MIA MINNES, MIT Department of Mathematics, 2-172, 77 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139 *Applying automata algorithms to decide properties of graphs*

A strong tradition exists of using finite state automata to give finite descriptions of infinite structures. A more recent perspective explores the use of automata as succinct representations of finite objects. In either case, a wide class of queries about objects represented via automata can be decided efficiently. In particular, we will present work on graph questions, including connectivity, and discuss the isomorphism problem.

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