# DISCRETE MATHEMATICS AND ITS APPLICATIONS

## 2.5 CARDINALITY OF SETS

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#### **CARDINALITY OF SETS**

#### Definition:

■ The number of distinct elements in set A, denoted |A|, is called the *cardinality* of A.

## Cantor's Definition (1874):

■ Two sets are defined to have the <u>same cardinality</u> (相同基数) if and only if they can be placed into *one-to-one correspondence* (bijection), and we write |A|=|B|.

#### Note:

- Cantor's definition only requires that some mapping between the two sets is onto, not all are onto.
- This distinction never arises when the sets are *finite*.

## CARDINALITY OF SETS

## Example:

- Do N and E have the same cardinality?
  - $N=\{0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,\ldots\}$
  - $E = \{0,2,4,6,8,10,12,...\}$  (The even natural numbers.)
- E and N do not have the same cardinality.
- Because E is a proper subset of N with plenty left over.
- The attempted correspondence f(x)=x does not take E onto N.
- There is a bijection f from N to E, the nonnegative even integers, defined by f(x)=2x
- The set of even integers has the same cardinality as the set of natural numbers.

#### CARDINALITY OF SETS

#### More Formal Definition:

- For any two (possibly infinite) sets A and B, we say that A and B have the same cardinality (written |A|=|B|) iff there exists a bijective function from A to B.
- When A and B are finite, it is easy to see that such a function exists iff A and B have the same number of elements  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- When *A* and *B* are infinite, we need to construct such a function to proof the two sets have same cardinality.

N and E have the same cardinality because **there is a** bijective function from N to E, defined by f(x)=2x.

## COUNTABLE VERSUS UNCOUNTABLE

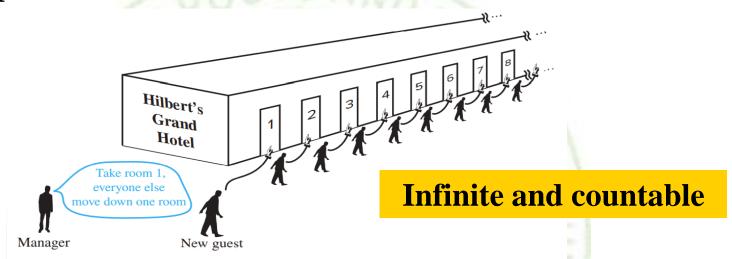
#### Definition:

- For any set S, if S is finite or if |S|=|N|, we say that S is *countable*. Else, S is *uncountable*.
- Intuition behind "Countable", we can *enumerate* (sequentially list) elements of *S* in such a way that any individual element of *S* will eventually be counted in the enumeration.
  - Examples: N, Z
- Uncountable means: No series of elements of *S* (even an infinite series) can include all of S's elements.
  - Examples:  $R, R^2, P(N)$

We now split infinite sets into two groups, those with the same cardinality as the set of N and those with a different cardinality.

## **COUNTABLE SETS**

Example 2: Hilbert's Grand Hotel



- Example 3:
  - **Theorem:** The set Z is countable.
  - **Proof:** Consider  $f:Z \rightarrow N$  where  $f(i) = \begin{cases} 2i & \text{for } i \geq 0 \\ -2i-1 & \text{for } i < 0 \end{cases}$

## **COUNTABLE SETS**

## Examples:

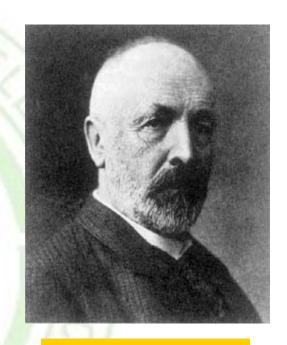
- **Theorem:** The set of all ordered pairs of natural numbers (n,m) is countable.
- **Proof:** consider listing the pairs in order by their sum s=n+m, then by n. Every pair appears once in this series; the generating function is bijective.

| (0,0) | (0,1) | (0,2)     | (0,3) | (0,4) | (0,5) | (0,6) | ••••     |  |
|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|--|
| (1,0) | (1,1) | (1,2)     | (1,3) | (1,4) | (1,5) | (1,6) |          |  |
| (2,0) | (2,1) | (2,2)     | (2,3) | (2,4) | (2,5) | (2,6) |          |  |
| (3,0) | (3,1) | (3,2)     | (3,3) | (3,4) | (3,5) | (3,6) | <u> </u> |  |
| (4,0) | (4,1) | (4,2)     | (4,3) | (4,4) | (4,5) | (4,6) | •••••    |  |
| (5,0) | (5,1) | (5,2)     | (5,3) | (5,4) | (5,5) | (5,6) | •••••    |  |
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#### **UNCOUNTABLE SETS**

## Examples:

- **Theorem:** The open interval of reals [0,1):=  $\{r \in R \mid 0 \le r \le 1\}$  is uncountable.
- **Proof:** by *diagonalization* (对角线法, Cantor, 1891)
  - Assume there is a series  $\{r_i\}=r_1,r_2,...$ Containing all elements  $r \in [0,1)$ .
  - Consider listing the elements of  $\{r_i\}$  in decimal notation (although any base will do) in order of increasing index: ...



Georg Cantor 1845-1918

#### **UNCOUNTABLE SETS**

## Proof (Cont)

A postulated enumeration of the reals:

$$r_{1} = 0.d_{1,1} d_{1,2} d_{1,3} d_{1,4} d_{1,5} d_{1,6} d_{1,7} d_{1,8} \dots$$

$$r_{2} = 0.d_{2,1} d_{2,2} d_{2,3} d_{2,4} d_{2,5} d_{2,6} d_{2,7} d_{2,8} \dots$$

$$r_{3} = 0.d_{3,1} d_{3,2} d_{3,3} d_{3,4} d_{3,5} d_{3,6} d_{3,7} d_{3,8} \dots$$

$$r_{4} = 0.d_{4,1} d_{4,2} d_{4,3} d_{4,4} d_{4,5} d_{4,6} d_{4,7} d_{4,8} \dots$$

$$\dots$$

$$r_{n} = 0.d_{n,1} d_{n,2} d_{n,3} d_{n,4} \dots d_{n,n} \dots$$

Now, consider a real number generated by taking all the digits  $d_{i,i}$  that lie along the *diagonal* in this figure and replacing them with *different* digits.

### **UNCOUNTABLE SETS**

## Example

A postulated enumeration of the reals:

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r_1 = 0.301948571...

r_2 = 0.103918481...

r_3 = 0.039194193...

r_4 = 0.918437461...
```

- OK, now let's add 1 to each of the diagonal digits and then mod 10, that is changing 9's to 0.
- 0.4105... can't be on the list anywhere!

This really doesn't exist in the set.

## TRANSFINITE CARDINAL NUMBERS

#### Definition

- The cardinalities of infinite sets are not natural numbers, but are special objects called *transfinite cardinal* numbers (超限基数).
- The cardinality of the natural numbers,  $\aleph_0:=|\mathbf{N}|$ , is the first transfinite cardinal number. (There are none smaller.)

  \*\mathbb{R}: the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet.
- The **continuum hypothesis** (连续统假设) claims that  $\aleph_1 := |R|$ , the second transfinite cardinal.

# Proven impossible to prove or disprove.

## REVIEW: CARDINALITY OF SETS

#### You should know:

- How to define "same cardinality" in the case of finite sets and infinite sets.
- The definitions of *countable* and *uncountable*.
- How to prove (at least in easy cases) that sets are either countable or uncountable.

#### You should understand:

- A finite set must be countable.
- Infinite sets may be countable, such as N, Z.....
- Infinite sets may be uncountable, such as R.
- Transfinite cardinal number:  $\aleph_0$ ,  $\aleph_1$

# DISCRETE MATHEMATICS AND ITS APPLICATIONS

## 2.6 MATRICES

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## MATRICES

## Definition:

- A *matrix* is a rectangular array of objects (usually numbers).
- An  $m \times n$  ("m by n") matrix has exactly m horizontal rows, and n vertical columns.
- Plural of matrix : matrices
- An  $n \times n$  matrix is called a *square* matrix, whose *order* or *rank* is n.

a  $3\times2$ 

matrix

## MATRICES

#### Notation:

- The rows in a matrix are usually indexed 1 to *m* from top to bottom.
- The columns are usually indexed 1 to *n* from left to right.
- Elements are indexed by row, then column.

$$\mathbf{A} = [a_{i,j}] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

## MATRICES

#### Definition as Functions

• An M × N matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]$  of member of a set S can be encoded as a *partial function* 

$$f_{\mathbf{A}}: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow S$$

such that for  $i \le m$ ,  $j \le n$ ,  $f_A(i,j) = a_{ij}$ .

By extending the domain over which  $f_A$  is defined, various types of infinite and/or multidimensional matrices can be obtained.

#### APPLICATIONS OF MATRICES

## Tons of applications, including:

- Solving systems of linear equations
- Computer Graphics, Image Processing
- Models within many areas of Computational Science & Engineering
- Quantum Mechanics, Quantum Computing
- Many, many more...

#### PROPERTIES OF MATRICES

Matrix Equality

矩阵相等

Matrix Sums

矩阵和

Matrix Products

矩阵积

Identity Matrices

单位矩阵

Matrix Inverses

矩阵的逆

Powers of Matrices

矩阵的幂

Matrix Transposition

转置矩阵

Symmetric Matrices

对称矩阵

Zero-One Matrices

0-1矩阵

## MATRIX EQUALITY

#### Definition:

■ Two matrices **A** and **B** are considered equal *iff* they have the same number of rows, the same number of columns, and all their corresponding elements are equal.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## MATRIX SUMS

#### Definition:

■ The sum A+B of two matrices A, B (which must have the same number of rows, and the same number of columns) is the matrix (also with the same shape) given by adding corresponding elements of A and B.

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = [a_{i,j} + b_{i,j}]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 0 & -8 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 3 \\ -11 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 9 \\ -11 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### MATRIX PRODUCTS

#### Definition:

■ For an  $m \times k$  matrix **A** and a  $k \times n$  matrix **B**, the *product* **AB** is the  $m \times n$  matrix:

$$\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{C} = [c_{i,j}] \equiv \left[\sum_{\ell=1}^k a_{i,\ell} b_{\ell,j}\right]$$

- The element of AB indexed (i,j) is given by the *vector dot product* (向量点积) of the <u>ith row of A</u> and the <u>jth column of B</u> (considered as vectors).
- Note: Matrix multiplication is <u>not</u> commutative!

## Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 & 11 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### MATRIX PRODUCTS

**Matrix Multiplication Algorithm:** 

**procedure**  $matmul(matrices A: m \times k, B: k \times n)$ for i := 1 to m(m) for j := 1 to n begin (n) m\*(n\*(1+k\*1)) $c_{ii} := 0$ (1)for q := 1 to k(k)  $c_{ij} \coloneqq c_{ij} + a_{iq}b_{qj}$ end

 $\{C=[c_{ii}] \text{ is the product of } A \text{ and } B\}$ 

What's the  $\Theta$  of its time complexity? Answer:  $\Theta(m \cdot n \cdot k)$ 

## **IDENTITY MATRICES**

#### Definition:

• The *identity matrix of order n*,  $I_n$ , is the rank-n square matrix with 1's along the upper-left to lower-right diagonal, and 0's everywhere else.

$$\mathbf{I}_{n} = [\delta_{ij}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
Kronecker Delta
克罗内克 δ 函数

最深奥的数学研究的结果,最终都一定可以表示成整数性质的简单形式

### **MATRIX INVERSES**

#### Definition:

- For some (but not all) square matrices  $\mathbf{A}$ , there exists a unique multiplicative *inverse*  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  of  $\mathbf{A}$ , a matrix such that  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}_n$ .
- If the inverse exists, it is unique, and  $A^{-1}A = AA^{-1}$ .
- We won't go into the algorithms for matrix inversion...

How to get the matrix inverse?

## POWERS OF MATRICES

#### Definition:

If **A** is an  $n \times n$  square matrix and  $p \ge 0$ , then:

## Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### MATRIX TRANSPOSITION

#### Definition:

If  $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, the *transpose* of  $\mathbf{A}$  (often written  $\mathbf{A}^{t}$  or  $\mathbf{A}^{T}$ ) is the  $n \times m$  matrix given by  $\mathbf{A}^{t} = \mathbf{B} = [b_{ij}] = [a_{ji}]$   $(1 \le i \le n, 1 \le j \le m)$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}^{t} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Flip across diagonal

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -2 \\ 4 & -3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}^{t} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & -1 \\ 3 & -3 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

## SYMMETRIC MATRICES

#### Definition:

- A square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric iff  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^{t}$ .
- *I.e.*,  $\forall i,j \leq n$ :  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ .

## Example:

Which of the below matrices is symmetric?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## **ZERO-ONE MATRICES**

#### Definition:

- All elements of a zero-one matrix are either 0 or 1,
   Representing False & True respectively.
- Useful for representing other structures. *E.g.*, relations, directed graphs (later in this course).

## Operation:

- The *join* (#) of **A**, **B** (both  $m \times n$  zero-one matrices):
- $\bullet \mathbf{A} \vee \mathbf{B} := [a_{ij} \vee b_{ij}]$
- The *meet (交)* of **A**, **B**:
- $\bullet \mathbf{A} \wedge \mathbf{B} := [a_{ij} \wedge b_{ij}] = [a_{ij} b_{ij}]$

The 1's in A join the 1's in B to make up the 1's in C.

Where the 1's in A meet the 1's in B, we find 1's in C.

## ZERO-ONE MATRICES

## Example:

• Find the join and meet of the zero-one matrices

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

• Solution: The join of A and B is

$$\mathbf{A} \vee \mathbf{B} = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 \vee 0 & 0 \vee 1 & 1 \vee 0 \\ 0 \vee 1 & 1 \vee 1 & 0 \vee 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

**Solution:** The meet of A and B is

$$\mathbf{A} \wedge \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \wedge 0 & 0 \wedge 1 & 1 \wedge 0 \\ 0 \wedge 1 & 1 \wedge 1 & 0 \wedge 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

## 0-1 MATRICES: BOOLEAN PRODUCTS

#### Definition:

- Let  $A=[a_{ij}]$  be an  $m \times k$  zero-one matrix, & let  $B=[b_{ij}]$  be a  $k \times n$  zero-one matrix,
- The *boolean product* (布尔积) of **A** and **B** is like normal matrix ×, but using ∨ instead of + in the row-column "*vector dot product*":

$$\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C} = [c_{ij}] = \left[ \bigvee_{\ell=1}^k a_{i\ell} \wedge b_{\ell j} \right]$$

$$c_{ij} = (a_{i1} \wedge b_{1j}) \vee (a_{i2} \wedge b_{2j}) \vee \dots \vee (a_{ik} \wedge b_{kj})$$

## 0-1 MATRICES: BOOLEAN PRODUCT

## Example:

• Find the Boolean product of A and B, where

$$\mathbf{A} = \left[ egin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 \ 1 & 0 \end{array} 
ight], \quad \mathbf{B} = \left[ egin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} 
ight].$$

■ Solution: The Boolean product of A ⊙ B is?

$$\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} (1 \land 1) \lor (0 \land 0) & (1 \land 1) \lor (0 \land 1) & (1 \land 0) \lor (0 \land 1) \\ (0 \land 1) \lor (1 \land 0) & (0 \land 1) \lor (1 \land 1) & (0 \land 0) \lor (1 \land 1) \\ (1 \land 1) \lor (0 \land 0) & (1 \land 1) \lor (0 \land 1) & (1 \land 0) \lor (0 \land 1) \end{bmatrix}$$

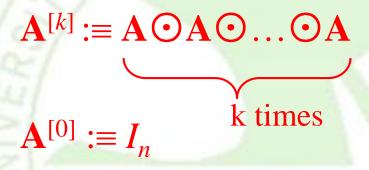
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \lor 0 & 1 \lor 0 & 0 \lor 0 \\ 0 \lor 0 & 0 \lor 1 & 0 \lor 1 \\ 1 \lor 0 & 1 \lor 0 & 0 \lor 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

## 0-1 Matrices: Boolean Powers

#### Definition:

■ For a square zero-one matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , and any  $k \ge 0$ , the  $k_{th}$  Boolean power of  $\mathbf{A}$  is simply the Boolean product of k copies of  $\mathbf{A}$ .



## 0-1 MATRICES: BOOLEAN POWERS

**Example:**
Let 
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
. Find  $\mathbf{A}^{[n]}$  for all positive integers  $n$ .

#### **Solution:**

$$\mathbf{A}^{[2]} = \mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{[2]} = \mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{A}^{[3]} = \mathbf{A}^{[2]} \odot \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{[4]} = \mathbf{A}^{[3]} \odot \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{[5]} = \left[ egin{array}{cccc} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} 
ight]$$

 $\mathbf{A}^{[5]} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}^{[\mathbf{n}]} = \mathbf{A}^{\mathbf{5}} \quad \text{for all positive integers } n \text{ with } n \ge 5.$ 

## **0-1 MATRICES: BASIC PROPERTIES**

- If A, B, and C are Boolean matrices of compatible sizes, then
  - $\bullet$  A  $\vee$  B=B  $\vee$  A

Commutative law

- $\bullet$  A  $\land$  B=B  $\land$  A
- $\bullet$  (A  $\vee$  B)  $\vee$  C=A  $\vee$  (B  $\vee$  C) Associative law
- $\bullet$  (A \wedge B) \wedge C=A \wedge (B \wedge C)
- $\bullet A \land (B \lor C) = (A \lor B) \land (A \lor C)$

Distributive law

- $\bullet A \lor (B \land C) = (A \land B) \lor (A \land C)$
- $\bullet (A \odot B) \odot C = A \odot (B \odot C)$

## REVIEW: MATRICES

#### We have learned:

- Definition and notation of matrix.
- Arithmetic of matrices:
  - Metrix Sum
  - Metrix Product
- Some special matrices:
  - Indentity Matrix
  - Matrix Inverses
  - Powers of Matrices
  - Matrix Transposition
  - Symmetric Matrices
  - Zero-one Matrix and its properties

## HOMEWORK

- **§ 2.5** 
  - **2**, 10

- **§ 2.6** 
  - **4(b)**, 20, 28, 32

# DISCRETE MATHEMATICS AND ITS APPLICATIONS

# 3.1 ALGORITHMS

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#### **ALGORITHMS**

- The foundation of computer programming.
- Most generally, an *algorithm* just means a definite procedure for performing some sort of task.
- A computer *program* is simply a description of an algorithm, in a language precise enough for a computer to understand, requiring only operations that the computer already knows how to do.
- We say that a program *implements* (or "is an implementation of") its algorithm.



### Grade-school arithmetic algorithms:

- How to add any two natural numbers written in decimal on paper, using carries.
- Similar: Subtraction using borrowing.
- Multiplication & long division.

#### **EXECUTING AN ALGORITHM**

- When you start up a piece of software, we say the program or its algorithm are being *run* or *executed* by the computer.
- Given a description of an algorithm, you can also execute it by hand, by working through all of its steps with pencil & paper.
- Before ~1940, "computer" meant a *person* whose job was to execute algorithms!

### **WE WILL LEARN**

- An informal "pseudo-code" language.
- Some basic algorithms:
  - Max algorithm
  - Primality-testing
  - Searching: linear search & binary search
  - Sorting: bubble sort & insertion sort
  - Greedy

### **ALGORITHM EXAMPLE: MAX**

### Task:

- Given a sequence  $\{a_i\}=a_1,...,a_n, a_i \in \mathbb{N}$ , say what its largest element is.
- One algorithm for doing this:
  - Set the value of a *temporary variable* v (largest element seen so far) to  $a_1$ .
  - Look at the next element  $a_i$  in the sequence.
  - If  $a_i > v$ , then re-assign v to the number  $a_i$ .
  - Repeat previous 2 steps until there are no more elements in the sequence, & return v.

### **ALGORITHM EXAMPLE: MAX**

### Running the Algorithm

- Let  $\{a_i\}=7, 12, 3, 15, 8$ . Find its maximum...
  - Set  $v = a_1 = 7$ .
  - Look at next element:  $a_2 = 12$ .
  - Is  $a_2 > v$ ? Yes, so change v to 12.
  - Look at next element:  $a_2 = 3$ .
  - Is 3>12? No, leave *v* alone....
  - Is 15>12? Yes, *v*=15...

### **ALGORITHM CHARACTERISTICS**

### Some important features of algorithm:

- *Input*(输入). Information or data that comes in.
- Output (输出). Information or data that goes out.
- Definiteness(确定性). Algorithm is precisely defined.
- Correctness(正确性). Outputs correctly relate to inputs.
- Finiteness(有限性). Won't take forever to describe or run.
- Effectiveness(有效性). Individual steps are all do-able.
- Generality(通用性). Works for many possible inputs.
- Efficiency(高效性). Takes little time & memory to run.

### PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

- Some common programming languages:
  - Older: Fortran, Cobol, Lisp, Pascal, Basic
  - Newer: Java, C, C++, C#, Visual Basic, JavaScript, Perl, Tcl, Python, many others...
  - Assembly languages: for low-level coding.
- In this class we will use an informal, Pascal-like "pseudo-code" language.
- You should know at least 1 real language!

#### PSEUDOCODE LANGUAGE

#### procedure

procname(argument: type)

<u>variable</u> := <u>expression</u>

statement

informal statement

return expression

begin statements end

{comment}

**if** <u>condition</u> then <u>statement</u> [else <u>statement</u>]

**for** <u>variable</u> := <u>initial value</u> to <u>final value</u> <u>statement</u>

**while** <u>condition</u> <u>statement</u>

# PROCEDURE <u>procname</u> (arg: type)

- Declares that the following text defines a procedure named <u>procname</u> that takes inputs (<u>arguments</u>) named <u>arg</u> which are data objects of the type <u>type</u>.
  - Example:
     procedure maximum(L: list of integers)
     [statements defining maximum...]
     return expression

Various real programming languages refer to procedures as *functions* (since the procedure call notation works similarly to function application f(x)), or as *subroutines*, *subprograms*, or *methods*.

# <u>variable</u> := <u>expression</u>

- An assignment statement evaluates the expression <u>expression</u>, then reassigns the variable <u>variable</u> to the value that results.
  - Example

```
assignment statement: v := 3x+7 (If x is 2, changes v to 13.)
```

- In pseudocode (but not real code), the <u>expression</u> might be informally stated:
  - x := the largest integer in the list L

# Informal statement

Sometimes we may write a statement as an informal English imperative, if the meaning is still clear and precise: e.g., "swap x and y"

 Keep in mind that real programming languages never allow this.

## begin *statements* end

Groups a sequence of statements together:

```
begin

statement 1

statement 2

...

statement n

end
```

Curly braces {} are used instead in many languages.

- Might be used:
  - After a procedure declaration.
  - In an if statement after then or else.
  - In the body of a for or while loop.

# {comment}

- Not executed (does nothing).
- Natural-language text explaining some aspect of the procedure to human readers.
- Also called a *remark* in some real programming languages, *e.g.* BASIC.

### Example

• Might appear in a max program: {Note that v is the largest integer seen so far.}

# if *condition* then *statement*

- Evaluate the propositional expression <u>condition</u>.
  - If the resulting truth value is **True**, then execute the statement *statement*;
  - otherwise, just skip on ahead to the next statement after the **if** statement.
- if *cond* then *stmt1* else *stmt2* 
  - Like above, but iff truth value is **False**, executes <u>stmt2</u>.

### while *condition statement*

- **Evaluate** the propositional (Boolean) expression <u>condition</u>. If the resulting value is **True**, then execute <u>statement</u>.
- Continue repeating the above two actions over and over until finally the <u>condition</u> evaluates to **False**; then proceed to the next statement.
- **Equivalent to infinite nested ifs:**

```
if condition

begin

statement

if condition

begin

statement

...(infinite nested if 's)

end

end
```

# for <u>var</u> := <u>initial</u> to <u>final</u> <u>stmt</u>

- Initial is an integer expression.
- *Final* is another integer expression.

#### Semantics:

• Repeatedly execute  $\underline{stmt}$ , first with variable  $\underline{var} := \underline{initial}$ , then with  $\underline{var} := \underline{initial} + 1$ , then with  $\underline{var} := \underline{initial} + 2$ , etc., then finally with  $\underline{var} := \underline{final}$ .

### • Question:

• What happens if <u>stmt</u> changes the value of var, or the value that <u>initial</u> or <u>final</u> evaluates to?

# for <u>var</u> := <u>initial</u> to <u>final</u> <u>stmt</u>

• For can be exactly defined in terms of while, like so:

```
begin

var := initial

while var ≤ final

begin

stmt

var := var + 1

end

end
```

#### MAX PROCEDURE IN PSEUDOCODE

```
procedure max (a_1, a_2, ..., a_n): integers)

v := a_1 {largest element so far}

for i := 2 to n {go thru rest of elems}

if a_i > v then v := a_i {found bigger?}

{at this point v's value is the same as the largest integer in the list}

return v
```

Input Finiteness

Output Effectiveness

Definiteness Generality

Correctness Efficiency

### **INVENTING AN ALGORITHM**

- Requires a lot of creativity and intuition
  - Like writing proofs.
- Unfortunately, we can't give you an algorithm for inventing algorithms.
  - Just look at lots of examples...
  - And practice (preferably, on a computer)
  - And look at more examples...
  - And practice some more... etc., etc.

### **ALGORITHM EXAMPLE: ISPRIME**

Suppose we ask you to write an algorithm to compute the predicate:

*IsPrime*: 
$$\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{T,F\}$$

- Computes whether a given natural number is a prime number.
- First, start with a correct predicate-logic definition of the desired function:

$$\forall n: IsPrime(n) \Leftrightarrow \neg \exists 1 < d < n: d \mid n$$

Means d divides n evenly (without remainder)

### **ALGORITHM EXAMPLE: ISPRIME**

Notice that the negated existential can be rewritten as a universal:

```
\neg \exists 1 < d < n : d \mid n \iff \forall 1 < d < n : \neg d \mid n
\Leftrightarrow \forall 2 \le d \le n \neg 1 : \neg d \mid n
```

This universal can then be translated directly into a corresponding for loop:

```
for d := 2 to n-1 { Try all potential divisors >1 & <n }
  if d|n then return F { n has divisor d; not prime }
return T { no divisors were found; n must be prime}</pre>
```

Iteration number: **n-2** 

### **ALGORITHM EXAMPLE: ISPRIME**

■ The *IsPrime* algorithm can be *further optimized*:

for d := 2 to  $\lfloor n^{1/2} \rfloor$  only try divisors that are primes less than  $n^{1/2}$ .

return T

- This works because of this theorem:
  - If *n* has any (integer) divisors, it must have one less than  $n^{1/2}$ .
  - **Proof:** Suppose n's smallest divisor >1 is a, and let b := n/a, then n = ab. If  $a > n^{1/2}$  then  $b > n^{1/2}$  (since a is n's smallest divisor) and so  $n = ab > (n^{1/2})^2 = n$ , an absurdity.

### **ALGORITHM EXAMPLE: SEARCHING**

- Problem of searching an ordered list.
  - Given a list L of n elements that are sorted into a definite order (e.g., numeric, alphabetical),
  - And given a particular element x,
  - Determine whether x appears in the list,
  - and if so, return its index (position) in the list.
- Problem occurs often in many contexts
  - E.g. Database, Library, Web...
- Let's find an efficient algorithm!

#### SEARCH ALG. #1: LINEAR SEARCH

#### procedure *linear search*

```
(x: integer, a_1, a_2, ..., a_n: distinct integers)i := 1{start at beginning of list}while (i \le n \land x \ne a_i){not done, not found}i := i + 1{go to the next position}if i \le n then location := i{it was found}else location := 0{it wasn't found}return location{index or 0 if not found}
```

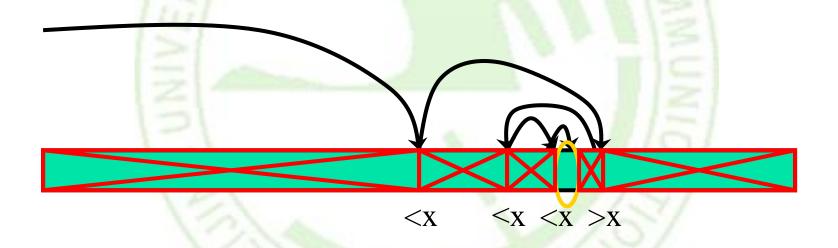
Worst iteration number: n



#### SEARCH ALG. #2: BINARY SEARCH

#### Basic idea:

• On each step, look at the *middle* element of the remaining list to eliminate half of it, and quickly zero in on the desired element.



### SEARCH ALG. #2: BINARY SEARCH

```
procedure binary search
  (x: integer, a_1, a_2, ..., a_n: distinct integers)
  i := 1
                        {left endpoint of search interval}
                       {right endpoint of search interval}
  j := n
  while i < j begin {while interval has > 1 item}
       m := \lfloor (i+j)/2 \rfloor {find midpoint}
       if x>a_m then i:=m+1
        else j := m {eliminate half of it}
   end
  if x = a_i then location := i else location := 0
   return location
```

Worst iteration number: ?

### PRACTICE EXERCISES

 Devise an algorithm that finds the sum of all the integers in a list.

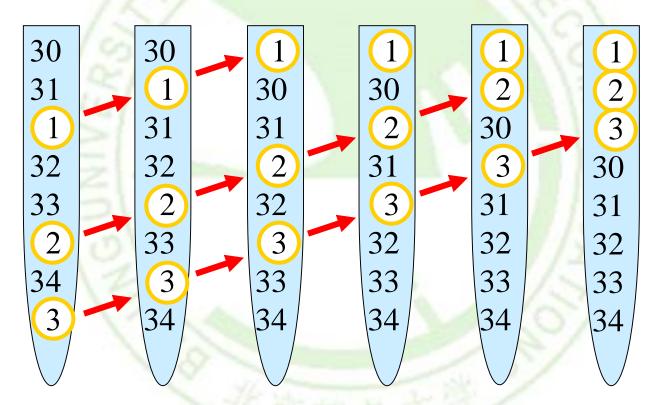
```
 \begin{aligned} \mathbf{procedure} \ sum(a_1, \ a_2, \ ..., \ a_n \ : \ integers) \\ s := 0 & \{sum \ of \ elems \ so \ far\} \\ for \ i := 1 \ to \ n & \{go \ thru \ all \ elems\} \\ s := s + a_i & \{add \ current \ item\} \\ \{at \ this \ point \ s \ is \ the \ sum \ of \ all \ items\} \\ return \ s \end{aligned}
```

### **ALGORITHM EXAMPLE: SORTING**

- Sorting is a common operation in many applications.
  - *E.g.* spreadsheets and databases
- It is also widely used as a subroutine in other dataprocessing algorithms.
- Two sorting algorithms shown in textbook:
  - Bubble sort
  - Insertion sort

### SORTING ALG. #1: BUBBLE SORT

 Smallest elements "float" up to the top of the list, like bubbles in a container of liquid.



Worst iteration number: ?

### SORTING ALG. #2: INSERTION SORT

- For each item in the input list,
  - "Insert" it into the correct place in the sorted output list generated so far. Like so:
    - Use linear or binary search to find the location where the new item should be inserted.
    - Then, shift the items from that position onwards down by one position.
    - Put the new item in the hole remaining.

We'll see some more efficient sort algorithms later in the course.

### **ALGORITHM EXAMPLE: GREEDY**

### Example 6

- Consider the problem of making *n* cents change with *quarters*(25), *dimes*(10), *nickels*(5), and *pennies*(1), and using the least total number of coins.
- We can devise a greedy algorithm for making change for *n* cents by making a locally optimal choice at each step.

```
procedure change(c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_r): values of denominations of coins, where c_1 > c_2 > \cdots > c_r; n: a positive integer) for i := 1 to r
d_i := 0 \; \{d_i \; \text{counts the coins of denomination } c_i \; \text{used} \}
\text{while } n \geq c_i
d_i := d_i + 1 \; \{ \text{add a coin of denomination } c_i \}
n := n - c_i
\{d_i \; \text{is the number of coins of denomination } c_i \; \text{in the change for } i = 1, 2, \ldots, r \}
```

#### GREEDY EXAMPLE: LEMMA 1

- If *n* is a positive integer, then *n* cents in change using *quarters*, *dimes*, *nickels*, and *pennies* using the fewest coins possible has:
  - at most two dimes,
  - at most one nickel,

At most 9 cents

- at most four pennies, and \_
- cannot have two dimes and a nickel,
- the amount of change in dimes, nickels, and pennies cannot exceed 24 cents.

#### **Proof**: By contradiction

- If we had 3 dimes, we could replace them with a quarter and a nickel.
- If we had 2 nickels, we could replace them with 1 dime.
- If we had 5 pennies, we could replace them with a nickel.
- If we had 2 dimes and 1 nickel, we could replace them with a quarter.
- The allowable combinations, have a maximum value of 24 cents; 2 dimes and 4 pennies.

### **GREEDY EXAMPLE: THEOREM 1**

■ The greedy algorithm (Algorithm 6) produces change using the *fewest coins* possible. 本例中贪心算法会得到最优解

Proof: By contradiction.

- Assume there is a positive integer n such that change can be made for n cents using quarters, dimes, nickels, and pennies, with a fewer total number of coins than given by the algorithm.
- Let q' is the number of quarters used in this optimal way and q is the number of quarters in the greedy algorithm's solution, then,  $q' \le q$  (why?). But q' < q is not possible by Lemma 1, since the value of the coins other than quarters can not be greater than 24 cents.
- Similarly, by Lemma 1, the two algorithms must have the same number of dimes, nickels, and quarters.

### **REVIEW: ALGORITHMS**

- Characteristics of algorithms.
- Pseudocode.
- Examples:
  - Max alg, primality-testing alg, linear search & binary search alg, bubble & insertion sorting alg, greedy alg.
  - Intuitively we see that binary search is much faster than linear search, but how do we analyze the efficiency of algorithms formally?
  - Use methods of *algorithmic complexity*, which utilize the order-of-growth concepts from § 3.2.

## HOMEWORK

**§ 3.1** 

