Analysis of discrete dynamical systems An algebraic perspective

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An example from engineering











An example from science

A planetary system



































What if our instruments are less sophisticated?

Abstract evolution of the system



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Product of dynamical systems

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Give temporary names to the states



Compute the Cartesian product



Add the arcs between states



Forget the names once again



Back to our planetary system

Decomposition





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Any other decomposition?

Another decomposition



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Untangling complex systems









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Traffic lights at a crossroads



More abstractly...





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- Multiplication by zero: $\emptyset \times X = \emptyset$

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Equations for decomposing systems

Eqns over dynamical systems

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• We are still unsure if equations in one single variable, like AX = B, can be solved efficiently (conjecture: no)

Identifying basic building blocks





















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- So A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n might all be replaceable

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- So we want at least all primes in our warehouse (even though that's not enough...)

Primes are not sufficient



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- Those *A* and *B* can be much bigger than *P*, but we don't know how much, so no algorithm yet...



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- gcd of the number of predecessors across all states must be 1



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- Find out if prime systems exist, or at least find a primality algorithm!

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Thanks for your attention! Any questions?