I618 Advanced Computer Science II (Part II)



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Introduction

- Representative approaches to (*NP*-)hard problems are...
 - approximation algorithms
 - exact algorithms with exponential time
 - restrictions on inputs
 - some special graph classes

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A graph *G*=(*V*,*E*) is an *intersection graph* over set *V* of objects iff {*v*,*u*} is in *E* if and only if corresponding objects are overlapping.

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 - typical intersection graphs
 - many applications
 - □ matrix manipulation, bioinformatics, scheduling, ...
 - many useful graph theoretic properties
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1960 [Berge]: Strong Perfect Graph Conjecture

2002 [Chudnovsky, Cojnuejols, Liu, Seymour, and Vuskovic]: Strong Perfect Graph Theorem

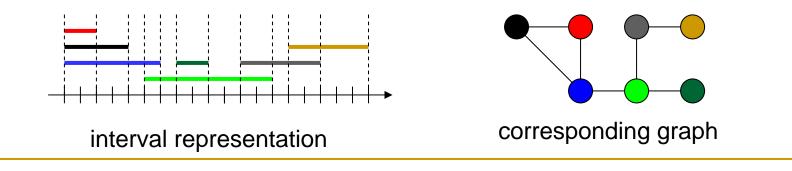
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 - Many *NP*-hard problems become *tractable* on those graph classes
 - Several problems are still hard on those graph classes

[Today's Goal] For any given interval graph, its maximum clique can be found in linear time. (C.f., the maximum clique problem is \mathcal{NP} complete in general.)

- Simplest intersection graphs
 - Since 195?- (Hajos (Graph theorist) & Benzer (Biologist))

[Definition 1] A graph G=(V,E) with $V=\{v_1,v_2,...,v_n\}$ is an *interval* graph if and only if there is a set \mathcal{I} of intervals $\{I_1, I_2,..., I_n\}$ such that $\{v_i, v_j\} \in E$ if and only if I_i intersects I_j . We call \mathcal{I} an *interval representation* of G.



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- Interval representations of an interval graph
 - □ is an interval open or closed?
 - open... e.g., (1,5) does not contain the value 5.
 - *closed...* e.g., [2,8] contains the value 8.
 - Let C_o , C_c , C_m be the classes of interval graphs that consist of open intervals, closed intervals, and mixed, respectively.

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(Proof) We show that $\bigcirc C_{o} \subseteq C_{c} \oslash C_{c} \subseteq C_{m}$ and $\bigcirc C_{m} \subseteq C_{o}$.

[Notation]

For an interval I, we denote the left endpoint by L(I), and the right endpoint by R(I).

(1) Let \mathcal{I}_{o} be an interval representation of an interval graph G such that \mathcal{I}_{o} only contains <u>open</u> intervals. Then, we construct \mathcal{I}_{c} that is an interval representation of G and \mathcal{I}_{c} only contains <u>closed</u> intervals as follows.

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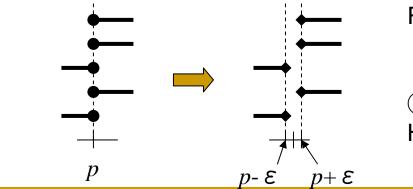
Interval representations of an interval graph

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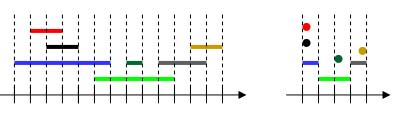
For each point *p* that is an endpoint of at least one interval, we modify the intervals as follows for sufficiently small ε :



Repeating this process, we can obtain a closed interval representation \mathcal{I}_{c} of *G*.

(2) is trivial, and (3) is similar to (1). Hence we have the theorem. \Box

- Interval representations of an interval graph
 - Hereafter,
 - By Theorem 1, we assume that all intervals are <u>closed</u>.
 - All endpoints are integers, and leftmost endpoint is <u>0</u>.
 - We have two natural interval models;
 - 1. Each endpoint takes distinct value in [0..2n-1] with *n* vertices (conversely, each integer in [0..2n-1] corresponds to exactly one endpoint).
 - 2. We admit L(I)=R(I), that is, the length of an interval can be 0, and intervals have *no redundancy*.



We call the second type "compact representation".

[Notation] For a point p, let N[p] denote the set of intervals that contain p.

Compact interval representations of an interval graph

[Definition 2] An interval representation \mathcal{I} is called *compact* if it satisfies the following conditions;

- 1. (all endpoints are integers and the leftmost endpoint is 0,)
- 2. each integer *i* corresponds to at least one endpoint with $0 \le i \le k$ for some positive integer *k*, and
- 3. for each integer i with $0 \leq i < k$, we have $N[i] \not\subset N[i+1]$ and $N[i+1] \not\subset N[i]$.



[Notation] For an interval representation \mathcal{I} , we denote by $L(\mathcal{I}) \coloneqq \min_{I \in \mathcal{I}} L(I)$ and by $R(\mathcal{I}) \coloneqq \max_{I \in \mathcal{I}} R(I)$

Compact interval representations of an interval graph

[Theorem 2] Let \mathcal{I} be a compact interval representation of a *connected* interval graph G=(V,E) of *n* vertices with $n \ge 2$. Then $L(\mathcal{I})=0$ and $R(\mathcal{I})=k$ for some integer *k*. Then, $k \le n-2$.

[Lemma 1] Let \mathcal{I} be a compact interval representation of a *connected* interval graph G=(V,E). Then there exists an interval $I \in \mathcal{I}$ such that [L(I),R(I)]=[0,0].

(Proof) of Lemma 1. We have two cases;

- 1. $[L(\mathcal{I}), R(\mathcal{I})] = [0,0]$ (C.f. *G* is a complete graph): Trivial.
- 2. $R(\mathcal{I})>0$: If there are no such intervals, we have N[1]=N[2]or $N[1] \subset N[2]$. Both cases contradict to the assumption that \mathcal{I} is a <u>compact</u> interval representation. \square

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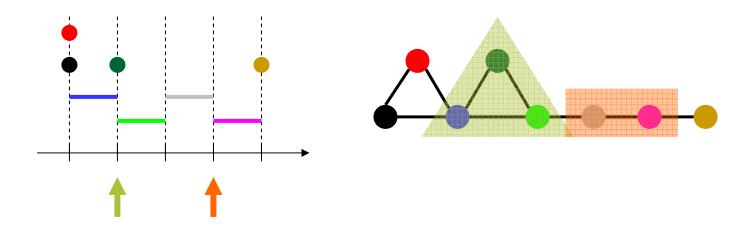
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(Proof) of Theorem 2. We prove by induction for *k*.

- *k*=0: The graph *G* is a complete graph, and easy to see that $k \leq n-2$.
- 2. k>0: By Lemma 1, there are x intervals I with R[I]=L[I]=0 with x>0. We then remove them from \mathcal{I} and obtain \mathcal{I}' with n-x intervals. Then, by the inductive hypothesis, we have $k-1 \leq n-x-2$. Hence we have $k \leq n-2$ since x>0.

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- Compact interval representations of an interval graph
- [Theorem 3] Let \mathcal{I} be a compact interval representation of a connected interval graph G=(V,E) of n vertices with $n \ge 2$. Then N[i] induces a maximal clique of G for each i in $[L(\mathcal{I}), R(\mathcal{I})]$. Moreover, each maximal clique M of G satisfies M=N[i] for some i. That is, they make one-to-one mapping.



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- (Proof) of latter half which says a maximal clique *M* satisfies M=N[i] for some *i*.
- To derive a <u>contradiction</u>, we assume that there are no such index *i*. Let *i*' be the index such that $|N(i') \cap M| \ge |N(i'') \cap M|$ for any other *i*''. Then there is an interval I_j such that $v_j \in M$ and I_j $\notin N[i]$. Without loss of generality, we assume that $R(I_j) < i$.
- By assumption of *i*', there is a vertex $v_k \in M$ such that $I_k \in N(i')$ and $I_k \notin N[R(I_j)]$ since $|N(i') \cap M| \ge |N(R(I_j)) \cap M|$ and $I_j \in N(R(I_j))$ -N(i'). Then, I_k and I_j cannot intersect, which contradicts that Mcontains v_k and v_j .

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(Proof) of former half which says *N*[*i*] induces a maximal clique *M* for each *i*.

- It is easy to see that N[i] induces a clique *C*. Hence we show *C* is maximal. To derive a contradiction, we assume that $C \subseteq M$ for some maximal clique *M*.
- Then, by the latter half of the proof, there exists j such that N[j] induces M. Without loss of generality, we assume i < j.
- Then, it is not difficult to see that there are two indices i and j' with $i \leq i' < j' \leq j$ such that $N[i'] \subset N[j']$, which contradicts that \mathcal{I} is compact.

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[Theorem 4] Any connected interval graph G=(V,E) with |V|>1 has at most |V|-1 maximal cliques.

(Proof) Immediately from Theorems 2 & 3. □

[Theorem 5] For any connected interval graph G=(V,E) given in a compact interval representation form, its maximum clique can be found in O(|V|) time.

(Proof) Roughly, sweep the interval representation and check
N[i] for each integer i. Details will be discussed in the future class with suitable data structure. □