used in mathematics and computer science, especially in the computation of binomial coefficients, the evaluation of polynomials, and the generation of sequences.

6.2.1 Recursion in Sequences

A recursive sequence is defined by one or more base cases and a recursive step that relates each term to its predecessors.

Given a sequence defined by a recursive formula, we can ask Sage to find its closed form. Here, `s` is a function representing the sequence defined by recursion. The equation `eqn` defines the recursive relation $s_n = s_{n-1} + 2 \cdot s_{n-2}$. The `rsolve()` function is then used to find a closed-form solution to this recurrence, given the initial conditions $s_0 = 2$ and $s_1 = 7$. At last, we use the `SR()` function to convert from Python notation to mathematical notation.

```
from sympy import Function, rsolve
from sympy.abc import n
s = Function('s')
eqn = s(n) - s(n-1) - 2*s(n-2)
sol = rsolve(eqn, s(n), {s(0): 2, s(1): 7})
show(SR(sol))
```

We can use the `show()` function to make the output visually more pleasing; you can try removing it and see how the output looks.

Similarly, the Fibonacci sequence is another example of a recursive sequence, defined by the base cases $F_0 = 0$ and $F_1 = 1$, and the recursive relation $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$ for $n > 1$. This sequence is a cornerstone example in the study of recursion.

```
from sympy import Function, rsolve
from sympy.abc import n
F = Function('F')
fib_eqn = F(n) - F(n-1) - F(n-2)
fib_sol = rsolve(fib_eqn, F(n), {F(0): 0, F(1): 1})
show(SR(fib_sol))
```

The `show()` function is again used here to present the solution in a more accessible mathematical notation, illustrating the power of recursive functions to describe complex sequences with simple rules.

We can also write a function `fib()` to compute the nth Fibonacci number by iterating and updating the values of two consecutive Fibonacci numbers in the sequence. Let us calculate the third Fibonacci number.

```
def fib(n):
    if n == 0 or n == 1: return n
    else:
        U = 0; V = 1  # the initial terms F0 and F1
        for k in range(2, n+1):
            W = U + V; U = V; V = W
        return V
fib(3)
```

We go back to the previous method where we calculated the closed form `fib_sol` and evaluate it now at $n = 3$.

```
from sympy import Function, rsolve, Symbol, simplify
n = Symbol('n')
F = Function('F')
fib_eqn = F(n) - F(n-1) - F(n-2)
fib_sol = rsolve(fib_eqn, F(n), {F(0): 0, F(1): 1})
# Evaluate the solution at n=3
fib3 = simplify(fib_sol.subs(n, 3))
show(SR(fib3))
```

As we can see, we obtain the same number either by evaluating the closed form at $n = 3$ or by finding the third Fibonacci number directly by iteration.

6.2.2 Recursion with Binomial Coefficients

Binomial coefficients, denoted as $\binom{n}{k}$, count the number of ways to choose k elements from an n-element set. They can be defined recursively. Sage can compute binomial coefficients using the `binomial(n, k)` function.

```
binomial(5, 3)
```

We can also explore the recursive nature of binomial coefficients by defining a function ourselves recursively.

```
def binomial_recursive(n, k):
    if k == 0 or k == n:
        return 1
    else:
        return binomial_recursive(n-1, k-1) +
            binomial_recursive(n-1, k)

binomial_recursive(5, 3)
```

This function implements the recursive formula $\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k}$, with base cases $\binom{n}{0} = \binom{n}{n} = 1$.

Chapter 7

Graph Theory

Sage is extremely powerful for graph theory. This chapter presents the study of graph theory with Sage, starting with a description of the Graph class through the implementation of optimization algorithms. We also illustrate Sage's graphical capabilities for visualizing graphs.

7.1 Basics

7.1.1 Graph Definition

In discrete mathematics, a graph is a fundamental concept used to model pairwise relations between objects. A graph is defined as an ordered pair $G = (V, E)$, where:

- V is a set of vertices (also called nodes).

- E is a set of edges (also called links or arcs), which are unordered pairs of vertices (in an undirected graph) or ordered pairs of vertices (in a directed graph).

The vertices represent the objects, and the edges represent the connections or relationships between these objects.

We can define a graph in Sage by listing the vertices and edges:

```
V = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E']
E = [('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'), ('E',
    'A'), ('A', 'D'), ('C', 'E')]
G = Graph([V, E])
G.plot()
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with vertices A,
    B, C, D, E forming a pentagon and additional diagonals
    A-D and C-E.
```

Notes. Graph theory is pivotal in areas such as network routing and social networking. For example, in telecommunications, graphs are used to model and optimize routing of communications like telephone traffic or internet data packets through a network of nodes and links, ensuring efficient and fault-tolerant network design.

Another way would be specifying the edges only, where each edge is defined by a pair of vertices:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A'), ('A', 'C'), ('B', 'E')])
G.show()
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with vertices A,
    B, C, D, E forming a pentagon and additional diagonals
    A-C and B-E.
```

Both methods allow for the creation and visualization of graphs in Sage, with the choice of method depending on the format of the data available and personal preference for clarity and organization.

Graphs can also be defined by specifying the neighbors of each vertex. In Sage, an undirected graph can be created using a dictionary to represent the adjacency list of each vertex, indicating the vertices that are connected by an edge.

```
G = Graph({1: [2, 3, 4], 2: [1, 3, 4], 3: [1, 2, 4], 4: [1,
    2, 3]})
G.plot()
```

```
# A graphical representation of the undirected graph. All
    vertices (1, 2, 3, and 4) are interconnected.
```

Sage offers a wide array of predefined graphs for experimentation and study. These graphs represent important concepts and structures in graph theory.

Examples of creating and visualizing some well-known predefined graphs:

```
P = graphs.PetersenGraph()
P.show()
K = graphs.CompleteGraph(5)
K.show()
T = graphs.TetrahedralGraph()
T.show()
D = graphs.DodecahedralGraph()
D.show()
H = graphs.HexahedralGraph()
H.show()
```

```
# Graphical representations of the Petersen graph, complete
    graph on 5 vertices, tetrahedral, dodecahedral, and
    hexahedral graphs.
```

These examples include the Petersen graph, a complete graph on 5 vertices (also known as the K5 graph), the tetrahedral graph, the dodecahedral graph, and the hexahedral (or cubic) graph, showcasing a variety of graph structures.

Defining a graph with data structures before creation allows for managing complex graphs efficiently. This approach is suitable for graphs with a large number of vertices or intricate connectivity.

An example using predefined data to define a graph:

```
graph_data = {'A': ['B', 'C', 'E'], 'B': ['A', 'C', 'D'],
    'C': ['A', 'B', 'D', 'E'], 'D': ['B', 'C', 'E'], 'E':
    ['A', 'C', 'D']}
G = Graph(graph_data)
```

```
G.show()
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph defined by the
    dictionary, showing a complex network of connections
    among five vertices.
```

This method provides a clear and organized way to define the relationships between vertices, especially for complex or large-scale graphs.

7.1.2 Weighted Graphs

Weighted graphs extend the concept of graphs by associating a weight, typically a numerical value, with each edge. These weights can represent distances, costs, capacities, or other quantities relevant to the problem being modeled. In Sage, weighted graphs are easily handled, allowing for the exploration of algorithms and properties specific to these types of graphs.

To create a weighted graph, you can add a third element to each pair of vertices representing the weight.

Here is an example of defining a weighted graph with five vertices, forming a pentagon where each edge has a unique weight:

```
V = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E']
E = [('A', 'B', 2), ('B', 'C', 3), ('C', 'D', 4), ('D', 'E',
    5), ('E', 'A', 1)]
G = Graph([V, E], weighted=True)
G.plot(edge_labels=True)
```

```
# A graphical representation of the weighted graph, showing
    vertices A, B, C, D, E and edges with weights.
```

In the code above, the graph G is defined with vertices and edges, where each edge is a tuple containing two vertices and the weight of the edge. The `weighted=True` parameter indicates that the graph is weighted, and the `plot(edge_labels=True)` method visualizes the graph with edge weights displayed.

7.1.3 Graph Characteristics

Understanding the characteristics of graphs is fundamental to analyzing their properties and behaviors. These characteristics provide essential insights into the structure of the graph. Sage offers various functions to compute and analyze these characteristics, which are crucial for graph theory studies.

We start by plotting the following graph.

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A'), ('A', 'C'), ('B', 'D')])
G.show()
```

```
# Plot the graph.
```

To list all vertices of a graph, we use the `G.vertices()` method, which returns a list of the graph's vertices.

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A'), ('A', 'C'), ('B', 'D')])
G.vertices()
```

```
# List of vertices in the graph.
```

To list all edges of a graph, the `G.edges()` method is used. This returns a list of tuples representing the graph's edges.

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A'), ('A', 'C'), ('B', 'D')])
G.edges()
```

```
# List of edges in the graph.
```

To remove empty labels, include `labels=false`.

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A'), ('A', 'C'), ('B', 'D')])
G.edges(labels=false)
```

```
# List of edges in the graph.
```

The order of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is the number of vertices $|V|$.
To find the order of the graph:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A'), ('A', 'C'), ('B', 'D')])
G.order()
```

```
# The number of vertices in the graph G.
```

The size of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is the number of edges $|E|$.
To find the size of the graph:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A'), ('A', 'C'), ('B', 'D')])
G.size()
```

```
# The number of edges in the graph G.
```

The degree of a vertex in G is the number of edges incident to the vertex.
To find the degree of vertex A:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A'), ('A', 'C'), ('B', 'D')])
G.degree('A')
```

```
# The degree of vertex 'A' in the graph.
```

The method `G.degree_sequence()` provides a list of degrees of all vertices in the graph in decreasing order.

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A'), ('A', 'C'), ('B', 'D')])
G.degree_sequence()
```

```
# The degree sequence of the graph, listing the degrees of
    all vertices.
```

7.1.4 Graphs and Matrices

The *adjacency matrix* of a graph is a square matrix used to represent which vertices of the graph are adjacent to which other vertices. Each entry a_{ij} in the matrix is equal to 1 if there is an edge from vertex i to vertex j, and is equal to 0 otherwise.

To create a graph from an adjacency matrix:

```
A = Matrix([[0, 1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0, 1,
    0], [0, 0, 1, 0, 1], [1, 0, 0, 1, 0]])
G = Graph(A)
G.plot()
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph defined by the
    adjacency matrix.
```

In this example, the matrix A represents the adjacency matrix of a graph, and `Graph(A)` creates the graph based on that matrix. The plot shows the resulting graph.

The *incidence matrix* is another matrix representation of a graph, which describes the relationship between vertices and edges. In this matrix, rows correspond to vertices, and columns correspond to edges, with entries indicating whether a vertex is incident to an edge.

Besides creating graphs from matrices, you can also obtain these matrix representations from a given graph in Sage.

To get the adjacency matrix of a graph:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('A', 'E'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'),
    ('D', 'E')])
G.adjacency_matrix()
```

```
# The adjacency matrix of the graph G.
```

And to get the incidence matrix:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('A', 'E'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'),
    ('D', 'E')])
G.incidence_matrix()
```

```
# The incidence matrix of the graph G.
```

7.1.5 Manipulating Graphs in Sage

Modifying graphs by adding or removing vertices and edges allows us to observe how these changes affect graph properties. Sage provides user-friendly functions for these modifications, facilitating dynamic exploration of graphs.

To add a vertex to a graph:

```
G = Graph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)])
G.add_vertex(5)
G.show()
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with an
    additional vertex.
```

To remove a vertex from a graph:

```
G = Graph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)])
G.delete_vertex(4)
G.show()
```

```
# The graph with vertex 4 removed.
```

To add an edge between two vertices in a graph:

```
G = Graph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)])
G.add_edge(1, 3)
G.show()
```

```
# The graph with a new edge between vertices 1 and 3.
```

To delete an edge from a graph:

```
G = Graph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)])
G.delete_edge(1, 2)
G.show()
```

```
# The graph with the edge between vertices 1 and 2 removed.
```

Observe that deleting a vertex that was not there, returns an error whilst deleting an edge that was not in the graph leaves the graph unchanged. Adding a vertex or edge that was already in the graph, leaves the graph unchanged.

```
G = Graph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)])
G.delete_edge(1, 3)
G.show()
```

```
# The graph with the edge between vertices 1 and 3 removed.
```

You can also add a list of vertices or edges.

```
G = Graph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)])
G.add_vertices([10, 11, 12])
G.show()
```

```
# The graph with the edge between vertices 1 and 3 removed.
```

7.2 Plot Options

Visualizing graphs in Sage not only provides insights into the structure and properties of the graph but also offers flexibility through customization options. These options include adjusting colors, edge thickness, vertex size, and more, allowing for clearer representation and better understanding of complex graphs. This subsection will guide you through various customization options for graph visualization in Sage.

To begin with, you can customize the color of vertices and edges. This is particularly useful for highlighting specific parts of a graph, such as a path or a subgraph.

Here is an example of how to set different colors for vertices and edges:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(vertex_color='blue', edge_color='red')
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with blue
    vertices and red edges.
```

Adjusting the thickness of edges can also enhance the visualization, especially for weighted graphs or to emphasize certain edges over others.

To modify the edge thickness:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(edge_thickness=2.5)  # Adjusts the thickness of all
    edges
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with thicker
    edges.
```

The `edge_thickness` parameter allows you to specify the thickness of the edges in the plot.

Another useful customization is adjusting the size of the vertices, which can be helpful when dealing with graphs that have a large number of vertices or when you want to fit certain texts inside of the vertices.

To change the size of vertices:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(vertex_size=2000)  # Adjusts the size of all vertices
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with larger
    vertices.
```

In order to avoid the previous graph cropping, we can use

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(vertex_size=2000, graph_border=True)
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with larger
    vertices.
```

While customizing labels, Sage allows you to enable or disable labels for both vertices and edges, providing clarity and additional context to the graph. However, note that setting specific colors for edge labels directly through the `plot` method is not supported.

To customize labels and enable them for vertices and edges:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(vertex_labels=True, edge_labels=True)
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with vertex and
    edge labels enabled.
```

Layouts in Sage determine how vertices are positioned on the plane. Sage-Math provides several standard layout algorithms, each offering a unique perspective on the graph's structure.

For instance, the `circular` layout places vertices in a circle, which can highlight the symmetry and regular structure of a graph.

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(layout='circular')
```

```
# Visualizes the graph with vertices positioned in a
    circular layout.
```

The `spring` layout, also known as a force-directed layout, positions vertices to minimize edge intersections and edge length variance, resembling a system of springs. This layout often reveals the underlying structure of the graph by separating clusters of nodes.

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(layout='spring')
```

```
# Displays the graph using a spring (force-directed) layout.
```

Another common layout is the `planar` layout, which is applied to graphs that can be drawn without any edge crossings.

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(layout='planar')
```

```
# Attempts to display the graph with a planar layout, if
    possible. If the graph is not planar, an error message
    is printed.
```

After exploring the standard layouts, you might want to delve into more sophisticated layout algorithms offered by Graphviz. By setting the `layout` option to `graphviz`, you can access various Graphviz layout engines. For instance, `prog='dot'` is great for hierarchical graphs, `prog='neato'` for undirected graphs with spring model layouts, `prog='fdp'` for force-directed layouts, `prog='twopi'` for radial layouts, and `prog='circo'` for circular layouts. These layouts are particularly useful when the graph's structure needs to be visualized in a way that standard layouts cannot accommodate.

Here is an example using a Graphviz layout:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(layout='graphviz', prog='dot')
```

```
# The graph is rendered using the Graphviz 'neato' layout.
```

Changing the shape of the vertices can be useful for differentiating types of vertices or just for aesthetic purposes.

To set the vertex shape to a square:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
# above from previous code
G.plot(vertex_shape='s')  # Changes the shape of vertices to
    squares
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with
    square-shaped vertices.
```

Customizing the style of the edges can help in distinguishing different types of relationships or interactions between vertices.

To change the edge style to dashed lines:

```
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
# above from previous code
G.plot(edge_style='dashed')  # Changes the edges to dashed
    lines
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph with dashed edges.
```

Below is an example how to apply multiple options to a plot:

```
# Creating the graph with its edges
G = Graph([('A', 'B'), ('B', 'C'), ('C', 'D'), ('D', 'E'),
    ('E', 'A')])
G.plot(layout='circular', vertex_color='blue',
    edge_color='red', edge_thickness=2.5, vertex_size=2000,
    vertex_labels=True, edge_labels=True, vertex_shape='s',
    edge_style='dashed')
```

```
# A graphical representation of the graph incorporating
    multiple customization options for enhanced
    visualization.
```

7.3 Paths

A path between two vertices u and v is a sequence of consecutive edges starting at u and ending at v.

To get all paths between two vertices:

```
G = Graph({1: [2, 3], 2: [3], 3: [4]})
G.all_paths(1, 4)
```

```
# Lists all paths from vertex 1 to vertex 4.
```

The length of a path is defined as the number of edges that make up the path.

Finding the shortest path between two vertices can be achieved using the `shortest_path()` function:

```
G = Graph({1: [2, 3], 2: [3], 3: [4]})
G.shortest_path(1, 4)
```

```
# Retrieves the shortest path from vertex 1 to vertex 4, if
    it exists.
```

Notes. Pathfinding in graphs is a key algorithm in logistics to determine the most efficient route between locations. It's used in GPS navigation systems to find the quickest route for vehicles, and in network design to optimize data flow between servers, enhancing the efficiency of network infrastructures.

A graph is said to be connected if there is a path between any two vertices in the graph.

To determine if a graph is connected, we can use the `is_connected()` function:

```
G = Graph({1: [2, 3], 2: [3], 3: [4]})
G.is_connected()
```

```
# Checks if the graph is connected, returning a boolean
    value.
```

A connected component of a graph G is a maximal connected subgraph of G. If the graph G is connected, then it has only one connected component.

For example, the following graph is not connected:

```
G = Graph({1: [2, 3], 2: [4], 5: [6]})
G.is_connected()
```

```
# Checks if the graph is connected, returning a boolean
    value.
```

To identify all connected components of a graph, the `connected_components()` function can be utilized:

```
G = Graph({1: [2, 3], 2: [4], 5: [6]})
G.connected_components()
```

```
# Returns a list of connected components, with each
    component represented as a list of vertices.
```

We can visualize the graph as a disjoint union of its connected components, by plotting it.

```
G = Graph({1: [2, 3], 2: [4], 5: [6, 7], 6: [7]})
G.show()
```

The diameter of a graph is the length of the longest shortest path between any two vertices.

```
G = Graph({1: [2, 3], 2: [3, 4], 3: [4]})
G.diameter()
```

```
# Calculates the diameter of the graph.
```

A graph is bipartite if its set of vertices can be divided into two disjoint sets such that every edge connects a vertex in one set to a vertex in the other set:

```
G = Graph({1: [2, 3], 2: [4], 3: [4]})
G.is_bipartite()
```

```
# Checks if the graph is bipartite, returning a boolean
    value along with the partition sets if it is bipartite.
```

7.4 Isomorphism

Informally, we can say that an **isomorphism** is a relation of sameness between graphs. Let's say that the graphs $G = (V, E)$ and $G' = (V', E')$ are isomorphic

if there exists a bijection $f : V \to V'$ such that $\{u, v\} \in E \Leftrightarrow \{f(u), f(v)\} \in E'$.

This means there is a bijection between the set of vertices such that every time two vertices determine an edge in the first graph, the image of these vertices by the bijection also determines an edge in the second graph, and vice versa. Essentially, the two graphs have the same structure, but the vertices are labeled differently.

Notes. In chemistry, isomorphism is crucial in the study of molecules. Chemical isomers have the same molecular formula but different structures (or graphs), affecting their chemical properties and reactions. Understanding graph isomorphism helps chemists identify and differentiate these molecules efficiently.

```
C = Graph({
    'a': ['b', 'c', 'g'],
    'b': ['a', 'd', 'h'],
    'c': ['a', 'd', 'e'],
    'd': ['b', 'c', 'f'],
    'e': ['c', 'f', 'g'],
    'f': ['d', 'e', 'h'],
    'g': ['a', 'e', 'h'],
    'h': ['b', 'f', 'g']
    })

D = Graph({
    1: [2, 6, 8],
    2: [1, 3, 5],
    3: [2, 4, 8],
    4: [3, 5, 7],
    5: [2, 4, 6],
    6: [1, 5, 7],
    7: [4, 6, 8],
    8: [1, 3, 7]
    })

C.show()
D.show()
```

The sage `is_isomorphic()` method can be used to check if two graphs are isomorphic. The method returns `True` if the graphs are isomorphic and `False` if the graphs are not isomorphic.

```
C.is_isomorphic(D)
```

The **invariants under isomorphism** are conditions that can be checked to determine if two graphs are not isomorphic. If one of these fails then the graphs are not isomorphic. If all of these are true then the graph may or may not be isomorphic. The three conditions for invariants under isomorphism are:

$$G = (V, E) \text{ is connected iff } G' = (V', E') \text{ is connected}$$

$$|V| = |V'| \text{ and } |E| = |E'|$$

$$\text{degree sequence of } G = \text{ degree sequence of } G'$$

Notes. Graph isomorphism has implications in computer science, particularly in data mining and machine learning. Algorithms that detect isomorphisms can help identify similar data structures in databases, facilitating the classification and clustering of data based on structural similarity.

To summarize, if one graph is connected and the other is not, then the graphs are not isomorphic. If the number of vertices and edges are different, then the graphs are not isomorphic. If the degree sequences are different, then the graphs are not isomorphic. If all three invariants are satisfied, then the graphs may or may not be isomorphic.

Let's define a function to check if two graphs satisfy the invariants under isomorphism. Make sure you run the next cell to define the function before using the function.

```python
def invariants_under_isomorphism(G1, G2):
    # Are both graphs connected?
    are_both_connected = G1.is_connected() ==
        G2.is_connected()
    print("Are both graphs connected? " + ("Yes" if
        are_both_connected else "No"))

    # Do both graphs have the same number of vertices and
        edges?
    same_number_of_vertices_and_edges = (G1.order() ==
        G2.order()) and (G1.size() == G2.size())
    print("Do both graphs have the same number of vertices
        and edges? " + ("Yes" if
        same_number_of_vertices_and_edges else "No"))

    # Do both graphs have the same degree sequence?
    # Sort the degree sequences because the order of the
        vertices does not matter.
    same_degree_sequence = sorted(G1.degree_sequence()) ==
        sorted(G2.degree_sequence())
    print("Do both graphs have the same degree sequence? " +
        ("Yes" if same_degree_sequence else "No"))

    # Final check
    if are_both_connected and
        same_number_of_vertices_and_edges and
        same_degree_sequence:
        print("The graphs may be isomorphic.")
    else:
        print("The graphs are not isomorphic.")
```

Notes. Network theory uses graph isomorphism to analyze and understand different networks, such as social networks or communication networks. By identifying isomorphic subgraphs, researchers can detect patterns and anomalies across different network systems.

```python
A = Graph([('a', 'b'), ('b', 'c'), ('c', 'f'), ('f', 'd'),
    ('d', 'e'), ('e', 'a')])
B = Graph([(1, 5), (1, 9), (5, 9), (4, 6), (4, 7), (6, 7)])
invariants_under_isomorphism(A, B)
```

If we use `invariants_under_isomorphism` on the C and D, the output will let us know that the graphs may or may not be isomorphic. We can use the `is_isomorphic()` method to check if the graphs are definitively isomorphic.

```python
invariants_under_isomorphism(C, D)
```

7.5 Euler and Hamilton

7.5.1 Euler

An **Euler path** is a path that uses every edge of a graph exactly once. An Euler path that is a circuit is called an **Euler circuit**.

The idea of an Euler path emerged from the study of the **Königsberg bridges** problem. Leonhard Euler wanted to know if it was possible to walk through the city of Königsberg, crossing each of its seven bridges exactly once. This problem can be modeled as a graph, with the land masses as vertices and the bridges as edges.

```
konigsberg = [('A', 'B', 'b_1'),
^^I^^I('A', 'B', 'b_2'),
^^I^^I('A', 'C', 'b_3'),
^^I^^I('A', 'C', 'b_4'),
^^I^^I('D', 'A', 'b_5'),
^^I^^I('D', 'B', 'b_6'),
^^I^^I('D', 'C', 'b_7')]
G = Graph(konigsberg, multiedges=True)
G.show(edge_labels=True)
```

Notes. Eulerian circuits are not only academic but have practical applications in logistics and waste management. For example, garbage collection routes can be planned as Eulerian circuits to minimize travel and costs. Similarly, postmen use Eulerian paths to optimize mail delivery routes.

While exploring this problem, Euler discovered the following:

- A connected graph has an **Euler circuit** iff every vertex has an even degree.

- A connected graph has an **Euler path** iff there are at most two vertices with an odd degree.

We say that a graph is **Eulerian** if contains an Euler circuit.

We can use Sage to determine if a graph is Eulerian.

Notes. In computer networking, designing networks to ensure resilience and fault tolerance often involves constructing Eulerian graphs, where a network can remain operational even if a connection fails.

```
G.is_eulerian()
```

Since this returns `False`, we know that the graph is not Eulerian. Therefore, it is not possible to walk through the city of Königsberg, crossing each of its seven bridges exactly once.

We can use `path=True` to determine if a graph contains an Euler path. Sage will return the beginning and the end of the path.

```
G = Graph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1), (2, 4), (1, 3),
    (1, 4)], multiedges=True)
G.show()
G.is_eulerian(path=True)
```

If the graph is Eulerian, we can ask Sage to find an Euler circuit with the `eulerian_circuit` function. Let's take a look at the following graph.

```
G = Graph([(1, 2), (2, 3), (2, 3),(3, 4), (4, 1), (2, 4),
    (1, 3), (1, 4)], multiedges=True)
G.show()
G.eulerian_circuit()
```

If we are not interested in the edge labels, we can set `labels=False`. We can also set `return_vertices=True` to get a list of vertices for the path

```
G = graphs.CycleGraph(6)
G.eulerian_circuit(labels=False, return_vertices=True)
```

7.5.2 Hamilton

A **Hamilton path** is a path that uses every vertex of a graph exactly once. A Hamilton path that is a circuit is called a **Hamilton circuit**. If a graph contains a Hamilton circuit, we say that the graph is **Hamiltonian**.

Hamilton created the "Around the World" puzzle. The object of the puzzle was to start at a city and travel along the edges of the dodecahedron, visiting all of the other cities exactly once, and returning back to the starting city.

We can represent the dodecahedron as a graph and use Sage to determine if it is Hamiltonian. See for yourself if the dodecahedron is Hamiltonian.

Real-world Application. Hamiltonian circuits are integral to creating efficient routing algorithms used by services like Google Maps and UPS for finding the shortest path through multiple points, optimizing travel and delivery times.

```
graphs.DodecahedralGraph().show()
```

We can ask Sage to determine if the dodecahedron is Hamiltonian.

```
graphs.DodecahedralGraph().is_hamiltonian()
```

By running `Graph.is_hamiltonian??` we see that Sage uses the `traveling_salesman_problem()` function to determine if a graph is Hamiltonian.

The traveling salesperson problem is a classic optimization problem. Given a list of cities and the lengths between each pair of cities, what is the shortest possible route that visits each city and returns to the original city? This is one of the most difficult problems in computer science. It is **NP-hard**, meaning that no efficient algorithm is known to solve it. The complexity of the problem increases with the number of nodes. When working with many nodes, the algorithm can take a long time to run.

Let's explore the following graph:

Scientific Research. In scientific research, especially in genetics, Hamiltonian paths are used to solve the DNA sequencing problem by finding the shortest possible unique sequence that can represent a set of observed sequences.

```
G = Graph({1:{3:2, 2:1, 4:3, 5:1}, 2:{3:6, 4:3, 5:1},
    3:{4:5, 5:3}, 4:{5:5}})
G.show(edge_labels=True)
```

We can ask Sage if the graph contains a Hamiltonian cycle.

```
G.hamiltonian_cycle(algorithm='backtrack')
```

The function `hamiltonian_cycle` returns `True` and lists an example of a Hamiltonian cycle as the list of vertices `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]`. This is just one

of the many Hamiltonian cycles that exist in the graph. Now lets find the minimum Hamiltonian cycle.

```
h = G.traveling_salesman_problem(use_edge_labels=True,
    maximize=False)
h.show(edge_labels=True)
```

Now we have the plot of the minimum Hamiltonian cycle. The minimum Hamiltonian cycle is the shortest possible route that visits each city and returns to the original city. The minimum Hamiltonian cycle is the solution to the traveling salesperson problem. We can ask Sage for the sum of the weights of the edges in the minimum Hamiltonian cycle.

```
sumWeights = sum(h.edge_labels())
print(sumWeights)
```

If there is no Hamiltonian cycle, Sage will return `False`. If we use the `backtrack` algorithm, Sage will return a list that represents the longest path found.

```
G = Graph([(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 3), (1,4), (4, 7), (3, 5),
    (5, 8), (8, 9), (2,6), (6, 9), (7, 9)])
G.show()
G.hamiltonian_cycle(algorithm='backtrack')
```

Chapter 8

Trees

This chapter completes the preceding one by explaining how to ask Sage to decide whether a given graph is a tree and then introduce further searching algorithms for trees.

8.1 Definitions and Theorems

Given a graph, a **cycle** is a circuit with no repeated edges. A **tree** is a connected graph with no cycles. A graph with no cycles and not necessarily connected is called a **forest**.

Let $G = (M, E)$ be a graph. The following are all equivalent:

- G is a tree.

- For each pair of distinct vertices, there exists a unique path between them.

- G is connected, and if $e \in E$ then the graph $(V, E - e)$ is disconnected.

- G contains no cycles, but by adding one edge, you create a cycle.

- G is connected and $|E| = |v| - 1$.

Let's explore the following graph:

```
data = {
  1: [4],
  2: [3, 4, 5],
  3: [2],
  4: [1, 2, 6, 7],
  5: [2, 8],
  6: [4, 9, 11],
  7: [4],
  8: [5, 10],
  9: [6],
  10: [8],
  11: [6]
  }

G = Graph(data)
G.show()
```

Notes. Trees play a crucial role in the design of network topologies, especially in ensuring that data is transferred efficiently without loops in network paths. Forests can represent disconnected networks, which are critical in scenarios where backup systems are designed to operate independently.

Let's ask Sage if this graph is a tree.

```
G.is_tree()
```

If we remove an edge, we can see that the graph is no longer a tree.

```
G_removed_edge = G.copy()
G_removed_edge.delete_edge((1, 4))
G_removed_edge.show()
G_removed_edge.is_tree()
```

However, we can see that the graph is still a forest.

```
G_removed_edge.is_forest()
```

If we add an edge, we can see that the graph contains a cycle and is no longer a tree.

```
G_added_edge = G.copy()
G_added_edge.add_edge((1, 2))
G_added_edge.show()
G_added_edge.is_tree()
```

8.2 Search Algorithms

The graph $G' = (V', E')$ is a **subgraph** of $G = (V, E)$ if $V' \subseteq V$ and $E' \subseteq \{\{u, v\} \in E \mid u, v \in V'\}$.

The subgraph $G' = (V', E')$ is a **spanning subgraph** of $G = (V, E)$ if $V' = V$.

A **spanning tree** for the graph G is a spanning subgraph of G that is a tree.

Given a graph, there are several algorithms to calculate a spanning tree. For instance the depth-first search algorithm and the breadth-first search algorithm are two of them.

Breadth-first search algorithm

1. Choose a vertex of the graph (root), arbitrarily.

2. Travel all the edges incident with the root vertex.

3. Give an order to this set of new vertices added.

4. Consider each of these vertices as a root, in order, and add all the unvisited incident edges that do not produce a cycle.

5. Repeat the method with the new set of vertices.

6. Follow the same procedure until all the vertices have been visited.

The output of this algorithm is a spanning tree.

The `breadth_first_search()` function provides a flexible method for traversing graphs. This function can be employed to explore a graph from a specified starting point (or points) and can be adapted for various applications such as

finding the shortest path, generating a spanning tree, or simply exploring the structure of a graph.

Let's consider the following graph:

```
G = Graph({0: [1, 2], 1: [2], 2: [3], 4: [1, 2], 3: [1, 2]})
G.show()
print(list(G.breadth_first_search(start=0,
    report_distance=True)))
```

In this example, the breadth-first search algorithm function is initiated at vertex 0, and it reports the length of each vertex from the starting point. Each element in the output is a tuple consisting of a vertex and its length from the starting vertex. This length is measured in terms of the number of edges that must be traversed to reach that vertex from the start.

Given a weighted graph, of all possible spanning trees that we can calculate, we may be interested in the minimal one. A **minimal spanning tree** is a spanning tree whose sum of wights is minimal. There are several algorithms to calculate a minimal spanning tree including Prim's Algorithm.

Prim's Algorithm: Keep two disjoint sets of vertices. One (L) contains vertices that are in the growing spanning tree and the other (R) that are not in the growing spanning tree.

1. Choose a vertex $u \in V$ arbitrarily. At this step, $L = \{u\}$ and $R = V - \{u\}$.

2. Select the cheapest vertex in R that is connected to the growing spanning tree L and add it into L

3. Follow the same procedure until all the vertices are in L

The output of this algorithm is a minimal spanning tree.

Let's explore the following graph:

```
G = Graph({1:{3:8, 5:1}, 2:{3:6, 4:4}, 3:{5:2}, 4:{1:5,
    3:4}})
G.show(edge_labels = True)
```

Notes. Spanning trees are crucial in network design, ensuring that all nodes are connected without any cycles, minimizing the overall layout cost while maintaining network connectivity. Prim's algorithm, in particular, is vital in constructing efficient road, electrical, and computer networks.

We can ask Sage for the minimal spanning tree of this graph. By running `Graph.min_spanning_tree??` We can see that `min_spanning_tree()` uses a variation of Prim's Algorithm by default. We can also use other algorithms such as Kruskal, Boruvka, or NetworkX.

```
G.min_spanning_tree(by_weight=True)
```

Let's visualize the minimal spanning tree.

```
h = Graph(G.min_spanning_tree(by_weight=True))
h.show(edge_labels = True)
```

Chapter 9

Lattices

This chapter builds on the partial order sets introduced earlier and explains how to ask Sage to decide whether a given poset is a lattice. Then, we show how to calculate the meet and join tables using built-in and customized Sage functions.

9.1 Lattices

9.1.1 Definition

A lattice is defined as a partially ordered set (poset) in which any two elements have a least upper bound (also known as join) and greatest lower bound (also known as meet).

In Sage, a lattice can be represented as a poset using the `Poset()` function. This function takes a tuple as its argument, where the first element is the set of elements in the poset, and the second element is a list of ordered pairs representing the partial order relations between those elements.

```
L = Poset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
          [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
           ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
L.plot()
```

```
 # This will plot the poset that forms a lattice structure.
```

Notes. Lattices play a critical role in computer science, particularly in structuring hierarchical access control in security systems and databases. They help in managing permissions through role-based access control, where roles and data can be organized in a lattice to determine the propagation of access rights.

We can also use `LatticePoset()` function to plot the lattice. The function `Poset()` can be used with any poset, even when the poset is not a lattice. The function `LatticePoset()` will give an error if the poset is not a lattice. The function is also more optimized and reduces the time needed when plotting complicated lattices.

```
L = LatticePoset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
          [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
           ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
```

```
L.plot()
```

```
# This will plot the latticeposet that forms a lattice
    structure.
```

The function `is_lattice()` can be used to determine whether the poset is a lattice.

```
L = Poset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
          [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
          ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
L.is_lattice()
```

```
# This will check if the poset is a lattice.
```

9.1.2 Join

The join of two elements in a lattice is the least upper bound of those elements.

To check if a poset is a join semi-lattice (every pair of elements has a least upper bound), we use `is_join_semilattice()` function.

```
L = Poset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
          [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
          ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
L.is_join_semilattice()
```

```
# Returns True if the lattice is a join semilattice;
    otherwise, False.
```

We can also find the join for individual pairs using the `join()` function.

```
L = Poset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
          [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
          ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
L.join('b', 'f')
```

9.1.3 Meet

The meet of two elements in a lattice is their greatest lower bound.

To check if a poset is a meet semi-lattice (every pair of elements has a greatest lower bound), we use `is_meet_semilattice()` function.

```
L = Poset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
          [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
          ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
L.is_meet_semilattice()
```

```
# Returns True if the lattice is a meet semilattice;
    otherwise, False.
```

We can also find the meet for individual pairs using the `meet()` function.

```
L = Poset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
          [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
          ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
```

```
L.meet('a', 'b')
```

9.2 Tables of Operations

This section delves into the representation of meet ( ) and join ( ) operations within lattices using operation tables. Such tables are pivotal for visualizing the algebraic structure of lattices and understanding how elements combine under each operation.

9.2.1 Meet Operation Table

The meet operation table illustrates the greatest lower bound, or meet, for every pair of elements in the lattice.

For outputting the table as a matrix, we need to specify that the poset is indeed a lattice, thus requiring us to use the function `LatticePoset()`. Then we can use the function `meet_matrix()` to process the table.

```
L = LatticePoset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
          [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
           ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
P = L.meet_matrix(); L
show(P)
```

```
# Displays the meet operation table as a matrix.
```

From the output matrix, we can see that each entry a_{ij} is not the actual value of the meet of the elements a_i and a_j but just its position in the lattice. Sage does not have a specific function to output the exact meet, but we can define our own function for this purpose.

```
L = LatticePoset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
          [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
           ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
P = L.meet_matrix()
elements = L.list()
K = [['' for _ in range(P.ncols())] for _ in
    range(P.nrows())]
for i in range(P.nrows()):
    for j in range(P.ncols()):
        K[i][j] = elements[P[i,j]]
for row in K:
    print(row)
```

We can further improve our function to show the output as a table instead of a matrix.

```
L = LatticePoset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
                [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c',
                    'd'],
                 ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f',
                    'g']]))
P = L.meet_matrix()
elements = L.list()
```

```python
def create_table(elements, P):
    column_widths = max(len(element) for element in
        elements) + 2
    header = " " * column_widths + "| " + "
        ".join(f"{elem:>{column_widths}}" for elem in
        elements)
    divider = "-" * len(header)
    table = [header, divider]
    for i, row_label in enumerate(elements):
        row = f"{row_label:>{column_widths}} | " + "
            ".join(f"{elements[P[i,j]]:>{column_widths}}"
            for j in range(len(elements)))
        table.append(row)
    return "\n".join(table)
print(create_table(elements, P))
```

9.2.2 Join Operation Table

Conversely, the join operation table presents the least upper bound, or join, for each pair of lattice elements.

Similarly, we can use the function `join_matrix()` to process the table.

```python
L = LatticePoset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
        [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
        ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
P = L.join_matrix(); L
show(P)
```

```
# Displays the join operation table as a matrix.
```

We can also output the elements of the poset by slightly changing the function we previously defined.

```python
L = LatticePoset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
        [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c', 'd'],
        ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f', 'g']]))
P = L.join_matrix()
elements = L.list()
K = [['' for _ in range(P.ncols())] for _ in
    range(P.nrows())]
for i in range(P.nrows()):
    for j in range(P.ncols()):
        K[i][j] = elements[P[i,j]]

for row in K:
    print(row)
```

We can also output the join table just as shown above for meet.

```python
L = LatticePoset((['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g'],
            [['a', 'b'], ['a', 'c'], ['b', 'd'], ['c',
                'd'],
            ['c', 'e'], ['d', 'f'], ['e', 'f'], ['f',
                'g']]))
P = L.join_matrix()
```

```
elements = L.list()
def create_table(elements, P):
    column_widths = max(len(element) for element in
        elements) + 2
    header = " " * column_widths + "| " + "
        ".join(f"{elem:>{column_widths}}" for elem in
        elements)
    divider = "-" * len(header)
    table = [header, divider]
    for i, row_label in enumerate(elements):
        row = f"{row_label:>{column_widths}} | " + "
            ".join(f"{elements[P[i,j]]:>{column_widths}}"
            for j in range(len(elements)))
        table.append(row)
    return "\n".join(table)
print(create_table(elements, P))
```

Chapter 10

Boolean Algebra

This chapter completes the preceding one by explaining how to ask Sage to decide whether a given lattice is a Boolean algebra. We also illustrate basic operations with Boolean functions.

10.1 Boolean Algebra

A Boolean algebra is a bounded lattice that is both complemented and distributive.

In computer software, Boolean algebra is used to construct and simplify expressions in programming languages that support logical decision-making processes. This simplification is critical in developing efficient algorithms and software that perform millions of calculations and logical operations per second.

```
p = Posets.DivisorLattice(20)
p.show()
```

```
# This will display the lattice structure for divisors of
    the number 20.
```

The following Sage cell checks whether the divisor lattice is distributive. A distributive lattice is one where the operations of join and meet distribute over each other.

```
p = Posets.DivisorLattice(20)
p.is_distributive()
```

```
# Returns True if the lattice is distributive, along with a
    certificate if applicable.
```

In digital electronics, the principles of Boolean algebra guide the design of circuits such as multiplexers, demultiplexers, encoders, and decoders, essential components in telecommunications and signal processing.

Another important property in Boolean algebra is the complemented lattice. A complemented lattice is one where every element has a complement in the lattice.

```
p = Posets.DivisorLattice(20)
p.is_complemented()
```

```
  # Returns True if the lattice is complemented, along with a
     certificate if applicable.
```

10.2 Boolean functions

A Boolean function is a function that takes only values 0 or 1 and whose domain is the Cartesian product $\{0,1\}^n$.

In SageMath, Boolean functions can be manipulated through various built-in functions designed for handling Boolean variables and expressions.

Notes. Boolean algebra is crucial in digital circuit design. For example, simplifying the expression of a digital circuit can minimize the number of gates used, which reduces cost and power consumption. Techniques such as Karnaugh maps and Boolean simplification are common in the industry.

```
B = BooleanPolynomialRing(3, 'x')
f = B('x0 + x1 * x2')
show(f)
```

```
  # Outputs the Boolean expression in polynomial form
```

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