



Connectionist and Evolutionary Systems: ACO

Final Project: *UCSP*

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## Abstract

The *University Classes Schedule Problem (UCSP)* consists in finding all the *required disciplines* for each *group* at some academic period. It doesn't really matter whether the *disciplines* are chosen by the students or assigned by the institution. Anyway, the **primary task** for the “ants” is to encounter **valid** configurations of *classes*, such that provide exactly the *required time* of each *required discipline* for each *group*. The **secondary task** is to encounter the solution, that provides the best *satisfaction* by the represented persons and the institution.

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# 1 Problem

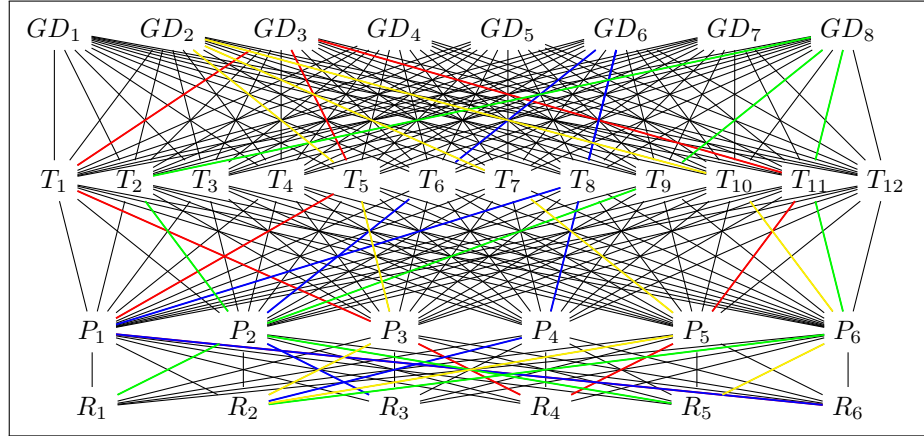


Figure 1: Problem graph schematic, representing **G**roups, **D**isciplines, **T**ime/day, **P**rofessors, **C**lass**R**ooms.

## 1.1 Classes

A *class* is an event, that links together the following types of entities, denoted as *roles*:

1. group-discipline pairs
2. day/time
3. professors
4. classrooms

Each of the roles must have a finite and non-empty domain, therefore ensuring finite number of unique permutations.

```
-- Used as kind (see data type promotion)
data Role = Groups | DayTime | Professors | Classrooms deriving Typeable
-- 'Role' kind container
data Role' (r :: Role) = Role' deriving Typeable
```

## 1.2 Graph Nodes

The problem graph nodes are different permutations of *role domains*. They are grouped into *layers*, depending on the corresponding *role*.

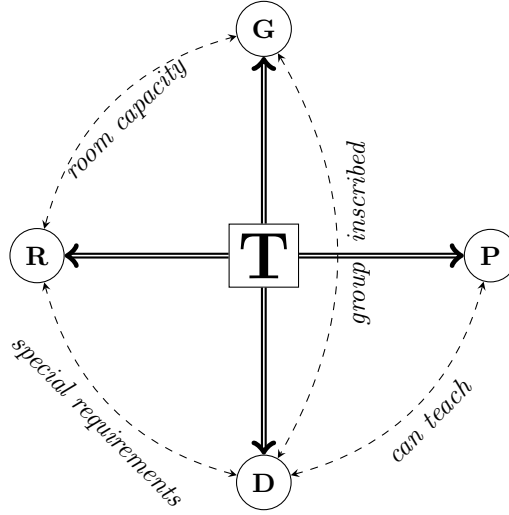


Figure 2: *Class* structure.

The nodes at some layer have exactly the same underlying size and it's the power of it's domain set.

```

type family RoleValue (r :: Role) :: *
class HasDomain a v | a → v
  where domain      :: a → Set v
        domainPower :: a → Int
newtype Node (r :: Role) = Node (String, [RoleValue r])
nodeId (Node (id, _)) = id
mkNodes :: HasDomain (Role' r) (RoleValue r) ⇒
  String → Role' r → [Node r]
mkNodes name = map Node
  ◦ zip (map ((name++) ◦ show) [1..])
  ◦ permutations ◦ Set.toList ◦ domain

```

### 1.2.1 Timetable

A *timetable* holds schedule for one week, that repeats throughout the academic period. The *timetable* is actually a table: the columns represent days of week; the rows — discrete time intervals. Actual timetable structure may vary, as can be seen in figure 3.

```

class (Eq t, Ord t, Enum t, Bounded t) ⇒
  DiscreteTime t where timeQuantum :: t → Int
                      toMinutes   :: t → Int

```

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
08:30 – 09:00						
09:00 – 09:30						
09:30 – 10:00						
10:00 – 10:30						
10:30 – 11:00						
11:00 – 11:30						
11:30 – 12:00						
⋮        ⋮						

(a) Timetable without recesses.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
08:30 – 09:10						
09:15 – 09:55						
10:05 – 10:45						
10:50 – 11:30						
11:40 – 12:20						
12:25 – 13:05						
13:15 – 13:55						
⋮        ⋮						

(b) Timetable with recesses.

Figure 3: Possible *timetable* structures.

```

                                fromMinutes :: Int → Maybe t
class (DiscreteTime t, Enum d, Bounded d) ⇒
  Timetable tt t d ev | tt → t
                        , tt → d
                        , tt → ev
  where listEvents  :: tt → [(d, t), ev]
        newTTable  :: [(d, t), ev] → tt
        eventsOn   :: tt → d → [(t, ev)]
        eventsAt   :: tt → t → [(d, ev)]
        eventAt    :: tt → d → t → Maybe ev

```

### 1.3 Graph Edges

The edges are possible routes, that can be taken by an “ant”. They connect nodes, belonging to *different layers*.

$\forall a \in \text{Layer}_A$   
 $\forall b \in \text{Layer}_B$   
 if  $\text{Layer}_A$  and  $\text{Layer}_B$  are neighbors  
 $\exists$  an edge between  $a$  and  $b$ .

A selection of some sub-route, connecting some nodes  $A_i$  and  $B_j$  (from some layers  $A$  and  $B$ ) means that the ant “proposes” a (partial) solution, that is described by the nodes’ underlying values. The “ant” agent must be capable of selecting exactly one node of each role. The selection order doesn’t matter.

A complete route (through all the layers) describes a *solution candidate*: some schedule, that holds a list of *classes*.

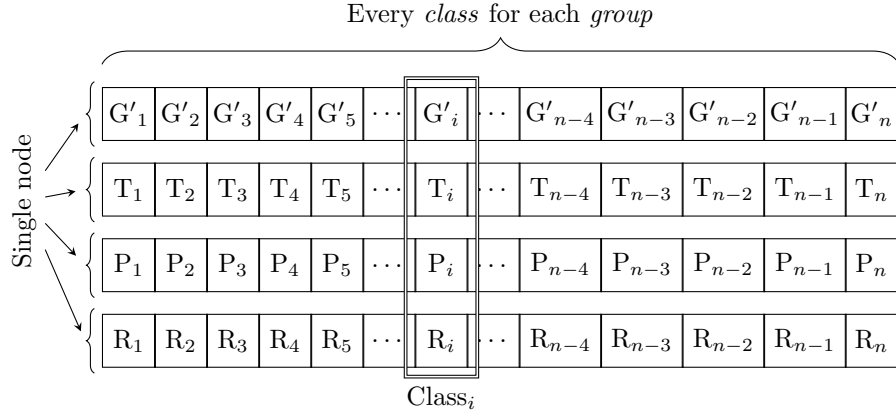


Figure 4: *Route decomposition.*

## 2 Formalization

Let's denote

$N_G$  — number of groups;

$N_P$  — number of professors;

$N_R$  — number of classrooms;

$N_D$  — number of disciplines;

$N_T$  — number of *time periods* per week:  
 number of *time periods* per day  $\times$  number of *days*;

$N_d^g$  — number of *time periods* of discipline  $d$ , assigned for group  $g$ ;

$G = \{g_i\}_{i=1}^{N_G}$  — set of groups;

$D = \{d_i\}_{i=1}^{N_D}$  — set of disciplines;

$P = \{p_i\}_{i=1}^{N_P}$  — set of professors;

$R = \{r_i\}_{i=1}^{N_R}$  — set of classrooms;

$D_g = \{d \mid N_d^g \neq 0\}_{d \in D}$  — set of disciplines, assigned to group  $g$ ;

$N_\Sigma = \sum_{g \in G} \sum_{d \in D_g} N_d^g$  — total number of classes time periods per week.

## 2.1 Problem Dimensions

### 2.1.1 Groups and Disciplines

Let  $G'$  be a list of pairs  $\langle \text{group}, \text{discipline} \rangle$  of length  $N_\Sigma$ , such that  $\forall \langle g, d \rangle \in G' \implies \text{count}_{G'}(\langle g, d \rangle) = N_d^g$ . There are  $N_\Sigma!$  unique permutations.

### 2.1.2 Professors and Classrooms

With no optimization applied, exists  $\binom{N_\Sigma + N - 1}{N_\Sigma - 1}$  (combinations with repetitions), where  $N = N_P$  or  $N_R$ .

Some invalid instances can be discarded, such that, for example, don't have enough professors capable of teaching some discipline; or classrooms configurations that won't fit all the students etc.

### 2.1.3 Day and Time

In general case, any day and time may be assigned for any class period, including repetitions, that yields  $\binom{N_\Sigma + N_T - 1}{N_\Sigma - 1}$  possible combinations.

This number may be diminished by

- joining class periods;
- requiring a minimum entropy.

---

Total combinations (worst case):

$$\binom{N_\Sigma + N_P - 1}{N_\Sigma - 1} \binom{N_\Sigma + N_R - 1}{N_\Sigma - 1} \binom{N_\Sigma + N_T - 1}{N_\Sigma - 1} N_\Sigma! \quad (1)$$

## 2.2 Assessing Candidates

$$\eta = \eta(\{r_i\}_{i=1}^{n-1}, r_n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if any restriction is broken} \\ \text{pref}(\{r_i\}_{i=1}^n) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where  $r_i$  is some sub-route.

### 2.2.1 Restrictions

There are two kinds of restrictions: over *time* and over *capabilities*.

Time restriction require the schedule to be *time consistent*: no group, professor and classroom can have two different classes, assigned at the same day/time. The capabilities represent:

Group: Disciplines needed (searched).

Professors: Known disciplines (that can be taught).

Classrooms: Special requirements (labs etc.); students capacity.

*Note: group capabilities are incorporated into nodes generation.*

### 2.2.2 Preferences

Preferences create an order over *valid candidates*, that permits the algorithm to optimize them. The preferences might vary for each entity (group, professor, classroom), but they all must have a form of function:

$$\text{pref}'[E] : \langle \text{discipline, day/time} \rangle \mapsto [0, 1]$$

The preference value for a *complete route*:

$$\text{pref}(r) = \frac{\text{pref}'[G](r) + \text{pref}'[P](r) + \text{pref}'[R](r)}{3}$$

## 3 Implementation

### 3.1 Entities

Here follows definition of the input data, as stated in Section 2.

```
data Discipline = Discipline { disciplineId    :: String
                             , disciplineTime :: Int
                             , disciplineReqs :: Set Requirement
                             }
newtype Requirement = Requirement String
deriving (Show, Eq, Ord)
instance Show Discipline where show    = disciplineId
```



```

instance Eq   Discipline where ( $\equiv$ )    = ( $\equiv$ )    ‘on‘ disciplineId
instance Ord  Discipline where compare = compare ‘on‘ disciplineId

```

```

data Group = Group { groupId      :: String
                    , groupSize    :: Int
                    , groupDisciplines :: Set Discipline
                    }

instance Show Group where show      = groupId
instance Eq   Group where ( $\equiv$ )    = ( $\equiv$ )    ‘on‘ groupId
instance Ord  Group where compare = compare ‘on‘ groupId

```

```

data Professor = Professor { professorId :: String
                           , canTeach    :: Set Discipline
                           }

instance Show Professor where show      = professorId
instance Eq   Professor where ( $\equiv$ )    = ( $\equiv$ )    ‘on‘ professorId
instance Ord  Professor where compare = compare ‘on‘ professorId

```

```

data Classroom = Classroom { roomId      :: String
                           , roomCapacity :: Int
                           , roomEquipment :: Set Requirement
                           }

instance Show Classroom where show      = roomId
instance Eq   Classroom where ( $\equiv$ )    = ( $\equiv$ )    ‘on‘ roomId
instance Ord  Classroom where compare = compare ‘on‘ roomId

```

### 3.1.1 Timetable

Timetable is defined over *Mon–Sat*, from 8:00 till 22:00 with 30 minutes discretization.

```

newtype Time = Time Int
    deriving (Eq, Ord)

timeQ    = 30
timeMin  = 60 * 8
timeMax  = 60 * 22
timeDMin = 0
timeDMax = (timeMax - timeMin) `quot` timeQ
instance Enum Time where

```

```

fromEnum (Time t) = t
toEnum i = if i ≥ timeDMin
           ∧ i ≤ timeDMax
           then Time i
           else error $"wrong discrete time: " ++ show i
instance Bounded Time where minBound = Time timeDMin
                             maxBound = Time timeDMax

instance DiscreteTime Time where
  toMinutes (Time t) = timeMin + timeQ * t
  timeQuantum _ = 30
  fromMinutes m = if m ≥ timeMin
                   ∧ m ≤ timeMax
                   ∧ m `rem` timeQ ≡ 0
                   then Just ∘ Time $ (m - timeMin) `quot` timeQ
                   else Nothing

-- -----
-- redefined 'System.Time.Day' — no 'Sunday'
data Day = Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday
         | Thursday | Friday | Saturday
  deriving (Eq, Ord, Enum, Bounded, Ix, Read, Show)

-- -----

type DaySchedule = Map Time Class
newtype WeekSchedule = WeekSchedule (Map Day DaySchedule)
groupWith' :: (Ord k) ⇒ (a → k) → (a → v) → [a] → Map k [v]
groupWith' f g es =
  let groupIn [] = id
      groupIn (x : xs) = Map.insertWith (++) (f x) [g x]
  in es `groupIn` Map.empty

instance Timetable WeekSchedule Time Day Class where
  listEvents (WeekSchedule ws) = do
    (day, classes) ← Map.assocs ws
    (time, class') ← Map.assocs classes
    return ((day, time), class')
  newTTable = WeekSchedule ∘ Map.map Map.fromList
              ∘ groupWith' (fst ∘ fst)
              (first snd)

```

### 3.1.2 Classes

A *Class* entity links a *discipline*, *group*, *professor*, *classroom* and some *day-time*.

```

data Class = Class { classDiscipline :: Discipline
                    , classGroup      :: Group

```

```

        , classProfessor :: Professor
        , classRoom     :: Classroom
        , classDay       :: Day
        , classBegins    :: Time
    }

-- -----

type instance RoleValue DayTime = (Day, Time)
type instance RoleValue Groups  = (Group, Discipline)
type instance RoleValue Professors = Professor
type instance RoleValue Classrooms = Classroom

-- -----

class RoleExtra (r :: Role) where
    roleIx      :: Role' r → Int
    roleName    :: Role' r → String
    mbRole      :: Role' r → PartClass → Maybe (RoleValue r)
    classRole   :: Role' r → Class → RoleValue r

instance RoleExtra Groups where roleIx _ = 0
                                roleName _ = "Groups"
                                mbRole _ r = (,) <$>
                                    mbGroup r <*>
                                    mbDiscipline r
                                classRole _ = classGroup &&&
                                    classDiscipline

instance RoleExtra DayTime where roleIx _ = 1
                                roleName _ = "DayTime"
                                mbRole _ = mbDayTime
                                classRole _ = classDay &&&
                                    classBegins

instance RoleExtra Professors where roleIx _ = 2
                                roleName _ = "Professors"
                                mbRole _ = mbProfessor
                                classRole _ = classProfessor

instance RoleExtra Classrooms where roleIx _ = 3
                                roleName _ = "Classrooms"
                                mbRole _ = mbRoom
                                classRole _ = classRoom

instance (RoleExtra r) ⇒ Show (Role' r) where show = roleName

```

Meanwhile a **PartClass** stands for a partially defined *Class* and a *Route* — for a sequence of *PartClasses*.

```

data PartClass = PartClass { mbDiscipline :: Maybe Discipline
                            , mbGroup      :: Maybe Group
                            , mbProfessor  :: Maybe Professor

```

```

        , mbRoom      :: Maybe Classroom
        , mbDayTime  :: Maybe (Day, Time)
        }
toFullClass r = do
    di  <- mbDiscipline r
    g   <- mbGroup r
    p   <- mbProfessor r
    cr  <- mbRoom r
    (d, t) <- mbDayTime r
    return $ Class di g p cr d t
-- -----
data Route = Route { routeParts      :: [PartClass]
                    , mbGroupsNode   :: !(Maybe (Node Groups))
                    , mbDayTimeNode  :: !(Maybe (Node DayTime))
                    , mbProfessorsNode :: !(Maybe (Node Professors))
                    , mbRoomsNode    :: !(Maybe (Node Classrooms))
                    , assessHistory  :: ![InUnitInterval]
                    }
hasDisciplines = isJust o mbGroupsNode
hasGroups      = isJust o mbGroupsNode
hasProfessors  = isJust o mbProfessorsNode
hasRooms       = isJust o mbRoomsNode
hasDayTime     = isJust o mbDayTimeNode
emptyRoute = Route [] Nothing Nothing Nothing Nothing []
class UpdRoute (r :: Role) where updRoute :: Node r → Route → Route
updRoute' upd (Node (_, xs)) r =
    do (pc, x) <- routeParts r `zip` xs
       [upd pc x]
instance UpdRoute Groups where
    updRoute n r = r {
        mbGroupsNode = Just n,
        routeParts    = updRoute' (λpc (g, d) → pc { mbGroup = Just g
                                                         , mbDiscipline = Just d
                                                         }) n r
    }
instance UpdRoute DayTime where
    updRoute n r = r {
        mbDayTimeNode = Just n,
        routeParts    = updRoute' (λpc x → pc { mbDayTime = Just x }) n r
    }
instance UpdRoute Professors where
    updRoute n r = r {
        mbProfessorsNode = Just n,
        routeParts    = updRoute' (λpc x → pc { mbProfessor = Just x }) n r
    }

```

```

    }
instance UpdRoute Classrooms where
  updRoute n r = r {
    mbRoomsNode = Just n,
    routeParts = updRoute' ( $\lambda pc\ x \rightarrow pc\ \{mbRoom = Just\ x\}$ ) n r
  }

```

## 3.2 Relations

### 3.2.1 Restrictions

Classes must be *time consistent* for each *group*, *professor* and *classroom*.

```

timeConsistent :: Route → Bool
timeConsistent r =
  let test :: (Ord a) ⇒ (Route → Bool) → (PartClass → a) → Maybe Bool
    test b sel = if b r then timeConsistent' (routeParts r) sel
                  <|> Just False
                  else Nothing
    bs = [ test hasGroups mbGroup
          , test hasProfessors mbProfessor
          , test hasRooms mbRoom
          ]
    in hasDayTime r ∧ fromMaybe False (foldr (<|>) Nothing bs)
timeConsistent' :: (Ord a) ⇒ [PartClass] → (PartClass → a)
  → Maybe Bool
timeConsistent' pcs select = foldr f Nothing byRole
  where byRole = groupWith select pcs
    f xs acc = (∨) <$> acc <*> timeIntersect xs
mbAllJust :: [Maybe a] → Maybe [a]
mbAllJust l = inner l []
  where inner (Just x : xs) acc = inner xs (x : acc)
    inner [] acc = Just acc
    inner _ _ = Nothing
timeIntersect :: [PartClass] → Maybe Bool
timeIntersect = fmap hasRepetitions ∘ mbAllJust ∘ map mbDayTime
hasRepetitions (x : xs) = x ∈ xs ∨ hasRepetitions xs
hasRepetitions [] = False

```

Obligations:

```

data Obligation (r :: Role) = Obligation {
  obligationName :: String
, assessObligation :: RoleValue r → PartClass → Maybe Bool
}

```

```

professorCanTeach :: Obligation Professors
professorCanTeach = Obligation "Can teach"
    $ λp c → fmap (∈ canTeach p) (mbDiscipline c)

roomSatisfies :: Obligation Classrooms
roomSatisfies = Obligation "Room Capacity and Special Requirements"
    $ λr c → do gr ← mbGroup c
                di ← mbDiscipline c
                return $ roomCapacity r ≥ groupSize gr
                    ∧ all (∈ roomEquipment r)
                        (disciplineReqs di)

```

### 3.2.2 Preferences

```

data Preference (r :: Role) = Preference {
    preferenceName    :: String
    , assessPreference :: RoleValue r → Discipline
                      → (Day, Time) → InUnitInterval
}
-- -----

newtype InUnitInterval = InUnitInterval Float

inUnitInterval n = if 0 ≤ n ∧ n ≤ 1
    then Just $ InUnitInterval n
    else Nothing

inUnitInterval' = fromJust ∘ inUnitInterval
fromUnitInterval (InUnitInterval n) = n

```

### 3.2.3 Assessment

```

data ByRole v = ∀r.(RoleExtra r) ⇒ ByRole (Role' r) [v r]

type SomeObligations = [ByRole Obligation]
type SomePreferences = [ByRole Preference]
-- -----

mean [] = 0
mean xs = sum xs / fromIntegral (length xs)

uncurry3 :: (a → b → c → d) → (a, b, c) → d
uncurry3 f (a, b, c) = f a b c

assessPart :: SomeObligations → SomePreferences
           → PartClass       → InUnitInterval
assessPart obligations preferences pc =
    inUnitInterval' $ if all satisfies obligations

```

```

      then mean $ concatMap assess preferences
    else 0
  where satisfies (ByRole r os) = case r `mbRole` pc of
    Just rr → all (fromMaybe False
      ∘ ($pc) ∘ ($rr)
      ∘ assessObligation
    ) os
    Nothing → True
  assess (ByRole r ps) = fromMaybe [] $
    do dt ← mbDayTime pc
       di ← mbDiscipline pc
       rv ← mbRole r pc
       return $ map (fromUnitInterval
        ∘ ($ (rv, di, dt))
        ∘ uncurry3
        ∘ assessPreference
      ) ps
  η :: SomeObligations → SomePreferences → Route → InUnitInterval
  η obligations preferences route = fromJust ∘ inUnitInterval $
    if timeConsistent route ∧ notElem 0 assessed then mean assessed
    else 0
  where assessed = fromUnitInterval ∘ assessPart obligations preferences
    <$> routeParts route

```

### 3.3 ACO

```

data ParamsACO = ParamsACO { α :: Float
                             , β :: Float
                             , Q :: Float
                             , Q0 :: Float
                             , ρ :: Float
                             }

type RelationsACO = (SomeObligations, SomePreferences)
data PopulationACO = ∀ gen. RandomGen gen ⇒
  GenPopulation Int GenUnique (IORef gen)
type GenUnique = Bool
data ACO = ACO { setup          :: ParamsACO
                , relationsACO  :: RelationsACO
                , populationACO :: PopulationACO
                }

-- -----
newtype Pheromone = Pheromone Float deriving (Show, Eq, Ord)
pheromoneQuantity (Pheromone n) = n

```

```

mapPheromone f (Pheromone n) = Pheromone (f n)
mapPheromone2 f (Pheromone x) (Pheromone y) = Pheromone (f x y)

instance Num Pheromone where
  (+) = mapPheromone2 (+)
  (-) = mapPheromone2 (-)
  (*) = mapPheromone2 (*)
  abs    = mapPheromone abs
  signum = mapPheromone signum
  fromInteger = Pheromone ∘ fromInteger

```

### 3.3.1 Graph

The **problem graph** is defined by the nodes of each *role*; while the edges hold the *pheromone*. If the memory permits it, the graph should hold all the permutations of *roles* domains.

```

type NodeSet r = Set (Node r)

type PheromoneBetween = Map (AnyNode, AnyNode) Pheromone
type PheromoneCache   = Map (AnyNode, AnyNode) (IORef Pheromone)

data Graph = Graph {
  groupsNodes    :: NodeSet Groups
  , temporalNodes :: NodeSet DayTime
  , professorsNodes :: NodeSet Professors
  , classroomsNodes :: NodeSet Classrooms
  , pheromoneCache :: PheromoneCache
}

currentPheromone :: Graph → IO PheromoneBetween
currentPheromone = mapM readIORef ∘ pheromoneCache

-- Lazy update
updPheromone :: Graph
  → (AnyNode, AnyNode)
  → (Pheromone → Pheromone)
  → IO ()

updPheromone g k upd =
  case k `Map.lookup` pheromoneCache g of
    Just ref    → modifyIORef ref upd
    _           → error $ "no pheromone cache for " ++ show k

data ExecACO = ExecACO {
  exACO  :: ACO
  , exGraph :: Graph
  , exRuns :: IORef Int
}

-- -----

data AnyNode = ∀r. (Typeable r, RoleExtra r) ⇒
  AnyNode (Role' r) (Node r)
nodeRoleIx (AnyNode r _) = roleIx r

```



```

nodeId'    (AnyNode _ n)    = nodeId n
nodeId'' = nodeRoleIx &&& nodeId'

instance Eq AnyNode where (≡)    = (≡)    'on' nodeId''
instance Ord AnyNode where compare = compare 'on' nodeId''
instance Show AnyNode where
  show (AnyNode r n) = "Node-" ++ show r ++ ":" ++ nodeId n
routeNodes :: Route → [AnyNode]
routeNodes r = mapMaybe ($r) [packNode ∘ mbRoomsNode
                               , packNode ∘ mbProfessorsNode
                               , packNode ∘ mbDayTimeNode
                               , packNode ∘ mbGroupsNode
                               ]
  where packNode :: (Typeable r, RoleExtra r) ⇒
    Maybe (Node r) → Maybe AnyNode
    packNode = fmap (AnyNode Role')

```

### 3.3.2 Evaluation

Route *probabilistic evaluation* function:

```

ξ ::      ACO → PheromoneBetween → [Route]
  →      [(InUnitInterval, Route)]
ξ aco ph rs =
  first (fromJust ∘ inUnitInterval ∘ (/psum))
    <$>    zip ps rs'
  where (rs', ps) = unzip $ map p rs
        psum = sum ps
        p r    = let (r', η') = assessRoute' r
                  in (r', τα · η'β)
        assessRoute' r = let v = uncurry η (relationsACO aco) r
                          in (r { assessHistory = v : assessHistory r }
                             , fromUnitInterval v
                             )
        find = ('Map.lookup' ph)
        τ = case routeNodes r of
          x : y : _ → maybe Q0 pheromoneQuantity
                    $ find (x, y) <|> find (y, x)
          _         → Q0

```

Pheromone secretion for each neighboring nodes pair in a route:

```

Δτr :: ACO → Route → [(AnyNode, AnyNode), Pheromone]
Δτr aco r =
  let edgs = lPairs $ routeNodes r
      hist = assessHistory r

```

```

    w      =  $\mathcal{Q}$  / sum (map fromUnitInterval hist)
    weight = Pheromone  $\circ$  (*w)  $\circ$  fromUnitInterval
  in if length eds  $\neq$  length hist
    then error "[BUG] wrong assess history length"
    else eds 'zip' map weight hist
lPairs (x0 : x1 : xs) = (x0, x1) : lPairs (x1 : xs)
lPairs _              = []

```

Pheromone update (secretion and vaporization):

```

 $\widetilde{\Delta\tau} :: ExecACO \rightarrow [Route] \rightarrow IO ()$ 
 $\widetilde{\Delta\tau} ExecACO \{ exACO = aco, exGraph = graph \} rs = forM_ rs update$ 
 $\gg vaporize$ 
  where update r = sequence_ $ do (i, ph)  $\leftarrow \Delta\tau_r$  aco r
    [updPheromone graph i (+ ph  $\cdot$   $\rho$ )]
    vaporize = sequence_ $ do ref  $\leftarrow$  Map.elems $
      pheromoneCache graph
    [modifyIORef' ref ( $\cdot$ (1 -  $\rho$ ))] -- strict

```

### 3.3.3 Execution

```

type StopCriteria = ExecACO  $\rightarrow IO Bool$ 
execACO :: ExecACO  $\rightarrow StopCriteria \rightarrow IO [Route]$ 
execACO ex@ExecACO { exACO = aco, exGraph = graph } stop = result
  where

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1. Generate initial population by selectting randomly some nodes at *Group-Discipline* layer:

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initialPopulation = case populationACO aco of
  GenPopulation size unique genRef  $\rightarrow$  do
    gen  $\leftarrow$  readIORef genRef
    let rand' = if unique then randChoosesUnique
                else randChoices
    gdNodes = Set.toList $ groupsNodes graph
    (g, rand) = rand' gen size gdNodes
    writeIORef genRef g
    return $ map ('updRoute' emptyRoute) rand

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2.  $\forall$  layer, route **do** :

- (a) Generate all the possible *route* continuations by updating the *route* with *layer*'s nodes.

- (b) Assess continuations with  $\xi$  and select the node according to the assessed probabilities.

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nextRoute :: (UpdRoute r, RandomGen gen) =>
  PheromoneBetween -> NodeSet r -> gen
  -> Route -> (gen, Route)
nextRoute ph nset gen r =
  let candidates = ('updRoute' r) <$> Set.toList nset
      evCandidates =  $\xi$  aco ph
  in randChoiceWithProb gen fst evCandidates
nextRoutes - acc - g [] = (g, acc)
nextRoutes ph acc nset gen (r : rs) =
  let (g', next) = nextRoute ph nset gen r
  in nextRoutes ph (next : acc) nset g' rs
routesIO = do ph <- currentPheromone graph
              g0 <- getStdGen
              p0 <- initialPopulation
              let next :: (RandomGen gen, UpdRoute r) =>
                (Graph -> NodeSet r) -> gen
                -> [Route] -> (gen, [Route])
                  next = nextRoutes ph [] o ($graph)
                  (g1, p1) = next temporalNodes g0 p0
                  (g2, p2) = next professorsNodes g1 p1
                  (g3, p3) = next classroomsNodes g2 p3
              setStdGen g3
              return p3

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3. Update pheromone and counter:

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updateStates rs = do  $\widetilde{\Delta\tau}$  ex rs
                    exRuns ex 'modifyIORef' (+1)

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4. **Return** best routes **if** *stop criteria* applies, **go to 1** otherwise.

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result = do routes <- routesIO
           updateStates routes
           stop' <- stop ex
           if stop' then return routes
                     else execACO ex stop

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randChoice gen xs =
  if null xs then error "randChoice: empty list"

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        else first (xs!!) $ randomR (0, length xs - 1) gen
randChoices gen count xs =
  if length xs < count
  then randChoices gen (length xs) xs
  else swap $ foldr rand ([], gen) [1..count]
    where rand _ (acc, g) = first (:acc) $ randChoice g xs
randUniqueIndices gen count length =
  let ixSet = Set.fromList [1..length]
  in if count > length then error "randUniqueIndices: count > length"
    else inner gen ixSet count []
    where inner g _ 0 acc = (g, acc)
          inner g s c acc = let (i, g') = randomR (0, Set.size s - 1) g
                              v      = Set.elemAt i s
                              s'     = Set.delete v s
                              in inner g' s' (c - 1) (v : acc)
randChoosesUnique gen count xs =
  if length xs < count
  then randChoosesUnique gen (length xs) xs
  else second (map (xs!!)) $ randUniqueIndices gen count (length xs)
randChoiceWithProb gen probOf xs = ⊥ -- TODO

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