

Finding Eulerian paths/tours

Problem solved?

- Number of possible Eulerian/Chinese Postman tours in a graph

Generally an exponential number of compatible sequences

- Value computed by application of the BEST theorem (Hutchinson,

1971)

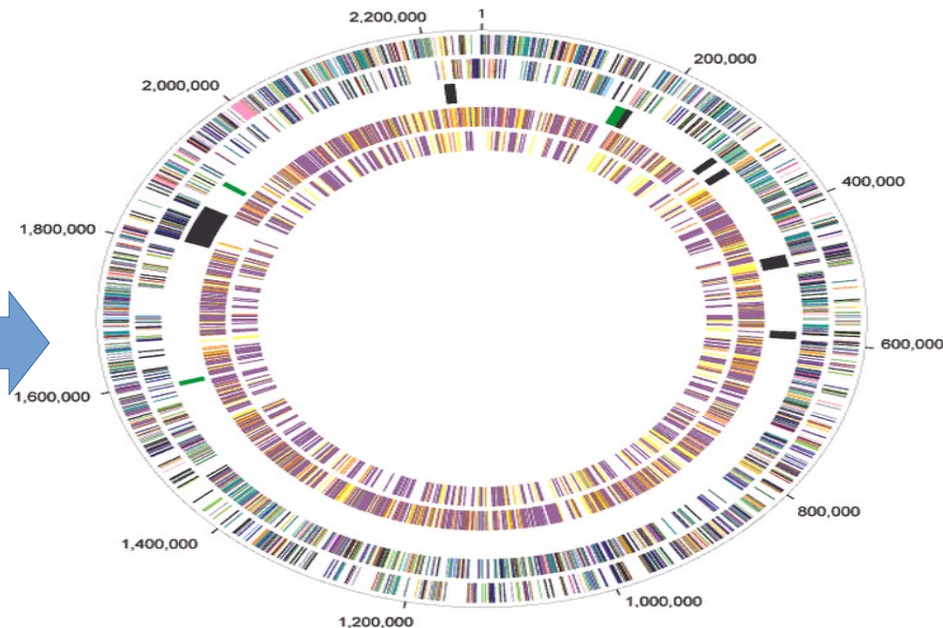
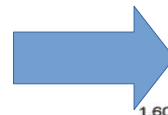
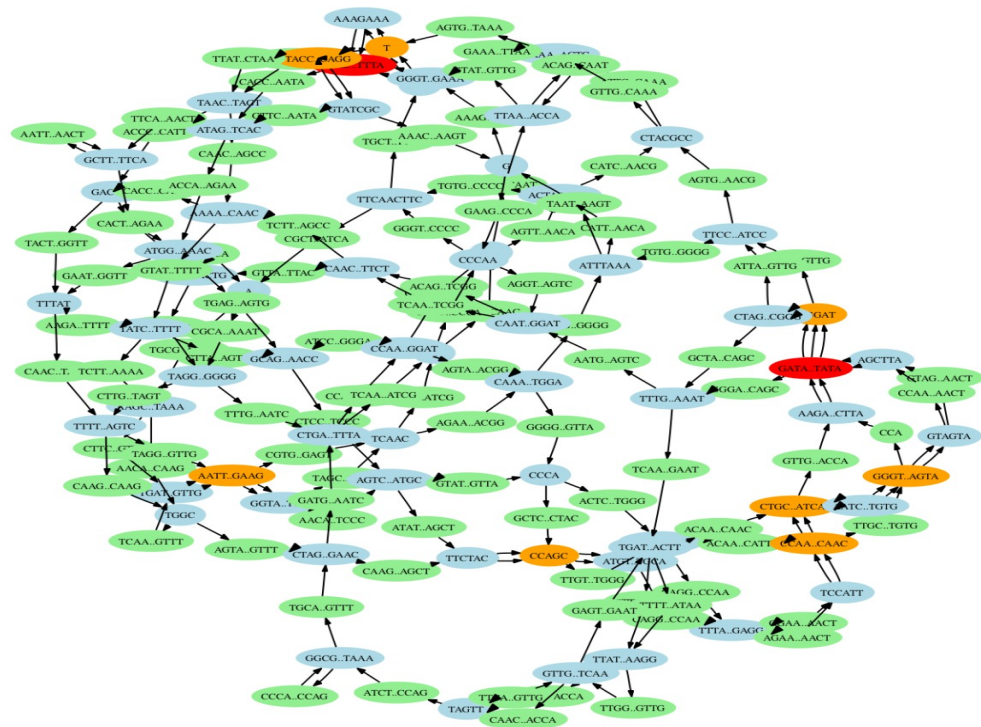
$$\mathcal{W}(G, t) = (\det L) \left\{ \prod_{u \in V} (r_u - 1)! \right\} \left\{ \prod_{(u,v) \in E} a_{uv}! \right\}^{-1}$$

$L = n \times n$ matrix with $r_u - a_{uu}$ along the diagonal and $-a_{uv}$ in entry uv

$r_u = d^+(u) + 1$ if $u=t$, or $d^+(u)$ otherwise

a_{uv} = multiplicity of edge from u to v

There are no shortcuts in assembly



Theorem: Must try all possible assemblies before finding the correct one

Peltola et al. 1970s

Myers et al. 1990s

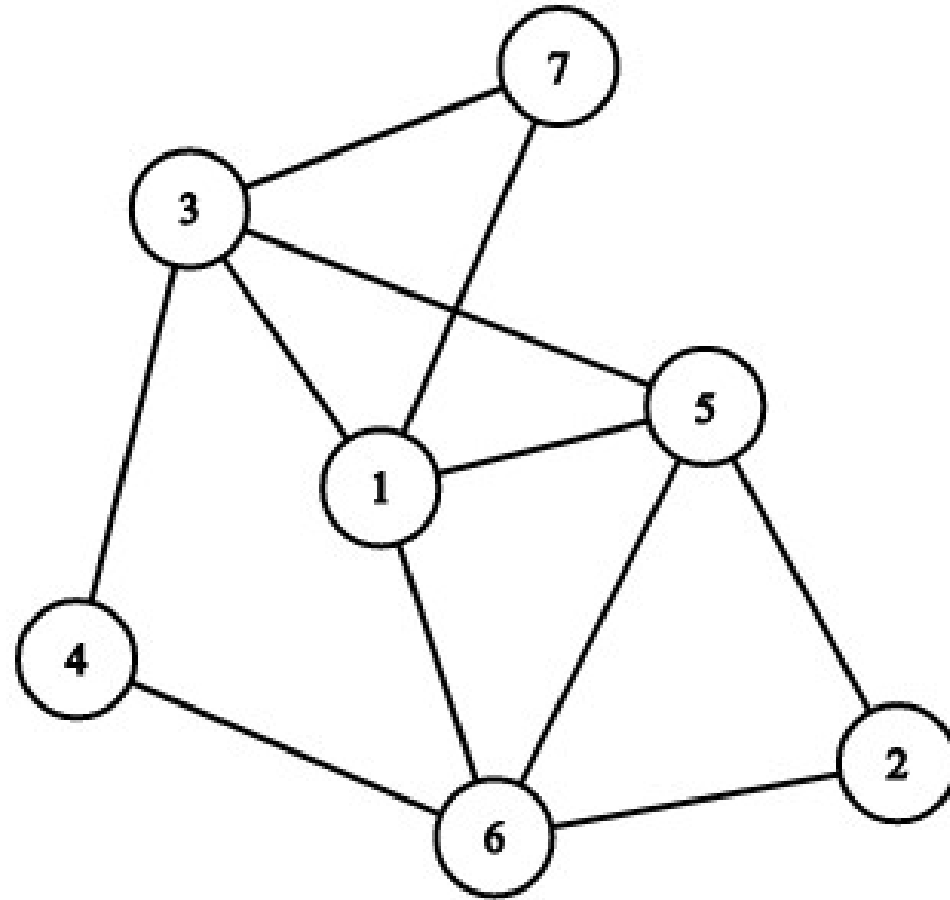
Medvedev et al. 2000s

Nagarajan et al. 2000s

Two approaches

- Greedy
 - Keep visiting non-visited edges and fix mistakes later
- Using a guide-tree
 - Build spanning tree
 - Traverse graph using spanning tree as escape route

Greedy



Spanning tree

