

Graph Theory



• Walks, Trails and Paths



• A walk is a sequence of vertices and edges of a graph i.e. if we traverse a graph then we get a walk. (Vertices and Edges can be repeated)



 $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 3$ is a walk

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 - A **Trail** is a walk in which no edge is repeated then we get a trail. (Vertices can be repeated but Edges can not be repeated)



 $1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 8 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \text{ is trail}$ $1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 8 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1 \text{ is a closed trail}$



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• A **Circuit** is the traversal of a graph such that not an edge is repeated but vertex can be repeated and it is closed also i.e. it is a closed trail. (Vertices can be repeated, Edges can not be repeated)



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• A **Path** is a trail in which neither vertices nor edges are repeated i.e. if we traverse a graph such that we do not repeat a vertex and nor we repeat an edge. (Vertices can not be repeated, Edges can not be repeated).



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• A **Cycle** is the traversal of a graph such that we do not repeat a vertex nor we repeat a edge but the starting and ending vertex must be same i.e. we can repeat starting and ending vertex only then we get a cycle. (Vertices can not be repeated, Edges can not be repeated) Cycle is a closed path.



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 - Iterate over all vertices with multiple instances on the walk.

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- Distance between two vertices:



The length of a shortest path from u to v.

- Non-negative: dist(v,u) > 0 for $v \neq u$ (dist(v,u) = 0, if v = u)
- Symmetrical: dist(v, u) = dist(u, v)
- Triangle Inequality: $dist(v, u) + dist(u, w) \ge dist(v, w)$



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 $dist(v_1, v_4) = 25$

Compute Distances between vertices of weighted graphs (Dijkstra, 1959)



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 - From the Triangle Inequality it holds that:
 diameter(G) = dist(x, y) ≤ dist(x, z) + dist(z, y) ≤ e(z) + e(z) = 2 · radius(G)



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- In hyper-graph H it holds that e(v) = 2 ∀ v ∈ E(G), while it holds that e(v₁) = e(v₂) = 3 and e(u₁) = e(u₂) = 4, hence the graph G consists the center of graph H.

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Vertex Distance is defined as the sum of the distances between a specific vertex and all the vertices of the graph.

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 $dist(v_1) =$





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Input: Matrix D (Floyd) with the Distances of the vertices of a graph G Output: The Center of the graph G.

1. For i=1:1:n

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2. dist(i)← 0
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- 3. For j=1:1:n
- 4. if $(i \neq j \text{ AND } D(i,j) > dist(i))$
- 5. $dist(i) \leftarrow D(i,j)$
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- 8. if(dist(i)<dist(Center))
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Algorithm Median Computation

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• Diameter of a Graph

• The Diameter of a graph is defined to be the longest shortest path exhibited across all possible pairs of vertices.

Algorithm Diameter Computation

Input: A graph G = (V, E) with vertices 1,2, ..., n

Output: The value of the Diameter of the Graph.

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Set MaxLength \leftarrow 0
1.
       For i=1:1:n
2.
             dist(i) \leftarrow \infty and flag(i) \leftarrow false
3.
       For i=1:1:n
4.
       temp \leftarrow 0, dist(i) \leftarrow \infty and flag(i) \leftarrow true
5.
       Enqueue(Q,i)
6.
       while \mathbf{Q} \neq \text{isnull}();
7.
                 u ← Dequeue(Q)
8.
                 \forall (\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) \in \boldsymbol{E}(\boldsymbol{G})
9.
                    if flag(v)=false
10.
                        flag(v) \leftarrow true and dist(v) \leftarrow dist(u)+1
11.
                       if dist(v) > temp
12.
                           temp \leftarrow dist(v)
13.
                           Enqueue(Q,v)
14.
       if MaxLenth < temp
15.
           MaxLength ← temp
16.
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- In applications of Graph Theory, the term **Centrality** identify the most <u>important vertices</u> within a graph.
- Centrality indices are answers to the question "What characterizes an important vertex?", while the word "importance" has a wide number of meanings, leading to many different definitions of centrality.
- Regarding the criteria deployed to measure centrality, it can be categorized to the following types:
 - 1. Degree Centrality
 - 2. Closeness Centrality
 - 3. Betweeness Centrality



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- The **Degree Centrality** of a vertex v, for a given graph G = (V, E) with |V| vertices and |E| edges, is defined as:

 $C_D(v) = \deg(v)$



- In a connected graph, the normalized **Closeness Centrality** of a node is the average length of the shortest path between the node and all other nodes in the graph.
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where d(y,x) is the distance between vertices x and y.

• In order to adjust the formula to compare graphs of different sizes, the normalized form is computed, given by the previous formula multiplied by N-1, where N is the number of nodes in the graph.

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• Taking distances from or to all other nodes is irrelevant in undirected graphs, whereas it can produce totally different results in directed graphs.

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- The **Betweenness Centrality** of a vertex v in a graph G=(V,E) with V vertices is computed as follows:
 - 1. For each pair of vertices (s,t), compute the shortest paths between them.
 - 2. For each pair of vertices (s,t), determine the fraction of shortest paths that pass through the vertex in question (here, vertex v).
 - 3. Sum this fraction over all pairs of vertices (s,t).



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- where σ_{st} is total number of shortest paths from node s to node t and $\sigma_{st}(v)$ is the number of those paths that pass through v.
- The betweenness may be normalised by dividing through the number of pairs of vertices not including *v*, which:
 - for directed graphs is (n-1)(n-2) and
 - for undirected graphs is (n-1)(n-2)/2 (n-1)(n-2)/2.



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- For example, in an undirected star graph, the center vertex (which is contained in every possible shortest path) would have a betweenness of (n-1)(n-2)/2 (n-1)(n-2)/2 (1, if normalised) while the leaves (which are contained in no shortest paths) would have a betweenness of 0.

• Eulerian Graphs



• The Seven Bridges of Königsberg is a historically notable problem in mathematics. Its negative resolution by Leonhard Euler in 1736 laid the foundations of graph theory and prefigured the idea of topology.



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- The city of Königsberg in Prussia (now Kaliningrad, Russia) was set on both sides of the Pregel River, and included two large islands - Kneiphof and Lomse - which were connected to each other, or to the two mainland portions of the city, by seven bridges.
- The problem was to <u>devise a walk through the city that would cross</u> <u>each of those bridges once and only once</u>.



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- By way of specifying the logical task unambiguously, explicitly unacceptable solutions involved either:
 - a) reaching an island/mainland bank other than via one of the bridges, or
 - b) accessing any bridge without crossing to its other end are.



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• Euler proved that the problem has no solution. The difficulty he faced was the development of a suitable technique of analysis, and of subsequent tests that established this assertion with mathematical rigor.




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each land mass with an abstract "vertex" or node, and each bridge with an abstract connection, an "edge", which only serves to record which pair of vertices is connected by that bridge.



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- Next, Euler observed that (except at the endpoints of the walk), whenever one enters a vertex by a bridge, one leaves the vertex by a bridge.
 - During any walk in the graph, the number of times one enters a nonterminal vertex equals the number of times one leaves it.
 - If every bridge has been traversed exactly once, it follows that, for each land mass (except start/finish), the number of bridges touching that land mass must be even (half "toward" and half "away" from the landmass).
 - All four of the land masses in the original problem are touched by an odd number of bridges (one is touched by 5 bridges, and each of the other three is touched by 3).
 - Since, at most, two land masses can serve as the endpoints of a walk, the proposition of a walk traversing each bridge once leads to a contradiction.



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 - Deploying DFS and the Theorem
 - > In linear time O(n + m)



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- □ **Theorem:** A simple connected graph G=(V,E) is Eulerian iff each of its edges belongs to an odd number of cycles.

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Proof.

Necessity of Condition:

If there exists Eulerian Circuit (resp., open trace), then G should be connected and the number of odd-degree vertices should be 0 (resp., 2).

Sufficiency of Condition: (Inductively on the number of edges)

a) If |E| = 2, the truth is obvious. Let the proposition is truth for |E| > 2. Let us assume that graph *G* contains two vertices of odd degree (let, v_1 , v_2). Let as assume a walk from vertex v_i (v_1 if there exist odd-degree vertices). Let the walk *W* cross various vertices until it reaches vertex v_j , without omitting the corresponding edges. If the graph *G* does not contain odd-degree edges, then $v_j = v_i$, else $v_i = v_2$.

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 - 4. It can be constructed an Eulerian circuit (or open trace) for the graph *G* by introducing the Eulerian circuits of the components of the subgraph *G*' to the walk *W*.

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• Discovering Eulerian Circuits in Graphs

- Let us assume that we follow a naive approach of discovering an Eulerian circuit in a given graph,
 - o starting from an arbitrary vertex and
 - o proceeding over the edges that have not been examined yet.
- ... such an approach does not guarantee that it can discover the circuit!
- A graph is called **arbitrarily traceable** from vertex v, if it is guaranteed that we can draw a closed trace based on the previous naive approach starting from vertex v.





• Discovering Eulerian Circuits in Graphs

- Algorithms to discover Eulerian circuits in graphs.
 - Hierholtzer (1873): Concatenation of circuits

• Fleury (1883): Gradual extension of tract T_i , avoiding bridges in the subgraph $G - E(T_i)$ unless there is no other option.

• Tucker (1976): Vertex split as to form individual cycles and concatenation of cycles.



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• <u>Hierholtzer</u>

Input: A connected graph G = (V, E) with vertices of even degree Output: An Eulerian circuit of graph G.

- 1. Select a vertex $v \in V$ creating circuit C_0 selecting edges $\notin C_0$
- 2. Set $i \leftarrow 0$
- 3. If $E(C_i) = E(G)$
 - $C = C_i$ is an Eulerian Circuit
- 4. Else
- 5. Select a vertex v_i of C_i adjacent to an edge in C_i and proceed by constructing another circuit C'_i starting wit vertex v_i inside the subgraph $G - E(C_i)$
- 6. From the circuits C_i and C'_i , construct a hyper-circuit C_{i+1} starting from vertex v_{i-1} crossing circuit C_i and continuing to circuit C'_i frinishing to vertex v_i
- 7. $i \leftarrow i + 1$
- 8. Goto step 3.

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• <u>Fleury</u>

Input: A connected graph G = (V, E) with vertices of even degree Output: An Eulerian circuit of graph G.

- 1. Select a vertex $v_0 \in V$ as first vertex of the trace
- 2. Set $\mathbf{T}_0 \leftarrow (V_0)$ and $\mathbf{i} \leftarrow \mathbf{0}$
- 3. Let the trace $\mathbf{T}_i = (v_0, e_1, v_1, ..., e_i, v_i)$
- 4. From vertex v_i Select arbitrarily an edge $e_{i+1} \notin T_i$ that is not a bridge in the subgraph $G E(T_i)$, unless there is no other option.

5. Define path
$$T_{i+1} = (T_i, e_{i+1}, v_{i+1})$$

$$6. \quad i \leftarrow i + 1$$

7. If
$$(i = |E|)$$

- $C = T_i$ is an Eulerian circuit
- 8. Else

Goto step 3.



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• <u>Tucker</u>

Input: A connected graph G = (V, E) with vertices of even degree Output: An Eulerian circuit of graph G.

- 1. Split the vertices until there exist only vertices of degree "2"
- 2. Let G_1 the produced graph
- 3. *i* ← 1
- 4. Let c_1 the even number of components of graph G_1
- 5. If $c_i = 1$ $C = G_i$ is Eulerian circuit
- 6. Else

Search two components T and T' of G_i having v_i as common vertex

- 7. Construct circuit C_{i+1} starting from vertex v_i , crossing T and T' finishing to v_i
- 8. Define graph $G_{i+1} = G_i \{T, T'\} \cup C_{i+1}$
- 9. $C_{-}(i+1)$ is a component of the subgraph G_{i+1}
- 10. $T = C_{i+1}$
- 11. $i \leftarrow i + 1$
- 12. Let c_i is the number of components of subgraph G_i
- 13. Goto step 5

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- <u>find a shortest closed path or circuit that visits every edge</u> of an (connected) undirected graph.
- When the graph has an <u>Eulerian circuit</u> that is an optimal solution.
- Otherwise, the optimization problem is to find the smallest number of graph edges to duplicate (or the subset of edges with the minimum possible total weight) so that the resulting multigraph does have an Eulerian circuit.
- It may be solved in polynomial time.



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- A graph G is called **traceable** if it has Hamiltonian path.
- Every Hamiltonian graph is traceable, but the inverse does not hold.
- A graph *G* is called **homogeneously traceable** if there exists a Hamiltonian path starting from a random vertex.
- A graph G is called **hypo-Hamiltonian**, if G is not Hamiltonian but the graph G v is Hamiltonian.
- Every hypo-Hamiltonian graph is homogeneously traceable, but the inverse does not hold.
- A graph *G* is called **Hamiltonian-connected** if every two vertices are connected by a Hamiltonian path.
- Every Hamiltonian-connected graph where $n \ge 3$ is Hamiltonian, but the inverse does not hold.



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 - A Hamiltonian graph cycle has length n.
 - The graph may has at most (n-1)/2 cycles of different edges.
 - It has to be proven that is has exactly as many cycles ...

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• Theorem 3 (Dirac, 1952): If G is a simple graph with $n \ge 3$ vertices and it holds that $d(G) \ge n/2$, then the graph is Hamiltonian.

- Let us assume that there exist k new vertices connected to all the vertices of G.
- Let that k is as small as possible as the produced graph G' to be Hamiltonian.
- We will assume that $k \ge 0$ and we will result to contradiction.

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- Let us assume $C = (v, p, w, \dots, v)$ a Hamiltonian cycle of graph G', where v, w are vertices of G, while vertex p is one of the k vertices.
- Vertices v, w are not adjacent, otherwise vertex p could be bypassed negating the assumption that k is as small as possible.
- A vertex w' adjacent to w, can not appear after a vertex v' that is adjacent to v, because the sequence v → p → w → … → v' → w' → … → v could be substituted with the sequence v → v' → … → w → w' → … → v, inverting the part between w and v',

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- The of vertices of G' that are adjacent to w are at least n/2 + k
- Since there does not exist a vertex in G' that is both adjacent and nonadjacent to w, it follows that the total number n + k of the vertices of G' is no less than n + 2k ... which is a contradiction.

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• Corollary: If the simple graph G with $n \ge 3$ vertices and it holds that $d(G) \ge (n-1)/2$, then the graph has a Hamiltonian path.

- Let the hyper graph $H = G + K_1$, and let v a vertex of $H \notin V(G)$.
- Since the hyper graph H is of order n + 1, it holds that $d(H) = d(G) \ge (n 1)/2 + 1 = (n + 1)/2$.
- From Dirac's Theorem, the graph H has a Hamiltonian cycle.
- Then, omitting vertex v it results to a Hamiltonian path.

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Theorem 4 (Ore 1960): If the simple graph G with n ≥ 3 vertices and for all its non-adjacent vertices x and y it holds that d(x) + d(y) ≥ n, then the graph G is Hamiltonian.

- Let us assume that the proposition of the Theorem is false.
- Then, there exist a non-Hamiltonian graph G with n vertices and the maximum number of edges, in order for our assumption to be satisfied.
 - If we add one extra edge (x, y) on this graph between the vertices x and y, then the graph H = G + (x, y) will be Hamiltonian.
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 - In the graph *G* there exist a Hamiltonian path $P = (v_1, v_2, ..., v_n)$, where $v_1 = x$ and $v_n = y$.
 - If in this graph G, vertex x is adjacent to v_i , then it is not possible vertex v_n to be adjacent to vertex v_{i-1} , because then graph G there would exist a Hamiltonian cycle $(x, v_i, v_{i+1}, ..., v_n, v_{i-1}, v_{i-2}, ..., v_1)$.

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• Theorem 5 (Bondy & Chvatal, 1976): Let G be a simple graph, where for two distinct non adjacent vertices x and y it holds that $d(x) + d(y) \ge n$. Then the graph G is Hamiltonian iff the graph G + (x, y) is Hamiltonian.

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 - The "only if" is proven following the same process as in Ore's Theorem.

• Discovering Hamiltonian Cycles

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- Check if the inputs of M^* are Hamiltonian paths /cycles.



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- Let a graph G with n = 5 vertices ...
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- Utilizing these matrices we proceed to sequential matrix multiplications in order to construct matrices: $M_j = M_{j-1} * M$, 1 < j < n, where, for each element (r,s) of M_j it holds that: $M_{j(r,s)} = \sum_{t=1}^n M_{j-1}(r,t) * M(t,s)$

and the symbol " * " indicates the concatenation of the corresponding elements of the two matrices M_{j-1} and M, if both the elements are non-zero, while the symbol of the element of M is not included in the symbol of element in M_{j-1} (Hadamard Product).









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| $M_1(1,:)$ | $\rightarrow 0$ | AB | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
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 $M_2(1,3) = \sum_{t=1}^{5} M_1(1,t) * M(t,3)$

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 $M_2 = M_1 * M$

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| BCEA | 0 | 0 | BCED | BCDE |
| CDEA | CEAB CDEB | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| 0 | CDEAB | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | DEABC | 0 | 0 |
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- Passing only once from each city ...
- Passing more than once from each city ...
 - If the graph G is an Euclidean graph (i.e., it holds the triangle inequality for every three vertices that form a triangle), it is not preferable for the salesman to pass more than once from the cities already visited.
 - The number of Hamiltonian cycles in an Euclidean graph is (n − 1)!/2.
 Starting from an origin city, the salesman can move to n − 1 cities, then to n − 2 cities, to n − 3,..., etc., while the destination counts twice.





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• <u>The "TSP" Problem:</u>

- Passing only once from each city ...
- Passing more than once from each city ...
 - Brute Force on (n-1)!/2 Hamiltonian cycles $\rightarrow O(n^n)$
 - Dynamic Programming (Branch and Bound) $\rightarrow O(n^2 2^n)$



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I can't find an efficient algorithm, but neither can all these famous people.

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• <u>Reduction:</u>

The most important method (tool) to prove that a problem P belongs to a complexity class is the reduction?

♦ Given a problem A we transform the instance p₁ of problem A to the instance p₂ of problem B, such that a solution to p₂ to provide a solution to p₁ (i.e., A ≤ B or A→B).



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The most important method (tool) to prove that a problem P belongs to a complexity class is the reduction?

$A \leq B$ or $A \rightarrow B$ (R reduction)

- □ If p_1 is a "YES" instance of problem A, then the R reduction will produce a "YES" instance p_2 (i.e., $p_2 = R(p_1)$) of problem B.
- □ If p_1 is a "NO" instance of problem A, then the R reduction will produce a "NO" instance p_2 (i.e., $p_2 = R(p_1)$) of problem B.
- □ Utilizing set-notation we should prove that the *R* reduction is of polynomial time and that $p_1 \in A$ iff $p_2 \in B$ (*A* and *B* are sets of instances having the property *P*, i.e., "YES" satisfiability of *P*)
- □ Then we say that the problem A is reduced to B, or equivalently that we can utilize the solution of B to solve A.



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- Reversing the Lemma: If problem A is reduced to B in polynomial time, and problem A can be solved in exponential time, then problem B should be solved in exponential time.
- □ This form of reduction we will deploy in order to prove that many problems of graph theory, like TSP in our case, are hard to be solved.

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• Theorem (TSP \in NP-Comlpete):



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 - 2. If not, then it returns "NO" and terminates
 - 3. Else, it checks if the sum of the weights of C's edges is $\leq k$
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 - The steps followed in the verifier are implemented in polynomial time.



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- 2. There exists a known to be NP-Complete problem A and $A \leq TSP$
 - We select *A* =Hamiltonian cycle (HAMC)
 - Hamiltonian cycle in a simple connected graph G is a closed path that passes from each vertex of G.
 - HAMC \in NP-Complete
 - HAMC \leq TSP

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- 2. There exists a known to be NP-complete problem A and $A \leq TSP$
 - Let p_1 an instance of the HAMC by the graph G = (V, E)
 - We construct a new complete weighted graph G' = (V', E'): V' = V and define a weight function $w: E' \to \{1,2\}$ such that

 $\forall (i,j) \in E', w_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, if \ (i,j) \in E \\ 2, if \ (i,j) \notin E \end{cases}$

- Finally we set k = |V| G=(V,E) G=(V,E) G=(V,E) G=(V,E) G=(V,E) G=(V,E)G=(V,E)
- In order to complete the reduction we should prove that the graph G has HAMC *if f* the produced graph G' has HAMC $\leq K = |V|$
• The Traveling Salesman Problem



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 - (\Rightarrow)
 - Let G has a Hamiltonian cycle W.
 - Then, G' has also the Hamiltonian cycle W since it has the same vertex set with G while $E \subseteq E'$.
 - Since all the vertices of W in G' have weight 1 it follows that cycle W has weight in G' equal to k = |V|.

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- 2. The graph *G* has HAMC *iff* the produce graph *G*' has HAMC $\leq K = |V|$
 - Let G has a Hamiltonian cycle W with weight $\leq k = |V|$.
 - Then, the cycle W can not include any of the edges of E' that do not belong to E, as they have weight 2 and hence the |V| edges of W can not have total weight ≤ |V|.
 - Hence, the initial graph G has a Hamiltonian cycle W

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- Indeed the graph G' can be produced from G in polynomial time!
- Hence, since

 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \circ \ TSP \in \ NP \ \text{and} \\ \circ \ HAMC \leq \ TSP \end{array} \right\} \implies TSP \in NP - complete$



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$$\min\sum_{(i,j)\in W} w_{ij}$$



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- Having an algorithm that solves the Decision TSP in polynomial time, would it solve the Optimization TSP in polynomial time too?
- If we had an algorithm let A_d for the Decision TSP problem, then it would return "YES" if there would exist Hamiltonian cycle of weight ≤ k, or it would return "NO" otherwise.



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- Let M the maximum weight of the edges of graph G, we search the value of k in the range [0, nM] and apply the algorithm A_d



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[0, 1, 2, 3, ..., m - 1, m, m + 1, ..., nM - 1, nM]

• k = 0, If A_d returns "NO", then k + +



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• k = m, If A_d returns "YES", then *exit*



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• Algorithm A_d will be executed at most O(nM) times (worst case) Hence, if A_d is polynomial then A_{opt} is polynomial too. $\mathbf{232}$



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o Decision TSP & Optimization TSP

• Decision TSP: Given a complete undirected graph G, with weighted edges $w_{ij} \in N, \forall (i,j) \in E(G)$ and a number $k \in N$, find if there exists a Hamiltonian cycle W in G, such that the sum of the weights on the edges to be $\leq k$?

 $\sum_{(i,j)\in W} w_{ij} \le k$

• The performance of the Optimization TSP is close enough to the performance of the Decision TSP.



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• Independent-Set: We are given a graph of n vertices and an integer k.

We are asked to find an I.S. of k vertices, where each pair of vertices in the set are disjoint, or to point out that there does not exist such a set.







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- Correlation between Boolean Logic and Graphs
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- In order to set an option from each triangle/term, we set *k* = the cardinality of the terms.
- It is needed a method that would deter us from selecting opposite elements, i.e., x and \overline{x} .

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For each variable x, set S contains no vertices with labels x and \bar{x} . We assign x = true if s contains vertex with label x and x = false if S contains vertex with label \bar{x} . Since |S| = k, it should contain a vertex per term. Such an assignment satisfies all terms.



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It is adequate to prove that if the logical formula I has a satisfying truth assignment, then G has an Independent Set S of size k. Hence, for each term of the 3SAT we select an element which its value in the satisfying truth assignment is true and add the corresponding vertex in S.



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• Approximation Algorithms on TSP

Heuristic Sub-Optimal Solutions:

Greedy TSP with DFS

- 1) Select a random vertex v_0
- 2) set $i \leftarrow 1$ and $l(v) \leftarrow 0$
- 3) while (\exists unmarked vertices)
- 4) select the edge with the less weight, from the edges that connect vertex v with an unmarked vertex w.

5) set
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select the lightest edge e adjacent to one of the two terminal vertices of P_i such that no cycle with the peaks of P_i to be created.

- 5) Construct the path $P_{i+1} = (P_i \cup e)$
- 6) Set $i \leftarrow i + 1$.
- 7) Goto step 3

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| Path | Weight |
|---------------|--------|
| 3-6 | 2 |
| 3-6-5 | 38 |
| 3-6-5-4 | 59 |
| 3-6-5-4-2 | 129 |
| 3-6-5-4-2-1 | 142 |
| 3-6-5-4-2-1-3 | 193 |



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 - search for a vertex v_i that \notin in the circle C_i and are closest to a pair in sequential vertices $\{v_i, v_{i+1}\} \in C_i$.
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|---------------|--------|
| 3 | ••• |
| 3-6-3 | |
| 3-6-5-3 | |
| 3-6-5-4-3 | |
| 3-6-1-5-4-3 | ••• |
| 3-6-2-1-5-4-3 | 192 |



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|-----------------|--------|
| (3,1,2,5,4,6,3) | 212 |
| (1,2,3,5,4,6,1) | 237 |
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- 3) If (for some i, j occurs $w(v_i, v_j) + w(v_{i+1}, v_{j+1}) < w(v_i, v_{i+1}) + w(v_j, v_{j+1})$) set $C = C_{i,j}$.
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• Infinite Graphs



- Vertices are points of the plane with integer coordinates, while the edges join vertices at a distance of 1
- In infinite graphs there is no Eulerian circuit or Hamiltonian circle, but there are corresponding paths
- An "one-way" Eulerian / Hamiltonian path is the path that starts from a vertex and expands infinitely (space filling curve)



Peano/z-order





• Magic Squares

• The rows, columns and diagonals have an equal sum

| 16 | 3 | 2 | 13 | 23 | 1 | 2 | 20 | 19 |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 5 | 10 | 11 | 8 | 22 | 16 | 9 | 14 | 4 |
| 0 | 6 | 7 | 12 | 5 | 11 | 13 | 15 | 21 |
| 9 | 0 | / | 12 | 8 | 12 | 17 | 10 | 18 |
| 4 | 15 | 14 | 1 | 7 | 25 | 24 | 6 | 3 |

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- Magic squares algorithms (odd order):
 - <u>Bachet method (with rhombus)</u>
 - By tricking the three random numbers (eg 3,2,5)
 - Replacing unnecessary numbers 3-17 in positions 1-9
 - Adding the same number to each position





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- **Magic** is called the graph where the sum of their inscriptions of edges that fall on all nodes is equal
- **Theorem**: if a bipartite graph can be decomposed into 2 Hamiltonian circles, then the graph is magical
- Antimagic is called the graph where the sums of inscriptions of the edges of all vertices is not equal.
- Number of magic objects (squares, dominoes, polygons, etc)