

Constraint Satisfaction Problem Part 1

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Logistics

- Tutorial Solutions to be released before that week's tutorial
 - To allow access to solutions as TAs go over them
- Midterm will be based on the material taught until Week 6
 - Open book
 - No internet access allowed during the exam. You must download all the files ahead of time. (Hint: Module materials are sufficient)
- Tutorial 1 Grades are available on Turnitin.
 - In case your handwriting was not legible, your grader may have left you a note; please reach out to the grader in that case.

What you will learn Today

- A principled approach to model and solve complex problems
- The engine that ensures your AWS data does not leak to some other user
- The technique behind high profile auctions such as spectrum allocations
- What makes it possible for Microsoft to find bugs in device drivers
- How shipping companies such as FedEx route your packages are delivered on time

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Constraint Satisfaction Problem (CSP)

- A CSP comprises of three components:

1. Set of **Variables** $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$
2. Set of **domains** corresponding to each variable:
(1 to 4)
 $D : \{Dx_1, Dx_2, \dots, Dx_n\}$ where $Dx_i = \text{domain}(x_i)$
3. Set of **constraints**

→ psn of queen in that col

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1				
2				
3				
4				

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4 Queen Problem as CSP

- Variables: $\{ x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \}$
Each x_i represents the variable for i^{th} column in 4 x 4 grid.
- Domain $Dx_i : \{1,2,3,4\}$
Each variable can possibly be placed in any row.
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Q			

x_1	x_2	NoAttack(x_1, x_2)
1	1	F
1	2	F
1	3	T

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1	1	False
1	2	False
1	3	True
1	4	True
...

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt I)

First assign value to each variable, then check for consistency.
If not consistent, Backtrack.

↪ all constraints satisfied

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3				
4				

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	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q	Q		
2				
3				
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1	Q	Q	Q	Q
2				
3				
4				

Backtrack !

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2				Q
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4				

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3				Q
4				

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2				
3				Q
4				

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3				
4				Q

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3				
4				Q

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	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q	Q		
2			Q	
3				
4				

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1	Q	Q		Q
2			Q	
3				
4				

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	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q	Q		Q
2			Q	
3				
4				

Backtrack !

Needs too many steps to find a solution.

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BACKTRACKINGSEARCH( $prob, assign$ )
1: if ALLVARSASSIGNED( $prob, assign$ ) then
2:   if ISCONSISTENT( $assign$ ) then
3:     return  $assign$ 
4:   else
5:     return failure
6:  $var \leftarrow$  PICKUNASSIGNEDVAR( $prob, assign$ )
7: for  $value \in$  ORDERDOMAINVALUE( $var, prob, assign$ ) do
8:    $assign \leftarrow assign \cup (var = value)$ 
9:    $result \leftarrow$  BACKTRACKINGSEARCH( $prob, assign$ )
10:  if  $result \neq failure$  then return  $result$ 
11:   $assign \leftarrow assign \setminus (var = value)$ 
12: return failure
    
```

will always return F

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q	Q		Q
2			Q	
3				
4				

Backtrack !

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3				
4				

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	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q	Q		
2				
3				
4				

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1	Q	Q		
2				
3				
4				

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1	Q			
2		Q		
3				
4				

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	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2		Q		
3				
4				

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1	Q			
2				
3		Q		
4				

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	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q		Q	
2				
3		Q		
4				

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	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q		Q	
2				
3		Q		
4				

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	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2			Q	
3		Q		
4				

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Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2			Q	
3		Q		
4				

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3		Q	Q	
4				

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3		Q	Q	
4				

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3		Q		
4			Q	

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3		Q		
4			Q	

Can not assign any value to x_3 which is consistent with the previous assignment.
Backtrack !

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q		Q	
2				
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q		Q	
2				
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2			Q	
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			Q
2			Q	
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			Q
2			Q	
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2			Q	Q
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2			Q	Q
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2			Q	
3				Q
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2			Q	
3				Q
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2			Q	
3				
4		Q		Q

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2			Q	
3				
4		Q		Q

Can not assign any value to x_4 which is consistent with the previous assignment.
Backtrack !

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3			Q	
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3			Q	
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3				
4		Q	Q	

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1	Q			
2				
3				
4		Q	Q	

Can not assign any value to x_3 which is consistent with the previous assignment.
Backtrack !

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1				
2	Q			
3				
4				

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1				
2	Q			
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1			Q	
2	Q			
3				
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4
1			Q	
2	Q			
3				Q
4		Q		

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Backtracking Algorithm (Attempt II)

Before assigning value, checks if it is consistent with the previous assignments.

BACKTRACKINGSEARCH($prob, assign$)

```

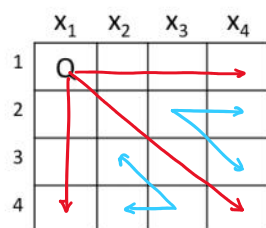
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3: for  $value$  in ORDERDOMAINVALUE( $var, prob, assign$ ) do
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7:     if  $result \neq failure$  then return  $result$ 
8:      $assign \leftarrow assign \setminus (var = value)$ 
9: return failure
    
```

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Backtracking Algorithm with Inference

- Assign value to x_i and **infer** the restrictions on rest of the variables



$x_2 \neq 1, 2$
 $x_3 \neq 1, 3$
 $x_4 \neq 1, 4$

If $x_3 = 2$,
 $x_4 \neq 2, 3 \leftarrow$ no solution!
 If $x_3 = 4$,
 $x_2 \neq 3, 4 \leftarrow$ no solution!

$x_3 \neq 1, 2, 3, 4$
 $\rightarrow x_1 \neq 1$

☆ inference takes a long time
 \rightarrow balance assign & check
 w/ inferring

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Backtracking Algorithm with Inference

BacktrackingSearch_with_Inference(*prob, assign*)

```
1: if ALLVARIABLESASSIGNED(prob, assign) then return assign
2: var  $\leftarrow$  PICKUNASSIGNEDVAR(prob, assign)  $\times_3$ 
3: for value in ORDERDOMAINVALUE(var, prob, assign) do {1, 2, 3, 4}
4:   if VALISCONSISTENTWITHASSIGNMENT(value, assign) then {2, 4}
5:     assign  $\leftarrow$  assign  $\cup$  (var = value)
6:     inference  $\leftarrow$  INFER(prob, var, assign)
7:     assign  $\leftarrow$  assign  $\cup$  inference
8:     if inference != failure then
9:       result  $\leftarrow$  BACKTRACKINGSEARCH(prob, assign)
10:      if result != failure then return result
11:      assign  $\leftarrow$  assign  $\setminus$  {(var = value)  $\cup$  inference}
12: return failure
```

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