

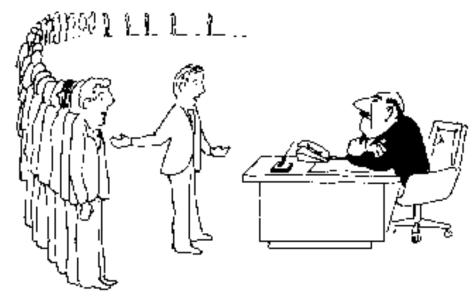
Richard Anderson Lecture 29 Coping with NP-Completeness Complexity Theory

#### Announcements

- Final exam,
  - Monday, December 9, 2:30-4:20 pm
  - Comprehensive (2/3 post midterm, 1/3 pre midterm)
  - Old finals / answers on course website
  - Material covered in lecture
    - Kleinberg, Tardos, Sections 1.1 8.10
  - Unlikely to be on the exam
    - 2.5, 4.8, 5.6, 6.9, 7.3, 7.4, 7.13, 8.9

## Coping with NP-Completeness

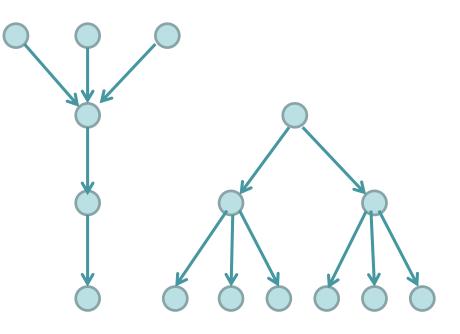
- Approximation Algorithms
- Exact solution via Branch and Bound
- Local Search



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

## **Multiprocessor Scheduling**

- Unit execution tasks
- Precedence graph
- K-Processors
- Polynomial time for k=2
- Open for k = constant
- NP-complete is k is part of the problem

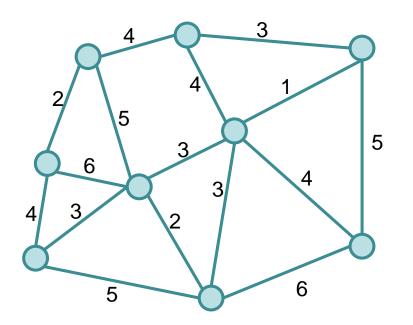


## Highest level first is 2-Optimal

Choose k items on the highest level Claim: number of rounds is at least twice the optimal.

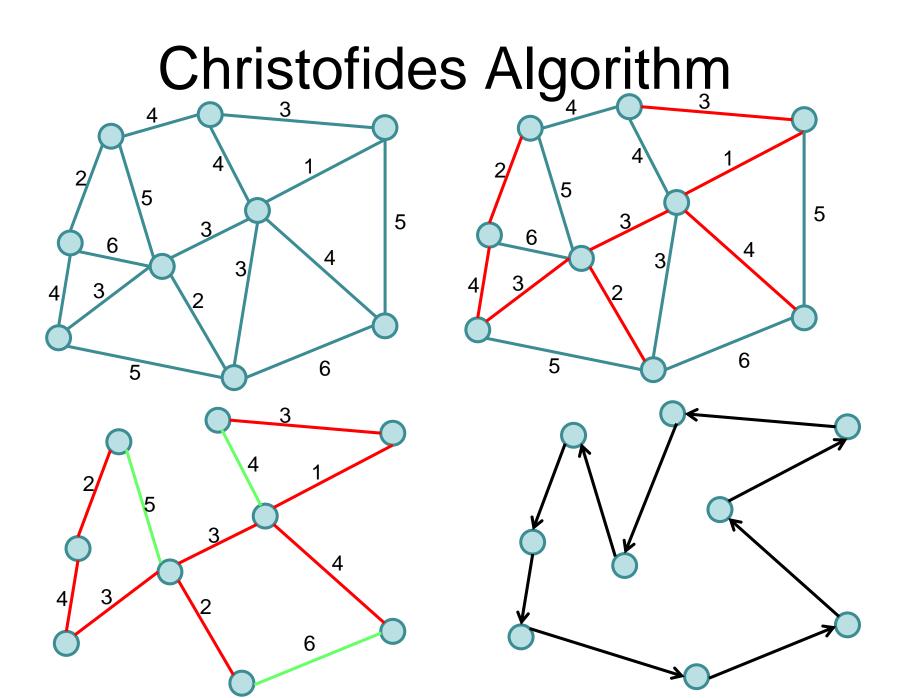
## Christofides TSP Algorithm

 Undirected graph satisfying triangle inequality



- 1. Find MST
- 2. Add additional edges so that all vertices have even degree
- 3. Build Eulerian Tour

#### 3/2 Approximation



## **Bin Packing**

- Given N items with weight w<sub>i</sub>, pack the items into as few unit capacity bins as possible
- Example: .3, .3, .3, .3, .4, .4

## First Fit Packing

- First Fit
  - Theorem: FF(I) is at most 17/10 Opt(I) + 2
- First Fit Decreasing

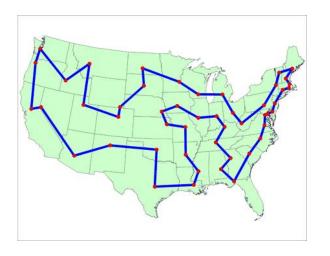
- Theorem: FFD(I) is at most 11/9 Opt (I) + 4

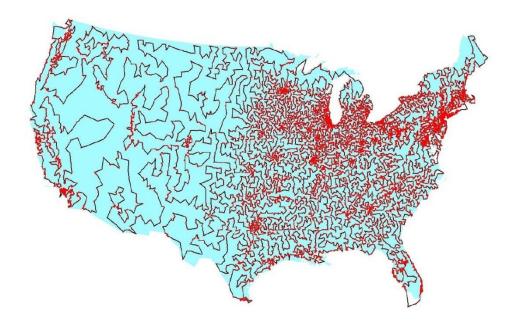
### **Branch and Bound**

- Brute force search tree of all possible solutions
- Branch and bound compute a lower bound on all possible extensions
  - Prune sub-trees that cannot be better than optimal

## Branch and Bound for TSP

- Enumerate all possible paths
- Lower bound, Current path cost plus MST of remaining points
- Euclidean TSP
  - Points on the plane with Euclidean Distance
  - Sample data set: State Capitals



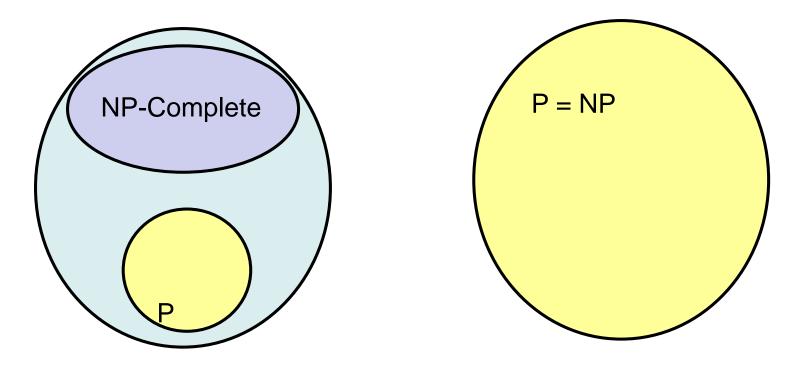


## Local Optimization

- Improve an optimization problem by local improvement
  - Neighborhood structure on solutions
  - Travelling Salesman 2-Opt (or K-Opt)
  - Independent Set Local Replacement

#### What we don't know

• P vs. NP

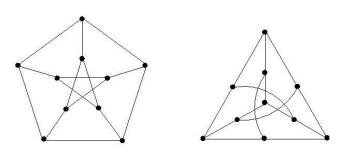


# If P != NP, is there anything in between

- Yes, Ladner [1975]
- Problems not known to be in P or NP Complete
  - Factorization
  - Discrete Log

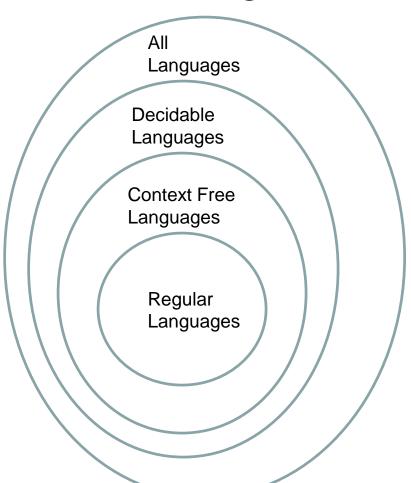
Solve  $g^k = b$  over a finite group

- Graph Isomorphism



## **Complexity Theory**

- Computational requirements to recognize
   languages
- Models of Computation
- Resources
- Hierarchies



## Time complexity

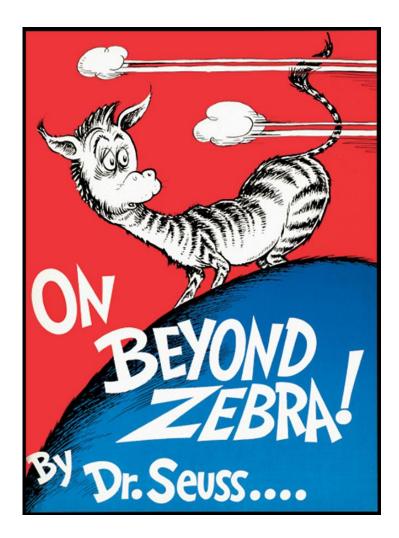
- P: (Deterministic) Polynomial Time
- NP: Non-deterministic Polynomial Time
- EXP: Exponential Time

## Space Complexity

- Amount of Space (Exclusive of Input)
- L: Logspace, problems that can be solved in O(log n) space for input of size n
  - Related to Parallel Complexity

• PSPACE, problems that can be required in a polynomial amount of space

#### So what is beyond NP?



### NP vs. Co-NP

• Given a Boolean formula, is it true for some choice of inputs

Given a Boolean formula, is it true for all choices of inputs

### Problems beyond NP

 Exact TSP, Given a graph with edge lengths and an integer K, does the minimum tour have length K

 Minimum circuit, Given a circuit C, is it true that there is no smaller circuit that computes the same function a C

## **Polynomial Hierarchy**

- Level 1
  - $-\exists X_1 \Phi(X_1), \forall X_1 \Phi(X_1)$
- Level 2  $- \forall X_1 \exists X_2 \Phi(X_1, X_2), \exists X_1 \forall X_2 \Phi(X_1, X_2)$
- Level 3

 $- \forall X_1 \exists X_2 \forall X_3 \Phi(X_1, X_2, X_3), \exists X_1 \forall X_2 \exists X_3 \Phi(X_1, X_2, X_3)$ 

## **Polynomial Space**

- Quantified Boolean Expressions  $- \exists X_1 \forall X_2 \exists X_3 ... \exists X_{n-1} \forall X_n \Phi(X_1, X_2, X_3 ... X_{n-1} X_n)$
- Space bounded games
  - Competitive Facility Location Problem
  - N x N Chess
- Counting problems

   The number of Hamiltonian Circuits

