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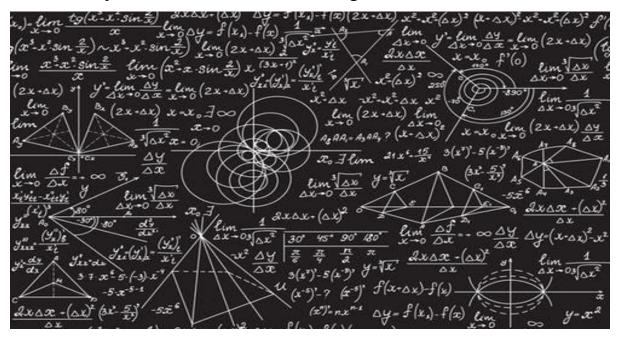
Discrete Mathematics and Its Applications

Introduction



HI

- Let us have a brief view to our course
- Don't worry we will learn lots of thing this semester





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Course Meeting Times

Subject: Discrete Mathematics

- Date: Tuesday
- Classroom Z412
- Time:

Period 1: 8:10-8:55

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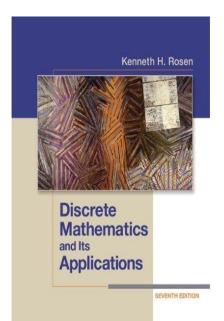


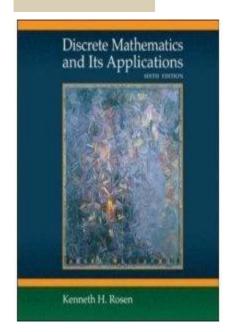
Textbook

• Discrete Mathematics and Its Applications by Kenneth H. Rosen, 7th edition, McGraw Hill

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Also you can Use lecture notes as study guide.







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What is the Subjects about?

Continuous vs. Discrete Math Why is it computer science? Mathematical techniques for DM



Discrete vs. Continuous Mathematics

Continuous Mathematics

It considers objects that vary continuously;

Example: analog wristwatch (separate hour, minute, and second hands).

From an analog watch perspective, between 1:25 p.m. and 1:26 p.m.

there are infinitely many possible different times as the second hand moves

around the watch face.

Real-number system --- core of continuous mathematics;

Continuous mathematics --- models and tools for analyzing real-world phenomena that change smoothly over time. (Differential equations etc.)



Discrete vs. Continuous Mathematics

Discrete Mathematics

It considers objects that vary in a discrete way.

Example: digital wristwatch.

On a digital watch, there are only finitely many possible different times between 1:25 P.M. and 1:27 P.M. A digital watch does not show split seconds: - no time between 1:25:03 and 1:25:04. The watch moves from one time to the next.

Integers --- core of discrete mathematics

Discrete mathematics --- models and tools for analyzing real-world phenomena that change discretely over time and therefore ideal for studying computer science – computers are digital! (numbers as finite bit strings; data structures, all discrete! Historical aside: earliest computers were analogue.)



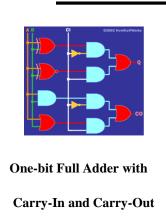
What is Subject about?

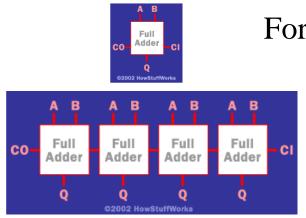
Why is it computer science?(examples)



Logic:

Hardware and software specifications





Formal: Input_wire_A value in {0, 1}

Example 1: Adder

4-bit full adder

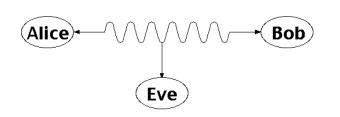
Example 2: System Specification:

- -The router can send packets to the edge system only if it supports the new address space.
- For the router to support the new address space it's necessary that the latest software release be installed.
- -The router can send packets to the edge system if the latest software release is installed.
- -The router does not support the new address space.

How to write these specifications in a rigorous / formal way? Use Logic.

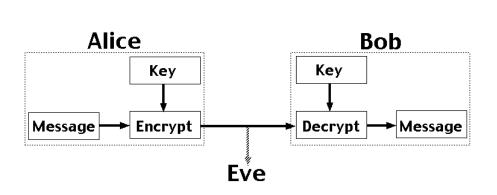
Number Theory:

RSA and Public-key Cryptography



Alice and Bob have never met but they would like to exchange a message. Eve would like to eavesdrop.

E.g. between you and the Bank of America.



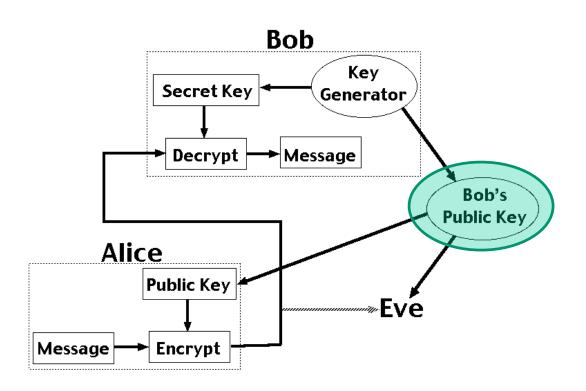
They could come up with a good encryption algorithm and exchange the encryption key – but how to do it without Eve getting it? (If Eve gets it, all security is lost.)

CS folks found the solution:

public key encryption. Quite remarkable that that is feasible.



Number Theory: Public Key Encryption



RSA – Public Key Cryptosystem (why RSA?)

Uses modular arithmetic and large primes \rightarrow Its security comes from the computational difficulty of factoring large numbers.

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RSA Approach

Encode:

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C = M<sup>e</sup> (mod n)

M is the plaintext; C is ciphertext

n = pq with p and q large primes (e.g. 200 digits long!)

e is relative prime to (p-1)(q-1)
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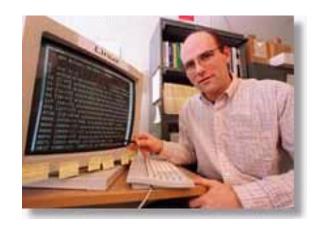
Decode:

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C^d = M \pmod{pq}
d is inverse of e modulo (p-1)(q-1)
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The process of encrypting and decrypting a message correctly results in the original message (and it's fast!)

Automated Proofs: EQP - Robbin's Algebras are all Boolean

A mathematical conjecture (Robbins conjecture) unsolved for decades. First non-trivial mathematical theorem proved automatically.



The Robbins problem was to determine whether one particular set of rules is powerful enough to capture all of the laws of Boolean algebra. One way to state the Robbins problem in mathematical terms is:

Can the equation not(not(P))=P be derived from the following three equations?

[1] P or Q = Q or P,

[2] (P or Q) or R = P or (Q or R),

[3] not(not(P or Q) or not(P or not(Q))) = P.

[An Argonne lab program] has come up with a major mathematical proof that would have been called creative if a human had thought of it.

New York Times, December, 1996

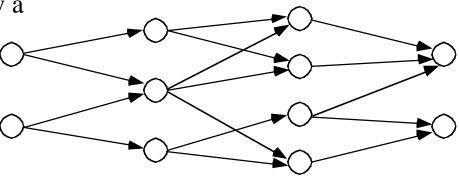


Graph Theory



Graphs and Networks

•Many problems can be represented by a graphical network representation.



•Examples:

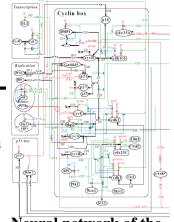
- Distribution problems
- Routing problems
- Maximum flow problems
- Designing computer / phone / road networks
- Equipment replacement
- And of course the Internet

Aside: finding the right problem representation is one of the key issues.

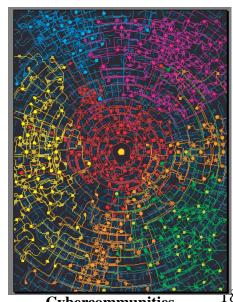


New Science of Networks

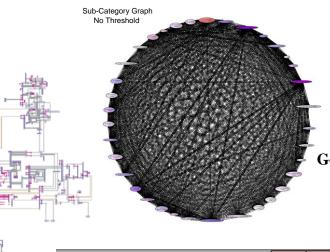
Networks are pervasive



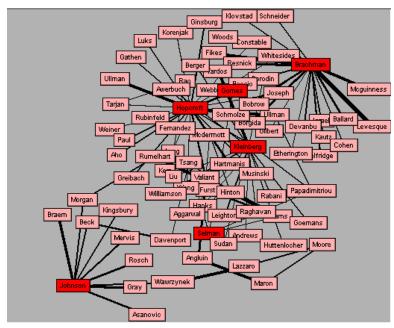
Neural network of the nematode worm C- elegans (Strogatz, Watts)



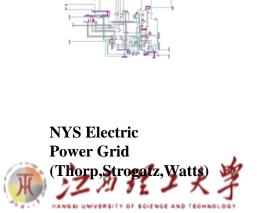
Cybercommunities
(Automatically discovered)
Kleinberg et al



Utility Patent network 1972-1999 (3 Million patents) Gomes, Hopcroft, Lesser, Selman



Network of computer scientists ReferralWeb System (Kautz and Selman)

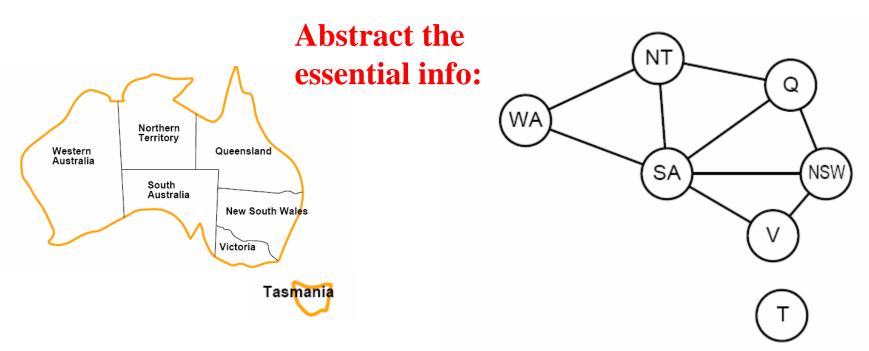


Example: Coloring a Map



How to color this map so that no two adjacent regions have the same color?

Graph representation



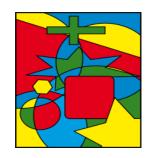
Coloring the nodes of the graph:

What's the minimum number of colors such that any two nodes connected by an edge have different colors?



Four Color Theorem

The chromatic number of a graph is the least number of colors that are required to color a graph.



Four color map.

The Four Color Theorem – the chromatic number of a planar graph is no greater than four. (quite surprising!)

Proof: Appel and Haken 1976; careful case analysis performed by computer; proof reduced the infinitude of possible maps to 1,936 reducible configurations (later reduced to 1,476) which had to be checked one by one by computer. The computer program ran for hundreds of hours. The first significant *computer-assisted* mathematical proof. *Write-up was hundreds of pages including code!*

How do we know the proof is actually correct?



Examples of Applications of Graph Coloring



Scheduling of Final Exams

How can the final exams at Kent State be scheduled so that no student has two exams at the same time? (Note not obvious this has anything to do with graphs or graph coloring!)

Graph:

A vertex correspond to a course.

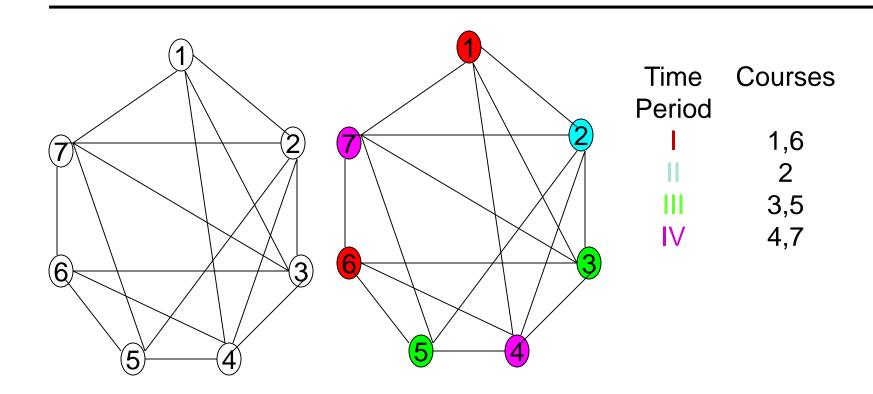
An edge between two vertices denotes that there is at least one common student in the courses they represent.

Each time slot for a final exam is represented by a different color.

A coloring of the graph corresponds to a valid schedule of the exams.



Scheduling of Final Exams

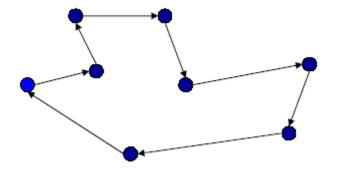


What are the constraints between courses? Find a valid coloring

Why is mimimum number of colors useful?

Example 2: Traveling Salesman

Find a closed tour of minimum length visiting all the cities.



$TSP \rightarrow lots of applications:$

Transportation related: scheduling deliveries

Many others: e.g., Scheduling of a machine to drill holes in a circuit board;

Genome sequencing; etc

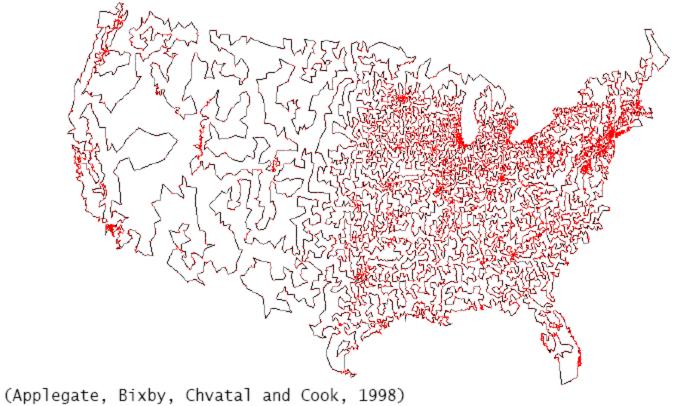


13,509 cities in the US



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13509 cities in the USA



(Appregate, Bixby, clivatar and cook, 1990)

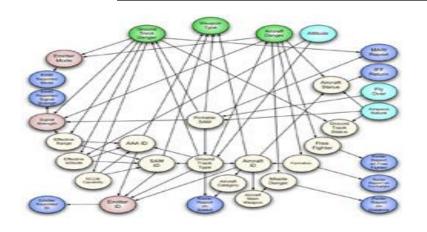
The optimal tour!

Probability and Chance

Importance of concepts from probability is rapidly increasing in CS:

- Randomized algorithms (e.g. primality testing; randomized search algorithms, such as simulated annealing, Google's PageRank, "just" a random walk on the web!) In computation, having a few random bits really helps!
- Machine Learning / Data Mining: Find statistical regularities in large amounts of data. (e.g. Naïve Bayes alg.)
- Natural language understanding: dealing with the ambiguity of language (words have multiple meanings, sentences have multiple parsings --- key: find the most likely (i.e., most probable) coherent interpretation of a sentence (the "holy grail" of NLU).

Probability: Bayesian Reasoning



Bayesian networks have been successfully applied in diverse fields such as medical diagnosis, image recognition, language understanding, search algorithms, and many others.

 $P(\mathbf{x}|\omega_i) = \frac{P(\omega_i|\mathbf{x})P(\mathbf{x})}{P(\omega_i)}$

Bayes Rule

Bayesian networks provide a means of expressing joint probability over many interrelated hypotheses and therefore reason about them.

Example of Query: what is the most likely diagnosis for the infection given all the symptoms?



Probability and Chance, cont.

Back to checking proofs...

Imagine a mathematical proof that is several thousands pages long. (e.g., the **classification of so-called finite simple groups**, also called *the enormous theorem*, 5000+ pages).

How would you check it to make sure it's correct? Hmm...



Probability and Chance, cont.

Computer scientist have recently found a remarkable way to do this:

"holographic proofs"

Ask the author of the proof to write it down in a special encoding (size increases to, say, 50,000 pages of 0 / 1 bits). You don't need to see the encoding! Instead, you ask the author to give you the values of **50** randomly picked bits of the proof. (i.e., "spot check the proof"). With almost absolute certainty, you can now determine whether the proof is correct of not! (works also for 100 trillion page proofs, use eg 100 bits.) Aside: Do professors ever use "spot checking"?

Started with results from the early nineties (Arora et al. '92) with recent refinements (Dinur '06). Combines ideas from coding theory, probability, algebra, computation, and graph theory. It's an example of one of the latest advances in discrete mathematics. See Bernard Chazelle, *Nature* '07.

Course Themes, Goals, and Course Outline



Goals of Subjects

Introduce students to a range of mathematical tools from discrete mathematics that are key in computer science

Mathematical Sophistication

How to write statements rigorously

How to read and write theorems, lemmas, etc.

How to write rigorous proofs

Actually, only practice works!

Areas we will cover:

Logic and proofs
Set Theory
Induction and Recursion
Counting and combinatorics
Probability theory
Number Theory (if time permits)

Note: Learning to do proofs from watching the slides is like trying to learn to play tennis from watching it on TV! So, do the exercises!

Practice works!

Aside: We're not after the shortest or most elegant proofs; verbose but rigorous is just fine! ©

Goals of Subjects

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Logic and Methods of Proof
   Propositional Logic --- SAT as an encoding language!
   Predicates and Quantifiers
   Methods of Proofs
Sets
   Sets and Set operations
   Functions
Counting
   Basics of counting
   Pigeonhole principle
   Permutations and Combinations
Number Theory (if time permits)
   Modular arithmetic
   RSA cryptosystems
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Topics

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Probability
   Probability Axioms, events, random variable
   Independence, expectation, example distributions
   Birthday paradox
   Monte Carlo method
Graphs and Trees (light coverage if time permits. Covered in Algorithms)
   Graph terminology
   Example of graph problems and algorithms:
        graph coloring
        TSP
        shortest path
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The END

