CS 263: Counting and Sampling

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slides for

Dobrushin's Influence Matrix

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$$\sum_{y} N(x, y) = 1$$

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Path coupling lemma

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Spin systems

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Contraction related to eigs of P.
Called Poincaré inequality

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