

4. Inclusion-Exclusion

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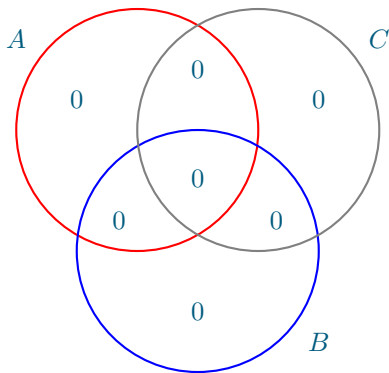
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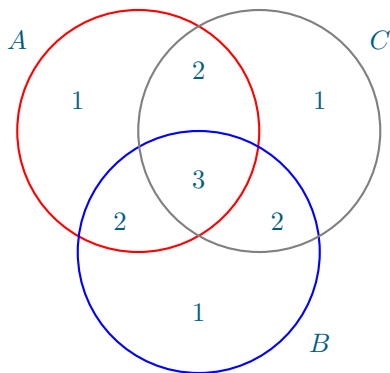
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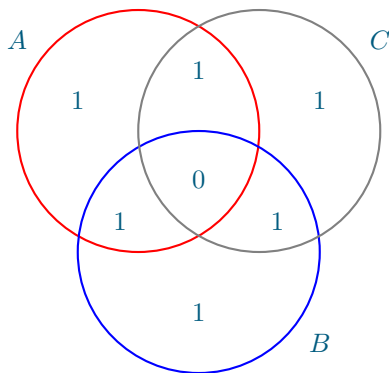
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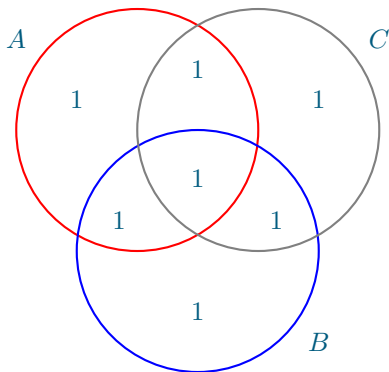
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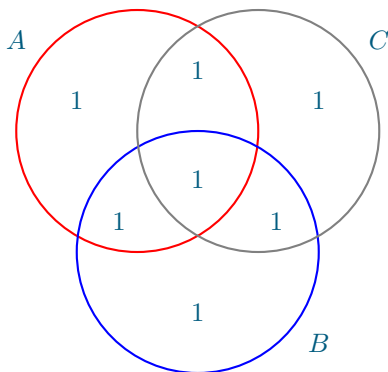
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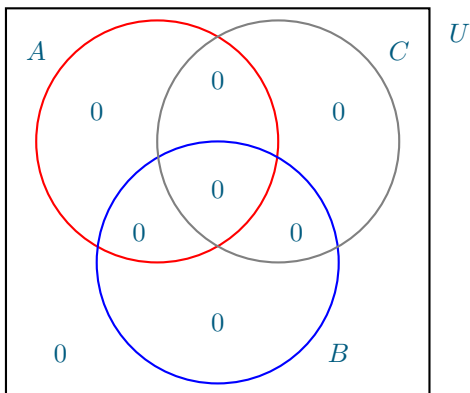
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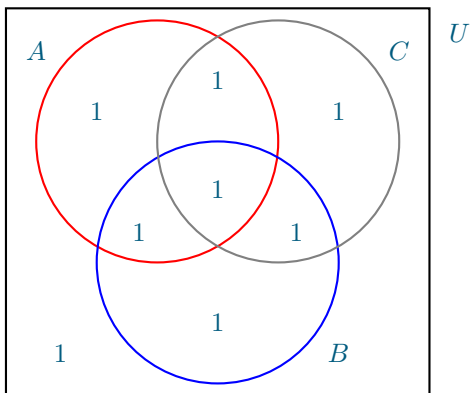
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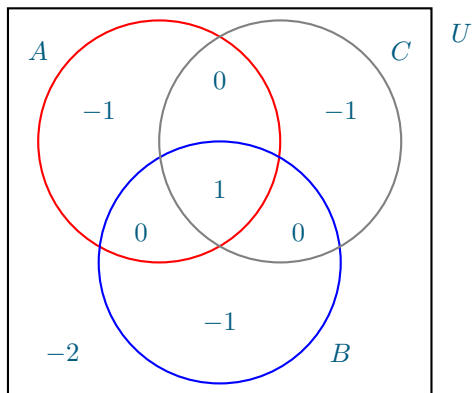
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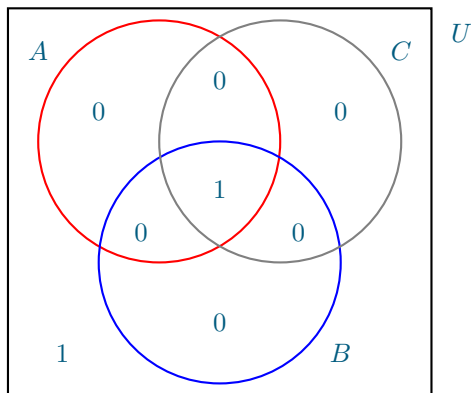
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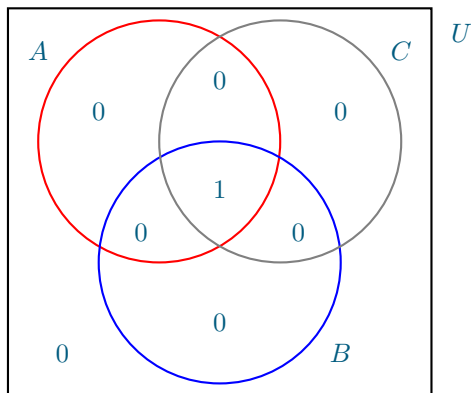
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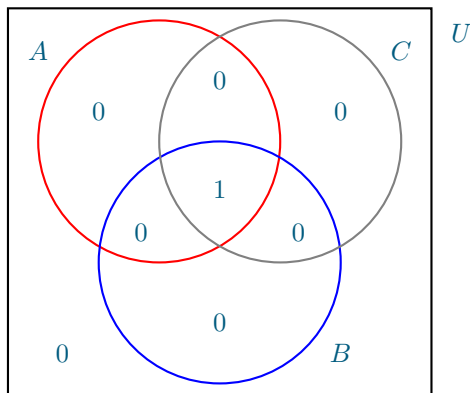
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Proof sketch.

- An element $e \in \bigcap_{i \in \{1, \dots, k\}} A_i$ is counted on the right only for $J = \emptyset$.
- An element $e \notin \bigcap_{i \in \{1, \dots, k\}} A_i$ 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



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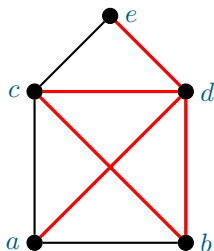
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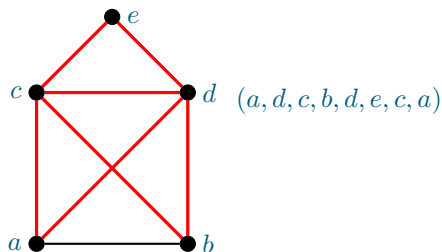
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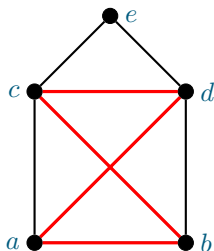
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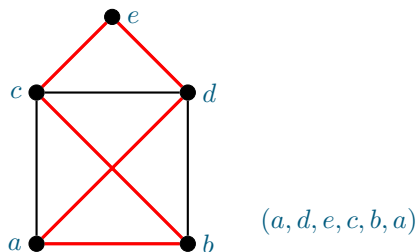
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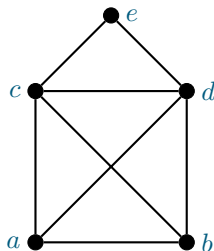


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This graph has **2** Hamiltonian cycles.

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 $G - S$.

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- Base cases: $T[0, 1] = 1$ and $T[0, v] = 0$ for all $v \in V \setminus \{1\}$
- DP recurrence: $T[d, v] = \sum_{uv \in E} T[d-1, u]$
- Table T is filled by increasing d
- Return $T[n, 1]$ in $O(n^3)$ time

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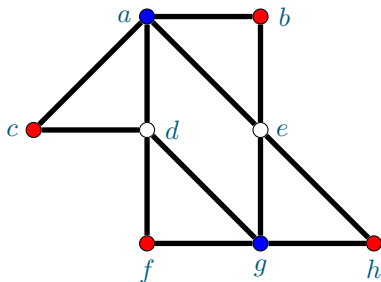
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Exercise

- 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.

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- 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).

Using an algorithm by [Gaspers, Lee, 2016], 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: $(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$.

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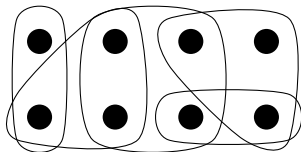
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Input: A finite ground set V of elements, a collection H of subsets of V , and an integer k

Output: The number of ways to choose a k -tuple of sets (S_1, \dots, S_k) with $S_i \in H$, $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$, 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, \dots, S_k) , where $S_i \in H$, $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$,
- $A_v = \{(S_1, \dots, S_k) \in U : v \in \bigcup_{i \in \{1, \dots, k\}} S_i\}$,
- the number of covers with k sets is

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

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

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

Dynamic Programming

- Arbitrarily order $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$
- $g[X, i] = |\{S \in H : (X \cap \{v_i, \dots, v_n\}) \subseteq S \subseteq X\}|$
- Note: $g[X, n+1] = s(X)$
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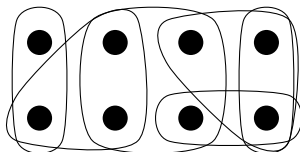
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#ORDERED SET PARTITIONS

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, \dots, S_k) with $S_i \in H$, $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$, such that $\bigcup_{i=1}^k S_i = V$.
(Now, $S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset$, if $i \neq j$.)



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- DP recurrence: $A[\ell, m, X] = \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} s[X, i] \cdot A[\ell - 1, m - i, X]$
- Table filled by increasing ℓ
- Note: $a_k(X) = A[k, |V|, X]$

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Exercise

A graph $G = (V, E)$ is **bipartite** if V can be partitioned into two independent sets. A **matching** in a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a set of edges $M \subseteq E$ such that no two edges of M have an end-point in common.

The matching M in G is **perfect** if every vertex of G is contained in an edge of M .

#BIPARTITE PERFECT MATCHINGS

Input: Bipartite graph $G = (V, E)$

Output: The number of perfect matchings in G .

- 1 Design an algorithm with running time $O^* \left(\left(\frac{n}{2} \right)! \right)$, where $n = |V|$.
- 2 Design a polynomial-space $O^*(2^{n/2})$ -time inclusion-exclusion algorithm.

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