

# Enumeration

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## Geometric Series Expansion

$$Q = 1 + z + z^2 + z^3 + \dots$$

$$zQ = z + z^2 + z^3 + z^4 + \dots$$

$$Q - zQ = 1$$

$$\therefore Q = \frac{1}{1-z} = 1 + z + z^2 + z^3 + \dots$$

## Example

Let  $a_n$  be the number of subset of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  that don't contain two consecutive numbers. Determine for all  $n \geq 0$

| n | subsets                                    | $a_n$ |
|---|--|-------|
| 0 | $\emptyset$                                | 1     |
| 1 | $\emptyset, \{1\}$                         | 2     |
| 2 | $\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}$                  | 3     |
| 3 | $\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 3\}$ | 5     |

Let  $A_n$  be the collection of all such subsets of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

Let  $B_n$  be the collection of these sets  $S \in A_n$  for which  $n \in S$

Then  $A_n = A_{n-1} \cup B_n$  is a disjoint union of subsets.

So  $a_n = |A_n| = |A_{n-1}| + |B_n|$

The set  $B_n$  is in bijection with  $A_{n-2}$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S \in B_n \text{ corresponds to } S \setminus \{n\} \\ T \in A_{n-2} \text{ corresponds to } T \cup \{n\} \in B_n \end{array} \right.$

Hence  $|B_n| = |A_{n-2}| = a_{n-2}$

Hence  $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$  for  $n \geq 2$

## Fibonacci Numbers

$f_0 = 1, f_1 = 1, f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$  for  $n \geq 2$

So for us,  $a_n = f_{n+1}$  for  $n \geq 0$

Get a formula for  $f_n$  as a function of n.

## Generating Function

$$F = F(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n x^n$$

From the initial conditions and the recurrence we get the following:

$$F = f_0 + f_1 x + f_2 x^2 + f_3 x^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}) x^n$$

$$= 1 + x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} f_{n-1} x^n + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} f_{n-2} x^n$$

$$= 1 + x + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i x^{i+1} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j x^{j+2}$$

$$= 1 + x + x(F - 1) + x^2(F)$$

Hence

$$F = 1 + xF + x^2F$$

$$F(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} f_n x^n = \frac{1}{1-x-x^2}$$

## Now get expression for individual terms

$$1 - x - x^2 = (1 - \alpha x)(1 - \beta x)$$

$$x = \frac{1}{t} \Rightarrow t^2 - t - 1 = (t - \alpha)(t - \beta)$$

$$\alpha, \beta = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4 \times 1 \times (-1)}}{2} = \frac{(1 \pm \sqrt{5})}{2}$$

By partial fractions  $\exists A, B \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\frac{1}{1-x-x^2} = \frac{A}{1-\alpha x} + \frac{B}{1-\beta x}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n x^n = \frac{A}{1-\alpha x} + \frac{B}{1-\beta x} = A \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha^n x^n + B \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta^n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (A\alpha^n + B\beta^n) x^n$$

So

$$f_n = A\alpha^n + B\beta^n \quad \forall n \geq 0$$

## Initial Conditions

$$f_0 = 1 = A + B$$

$$f_1 = 1 = A \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) + B \left( \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)$$

Solve for A, B

$$f_1 = 1 = \frac{A+B}{2} + \frac{(A-B)\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$2 = (1+\sqrt{5})A + (1-\sqrt{5})B$$

$$B = 1 - A$$

$$2 = (1+\sqrt{5})A + (1-\sqrt{5})(1-A) = A + \sqrt{5}A + 1 - \sqrt{5} - A + \sqrt{5}A = 1 - \sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{5}A = 2$$

$$A = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2\sqrt{5}}$$

$$B = 1 - A = \frac{2\sqrt{5} - 1 - \sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{5}} = \frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{2\sqrt{5}}$$

$$f_n = \left(\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2\sqrt{5}}\right)\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2\sqrt{5}}\right)\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n$$

# Generating Functions

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$$H = H(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_n x^n = \frac{1+x+3x^2}{1-3x^2-2x^3}$$

## Generating Function to Recurrence Relation

Convention:  $h_n = 0$  if  $n < 0$

Clear denominators

$$(1-3x^2-2x^3) \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h_n x^n = 1+x+3x^2$$

$$\sum_n h_n x^n - 3 \sum_n h_n x^{n+2} - 2 \sum_n h_n x^{n+3} = \sum_n h_n x^n - 3 \sum_n h_{n-2} x^n - 2 \sum_n h_{n-3} x^n$$

$$= \sum_n (h_n - 3h_{n-2} - 2h_{n-3}) x^n = 1+x+3x^2$$

$$n=0 \quad h_0 - 3h_{-2} - 2h_{-3} = 1 \Rightarrow h_0 = 1$$

$$n=1 \quad h_1 = 1$$

$$n=2 \quad h_2 - 3h_0 = 3 = 3 \Rightarrow h_2 = 6$$

$$\text{For all } n \geq 3, h_n - 3h_{n-2} - 2h_{n-3} = 0$$

Hence

$$h_0 = 1, h_1 = 1, h_2 = 6$$

$$\text{For } n \geq 3: h_n = 3h_{n-2} + 2h_{n-3}$$

## Recurrence Relation to Generating Function

$$h_0 = 1, h_1 = 1, h_2 = 6$$

$$h_n = 3h_{n-2} + 2h_{n-3}$$

$$h_n = 0 \text{ if } n < 0$$

$$H = H(x) = \sum_n h_n x^n$$

$$1+x+6x^2 + \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} (3h_{n-2} + 2h_{n-3}) x^n = 1+x+6x^2 + \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} 3h_{n-2} x^n + \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} 2h_{n-3} x^n$$

$$= 1+x+6x^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 3h_i x^{i+2} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 2h_j x^{j+3}$$

$$H = 1+x+6x^2 + 3x^2(H-1) + 2x^3H$$

$$H(x) = \frac{1+x+3x^2}{1-3x^2-2x^3}$$

## Generating Function to Coefficient Formula

Works only when  $H(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$  with  $\deg P < \deg Q$

Uses partial fraction expansion.

Factor the denominator, identifying **inverse roots**.

$$1-3x^2-2x^3 = (1-ax)(1-\beta x)(1-\gamma x), \quad a, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$t^3-3t-2 = (t-a)(t-\beta)(t-\gamma), \quad \text{where } t = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$= (t+1)(t^2-t-2) = (t+1)^2(t-2)$$

Since  $\deg(1+x+3x^2) < \deg(1-3x^2-2x^3) \exists A, B, C \in \mathbb{C}$ :

$$\frac{1+x+3x^2}{1-3x^2-2x^3} = \frac{A}{1-2x} + \frac{B}{1+x} + \frac{C}{(1+x)^2}$$

$$1+x+3x^2 = A(1+x)^2 + B(1-2x)(1+x) + c(1-2x)$$

$$x=0: 1 = A+B+C$$

$$x=-1: 3 = 0+0+3C \Rightarrow C=1$$

$$x=\frac{1}{2}: \frac{9}{4} = \frac{9}{4}A + 0 + 0 \Rightarrow A=1, B=-1$$

$$\frac{1+x+3x^2}{1-3x^2-2x^3} = \frac{1}{1-2x} - \frac{1}{1+x} + \frac{1}{(1+x)^2}$$

## Aside

$$\frac{1}{(1-z)^2} = \frac{1}{1-z} \times \frac{1}{1-z} = \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} z^i \right) \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} z^i \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} z^{i+j} \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\substack{i+j=n \\ i \geq 0, j \geq 0}} 1 \right) z^n$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{i=0}^n 1 \right) z^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) z^n$$

$$\frac{1}{(1+x)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)(-x)^n$$

$$H = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)(-1)^n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2^n + n(-1)^n) x^n$$

Thus

$$h_n = 2^n + n(-1)^n \quad \forall n \geq 0$$

### Higher Powers

$$\frac{1}{(1-z)^3} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^{i+j+k}$$

The coefficient is the number of solutions  $(i, j, k)$  to the equation  $i + j + k$  where  $i \geq 0, j \geq 0, k \geq 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$

# Partial Fractions

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## Partial Fractions

$$Q(x) = \prod_i (1 - \alpha_i)^{k_i}$$

$P(x)$  has degree  $\leq \sum_i k_i$

$$\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} = \sum_i \sum_{j=1}^{k_i} \frac{A_{ij}}{(1 - \alpha_i)^j}$$

## Generating Function

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^t} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+t-1}{t-1} x^n$$

## Multisets

Intuitively: sets with repeated elements

$t$  "types" of element

each type can occur any number of times.

size of multiset = total # of occurrences of elements.

For each type of element  $1 \leq i \leq t$  let  $m_i$  be the number of times that element of type  $i$  occurs in the multiset.

The size of the multiset is  $m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_t$ , where  $m$  is the multiplicity for element  $i$

So the coefficient of  $x^3$  in  $\frac{1}{(1-x)^3}$  is

$$|x^3| \frac{1}{(1-x)^3} = 10$$

We can regard a multiset of size  $n$  with elements of  $t$  types as its sequence of multiplicities.

$$(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t) \in \mathbb{N}^t \text{ with } m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_t = n$$

## Fact

There are

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

$k$ -element subsets of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

## Proposition

For  $n \geq 0$  and  $t \geq 1$  there are  $\binom{n+t-1}{t-1}$  multisets of size  $n$  with elements of  $t$  types.

## Partial Fractions Example

$\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  distinct non-zero

$$Q(x) = (1 - \alpha x)(1 - \beta x)^2(1 - \gamma x)^3$$

$P(x)$  has degree  $\leq 5$

By partial fractions

$\exists A, B, C, D, E, F \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} = \frac{A}{1 - \alpha x} + \frac{B}{1 - \beta x} + \frac{C}{(1 - \beta x)^2} + \frac{D}{1 - \gamma x} + \frac{E}{(1 - \gamma x)^2} + \frac{F}{(1 - \gamma x)^3}$$

## General Problem

$\frac{1}{(1-x)^t}$  as a power series in  $x$ .

$$t = 1: \frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^i$$

$$t = 2: \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)x^n$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^t} = \left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right)^t = \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} x^m\right)^t = \prod_{i=1}^t \left(\sum_{m_i=0}^{\infty} x^{m_i}\right) = \sum_{m_1}^{\infty} \sum_{m_2}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{m_t}^{\infty} x^{m_1+m_2+\dots+m_t}$$

$$= \sum_{(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t) \in \mathbb{N}^t} x^{m_1+m_2+\dots+m_t}$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^t} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\substack{(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t) \in \mathbb{N}^t \\ m_1+m_2+\dots+m_t=n}} 1 \right) x^n$$

The coefficient of  $x^n$  in  $\frac{1}{(1-x)^t}$  is the number of  $n$ -tuples  $(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t) \in \mathbb{N}^t$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^t m_i = n$

## Example of multisets

Multiset of size 3 with 3 types of elements: A, B, C

For each type of element  $1 \leq i \leq t$  let  $m_i$  be the number of times that element of type  $i$  occurs in the multiset.

| Multiset | $m_1, m_2, m_3$ |
|----------|-----------------|
| A,A,A    | 3,0,0           |
| A,A,B    | 2,1,0           |
| A,A,C    | 2,0,1           |
| A,B,B    | 1,2,0           |
| A,B,C    | 1,1,1           |
| A,C,C    | 1,0,2           |
| B,B,B    | 0,3,0           |
| B,B,C    | 0,2,1           |
| B,C,C    | 0,1,2           |
| C,C,C    | 0,0,3           |

## Proof of Proposition

Establish a bijection between the set of  $t$ -type multisets of size  $n$  and the set of  $(t-1)$ -element subsets of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n+t-1\}$

### Informally

Write a sequence of  $n+t-1$  spaces.

Example:  $n = 7, t = 4$

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Cross out  $t-1$  of those spaces. Count empty spaces between/around the X's

--X\_X--X--

This creates 4 groups with a total of 7 elements.

(2, 1, 2, 2)

### Formally

Let  $B$  be the set of  $(t-1)$ -element subsets of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n+t-1\}$

Let  $A$  be the set of  $t$ -type multisets of size  $n$ .

$f: B \rightarrow A$

Input  $S = \{s_1 < s_2 < \dots < s_{t-1}\}$

Let  $m_1 = s_1 - 1, m_i = s_i - s_{i-1} - 1$  for  $2 \leq i \leq t-1$

$m_t = n + t - 1 - s_{t-1}$

Output  $(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t)$

$g: A \rightarrow B$

Input  $(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t) \in A$

For  $1 \leq i \leq t-1$  let  $s_i = m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_i + i$

Output  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{t-1}\}$

Check

\* for all  $\mu \in A: f(g(\mu)) = \mu$

\* for all  $S \in B: g(f(S)) = S$

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## Back to General Problem

We've seen that for all  $t \geq 1$

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^t} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+t-1}{t-1} x^n$$

Coefficient is a polynomial in  $n$  of degree  $t-1$

**Example**

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{A}{1-\alpha x} + \frac{B}{1-\beta x} + \frac{C}{(1-\beta x)^2} + \frac{D}{(1-\beta x)^3} \\ &= A \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha^n x^n + B \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta^n x^n + C \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+1}{1} \beta^n x^n + D \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+2}{2} \beta^n x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (A\alpha^n + (Bc_0 + Cc_1 + Dc_2)\beta^n) x^n \\ & c_i = \binom{n+i}{i} \text{ is a polynomial of degree } \leq i \end{aligned}$$

# Binary Strings

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## Binary Strings

$\{0, 1\}^*$  is the set of all finite strings of 0s and 1s  
 $\sigma = b_1 b_2 \dots b_n$  with each  $b_i \in \{0, 1\}$  is a word

$\mathcal{L} \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  is a language

## Length

The length of a word  $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^*$  is the number of letters in it,  $l(\sigma)$

## Language Generating Function

Generating Function of a language  $\mathcal{L}$  is

$$L(x) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{L}} x^{l(\sigma)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in \mathcal{L} \\ l(\sigma)=n}} 1 \right) x^n$$

For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ : the coefficient of  $x^n$  in  $L(x)$  is the number of words in  $\mathcal{L}$  of length  $n$ .

## Constructing Languages

### Union

$$A \cup B = \{\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^* : \sigma \in A \text{ or } \sigma \in B\}$$

### Concatenations

$AB = \{\alpha\beta : \alpha \in A \text{ and } \beta \in B\}$   
 is the concatenation of  $A$  and  $B$

### Unambiguous Concatenation

The concatenation  $AB$  is unambiguous if each word  $\sigma \in AB$  is constructed exactly once in the form  $\sigma = \alpha\beta$  with  $\alpha \in A, \beta \in B$ .

That is,  $AB$  is in bijection with  $A \times B$

### Iteration

If  $A$  is a language then  $A^*$  is the iteration of  $A$ , consisting of all words  $\sigma = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_k$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , with  $\alpha_i \in A$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq k$

Ex:  $\{0, 1\}^*$  is an instance of iteration

### Unambiguous Iteration

$A^*$  is unambiguous if every word  $\sigma \in A^*$  can be written as  $\sigma = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_k$  for a unique value of  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k \in A$ .

## Sum Lemma

If  $A, B \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  and  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  then the generating function for  $A \cup B = A(x) + B(x)$

## Product Lemma

For  $A, B \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$ , if  $AB$  is unambiguous then the generating function for  $AB$  is  $A(x)B(x)$

## Iteration lemma

If  $A \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  and  $A^*$  is unambiguous, then the generating function for  $A^*$  is  $\frac{1}{1-A(x)}$ .

## A game

- Player wagers  $n$  dollars
- Player flips a fair coin  $n$  times
- If Player hits a run of 3 (or more) heads, he wins \$10
- Otherwise he loses the wager (\$ $n$ )

1st question: What is the smallest value of  $n$  for which this is profitable for Player?

2nd question: Suppose House pays the player  $w(n)$  dollars when Player hits HHH. What function  $w(n)$  makes the game completely fair?

### Example, $n=3$

Expected profit of Player is

$$\frac{7 \times (-3) + 1 \times (10)}{8} = -\frac{11}{8}$$

### $n=4$

$2^4$  outcomes

3 outcomes have  $\geq 3$  heads

Expected profit

$$\frac{13 \times (-4) + 3 \times (10)}{16} = -\frac{22}{16} = -\frac{11}{8}$$

Let  $g_n$  be the number of binary strings of length  $n$  which do not contain 000 as a substring.  
 $G \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  is the set of all binary strings that don't contain 000 as a substring.

## Proof of Sum Lemma

$$\sum_{\sigma \in A \cup B} x^{l(\sigma)} = \sum_{\sigma \in A} x^{l(\sigma)} + \sum_{\sigma \in B} x^{l(\sigma)} = A(x) + B(x)$$

## Proof of Product Lemma

$$\sum_{\sigma \in AB} x^{l(\sigma)} = \sum_{\alpha \in A} \sum_{\beta \in B} x^{l(\alpha) + l(\beta)} = \left( \sum_{\alpha \in A} x^{l(\alpha)} \right) \left( \sum_{\beta \in B} x^{l(\beta)} \right) = A(x)B(x)$$

## Proof of Iteration Lemma

Generating function for  $A^*$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\sigma \in A^*} x^{l(\sigma)} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k \in A} x^{l(\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_k)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\alpha_1 \in A} \sum_{\alpha_2 \in A} \dots \sum_{\alpha_k \in A} x^{l(\alpha_1) + l(\alpha_2) + \dots + l(\alpha_k)} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\alpha \in A} x^{l(\alpha)} \right)^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A(x)^k = \frac{1}{1-A(x)} \end{aligned}$$

# Language Expressions

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## Rational Languages

- $\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}$  are rational languages.
- If  $A, B$  are rational then so are  $A \cup B, AB, A^*$

## Regular Expression

Any expression involving  $\{0\}, \{1\}, \emptyset, \cup, *, \cdot$  that is well-formed.  
Every regular expression determines a rational language.

## Unambiguous

Every string can be constructed in exactly one way

## Theorem

Every rational language has an unambiguous regular expression.

Proof: Take a graduate CS course

## Notation

$(0 \cup 1)^*$  instead of  $\{0\} \cup \{1\}^*$   
 $\epsilon = ()$  - string of length 0  
 $\emptyset = \{\}$  - null set

## Block

A block in a binary string  $\sigma = b_1 b_2 \dots b_n$  is a substring of consecutive equal letters that is maximal w.r.t length.

## Note:

Maximal, not maximum  
Blocks are always non-empty

## Block Decompositions

$0^*(1^*0^*)^*1^*$  and  $1^*(0^*1^*)^*0^*$  are block decompositions for the set of all binary strings. **Block decompositions always unambiguous.**

## Examples of regular expressions

$\{0, 1\}^* = (\{0\} \cup \{1\})^*$  is an unambiguous regular expression.

The generating function of  $\{0\} \cup \{1\}$  is  $2x^1$

By iteration:

$$\{0, 1\}^* \text{ has generating function } \frac{1}{1-2x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n x^n$$

$0^*0$  is  $\{0\}^*0 = \{0, 00, 000, 0000, \dots\}$

has generating function

$$= \frac{x}{1-x} = \frac{1}{1-x} \times x$$

## Blocks

Want to split a binary string into blocks. Can have a block of 1s followed by a block of 0s, all repeated.

Regular expression:

block of 0s:  $0^*0$

block of 1s:  $1^*1$

Block of 1s followed by block of 0s:  $(1^*1)(0^*0)$

Therefore, the regular expression  $(1^*10^*0)^*$  allows constructing of any string that does not start with 0 or end with 1

Claim:  $0^*(1^*10^*0)^*1^*$  produces all strings unambiguously

Generating function:

$$0^*, 1^* \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$0^*01^*1 \rightarrow \left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)^2$$

$$0^*(1^*10^*0)^*1^* = \frac{1}{1-x} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x} = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2 - x^2} = \frac{1}{1-2x}$$

## Coin Flipping Game

Let  $G \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  be the set of binary strings that don't contain 000 as a substring.

$(\epsilon \cup 0 \cup 00)(1^*1(0 \cup 00))^*1^*$

A block decomposition for  $G$

Generating function:

$$(1+x+x^2) \cdot \frac{1}{1-\left(\frac{1}{1-x} \cdot (x+x^2)\right)} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x} = \frac{1+x+x^2}{1-x-x^2-x^3} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n x^n$$

Now use partial fractions to get a formula for  $g_n$

$$g_0 = 1$$

$$g_1 - g_0 = 1 \Rightarrow g_1 = 2$$

$$g_2 - g_1 - g_0 = 1 \Rightarrow g_2 = 4$$

$$g_n = g_{n-1} + g_{n-2} + g_{n-3}$$

## Fair Game

- Player wagers \$ $n$  to flip  $n$  coins
- If no HHH, then player loses \$ $n$
- If there is some HHH player wins  $R_n$  dollars

Chose  $R_n$  so that the game is fair - expected value is 0

$G \subseteq \{H, T\}^*$ , strings that do not contain HHH

$g_n$ : number of strings of length  $n$  in  $G$

Block decomposition:

$T^*(H \cup HH)T^*T^*(\epsilon \cup H \cup HH)$

$$G(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n x^n = \frac{1+x+x^2}{1-x-x^2-x^3}$$

Expected value of coin-flipping game, wagering \$ $n$

$$0 = \frac{1}{2^n} ((2^n - g_n)R_n + g_n(-n))$$

$$ng_n = (2^n - g_n)R_n$$

$$R_n = \frac{ng_n}{2^n - g_n}$$

$$1 - x - x^2 - x^3 = (1 - \alpha x)(1 - \beta x)(1 - \gamma x)$$

$$\alpha, \beta \approx -0.4196 \pm 0.6063i$$

$$\gamma \approx 1.839$$

By partial fractions

$$g_n = A\alpha^n + B\beta^n + C\gamma^n, \text{ for constants } A, B, C$$

Since  $|\alpha|, |\beta| < |\gamma| < 2$

$$\frac{g_n}{2^n} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$



$$R_n = n \frac{g_n}{2^n} \left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{g_n}{2^n}} \right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Since  $\frac{n g_n}{2^n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  l'Hopital's Rule

Fair reward for n coin flips is

$$R_n = \frac{n g_n}{2^n - g_n} \rightarrow 0$$

# 2-Variable Generating Function

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## Example

What is the expected number of blocks among all binary strings of length  $n$ ?

For each string, two pieces of information: the length  $l(\sigma)$  and the # of blocks  $b(\sigma)$

Use Two-Variable generating function

$$B(x, y) = \sum_{\sigma \in \{0,1\}^*} x^{l(\sigma)} y^{b(\sigma)}$$

Block decomposition of  $\{0,1\}^*$ :  $0^*(1^*0^*)^*$

$0^*0$  and  $1^*1$  produce blocks of 0s or 1s respectively

$$0^* = \varepsilon \cup 0^*0$$

$$1^* = \varepsilon \cup 1^*1$$

Blocks of 0s  $0^*0 = \{0, 00, 000, \dots\}$

$$\rightarrow (x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots)y = \frac{xy}{1-x}$$

Blocks of 1s  $1^*1 = \{1, 11, 111, \dots\}$

$$\rightarrow \frac{xy}{1-x} \text{ similarly}$$

$$0^* \rightarrow x^0 y^0 + \frac{xy}{1-x} = 1 + \frac{xy}{1-x} = \frac{1+x(y-1)}{1-x}$$

$1^* \rightarrow \text{same}$

From the block decomposition,

$$B(x, y) = \left(1 + \frac{xy}{1-x}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{xy}{1-x}\right)^2}\right) = \frac{(1-x+xy)^2}{(1-x)^2 - (xy)^2} = \frac{1-x+xy}{1-x-xy}$$

$$B(x, 1) = \sum_{\sigma \in \{0,1\}^*} x^{l(\sigma)} 1^{b(\sigma)} = \sum_{\sigma \in \{0,1\}^*} x^{l(\sigma)} = \frac{1}{1-2x}$$

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta y} B(x, y) \Big|_{y=1} = \sum_{\sigma \in \{0,1\}^*} x^{l(\sigma)} b(\sigma) y^{b(\sigma)-1} \Big|_{y=1} = \sum_{\sigma \in \{0,1\}^*} x^{l(\sigma)} b(\sigma) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in \{0,1\}^* \\ l(\sigma)=n}} b(\sigma) \right) x^n$$

For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the total number of blocks among all binary string of length  $n$  is

$$\begin{aligned} |x^n| \frac{\delta}{\delta y} B(x, y) \Big|_{y=1} &= \frac{\delta}{\delta y} \left( \frac{1-x+xy}{1-x-xy} \right) \Big|_{y=1} = \left( \frac{x}{1-x-xy} + \frac{(1-x+xy)(-1)(-x)}{(1-x-xy)^2} \right) \Big|_{y=1} = \frac{x(1-2x)+x}{(1-2x)^2} = \frac{2x-2x^2}{(1-2x)^2} \\ &= \frac{2x}{(1-2x)^2} - \frac{2x^2}{(1-2x)^2} \\ &= 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+1}{1} 2^n x^{n+1} - 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+1}{1} 2^n x^{n+2} = 0x^0 + 2x^1 = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k2^k - (k-1)2^{k-1}) \end{aligned}$$

So for  $n \geq 2$  the total # of blocks among all binary strings of length  $n$  is  $n2^n - (n-1)2^{n-1} = (n+1)2^{n-1}$

So the average # of blocks per binary string of length  $n$  is

$$\frac{(n+1)2^{n-1}}{2^n} = \frac{n+1}{2}$$

## Alternate Method

Number of blocks, for string of length  $n$

$$b_1 b_2 b_3 \dots b_n$$

First bit gives 2 possible blocks, every successive bit either is the same block or adds another block.

$$\sum_{\sigma \in \{0,1\}^n} x^{b(\sigma)} = 2x(1+x)(1+x) \dots (1+x) = 2x(1+x)^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} 2x(1+x)^{n-1} \Big|_{x=1} = 2(1+x)^{n-1} \Big|_{x=1} + 2x(n-1)(x+1)^{n-2} \Big|_{x=1} = 2^n + 2^{n-1} = (n+1)2^{n-1}$$

So average  $b(\sigma)$  among all  $2^n$   $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^n$  is  $\frac{n+1}{2}$

Similarly, for strings  $\sigma \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}^n$

$$\sum_{\sigma \in \{1,2,\dots,k\}^n} x^{b(\sigma)} = kx(1+(k-1)x)^{n-1}$$

Average # of blocks among all  $\sigma \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}^n$  is

$$\frac{1}{k^n} \frac{d}{dx} kx(1+(k-1)x)^{n-1} \Big|_{x=1}$$

# Context-Free Grammars

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## Proposition

If  $L \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$  is a rational language, then

$$L(x) = \sum_{\sigma \in L} x^{l(\sigma)}$$

is a rational function (quotient of two polynomials).

## Context Free Grammars

Initial symbol I  
Production rules

## Binomial Series Expansion

For an  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$

$$(1+z)^\alpha = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{\alpha}{n} z^n$$

$$\text{Where } \binom{\alpha}{n} = \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\dots(\alpha-n+1)}{n!}$$

## Proof

Taylor series expansion of  $(1+x)^\alpha$ . Coefficient of  $x^n$  is  $\frac{1}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (1+x)^\alpha \Big|_{x=0} = \frac{1}{n!} \alpha(\alpha-1)\dots(\alpha-n+1) = \binom{\alpha}{n}$

## Proof of Proposition

$$L = A \cup B \text{ or } L = AB \text{ or } L = A^*$$

By induction,  $A(x), B(x)$  are rational functions. Each operation takes rational functions to rational functions, so  $L(x)$  is rational too. ■

## Converse is false

$$M = \{\epsilon, 01, 0011, 000111, \dots\} = \{0^k 1^k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

M is a set of binary strings with generating function  $M(x) = \frac{1}{1-x^2}$  a rational function.

But M is not a rational language.

## Context Free Grammar Example

Initial symbol I  
Production rule  $I \rightarrow \epsilon \cup 0I1$   
Terminal symbols 0,1  
Replace I by either  $\epsilon$  or  $0I1$

Keep doing that until only terminal symbols remain

$$I \rightarrow 0I1 \rightarrow 00I11 \rightarrow 000I111 \rightarrow \dots$$

Let  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$  be generated by the CFG:

$$I \rightarrow \epsilon \cup 0I1I$$

$\epsilon, 01, 0011, 0101, 010011, 000111, 001101, \dots$

Equivalently replace 0 by ( and 1 by )

$I \rightarrow \epsilon \cup (I)$   
This generates all well-formed parenthesizations.

$$\text{Let } D(x) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{D}} x^{l(\sigma)}$$

The CFG  $I \rightarrow \epsilon \cup 0I1I$  implies that

$$0 \rightarrow x, I \rightarrow D(x) \quad 1 \rightarrow x, I \rightarrow D(x)$$

$$D(x) = 1 + x^2(D(x))^2$$

$$D = 1 + x^2 D^2$$

$$0 = x^2 D^2 - D + 1$$

$$D = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1-4x^2}}{2x^2}$$

How to expand  $\sqrt{1-4x^2}$  as a power series in x?

$$\sqrt{1-4x^2} = (1-4x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{\frac{1}{2}}{n} (-4)^n x^{2n}$$

$$n=0: \binom{\frac{1}{2}}{0} (-4)^0 = 1$$

$n \geq 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \binom{\frac{1}{2}}{n} (-4)^n &= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-2\right)\dots\left(\frac{1}{2}-n+1\right)}{n!} (-1)^n 2^n 2^n \\ &= \frac{(1)(-1)(-3)(-5)\dots(-2n+3)}{n!} (-1)^n 2^n = -\frac{1 \times 3 \times 5 \times \dots \times (2n-3)}{n!} 2^n \times \frac{n!}{n!} \\ &= -\frac{(1 \times 3 \times 5 \times \dots \times (2n-3)) \times (2 \times 4 \times 6 \times \dots \times (2n))}{n! n!} = \frac{(-2n)(2n-2)!}{n! n!} = -\frac{2}{n} \binom{2n-2}{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

In summary

$$\sqrt{1-4x^2} = 1 - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \binom{2n-2}{n-1} x^{2n}$$

Take -ve sign in  $D(x)$  to get nonnegative results

$$D(x) = \frac{1}{2x^2} \left( 1 - \left( 1 - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \binom{2n-2}{n-1} x^{2n} \right) \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \binom{2n-2}{n-1} x^{2n-2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n} x^{2n}$$

Thus for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  the number of well-formed parenthesizations with n '(' and n ')' is

$$\frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$$

# Paths

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## Binomial Series

$$(1+x)^\alpha = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{\alpha}{n} x^n$$

for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\binom{\alpha}{n} = \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\dots(\alpha-n+1)}{n!}$$

## Special Cases

1.  $\alpha = d$  a positive integer

$$\binom{d}{n} = 0 \text{ if } n > d$$

$$\text{So } (1+x)^d = \sum_{n=0}^d \binom{d}{n} x^n$$

2.  $\alpha = -t$  a negative integer

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^t} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+t-1}{t-1} x^m$$

Check that (exercise)

$$(-1)^m \binom{-t}{m} = \binom{m+t-1}{t-1}$$

## Catalan Numbers

$$\frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$$

## Lattice Path

A path on the grid which can only move N or E.

There are  $\binom{a+b}{b} = \binom{a+b}{a}$  lattice paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(a,b)$

## Dyck Path

A lattice path which always stays above the  $x=y$  line.

There are  $\frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$  Dyck paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(n,n)$

## Catalan Numbers

$$\frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$$

is the formula for the Catalan numbers. e.g. the number of well-formed parenthesizations.

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Interpret as a lattice path

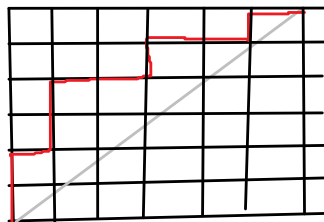
$(\rightarrow N : (x,y) \rightarrow (x,y+1)$

$) \rightarrow E : (x,y) \rightarrow (x+1,y)$

Start at  $(0,0)$  and end at  $(n,n)$

So the set of all well-formed parenthesizations is equivalent to the number of lattice paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(n,n)$  that stays above the  $x=y$  line.

This is a Dyck Path.



## Second Proof of # of Dyck Paths

Consider  $\mathcal{L}(n,n)$  the set of all lattice paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(n,n)$

Let  $\mathcal{D}_n$  be the Dyck paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(n,n)$

let  $\mathcal{G}_n$  be the others.

So  $\mathcal{L}(n,n) = \mathcal{D}_n \cup \mathcal{G}_n$  is a disjoint union

$$|\mathcal{L}(n,n)| = \binom{2n}{n}$$

We need only count  $|\mathcal{G}_n|$  and subtract.

Consider any lattice path

$P: s_1 s_2 \dots s_{2n}$  in  $\mathcal{G}_n$

Since  $P \notin \mathcal{D}_n$  there is a first E step at which P goes below the diagonal  $x=y$ . Call it  $s_b$  for some  $1 \leq b \leq 2n$

Construct the path

$P^*: t_1 t_2 \dots t_{2n}$

$$t_i = \begin{cases} s_i & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq b \\ N & \text{if } s_i = E \text{ and } b+1 \leq i \leq 2n \\ E & \text{if } s_i = N \text{ and } b+1 \leq i \leq 2n \end{cases}$$

Claim:  $P^*$  is a lattice path from  $(0,0)$  to  $(n+1, n-1)$

Conversely, every lattice path  $Q: p_1 p_2 \dots p_{2n}$  from  $(0,0)$  to  $(n+1, n-1)$  has a first E step  $p_j$  that goes below the diagonal  $x=y$ . Reverse the procedure  $Q \rightarrow Q^*$  Result  $Q^*$  is in  $\mathcal{G}_n$  (exercise)

We have a bijection  $\mathcal{G}_n \approx \mathcal{L}(n+1, n-1)$  hence  $|\mathcal{G}_n| = |\mathcal{L}(n+1, n-1)| = \binom{2n}{n-1}$

Hence finally

$$|\mathcal{D}_n| = \binom{2n}{n} - \binom{2n}{n-1} = \frac{(2n)!}{n!n!} - \frac{(2n)!}{(n+1)!(n-1)!} = \binom{2n}{n} - \frac{n}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n} = \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$$

Analogously, lattice paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(a,b)$  where  $0 \leq a \leq b$  that stay on or above the line  $x=y$ . How many such paths are there?

There are  $\binom{a+b}{b}$  lattice paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(a,b)$

Consider such a lattice path P that does go below the line  $x=y$ .  $P: s_1 s_2, \dots, s_{a+b}$

Let  $s_i$  be the first step at which P goes below the diagonal

Let  $N = E$  and  $E = N$  and  $p^*: s_1 \dots s_i s_{i+1}, s_{i+2} \dots s_{a+b}$

$p^*$  ends at  $(b+1, a-1)$ , strictly below  $x=y$  since  $a \leq b$

This is a bijection between bad lattice paths to  $(a,b)$  and all lattice paths to  $(b+1, a-1)$

Hence the number of good lattice paths to  $(a,b)$  is  $\binom{a+b}{b} - \binom{a+b}{b+1}$

Where  $a=b$  equal formula for dyck path

# Ternary Strings

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## Example

Enumerate strings in  $\{a, b, c\}^*$  that don't contain aa as a substring

Look at block decomposition for binary string

$$0^*(1^*10^*0)^*1^*$$

Interpret 0 as a, 1 as  $b \cup c$

$$a^*((b \cup c)^*(b \cup c)a^*a)^*(b \cup c)^*$$

Is a regular expression for  $\{a, b, c\}^*$  that produces as block by block.

Just need to modify this to avoid substring aa

$$(\epsilon \cup a)((b \cup c)^*(b \cup c)a)^*(b \cup c)$$

$$\sum_{\sigma \in S} x^{l(\sigma)} = (1+x) \left( \frac{1}{1 - \left( \frac{1}{1-2x} \right) (2x)(x)} \right) \left( \frac{1}{1-2x} \right) = \frac{1+x}{1-2x-2x^2} \rightarrow \text{partial fractions}$$

or

$$c_n - 2c_{n-1} - 2c_{n-2} = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \\ 1, & n = 1 \\ 0, & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$c_0 = 1$$

$$c_1 - 2c_0 = 1 \Rightarrow c_1 = 3$$

$$c_n = 2c_{n-1} + 2c_{n-2}$$

|       |   |   |   |    |    |     |
|-------|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| n     | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3  | 4  | 5   |
| $c_n$ | 1 | 3 | 8 | 22 | 60 | 164 |

## Example

Enumerate strings in  $\{a, b, c\}^*$  with no two consecutive equal letters,  $\mathcal{D}$

Low tech solution

$$c_0 = 1$$

$$c_1 = 3$$

$$c_n = 2c_{n-1} = 3 \times 2^{n-1} \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = 1 + 3 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{n-1} x^n = 1 + \frac{3x}{1-2x} = \frac{1+x}{1-2x}$$

## More information

Keep track of #a, #b, #c in string

$m_a(\sigma)$  = # of a's in string  $\sigma$

Similarly for  $m_b, m_c$

$$D(x, y, z) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{D}} x^{m_a(\sigma)} y^{m_b(\sigma)} z^{m_c(\sigma)} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_{i,j,k} x^i y^j z^k$$

Consider any string  $\sigma \in \{a, b, c\}^*$ . "Squish" each block into a single letter.

E.g.  $\sigma = bbccaccbbbaaa$  squish( $\sigma$ ) = BCACBA  $\in \mathcal{D}$

The set of words  $\sigma \in \{a, b, c\}^*$  that get squished onto  $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}$  is obtained by regarding

A as a block of a's  $A=a^*a, B=b^*b, C=c^*c$

$(a \cup b \cup c)^*$  is a regular expression for  $\{a, b, c\}^*$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1 - (x + y + z)} &= \sum_{\sigma \in \{a,b,c\}^*} x^{m_a(\sigma)} y^{m_b(\sigma)} z^{m_c(\sigma)} = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{D}} \left( \sum_{\sigma \in \text{squish}^{-1}(\alpha)} x^{m_a(\sigma)} y^{m_b(\sigma)} z^{m_c(\sigma)} \right) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{D}} \left( \frac{x}{1-x} \right)^{m_A(\alpha)} \left( \frac{y}{1-y} \right)^{m_B(\alpha)} \left( \frac{z}{1-z} \right)^{m_C(\alpha)} = D \left( \frac{x}{1-x}, \frac{y}{1-y}, \frac{z}{1-z} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Change variables

$$X = \frac{x}{1-x}, Y = \frac{y}{1-y}, Z = \frac{z}{1-z}$$

$$X - xX = x \Rightarrow X = x + xX = x(1 + X) \Rightarrow x = \frac{X}{1+X}$$

$$D(X, Y, Z) = \frac{1}{1 - \left( \frac{X}{1+X} + \frac{Y}{1+Y} + \frac{Z}{1+Z} \right)}$$

A quotient of polynomials in X,Y,Z

More generally for strings  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, b\}^*$  with no two consecutive equal letters

$$\frac{1}{1 - (x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_b)} = D \left( \frac{x_1}{1-x_1}, \frac{x_2}{1-x_2}, \dots, \frac{x_b}{1-x_b} \right)$$

$$D(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_b) = \left| 1 - \sum_{i=1}^b \frac{x_i}{1+x_i} \right|^{-1}$$

# n-ary Strings

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## Example

Among all  $2^n$  binary strings of length  $n$ , what is the average number of times that 011 occurs as a substring.

Block decomposition:

$$1^*(0^*01^*1)0^*$$

is almost ideal,  $1^*(0^*01u0^*(011)1^*)0^*$

$l(\sigma)$  length of sigma,  $r(\sigma)$  number of 011 in  $\sigma$

$$G(x, y) = \sum_{\sigma \in \{0,1\}^*} x^{l(\sigma)} y^{r(\sigma)} = \left( \frac{1}{1-x} \right) \left( \frac{1}{1 - \left( \frac{x^2}{1-x} + \frac{x^3}{(1-x)^2 y} \right)} \right) \left( \frac{1}{1-x} \right)$$

$$= ((1-x)^2 - x^2(1-x) - x^3 y)^{-1} = (1 - 2x + x^2 - x^2 + x^3 - x^3 y)^{-1} = \frac{1}{1 - 2x + x^3(1-y)}$$

Sum of  $r(\sigma)$  over all  $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^*$  in

$$[x^n] \frac{\delta}{\delta y} G(x, y) \Big|_{y=1} = \frac{(-1)(-x^3)}{(1-2x)^3} = \frac{x^3}{(1-2x)^2} = x^3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+1}{1} 2^n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) 2^n x^{n+3}$$

$$= \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} (n-2) 2^{n-3} x^n$$

Average # of occurrences of 011 among all  $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^n$  is

$$\begin{cases} \frac{(n-2)2^{n-3}}{2^n} = \frac{n-2}{8}, & n \geq 3 \\ 0, & 0 \leq n \leq 2 \end{cases}$$

## Block Patterns for b-ary strings

$\mathcal{D} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, b\}^*$  strings with no two consecutive equal letters.

$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_b$  variables

$m_i(\sigma)$  is the # of times letter  $i$  occurs in  $\sigma$

Notation:  $x^\sigma = x_1^{m_1(\sigma)} x_2^{m_2(\sigma)} \dots x_b^{m_b(\sigma)}$

$$D(x_1, \dots, x_b) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{D}} x^\sigma = \left( 1 - \prod_{i=1}^b \frac{x_i}{1+x_i} \right)^{-1}$$

### Proof:

squish:  $\{1, \dots, b\}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  by replacing each block of  $i$ 's by a single  $i$

For  $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}$ , the  $\sigma \in \{1, 2, \dots, b\}^*$  that gets squished to  $\alpha$  are obtained from  $\alpha$  by replacing  $i$  by  $i^* i$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq b$  generating function for  $i^* i$  is  $\frac{x_i}{1-x_i}$

So

$$\frac{1}{1 - (x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_b)} = D\left(\frac{x_1}{1-x_1}, \frac{x_2}{1-x_2}, \dots, \frac{x_b}{1-x_b}\right)$$

Invert the variables  $y_i = \frac{x_i}{1-x_i}$  iff  $x_i = \frac{y_i}{1+y_i}$

$$\text{So } D(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_b) = \left( 1 - \prod_{i=1}^b \frac{y_i}{1+y_i} \right)^{-1}$$

Strings in  $\mathcal{D}$  are block patterns.  $x_i$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  marks either

- A single  $i$  in  $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}$
- A block of  $i$ 's in  $\sigma \in \{1, 2, \dots, b\}^*$

## Example

What is the generating function for  $S$ , strings  $\sigma \in \{1, 2, 3\}^*$  such that

- Blocks of 1s have odd length
- Blocks of 2s have length  $\leq 2$
- Blocks of 3s have length  $\geq 2$

$D(y_1, y_2, y_3)$  where  $y_1$  marks a block of  $i$  is

$$(11)^* 1 \Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{x_1}{1-x_1^2}$$

$$(2u22) \Rightarrow y_2 = x_2 + x_2^2$$

$$3^* 33 \Rightarrow y_3 = \frac{x_3^2}{1-x_3}$$

$$S(x_1, x_2, x_3) = D(y_1, y_2, y_3) = \left( 1 - \frac{x_1}{1-x_1^2} - (x_2 + x_2^2) - \frac{x_3^2}{1-x_3} \right)^{-1} = \sum_{\sigma \in S} x^\sigma$$

If we only want the length of each  $\sigma \in S$  e.g.  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = t$

$$S(t, t, t) = \sum_{\sigma \in S} t^{l(\sigma)} = \left( 1 - \frac{t}{(1-t)^2} - t(1+t) - \frac{t^2}{1-t} \right)^{-1} = \frac{1-t^2}{1-2t-3t^2+t^4}$$

$$s_n - 2s_{n-1} - 3s_{n-2} + s_{n-4} = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \\ 0, & n = 1 \\ -1, & n = 2 \\ 0, & n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Keep going and get a recurrence relation.

### Example

$a_n$  crossings  $n$  steps from home on a rectangular grid ( $n$  is minimum distance)

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = 4$$

$$a_2 = 8$$

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \\ 4n, & n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 1 + 4 \frac{x}{(1-x)^2}$$

$a_n$  crossings  $n$  steps from home on a triangular grid ( $n$  is minimum distance)

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = 6$$

$$a_2 = 12$$

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \\ 6n, & n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 1 + 6 \frac{x}{(1-x)^2}$$

Tile the plan with squares, 5 at a point.

# Tessellations

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## Regular Tessellations of the Plane

Let  $k \geq 3$  and  $d \geq 3$ . Divide the plane into non-overlapping  $k$ -gons such that they meet along edges. At each corner  $d$  edges meet.

## Question

Fix a "home vertex"  $v_0$  in the  $k = 4, d = 5$  regular tessellation of the (hyperbolic) plane. How many vertices are at distance exactly  $n$  from  $v_0$ ? Call it  $a_n$

|       |   |   |    |   |   |
|-------|---|---|----|---|---|
| n     | 0 | 1 | 2  | 3 | 4 |
| $a_n$ | 1 | 5 | 15 |   |   |

At distance 2 there are 2 kinds of vertices.

- Some have 1 neighbour at distance 1
- Some have 2 neighbours at distance 1

Showed geometrically can't have  $\geq 3$  neighbours closer to base

Let  $b_n$  be the number of vertices at distance  $n$  from the base, with 1 earlier neighbour

Let  $c_n$  be the number of vertices at distance  $n$  from the base, with 2 earlier neighbours

For  $n \geq 1, a_n = b_n + c_n$

$$n \geq 1: \begin{cases} b_{n+1} = 2b_n + c_n \\ c_{n+1} = a_n = b_n + c_n \end{cases}$$

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$b_1 = 5, c_1 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } A(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n, B(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n x^n, C(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n x^n$$

$$A(x) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n + c_n) x^n = 1 + B(x) + C(x)$$

$$B(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n x^n = 5x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (2b_{n-1} + c_{n-1}) x^n = 5x + x \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (2b_j + c_j) x^j$$

$$= 5x + x(2B(x) + C(x))$$

$$C(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n x^n = x(B(x) + C(x))$$

$$A = 1 + B + C$$

$$B = 5x + 2xB + xC$$

$$C = xB + xC$$

Solve...

$$C = \frac{5x^2}{1 - 3x + x^2}$$

$$B = \frac{5x - 5x^2}{1 - 3x + x^2}$$

$$A = \frac{1 - 3x + x^2}{1 - 3x + x^2} = 1 + \frac{5x}{1 - 3x + x^2}$$

$$1 - 3x + x^2 = (1 - \alpha x)(1 - \beta x)$$

$$\alpha, \beta = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$5x = A(1 - \beta x) + B(1 - \alpha x) = (A + B) - (A\beta + B\alpha)x$$

$$A + B = 0$$

$$A\beta + B\alpha = -5$$

$$A(\beta - \alpha) = -5 \Rightarrow A = \frac{5}{\alpha - \beta}, B = -\frac{5}{\alpha - \beta}$$

$$\alpha - \beta = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2} - \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$A = \sqrt{5}, B = -\sqrt{5}$$

$$A(x) = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{1 - \alpha x} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{1 - \beta x}$$

$$A(x) = 1 + \sqrt{5} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n x^n - \sqrt{5} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n x^n$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left| \sqrt{5} \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \right| x^n = \sqrt{5} \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n x^n$$

So for  $n \geq 1$  the number of vertices in the  $k = 4, d = 5$  hyperbolic tessellation at distance  $n$  from the base is

$$a_n = \sqrt{5} \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n = \sqrt{5} \left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \Rightarrow \text{Integer closest to } \sqrt{5} \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n$$

## Example

$k=5, d=4$

Four kinds of vertices in the  $k=5, d=4$  case

- Base vertex
- One nbr closer to base, not on an equality (connects to same #) edge :  $p$
- Two nbrs closer to base :  $q$
- One nbr closer to base, is on an equality edge :  $r$

$$p(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_n x^n \text{ etc.}$$

$$p_1 = 4, q_1 = r_1 = 0$$

$$p_2 = 4, q_2 = 0, r_2 = 8$$

$$q_{n+2} = r_n$$



# More Tessellations

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## Matrix Method

5 'types' of object O,A,B,C,D and some succession rules.

Initial population: {O}

$$O \rightarrow 4A$$

$$A \rightarrow A, 2B$$

$$B \rightarrow B, C$$

$$C \rightarrow A, B, \frac{1}{2}D$$

$$D \rightarrow 2B$$

$$P_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_n = M^n P_0$$

$$k=5, d=4$$

## Vertex Types

O: Origin

A: 1 neighbour closer to origin,

2 pentagons have apexes (unique vertex closest to origin) at this neighbour

B: 1 neighbour closer to origin, 1 neighbour at same distance

C: 1 neighbour closer to origin, that neighbour is of type B

D: 2 neighbours closer to origin

Descendants:

$$O \rightarrow \{4A\}$$

$$A \rightarrow \{A, 2B\}$$

$$B \rightarrow \{B, C\}$$

$$C \rightarrow \{A, B, \frac{1}{2}D\}$$

$$D \rightarrow \{2B\}$$

$$K(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} k_n x^n \text{ where there are } k_n \text{ vertices of type } k \text{ at distance } n \text{ from the origin}$$

$$O(x) = 1$$

For  $n \geq 0$

$$a_{n+1} = 4o_n + a_n + c_n$$

$$A(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+1} x^{n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (4o_n + a_n + c_n) x^{n+1} = x[4O(x) + A(x) + C(x)]$$

$$b_{n+1} = 2a_n + b_n + c_n + 2d_n$$

$$B(x) = x[2A(x) + B(x) + C(x) + 2D(x)]$$

$$C(x) = x[B(x)]$$

$$D(x) = x \left[ \frac{1}{2} C(x) \right]$$

Solve:

$$A = x(4 + A + C)$$

$$B = x(2A + B + C + 2D)$$

$$C = xB$$

$$D = \frac{1}{2} xC$$

$$A = 4x + xA + x^2 B$$

$$B = 2xA + xB + x^2 B + x^3 B$$

$$(1-x)A = 4x + x^2 B$$

$$2xA = (1-x-x^2-x^3)B$$

$$A = \frac{1-x-x^2-x^3}{2x} B$$

$$\frac{(1-x)(1-x-x^2-x^3)}{2x} B = 4x + x^2 B$$

$$(1-2x+x^4)B = 8x^2 + 2x^3 B$$

$$(1-2x-2x^3+x^4)B = 8x^2$$

$$B = \frac{8x^2}{1-2x-2x^3+x^4}$$

$$A = \frac{(1-x-x^2-x^3)4x}{1-2x-2x^3+x^4}$$

$$C = \frac{8x^3}{1-2x-2x^3+x^4}$$

$$D = \frac{4x^4}{1-2x-2x^3+x^4}$$

$$G(x) = 1 + A + B + C + D = \frac{1+2x+4x^2+2x^3+x^4}{1-2x-2x^3+x^4} = 1 + \frac{4(x+x^2+x^3)}{1-2x-2x^3+x^4}$$

# Matrix Method

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## Matrix Method

Find a set of types  $\{1, 2, \dots, t\}$

### Succession Rules

For each type  $i$ , a weighted collection of successors:

$$i \rightarrow \{c_1 1, c_2 2, \dots, c_t t\}$$

An object of type  $i$  gives rise to successors in the next generation:

$c_i$  of type  $i$

### Initial Population

A column vector

$$p_0 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_t \end{bmatrix}$$

$a_i$  objects of type  $i$ , ( $1 \leq i \leq t$ ) in the initial population.

### Goal

Determining the number of objects of type  $i$  in the  $n$ -th generation for all ( $1 \leq i \leq t$ ) and all  $n \geq 0$

### Construction

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $p_n$  be the column vector of length  $t$  with  $i$ -th entry equal to the # of type  $i$  objects in the  $n$ -th generation.

Let  $M$  be the  $t \times t$  matrix such that  $p_{n+1} = Mp_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

The  $j$ -th column of  $M$  has  $i$ -th entry equal to the number of objects of type  $i$  occurring as successors to an object of type  $j$

Since  $p_{n+1} = Mp_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$p_n = M^n p_0$$

### Generating Function

$$\text{Let } p(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M^n p_0 x^n = \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (xM)^n \right) p_0 = (I - xM)^{-1} p_0$$

Reasoning

$$S = 1 + A^2 + A^3 + \dots$$

$$AS = A + A^2 + A^3 + \dots$$

$$S - AS = 1$$

$$(1 - A)S = 1 \Rightarrow S = (1 - A)^{-1}$$

### Total Population

$$1_t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Pop = 1_t p_n$$

Generating function

$$1_t (I - xM)^{-1} p_0$$

### Note

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} adj(A)$$

$\det(I - xM) \neq 0$  so  $I - xM$  is invertible since  $I - xM$  is a polynomial in  $x$  and

$$\det(I - (1)M) = 1$$

## Example

$t = 3$  types  $\{a, b, c\}$

Succession Rules  $a \rightarrow \{a, b\}, b \rightarrow \{a, c\}, c \rightarrow \{a, a, a\}$

$$p_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_n = M^n p_0$$

$$I - xM = \begin{bmatrix} 1-x & -x & -3x \\ -x & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(I - xM) = 1 - x - x^2 - 3x^3$$

$$adj(I - xM) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x+3x^2 & 3x \\ x & 1-x & 3x^2 \\ x^2 & x-x^2 & 1-x-x^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P(x) = (I - xM)^{-1} p_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-x-x^2-3x^3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x+3x^2 & 3x \\ x & 1-x & 3x^2 \\ x^2 & x-x^2 & 1-x-x^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-x-x^2-3x^3} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x^2 \\ x^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Total population generating function

$$\frac{1+x+x^2}{1-x-x^2-3x^3}$$

Total population  $w_n$  at generation  $n$  satisfies  $w_n = 0$  if  $n < 0$  and

$$w_n - w_{n-1} - w_{n-2} - 3w_{n-3} = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0, 1, 2 \\ 0, & n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$w_0 = 1$$

$$w_1 - w_0 = 1 \Rightarrow w_1 = 2$$

$$w_2 - w_1 - w_0 = 1 \Rightarrow w_2 = 4$$

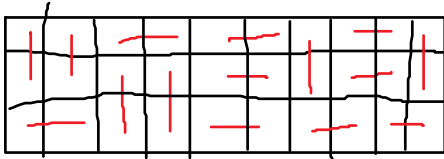
$$w_n = w_{n-1} + w_{n-2} + 3w_{n-3}, n \geq 3$$

# Domino Tilings

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## Domino Tilings

Count all ways of covering all squares of a  $3 \times n$  rectangle with non-overlapping dominoes.



### Columns instead of Dominoes

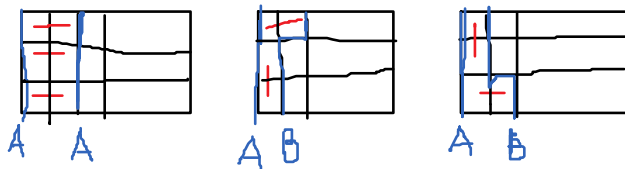
$$A \rightarrow \{A_2, B_1\}$$

$$B \rightarrow \{A_1, B_2\}$$

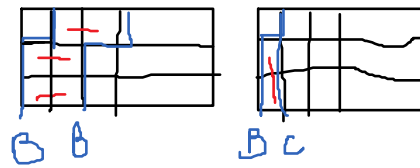
$$Q = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x \\ x & x^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

### How

Consider all possible ways of covering the three leftmost squares:



Label the boundary types, but also keep track of the number of dominoes used in the subscript  
 $A \rightarrow \{A_3, B_2, B_2\}$



$$B \rightarrow \{B_3, A_1\}$$

Instead of  $xM$  we want a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $Q$  where  $Q_{ij}$  is the sum of  $x^k$  over all transitions from boundary  $j$  to boundary  $i$  using  $k$  dominoes.

$$M = \begin{vmatrix} x^3 & x \\ 2x^2 & x^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Start with a  $3 \times n$  domino tiling. Remove all dominoes that intersect the leftmost column (together with any dominoes they "force")

Repeat this to decompose each domino tiling uniquely as a sequence of "successions"

Two boundaries  $\{A, B\}$

$$A \rightarrow \{A_3, 2B_2\}$$

$$B \rightarrow \{A_1, B_3\}$$

$$M = \begin{vmatrix} x^3 & x \\ 2x^2 & x^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

The  $(i, j)$  entry of  $M^n$  is the generating function from boundary  $j$  to boundary  $i$  using exactly  $n$  successions.

Sum over all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  since # of successions is arbitrary.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M^n = (I - M)^{-1}$$

The generating function we want is  $(I - M)_{AA}^{-1}$

$$\det(I - M) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - x^3 & -x \\ -2x^2 & 1 - x^3 \end{vmatrix} = (1 - x^3)^2 - 2x^3 = 1 - 4x^3 + x^6$$

$$\text{adj}(I - M)_{AA} = 1 - x^3$$

Generating function for  $3 \times n$  domino tilings is

$$G(x) = \sum_T x^{\# \text{ dominoes}} = \frac{1 - x^3}{1 - 4x^3 + x^6}$$

$$2 * \# \text{ dominoes} = \text{total \# squares} = 3n$$

$$n = \frac{2}{3} (\# \text{ dominoes}), \text{ let } x = t^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$G(x) = \sum_T t^{\frac{2}{3} \# \text{ dominoes}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n t^n = \frac{1 - t^2}{1 - 4t^2 + t^4}$$

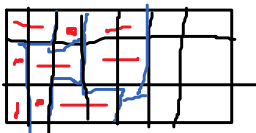
$c_n$  domino tilings of a  $3 \times n$  rectangle.

# Examples

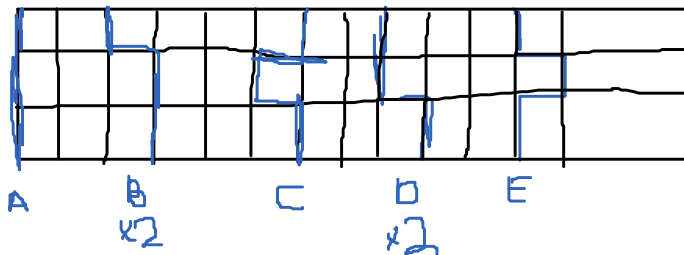
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## Example

Tilings of a 3xn rectangle using dominoes and 1x1 squares.



Possible boundary shapes



$J \rightarrow K_{a,b}$  Succession from boundary J to boundary K using a dominoes and b squares

$$A \rightarrow \{A_{0,3}, A_{3,0}, 2D_{1,2}, E_{1,2}, 2B_{2,1}, C_{2,1}, 2A_{1,1}, 2D_{2,0}\}$$

$$B \rightarrow \{A_{0,1}, D_{1,0}\}$$

$$C \rightarrow \{A_{0,1}, E_{1,0}\}$$

$$D \rightarrow \{A_{0,2}, A_{1,0}, B_{2,0}, D_{1,1}, E_{1,1}\}$$

$$E \rightarrow \{A_{0,2}, C_{2,0}, 2D_{1,1}\}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2tu + t^3 + u^3 & u & u & t + u^2 & u^2 \\ 2t^2u & 0 & 0 & t^2 & 0 \\ t^2u & 0 & 0 & 0 & t^2 \\ 2t^2 + 2tu^2 & t & 0 & tu & 2tu \\ tu^2 & 0 & t & tu & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Example

$A \subseteq \{a, b, c\}^*$  Blocks of c's have odd length and does not contain aa or ab as a substring.

$a_n = \#$  of words of length n in A

$$\text{Determine } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$

First determine the generating function for "block patterns" of A: the set of words in  $\{a, b, c\}^*$  not containing any of aa, bb, cc, or ab.

$$P(x, y, z) = \sum_{\alpha \in P} x^{m_a(\alpha)} y^{m_b(\alpha)} z^{m_c(\alpha)}$$

Then replace each a in  $\alpha$  with a block of a's, each b in  $\alpha$  with a block of b's and each c in  $\alpha$  by a block of c's. Keep track of the lengths of the blocks.

The lengths of the blocks are constrained:

no aa substring  $\rightarrow$  block of a's is just a  $\rightarrow t$

block of b's  $\rightarrow b^*b \rightarrow \frac{t}{1-t}$

block of c's  $\rightarrow (cc)^*c \rightarrow \frac{t}{1-t^2}$

$$A(t) = \sum_{\sigma \in A} t^{l(\sigma)} = P\left(t, \frac{t}{1-t}, \frac{t}{1-t^2}\right)$$

## Matrix Method

Find  $P(x, y, z)$  using matrix method

$P \subseteq \{a, b, c\}^*$  words not containing aa, bb, cc, or ab.

4 types: E, A, B, C: empty string, ends in a, ends in b, ends in c; respectively.

$$E \rightarrow \{A, B, C\}$$

$$A \rightarrow \{C\}$$

$$B \rightarrow \{A, C\}$$

$$C \rightarrow \{A, B\}$$

generate all the block patterns in A

$M_{KL}$  is the sum over all transitions from K to L

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x & 0 & x & x \\ y & 0 & 0 & y \\ z & z & z & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P(x, y, z) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} (I - M)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} M^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in P \\ l(\sigma)=k}} x^{m_a(\sigma)} y^{m_b(\sigma)} z^{m_c(\sigma)}$$

$$A(t) = P\left(t, \frac{t}{1-t}, \frac{t}{1-t^2}\right)$$

$$Q = I - M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -t & 1 & -t & -t \\ -\frac{t}{1-t} & 0 & 1 & -\frac{t}{1-t} \\ -\frac{t}{1-t^2} & -\frac{t}{1-t^2} & -\frac{t}{1-t^2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Example**

Domino tiling. Start with A type boundary (straight line) and end with A type boundary.

# Graph Theory

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## Graph

A **graph** is a pair  $G = (V, E)$  where  $V$  is a finite set, and  $E$  a set of 2-element subsets of  $V$ .  
The elements of  $V$  are **vertices** and the elements of  $E$  are **edges**.

## Isomorphism

An isomorphism  $\phi$  from  $G$  to  $H$  is a function  $\phi: V(G) \rightarrow V(H)$  such that  $\phi$  is a bijection (one-to-one and onto)

- $\phi$  is a bijection (one-to-one and onto)
- $\forall v, w \in V(G)$   
 $\{v, w\} \in E(G) \iff \{\phi(v), \phi(w)\} \in E(H)$

$G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic, denoted by  $G \cong H$ , when there is an isomorphism  $\phi$  from  $G$  to  $H$ .

## Terminology

In a graph  $G = (V, E)$

$v \in V$  is **incident** with  $e \in E$  if  $v \in e$

$v, w \in V$  are **adjacent** if  $\{v, w\} \in E$

$e, f \in E$  are **adjacent** if  $e \cap f = \{v\}$  for some  $v \in V$

The **degree** of  $v$  is the number of edges incident with  $v$ .

Denoted  $\deg_G(v)$

The **degree sequence** is the multiset  $\{\deg_G(v) : v \in V\}$

## Fact

If  $\phi: V(G) \rightarrow V(H)$  is an isomorphism then  $\deg_H(\phi(v)) = \deg_G(v) \forall v \in G$

## Corollary

If  $G \cong H$  then the degree sequences of  $G$  and  $H$  are the same.

## Subgraph

$G = (V, E)$  is a graph

$J = (W, F)$  is a subgraph of  $G$  if  $W \subseteq V, F \subseteq E$  and  $J$  is a graph.

## K-Regular

A graph  $G$  is  $k$ -regular if every vertex has degree  $k$ .

## Cycle

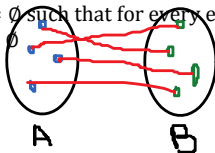
A cycle in  $G$  is a connected 2-regular subgraph.

## Hamilton Cycle

A Hamilton cycle is a cycle through all the vertices.

## Bipartite

A graph  $G$  is bipartite if one can write  $V = A \cup B$  with  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  such that for every edge  $e \in E$   $e \cap A \neq \emptyset$  and  $e \cap B \neq \emptyset$



Equivalently, you can colour the graph with 2 colours such that every edge has one vertex of one colour and the other vertex having the other colour.

## Proposition

- If  $G$  is bipartite then every subgraph of  $G$  is bipartite.
- Odd cycles are not bipartite

## Corollary

If  $G$  contains an odd cycle, then  $G$  is not bipartite.

## Notation

Complete graph:  $K_p$

$p$  vertices

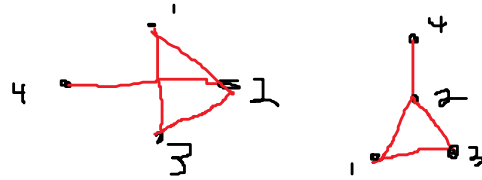
$\binom{p}{2}$  edges; Every pair of vertices has an edges

$E = \{\{v_i, v_j\} : i \neq j\}$

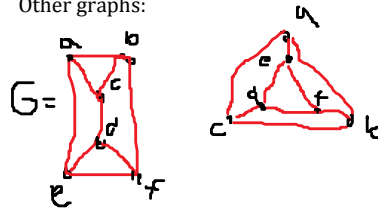
## Graph Example

$G = (\{1,2,3,4\}, \{\{1,2\}, \{1,3\}, \{2,3\}, \{2,4\}\})$

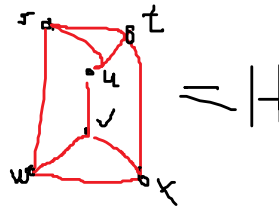
Picture of  $G$ :



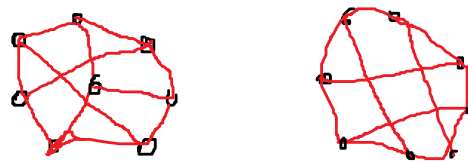
Other graphs:



These are the same graph: same vertices same edges. So the graphs are equal.



$G \neq H$  but they have the "same shape". i.e. they are isomorphic.



In this case  $G$ (left) contains an odd cycle while  $H$ (right) does not.  
So  $G \neq H$

## Proof of Proposition

(a) Let  $(A, B)$  be a bipartition for  $G$  and let  $H = (W, F)$  be a subgraph of  $G$ . Then  $(W \cap A, W \cap B)$  is a bipartition for  $H$ .

(b) Let  $C_n$  be an odd cycle with vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  ( $n$  odd) and edges  $\{v_1, v_2\}, \{v_2, v_3\}, \dots, \{v_{n-1}, v_n\}, \{v_n, v_1\}$

Suppose that  $(A, B)$  is a bipartition of  $C_n$ . Wlog we can assume  $v_1 \in A$  (exchange  $A$  and  $B$  if necessary)

$\Rightarrow v_2 \in B \Rightarrow v_3 \in A \Rightarrow \dots$

By induction from  $1 \leq i \leq n$

$v_i \in A$  if  $i$  is odd

$v_i \in B$  if  $i$  is even

Since  $n$  is odd,  $v_n \in A$ . But then  $\{v_n, v_1\} \subseteq A$  contradicting that  $(A, B)$  is a bipartition of  $G$ .

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Complete bipartite graph:  $K_{a,b}$

$a + b$  vertices

$A = \{v_1, \dots, v_a\}, B = \{w_1, \dots, w_b\}$

$ab$  edges

$E = \{v_i, w_j\}: 1 \leq j \leq b, 1 \leq i \leq a\}$

### Girth of $G$

if  $G$  has no cycles then  $\text{girth}(G) = +\infty$

If  $G$  has cycles then  $\text{girth}(G) = \min\{|E(C)|: C \text{ is a cycle in } G\}$

# Connectedness

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## Walk

A walk in a graph is a sequence:  $v_0 e_1 v_1 e_2 v_2 \dots v_{k-1} e_k v_k$   
Each  $v_i \in V$ , each  $e_i \in E$  and  $e_i = \{v_{i-1}, v_i\}$   
Note that vertices and edges can be repeated.

## Trail

A trail is a walk with no repeated edges

## Path

A path is a walk with no repeated vertices.

Path  $\Rightarrow$  Trail, but Trail  $\not\Rightarrow$  Path

## Closed & Cycle

A walk is closed if  $v_0 = v_k$ .

A cycle is (sometimes, incorrectly,) said to be a closed walk in which  $v_0 = v_k$  is the only repeated vertex.

## Reach

Define a relation  $R$  on the set  $V$  of vertices.  $vRw$  means there is a walk in  $G$  from  $v$  to  $w$ :  $v = v_0 e_1 v_1 \dots e_k v_k = w$ .  
Say " $v$  reaches  $w$ "

## Fact

$R$  is an equivalence relation.

## Proof

Reflexive, Symmetric, Transitive

## Connected Components

The equivalence classes of  $R$  on  $V$  induce subgraphs of  $G$  called the connected components of  $G$

## Induced Subgraph

For  $S \subseteq V$ , the subgraph of  $G$  induced by  $S$  has the vertex-set  $S$  and the edge set  $F = \{e \in E : e \subseteq S\}$

## Connected

The graph  $G$  is connected if it has exactly one connected component.

For graphs with at least one vertex, this is equivalent to:  
 $\forall v, w \in V$  there is a path from  $v$  to  $w$  ( $vRw$ )

## Length of a Walk

The length of a walk is the number of edges in the walk.

## Lemma

If there is a walk from  $v$  to  $w$  then there is a path from  $v$  to  $w$ .

## Deleting an Edge

Deleting an edge from  $G = (V, E)$  gives the graph  $G \setminus e = (V, E \setminus \{e\})$

## Minimally Connected Graph

A graph is minimally connected if it is connected but  $G \setminus e$  is not connected  $\forall e \in E$ .

Let  $c(G)$  be the number of connected components of  $G$ .  $e \in E$  is a **cut-edge** if  $c(G \setminus e) > c(G)$

$G$  is minimally connected if  $c(G) = 1$  and every edge is a cut-edge.

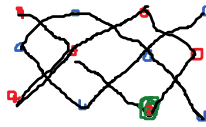
## Lemma

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph. Let  $e = \{x, y\} \in E$ . Then  $e$  is a cut-edge of  $G$  iff  $e$  is not contained in a cycle of  $G$ .

## Corollary

$G$  is a minimally connected graph iff  $G$  is connected and contains no cycles.

## Reach example



The green vertex can reach only the red vertices.

## Proof of Lemma 1

Let  $W: v = v_0 e_1 v_2 e_2 \dots e_k v_k = w$  be a walk from  $v$  to  $w$  which has a few edges as possible.

If  $W$  has a repeated vertex  $v_i = v_j$  with  $0 \leq i < j \leq k$

Then  $W': v_0 e_1 v_1 \dots e_i v_i e_{j+1} v_{j+1} \dots e_k v_k$  is a walk from  $v$  to  $w$  with strictly fewer edges than  $W$ . This contradicts the choice of  $W$ , so  $W$  has no repeated vertices. ■

## Proof of Lemma 2

Restricting attention to the connected component of  $G$  that contains  $e$ , we can assume that  $G$  is connected.

First assume that  $e$  is in a cycle  $C$  in  $G$ . Then  $C \setminus e$  has two vertices  $x, y$  of degree 1 and the rest have degree 2.

$P: x = v_0 e_1 v_1 \dots e_k v_k = y$

To show that not a cut-edge, we show that  $G \setminus e$  is connect. Let  $v, w \in V$ . Since  $G$  is connected there is a walk  $W$  from  $v$  to  $w$ . By lemma there is a path  $Q$  from  $v$  to  $w$  in  $G$ .

If  $Q$  does not use the edge  $e$ , then  $Q$  is a path in  $G \setminus e$  from  $v$  to  $w$ .

If  $Q$  uses  $e$ , then replace the edge  $e$  with the path  $P$  to get a walk from  $v$  to  $w$  in  $G \setminus e$ . So there is also a path from  $v$  to  $w$  in  $G \setminus e$ . So  $G \setminus e$  is connected, so  $e$  is not a cut-edge.

Conversely, assume that  $e$  is not a cut-edge.

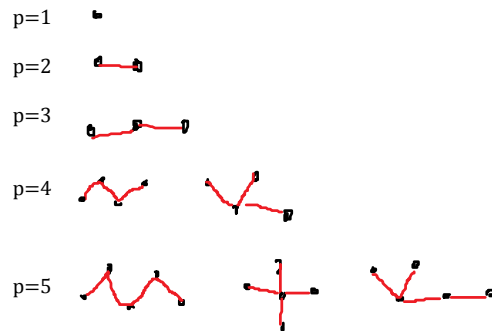
Then  $c(G \setminus e) = c(G)$  so  $vRw$  in  $G$  iff  $vRw$  in  $G \setminus e$

Let  $e = \{x, y\}$ . Clearly  $xRy$  in  $G$ . Hence  $xRy$  in  $G \setminus e$  as well.

$x = v_0 e_1 v_1 e_2 v_2 \dots e_k v_k = y$

Now  $C = (\{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k\}, \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k, e\})$  is a cycle containing edge  $e$ . ■

## Examples of Minimally Connected Graphs





# Trees

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## Tree

A graph is a tree if it is connected and contains no cycles.

## Lemma

Let  $T$  be a tree with  $p \geq 2$  vertices. Then  $T$  has at least two vertices of degree 1.

## Lemma

Let  $G$  be a graph and let  $v \in V$  be a vertex of degree

1. Let  $G \setminus v$  be the subgraph of  $G$  spanned by  $V \setminus \{v\}$

- a)  $G$  is connected iff  $G \setminus v$  is connected
- b)  $G$  contains a cycle iff  $G \setminus v$  contains a cycles.

Proof by observation

## Proposition

Let  $T$  be a tree with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges. Then  $q = p - 1$

## Handshake Lemma

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph. Then

$$\sum_{v \in V} \deg_G v = 2q$$

## Proof of Lemma

$T$  is a connected graph with  $p \geq 2$  vertices so  $T$  has  $q \geq 1$  edge.

Let  $P$  be a path in  $T$  that is as long as possible. Then  $P$  has length  $\geq 1$ , so the ends  $x, y$  of  $P$  are distinct:  $x \neq y$

## Claim

$\deg_T(x) = 1$

Then  $\deg_T(y) = 1$  by symmetry

Suppose  $\deg_T(x) \geq 1$ . Let  $P: v_0 e_1 v_1 e_2 \dots e_k v_k = y$

Since  $e_1$  is incident with  $x$ , there is another edge  $f = \{x, z\} \in E$  incident with  $x$ .

Since  $P$  is as long as possible  $z f x e_1 v_1 e_2 \dots w_k v_k = y$  is not a path. It is a walk and has no repeated edges the only way it can fail to be a path is if  $z \in \{v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ . This implies that  $T$  contains a cycle, a contradiction ■

## Proof of Proposition

Induction on  $p$ .

Basis  $p = 1$ .  $T$  has 1 vertex and no edges.  $\Rightarrow q = p - 1$

Induction: Assume holds for a tree with  $p - 1$  vertices

$p \geq 2$ .  $T$  has a vertex  $v$  of degree 1 by Lemma 1. By Lemma 2  $T \setminus v$  is connected and contains no cycles  $\Rightarrow T \setminus v$  is a tree with  $p - 1$  vertices. By induction hypothesis  $T$  with  $v$  deleted has  $p - 2$  edges.

$T$  with  $v$  deleted has 1 fewer vertex, and 1 fewer edge so  $T$  has  $(p - 2) + 1 = p - 1$  edges.

## Proof of Handshake Lemma

Let  $X$  be the set of pairs  $X = \{(v, e) \in V \times E : v \in e\}$

$$|X| = \sum_{w \in V} |\{e \in E : w \in e\}| = \sum_{w \in V} \deg_G(w)$$

$$|X| = \sum_{f \in E} |\{v \in V : v \in f\}| = \sum_{f \in E} 2 = 2q$$

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# Spanning Trees

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## Proposition

Let  $G = (V, E)$ , and  $e = \{x, y\}$  a cut-edge of  $G$ .  
Then  $G \setminus e$  has exactly 2 components  $X, Y$  with  $x \in V(X), y \in V(Y)$

Let  $c(G)$  be the number of connected components of  $G$

## Corollary 1

$c(G) \leq c(G \setminus e) \leq c(G) + 1$

## Corollary 2

If  $G$  has  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges then  $c(G) \geq p - q$ .

## Corollary 3

If  $G$  is connected with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges then  $q \geq p - 1$

## The 2/3 Theorem (Trees)

Consider the following 3 conditions:

- 1)  $G$  is connected
- 2)  $G$  has no cycles
- 3)  $q = p - 1$

Then any two of these implies the remaining one.

## Spanning Subgraph

Let  $G(V, E)$  be a graph. A subgraph  $H(W, F)$  of  $G$  is spanning if  $W = V$ . That is,  $H$  uses all the vertices of  $G$ .

## Spanning Tree

A spanning tree is a spanning subgraph of  $G$  that is a tree.

## Proposition

$G$  has a spanning tree iff  $G$  is connected.

## Proof of Proposition

Let  $X$  be the component of  $G \setminus e$  containing  $x$ , and let  $Y$  be the component of  $G \setminus e$  containing  $y$ .

We need to show that  $X \neq Y$  and every  $z \in V$  is either in  $X$  or in  $Y$ .

First, suppose that  $X = Y$ . Then  $xRy$  in  $G \setminus e$

Then there is a path  $P$  in  $G \setminus e$  from  $x$  to  $y$

Now  $(V(P), E(P) \cup \{e\})$  is a cycle in  $G$  containing  $e$ . Hence  $e$  is not a cut-edge of  $G$ ; contradiction.

Secondly, let  $z \in V(G)$ . Since  $G$  is connected, there is a path  $Q$  in  $G$  from  $x$  to  $z$ . If  $Q$  does not use the edge  $e$  then  $xRz$  in  $G \setminus e$  so  $z \in V(X)$  in this case.

If  $Q$  does use the edge  $e$ , then  $e$  is the first edge of  $Q$  (starting at  $x$ ) since  $Q$  has no repeated vertices.

$Q: xey \dots e_k z$

The segment of  $Q$  from  $y$  to  $z$  is a path in  $G \setminus e$  from  $y$  to  $z$ , so  $yRz$  in  $G \setminus e$ , so  $z \in V(Y)$

■

## Proof of Corollary 2

Induction on  $q$ .

Basis:  $q = 0$ ,  $G$  has  $p$  vertices, 0 edges,  $p$  components.

$c(G) = p - 0$  in this case.

Induction step,  $q \geq 1$ . Let  $e \in E$

Then  $c(G \setminus e) \leq c(G) + 1$

and  $c(G \setminus e) \geq p - (q - 1)$  by induction so  $c(G) \geq p - q$

## Proof of Corollary 3

$1 \geq p - q$  by the previous corollary ■

## Proof of 2/3 Theorem

**1&2  $\Rightarrow$  3**

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**1&3  $\Rightarrow$  2**

Assume that  $G$  is connected and  $q = p - 1$ . Suppose that  $G$  has a cycle  $C$ . Let  $e$  be an edge in  $C$ .

Then  $e$  is not a cut-edge of  $G$ . So  $G \setminus e$  is connected with  $p$  vertices and  $q = (p - 1) - 1 = p - 2$  edges.

This contradicts corollary 3

**2&3  $\Rightarrow$  1**

$G$  has no cycles and  $q(G) = p(G) - 1$

Let  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_c$  be the connected components of  $G$  and let  $G_i$  have  $p_i$  vertices and  $q_i$  edges. Each  $G_i$  is a connected graph with no cycles. Since **1&2  $\Rightarrow$  3** we have that  $q_i = p_i - 1 \forall 1 \leq i \leq c$

Now  $p(G) = p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_c$ ,  $q(G) = q_1 + q_2 + \dots + q_c$

$1 = p(G) - q(G) = (p_1 + \dots + p_c) - (q_1 + \dots + q_c) = (p_1 - q_1) + (p_2 - q_2) + \dots + (p_c - q_c) = c$   
Since  $c(G) = 1$ ,  $G$  is connected ■

## Proof of Proposition

If  $G$  has a spanning tree  $T$  then  $G$  is connected, since  $T$  is connected and spanning. Conversely, assume that  $G$  is connected. Proceed by induction on  $q(G)$

Basis:  $q = p - 1$ . In this case 2/3 theorem implies that  $G$  is a tree. So it is a spanning tree of itself.

Induction Step:  $q > p - 1$ . Then  $G$  has a cycle (otherwise it is a tree, and  $q = p - 1$ ). Let  $e$  be an edge in a cycle of  $G$ . Then  $G \setminus e$  is still connected and has  $q - 1$  edges. By induction  $G \setminus e$  has a spanning tree, which is also a spanning tree of  $G$ .

# Search Trees

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## Search Tree Algorithm

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph, and  $v_0 \in V$  be a "base" vertex.

Initially, let  $W = \{v_0\}$  and let  $F = \emptyset$

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Let  $\Delta$  be the set of edges with one end in  $W$  and one end not in  $W$ .

If  $\Delta = \emptyset$  then output  $(W, F)$  and stop.

If  $\Delta \neq \emptyset$  then let  $e = \{x, y\} \in \Delta$  with  $x \in W$  and  $y \notin W$

Update:  $W \leftarrow W \cup \{y\}$ ,  $F \leftarrow F \cup \{e\}$  and goto \*

## Proposition

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph,  $v_0$  a vertex of  $G$ , and let  $T = (W, F)$  be output by an application of the search tree algorithm to  $G$  and  $v_0$ . Then  $T$  is a spanning tree for the connected component of  $G$  containing  $v_0$

## Note

Note that the search tree algorithm gives a path from any vertex to the base vertex.

Specialize search tree algorithm so that for each  $w \in W$  the path from  $w$  to  $v_0$  in  $T$  is a shortest path from  $w$  to  $v_0$  in  $G$

## Length of a path

# of edges of the path

## Distance between vertices

The distance from vertex  $x$  to vertex  $y$  is the minimum length of any path from  $x$  to  $y$ . Denoted  $dist_G(x, y)$

## Breadth-First Search

Vertices in  $W$  are recorded in a queue.

Calculate  $\Delta$  as before. If  $\Delta \neq \emptyset$  let  $e = \{x, y\} \in \Delta$  with  $x \in W$  and  $y \notin W$  and  $x$  as early in the queue as possible.  $y$  joins the end of the  $\Delta$  queue.

$$dist_T(a_0, z) = dist_G(a_0, z)$$

## Depth-First Search

Record the vertices in  $W$  in a stack.

Calculate  $\Delta$  as before. Chose  $e = \{x, y\} \in \Delta$  with  $x$  as close to top of the stack as possible. Add  $y$  to the top of the stack.

## Proof of Proposition

$(W, F)$  is a tree.

Induction on the number of iterations of the loop:

Basis of induction:  $W = \{v_0\}, F = \emptyset$ .

$(\{v_0\}, \emptyset)$  is connected and has no cycles - it is a tree.

Induction step: Assume that  $(W, F)$  is a tree.

$\Delta \neq \emptyset$  and  $e = \{x, y\}$  and  $W' = W \cup \{y\}, F' = F \cup \{e\}$

Since  $(W, F)$  is a tree,  $xRw$  in  $(W, F)$  for all  $w \in W$

Also  $xRy$  since  $e \in F'$  so  $xRz \forall z \in W'$

So  $(W', F')$  is connected.

Let  $|W| = p$  and  $|F| = q$  so that  $q = p - 1$  as  $(W, F)$  is a tree

Now  $|W'| = p + 1$  and  $|F'| = q + 1$  so  $|F'| = |W'| - 1$

From these and the 2/3 algorithm we get that  $(W', F')$  is a tree.

End of induction, so  $(W, F)$  is a tree.

To see that  $(W, F)$  spans the component  $H$  of  $G$  containing  $v_0$ :

Since  $v_0Rw \forall w \in W$   $(W, F)$  is a subgraph of  $H$ . Let  $z$  be any vertex in  $H$ .

Suppose that  $z \notin W$ . Since  $v_0Rz$  in  $G$  there is a path  $P$  in  $G$  from  $v_0$  to  $z$ . Since  $v_0 \in W$  and  $z \notin W$  there is an edge  $f$  of  $P$  with one end in  $W$  and one end not in  $W$ .

But then  $f \in \Delta$  so  $\Delta \neq \emptyset$  so the algorithm has not terminated yet. Contradiction ■

# Breadth-First Search

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## Notation

$G = (V, E)$  and  $v \in V$  let  $E(v)$  be the set of edges of  $G$  incident with  $v$ .  
 $E(v) = \{e \in E : v \in e\}$

## Symmetric Difference

For sets  $A, B$ , the symmetric difference of  $A$  and  $B$  is  $A \oplus B = (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A) = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$  the set of elements in  $A$  or  $B$  but not both.

## Breadth First Search

### Input:

Graph  $G = (V, E)$ , vertex  $v_0 \in V$

### Initialize:

$W = \{v_0\}, \quad F = \emptyset, \quad \Delta = E(v_0)$

Put  $v_0$  on front of queue  $Q$ .

### While $\Delta \neq \emptyset$

Let  $v_i$  be the earliest vertex on  $Q$  such that  $\Delta \cap E(v_i) \neq \emptyset$

Let  $e = \{v_i, y\} \in \Delta \cap E(v_i)$  so  $y \notin W$

### Update:

$W \leftarrow W \cup \{y\}, \quad F \leftarrow F \cup \{e\}$

Put  $y$  on the end of  $Q$

Level:  $l(y) = l(v_i) + 1$

Parent:  $pr(y) = v_i$

$\Delta \leftarrow \Delta \oplus E(y)$

Output  $((W, F), l, pr)$

## Eventual Claim

The path in  $T = (W, F)$  from  $v$  to  $v_0$  is a path in  $G$  from  $v$  to  $v_0$  that is as short as possible.

That is,  $dist_G(v, v_0) = l(v)$

## Observation

1. When  $v$  joins the queue, earliest vertex on  $Q$  with  $E(v_i) \cap \Delta \neq \emptyset$  is  $pr(v)$   
Call  $v_i$ , the earliest vertex on the queue, the active vertex.
2. A vertex can become active, then stop being active, but then it never becomes active again.
3. If  $x$  occurs before  $y$  in  $Q$  (and neither one is  $v_0$ ) then  $pr(x)$  occurs before  $pr(y)$  in  $Q$  or  $pr(x) = pr(y)$ .
4. If  $x$  occurs before  $y$  on  $Q$  then  $l(x) \leq l(y)$

## Proof of Observations

### 3rd Part

Suppose  $x$  occurs before  $y$  in  $Q$  but  $pr(y)$  occurs before  $pr(x)$

Since  $pr(x)$  is active when  $x$  joins the queue  $E(pr(y)) \cap \Delta = \emptyset$

By  $y$  joins  $Q$  after  $x$  so when  $x$  joins  $Q$  the edge  $e = \{pr(y), y\}$  is in  $E(pr(y)) \cap \Delta \neq \emptyset$ . Contradiction ■

### 3 => 2

The active vertex moves from left to right along  $Q$ .

### 4th

By induction on the positions of  $y$  in the queue since  $x$  occurs before  $y$ ,  $y \neq v_0$ .

If  $x = v_0$  then  $0 = l(v_0) = l(x) \leq l(y)$

So assume that  $x \neq v_0$

Now by 3  $pr(x)$  occurs before  $pr(y)$  on  $Q$ . By induction  $l(pr(x)) \leq l(pr(y))$

So  $l(x) = l(pr(x)) + 1 \leq l(pr(y)) + 1 = l(y)$

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# Distance in Graphs

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Construct a Breadth First Search Tree

- $pr(x)$  is active when  $x$  joins the queue
- If  $x$  occurs before  $y$  on the queue then  $pr(x)$  occurs before  $pr(y)$  in  $Q$
- The active vertex moves left to right in  $Q$
- The level of vertices increases from left to right on  $Q$ .

## Fundamental Property of BFS

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected graph. Let  $T$  be a breadth first search tree for  $G$ . Let  $l_T(v)$  be the level of  $v \in V$  in  $T$ .

Let  $e = \{x, y\} \in E$  be any edge of  $G$ . Then  $|l_T(x) - l_T(y)| \leq 1$

### Note:

Not true for search trees in general.

## Theorem

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected graph,  $v_0 \in V$ , and let  $T$  be a BFST for  $G$  with base vertex  $v_0$  then for every  $v \in V$   
 $dist_G(v, v_0) = l_T(v)$

## Facility Location Problem

Measure of  $v$

$$f(v) = \sum_{w \in V} dist_G(v, w)$$

Find a vertex that minimizes  $f(v)$

### Algorithm

For each  $v \in V$ :

- Compute a BFST  $T$  for  $G$  based at  $v$

- $f(v) = \sum_{w \in V} l_T(w)$

## Computed Girth

For each  $v \in V$  grow a GFST  $T$  of  $G$  based at  $v$

For each edge  $e = \{x, y\}$  in  $G$  but not in  $T$  let  $m(e) = l_T(x) + l_T(y) + 1$

$$\text{Let } g(v) = \min_{e \in G \setminus T} m(e)$$

$$\text{Let } \gamma = \min_{v \in V} g(v)$$

### Claim

$\gamma$  is the girth of  $G$

Correctness of this algorithms depends on if  $C$  is a cycle in  $G$  that is as short as possible and  $v$  is a vertex in  $C$  then  $g(v)$  is the length of  $C$ .

## Test of Bipartness

Input a connected graph  $G = (V, E)$ . Grow a BFST based at any  $v_0 \in V$ .

$G$  is bipartite iff for every  $e = \{x, y\} \in E$   $|l_T(x) - l_T(y)| = 1$

By partition: (even level, odd level)

## Diameter of a Graph

$$diam(G) = \max_{v, w \in V} dist_G(v, w)$$

## Proof of Fundamental Property of BFS

If  $e = \{x, y\}$  is in  $T$  then either  $x = pr(y)$  or  $y = pr(x)$  so  
 $l_T(x) = l_T(y) - 1$  or  $l_T(x) = l_T(y) + 1$

Suppose that  $|l_T(x) - l_T(y)| \geq 2$

Assume that  $l_T(x) \leq l_T(y) - 2$

So  $pr(x), x, pr(y), y$  occur in that order on  $Q$  (since  $l_T(x)$  is weakly increasing from left to right.)

$pr(y)$  is active when  $y$  joins the queue, so  $E(x) \cap \Delta = \emptyset$  when  $y$  joins the queue. But  $e = \{x, y\} \in E(x) \cap \Delta$  when  $y$  joins the queue.

## Proof

The unique path in  $T$  from  $v$  to  $v_0$  has  $l_T(v)$  edges.

Thus  $dist_G(v, v_0) \leq l_T(v)$

Conversely, let  $P$  be any path in  $G$  from  $v$  to  $v_0$

$P: v = z_0 e_1 z_1 e_2 z_2 \dots z_{k-1} e_k z_k = v_0$ , say  $P$  has  $k$  edges

$$l_T(v) = l_T(v) - l_T(v) = \sum_{k=1}^k |l_T(z_{i-1}) - l_T(z_i)| \leq \sum_{i=1}^k 1 = k$$

So every path from  $v$  to  $v_0$  has at least  $l_T(v)$  edges.

So  $dist_G(v, v_0) = l_T(v)$

# Planar Graphs

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Graphs which can be drawn without crossing edges.

## Planar Embedding

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph.

A **plane embedding** of  $G$  is a pair  $\{p_v: v \in V\}$  and  $\{\gamma_e: e \in E\}$  whose

- $p_v$  are pairwise distinct points in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (if  $v \neq w$  then  $p_v \neq p_w$ ) and
- $\gamma_e$  are simple curves in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (image of  $[0,1]$  under some continuous function  $f: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  that is injective) i.e.  $\gamma_e$  does not intersect itself and
- if  $e = \{x, y\} \in E$  then  $\gamma_e$  has end points  $p_x$  and  $p_y$  and
- if  $\gamma_e \cap \gamma_f \neq \emptyset$  then both  $e$  and  $f$  are incident with a common vertex  $w$  and  $\gamma_e \cap \gamma_f = \{p_w\}$

$\gamma_e$  are images of functions (the set of points corresponding to the curve in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ )

## Planar Graph

A planar graph is a graph that has some plane embedding.

### Faces

Let  $\{p_v: v \in V\}$  and  $\{\gamma_e: e \in E\}$  be a plane embedding of a graph  $G = (V, E)$ .

The **faces** of the embedding are the connected components of

$$\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \left( \bigcup_{e \in E} \gamma_e \right)$$

### Degree of a Face

The **degree** of a face is the number of edges on its boundary counted with multiplicities.

E.g.

The embeddings drawn for 'two plane embeddings' have 4 faces each.

### Handshake Lemma for Faces

Let  $G$  be a graph properly embedded in the plane, with  $q$  edges

$$\sum_{F: \text{a face}} \deg(F) = 2q$$

### Proposition

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a plane graph. Let  $e \in E$  and let the faces with  $e$  on their boundaries be  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ . Then  $F_1 = F_2$  iff  $e$  is a cut-edge.

### Euler's Formula

Let  $G$  be a plane graph with  $p$  vertices,  $q$  edges,  $r$  faces, and  $c$  connected components.

Then  $p - q + r = c + 1$

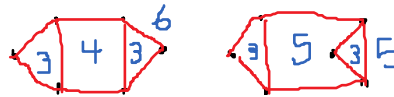
## Not Planar



## Planar



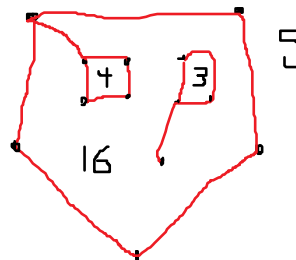
### Two plane embeddings of the same graph



First embedding is the same as:



### Degree of Faces Example



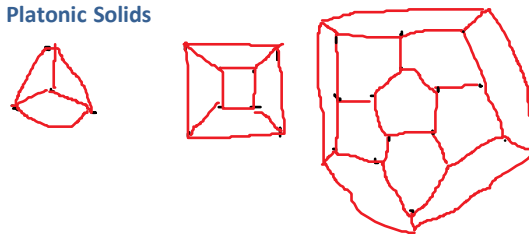
### Proof of Proposition

If  $e$  is not a cut-edge then  $e$  is contained in a cycle  $C$ .

Then  $\left( \bigcup_{f \in E(C)} \gamma_f \right)$  separates  $F_1$  from  $F_2$  so  $F_1 \neq F_2$

Conversely, if  $F_1 \neq F_2$  then walk around  $F_1$  starting and ending at the edge  $e$  - you get a closed walk containing  $e$ . Deleting subwalks between repeated vertices produces a cycle containing  $e$ . So  $e$  is not a cut-edge.

### Platonic Solids



|   |   |    |    |    |    |
|---|---|----|----|----|----|
| p | 4 | 8  | 6  | 20 | 12 |
| q | 6 | 12 | 12 | 30 | 30 |
| r | 4 | 6  | 8  | 12 | 20 |

### Proof of Euler's Formula

Induction on  $q$ :

Basis:  $q = 0$  Then  $r = 1$  and so  $p - 1 + r = p + 1 = c + 1$ . Good

Induction step:

Let  $e \in E$  and consider  $G' = G \setminus e$  with  $p', q', r', c'$  vertices, edges, faces, and components.

If  $e$  is a cut-edge then  $p = p', q = q' + 1, r = r', c = c' - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} p - q + r &= p' - (q' + 1) + r' = (p' - q' + r') - 1 = c' + 1 - 1 \\ &= c' = c + 1 \end{aligned}$$

If  $e$  is not a cut-edge then

$$\begin{aligned} p &= p', & q &= q' + 1, & r &= r' + 1, & c &= c' \\ p - q + r &= c + 1 \end{aligned}$$

# Condition for Embedding

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## Euler's Formula

Let  $G$  be embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with  $p$  vertices,  $q$  edges,  $r$  faces, and  $c$  components.

Then  $p - q + r = c + 1$

## Corollary

Let  $G$  be a graph with  $p$  vertices and  $q \geq 2$  edges. If  $G$  is planar then

$$q \leq 3p - 6$$

## Note of Exception

If  $q = 1, p = 2: 1 \not\leq 3 \times 2 - 6$

If  $q = 0, p = 1: 0 \not\leq 3 \times 1 - 6$

## Corollary

Let  $G$  be a bipartite graph with  $p$  vertices and  $q \geq 2$  edges. If  $G$  is planar then

$$q \leq 2p - 4$$

## Subdivision

Subdivision of an edge  $e = \{x, y\}$  in a graph  $G = (V, E)$

This is the graph  $G \cdot e$  with vertex-set  $V' = V \cup \{z\}$  where  $z \notin V$  and edge set  $E' = (E \setminus \{e\}) \cup \{x, z\}, \{y, z\}$

## Claim

$G$  is planar iff  $G \cdot e$  is planar.

Exercise

Two graphs related by a finite sequence of subdivisions or reverse subdivisions are either both planar or both not planar

## Lemma

If  $H$  is a subgraph of  $G$  and  $G$  is planar then  $H$  is planar.

## Corollary

Any graph that contains a (repeated) subdivision of  $K_5$  or  $K_{3,3}$  is not planar.

## Kuratowski's Theorem

A graph is planar iff it does not contain a subdivision of  $K_5$  or  $K_{3,3}$  as a subgraph.

## Proof

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## Proof of Corollary

Consider any plane embedding of  $G$ , with  $r$  faces. Since  $q \geq 2$  every face of the embedding has degree  $\geq 3$ .

By the Handshake Lemma for faces:

$$2q = \sum_{\text{face } F} \deg(F) \geq 3r$$

Since  $q \geq 2, p \geq 1$  so  $c \geq 1$  by Euler's Formula

$$p - q + r = c + 1 \geq 2$$

$$3p - 3q + 3r \geq 6$$

$$3p - 3q + 2q \geq 3p - 3q + 3r \geq 6$$

$$3p - q \geq 6 \text{ so } q \leq 3p - 6 \blacksquare$$

## Proof of Corollary

Consider any plane embedding of  $G$  with  $r$  faces

Since  $q \geq 2$  and  $G$  is bipartite, every face has degree  $\geq 4$

By Handshake lemma for faces,  $2q \geq 4r \Rightarrow q \geq 2r$

Since  $q \geq 2, p \geq 1$ , so  $c \geq 1$

$$p - q + r \geq 2$$

$$2p - 2q + 2r \geq 4$$

$$2p - 2q + q \geq 4$$

$$q \leq 2p - 4$$



# Numerology for Planar Graphs

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## Vertex Degrees in a Planar Graph

Planar graph,  $p$  vertices,  $q$  edges ( $q \geq 2$ ),  $n_k$  vertices of degree  $k$  ( $k \geq 0$ )

Then  $q \leq 3p - 6$

$$p = n_0 + n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_{p-1}$$

$$2q = \sum_k kn_k$$

$$2q \leq 6p - 12 \Rightarrow \sum_k kn_k \leq \sum_k 6n_k - 12$$

$$12 \leq \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} (6-k)n_k$$

$$\Rightarrow 12 \leq 6n_0 + 5n_1 + 4n_2 + 3n_3 + 2n_4 + n_5 - n_7 - 2n_8 - 3n_9 - \dots$$

$$n_5 + 2n_4 + 3n_3 + 4n_2 + 5n_1 + 6n_0 \geq 12 + n_7 + 2n_8 + 3n_9 + \dots$$

In a planar graph of minimum degree  $\geq 2$

$$n_5 + 2n_4 + 3n_3 + 4n_2 \geq 12$$

In a simple planar graph there must be a vertex of degree  $\leq 5$

## The Four-Colour Theorem

Conjecture made in 1851 by Guthrie

For any plane graph, the faces can be coloured with at most four colours so that neighbouring faces get different colours.

Proved in 1974 by Appel and Haken.

## Planar Duality

$G$  is a plane graph

$G^*$  is its dual graph.

Draw one vertex of  $G^*$  on each face of  $G$ . Draw one edge of  $G^*$  across each edge of  $G$

With this can end up with duplicate edges, or edges back to the same vertex.

## Multigraph

$$G = (V, E)$$

$V$ : set of vertices

$E$ : multiset of 2 element multisubsets of  $V$

$$\text{e.g. } G = (\{1,2,3\}, \{\{1,1\}, \{2,3\}, \{2,3\}, \{1,2\}, \{2,2\}, \{2,2\}\})$$

## Proposition

$G^*$  can be drawn on  $G$  without any edges of  $G^*$  crossing.

## Proposition

$$(G^*)^* = G$$

## Four Colour Theorem

Let  $G$  be a planar multigraph without loops. Then  $V(G)$  can be coloured with  $\leq 4$  colours so that adjacent vertices get different colours.

$$\chi(G) \leq 4$$

## Proper k-Colouring

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a multigraph proper  $k$ -colouring.

$f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  such that if  $\{v, w\} \in E$  then  $f(v) \neq f(w)$ .

## Chromatic Number

The chromatic number of  $G$  is

$$\chi(G) = \min\{k : G \text{ has a proper } k\text{-colouring}\}$$

## Spherical Projections

A graph can be drawn on a plane iff it can be drawn on a sphere.

You just need to avoid the north pole.

## Exercise

$p \geq 3$  vertices,  $q$  edges,  $c$  components

No faces of degree 3

a)  $q \leq 2p - 4c$

b) Phrase this in terms of  $n_k$

## Proof of Proposition

By induction on  $q = |E(G)|$

### Basis

$q = 0$  is trivial

### Induction

If every edge of  $G$  is a cut-edge then  $G$  has no cycles, so it has only one face.  $G^*$  has one vertex, and one loop for each edge of  $G$ . Loops can be drawn without overlap.

If  $e$  is not a cut-edge of  $G$  then consider  $G \setminus e$  and  $(G \setminus e)^*$ . By induction can draw  $(G \setminus e)^*$  without crossing edges. Can add in  $e$  without crossing.

### Alternately

Put a vertex in each face. Can draw a half-edge to each edge of that face in  $G$ . Connect those half-edges at the edges of the faces and have no crossings.

$G$  and  $G^*$  are both embedded in the plane. Edge  $e$  of  $G$  meets edge  $f^*$  of  $G^*$  if and only if  $e=f$  in which case  $e \cap e^*$  is a single point.

# Colour Theorems

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## Note

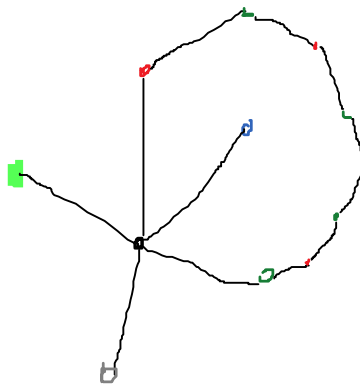
$\chi(G) \leq 2$  iff  $G$  is bipartite.  
 $\chi(G) \leq 1$  iff  $G$  has no edges  
 $\chi(G) = 0$  iff  $G$  has no vertices

## Six Colour Theorem

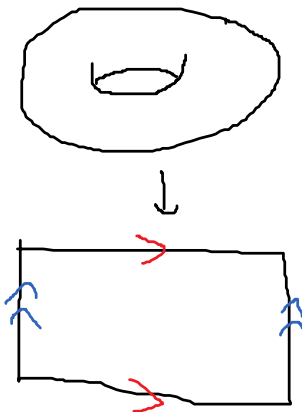
If  $G$  is a planar graph then  $\chi(G) \leq 6$

## Five Colour Theorem

If  $G$  is a planar graph then  $\chi(G) \leq 5$



## Graphs on Surfaces



## Proof of The Six Colour Theorem

Induction on  $p$ , the number of vertices.

### Base:

If  $p \leq 6$  then give every vertex a different colour.

### Induction:

Let  $G$  be planar with  $p$  vertices.  $G$  has a vertex of degree 5 or less, let  $v$  be such a vertex.

By induction,  $G \setminus v$  has a proper six-colouring  $f: V \setminus v \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$

Let the neighbours of  $v$  be  $z_1, \dots, z_k$  where  $k \leq 5$ .  $\{f(z_1), \dots, f(z_k)\}$  has at most 5 colours.

$\exists c \in \{1, \dots, 6\}$  such that  $c \notin \{f(z_1), \dots, f(z_k)\}$  and set  $f(v) = c$

## Proof of the Five Colour Theorem

Induction on  $p = |V(G)|$

### Base

$p \leq 5$ : give every vertex a different colour.

### Induction Step:

Let  $G$  be planar with  $p$  vertices. Let  $v \in V$  have degree  $\leq 5$ .

Let  $f: V \setminus \{v\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  be a proper 5 colouring of  $G \setminus v$ .

Let the neighbours of  $v$  be  $z_1, \dots, z_k$  and let  $S = \{f(z_1), \dots, f(z_k)\}$

If  $S \neq \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  then  $\exists c \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\} \setminus S$  and we can set  $f(v) = c$  to get a proper 5-colouring of  $G$ .

Remaining case:  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

So  $v$  has 5 neighbours  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4, z_5$ . We can assume that  $G$  is embedded in the plane. WLOG  $z_1, \dots, z_5$  occur in that order clockwise around  $v$ . Can also assume that  $f(z_i) = i$

For  $\{i, j\} \subseteq \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  let  $H_{ij}$  be the subgraph of  $G \setminus v$  induced by the set of vertices coloured either  $i$  or  $j$  by  $f$ . If  $K$  is a connected component of  $H_{ij}$  then one can define a new 5-colouring of  $G \setminus v$  as follows:

$$\text{For every } w \in V \setminus \{v\}, \quad g(w) = \begin{cases} f(w), & w \notin V(K) \\ i, & w \in V(K) \text{ and } f(w) = j \\ j, & w \in V(K) \text{ and } f(w) = i \end{cases}$$

Check:  $g$  is a proper 5-colouring of  $G \setminus v$

If  $z_1$  and  $z_3$  are in different components of  $H_{13}$  then let  $K$  be the component of  $H_{13}$  containing  $z_3$ .

Switch colours 3 and 1 on  $K$  to get  $g$ . Then  $g(z_3) = g(z_1) = 1$

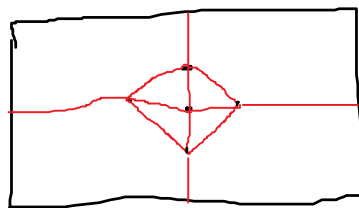
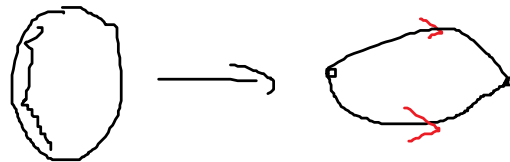
So we can set  $g(v) = 3$  to get a proper 5-colouring of  $G$ .

If  $z_1$  and  $z_3$  are in the same connected component of  $H_{13}$  then there is a path in  $G \setminus v$  from  $z_1$  to  $z_3$  in which every vertex is coloured 1 or 3 by  $f$ .

Since  $G$  is planar the path  $P$  with edges  $\{v, z_1\}, \{v, z_3\}$  forms a cycle that separates  $z_2$  from  $z_4$ . Thus  $z_2$  and  $z_4$  are in different connected components of  $H_{24}$ . Recolour the component of  $H_{24}$  that contains  $z_4$  and then give  $v$  colour 4. ■

## Surfaces

Torus = rectangle with opposite sides identified



K5

# Graphs on Surfaces

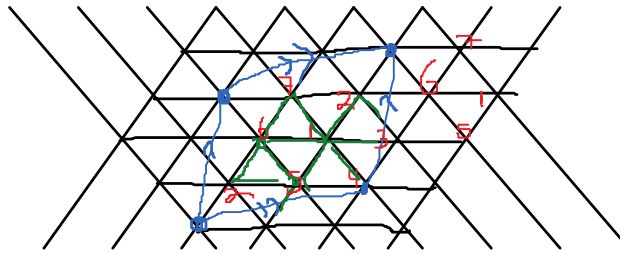
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Every graph can be embedded on some surface. You can add loops for every vertex.

For any surface, there are finitely many obstructions to embedding a graph on that surface. It is hard to determine the surface with the fewest number of holes which allows a given graph to be embedded.

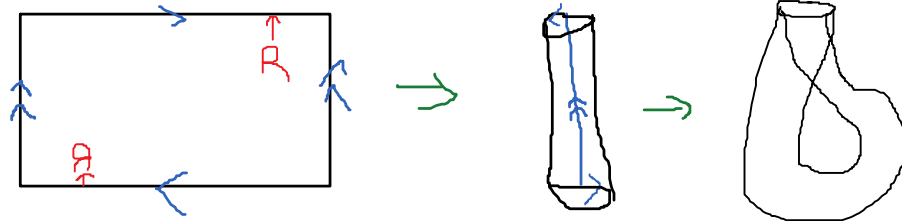
## Surface Representations

Every surface can be represented (possibly non-uniquely) by a polygon with pairs of sides identified with each other.



K7 on the torus

## Klein Bottle



This is a non-orientable surface. There is no distinction between clockwise and counter clockwise.

Non-orientable surfaces cannot be embedded in 3 dimensions, require at least 4.

# Matching Theory

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## Matching

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph. A matching,  $M$ , is a set of edges so that  $(V, M)$  has maximum degree  $\leq 1$ . Every vertex is in at most one edge of  $M$ .

## Problem

Given  $G$ , find a matching on  $G$  of maximum size.

## Perfect

A matching is perfect if every vertex has degree 1 in  $(V, M)$

## Non-Perfect Matching

A 2 regular graph consisting of an odd cycle has no perfect matching.

"Let's consider the next value of 2, which is 3."

## M-Saturated

$v \in V$  is  $M$ -saturated if  $v$  is on an edge of  $M$   
 $v \in V$  is  $M$ -unsaturated if  $v$  is not on any edge of  $M$ .

## M-Alternating, M-Augmenting

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph.  
 $M$  a matching of  $G$   
 A path in  $G$ ,  $p: v_0 e_1 v_1 \dots v_{k-1} e_k v_k$  is **M-alternating** if either  
 $e_i \in M \Leftrightarrow i$  is odd or  
 $e_i \in M \Leftrightarrow i$  is even

## P is M-augmenting iff

- $e_i \in M \Leftrightarrow i$  is even, and
- $P$  has an odd number of edges, and
- $v_0$  and  $v_k$  are  $M$ -unsaturated

## Proposition

If  $M$  is a matching in  $G$  and  $P$  is an  $M$ -augmenting path then  
 $M' = M \oplus E(P)$  is a matching in  $G$  with one more edge than  $M$ .  
 $S \oplus T = (S \cup T) \setminus (S \cap T)$

## Theorem

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph.  $M \subseteq E$  a matching. Then  $M$  is a maximum matching iff  $G$  does not have an  $M$ -augmenting path.

## Vertex Cover

A vertex cover is a set  $S \subseteq V$  such that every edge  $e \in E$  has at least one end in  $S$ .

| Matching                               | Vertex Cover                           |
|--|--|
| Set of edges $M$                       | Set of vertices $S$                    |
| Every $v \in V$ is on $\leq 1 e \in M$ | Every $v \in V$ is on $\geq 1 e \in M$ |
| Find a maximum matching                | Find a minimum vertex cover            |

## Proposition

Let  $G$  be a graph,  $M$  a matching, and  $S$  a vertex cover in  $G$ . Then  $|M| \leq |S|$

## Example: Odd Cycle

$$\max |M| = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$$

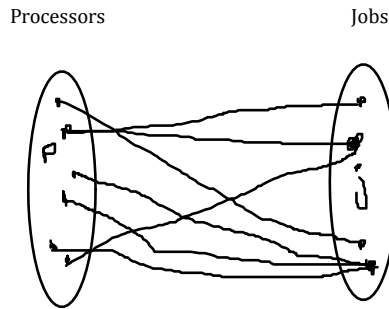
$$\min |S| = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$$

## Corollary

Let  $G$  be a graph,  $M$  a matching,  $S$  a vertex cover.  
 If  $|M| = |S|$  then  $M$  is a maximum matching and  $S$  is a minimum vertex-cover.

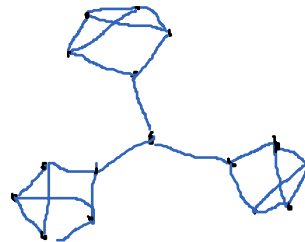
For a non-bipartite graph, there may be a gap, as in odd cycles (but not necessarily).

## Toy Application

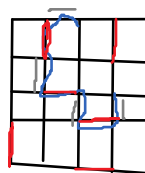


$\{p, j\}$  is an edge when processors in  $p$  can perform job  $j$   
 Assign jobs to processors to maximize the number of busy processors.  
 $\leq$  one job per processor  
 $\leq$  one processor per job

## 3-Regular with no Perfect Matching



## Example



Red are vertices in  $M$ , terminate on  $M$ -saturated vertices.  
 Blue is an  $M$ -augmenting path

## Proof of Theorem

If  $P$  is an  $M$ -augmenting path in  $G$ , then  $M' = M \oplus E(P)$  is a matching on  $G$  with  $|M'| = 1 + |M|$  so  $M$  is not a maximum matching.

Conversely, assume that  $M$  is not a maximum matching. Let  $M^*$  be a maximum matching in  $G$ , so  $|M^*| > |M|$

Consider the spanning subgraph (uses all the vertices)  $H$  of  $G$  with edges  $M \cup M^*$ . In  $H$ , every vertex has degree 0, 1, or 2. Every connected component is either a path or a cycle. The cycles all have even length. Since  $|M^*| > |M|$ , there is a component  $K$  of  $H$  that has more edges in  $M^*$  than in  $M$ . Since connected components alternate 1 edge in  $M$  with 1 edge in  $M^*$  this cannot be a cycle. This connected component must be a path with both end edges in  $M^*$  but not in  $M$ . The end vertices of  $K$  are not saturated by  $M$ . Thus  $K$  is an  $M$ -augmenting path.

## Proof of Proposition

Let  $X = \{(v, e) : v \in S, e \in M \text{ and } v \in e\}$

Since  $M$  is a matching, every  $v \in S$  is in at most one  $e \in M$  so

$$|X| = \sum_{v \in S} \sum_{e \in M} \begin{cases} 1, & v \in e \\ 0, & v \notin e \end{cases} \leq \sum_{v \in S} 1 = |S|$$

Since  $S$  is a vertex cover, every  $e \in M$  is incident with at least one  $v \in S$

$$|X| = \sum_{e \in M} \sum_{v \in S} \begin{cases} 1, & v \in e \\ 0, & v \notin e \end{cases} \geq \sum_{e \in M} 1 = |M|$$

So  $|M| \leq |X| \leq |S|$

# König's Theorem

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## König's Theorem

Let  $G$  be a bipartite graph.

Then  $\max|M| = \min|S|$

(Maximum over matchings  $M$  of  $G$ , minimum over vertex-covers  $S$  of  $G$ )

## Algorithmification of König's Theorem

How to compute a maximum matching in a bipartite graph.

**Input:** a graph  $G$  with bipartition  $(A, B)$ .

**Initialize:**  $M = \emptyset$

**Computation:**

- Compute the set  $X \subseteq A, Y \subseteq B$  as in Claims 1,2,3.
- If  $y \in Y$  is  $M$ -unsaturated, find an  $M$ -alternating path  $P$  from some  $x_0 \in X$  to  $y$ .
- Update  $M \leftarrow M \oplus E(P)$ ,
- Repeat until there are no more  $M$ -unsaturated  $y \in Y$ .

**Output:**  $(M, Y \cup (A \setminus X))$

## Computing the sets $X, Y$ systematically.

**Input:**

- Graph  $G$  with bipartition  $(A, B)$
- Matching  $M$  in  $G$

**Initialize:**

- $X_0$  to the  $M$ -unsaturated vertices in  $A$ .
- Put all vertices in  $X_0$  on the front of queue  $Q$ .
- $X = X_0, Y = \emptyset$

**Computation:**

While  $Q \neq \emptyset$  do the following:

- Let  $q$  be the first vertex in  $A$
- If  $q \in B$  and  $M$ -saturated then let  $\{q, x\} \in M$ , put  $x$  at the end of  $Q$  if  $x$  is not already in  $A$ . Delete  $q$  from the front of  $Q$ .  
 $X \leftarrow X \cup \{x\}$
- If  $q \in B$  and  $M$ -unsaturated then use  $q$  to find any  $M$ -augmenting path.
- If  $q \in A$  then choose any non-matching edge  $e = \{q, b\}$  with  $b$  not already on the  $Q$ . Adjoin  $b$  to the end of the  $Q$ . If there is no such  $b$ , delete  $q$  from the front of  $Q$ .  
 $Y \leftarrow Y \cup \{b\}$

**Output:**  $(X, Y)$

## Anatomy of a Matching in a Bipartite Graph

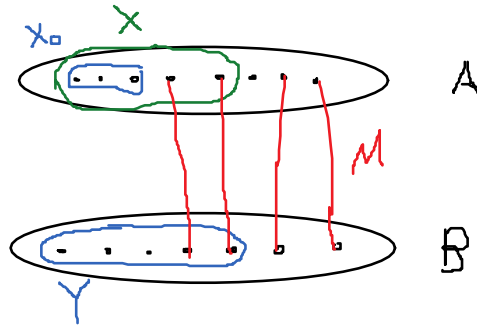
Let  $G$  have bipartition  $(A, B)$

Let  $M$  be a matching in  $G$

Let  $X_0 \subseteq A$  be the set of  $M$ -unsaturated vertices in  $A$ .

Let  $X \subseteq A$  be the set of vertices reachable from some  $x_0 \in X_0$  by an  $M$ -alternating path.

Let  $Y \subseteq B$  be the set of vertices in  $B$  reachable from some  $x_0 \in X_0$  by an  $M$ -alternating path.



### Claim 1

If there is an  $M$ -unsaturated vertex  $y \in Y$  then  $G$  has an  $M$ -augmenting path from some  $x_0 \in X_0$  to  $y$ .

### Proof

Let  $x_0 \in X_0$  and let  $P$  be an  $M$ -alternating path from  $x_0$  to  $y$  in  $G$ . Since neither  $x_0$  nor  $y$  is saturated by  $M$  (and  $x_0 \neq y$ )  $P$  is an  $M$ -augmenting path.

### Claim 2

there are no edges of  $G$  between the sets  $X$  and  $B \setminus Y$

### Proof

Suppose that  $e = \{x, b\}$  with  $x \in X$  and  $b \in B$ .

If  $e \notin M$  then consider an  $M$ -alternating path  $P$  from some  $x_0 \in X_0$  to  $x \in X$ . Then  $Pe$  is an  $M$ -alternating path from  $x_0$  to  $b$ , so  $b \in Y$  (since the last edge in  $P$  is in  $M$ )

If  $e \in M$  then consider an  $M$ -alternating path  $P$  from some  $x_0 \in X_0$  to  $x \in X$ .

$P: x_0 e_1 x_1 \dots x_{k-1} e_k x_k = x$ .  $P$  has an even number of edges,  $e_1 \notin M$  so  $e_k \in M$ ,  $e_k$  is the unique matching edge on  $x$ . So  $e_k = e$  and  $y = x_{k-1} \in Y$ .

### Claim 3

There are no edges of  $M$  between the sets  $Y$  and  $A \setminus X$ .

### Proof

Suppose that  $e = \{a, y\}$  with  $y \in Y$  and  $a \in A \setminus X$ .

Let  $P$  be an  $M$ -alternating path from  $x_0$  to  $y$ . Then  $Pe$  is an  $M$ -alternating path from  $x_0$  to  $a$ . So  $a \in X$ , a contradiction.

## König's Theorem

Let  $G$  be a bipartite graph. Let  $M$  be a maximum matching. Let  $S$  be a minimum vertex-cover.

Then  $|M| = |S|$

### Proof

Let  $M$  be a maximum matching in  $G$  and constructs sets  $X, Y$  as in claim 1,2,3.

Since  $M$  is a maximum matching, there are no augmenting paths.

By Claim 1, every vertex in  $Y$  is saturated by  $M$ .

By Claims 2, 3 every edge of  $M$  with one end in  $Y$  has its other end in  $X$ , and every edge of  $M$  with one end in  $A \setminus X$  as other end in  $B \setminus Y$ .

Every vertex in  $(A \setminus X) \cup Y$  is  $M$ -saturated. Now  $|M| = |S|$  with  $S = (A \setminus X) \cup Y$ . (Since each edge has one adjacent vertex in  $S$ )

By Claim 2,  $S$  is a vertex cover of  $G$  (since  $G$  has no edges between  $X$  and  $B \setminus Y$ , which are the only sets of  $M$ -unsaturated vertices.)

Hence  $S$  is a minimum size vertex-cover and  $|S| = |M|$  ■

## Example Computation of $X, Y$



### A-Saturating

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph with bipartition  $(A, B)$ . A matching  $M$  is A-saturating when every  $a \in A$  is saturated by  $M$ .

### Hall Condition

If  $G$  has an A-saturating matching  $M$  this defines an injective function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  by saying that  $f(a) = b$  iff  $\{a, b\} \in M$ .

If this exists then for all  $S \subseteq A$ ,  $f$  restricts to an injective function from  $S$  to  $N(S)$ .

Thus, if  $G$  has an A-saturating matching then  $|S| \leq |N(S)| \forall S \subseteq A$

### Hall's Matching Theorem

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph with bipartition  $(A, B)$ . Then  $G$  has an A-saturating matching iff  $|S| \leq |N(S)| \forall S \subseteq A$ .

### Corollary

Let  $G$  be a  $k$ -regular graph with bipartition  $(A, B)$ . If  $k \geq 1$  then  $G$  has a perfect matching.

### Corollary

A  $k$ -regular bipartite graph can be partitioned into  $k$  edge-disjoint perfect matching.

### Tutte Condition

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph.

For  $S \subseteq V$  let  $G \setminus S$  be the subgraph of  $G$  induced by vertices in  $V \setminus S$ .

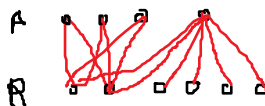
Let  $odd(G \setminus S)$  be the number of connected components of  $G \setminus S$  with an odd number of vertices.

If  $G$  has a perfect matching then for every  $S \subseteq V$ ,  $|S| \geq odd(G \setminus S)$ .

### Tutte's Matching Theorem

A graph has a perfect matching iff  $\forall S \subseteq V, |S| \geq odd(G \setminus S)$

Which bipartite graphs have A-saturating matchings?



Does not have an A-saturating matching.

For each  $S \subseteq A$ , let  $N(S) = \{b \in B: \{a, b\} \in E \text{ for some } a \in S\}$

This example has a set  $S \subseteq A$  with  $|S| = 3$  and  $|N(S)| = 2$

If  $G$  has an A-saturating matching  $M$  this defines an injective function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  by saying that  $f(a) = b$  iff  $\{a, b\} \in M$ .

### Proof

We've seen that if  $G$  has an A-saturating matching then  $\forall S \subseteq A: |S| \leq |N(S)|$

Conversely, assume that there is no A-saturating matching. Let  $M^*$  be a maximum matching in  $G$ . So  $|M^*| < |A|$ .

By König's Theorem, there is a vertex-cover  $A$  in  $G$  with  $|Q| = |M^*|$ .

Since  $Q$  is a vertex cover, there are no edges from  $S = A \setminus Q$  to  $B \setminus Q$

In other words,  $N(S) \subseteq Q \cap B$

$|Q \cap A| + |Q \cap B| = |Q| = |M^*| < |A|$

$|A| - |Q \cap A| > |Q \cap B|$

$|S| = |A \setminus Q| = |A| - |Q \cap A| > |A \cap B| \geq |N(S)| \Rightarrow |S| > |N(S)| \blacksquare$

### Proof of Corollary

Since  $k \geq 1$  we have  $|A| \times k = q = |B| \times k$  so  $|A| = |B|$

So every A-saturating matching is also a B-saturating matching.

### Check Hall's Conditions

Let  $S \subseteq A$  and consider  $N(S)$ . Counting edges of  $G$  with one end in  $S$  we get  $k|S| \leq k|N(S)|$ .

By Hall's Theorem there is an A-saturating matching.

### Proof of Tutte's Condition

On homework

### Problem

Consider a bipartite graph that is biregular. There are integers  $a \geq 0, b \geq 0$  such that every vertex in  $A$  has degree  $a$  and every vertex in  $B$  has degree  $b$ . Assume that  $\gcd(a, b) = d$  and write  $a = da'$  and  $b = db'$ .

Does  $G$  have a spanning subgraph that is  $(a', b')$  biregular?

Yes, true for all  $a$  and  $b$ .

Example:  $a = 4, b = 2$

Note that when  $a = b, d = a = b, a' = b' = 1$  and  $(a', b')$  biregular subgraph is a perfect matching.

# Counting Spanning Trees

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## Notation

$\kappa(G)$  is the number of spanning trees of  $G$   
 $G \setminus e$  **delete**  $e$   
 $G/e$  **contract**  $e$   
 "Shrink" the edge until the ends of it merge into a single vertex.  
 Produces a multigraph.

## Deletion-Contraction Recurrence

For any graph  $G$  and  $e \in E$   
 $\kappa(G) = \kappa(G \setminus e) + \kappa(G/e)$

## Cut-Vertex

A cut vertex is a vertex which, when deleted, increases the number of connected components in the graph.

If  $G$  has a cut-vertex  $v$  Then let  $G_1, \dots, G_c$  be the components of  $G \setminus v$  each with  $v$  joined back in. Then

$$\kappa(G) = \prod_{i=1}^c \kappa(G_i)$$

## Cycle

The number of spanning trees for an  $n$ -cycle is  $n$ .  
 This is true even for cycles of length 1 or 2.

## Adjacency Matrix

The adjacency matrix  $G = (V, E)$   $A$ , indexed by  $V \times V$

$$A_{v,w} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \{v, w\} \in E \\ 0 & \text{if } \{v, w\} \notin E \end{cases}$$

more generally for multigraphs:

$$A_{v,w} = \begin{cases} \# \text{edges joining } v \text{ and } w & \text{if } v \neq w \\ 2 \times \# \text{ loops at } v & \text{if } v = w \end{cases}$$

$\Delta$  square diagonal matrix indexed by  $V \times V$

$$\Delta_{v,w} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v \neq w \\ \deg_G(v) & \text{if } v = w \end{cases}$$

## Laplacian Matrix

$$L = \Delta - A$$

## Matrix-Tree Theorem

Let  $v \in V$  be any vertex and let  $L(v|v)$  be obtained by deleting row  $v$  and column  $v$  of  $L$ .

$$\kappa(G) = \det L(v|v)$$

## Signed Incidence Matrix

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected multigraph

Draw an arrow on each edge  $\{v, w\}$  in an arbitrary direction, either  $v \rightarrow w$  or  $w \rightarrow v$

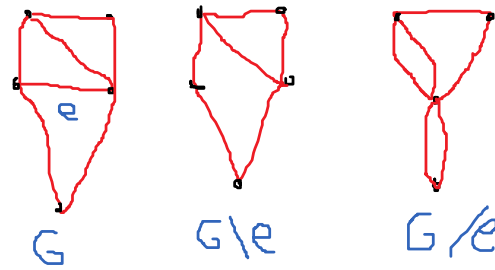
$D$  is indexed by  $V \times E$

$$D_{v,e} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } e \text{ points into } v \text{ but not out} \\ -1 & \text{if } e \text{ points out of } v \text{ but not in} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

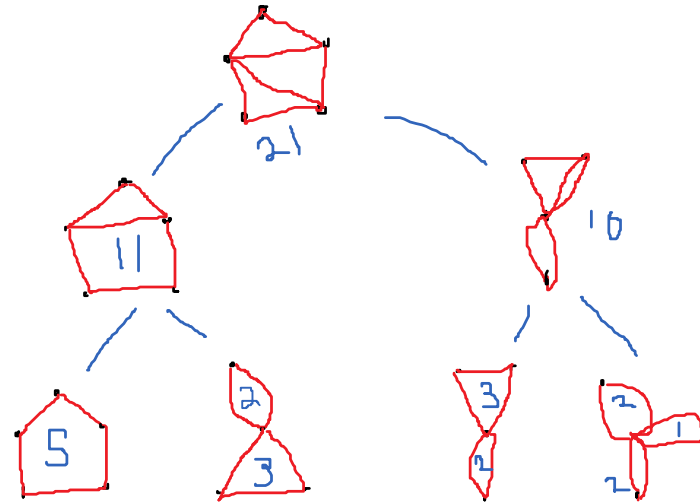
## Fact

For any orientation of  $G$   
 $DD^T = \Delta - A$

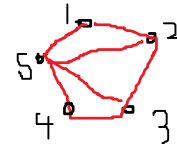
## Contracting, Deleting



## Example of Deletion-Contraction Recurrence



## Example of Laplacian Matrix

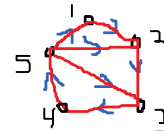


$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det L(5|5) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(3(6 - 1) + (-2)) - (6 - 1) = 26 - 6 + 1 = 21$$

## Example of Signed Incidence Matrix



$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$DD^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = L(G) = \Delta - A$$

# Matrix Tree Theorem

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$G = (V, E)$  a connected multigraph

$A$  adjacency matrix indexed by  $V \times V$

$$A_{v,w} = \begin{cases} \# \text{ edges with ends } \{v, w\}, & v \neq w \\ 2 \times \# \text{ loops at } v, & v = w \end{cases}$$

Degree matrix diagonal  $V \times V$

$$\Delta_{v,v} = \deg_G(v)$$

Laplacian matrix:  $L(G) = \Delta - A$

$D$  is a  $V \times E$  signed incidence matrix for  $G$  with respect to an arbitrary orientation of  $G$

$$D_{v,e} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } e \text{ points into } v \text{ but not out} \\ -1 & \text{if } e \text{ points out of } v \text{ but not in} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$L(G) = \Delta - A = DD^T$  if  $G$  has no loops

## Matrix-Tree Theorem

For any vertex  $w \in V$ ,  $\kappa(G) = \det L(w|w)$

## The Binet-Cauchy Identity

Let  $M$  be an  $r \times m$  matrix and  $P$  be an  $m \times r$  matrix. Then

$$\det(MP) = \sum_S \det(M|S) \cdot \det(P|S)$$

with summation over all  $r$ -element subsets  $S \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$

For a matrix  $Q$  and sets  $I, J$  of row and column indices,  $Q[I|J]$  is the submatrix of  $Q$  indexed by rows  $i \in I$  and columns  $j \in J$ .  $Q(I|J)$  is the submatrix of  $Q$  indexed by rows  $i \notin I$  and columns  $j \notin J$ .  $M(|S)$  means delete no rows, keep only columns in  $S$

## Proposition

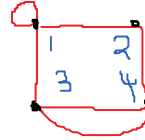
Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected multigraph. Let  $R \subseteq V$  and  $S \subseteq E$  be such that  $|R| + |S| = |V|$  and  $R \neq \emptyset$

Consider  $D(R|S)$ .

Then  $\det D(R|S) = \pm 1$  iff  $(V, S)$  is a forest has a unique vertex in  $R$

and  $\det D(R|S) = 0$  if not.

## Example Laplacian Matrix



$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Setup of Matrix-Tree Theorem Proof

Since  $L = \Delta - A = DD^T$  use Binet-Cauchy

$$\det L(w|w) = \det DD^T(w|w) = \det D(w|\emptyset) D^T(\emptyset|w) = \sum_S \det D(w|S) \cdot \det D^T|S|w)$$

Summation over all sets  $S \subseteq E$  with  $|S| = p - 1$

$$\det L(w|w) = \sum_{\substack{S \subseteq E \\ |S|=p-1}} |\det(D(w|S))|^2$$

To prove the Matrix-Tree Theorem it suffices to show the proposition on the left (proof of that later).

## Proof of Matrix-Tree Theorem

$\det(w|S) = \pm 1$  iff  $(V, S)$  is a spanning tree of  $G$  (by the Proposition)

Otherwise,  $\det D(w|S) = 0$ . Hence

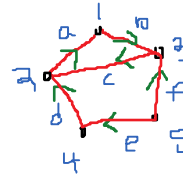
$$\det L(w|w) = \sum_S \det D(w|S) \times \det D^T|S|w) = \sum_S |\det D(w|S)|^2 = \kappa(G)$$

## Proof of Proposition

Have  $D_{(V \times E)}$ . Every column has exactly one +1 and one -1 and the rest 0.

Delete  $|R|$  rows and keep  $|S|$  columns. So there are  $|V| - |R| = |S|$  rows and the submatrix  $D(R|S)$  is square.

Consider the graph  $(V, S)$ . Suppose it contains a cycle  $C$ . Consider the columns of  $D$  corresponding to edges in the set  $C$ . This set of columns is linearly dependent.



$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e + d - c - f = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Sum the columns in  $C$  with  $\pm 1$  signs according to whether  $e$  agrees in direction with the orientation around  $C$ .



# Missing Lectures, Extra Content

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Section 1 of "Combinatorics of Electrical Networks"

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## Theorem (Euler)

A graph  $G$  has a trail  $T$  passing through every edge exactly once iff  $G$  has at most 2 vertices of odd degree.

(An Euler tour)

## Plane Graph Numerology

Give examples of connected plane graphs with the following properties:

- 3-regular
- Every face has degree 4 or 7

Use handshake for faces and Euler's formula