# 8. Inclusion-Exclusion

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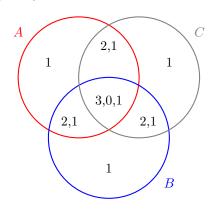
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## 1 The Principle of Inclusion-Exclusion

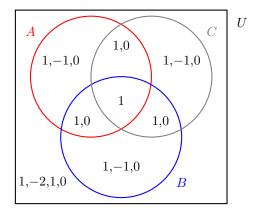
... for 3 sets

$$|A \cup B \cup C| = |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C|$$
$$|A \cup B \cup C| = \sum_{X \subseteq \{A, B, C\}} (-1)^{|X|+1} \cdot \left| \bigcap X \right|$$



... intersection version

$$\begin{aligned} |\underline{A} \cap \underline{B} \cap C| &= |U| - |\overline{A}| - |\overline{B}| - |\overline{C}| + |\overline{A} \cap \overline{B}| + |\overline{A} \cap \overline{C}| + |\overline{B} \cap \overline{C}| - |\overline{A} \cap \overline{B} \cap \overline{C}| \\ |\underline{A} \cap \underline{B} \cap C| &= \sum_{X \subseteq \{\underline{A}, \underline{B}, C\}} (-1)^{|X|} \cdot \left| \bigcap \overline{X} \right| \end{aligned}$$



### Inclusion-Exclusion Principle - intersection version

**Theorem 1** (IE-theorem – intersection version). Let  $U = A_0$  be a finite set, and let  $A_1, \ldots, A_k \subseteq U$ .

$$\left| \bigcap_{i \in \{1, \dots, k\}} A_i \right| = \sum_{J \subseteq \{1, \dots, k\}} (-1)^{|J|} \left| \bigcap_{i \in J} \overline{A_i} \right|,$$

where  $\overline{A_i} = U \setminus A_i$  and  $\bigcap_{i \in \emptyset} = U$ .

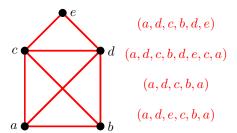
*Proof sketch.* • An element  $e \in \bigcap_{i \in \{1,...,k\}} A_i$  is counted on the right only for  $J = \emptyset$ .

- An element  $e \notin \bigcap_{i \in \{1,...,k\}} A_i$  is counted on the right for all  $J \subseteq I$ , where I is the set of indices i such that  $e \notin A_i$ .
  - counted negatively for each odd-sized  $J \subseteq I$ , and positively for each even-sized  $J \subseteq I$
  - a non-empty set has as many even-sized subsets as odd-sized subsets

# 2 Counting Hamiltonian Cycles

Walks and cycles

- A walk of length k in a graph G = (V, E) (short, a k-walk) is a sequence of vertices  $v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k$  such that  $v_i v_{i+1} \in E$  for each  $i \in \{0, \dots, k-1\}$ .
- A walk  $(v_0, v_1, \ldots, v_k)$  is closed if  $v_0 = v_k$ .
- A cycle is a 2-regular subgraph of G.
- A Hamiltonian cycle of G is a cycle of length n = |V|.

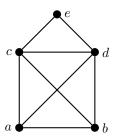


### #Hamiltonian-Cycles

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Input: A graph G = (V, E)

Output: The number of Hamiltonian cycles of G



This graph has 2 Hamiltonian cycles.

### IE for #Hamiltonian-Cycles

• U: the set of closed n-walks starting at vertex 1

•  $A_v \subseteq U$ : walks in U that visit vertex  $v \in V$ 

•  $\Rightarrow$  number of Hamiltonian cycles is  $|\bigcap_{v \in V} A_v|$ 

• To use the IE-theorem, we need to compute  $|\bigcap_{v\in S} \overline{A_v}|$ , the number of walks from U in the graph G-S.

### A simpler problem

#Closed n-Walks

Input: An integer n, and a graph G = (V, E) on  $\leq n$  vertices Output: The number of closed n-walks in G starting at vertex 1

#### Dynamic programming

• T[d,v]: number of d-walks starting at vertex 1 and ending at vertex v

• Base cases: T[0,1]=1 and T[0,v]=0 for all  $v \in V \setminus \{1\}$ 

• DP recurrence:  $T[d, v] = \sum_{uv \in E} T[d-1, u]$ 

 $\bullet$  Table T is filled by increasing d

• Return T[n,1] in  $O(n^3)$  time

### Wrapping up

• Recall:

U: set of closed n-walks starting at vertex 1  $A_v$ : set of closed n-walks that start at vertex 1 and visit vertex v

• By the IE-theorem, the number of Hamiltonian cycles is

$$\left| \bigcap_{v \in V} A_v \right| = \sum_{S \subseteq V} (-1)^{|S|} \left| \bigcap_{v \in S} \overline{A_v} \right|$$

• We have seen that  $\left|\bigcap_{v\in S}\overline{A_v}\right|$  can be computed in  $O(n^3)$  time.

• So,  $\sum_{S\subset V} (-1)^{|S|} \left| \bigcap_{v\in S} \overline{A_v} \right|$  can be evaluated in  $O(2^n n^3)$  time

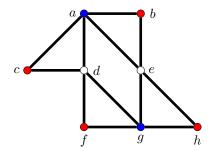
**Theorem 2.** #Hamiltonian-Cycles can be solved in  $O(2^n n^3)$  time and polynomial space, where n = |V|.

# 3 Coloring

A k-coloring of a graph G = (V, E) is a function  $f : V \to \{1, 2, ..., k\}$  assigning colors to V such that no two adjacent vertices receive the same color.

Coloring

Input: Graph G, integer k Question: Does G have a k-coloring?



#### Exercise

- Suppose A is an algorithm solving Coloring in O(f(n)) time, n = |V|, where f is non-decreasing.
- Design a  $O^*(f(n))$  time algorithm B, which, for an input graph G, finds a coloring of G with a minimum number of colors.

#### IE formulation

Observation: partitioning vs. covering

G = (V, E) has a k-coloring  $\Leftrightarrow G$  has independent sets  $I_1, \ldots, I_k$  such that  $\bigcup_{i=1}^k I_i = V$ .

- U: set of tuples  $(I_1, \ldots, I_k)$ , where each  $I_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$ , is an independent set
- $A_v = \{(I_1, \dots, I_k) \in U : v \in \bigcup_{i \in \{1, \dots, k\}} I_i\}$
- Note:  $\left|\bigcap_{v\in V} A_v\right| \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow G$  has a k-coloring
- To use the IE-theorem, we need to compute

$$\left| \bigcap_{v \in S} \overline{A_v} \right| = \left| \{ (I_1, \dots, I_k) \in U : I_1, \dots, I_k \subseteq V \setminus S \} \right|$$
$$= s(V \setminus S)^k,$$

where s(X) is the number of independent sets in G[X]

#### A simpler problem

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Input: A graph G = (V, E)

Output: s(X), the number of independent sets of G[X], for each  $X \subseteq V$ 

### **Dynamic Programming**

- s(X): the number of independent sets of G[X]
- Base case:  $s(\emptyset) = 1$
- DP recurrence:  $s(X) = s(X \setminus N_G[v]) + s(X \setminus \{v\})$ , where  $v \in X$
- Table s filled by increasing cardinalities of X
- Output s(X) for each  $X \subseteq V$  in time  $O^*(2^n)$

### Wrapping up

Now, evaluate

$$\left|\bigcap_{v\in V} A_v\right| = \sum_{S\subseteq V} (-1)^{|S|} \left|\bigcap_{v\in S} \overline{A_v}\right| = \sum_{S\subseteq V} (-1)^{|S|} s(V\setminus S)^k,$$

in  $O^*(2^n)$  time. G has a k-coloring iff  $\left|\bigcap_{v\in V} A_v\right| > 0$ .

**Theorem 3** ([Bjørklund & Husfeldt '06], [Koivisto '06]). Coloring can be solved in  $O^*(2^n)$  time (and space).

Corollary 4. For a given graph G, a coloring with a minimum number of colors can be found in  $O^*(2^n)$  time (and space).

#### ... polynomial space

Using an algorithm by [Gaspers, Lee, 2017], counting all independent sets in a graph on n vertices in  $O(1.2355^n)$  time, we obtain a polynomial-space algorithm for COLORING with running time

$$\sum_{S \subseteq V} O(1.2355^{n-|S|}) = \sum_{s=0}^{n} \binom{n}{s} O(1.2377^{n-s}) = O(2.2355^{n}).$$

Here, we used the Binomial Theorem:  $(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$ .

**Theorem 5.** Coloring can be solved in  $O(2.2355^n)$  time and polynomial space.

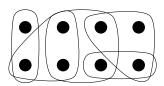
# 4 Counting Set Covers

**#Set Covers** 

Input: A finite ground set V of elements, a collection H of subsets of V, and an integer k

Output: The number of ways to choose a k-tuple of sets  $(S_1, \ldots, S_k)$  with  $S_i \in H$ ,  $i \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$ , such that

 $\bigcup_{i=1}^k S_i = V.$ 



This instance has  $1 \cdot 3! = 6$  covers with 3 sets and  $3 \cdot 4! = 72$  covers with 4 sets.

We consider, more generally, that H is given only implicitly, but can be enumerated in  $O^*(2^n)$  time and space.

### Algorithm for Counting Set Covers

- U: set of k-tuples  $(S_1, \ldots, S_k)$ , where  $S_i \in H$ ,  $i \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$ ,
- $A_v = \{(S_1, \dots, S_k) \in U : v \in \bigcup_{i \in \{1, \dots, k\}} S_i\},\$
- $\bullet$  the number of covers with k sets is

$$\left| \bigcap_{v \in V} A_v \right| = \sum_{S \subseteq V} (-1)^{|S|} \left| \bigcap_{v \in S} \overline{A_v} \right|$$
$$= \sum_{S \subseteq V} (-1)^{|S|} s(V \setminus S)^k,$$

where s(X) is the number of sets in H that are subsets of X.

## Compute s(X)

For each  $X \subseteq V$ , compute s(X), the number of sets in H that are subsets of X.

### **Dynamic Programming**

- Arbitrarily order  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$
- $g[X,i] = |\{S \in H : (X \cap \{v_i,\ldots,v_n\}) \subseteq S \subseteq X\}|$
- Note: g[X, n+1] = s(X)
- Base case:  $g[X,1] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X \in H \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$
- DP recurrence:  $g[X, i] = \begin{cases} g[X, i-1] & \text{if } v_{i-1} \notin X \\ g[X \setminus \{v_{i-1}\}, i-1] + g[X, i-1] & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$
- $\bullet$  Table filled by increasing i

**Theorem 6.** #Set Covers can be solved in  $O^*(2^n)$  time and space, where n = |V|.

# 5 Counting Set Partitions

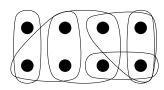
**#Ordered Set Partitions** 

Input: A finite ground set V of elements, a collection H of subsets of V, and an integer k

Output: The number of ways to choose a k-tuple of pairwise disjoint sets  $(S_1, \ldots, S_k)$  with  $S_i \in H$ ,  $i \in$ 

 $\{1,\ldots,k\}$ , such that  $\bigcup_{i=1}^k S_i = V$ .

 $(Now, S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset, if i \neq j.)$ 



This instance has  $1 \cdot 3! = 6$  ordered partitions with 3 sets.

#### Algorithm

Using a similar approach:

**Theorem 7.** #Ordered Set Partitions can be solved in  $O^*(2^n)$  time and space.

Corollary 8. There is an algorithm computing the number of k-colorings of an input graph on n vertices in  $O^*(2^n)$  time and space.

#### Covering and partitioning in polynomial space

**Theorem 9.** The number of covers with k sets and the number of ordered partitions with k sets of a set system (V, H) can be computed in polynomial space and

- 1.  $O^*(2^n|H|)$  time, assuming that H can be enumerated in  $O^*(|H|)$  time and polynomial space
- 2.  $O^*(3^n)$  time, assuming membership in H can be decided in polynomial time, and
- 3.  $\sum_{j=0}^{n} {n \choose j} T_H(j)$  time, assuming there is a  $T_H(j)$  time and polynomial space algorithm to count for any  $W \subseteq V$  with |W| = j the number of sets  $S \in H$  satisfying  $S \cap W = \emptyset$ .

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# 6 Further Reading

- Chapter 4, *Inclusion-Exclusion* in Fedor V. Fomin and Dieter Kratsch. Exact Exponential Algorithms. Springer, 2010.
- Thore Husfeldt. Invitation to Algorithmic Uses of Inclusion-Exclusion. Proceedings of the 38th International Colloquium on Automata, Languages and Programming (ICALP 2011): 42-59, 2011.

### **Advanced Reading**

• Chapter 7, Subset Convolution in Fedor V. Fomin and Dieter Kratsch. Exact Exponential Algorithms. Springer, 2010.