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**Model Checking, second edition** - Edmund M. Clarke, Jr. 2018-12-04

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abstract model—representing, for example, a hardware or software design—satisfies a formal specification expressed as a temporal logic formula. If the specification is not satisfied, the method identifies a counterexample execution that shows the source of the problem. Today, many major hardware and software companies use model checking in practice, for verification of

VLSI circuits, communication protocols, software device drivers, real-time embedded systems, and security algorithms. This book offers a comprehensive presentation of the theory and practice of model checking, covering the foundations of the key algorithms in depth. The field of model checking has grown dramatically since the publication of the first edition in 1999, and this second edition reflects the advances in the field. Reorganized, expanded, and updated, the new edition retains the focus on the foundations of temporal logic model while offering new chapters that cover topics that did not exist in 1999: propositional satisfiability, SAT-based model checking, counterexample-guided abstraction refinement, and software model checking. The book serves as an introduction to the field suitable for classroom use and as an essential guide for researchers.

**Decision Procedures** - Daniel Kroening 2016-11-22  
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algorithm that, given a decision problem, terminates with a correct yes/no answer. Here, the authors focus on theories that are expressive enough to model real problems, but are still decidable. Specifically, the book concentrates on decision procedures for first-order theories that are commonly used in automated verification and reasoning, theorem-proving, compiler optimization and operations research. The techniques described in the book draw from fields such as graph theory and logic, and are routinely used in industry. The authors introduce the basic terminology of satisfiability modulo theories and then, in separate chapters, study decision procedures for each of the following theories: propositional logic; equalities and uninterpreted functions; linear arithmetic; bit vectors; arrays; pointer logic; and quantified formulas.

**Computational Complexity** - Sanjeev Arora 2009-04-20  
New and classical results in computational complexity, including interactive proofs,

PCP, derandomization, and quantum computation. Ideal for graduate students.

Planning Algorithms - Steven M. LaValle 2006-05-29

Planning algorithms are impacting technical disciplines and industries around the world, including robotics, computer-aided design, manufacturing, computer graphics, aerospace applications, drug design, and protein folding. This coherent and comprehensive book unifies material from several sources, including robotics, control theory, artificial intelligence, and algorithms. The treatment is centered on robot motion planning, but integrates material on planning in discrete spaces. A major part of the book is devoted to planning under uncertainty, including decision theory, Markov decision processes, and information spaces, which are the 'configuration spaces' of all sensor-based planning problems. The last part of the book delves into planning under differential constraints that arise when automating the

motions of virtually any mechanical system. This text and reference is intended for students, engineers, and researchers in robotics, artificial intelligence, and control theory as well as computer graphics, algorithms, and computational biology.

*Hardware and Software: Verification and Testing* - Kedar Namjoshi 2011-02-10

This book constitutes the thoroughly refereed post proceedings of the 5th International Haifa Verification Conference, HVC 2009, held in Haifa, Israel in October 2009. The 11 revised full papers presented together with four abstracts of invited lectures were carefully reviewed and selected from 23 submissions. The papers address all current issues, challenges and future directions of verification for hardware, software, and hybrid systems and present academic research in the verification of systems, generally divided into two paradigms - formal verification and dynamic verification (testing).

Information Theory, Inference

### and Learning Algorithms -

David J. C. MacKay 2003-09-25  
Information theory and inference, taught together in this exciting textbook, lie at the heart of many important areas of modern technology - communication, signal processing, data mining, machine learning, pattern recognition, computational neuroscience, bioinformatics and cryptography. The book introduces theory in tandem with applications. Information theory is taught alongside practical communication systems such as arithmetic coding for data compression and sparse-graph codes for error-correction. Inference techniques, including message-passing algorithms, Monte Carlo methods and variational approximations, are developed alongside applications to clustering, convolutional codes, independent component analysis, and neural networks. Uniquely, the book covers state-of-the-art error-correcting codes, including low-density-parity-check codes, turbo codes, and digital fountain

codes - the twenty-first-century standards for satellite communications, disk drives, and data broadcast. Richly illustrated, filled with worked examples and over 400 exercises, some with detailed solutions, the book is ideal for self-learning, and for undergraduate or graduate courses. It also provides an unparalleled entry point for professionals in areas as diverse as computational biology, financial engineering and machine learning.

*Computer Aided Systems Theory - EUROCAST 2009* -  
Roberto Moreno-Díaz  
2009-10-08

This book constitutes the thoroughly refereed post-proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Computer Aided Systems Theory, EUROCAST 2009, held in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain in February 2009. The 120 revised full papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected for inclusion in the book. The papers are organized in topical sections on systems theory and

simulation: formal approaches, computation and simulation in modeling biological Systems, intelligent information processing, applied formal verification, computer vision and image processing, mobile and autonomous systems: robots and cars, simulation based system optimization, signal processing methods in systems design and cybernetics, polynomial models in control system design, heuristic problem solving, simulation and formal methods in systems design and engineering, models of cooperative engineering systems.

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**After the Digital Tornado** -

Kevin Werbach 2020-07-23

Networks powered by algorithms are pervasive. Major contemporary technology trends—Internet of Things, Big Data, Digital Platform Power, Blockchain, and the Algorithmic Society—are manifestations of this phenomenon. The internet, which once seemed an unambiguous benefit to society, is now the basis for invasions of privacy, massive concentrations of power, and wide-scale manipulation. The

algorithmic networked world poses deep questions about power, freedom, fairness, and human agency. The influential 1997 Federal Communications Commission whitepaper “Digital Tornado” hailed the “endless spiral of connectivity” that would transform society, and today, little remains untouched by digital connectivity. Yet fundamental questions remain unresolved, and even more serious challenges have emerged. This important collection, which offers a reckoning and a foretelling, features leading technology scholars who explain the legal, business, ethical, technical, and public policy challenges of building pervasive networks and algorithms for the benefit of humanity. This title is also available as Open Access on Cambridge Core.

*Interpretable Machine Learning* - Christoph Molnar 2020

This book is about making machine learning models and their decisions interpretable. After exploring the concepts of

interpretability, you will learn about simple, interpretable models such as decision trees, decision rules and linear regression. Later chapters focus on general model-agnostic methods for interpreting black box models like feature importance and accumulated local effects and explaining individual predictions with Shapley values and LIME. All interpretation methods are explained in depth and discussed critically. How do they work under the hood? What are their strengths and weaknesses? How can their outputs be interpreted? This book will enable you to select and correctly apply the interpretation method that is most suitable for your machine learning project.

**Understand, Manage, and Prevent Algorithmic Bias** -

Tobias Baer 2019-06-07

Are algorithms friend or foe?

The human mind is evolutionarily designed to take shortcuts in order to survive.

We jump to conclusions

because our brains want to

keep us safe. A majority of our

biases work in our favor, such as when we feel a car speeding in our direction is dangerous and we instantly move, or when we decide not to take a bite of food that appears to have gone bad. However, inherent bias negatively affects work environments and the decision-making surrounding our communities. While the creation of algorithms and machine learning attempts to eliminate bias, they are, after all, created by human beings, and thus are susceptible to what we call algorithmic bias. In *Understand, Manage, and Prevent Algorithmic Bias*, author Tobias Baer helps you understand where algorithmic bias comes from, how to manage it as a business user or regulator, and how data science can prevent bias from entering statistical algorithms. Baer expertly addresses some of the 100+ varieties of natural bias such as confirmation bias, stability bias, pattern-recognition bias, and many others. Algorithmic bias mirrors—and originates in—these human tendencies.

Baer dives into topics as diverse as anomaly detection, hybrid model structures, and self-improving machine learning. While most writings on algorithmic bias focus on the dangers, the core of this positive, fun book points toward a path where bias is kept at bay and even eliminated. You'll come away with managerial techniques to develop unbiased algorithms, the ability to detect bias more quickly, and knowledge to create unbiased data. *Understand, Manage, and Prevent Algorithmic Bias* is an innovative, timely, and important book that belongs on your shelf. Whether you are a seasoned business executive, a data scientist, or simply an enthusiast, now is a crucial time to be educated about the impact of algorithmic bias on society and take an active role in fighting bias. What You'll Learn Study the many sources of algorithmic bias, including cognitive biases in the real world, biased data, and statistical artifact Understand the risks of algorithmic biases,

how to detect them, and managerial techniques to prevent or manage them. Appreciate how machine learning both introduces new sources of algorithmic bias and can be a part of a solution. Be familiar with specific statistical techniques a data scientist can use to detect and overcome algorithmic bias. Who This Book is For: Business executives of companies using algorithms in daily operations; data scientists (from students to seasoned practitioners) developing algorithms; compliance officials concerned about algorithmic bias; politicians, journalists, and philosophers thinking about algorithmic bias in terms of its impact on society and possible regulatory responses; and consumers concerned about how they might be affected by algorithmic bias.

*The Ethical Algorithm* -

Michael Kearns 2019-10-04

Over the course of a generation, algorithms have gone from mathematical abstractions to powerful mediators of daily life.

Algorithms have made our lives more efficient, more entertaining, and, sometimes, better informed. At the same time, complex algorithms are increasingly violating the basic rights of individual citizens. Allegedly anonymized datasets routinely leak our most sensitive personal information; statistical models for everything from mortgages to college admissions reflect racial and gender bias. Meanwhile, users manipulate algorithms to "game" search engines, spam filters, online reviewing services, and navigation apps. Understanding and improving the science behind the algorithms that run our lives is rapidly becoming one of the most pressing issues of this century. Traditional fixes, such as laws, regulations and watchdog groups, have proven woefully inadequate. Reporting from the cutting edge of scientific research, *The Ethical Algorithm* offers a new approach: a set of principled solutions based on the emerging and exciting science



of socially aware algorithm design. Michael Kearns and Aaron Roth explain how we can better embed human principles into machine code - without halting the advance of data-driven scientific exploration. Weaving together innovative research with stories of citizens, scientists, and activists on the front lines, *The Ethical Algorithm* offers a compelling vision for a future, one in which we can better protect humans from the unintended impacts of algorithms while continuing to inspire wondrous advances in technology.

*The Calculus of Computation* - Aaron R. Bradley 2007-09-18  
Written with graduate and advanced undergraduate students in mind, this textbook introduces computational logic from the foundations of first-order logic to state-of-the-art decision procedures for arithmetic, data structures, and combination theories. The textbook also presents a logical approach to engineering correct software. Verification exercises are given to develop

the reader's facility in specifying and verifying software using logic. The treatment of verification concludes with an introduction to the static analysis of software, an important component of modern verification systems. The final chapter outlines courses of further study.

### **Weapons of Math**

**Destruction** - Cathy O'Neil  
2016

"A former Wall Street quantitative analyst sounds an alarm on mathematical modeling, a pervasive new force in society that threatens to undermine democracy and widen inequality,"--NoveList.

*Handbook of Practical Logic and Automated Reasoning* -

John Harrison 2009-03-12

A one-stop reference, self-contained, with theoretical topics presented in conjunction with implementations for which code is supplied.

Mechanizing Proof - Donald MacKenzie 2004-01-30

Most aspects of our private and social lives—our safety, the integrity of the financial

system, the functioning of utilities and other services, and national security—now depend on computing. But how can we know that this computing is trustworthy? In *Mechanizing Proof*, Donald MacKenzie addresses this key issue by investigating the interrelations of computing, risk, and mathematical proof over the last half century from the perspectives of history and sociology. His discussion draws on the technical literature of computer science and artificial intelligence and on extensive interviews with participants. MacKenzie argues that our culture now contains two ideals of proof: proof as traditionally conducted by human mathematicians, and formal, mechanized proof. He describes the systems constructed by those committed to the latter ideal and the many questions those systems raise about the nature of proof. He looks at the primary social influence on the development of automated proof—the need to predict the behavior of the computer

systems upon which human life and security depend—and explores the involvement of powerful organizations such as the National Security Agency. He concludes that in mechanizing proof, and in pursuing dependable computer systems, we do not obviate the need for trust in our collective human judgment.

*Set Theory for Computing* - Domenico Cantone 2001-06-26 "Set Theory for Computing" provides a comprehensive account of set-oriented symbolic manipulation methods suitable for automated reasoning. Its main objective is twofold: 1) to provide a flexible formalization for a variety of set languages, and 2) to clarify the semantics of set constructs firmly established in modern specification languages and in the programming practice. Topics include: semantic unification, decision algorithms, modal logics, declarative programming, tableau-based proof techniques, and theory-based theorem proving. The style of presentation is self-contained,

rigorous and accurate. Some familiarity with symbolic logic is helpful but not a requirement. This book is a useful resource for all advanced students, professionals, and researchers in computing sciences, artificial intelligence, automated reasoning, logic, and computational mathematics. It will serve to complement their intuitive understanding of set concepts with the ability to master them by symbolic and logically based algorithmic methods and deductive techniques.

**Integration of AI and OR Techniques in Constraint Programming for Combinatorial Optimization Problems** - Nicolas Beldiceanu  
2012-05-15

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 9th International Conference on Integration of AI and OR Techniques in Constraint Programming for Combinatorial Optimization Problems, CPAIOR 2012, held in Nantes, France, in May/June 2012. The 26 revised full

papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected from 64 submissions. The papers are focused on both theoretical and practical, application-oriented issues in combinatorial optimization and feature current research with a special focus on inference and relaxation methods, integration methods, modeling methods, innovative applications of CP/AI/OR techniques, and implementation of CP/AI/OR techniques and optimization systems.

Programming Languages and Systems - Kazunori Ueda  
2010-11-19

The 23 papers presented together with 4 invited papers 2 system and tool presentations and 1 tutorial lecture were carefully reviewed and selected from 95 initial submissions. The papers are devoted to both foundational and practical issues in programming languages and systems and feature current research in the following areas: semantics, logics, foundational theory, design of languages and foundational calculi, type

systems, compilers, interpreters, abstract machines, program derivation, analysis, transformation, software security, safety, verification, concurrency, constraints, domain-specific languages, as well as tools for programming, verification, and implementation.

### **Discrimination and Privacy in the Information Society -**

Bart Custers 2012-08-11

Vast amounts of data are nowadays collected, stored and processed, in an effort to assist in making a variety of administrative and governmental decisions. These innovative steps considerably improve the speed, effectiveness and quality of decisions. Analyses are increasingly performed by data mining and profiling technologies that statistically and automatically determine patterns and trends. However, when such practices lead to unwanted or unjustified selections, they may result in unacceptable forms of discrimination. Processing vast amounts of data may lead to

situations in which data controllers know many of the characteristics, behaviors and whereabouts of people. In some cases, analysts might know more about individuals than these individuals know about themselves. Judging people by their digital identities sheds a different light on our views of privacy and data protection. This book discusses discrimination and privacy issues related to data mining and profiling practices. It provides technological and regulatory solutions, to problems which arise in these innovative contexts. The book explains that common measures for mitigating privacy and discrimination, such as access controls and anonymity, fail to properly resolve privacy and discrimination concerns. Therefore, new solutions, focusing on technology design, transparency and accountability are called for and set forth.

**The Algorithmic Foundations of Differential Privacy -** Cynthia Dwork 2014

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 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.

### **Goal-Directed Decision**

**Making** - Richard W. Morris  
2018-08-23

Goal-Directed Decision

Making: Computations and Neural Circuits examines the role of goal-directed choice. It begins with an examination of the computations performed by associated circuits, but then moves on to in-depth examinations on how goal-directed learning interacts with other forms of choice and response selection. This is the only book that embraces the multidisciplinary nature of this area of decision-making, integrating our knowledge of goal-directed decision-making from basic, computational, clinical, and ethology research into a single resource that is invaluable for neuroscientists, psychologists and computer scientists alike. The book presents discussions on the broader field of decision-

making and how it has expanded to incorporate ideas related to flexible behaviors, such as cognitive control, economic choice, and Bayesian inference, as well as the influences that motivation, context and cues have on behavior and decision-making.

Details the neural circuits functionally involved in goal-directed decision-making and the computations these circuits perform Discusses changes in goal-directed decision-making spurred by development and disorders, and within real-world applications, including social contexts and addiction Synthesizes neuroscience, psychology and computer science research to offer a unique perspective on the central and emerging issues in goal-directed decision-making

### **Decision Making Under**

**Uncertainty** - Mykel J.

Kochenderfer 2015-07-17

An introduction to decision making under uncertainty from a computational perspective, covering both theory and applications ranging from speech recognition to airborne

collision avoidance. Many important problems involve decision making under uncertainty—that is, choosing actions based on often imperfect observations, with unknown outcomes. Designers of automated decision support systems must take into account the various sources of uncertainty while balancing the multiple objectives of the system. This book provides an introduction to the challenges of decision making under uncertainty from a computational perspective. It presents both the theory behind decision making models and algorithms and a collection of example applications that range from speech recognition to aircraft collision avoidance. Focusing on two methods for designing decision agents, planning and reinforcement learning, the book covers probabilistic models, introducing Bayesian networks as a graphical model that captures probabilistic relationships between variables; utility theory as a framework for understanding

optimal decision making under uncertainty; Markov decision processes as a method for modeling sequential problems; model uncertainty; state uncertainty; and cooperative decision making involving multiple interacting agents. A series of applications shows how the theoretical concepts can be applied to systems for attribute-based person search, speech applications, collision avoidance, and unmanned aircraft persistent surveillance. Decision Making Under Uncertainty unifies research from different communities using consistent notation, and is accessible to students and researchers across engineering disciplines who have some prior exposure to probability theory and calculus. It can be used as a text for advanced undergraduate and graduate students in fields including computer science, aerospace and electrical engineering, and management science. It will also be a valuable professional reference for researchers in a variety of disciplines.

**Algorithms for Decision**

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Kochenderfer 2022-08-16

A broad introduction to algorithms for decision making under uncertainty, introducing the underlying mathematical problem formulations and the algorithms for solving them. Automated decision-making systems or decision-support systems—used in applications that range from aircraft collision avoidance to breast cancer screening—must be designed to account for various sources of uncertainty while carefully balancing multiple objectives. This textbook provides a broad introduction to algorithms for decision making under uncertainty, covering the underlying mathematical problem formulations and the algorithms for solving them. The book first addresses the problem of reasoning about uncertainty and objectives in simple decisions at a single point in time, and then turns to sequential decision problems in stochastic environments where the outcomes of our actions are uncertain. It goes on to address

model uncertainty, when we do not start with a known model and must learn how to act through interaction with the environment; state uncertainty, in which we do not know the current state of the environment due to imperfect perceptual information; and decision contexts involving multiple agents. The book focuses primarily on planning and reinforcement learning, although some of the techniques presented draw on elements of supervised learning and optimization. Algorithms are implemented in the Julia programming language. Figures, examples, and exercises convey the intuition behind the various approaches presented.

## **A 25-Year Perspective on Logic Programming** -

Agostino Dovier 2010-06-26

This book celebrates the 25th anniversary of GULP—the Italian Association for Logic Programming. Authored by Italian researchers at the leading edge of their fields, it presents an up-to-date survey of a broad collection of topics



in logic programming, making it a useful reference for both researchers and students. During its 25-year existence, GULP has organised a wide range of national and international activities, including both conferences and summer schools. It has been especially active in supporting and encouraging young researchers, by providing scholarships for GULP events and awarding distinguished dissertations.

WeintheinternationallogicprogrammingcommunitylookuponGULPwith a combination of envy, admiration and gratitude. We are pleased to attend its conferences and summer schools, where we can learn about scientific advances, catch up with old friends and meet young students. It is an honour for me to acknowledge our appreciation to GULP for its outstanding contributions to our field and to express our best wishes for its continuing prosperity in the future. March 2010 Robert Kowalski Imperial College London Preface On June 18, 1985, a group of

pioneering researchers, including representatives from industry, national research labs, and academia, attended the constituent assembly of the Group of researchers and Users of Logic Programming (GULP) association. That was the starting point of a long adventure in science, that I we are still experiencing 25 years later. This volume celebrates this important event.

*Noise* - Daniel Kahneman  
2021-05-18

From the Nobel Prize-winning author of *Thinking, Fast and Slow* and the coauthor of *Nudge*, a revolutionary exploration of why people make bad judgments and how to make better ones—"a tour de force" (*New York Times*). Imagine that two doctors in the same city give different diagnoses to identical patients—or that two judges in the same courthouse give markedly different sentences to people who have committed the same crime. Suppose that different interviewers at the same firm make different decisions about

indistinguishable job applicants—or that when a company is handling customer complaints, the resolution depends on who happens to answer the phone. Now imagine that the same doctor, the same judge, the same interviewer, or the same customer service agent makes different decisions depending on whether it is morning or afternoon, or Monday rather than Wednesday. These are examples of noise: variability in judgments that should be identical. In *Noise*, Daniel Kahneman, Olivier Sibony, and Cass R. Sunstein show the detrimental effects of noise in many fields, including medicine, law, economic forecasting, forensic science, bail, child protection, strategy, performance reviews, and personnel selection. Wherever there is judgment, there is noise. Yet, most of the time, individuals and organizations alike are unaware of it. They neglect noise. With a few simple remedies, people can reduce both noise and bias, and so make far better

decisions. Packed with original ideas, and offering the same kinds of research-based insights that made *Thinking, Fast and Slow* and *Nudge* groundbreaking New York Times bestsellers, *Noise* explains how and why humans are so susceptible to noise in judgment—and what we can do about it.

[Logic-Based Program Synthesis and Transformation](#) - Fabio Fioravanti 2018-07-09

This book constitutes the thoroughly refereed post-conference proceedings of the 27th International Symposium on Logic-Based Program Synthesis and Transformation, LOPSTR 2017, held in Namur, Belgium, in October 2017. The 19 revised full papers were carefully reviewed and selected from 29 submissions. In addition to the 19 revised papers, this volume includes the abstracts of the invited talks by three outstanding speakers: Sumit Gulwani, Marieke Huisman, and Grigore Roşu. The aim of the LOPSTR series is to stimulate and promote international research

and collaboration on logic-based program development. LOPSTR is open to contributions in all aspects of logic-based program development, all stages of the software life cycle, and issues of both programming-in-the-small and programming-in-the-large. LOPSTR traditionally solicits contributions, in any language paradigm, in the areas of synthesis, specification, transformation, analysis and verification, specialization, testing and certification, composition, program/model manipulation, optimization, transformational techniques in SE, inversion, applications, and tools.

**Robotics: The Algorithmic Perspective** - Pankaj K.

Agarwal 1998-12-15

This volume gathers together cutting-edge research from the Third Workshop on Algorithmic Foundations of Robotics and gives a solid overview of the state of the art in robot algorithms. The papers cover core problems in robotics, such as motion planning, sensor-based planning, manipulation,

and assembly planning. They also examine the application of Model Checking, second edition - Edmund M. Clarke, Jr. 2018-12-04

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tools sidestep this tar-pit of undecidability by working on an abstraction of a program, which over-approximates the original program's behavior. The theory underlying this approach is called abstract interpretation. Developing a scalable and precise abstract interpreter is a challenging problem, especially when analyzing machine code. Abstraction provides a new language for the description of decision procedures, leading to new insights. I call such an abstraction-centric view of decision procedures Satisfiability Modulo Abstraction (SMA). The unifying theme behind the dissertation is the concept of symbolic abstraction: Given a formula  $f$  in logic  $L$  and an abstract domain  $A$ , the symbolic abstraction of  $f$  is the strongest consequence of  $f$  expressible in  $A$ . This dissertation advances the field of abstract interpretation by presenting two new algorithms for performing symbolic abstraction, which can be used to synthesize various

operations required by an abstract interpreter. The dissertation presents two new algorithms for computing inductive invariants for programs. The dissertation shows how the use of symbolic abstraction enables the design of a new abstract domain capable of representing bit-vector inequality invariants. The dissertation advances the field of machine-code analysis by showing how symbolic abstraction can be used to implement machine-code analyses. Furthermore, the dissertation describes MCVETO, a new model-checking algorithm for machine code. The dissertation advances the field of decision procedures by presenting a variety of SMA solvers. One is based on a generalization of Staalmarck's method, a decision procedure for propositional logic. When viewed through the lens of abstraction, Staalmarck's method can be lifted from propositional logic to richer logics, such as linear rational arithmetic. Furthermore, the

SMA view shows that the generalized Staalmarck's method actually performs symbolic abstraction. Thus, the concept of symbolic abstraction brings forth the connection between abstract interpretation and decision procedures. The dissertation describes a new distributed decision procedure for propositional logic, called DiSSolve. Finally, the dissertation presents an SMA solver for a new fragment of separation logic.

### **Algorithmic Regulation -**

Karen Yeung 2019-09-05

As the power and sophistication of 'big data' and predictive analytics has continued to expand, so too has policy and public concern about the use of algorithms in contemporary life. This is hardly surprising given our increasing reliance on algorithms in daily life, touching policy sectors from healthcare, transport, finance, consumer retail, manufacturing education, and employment through to public service provision and the operation of

the criminal justice system. This has prompted concerns about the need and importance of holding algorithmic power to account, yet it is far from clear that existing legal and other oversight mechanisms are up to the task. This collection of essays, edited by two leading regulatory governance scholars, offers a critical exploration of 'algorithmic regulation', understood both as a means for co-ordinating and regulating social action and decision-making, as well as the need for institutional mechanisms through which the power of algorithms and algorithmic systems might themselves be regulated. It offers a unique perspective that is likely to become a significant reference point for the ever-growing debates about the power of algorithms in daily life in the worlds of research, policy and practice. The range of contributors are drawn from a broad range of disciplinary perspectives including law, public administration, applied philosophy, data science and

artificial intelligence. Taken together, they highlight the rise of algorithmic power, the potential benefits and risks associated with this power, the way in which Sheila Jasanoff's long-standing claim that 'technology is politics' has been thrown into sharp relief by the speed and scale at which algorithmic systems are proliferating, and the urgent need for wider public debate and engagement of their underlying values and value trade-offs, the way in which they affect individual and collective decision-making and action, and effective and legitimate mechanisms by and through which algorithmic power is held to account.

*Verification, Model Checking, and Abstract Interpretation* - Viktor Kuncak 2012-01-12

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 13th International Conference on Verification, Model Checking, and Abstract Interpretation, VMCAI 2012, held in Philadelphia, PA, USA, in January 2012, co-located with the Symposium on

Principles of Programming Languages, POPL 2012. The 26 revised full papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected from 70 submissions. The papers cover a wide range of topics including program verification, model checking, abstract interpretation, static analysis, deductive methods, program certification, debugging techniques, abstract domains, type systems, and optimization.

Twenty Lectures on Algorithmic Game Theory - Tim Roughgarden 2016-08-30  
Computer science and economics have engaged in a lively interaction over the past fifteen years, resulting in the new field of algorithmic game theory. Many problems that are central to modern computer science, ranging from resource allocation in large networks to online advertising, involve interactions between multiple self-interested parties. Economics and game theory offer a host of useful models and definitions to reason about such problems. The flow of ideas also travels in the other

direction, and concepts from computer science are increasingly important in economics. This book grew out of the author's Stanford University course on algorithmic game theory, and aims to give students and other newcomers a quick and accessible introduction to many of the most important concepts in the field. The book also includes case studies on online advertising, wireless spectrum auctions, kidney exchange, and network management.

**Global Optimization with Non-Convex Constraints** - Roman G. Strongin 2013-11-09  
Everything should be made as simple as possible, but not simpler. (Albert Einstein, Readers Digest, 1977) The modern practice of creating technical systems and technological processes of high efficiency besides the employment of new principles, new materials, new physical effects and other new solutions ( which is very traditional and plays the key role in the selection of the general structure of the object to be

designed) also includes the choice of the best combination for the set of parameters (geometrical sizes, electrical and strength characteristics, etc.) concretizing this general structure, because the Variation of these parameters ( with the structure or linkage being already set defined) can essentially affect the objective performance indexes. The mathematical tools for choosing these best combinations are exactly what is this book about. With the advent of computers and the computer-aided design the probations of the selected variants are usually performed not for the real examples ( this may require some very expensive building of sample op tions and of the special installations to test them ), but by the analysis of the corresponding mathematical models. The sophistication of the mathematical models for the objects to be designed, which is the natu ral consequence of the raising complexity of these objects, greatly com plicates the objective performance

analysis. Today, the main (and very often the only) available instrument for such an analysis is computer aided simulation of an object's behavior, based on numerical experiments with its mathematical model.

### **The Cambridge Handbook of the Law of Algorithms -**

Woodrow Barfield 2020-10-31

Algorithms are a fundamental building block of artificial intelligence - and, increasingly, society - but our legal institutions have largely failed to recognize or respond to this reality. The Cambridge Handbook of the Law of Algorithms, which features contributions from US, EU, and Asian legal scholars, discusses the specific challenges algorithms pose not only to current law, but also - as algorithms replace people as decision makers - to the foundations of society itself. The work includes wide coverage of the law as it relates to algorithms, with chapters analyzing how human biases have crept into algorithmic decision-making about who receives housing or



credit, the length of sentences for defendants convicted of crimes, and many other decisions that impact constitutionally protected groups. Other issues covered in the work include the impact of algorithms on the law of free speech, intellectual property, and commercial and human rights law.

Logical Analysis of Hybrid Systems - André Platzer

2010-09-02

Hybrid systems are models for complex physical systems and have become a widely used concept for understanding their behavior. Many applications are safety-critical, including car, railway, and air traffic control, robotics, physical-chemical process control, and biomedical devices. Hybrid systems analysis studies how we can build computerized controllers for physical systems which are guaranteed to meet their design goals. The author gives a unique, logic-based perspective on hybrid systems analysis. It is the first book that leverages the power of logic for

hybrid systems. The author develops a coherent logical approach for systematic hybrid systems analysis, covering its theory, practice, and applications. It is further shown how the developed verification techniques can be used to study air traffic and railway control systems. This book is intended for researchers, postgraduates, and professionals who are interested in hybrid systems analysis, cyberphysical or embedded systems design, logic and theorem proving, or transportation and automation.

*Understanding Machine*

*Learning* - Shai Shalev-Shwartz

2014-05-19

Introduces machine learning and its algorithmic paradigms, explaining the principles behind automated learning approaches and the considerations underlying their usage.

theory of signal detectability observation-decision

procedures - tg birdsall, ra roberts 1964

**Decision Making in**

**Medicine** - Stuart B. Mushlin  
2009-10-27

This popular reference facilitates diagnostic and therapeutic decision making for a wide range of common and often complex problems faced in outpatient and inpatient medicine.

Comprehensive algorithmic decision trees guide you through more than 250 disorders organized by sign, symptom, problem, or laboratory abnormality. The brief text accompanying each algorithm explains the key steps of the decision making process, giving you the clear, clinical guidelines you need to successfully manage even your toughest cases. An algorithmic format makes it easy to apply the practical, decision-making approaches used by seasoned clinicians in daily practice.

Comprehensive coverage of general and internal medicine helps you successfully diagnose and manage a full range of diseases and disorders related to women's health, emergency medicine, urology, behavioral medicine, pharmacology, and

much more. A Table of Contents arranged by organ system helps you to quickly and easily zero in on the information you need. More than a dozen new topics focus on the key diseases and disorders encountered in daily practice. Fully updated decision trees guide you through the latest diagnostic and management guidelines.

**Berman's Pediatric Decision Making E-Book** - Lalit Bajaj  
2011-08-08

Berman's Pediatric Decision Making uses an algorithmic, structured approach to lead you to the right diagnosis and treatment every time. Drs. Lalit Baja, Simon Hambidge, Ann-Christine Nyquist, and Gwendolyn Kerby use evidence-based research and flow charts for each presenting complaint or specific disorder to provide quick access to the information you need for effective decision making. With updated drug tables and revised algorithms, this streamlined new edition makes it even easier for you to diagnose and manage common

clinical problems from infancy through adolescence. Rapidly access guidance on diagnosis and management from algorithms for each clinical disorder. Treat the full range of diseases and disorders with comprehensive coverage of diagnosis, assessment of severity, and clinical management. Choose the best treatment for each case thanks to indications for surgical interventions as well as expensive diagnostic procedures Stay current on recent developments and make effective decisions for

movement disorders, physical abuse in children, sexual abuse in children, eating disorders, ADHD, and other hot topics. Find answers quickly and easily with a new table of contents organized into two sections—Presenting Complaints and Specific Disorders—that reduces the need to flip between chapters. Tap into the diverse perspectives of expert authors from all over the country. Get only the information you need in the streamlined new edition with shorter, more user-friendly flow diagrams and fewer specialized chapters.