

CONSTRAINT
SATISFACTION
PROBLEMS



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- Factored representation for each state.
- X is a set of variables, $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$
- D is a set of domains, $\{D_1, \dots, D_n\}$, one for each variable.
 - A domain, D_i , consists of a set of allowable values, $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$, for variable X_i .
- C is a set of constraints that specify allowable combinations of values.
 - Each constraint C_j consists of a pair $\langle \text{scope}, \text{rel} \rangle$, where scope is a tuple of variables that participate in the constraint and relation is a relation that defines the values that those variables can take on.
 - If X_1 and X_2 both have the domain $\{1, 2, 3\}$, then
 - Constraint $C_j = \langle (X_1, X_2), \{(3, 1), (3, 2), (2, 1)\} \rangle$ explicit or $\langle (X_1, X_2), X_1 > X_2 \rangle$ implicit

ASSIGNMENT

- An assignment that does not violate any constraints is called a **consistent or legal** assignment.
- A **complete assignment** is one in which every variable is assigned a value, and a solution to a CSP is a **consistent, complete** assignment.
- A **partial assignment** is one that leaves some variables unassigned, and a partial solution is a partial assignment that is **consistent**.

MAP COLORING

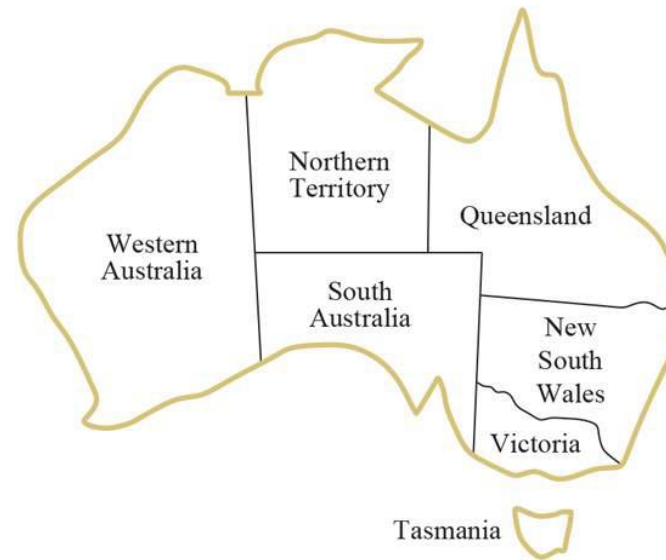
- We are given the task of coloring each region either red, green, or blue in such a way that no two neighboring regions have the same color.

$X = \{WA, NT, Q, NSW, V, SA, T\}$

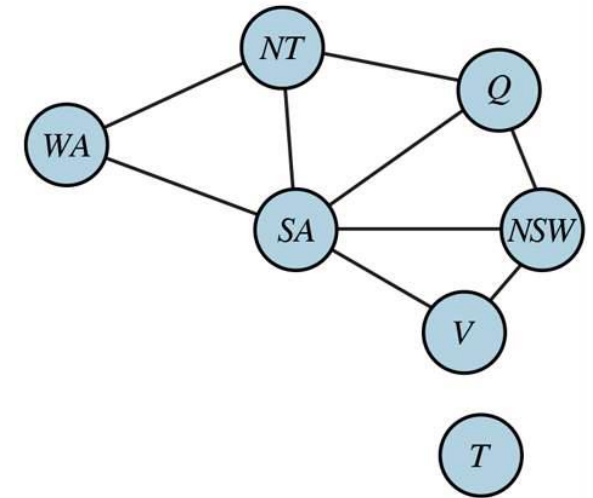
$D_i = \{\text{red}, \text{green}, \text{blue}\}$

$C = \{SA \neq WA, SA \neq NT, SA \neq Q, SA \neq NSW, SA \neq V, \\ WA \neq NT, NT \neq Q, Q \neq NSW, NSW \neq V\}.$

If $\{SA = \text{blue}\}$ 3^5 assignments to 2^5 assignments using CSP.



(a)



(b)

$$D_i = \{0,1,2,3,\dots,30\}$$

JOB-SHOP SCHEDULING

- Car assembly, consisting of 15 tasks: install axles (front and back), affix all four wheels (right and left, front and back), tighten nuts for each wheel, affix hubcaps, and inspect the final assembly.

$$X = \{Axle_F, Axle_B, Wheel_{RF}, Wheel_{LF}, Wheel_{RB}, Wheel_{LB}, Nuts_{RF}, Nuts_{LF}, Nuts_{RB}, Nuts_{LB}, Cap_{RF}, Cap_{LF}, Cap_{RB}, Cap_{LB}, Inspect\}.$$

Precedence Constraints $T_1 + d_1 \leq T_2.$

$$Axle_F + 10 \leq Wheel_{RF}; \quad Axle_F + 10 \leq Wheel_{LF};$$

$$Axle_B + 10 \leq Wheel_{RB}; \quad Axle_B + 10 \leq Wheel_{LB}.$$

$$Wheel_{RF} + 1 \leq Nuts_{RF}; \quad Nuts_{RF} + 2 \leq Cap_{RF};$$

$$Wheel_{LF} + 1 \leq Nuts_{LF}; \quad Nuts_{LF} + 2 \leq Cap_{LF};$$

$$Wheel_{RB} + 1 \leq Nuts_{RB}; \quad Nuts_{RB} + 2 \leq Cap_{RB};$$

$$Wheel_{LB} + 1 \leq Nuts_{LB}; \quad Nuts_{LB} + 2 \leq Cap_{LB}.$$

Disjunctive Constraint $(Axle_F + 10 \leq Axle_B) \text{ or } (Axle_B + 10 \leq Axle_F)$

CONSTRAINTS

- Unary Constraint

$\langle (SA), SA \neq \text{green} \rangle$

- Binary Constraint

$SA \neq NSW$

- Higher-order Constraints

$\langle (X, Y, Z), X < Y < Z \text{ or } X > Y > Z \rangle$

- Global Constraint

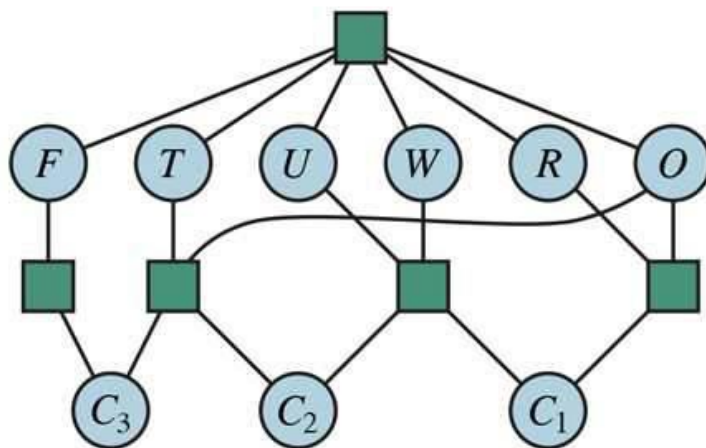
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- Preference Constraints \rightarrow Constrained Optimization Problem (COP)

CRYPTARITHMETIC PUZZLES

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 F \ O \ U \ R
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(a)



(b)

$$O + O = R + 10 \cdot C_1$$

$$C_1 + W + W = U + 10 \cdot C_2$$

$$C_2 + T + T = O + 10 \cdot C_3$$

$$C_3 = F,$$