



Combinatorial algorithms

computing subset rank and unrank, Gray codes,
computing permutation rank and unrank
computing graph isomorphism

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Combinatorial Generation

■ **definition:**

Suppose that S is a finite set. A *ranking function* will be a bijection

$$\text{rank}: S \rightarrow \{0, \dots, |S|-1\}$$

and unrank function is an inverse function to rank function.

■ **definition:**

Given a ranking function rank , defined on S , the successor function satisfies the following rule:

$$\text{successor}(s) = t \iff \text{rank}(t) = \text{rank}(s) + 1$$

■ **potential uses:**

- storing combinatorial objects in the computer instead of storing a combinatorial structure which could be quite complicated
- generation of random object from S ensuring equal probability $1/|S|$

Subsets

■ computing the subset rank over lexicographical ordering

1) **Function** SUBSETLEXRANK(size n ; set T) : rank

2) $r = 0$;

3) **for** $i = 1$ **to** n **do** {

4) **if** $i \in T$ **then** $r = r + 2^{n-i}$;

5) }

6) **return** r

1) **Function** SUBSETLEXUNRANK(size n ; rank r) : set

2) $T = \emptyset$;

3) **for** $i = n$ **downto** 1 **do** {

4) **if** $r \bmod 2 = 1$ **then** $T = T \cup \{i\}$;

5) $r = \left\lfloor \frac{r}{2} \right\rfloor$;

6) }

7) **return** T

Gray Code

■ definition:

The *reflected binary code*, also known as *Gray code*, is a binary numeral system where two successive values differ in only one bit.

G^n will denote the reflected binary code for 2^n binary n -tuples, and it will be written as a list of 2^n vectors, as follows:

$$G^n = [G_0^n, G_1^n, \dots, G_{2^n-1}^n]$$

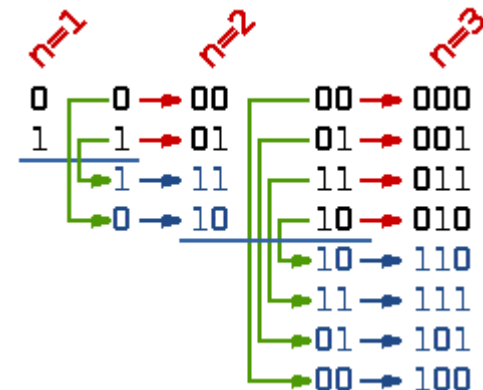
The codes G^n are defined recursively:

$$G^1 = [0, 1]$$

$$G^n = [0G_0^{n-1}, 0G_1^{n-1}, \dots, 0G_{2^{n-1}-1}^{n-1}, 1G_0^{n-1}, \dots, 1G_1^{n-1}, 1G_{2^{n-1}-1}^{n-1}]$$

■ example:

$$G^3 = [000, 001, 011, 010, 110, 111, 101, 100]$$



■ lemma 1

Suppose

- $0 \leq r \leq 2^n - 1$
- $B = b_n, \dots, b_0$ is a binary code of r
- $G = g_n, \dots, g_0$ is a Gray code of r

Then for every $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, n - 1\}$

$$g_j = (b_j + b_{j+1}) \bmod 2$$

■ proof

By induction on n .

■ lemma 2

Suppose

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■ proof

$$\begin{aligned} g_j &= (b_j + b_{j+1}) \bmod 2 \Rightarrow g_j \equiv (b_j + b_{j+1}) \pmod{2} \Rightarrow \\ b_j &\equiv (g_j + b_{j+1}) \pmod{2} \Rightarrow b_j = (g_j + b_{j+1}) \bmod 2 \end{aligned}$$

Gray Code

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$$b_j = \left(\sum_{i=j}^{n-1} g_i \right) \bmod 2$$

■ proof

$$\left(\sum_{i=j}^{n-1} g_i \right) \bmod 2 = \left(\sum_{i=j}^{n-1} (b_i + b_{i+1}) \right) \bmod 2 = \left(b_j + b_n + 2 \sum_{i=j+1}^{n-1} b_i \right) \bmod 2 = (b_j + b_n) \bmod 2 = b_j$$

By lemma 2.

By the sum reordering.

By the property of modulo.

By the maximum range of r and the range of b_j .

Gray Code

■ converting to and from minimal change ordering (Gray code)

- 1) **Function** BINARYTOGRAY(binary code rank B) : gray code rank
- 2) **return** $B \text{ xor } (B \gg 1)$

- 1) **Function** GRAYTOBINARY(gray code rank G) : binary code rank
- 2) $B = 0$;
- 3) $n = (\text{number of bits in } G) - 1$;
- 4) **for** $i=0$ **to** n **do** {
- 5) $B = B \ll 1$;
- 6) $B = B \text{ or } (1 \text{ and } ((B \gg 1) \text{ xor } (G \gg n)))$;
- 7) $G = G \ll 1$;
- 8) };
- 9) **return** B

Subsets – Gray Code

- **computing the subset rank over minimal change ordering**

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1) Function GRAYCODERANK( size  $n$ ; set  $T$  ) : rank
2)  $r = 0$  ;
3)  $b = 0$  ;
4) for  $i = n - 1$  downto 0 do {
5)     if  $n - i \in T$  then  $b = 1 - b$  ;
6)     if  $b = 1$  then  $r = r + 2^i$  ;
7) }
8) return  $r$ 
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Subsets – Gray Code

■ computing the subset unrank over minimal change ordering

- 1) **Function** GRAYCODEUNRANK(size n ; rank r) : set
- 2) $T = \emptyset$;
- 3) $c = 0$;
- 4) **for** $i = n - 1$ **downto** 0 **do** {
- 5) $b = \left\lfloor \frac{r}{2^i} \right\rfloor$;
- 6) **if** $b \neq c$ **then** $T = T \cup \{n - i\}$;
- 7) $c = b$;
- 8) $r = r - b \cdot 2^i$;
- 9) }
10) **return** T

Permutations

- **computing the permutation rank over lexicographical ordering**

- 1) **Function** PERMLEXRANK(size n ; permutation π) : rank
- 2) $r = 0$;
- 3) $\rho = \pi$;
- 4) **for** $j = 1$ **to** n **do** {
- 5) $r = r + (\rho[j] - 1) \cdot (n - j)!$;
- 6) **for** $i = j + 1$ **to** n **do** **if** $\rho[i] > \rho[j]$ **then** $\rho[i] = \rho[i] - 1$;
- 7) **}**
- 8) **return** r

Permutations

■ computing the permutation unrank over lexicographical ordering

- 1) **Function** PERMLEXUNRANK(size n ; rank r) : permutation
- 2) $\pi[n] = 1 ;$
- 3) **for** $j = 1$ **to** $n - 1$ **do** {
- 4) $d = \frac{r \bmod (j+1)!}{j!} ;$
- 5) $r = r - d \cdot j! ;$
- 6) $\pi[n - j] = d + 1 ;$
- 7) **for** $i = n - j + 1$ **to** n **do** **if** $\pi[i] > d$ **then** $\pi[i] = \pi[i] + 1 ;$
- 8) **}**
- 9) **return** π

Computing Graph Isomorphism

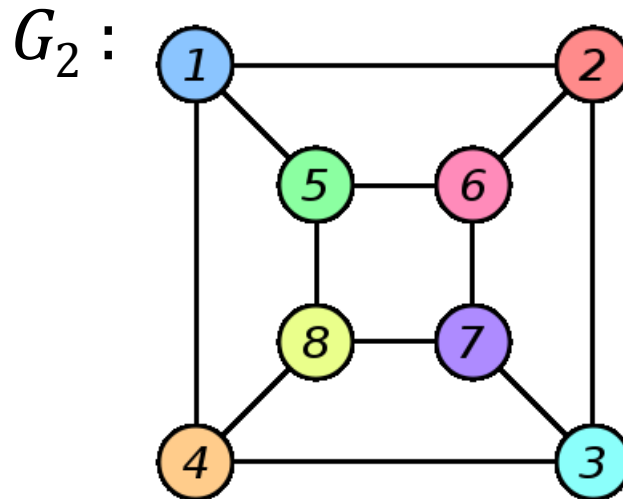
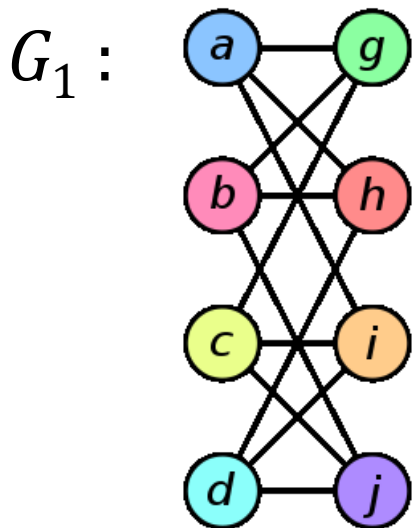
■ definition:

Two graphs $G_1=(V_1,E_1)$ and $G_2=(V_2,E_2)$ are *isomorphic* if there is a bijection $f: V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ such that

$$\forall x,y \in V_1 : \{f(x),f(y)\} \in E_2 \Leftrightarrow \{x,y\} \in E_1$$

The mapping f is said to be an *isomorphism* between G_1 and G_2 .

■ example:



f :

$$\begin{aligned} f(a) &= 1 \\ f(b) &= 6 \\ f(c) &= 8 \\ f(d) &= 3 \\ f(g) &= 5 \\ f(h) &= 2 \\ f(i) &= 4 \\ f(j) &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

Computing Graph Isomorphism

■ definition of invariant:

Let \mathcal{F} be a family of graphs. An *invariant* on \mathcal{F} is a function Φ with domain \mathcal{F} such that

$$\forall G_1, G_2 \in \mathcal{F} : \Phi(G_1) = \Phi(G_2) \Leftrightarrow G_1 \text{ is isomorphic to } G_2$$

■ example:

- $|V|$ for graph $G=(V, E)$ is an invariant.
- The following degree sequence $[\deg(v_1), \deg(v_2), \deg(v_3), \dots, \deg(v_n)]$ is not an invariant.
- However, if the degree sequence is sorted in non-decreasing order, then it is an invariant.

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■ definition :

Let \mathcal{F} be a family of graphs on vertex set V and let D be a function with domain $(\mathcal{F} \times V)$. Then the *partition induced* by D is

$$B = [|B[0]|, |B[1]|, \dots, |B[n - 1]|]$$

where

$$B[i] = \{ v \in V : D(G, v) = i \}$$

If the function

$$\Phi_D(G) = [|B[0]|, |B[1]|, \dots, |B[n - 1]|]$$

is an invariant, then we say that D is an *invariant inducing function*.

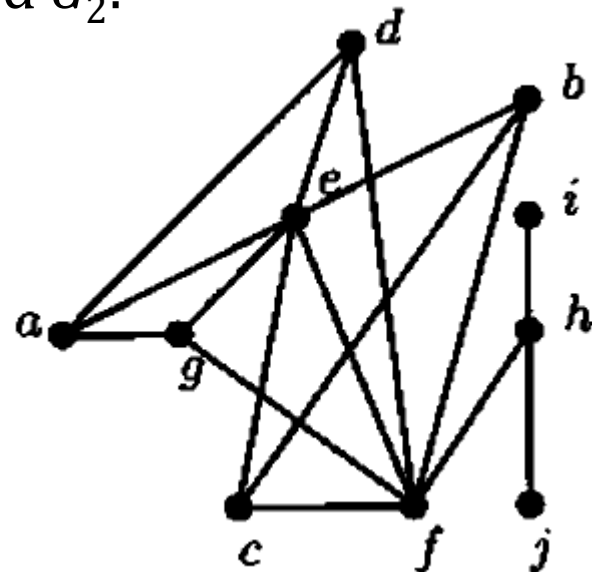
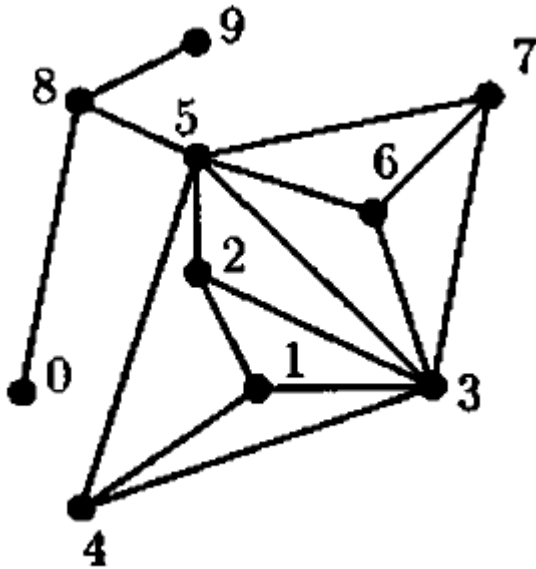
Computing Graph Isomorphism - Example

Let

- $D_1(G,x) = \deg_G(x)$
- $D_2(G,x) = [d_j(x) : j = 1, 2, \dots, d_{n-1}]$

where $d_j(x) = |\{y : y \text{ is adjacent to } x \text{ and } \deg_G(y) = j\}|$

Suppose the following graphs G_1 and G_2 :



Computing Graph Isomorphism - Example

$$X_0(\mathcal{G}_1) = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}.$$

$$X_0(\mathcal{G}_2) = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j\}.$$

x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
$D_1(\mathcal{G}_1, x)$	1	3	3	6	3	6	3	3	3	1

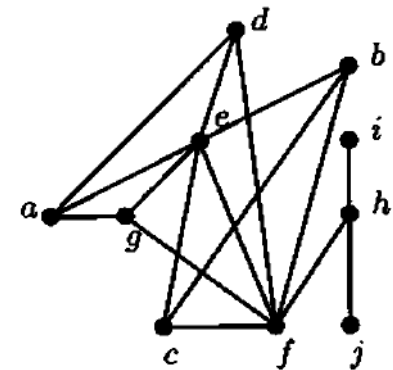
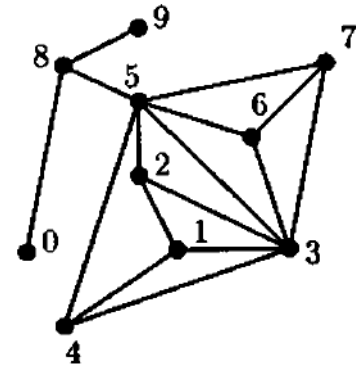


$$X_1(\mathcal{G}_1) = \{0, 9\}, \{1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8\}, \{3, 5\}$$

\bar{x}	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j
$D_1(\mathcal{G}_2, \bar{x})$	3	3	3	3	6	6	3	3	1	1



$$X_1(\mathcal{G}_2) = \{i, j\}, \{a, b, c, d, g, h\}, \{e, f\}.$$

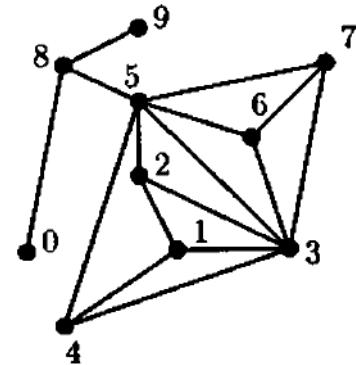


Computing Graph Isomorphism - Example

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 0) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 1) &= (0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 2) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 3) &= (0, 0, 5, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 4) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 5) &= (0, 0, 5, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 6) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 7) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 8) &= (2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_1, 9) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

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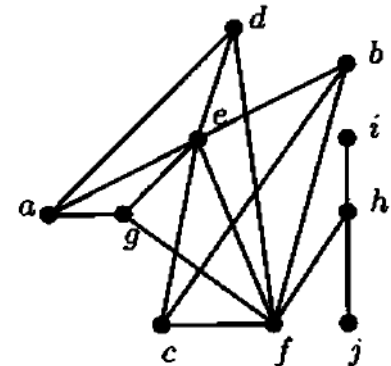
$$X_2(\mathcal{G}_1) = \{0, 9\}, \{8\}, \{2, 4, 6, 7\}, \{1\}, \{3, 5\}.$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, a) &= (0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, b) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, c) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, d) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, e) &= (0, 0, 5, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, f) &= (0, 0, 5, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, g) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, h) &= (2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, i) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\
 D_2(\mathcal{G}_2, j) &= (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$X_2(\mathcal{G}_2) = \{i, j\}, \{h\}, \{b, c, d, g\}, \{a\}, \{e, f\}.$$



Computing Graph Isomorphism

- 1) **Function** FINDISOMORPHISM (set of invariant inducing functions I ; graph G_1, G_2): set of
isomorphisms
- 2) **try** {
- 3) $(N, X, Y) = \text{GETPARTITIONS}(I, G_1, G_2)$;
- 4) }
- 5) **catch** (“ G_1 and G_2 are not isomorphic!”) { **return** \emptyset ; }
- 6) **for** $i = 0$ **to** $N - 1$ **do** {
- 7) **for each** $x \in X[i]$ **do** {
- 8) $W[x] = i$;
- 9) }
- 10) }
- 11) **return** COLLECTISOMORPHISMS($G_1, G_2, 0, Y, W, f$)

Computing Graph Isomorphism

- 1) **Function** GETPARTITIONS $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{set of invariant inducing functions } I; \\ \text{graph } G_1; \\ \text{graph } G_2 \end{array} \right) : \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{number of partitions,} \\ \text{partitions of } G_1, \\ \text{partitions of } G_2 \end{array} \right)$
- 2) $X[0] = \text{vertices of } G_1; Y[0] = \text{vertices of } G_2; N = 1;$
- 3) **for each** $D \in I$ **do** {
- 4) $P = N;$
- 5) **for** $i = 0$ **to** $P - 1$ **do** {
- 6) Partition $X[i]$ into sets $X_1[i], X_2[i], X_3[i], \dots, X_m[i]$ where $x, y \in X_j[i] \Leftrightarrow D(G_1, x) = D(G_1, y);$
- 7) Partition $Y[i]$ into sets $Y_1[i], Y_2[i], Y_3[i], \dots, Y_n[i]$ where $x, y \in Y_j[i] \Leftrightarrow D(G_2, x) = D(G_2, y);$
- 8) **if** $n \neq m$ **then throw exception** “ G_1 and G_2 are not isomorphic!”;
- 9) Order $Y[i]$ into sets $Y_1[i], Y_2[i], Y_3[i], \dots, Y_n[i]$ so that
- 10) $\forall x \in X[i], \forall y \in Y[i] : D(G_1, x) = D(G_2, y) \Leftrightarrow x \in X_j[i] \text{ and } y \in Y_j[i];$
- 11) **if** ordering is not possible **then throw exception** “ G_1 and G_2 are not isomorphic!”;
- 12) $N = N + m - 1;$
- 13) }
- 14) Reorder the partitions so that: $|X[i]| = |Y[i]| \leq |X[i+1]| = |Y[i+1]|$ for $0 \leq i < N - 1;$
- 15) }
- 16) **return** (N, X, Y)

Computing Graph Isomorphism

1) **Function** COLLECTISOMORPHISMS (graph G_1, G_2 ; partition mapping W as current isomorphism f as starting vertex of G_1 v ; array [vertices of G_1] of ; array [vertices of G_1] of) : set of partitions of G_2 Y ; indices of partitions of G_1 vertices of G_2) : isomorphisms

2) **if** $v = \text{number of vertices of } G_1$ **then return** $\{f\}$;

3) $R = \emptyset$;

4) $p = W[v]$;

5) **for each** $y \in Y[p]$ **do** {

6) $OK = \text{true}$;

7) **for** $u = 0$ **to** $v - 1$ **do** {

8) **if** $\left(\begin{array}{l} (\{u, v\} \in \text{edges of } G_1 \text{ and } \{f[u], y\} \notin \text{edges of } G_2) \\ \text{or} \\ (\{u, v\} \notin \text{edges of } G_1 \text{ and } \{f[u], y\} \in \text{edges of } G_2) \end{array} \right)$ **then** $OK = \text{false}$;

9) }

10) **if** OK **then** {

11) $f[v] = y$;

12) $R = R \cup \text{COLLECTISOMORPHISMS}(G_1, G_2, v+1, Y, W, f)$;

13) }

14) }

15) **return** R

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