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SYSTEM ANALYSIS:

A.Generalized approaches and methods for systems: modeling, analysis, evaluation, synthesis, etc. B.Applications in various fields: computer systems, information systems, control systems, mechanical systems, electronic systems, etc.

THIS WORK:

A.Generalized approaches and methods (for modular systems): modeling, evaluation, synthesis, , analysis of evolution; Basic support level: combinatorial optimization models and multicriteria decision making B.Applications in various fields:

computer systems, communication systems, control systems, management, organization-technical systems, biomedicine, civil engineering, education

1.2.Composition of combinatorial system schemes (conceptual level)



APPLICATIONS (modular hierarchical systems): software, information systems, control systems, sensors, civil engineering, communication protocols, biomedicine, etc.

1.3.Life cycle – system problems / schemes ('technological/engineering')

Life cycle (12 years-> 2 years): 1.Design 2.Manufacturing 3.Testing 4.Warehousing 5.Marketing 6.Utilization 7.Maintenance 8.Re-cycling

Hierarchical system model: software, plan, apparatus, standard, protocol, etc.

COMBINATORIAL SYSTEM SCHEMES (system problems) (7+1) **1.System modeling** (structural model as AND-OR graph) **2.System Evaluation 3.**Combinatorial synthesis (design, design of system configuration) **4.Detection of system bottlenecks** 5.Improvement, extension, adaptation, reconfiguration 6.Multi-stage design (design of system trajectory) 7. Combinatorial evolution, forecast (trajectory of system generation, forecast) **8.PLUS: aggregation of modular solutions**

Models of combinatorial optimization and decision making: knapsack, multiple choice problem, ranking/sorting, morphological clique, assignment/location, clustering, spanning trees, consensus/median design, etc. **COMBINATORIAL SYSTEM SCHEMES (problems) (7+1)**

1.System modeling: systematization, application 2.Evaluation (system and its parts): cusystematization, scales (new), problems/models of integration **3.**Combinatorial synthesis: systematization, morphological clique model, models with multiset-like estimates 4.Detection of bottlenecks: systematization, new schemes, detection of element groups, dynamical problems (clique-based fusion) 5.Improvement, extension, adaptation, reconfiguration: systematization, new schemes/models 6.Design of trajectory for modular system solution: new schemes/models 7. Modeling of system combinatorial evolution, forecasting (i.e., trajectory of system generation, system forecast): new schemes/models **8.Aggregation of modular system solutions:** systematization, new schemes/models

PLUS: Real world applied examples in various fields (30..50)

1.5.General 'glance' to combinatorial engineering frameworks

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
Design	Evaluation	Combina-	Detection	Improve-	System	System
of	of hierar.	torial	of bottle-	ment:	trajectory:	evolution,
hierarch.	system:	synthesis:	necks:	new	new	forecast:
system	<mark>new scales</mark>	hierar.	new	schemes/	schemes	new
model:	(lattices,	morphol.	schemes,	models	(hierar.	schemes
expert	<mark>multisets),</mark>	method,-	dyna-	(morphol.	morphol.	(morphol.
schemes,	evaluation (Marcon)	model of	mical	clique,	method,	method,
hierar.	methods,	morphol.	problems	multiple	knapsack-	knapsack-
clustering,	integra-	clique,	(clique,	choice	like	like
ontology,	tion of	multiset	etc.),	problem,	models),	models),
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	оценок,	(+ knap-		systemati-		zation
	systemati-	sack-like		zation		
	zation	models)				

1.6.MODULAR SYSTEM – OBJECTS UNDER EXAMINATION AND PROBLEMS



analysis, evaluation, comparison, choice/selection Problems (levels: element, composite alternative) analysis/evaluation, comparison, choice/ selection, synthesis, aggregation, modification, modeling of evolution, forecasting

COMPOSITE ALTERNATIVE (MODULAR SYSTEM): 1.Elements: set 2.Element relationship (e.g., compatibility) 3.System structure

OBJECTS UNDER EXAMINATION:

1.Element/alternative2.Set of alternatives3.Element estimate4.Element compatibility6.System structure (e.g., tree, digraph)7.Estimates of structures (proximity, etc.близости)

EXAMPLES OF STRUCTURAL MODELS: 1.Element of set 2.Set 3.Chain 4.Tree 5.Graph (digraph) 6.Composition of objects (e.g., tree and several sets)

1.7.Four-layer structure: problem/models-methods/procedures-applications

Layer 4: Applications (for modular systems)



Layer 3: Typical system problems–schemes (frameworks)



Layer 2: Composite problems/models/procedures

Multicriteria combinatorial optimization	Mothods for	Methods for	
problems (knapsack, multiple choice	design of	design of	
problem, assignment/location, spanning	hierarchies	consensus/	
problems, etc.)	inci ui cinco	median	

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Layer 1: Basic problems of combinatorial optimization and decision making

Ranking/ sorting	Knap- sack	Multiple choice problem	Cluste- ring	Assign- ment	Spanning problems	Clique	Etc.
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1.8.Towards resource requirements



1.9.Hierarchical system model (and morphological system model)



1.9.1.Morphological model: example



1.9.2.Example of two-floor building



1.9.2. Hierarchical morphological model of building



Alternatives

Foundation A: A₁ (strip foundation), A₂ (bedplate foundation), A₃ (isolated parts)

Frame E : E_1 (monolith frame), E_2 (precast frame)

Rigidity core G : G₁ (monolith rigid core), G₂ (precast rigid core)

Staircase H : H₁ (monolith staircase), H₂ (precast staircase), H₃ (composite staircase)

Filler walls I : I_1 (small elements), I_2 (curtain panel walls), I_3 (precast enclose panel walls), I_4 (frame walls)

Partitioning walls J : J_1 (precast panel walls), J_2 (small elements), J_3 (frame walls)

Floors C: C_1 (monolith slabs), C_2 (composite slabs), C_3 (precast slabs)

PLAN:

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Methods:

1.Procedure 'Top-Down' (partitioning, decomposition)
2.Hierarchical clustering ('Bottom-Up')
3.Design of ontology
4.Design of spanning tree (e.g., minimum spanning tree, minimum Steiner tree,
Spanning tree with maximal terminal vertices)
5.Design of multi-layer (multi-tier) structures
(layers, topology at each layer, relationship between layers)
6.Design of morphological system model

Example: design of hierarchical system model 'Top-Down'



4.Layer of system modules

Initial data: set of elements and matrix of element proximity (pair-proximity)







Basic agglomerative algorithm (1 step-one merging operation) Result: tree

Agglomerative algorithm (1 step – several merging operations) Result: tree Agglomerative algorithm (1 step – several merging Operations, one element can be participated in several merging operations) Result: hierarchy

Example: Design of spanning tree and Steiner tree



Problem 1: Design of spanning tree Problem 2: Design of Steiner tree (here: transformation of spanning tree into Steiner tree).



Example: design of multi-layer model



2.2.Scheme 2 (Evaluation): (1) system, (2) system part/component



Scales/Estimate of quality: 1.Quantitative 2.Ordinal 3.Vector-like 4.Partial order (poset)

Problems:

1.Assessment (for object): measurement, calculation, probation, expert judgment, etc.
2.Transformation of scale: (e.g., quantitative scale into ordinal scale)
3.Integration os scales (i.e., several estimates into a resultant estimate) Additional problems:
(a)analysis of proximity (b)alignment (c)averaging

Scales



Evaluation (assessment): ordinal scale, scale based on multiset



Multiset coefficient (number of elements in scale based on multiset)



A,B,C – 4 element (labels)

Interval scale as multiset $P^{3,4}$ ($P^{l,m}$, l – number of levels of basic ordinals scale or number of elements of the basic set, m – number of labels or the number of elements of the multiset)

> Formulae for multiset coefficient/ multiset number) as function in l, m

> > l (l+1) (l+2) ... (l+m-1) m !

For l=3, m=4 : the number of elements of the scale equals 15 (in the case of interval scale, it is less - 12) For l=4, m=3: the number of elements in the scale equals 20 **2.3.SCHEME 3: combinatorial synthesis (system design, design of system configuration)**

METHODS:

1.Morphological analysis and its modifications

2.Hierarchical multicriteria morphological design (HMMD) 2.1. Basic version of HMMD (ordinal estimates of design alternatives and compatibility) 2.2.HMMD with multiset estimates of design alternatives

3.Multiple choice problem 3.1.Basic multiple choice problem 3.2. Multiple choice problem with multiset estimates



MORPHOLOGICAL CLIQUE

General case: K-partite graph







MORPHOLOGICAL CLIQUE (multipartite graph)



MORPHOLOGICAL CLIQUE (multipartite graph): close models

Close combinatorial models: 1.Problem on representatives (Hall, 1930) 2.Problem of compatible representatives, binary relation over representatives-verticesKnuth, 1992) 3.Clustering in multipartite graph (2007...2008) 4.Maximal clique in multipartite graph (2001) 5.Coresets problem (2004...2011) 6.Transversals problems (design) (1971 ...)

Close applied directions:

1.Morphological analysis and its modifications (Zwicky, 1943 ...)

2.Design structure matrix based methods (1981-2008)

3.Method engineering (composition of methods/models in information systems) (1996...)

4.Morphological tables in management (1988)

5.OLAP – systems (information systems of high dimension)

(1990 ... now)

6.Mining association rules in large data systems (1993 ...)

7.Combinatorial system testing (1996 ...)
Basic design methods as morphological analysis and its modification/extension

1.Morphological analysis [F. Zwicky]

2.Proximity of admissible combinations to ideal (the best) [Ayres,1969; Iakimets, Moscow 1977]

3.Multicriteria estimates of admissible combinations and selection of Pareto-efficient solutions [Moscow, Inst. of Control Sciences, Inst. of Syst, Anal., etc., 1972/82]

4.Hierarchical design (composition of local Pareto-optimal solutions[Krasnoshekov et al.,, Comput. Center, Moscow, 1979]

5.Hierarchical morphological design (combinatorial morphological synthesis, morphological clique) – HMMD [Levin, 1994...]







 $S_1 = X_4 * Y_3 * Z_3$ $S_3 = X_4 * Y_2 * Z_3$ $S_2 = X_2 * Y_5 * Z_1$ $S_4 = X_4 * Y_1 * Z_3$

³ Phase 3. Pareto-based choice

Morphological analysis

Complexity (by the number of initial combinations): $h(1)^*...^*h(i)^*...^*h(m)$

Decreasing the complexity:







Concentric presentation of morphological clique with compatibility estimates



Discrete domain of system combination quality (by elements)







Compatibility quality

1.Enumerative directed heuristic as analysis and testing (beginning since the best point)

2.Dynamic programming procedure (as an extended version of procedure(s) for knapsack problem or multiple choice problem

Knapsack problem



$$\begin{array}{lll} max & \sum_{i=1}^{m} c_{i} x_{i} \\ s.t. & \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_{i} x_{i} \leq b \\ x_{i} \in \{0, 1\}, \ i = 1, \ldots, m \\ Possible \ additional \ constraints \\ \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_{ik} x_{i} \leq b_{k} \ , \ k = 1, \ldots, l \end{array}$$

Multiple choice problem



max $\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{qi} c_{ij} x_{ij}$

s.t.
$$\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{q_i} a_{ij} \quad x_{ij} \leq b$$
$$\sum_{j=1}^{q_i} x_{ij} \leq 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

 $x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, q_i$



 $c_{ij} => (c_{ij}^{1}, ..., c_{ij}^{p}, ..., c_{ij}^{k})$

 $(\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{qi} c_{ij}^1 x_{ij}^1, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{qi} c_{jj}^p x_{ij}^1, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{qi} c_{ij}^k x_{ij}^1) \rightarrow Pareto-efficient solutions$

s.t.
$$\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{q_i} a_{ij} \quad x_{ij} \leq b$$

 $\sum_{j=1}^{q_i} x_{ij} \leq 1, \quad i = 1, ..., m$
 $x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad i = 1, ..., m, \quad j = 1, ..., q_i$

Multiple choice problem with multiset estimates (median-solution)



 $c_{ij} \Rightarrow e_{ij}$ (interval multiset-based estimates, e.g., $e_{ij} = (3,1,0)$)

 $\begin{array}{l} max \; M \; (\{e_{ij}\}) = arg \; min_{\{M\}} \; \; \sum_{i=1}^{m} \; d \; (M, e_{ij}) \\ (d - measure \; of \; `proximity'/distance, \; M - median \; of \; estimates \; by \; selected \\ elements \; of \; Pareto-efficient \; solutions) \end{array}$

s.t.
$$\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{q_i} a_{ij} \quad x_{ij} \leq b, \quad \sum_{j=1}^{q_i} x_{ij} \leq 1, \quad i = 1, ..., m$$

 $x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad i = 1, ..., m, \quad j = 1, ..., q_i$

2.4.Scheme 4: Detection of bottlenecks

System bottlenecks: 1.Element of element relationship (connection) 2.Group of elements 3.Group of interconnected elements 4. System structure 5.Dynamical problems (online mode, forecast)



METHODS:

1.Traditional approach (quality management):

(a) Pareto-method (detection of elements with the worst reliability estimate(s))

(b) multicriteria ranking of system elements

2.Bottlenecks in HMMD (searching for the elements or element compatibility when their improvement will lead to essential improvement of the system quality)

3.Critical node in networks (e.g., spanning tree with maximal number of terminals, connected dominated set)

4.Detection of interconnected system components (i.e., subsystems consisting of interconnected elements) - HMMDB

5.Information fusion based on clique over graph streams





Illustration for detection of clique over graph streams



Function f₁

 $(graph G_1)$

4

 S_5

S₈

Function f₃

(graph G₃)

Status of system component:

- Out of work 1
- About out of work 2
- *—* Partially works 3

🥏 Works 4

FUNCTION CLUSTER $F = \{ f_1, f_2, f_3 \}$





Clique $Q_3(F) = \{ S_3, S_5, S_6 \}$



BASIC SUTUATIONS OF SYSTEM IMPROVEMNT:

1.Improvement by system components: 1.1.Multiple choice problem 1.2.HMMD

2.Improvement (modification) of system structure:
(a)modification of tree (i.e., tree-like system structure)
(b)Transformation of tree into
(c)Assignment of 'hot-links' (special combinatorial problem)
(d)Augmentation of tree problem
(e)Augmentation of graph/network

3.System extension (addition of an additional system part)

4.Aggregation of system solutions: (i) 1 final aggregated solution, k final aggregated solutions (here- special SCHEME)

5.Approaches in combinatorial optimization:(a)reoptimization ,(b)restructuring

Typical change operations:

I.For DA's:

1.1.Change / improvement of DA's $O_1: A_i \Rightarrow A_i$ 1.2.Deletion DA O_2 1.3.Addition DA O_3 1.4.Aggregation DA's $O_4: \{A_i\} \Rightarrow A^a = A_1 \& A_2 \& ...$ 1.5.Standardization DA's $O_5: \{A_i\} \Rightarrow A^s$

II.Change operations for subsystems (system parts):

2.1.Change / improvement of system part O₆
2.2.Deletion O₇
2.3.Addition O₈
2.4.Aggregation O₉

2.5.Description of change process

I.Characteristics/parameters of change operations:1.Required resource (e.g., cost)2.Possible profit (utility)3.Ect.

II.Binary relations over operations:

1.Precedence ($O_i \Rightarrow O_j$)

2.Equivalence

3.Complementarity

Combinatorial problems:

- **1.Multicriteria ranking (e.g., for change operations)**
- **2.Knaspack (selection of change operations)**
- **3.Multiple choice problem (selection of change operations)**
- 4.Multicriteria knapsack (selection of change operations)
- 5.Multicriteria multiple choice problem
 (selection of change operations)
 6.Planning (scheduling) (scheduling of the change operations)
 7.HMMD (synthesis of composite change actions
 consisting of change operations)



Improvement and modification of system structure/architecture (i.e., topology)



MODELS:
1.Graph augmentation problem
2.Multiple choice problem
3.Special transformation of tree (e.g., node integration-condensation)

(e.g., design of over-lay structure for tree-like software)

4.Hotlink assignment
5.HMMD

Modification of software tree: over-lay structure (example) [Levin, 1981]





Software tree G=(A,E), arc weight $c(a_i,a_j)$ – frequency of call, vertex weight $b(a_i)$ – required operative memory

b(G) – maximum of path length from root to leaf vertex (sum of vertices weights by path)



PROBLEM: Max of weigth sum for deleted by condensation) arcs s.t. $b(G') \le b, b$ – constraint by the required volume of operative memory Complexity (PTAS): O(n⁷ / e d⁴), n = | A |, e -relative error by goal function, d– relative error by constraint







System extension



Example: extension of network (allocation of user to access points – assignment problem) [Levin, 2010]



1.Multicriteria assignment problem: allocation of each end users to the only one access point
2.Generalized multicriteria assignment problem (resource constraints for access points)
3.Generalized multicriteria assignment problem: allocation of each end users to several access points.

Improvement system-general glance



1.Reoptimization. Given solution for combinatorial optimization problem (e.g., minimum spanning tree, minimum Steiner tree, TSP, covering, minimum common subsequence). Problem: Find and improvement of the solution by small changes (addition of vertex, deletion of vertex) [2008...]

2.Restructuring (knapsack, multiple choice problem, spanning tree, Steiner tree) [Levin, 2011]:

(a) Given an optimal solution at time moment t_1 : $S(t_1)$

(b) Given an optimal solution at the next time moment t_2 : $S(t_2)$

Problem: Find a change of solution $S(t_1)$ (by typical change operations) to obtain new solution S^* , that is 'close' (by solution structure) to solution $S(t_2)$



2.6.AUXILIARY SCHEME: aggregation of modular solutions



Types of solutions: 1.Set 2.Ranking 3.Tree 4.Morphological model

Strategies:

1.Detection of system kernel (subsolution - substructure) and extension of the kernel (multiple choice problem, HMMD)
2.Design of supersolution (superstructure) and deletion of some elements (multiple choice problem HMMD)

3.Extended system design (design with addition al design elements)

Support problems:

1.Proximity between modular solutions (sets, rankings, trees, morphological models)

2.Design: supersolution (superstructure) and subsolution (substructure)3.Design: median, consensus (e.g., agreement tree)

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Extension strategy




2.7.SCHEME 6: Multistage system design



2.8.SCHEME 7: combinatorial system evolution and forecasting





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- A₁ new leader
- A₂ new manager

$$\mathbf{A}_3 = \mathbf{A}_1 \, \& \, \mathbf{A}_2$$

- **B**₁ course on advancement in science & engineering
- **B**₂ course on foreign language
- **B**₃ course on system analysis
- **B**₄ course on creativity methods

$$\mathbf{B}_5 = \mathbf{B}_3 \ \& \ \mathbf{B}_4$$

$$\mathbf{B}_6 = \mathbf{B}_1 \And \mathbf{B}_4$$

$$\mathbf{B}_7 = \mathbf{B}_1 \& \mathbf{B}_2 \& \mathbf{B}_4$$

- **C**₁ course on human relations
- C₂ joint vacation trip
- C₃ joint participation in research conference

$$\mathbf{C}_4 = \mathbf{C}_1 \And \mathbf{C}_2$$

3.2.Illustrative example: Improvement of telephone network in Moscow



Criteria: C₁ total (generalized) utility C₂ complexity of implementation C₃ prospective utilit, C₄ expenditure for implementation (apparatus, work)

GROUPS (clustering of the regions By parameters):

 Group 1 (G¹):
 A_1

 Group 2 (G²):
 A_2

 Group 3 (G³):
 $A_3 \& A_8$

 Group 4 (G⁴):
 A_4

 Group 5 (G⁵):
 $A_5 \& A_7 \& A_9$

 Group 6 (G⁶):
 A_6

System extension activities/operation:

- **D**₁ None
- **D**₂ New links
- **D**₃ Upgrade of links
- **D**₄ New links and new apparatus
- **D**₅ Deletion of some old links

3.2.Illustrative example: Improvement of telephone network in Moscow



Note: multiple choice problem

3.3.Example of network extension

Initial region



Note: generalized multicriteria assignment problem

3.3.Example of network extension



3.3.Example of network extension



3.4.Example: generations of DSS COMBI (ranking; 1984...1993) [Levin, 1994]



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3.5.Example: Standard of multimedia data transmission MPEG







System parts:

1.Interference avoidance A
2.Automated/distributed address management B
3.Group addressing I
4.Centralized data collection C
5.Network scalability D
6.Message size E
7.Standardized commissioning K
8.Robust mesh networking F
9.Cluster library support L
10.Web services support W

3.7.Example: generations of ZigBee protocol



3.7.Example: generations of ZigBee protocol



3.7.Example: Direct expert forecast for ZigBee protocol



3.7.Example: Change operations and their estimates

Stage 1. Change operations: f₁, f₂, f₃, f₄, f₅, f₆, f₇, f₈, f₉, f₁₀, f₁₁, f₁₂, f₁₃, f₁₄, f₁₅, f₁₆, f₁₇

Stage 2. Assessment upon 8 criteria (required time, effectiveness, scalability, reliability, utility, etc.)

Stage 3. Multicriteria ranking



Stage 4. Design of binary relations over change operations (equivalence, complementarity, precedence)



3.7.Example: Calculated forecast solutions



3.7.Comparison of calculated forecast solutions

Methods for comparison/analysis: 1. expert judgment 2.Pareto-approach

General utility



3.8.Example: Combinatorial evolution of wireless communication (Levin, 2017)



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Hierarchical structure of wireless mobile system generations:

0. Wireless mobile system $S = B^1 * B^2 * B^3 * B^4$ 1.Definition $B^1 = B^{11} * B^{12}$ 1.1.technology (packet data, IP technology) B^{11} 1.2.switching (circuit, packet) B^{12}

2.Services $B^2 = B^{21} * B^{22}$ 2.1.Service (mobile, digital voice, etc) B^{21} 2.2.cloud computing B^{22} 3.Data transmission & access $B^3 = B^{31} * B^{32}$ 3.1.data bandwidth/throughput speed/data rate B^{31} 3.2.multiplexing/access technology B^{32}

4.Netrworking $B^4 = B^{41} * B^{42} * B^{43} * B^{44}$ 4.1.core network B^{41} 4.2.handoff B^{42} 4.3.HetNets B^{43} 4.4.space communication B^{44}

3.8.Example: Combinatorial evolution of wireless communication (Levin, 2017)

Additional problem: improvement of generation 5G (usage of multiple choice problem)



APPLIED PROBLEM:

Location of 9 employees (P₁,...,P₉) to 7 rooms (X, Y, Z, A, B, C, D) (initial data based on German research project)



Source: M.Sh. Levin, Combinatorial Engineering of Decomposable Systems, Springer, 1998.

Team members

- **P**₁ Leader of large project **R**₁
- **P**₂ Leader of large project **R**₂
- **P**₃ Manager of large project **R**₁
- **P**₄ Researcher, projects: **R**₁ and **R**₃
- P₅ Researcher, project: R₂
- P_6 Researcher, projects: R_1 and R_4
- P_7 Researcher, projects: R_1 and R_2
- **P**₈ Secretary, project: **R**₁
- P₉ Secretary, project: R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄

DESCRIPION of EMPLOYEES

SMOKING FRIENDSHIP POSSIBLE ROOMS for ASSIGNMENT

P ₁	Yes	$P_2, P3$	A, B, C, D
\mathbf{P}_2	None	\mathbf{P}_{1}	A, B, C, D
P ₃	Yes	P ₁ , P ₅	A, B, C, D, X, Y, Z
P ₄	None	P_1, P_3, P_8	A, B, C, D, X, Y, Z
P ₅	Yes	P ₃ , P ₈	A, B, C, D
P ₆	None	P ₄	A, B, C, D, X, Y, Z
P ₇	Yes	$\mathbf{P}_5, \mathbf{P}_9$	A, B, C, D
P ₈	Yes	P ₃ , P ₅	A, B, C, D, X, Y, Z
P ₉	Yes	P ₇	A, B, C, D, X, Y, Z



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RULES

RULE 1: Project leader has to be located very close to members of his project

RULE 2: Project leader has to be located in big room (alone)

RULE 3: Project manager has to be located close to project leader & project secretary **RULE 4:** Project manager has to be located at a small room (alone) or

at the big room (for only two employees)

RULE 5: Researcher has to be located at the small room (alone) or at the big room (two employees)

RULE 6: Project members have to be located at the same room or at close rooms **RULE 7:** Secretary can be located at the big room (two employees) or at the small room (two employees)

RULE 8: Smoke and non-smoke employees have to be located at different rooms **RULE 9:** Friends have to be located at the same room or at close rooms



Location solution: S₁=A₃*B₁*C₂*D₅*X₄*Y₃*Z₂

X:	Y:	Z:
P ₅	P ₆	P ₄

A:
$$P_3 \& P_8$$
B:
 P_1 C:
 P_2 D:
 $P_7 \& P_9$
PLAN:

4.0.Basic author's references 4.1.Design of student plan (courses, art, sport, work) 4.2.Evolution of three modular courses, forecasting, aggregation of the results) 4.3.Design of student individual trajectory (BS->MS->PhD->PostDoc) 4.4.Examples of student projects 4.5.Publications (based on student projects) **I.Books:**

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4.1.Design of student plan (Levin, 1998)

0.Student plan S = A*B*C*D*E: 1.Basic course(s) $A = O^*T^*M$: 1.1.OR O: O₁...O₇ 1.2.CS T: T₁..T₅ 1.3.Manag. M: M₁...M₆ 2.Additional course(s) B=G*H*U*V 2.1.Engineering G: G₁...G₇ 2.2.Psychology H: H₁..H₅ 2.3.Languages U: U₁...U₈ 2.4. History V: V₁...V₆ 3.Art C=I*J*K **3.1.Dance I: I₁..I₃ 3.2.** Music J: $J_1...J_4$ **3.3.Theatre K: K₁...K₅** 4.Sport D=L*P*Q 4.1.Team game (e.g., football) L: L₁..L₅ 4.2.Prestige game (e.g., tennis) P: P₁..P₅ 4.3.Psysiological (e.g., box, karate) Q: Q₁..Q₆ 5.Temporary job E=X*Y*Z 5.1.Bank X: X₁..X₇ 5.2.University (e.g., research) Y: Y₁...Y₅ 5.3.Company (marketing) Z: Z₁...Z₈

Criteria for DAs: 1.Cost/salary 2.Possibility to meet useful person(s) 3.Possibility to meet friend(s) 4.Possibility to meet boy/girl friend 5.Accordence to inclinations 6.Usefulness to future career 7.Usefulness to health 8.Usefulness to future life

Illustrative example of student plan:

$$S = A_1 * B_1 * C_3 * D_2 * E_3$$

Plan parts:

$$A_{1} = O_{5} * T_{5} * M_{6}$$

$$B_{1} = G_{7} * H_{3} * U_{2} * V_{2}$$

$$C_{3} = I_{2} * J_{2} * K_{2}$$

$$D_{2} = L_{5} * P_{2} * Q_{4}$$

$$E_{3} = X_{7} * Y_{3} * Z_{7}$$

Elements of solution (selected DAs): O₅ Multicriteria decision making T₅ HCI M₆ Project management **G**₇ Software engineering H₃ Cognitive psychology **U₂ French** V₂ Modern history I₂ Ball dance **J**₂ Classic music K₂ Actor L₅ Volley-ball P₂ Tennis Q₄ Jogging X₇ Modeling Y₃ Software development Z₇ Marketing

4.2. Evolution of modular courses, forecast, aggregation (Levin, 2013)

Course 1: Information technology and decision making (1995, Moscow, Russia, Inst. for Economics, Management, Low) Course 2: Introduction to systems engineering (1999, Ariel College, Israel) Course 3: System design (structural approach) (2004..2008, Russia, Moscow Inst. of Physics &Technology - MIPT)



4.3.Example: Design of student individual trajectory (Levin, 2017)



Examples of student projects:

1.Multicriteria Steiner tree problem for communication networks
2.Connection of users with a telecommunication networks: multicriteria assignment problem (selection/allocation of access points)
3.Improvement of regional telecommunications networks
4.Modular redesign of networked system
5.Configuration of alarm wireless sensor element
6.Design of modular wireless sensor
7.Composition of structure of the telemetry system (unmanned vehicle)
8.Composite combinatorial scheme of test planning (for microprocessor systems)
9.Plan of modular marketing
10.Configuration of integrated security system

4.5.References – Student papers based on student projects

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I.Computer systems: (a)synthesis of modular software package (b)human-computer interface (DSS COMBI) (c)overlay structure of modular software (d)series-parallel strategies for multicriteria ranking (DSS COMB) **II.Biomedicine:** (a)treatment plan (b)immunological analysis **III.Civil engineering:** (a)building (b)concrete technology **IV.Communication systems, sensor networks, telemetry systems:** (a)allocation of end users (last mile problem) (b)standard for multimedia information transmission (MPEG) (c)protocol for sensor networks ZigBee (d)radio sensor (e)telemetry system (f)regional communication network (g)generations of wireless mobile systems V.Control and management: (a)modular control system for smart home (b)integrated security system (c)modular planning in geological exploration (d) planning of marketing **VI.Education:** (a)synthesis/evolution of course (6)synthesis of student plan/student trajectory

1.Systematization of decision support for stages of life cycle: Modular systems with morphological model

> 2.Examination and design of typical combinatorial engineering frameworks for decision support комбинаторных (7+1)

3.New morphological synthesis (modular design) 'Hierarchical Morphological Multicriteria Design' HMMD

4.Library of applied problem-prototypes (basic analogues)

1.New combinatorial optimization model 'morphological clique' 2.New hierarchical knapsack problem and new polynomial approximate algorithm (PTAS-like)) **3.New vector-like proximity measure for rankings** 4.Design of series-parallel solving strategies based on HMMD (example for DSS COMBI) 5.New location problem/scheme based on HMMD **6.**New type on interval multiset-like estimate and operations over it 7.New type of combinatorial optimization problem with objective function as maximum of median (problems: multiple choice problem, knapsack, assignment, morphological clique) 8.New approach to data integration based on clique fusion over graph stream 9.New approach for solution restructuring for combinatorial optimization problems (knapsack, multiple choice problem, clustering)

1.Educational courses based on HMMD (and their implementation)

2.Basic problems: 2.1.design of modular course 2.2.planning of student career 2.3.design of educational environment 2.4.combinatorial evolution of educational modular course 2.5.design of student individual trajectory

