

Foundations Of Algorithms

The last few years have seen important advances in the use of genetic algorithms to address challenging optimization problems in industrial engineering. Genetic Algorithms and Engineering Design is the only book to cover the most recent technologies and their application to manufacturing, presenting a comprehensive and fully up-to-date treatment of genetic algorithms in industrial engineering and operations research. Beginning with a tutorial on genetic algorithm fundamentals and their use in solving constrained and combinatorial optimization problems, the book applies these techniques to problems in specific areas--sequencing, scheduling and production plans, transportation and vehicle routing, facility layout, location-allocation, and more. Each topic features a clearly written problem description, mathematical model, and summary of conventional heuristic algorithms. All algorithms are explained in intuitive, rather than highly-technical, language and are reinforced with illustrative figures and numerical examples. Written by two internationally acknowledged experts in the field, Genetic Algorithms and Engineering Design features original material on the foundation and application of genetic algorithms, and also standardizes the terms and symbols used in other sources--making this complex subject truly accessible to the beginner as well as to the more advanced reader. Ideal for both self-study and classroom use, this self-contained reference provides indispensable state-of-the-art guidance to professionals and students working in industrial engineering, management science, operations research, computer science, and artificial intelligence. The only comprehensive, state-of-the-art treatment available on the use of genetic algorithms in industrial engineering and operations

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research . . . Written by internationally recognized experts in the field of genetic algorithms and artificial intelligence, Genetic Algorithms and Engineering Design provides total coverage of current technologies and their application to manufacturing systems. Incorporating original material on the foundation and application of genetic algorithms, this unique resource also standardizes the terms and symbols used in other sources--making this complex subject truly accessible to students as well as experienced professionals. Designed for clarity and ease of use, this self-contained reference: *

Provides a comprehensive survey of selection strategies, penalty techniques, and genetic operators used for constrained and combinatorial optimization problems * Shows how to use genetic algorithms to make production schedules, solve facility/location problems, make transportation/vehicle routing plans, enhance system reliability, and much more * Contains detailed numerical examples, plus more than 160 auxiliary figures to make solution procedures transparent and understandable

The advent of multi-core architectures and cloud-computing has brought parallel programming into the mainstream of software development. Unfortunately, writing scalable parallel programs using traditional lock-based synchronization primitives is well known to be a hard, time consuming and error-prone task, mastered by only a minority of specialized programmers. Building on the familiar abstraction of atomic transactions, Transactional Memory (TM) promises to free programmers from the complexity of conventional synchronization schemes, simplifying the development and verification of concurrent programs, enhancing code reliability, and boosting productivity. Over the last decade TM has been subject to intense research on a broad range of aspects including hardware and operating systems support, language integration, as well as algorithms and theoretical

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foundations. On the industrial side, the major players of the software and hardware markets have been up-front in the research and development of prototypal products providing support for TM systems. This has recently led to the introduction of hardware TM implementations on mainstream commercial microprocessors and to the integration of TM support for the world's leading open source compiler. In such a vast inter-disciplinary domain, the Euro-TM COST Action (IC1001) has served as a catalyzer and a bridge for the various research communities looking at disparate, yet subtly interconnected, aspects of TM. This book emerged from the idea having Euro-TM experts compile recent results in the TM area in a single and consistent volume. Contributions have been carefully selected and revised to provide a broad coverage of several fundamental issues associated with the design and implementation of TM systems, including their theoretical underpinnings and algorithmic foundations, programming language integration and verification tools, hardware supports, distributed TM systems, self-tuning mechanisms, as well as lessons learnt from building complex TM-based applications.

Intro Computer Science (CS0)

Data Structures & Theory of Computation

This book offers a well-balanced presentation on designing algorithms, complexity analysis of algorithms, and computational complexity that is accessible to mainstream computer science students who have a background in college algebra and discrete structures.

An up-to-date, self-contained introduction to a state-of-the-art machine learning approach, Ensemble Methods: Foundations and Algorithms shows how these accurate methods are used in real-world tasks. It gives you the necessary groundwork to carry out further research in this evolving field. After presenting background and terminology, the book covers the

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main algorithms and theories, including Boosting, Bagging, Random Forest, averaging and voting schemes, the Stacking method, mixture of experts, and diversity measures. It also discusses multiclass extension, noise tolerance, error-ambiguity and bias-variance decompositions, and recent progress in information theoretic diversity. Moving on to more advanced topics, the author explains how to achieve better performance through ensemble pruning and how to generate better clustering results by combining multiple clusterings. In addition, he describes developments of ensemble methods in semi-supervised learning, active learning, cost-sensitive learning, class-imbalance learning, and comprehensibility enhancement.

Formal Design Theory (PDT) is a mathematical theory of design. The main goal of PDT is to develop a domain independent core model of the design process. The book focuses the reader's attention on the process by which ideas originate and are developed into workable products. In developing PDT, we have been striving toward what has been expressed by the distinguished scholar Simon (1969): that "the science of design is possible and some day we will be able to talk in terms of well-established theories and practices." The book is divided into five interrelated parts. The conceptual approach is presented first (Part I); followed by the theoretical foundations of PDT (Part II), and from which the algorithmic and pragmatic implications are deduced (Part III). Finally, detailed case-studies illustrate the theory and the methods of the design process (Part IV), and additional practical considerations are evaluated (Part V). The generic nature of the concepts, theory and methods are validated by examples from a variety of disciplines. FDT explores issues such as: algebraic representation of design artifacts, idealized design process cycle, and computational analysis and measurement of design process complexity and quality.

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FDT's axioms convey the assumptions of the theory about the nature of artifacts, and potential modifications of the artifacts in achieving desired goals or functionality. By being able to state these axioms explicitly, it is possible to derive theorems and corollaries, as well as to develop specific analytical and constructive methodologies.

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Readers will find here a fascinating text that is the thoroughly refereed post-proceedings of the 9th Workshop on the Foundations of Genetic Algorithms, FOGA 2007, held in Mexico City in January 2007. The 11 revised full papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected during two rounds of reviewing and improvement from 22 submissions. The papers address all current topics in the field of theoretical evolutionary computation and also depict the continuing growth in interactions with other fields such as mathematics, physics, and biology
Volume 1.

Discrete Mathematics has permeated the whole of mathematics so much so it has now come to be taught even at the high school level. This book presents the basics of Discrete Mathematics and its applications to day-to-day problems in several areas. This book is intended for undergraduate students of Computer Science, Mathematics and Engineering. A number of examples have been given to enhance the understanding of concepts. The programming languages used are Pascal and C.

The subject of this book is the solution of polynomial equations, that is, systems of (generally) non-linear algebraic equations. This study is at the heart of several areas of mathematics and its applications. It has provided the motivation for advances in different branches of mathematics such as algebra, geometry, topology, and numerical analysis. In recent years, an explosive development of algorithms and

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software has made it possible to solve many problems which had been intractable up to then and greatly expanded the areas of applications to include robotics, machine vision, signal processing, structural molecular biology, computer-aided design and geometric modelling, as well as certain areas of statistics, optimization and game theory, and biological networks. At the same time, symbolic computation has proved to be an invaluable tool for experimentation and conjecture in pure mathematics. As a consequence, the interest in effective algebraic geometry and computer algebra has extended well beyond its original constituency of pure and applied mathematicians and computer scientists, to encompass many other scientists and engineers. While the core of the subject remains algebraic geometry, it also calls upon many other aspects of mathematics and theoretical computer science, ranging from numerical methods, differential equations and number theory to discrete geometry, combinatorics and complexity theory.

The goal of this book is to provide a general introduction to modern mathematical aspects in computing with multivariate polynomials and in solving algebraic systems.

A new and refreshingly different approach to presenting the foundations of statistical algorithms, *Foundations of Statistical Algorithms: With References to R Packages* reviews the historical development of basic algorithms to illuminate the evolution of today's more powerful statistical algorithms. It emphasizes recurring themes in all statistical algorithms, including computation, assessment and verification, iteration, intuition, randomness, repetition and parallelization, and scalability. Unique in scope, the book reviews the upcoming challenge of scaling many of the established techniques to very large data sets and delves into systematic verification by demonstrating how to derive general classes of worst case inputs and emphasizing the importance of testing over a large

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number of different inputs. Broadly accessible, the book offers examples, exercises, and selected solutions in each chapter as well as access to a supplementary website. After working through the material covered in the book, readers should not only understand current algorithms but also gain a deeper understanding of how algorithms are constructed, how to evaluate new algorithms, which recurring principles are used to tackle some of the tough problems statistical programmers face, and how to take an idea for a new method and turn it into something practically useful.

For a long time, human beings have dreamed of a virtual world where it is possible to interact with synthetic entities as if they were real. It has been shown that the ability to touch virtual objects increases the sense of presence in virtual environments. This book provides an authoritative overview of state-of-the-art haptic rendering algorithms

To truly understand how the Internet and Web are organized and function requires knowledge of mathematics and computation theory. *Mathematical and Algorithmic Foundations of the Internet* introduces the concepts and methods upon which computer networks rely and explores their applications to the Internet and Web. The book offers a unique approach to mathematical and algorithmic concepts, demonstrating their universality by presenting ideas and examples from various fields, including literature, history, and art. Progressing from fundamental concepts to more specific topics and applications, the text covers computational complexity and randomness, networks and graphs, parallel and distributed computing, and search engines. While the mathematical treatment is rigorous, it is presented at a level that can be grasped by readers with an elementary mathematical background. The authors also present a lighter side to this complex subject by illustrating how many of the mathematical concepts have counterparts in everyday life.

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The book provides in-depth coverage of the mathematical prerequisites and assembles a complete presentation of how computer networks function. It is a useful resource for anyone interested in the inner functioning, design, and organization of the Internet.

The first book of its kind to review the current status and future direction of the exciting new branch of machine learning/data mining called imbalanced learning. Imbalanced learning focuses on how an intelligent system can learn when it is provided with imbalanced data. Solving imbalanced learning problems is critical in numerous data-intensive networked systems, including surveillance, security, Internet, finance, biomedical, defense, and more. Due to the inherent complex characteristics of imbalanced data sets, learning from such data requires new understandings, principles, algorithms, and tools to transform vast amounts of raw data efficiently into information and knowledge representation. The first comprehensive look at this new branch of machine learning, this book offers a critical review of the problem of imbalanced learning, covering the state of the art in techniques, principles, and real-world applications. Featuring contributions from experts in both academia and industry, *Imbalanced Learning: Foundations, Algorithms, and Applications* provides chapter coverage on:

- Foundations of Imbalanced Learning
- Imbalanced Datasets: From Sampling to Classifiers
- Ensemble Methods for Class Imbalance Learning
- Class Imbalance Learning Methods for Support Vector Machines
- Class Imbalance and Active Learning
- Nonstationary Stream Data Learning with Imbalanced Class Distribution
- Assessment Metrics for Imbalanced Learning

Imbalanced Learning: Foundations, Algorithms, and Applications will help scientists and engineers learn how to tackle the problem of learning from imbalanced datasets, and gain insight into current developments in the field as well as future research directions.

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This is a central topic in any computer science curriculum. To distinguish this textbook from others, the author considers probabilistic methods as being fundamental for the construction of simple and efficient algorithms, and in each chapter at least one problem is solved using a randomized algorithm. Data structures are discussed to the extent needed for the implementation of the algorithms. The specific algorithms examined were chosen because of their wide field of application. This book originates from lectures for undergraduate and graduate students. The text assumes experience in programming algorithms, especially with elementary data structures such as chained lists, queues, and stacks. It also assumes familiarity with mathematical methods, although the author summarizes some basic notations and results from probability theory and related mathematical terminology in the appendices. He includes many examples to explain the individual

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steps of the algorithms, and he concludes each chapter with numerous exercises.

One of Springer's renowned Major Reference Works, this awesome achievement provides a comprehensive set of solutions to important algorithmic problems for students and researchers interested in quickly locating useful information. This first edition of the reference focuses on high-impact solutions from the most recent decade, while later editions will widen the scope of the work. All entries have been written by experts, while links to Internet sites that outline their research work are provided. The entries have all been peer-reviewed. This defining reference is published both in print and on line.

A concise and self-contained introduction to causal inference, increasingly important in data science and machine learning. The mathematization of causality is a relatively recent development, and has become increasingly important in data science and machine learning. This book offers a self-contained and concise introduction to causal models and how to learn them from data. After explaining the need for causal models and discussing some of the principles underlying causal inference, the book teaches readers how to use causal models: how to compute intervention distributions, how to infer causal models from observational and interventional data, and how causal ideas could be exploited for classical machine learning problems. All of these topics are discussed first in terms of two variables and then in the more general multivariate case. The bivariate case turns out to be a particularly hard problem for causal learning because there are no conditional

independences as used by classical methods for solving multivariate cases. The authors consider analyzing statistical asymmetries between cause and effect to be highly instructive, and they report on their decade of intensive research into this problem. The book is accessible to readers with a background in machine learning or statistics, and can be used in graduate courses or as a reference for researchers. The text includes code snippets that can be copied and pasted, exercises, and an appendix with a summary of the most important technical concepts.

The problem of privacy-preserving data analysis has a long history spanning multiple disciplines. As electronic data about individuals becomes increasingly detailed, and as technology enables ever more powerful collection and curation of these data, the need increases for a robust, meaningful, and mathematically rigorous definition of privacy, together with a computationally rich class of algorithms that satisfy this definition. Differential Privacy is such a definition. The Algorithmic Foundations of Differential Privacy starts out by motivating and discussing the meaning of differential privacy, and proceeds to explore the fundamental techniques for achieving differential privacy, and the application of these techniques in creative combinations, using the query-release problem as an ongoing example. A key point is that, by rethinking the computational goal, one can often obtain far better results than would be achieved by methodically replacing each step of a non-private computation with a differentially private implementation. Despite some powerful computational

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results, there are still fundamental limitations. Virtually all the algorithms discussed herein maintain differential privacy against adversaries of arbitrary computational power -- certain algorithms are computationally intensive, others are efficient. Computational complexity for the adversary and the algorithm are both discussed. The monograph then turns from fundamentals to applications other than query-release, discussing differentially private methods for mechanism design and machine learning. The vast majority of the literature on differentially private algorithms considers a single, static, database that is subject to many analyses. Differential privacy in other models, including distributed databases and computations on data streams, is discussed. The Algorithmic Foundations of Differential Privacy is meant as a thorough introduction to the problems and techniques of differential privacy, and is an invaluable reference for anyone with an interest in the topic.

Goals of the Book Over the last thirty years there has been a revolution in diagnostic radiology as a result of the emergence of computerized tomography (CT), which is the process of obtaining the density distribution within the human body from multiple x-ray projections. Since an enormous variety of possible density values may occur in the body, a large number of projections are necessary to ensure the accurate reconstruction of their distribution. There are other situations in which we desire to reconstruct an object from its projections, but in which we know that the object to be reconstructed has only a small number of possible values. For example, a large fraction of objects scanned in industrial CT (for the

purpose of nondestructive testing or reverse engineering) are made of a single material and so the ideal reconstruction should contain only two values: zero for air and the value associated with the material composing the object. Similar assumptions may even be made for some specific medical applications; for example, in angiography of the heart chambers the value is either zero (indicating the absence of dye) or the value associated with the dye in the chamber. Another example arises in the electron microscopy of biological macromolecules, where we may assume that the object to be reconstructed is composed of ice, protein, and RNA. One can also apply electron microscopy to determine the presence or absence of atoms in crystalline structures, which is again a two-valued situation.

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- The only text of its kind with a chapter on genetic algorithms
- Use of C++ and Java pseudocode to help students better understand complex algorithms
- No calculus background required
- Numerous clear and student-friendly examples throughout the text
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This book is devoted to the most difficult part of concurrent programming, namely synchronization concepts, techniques and principles when the cooperating entities are

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asynchronous, communicate through a shared memory, and may experience failures. Synchronization is no longer a set of tricks but, due to research results in recent decades, it relies today on sane scientific foundations as explained in this book. In this book the author explains synchronization and the implementation of concurrent objects, presenting in a uniform and comprehensive way the major theoretical and practical results of the past 30 years. Among the key features of the book are a new look at lock-based synchronization (mutual exclusion, semaphores, monitors, path expressions); an introduction to the atomicity consistency criterion and its properties and a specific chapter on transactional memory; an introduction to mutex-freedom and associated progress conditions such as obstruction-freedom and wait-freedom; a presentation of Lamport's hierarchy of safe, regular and atomic registers and associated wait-free constructions; a description of numerous wait-free constructions of concurrent objects (queues, stacks, weak counters, snapshot objects, renaming objects, etc.); a presentation of the computability power of concurrent objects including the notions of universal construction, consensus number and the associated Herlihy's hierarchy; and a survey of failure detector-based constructions of consensus objects. The book is suitable for advanced undergraduate students and graduate students in computer science or computer engineering, graduate students in mathematics interested in the foundations of process synchronization, and practitioners and engineers who need to produce correct concurrent software. The reader should have a basic knowledge of algorithms and operating systems.

Providing a unique approach to machine learning, this text contains fresh and intuitive, yet rigorous, descriptions of all fundamental concepts necessary to conduct research, build products, tinker, and play. By prioritizing geometric intuition,

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algorithmic thinking, and practical real world applications in disciplines including computer vision, natural language processing, economics, neuroscience, recommender systems, physics, and biology, this text provides readers with both a lucid understanding of foundational material as well as the practical tools needed to solve real-world problems. With in-depth Python and MATLAB/OCTAVE-based computational exercises and a complete treatment of cutting edge numerical optimization techniques, this is an essential resource for students and an ideal reference for researchers and practitioners working in machine learning, computer science, electrical engineering, signal processing, and numerical optimization.

The objectives of this book are to provide a solid foundation for the theory of algorithms. The book is intended to serve as a text for a core upper division undergraduate course in the design and analysis of algorithms.

This treatment focuses on the analysis and algebra underlying the workings of convexity and duality and necessary/sufficient local/global optimality conditions for unconstrained and constrained optimization problems. 2015 edition.

This easy-to-follow textbook/reference presents a concise introduction to mathematical analysis from an algorithmic point of view, with a particular focus on applications of analysis and aspects of mathematical modelling. The text describes the mathematical theory alongside the basic concepts and methods of numerical analysis, enriched by computer experiments using MATLAB, Python, Maple, and Java applets. This fully updated and expanded new edition also features an even greater number of programming exercises. Topics and features: describes the fundamental concepts in analysis, covering real and complex numbers, trigonometry, sequences and series, functions, derivatives,

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integrals, and curves; discusses important applications and advanced topics, such as fractals and L-systems, numerical integration, linear regression, and differential equations; presents tools from vector and matrix algebra in the appendices, together with further information on continuity; includes added material on hyperbolic functions, curves and surfaces in space, second-order differential equations, and the pendulum equation (NEW); contains experiments, exercises, definitions, and propositions throughout the text; supplies programming examples in Python, in addition to MATLAB (NEW); provides supplementary resources at an associated website, including Java applets, code source files, and links to interactive online learning material. Addressing the core needs of computer science students and researchers, this clearly written textbook is an essential resource for undergraduate-level courses on numerical analysis, and an ideal self-study tool for professionals seeking to enhance their analysis skills.

This book probes the stable marriage problem and its variants as a rich source of problems and ideas that illustrate both the design and analysis of efficient algorithms. It covers the most recent structural and algorithmic work on stable matching problems, simplifies and unifies many earlier proofs, strengthens several earlier results, and presents new results and more efficient algorithms. The authors develop the structure of the set of stable matchings in the stable marriage problem in a more general and algebraic context than has been done previously; they discuss the problem's structure in terms of rings of sets, which allows many of the most useful features to be seen as features of a more general set of problems. The relationship between the structure of the stable marriage problem and the more general stable roommates problem is demonstrated, revealing many commonalities. The results the authors obtain provide an

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algorithmic response to the practical, and political, problems created by the asymmetry inherent in the Gale Shapley solutions, leading to alternative methods and better compromises than are provided by the Gale Shapley method. And, in contrast to Donald Knuth's earlier work which primarily focused on the application of mathematics to the analysis of algorithms, this book illustrates the productive and almost inseparable relationship between mathematical insight and the design of efficient algorithms. Dan Gusfield is Associate Professor of Computer Science at the University of California, Davis. Robert W. Irving is Senior Lecturer in Computing Science at the University of Glasgow. The Stable Marriage Problem is included in the Foundations of Computing Series, edited by Michael Garey and Albert Meyer.

This book provides a general overview of multiple instance learning (MIL), defining the framework and covering the central paradigms. The authors discuss the most important algorithms for MIL such as classification, regression and clustering. With a focus on classification, a taxonomy is set and the most relevant proposals are specified. Efficient algorithms are developed to discover relevant information when working with uncertainty. Key representative applications are included. This book carries out a study of the key related fields of distance metrics and alternative hypothesis. Chapters examine new and developing aspects of MIL such as data reduction for multi-instance problems and imbalanced MIL data. Class imbalance for multi-instance problems is defined at the bag level, a type of representation that utilizes ambiguity due to the fact that bag labels are available, but the labels of the individual instances are not defined. Additionally, multiple instance multiple label learning is explored. This learning framework introduces flexibility and ambiguity in the object representation providing a natural

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formulation for representing complicated objects. Thus, an object is represented by a bag of instances and is allowed to have associated multiple class labels simultaneously. This book is suitable for developers and engineers working to apply MIL techniques to solve a variety of real-world problems. It is also useful for researchers or students seeking a thorough overview of MIL literature, methods, and tools. The first edition won the award for Best 1990 Professional and Scholarly Book in Computer Science and Data Processing by the Association of American Publishers. There are books on algorithms that are rigorous but incomplete and others that cover masses of material but lack rigor. Introduction to Algorithms combines rigor and comprehensiveness. The book covers a broad range of algorithms in depth, yet makes their design and analysis accessible to all levels of readers. Each chapter is relatively self-contained and can be used as a unit of study. The algorithms are described in English and in a pseudocode designed to be readable by anyone who has done a little programming. The explanations have been kept elementary without sacrificing depth of coverage or mathematical rigor. The first edition became the standard reference for professionals and a widely used text in universities worldwide. The second edition features new chapters on the role of algorithms, probabilistic analysis and randomized algorithms, and linear programming, as well as extensive revisions to virtually every section of the book. In a subtle but important change, loop invariants are introduced early and used throughout the text to prove algorithm correctness. Without changing the mathematical and analytic focus, the authors have moved much of the mathematical foundations material from Part I to an appendix and have included additional motivational material at the beginning.

Computational finance is an interdisciplinary field which joins financial mathematics, stochastics, numerics and scientific computing. Its task is to estimate as accurately and efficiently as possible the risks that financial instruments generate. This volume consists of a series of cutting-edge surveys of recent developments in the field written by leading international experts. These make the subject accessible to a wide readership in academia and financial businesses. The book consists of 13 chapters divided into 3 parts: foundations, algorithms and applications. Besides surveys of existing results, the book contains many new previously unpublished results.

An intuitive approach to machine learning covering key concepts, real-world applications, and practical Python coding exercises.

Introduction to Algorithms for Data Mining and Machine Learning introduces the essential ideas behind all key algorithms and techniques for data mining and machine learning, along with optimization techniques. Its strong formal mathematical approach, well selected examples, and practical software recommendations help readers develop confidence in their data modeling skills so they can process and interpret data for classification, clustering, curve-fitting and predictions. Masterfully balancing theory and practice, it is especially useful for those who need relevant, well explained, but not

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rigorous (proofs based) background theory and clear guidelines for working with big data. Presents an informal, theorem-free approach with concise, compact coverage of all fundamental topics Includes worked examples that help users increase confidence in their understanding of key algorithms, thus encouraging self-study Provides algorithms and techniques that can be implemented in any programming language, with each chapter including notes about relevant software packages

This book presents a systematic approach to analyze nature-inspired algorithms. Beginning with an introduction to optimization methods and algorithms, this book moves on to provide a unified framework of mathematical analysis for convergence and stability. Specific nature-inspired algorithms include: swarm intelligence, ant colony optimization, particle swarm optimization, bee-inspired algorithms, bat algorithm, firefly algorithm, and cuckoo search. Algorithms are analyzed from a wide spectrum of theories and frameworks to offer insight to the main characteristics of algorithms and understand how and why they work for solving optimization problems. In-depth mathematical analyses are carried out for different perspectives, including complexity theory, fixed point theory, dynamical systems, self-organization, Bayesian framework, Markov chain framework, filter theory, statistical learning, and statistical measures. Students and researchers in

optimization, operations research, artificial intelligence, data mining, machine learning, computer science, and management sciences will see the pros and cons of a variety of algorithms through detailed examples and a comparison of algorithms.

A systematic survey of many of these recent results on Gossip network algorithms.

This seminal text of Computer Science, the most cited book on the subject, is now available for the first time in paperback. Constraint satisfaction is a decision problem that involves finite choices. It is ubiquitous. The goal is to find values for a set of variables that will satisfy a given set of constraints. It is the core of many applications in artificial intelligence, and has found its application in many areas, such as planning and scheduling. Because of its generality, most AI researchers should be able to benefit from having good knowledge of techniques in this field. Originally published in 1993, this now classic book was the first attempt to define the scope of constraint satisfaction. It covers both the theoretical and the implementation aspects of the subject. It provides a framework for studying this field, relates different research, and resolves ambiguity in a number of concepts and algorithms in the literature. This seminal text is arguably the most rigorous book in the field. All major concepts were defined in First Order Predicate Calculus. Concepts

defined this way are precise and unambiguous. An accessible introduction and essential reference for an approach to machine learning that creates highly accurate prediction rules by combining many weak and inaccurate ones. Boosting is an approach to machine learning based on the idea of creating a highly accurate predictor by combining many weak and inaccurate “rules of thumb.” A remarkably rich theory has evolved around boosting, with connections to a range of topics, including statistics, game theory, convex optimization, and information geometry. Boosting algorithms have also enjoyed practical success in such fields as biology, vision, and speech processing. At various times in its history, boosting has been perceived as mysterious, controversial, even paradoxical. This book, written by the inventors of the method, brings together, organizes, simplifies, and substantially extends two decades of research on boosting, presenting both theory and applications in a way that is accessible to readers from diverse backgrounds while also providing an authoritative reference for advanced researchers. With its introductory treatment of all material and its inclusion of exercises in every chapter, the book is appropriate for course use as well. The book begins with a general introduction to machine learning algorithms and their analysis; then explores the core theory of boosting, especially its ability to generalize; examines some of the myriad

other theoretical viewpoints that help to explain and understand boosting; provides practical extensions of boosting for more complex learning problems; and finally presents a number of advanced theoretical topics. Numerous applications and practical illustrations are offered throughout.

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