

Minimum Concurrency for Assembling Computer Music

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Motivation

- The Dining Philosophers:
proposed by *Edsger Dijkstra*
in 1965 to illustrate
deadlocks, starvation and
race condition.
- Variant with two states:
“*eating*” (consuming
resources) or “*hungry*”
(ready to eat).

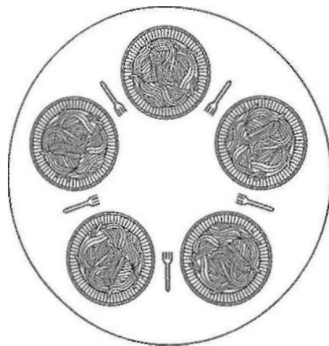


Figure 1:
The Dining Philosophers [1].

Resource Graph

- Nodes represent **processes** to be scheduled.
- Edges represent **shared resources** between two nodes.
- How to schedule nodes in order to **attain justice** and prevent classic scheduling problems?

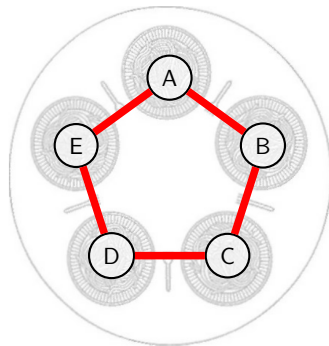


Figure 2: Resource Graph for the *Dining Philosophers*.

Scheduling by Edge Reversal (*SER*)

- Distributed solution for heavily loaded neighborhood-constrained systems.
- Acyclic orientation: *sinks* operate simultaneously and revert their edges, forming new *sinks*.
- Justice: all nodes operate the same number of times within a period.

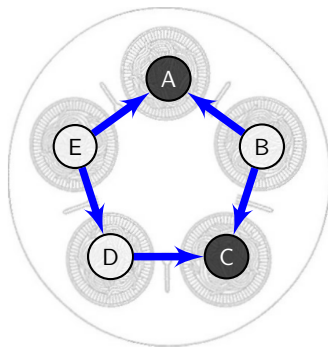
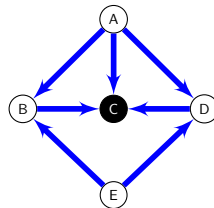
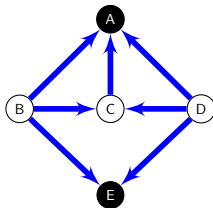
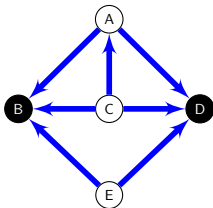
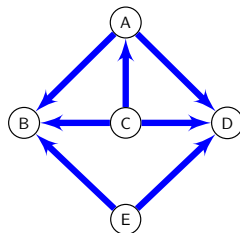
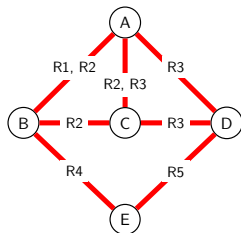
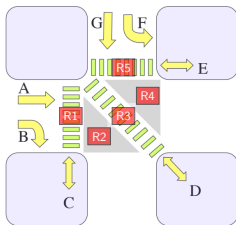


Figure 3: DAG representing the Dining Philosophers.

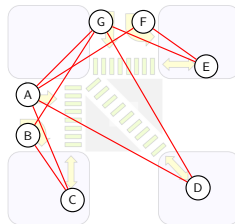
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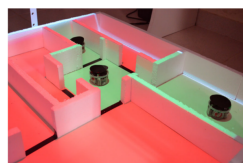
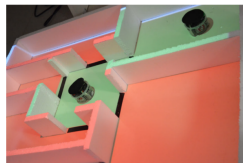
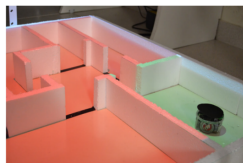
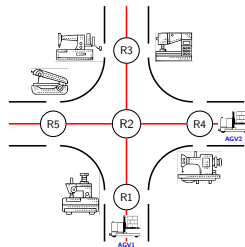
Applications



(d) Road junctions [2].



(e) AGV Routing [3].

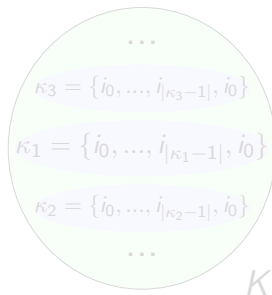


(f) Firefighting by autonomous robots [4].

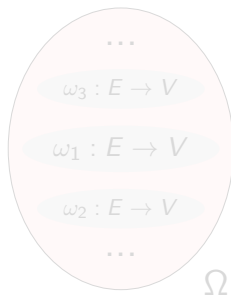
Figure 4: SER applications.

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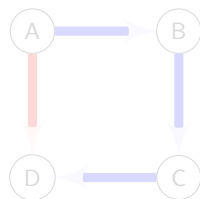
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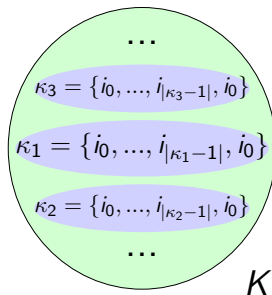


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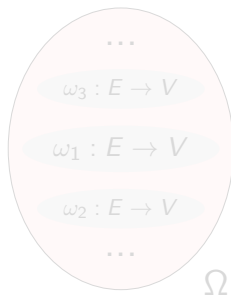
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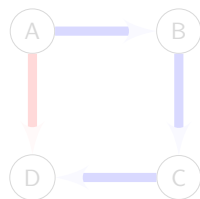
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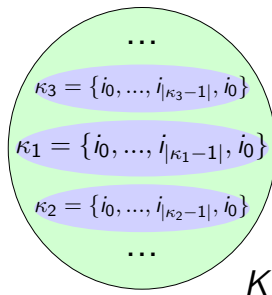


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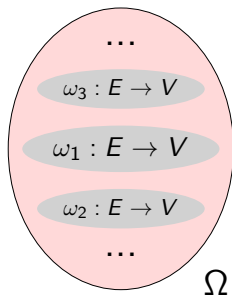
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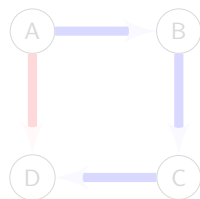
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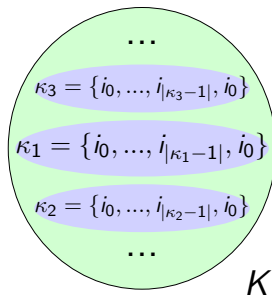


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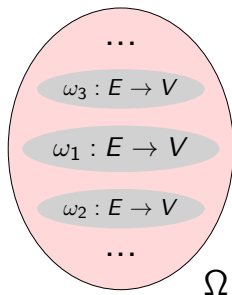
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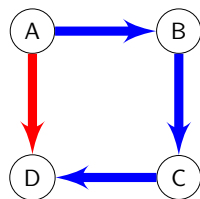
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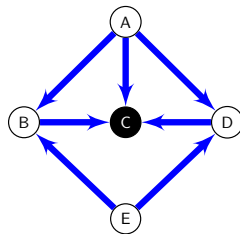
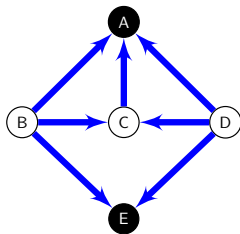
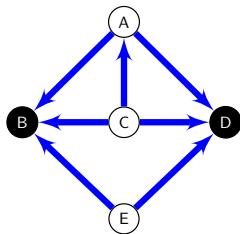


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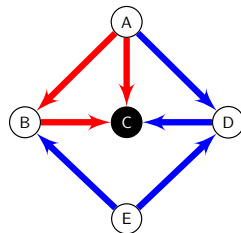
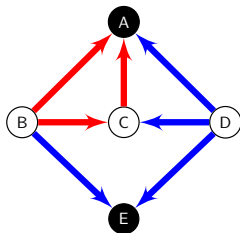
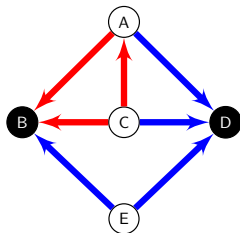
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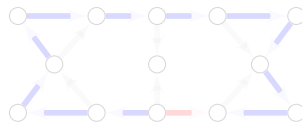
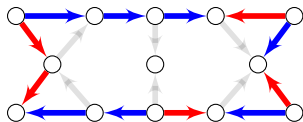
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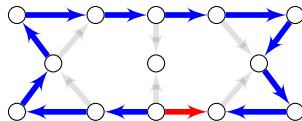
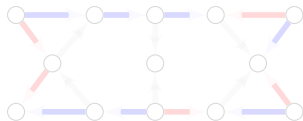
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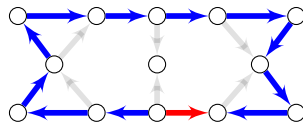
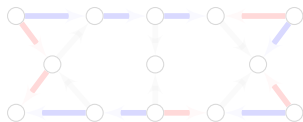
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Lemma 1

$$\gamma^* = \min_{\kappa \in K} \left\{ \frac{1}{|\kappa|} \right\}$$

Concorrência Mínima via Ciclos Máximos (2)

- We still need to find ω^* such that $\gamma(\omega^*) = \gamma^*$:

Algorithm 1: Obtaining an orientation in linear time that leads to minimum concurrency.

Input : Undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ and longest cycle $\kappa^* \subseteq V$

- Assign increasing ids to each vertex of κ^*
- Assign increasing ids (strictly greater than the ones in κ^*) to remaining vertices
- Create an “empty” orientation ω^*
- Orient edges towards the smaller (or larger) ids

return ω^*

Experimental Results

- *Simple Cycle Problem model* from Lucena et al. [6]:

Nodes	p	Avg. Edges	Solved	Avg. Min. Conc.	CPU Time (s)
200	0.01	391	10	1/178	0.6 (\pm 0.9)
200	0.1	3 780	10	1/200	6.5 (\pm 7.3)
1000	0.002	2 062	10	1/905	73.2 (\pm 51.4)
1000	0.02	19 695	10	1/1000	797.0 (\pm 547.3)
1000	0.2	179 806	3	1/1000	2 619.9 (\pm 1 015.0)
2000	0.001	4 091	10	1/1805	425.9 (\pm 371.3)
2000	0.01	39 807	3	1/2000	2 107.9 (\pm 1 561.5)
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Table 1: Experiments for finding minimum concurrency of random graphs $G(n,p)$.

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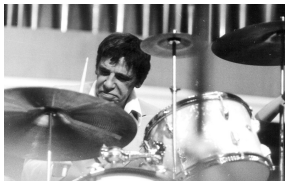
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Musical Context



(j) Buddy Rich, jazz.



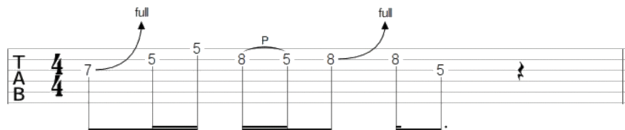
(k) Joe Bonamassa, blues.

- Computer generation of melody has been studied since the early 1950's [7].
- Two approaches: explicit (in which composition rules are specified by humans) and implicit [8].
- Western music: features counterpoint (or polyphony), with multiple melodic voices [9].

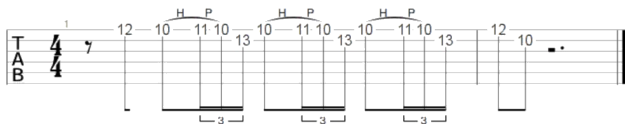
Figure 5: Virtuosos (*Creative Commons*).

Musical Phrases

- In *blues*, *jazz* and *rock* music, it's common to exist a “question/answer” dynamic with musical phrases:



(a) Antecedent phrase.



(b) Consequent phrase.

Figure 6: Examples of music tablature [10].

Assembling Maximum-length Tracks

- We'd like our model to capture the following restrictions:
 - A *consequent* phrase **may only be played** after an *antecedent* phrase, forming a *lick*;
 - Only phrases of the same type (*antecedent* or *consequent*) may be **played simultaneously**;
 - Phrases of **different intensities** (e.g. note counts) may not go well together;
 - The final composition must be a *loop*, include all phrases and be of **maximum length**.

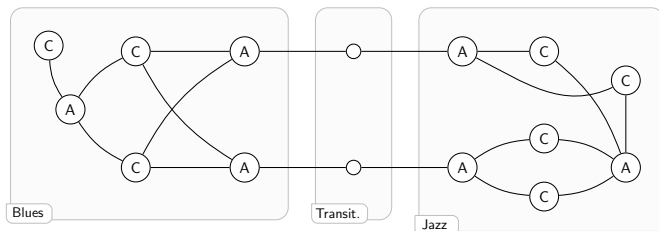
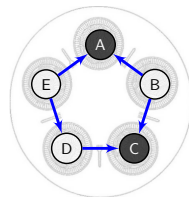


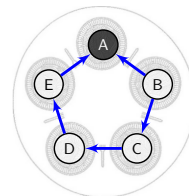
Figure 7: Modelling example.

Conclusion

- Contributions: computational strategy for **obtaining minimum concurrency** and new approach for **creating musical tracks**.
- The *MIDI* standard: **hour-long tracks** and potential source of inspiration for artists.
- Future work: computational model for **maximum concurrency** under *SER*; investigate octave information for better-quality polyphony.



(a) Maximum concurrency.



(b) Minimum concurrency.

Figure 8: Extreme concurrencies.

Closure

Thank you!

Questions & Answers

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