

# CS 473: Algorithms

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# Review session

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# What we saw so far...

Fast Fourier Transform (FFT).

Dynamic Programming

- String algorithms.
- Graph algorithms: shortest path, independent set, dominating set, etc.

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- Hashing, Fingerprinting

# Part I

## FFT

# What is Fast Fourier Transform

## Definition

Given a polynomial  $a = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1})$  in coefficient representation the *Discrete Fourier Transform* (DFT) of  $a$  is the vector  $a' = (a'_0, a'_1, \dots, a'_{n-1})$  where  $a'_j = a(\omega_n^j)$  for  $0 \leq j < n$ .

$a'$  is a sample representation of polynomial with coefficient representation  $a$  at  $n$ 'th roots of unity.

We have shown that  $a'$  can be computed from  $a$  in  $O(n \log n)$  time. This divide and conquer *algorithm* is called the *Fast Fourier Transform* (FFT).

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## Convolution

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## Polynomial Multiplication

If vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are coefficients of two  $n - 1$  degree polynomials, (abusing notation)  $\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \mathbf{x}^i$ ,  $\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i \mathbf{x}^i$  then  $\mathbf{c}$  is the coefficient vector of the product polynomial  $\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}) * \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x})$ .



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- 1 Evaluate polynomials  $a$  and  $b$  at the  $2n$ th roots of unity, to get their sample representation  $a'$  and  $b'$ .
- 2 Compute sample representation  $c' = (a'_0 b'_0, \dots, a'_{2n-2} b'_{2n-2})$  of product  $c = a \cdot b$
- 3 Compute  $c$  from  $c'$  using inverse Fourier transform.

- Step 1 takes  $O(n \log n)$  using two FFTs
- Step 2 takes  $O(n)$  time
- Step 3 takes  $O(n \log n)$  using one FFT

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$$\begin{aligned}
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 \bar{b}(x) &= b_{k-1} + b_{k-2} x + \dots + b_0 x^{k-1} \\
 &\quad + b_1 x^k + \dots + b_{k-1} x^{2k-2} \\
 \bar{a} * \bar{b} \text{ conv}(C^L) &= \sum_{i,j, i+j=L} a_i \cdot x^i \cdot C_j x^j = \sum_{i,j; i+j=L} a_i b_j
 \end{aligned}$$

$$a'_0 = \text{coeff}(x^{k-1}) = a_0 \cdot b_0 + a_1 \cdot b_1 + \dots + a_{k-1} \cdot b_{k-1} \\ + 0 + 0 + \dots + 0$$

$$b_i(x) = b_0 + b_1 x + \dots + b_{k-1} x^{k-1}$$

$$a + b : \quad \text{coeff}(x^i) = b_0 \cdot a_i + b_1 \cdot a_{i-1} + \dots \\ x^0 \cdot x^i \quad x^1 \cdot x^{i-1} \\ \dots + b_{k-1} \cdot a_{i-k+1} \\ x^{k-1} \cdot x^{i-k+1}$$

# Part II

## Dynamic Programming

# Recursion

## Reduction:

Reduce one problem to another

## Recursion

A special case of reduction

- 1 reduce problem to a *smaller* instance of *itself*
- 2 self-reduction

- 1 Problem instance of size  $n$  is reduced to one or more instances of size  $n - 1$  or less.
- 2 For termination, problem instances of small size are solved by some other method as **base cases**.

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# Edit Distance

## Definition

**Edit distance** between two words  $X$  and  $Y$  is the number of letter insertions, letter deletions and letter substitutions required to obtain  $Y$  from  $X$ .

## Example

The edit distance between FOOD and MONEY is at most **4**:

FOOD  $\rightarrow$  MOOD  $\rightarrow$  MONOD  $\rightarrow$  MONED  $\rightarrow$  MONEY

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**Cost of an alignment:** the number of mismatched columns.

# Edit Distance Problem

## Problem

Given two words, find the edit distance between them, i.e., an alignment of smallest cost.

# Edit Distance

## Basic observation

Let  $A = \alpha x$  and  $B = \beta y$

$\alpha, \beta$ : strings.  $x$  and  $y$  single characters.

Possible alignments between  $A$  and  $B$

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$$EDIST(A, B) = \min \begin{cases} EDIST(\alpha, \beta) + [x \neq y] \\ 1 + EDIST(\alpha, B) \\ 1 + EDIST(A, \beta) \end{cases}$$

# Recursive Algorithm

Assume strings are given as arrays  $A[1..m]$  and  $B[1..n]$

```
EDIST(A[1..i], B[1..j])  
  If ( $i = 0$ ) return  $j$   
  If ( $j = 0$ ) return  $i$   
   $m_1 = 1 + \mathbf{EDIST(A[1..(i - 1)], B[1..j])}$   
   $m_2 = 1 + \mathbf{EDIST(A[1..i], B[1..(j - 1)])}$   
  If ( $A[m] = B[n]$ ) then  
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  Else  
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  return  $\mathbf{\min(m_1, m_2, m_3)}$ 
```

Call  $\mathbf{EDIST(A[1..m], B[1..n])}$



# Memoizing the Recursive Algorithm

```
int M[0..m][0..n]
```

```
Initialize all entries of  $M[i][j]$  to  $\infty$   
return EDIST(A[1..m], B[1..n])
```

```
EDIST(A[1..i], B[1..j])
```

```
If ( $M[i][j] < \infty$ ) return  $M[i][j]$  (* return stored value *)
```

```
If ( $i = 0$ )
```

```
     $M[i][j] = j$ 
```

```
ElseIf ( $j = 0$ )
```

```
     $M[i][j] = i$ 
```

```
Else
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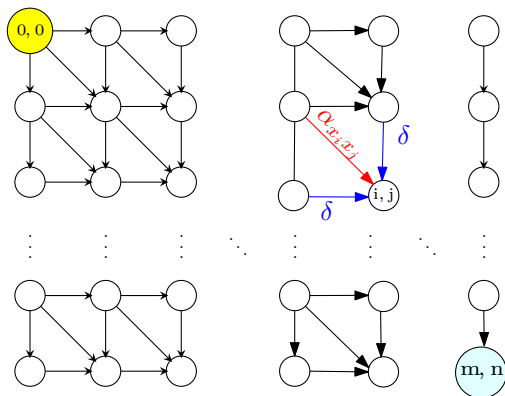
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return  $M[i][j]$ 
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# Matrix and DAG of Computation



# Removing Recursion to obtain Iterative Algorithm

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for i = 0 to m do M[i, 0] = i
```

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    for j = 1 to n do
```

$$M[i][j] = \min \begin{cases} [x_i \neq y_j] + M[i-1][j-1], \\ 1 + M[i-1][j], \\ 1 + M[i][j-1] \end{cases}$$

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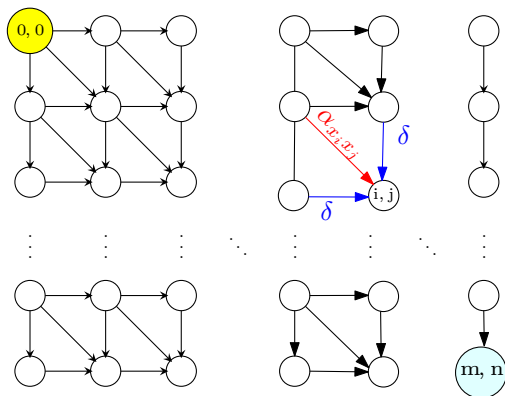
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- 1 Running time is  $O(mn)$ .
- 2 Space used is  $O(mn)$ .

# Matrix and DAG of Computation



**Figure:** Iterative algorithm in previous slide computes values in row order.

# Problem

Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$  a matching is a set of edges  $M \subset E$  such that no two edges in  $M$  share an end point. Describe an efficient algorithm that given a tree  $T = (V, E)$  and non-negative weights  $w : E \rightarrow R^+$  finds a maximum weight matching in  $T$ .



If  $r$  is not matched then:  $M(r) = \sum_{u \in \text{child}(r)} M(u) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

If  $r$  is indeed matched then  
 $M(r) = \max_{u \in \text{child}(r)} w(r, u) + \sum_{v \neq u, v \in \text{child}(r)} M(v) + \sum_{v \in \text{child}(u)} M(v) \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

$$M(r) = \max \begin{cases} \textcircled{1} \\ \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

Iterative Algorithm:

Initialization:  $M(u) = 0 \quad \forall u$  leaf

Evaluate in post order traversal of tree rooted at  $r$ .



# Dijkstra's Algorithm

Initialize for each node  $v$ ,  $\text{dist}(s, v) = \infty$

Initialize  $S = \emptyset$ ,  $\text{dist}(s, s) = 0$

**for**  $i = 1$  to  $|V|$  **do**

    Let  $v$  be such that  $\text{dist}(s, v) = \min_{u \in V - S} \text{dist}(s, u)$

$S = S \cup \{v\}$

**for** each  $u$  in  $\text{Adj}(v) \setminus S$  **do**

$\text{dist}(s, u) = \min(\text{dist}(s, u), \text{dist}(s, v) + \ell(v, u))$

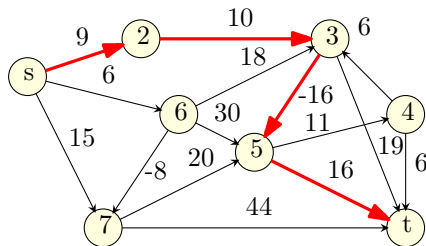
- 1 Using Fibonacci heaps. Running time:  $O(m + n \log n)$ .
- 2 Can compute shortest path tree.

# Single-Source Shortest Paths with Negative Edge Lengths

## Single-Source Shortest Path Problems

**Input:** A *directed* graph  $G = (V, E)$  with arbitrary (including negative) edge lengths. For edge  $e = (u, v)$ ,  $\ell(e) = \ell(u, v)$  is its length.

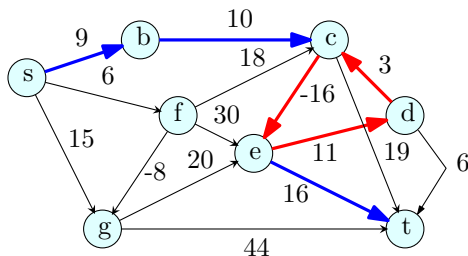
- Given nodes  $s, t$  find shortest path from  $s$  to  $t$ .
- Given node  $s$  find shortest path from  $s$  to all other nodes.



# Negative Length Cycles

## Definition

A cycle  $C$  is a negative length cycle if the sum of the edge lengths of  $C$  is negative.



Dijkstra's algorithm does not work with negative edges.

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Sub-problem idea: paths of fewer hops/edges

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Base case:  $d(s, 0) = 0$  and  $d(v, 0) = \infty$  for all  $v \neq s$ .

# A Basic Lemma

## Lemma

Assume  $s$  can reach all nodes in  $G = (V, E)$ . Then,

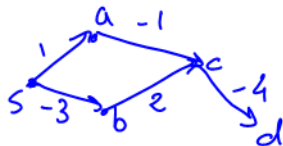
- 1 There is a negative length cycle in  $G$  iff  $d(v, n) < d(v, n - 1)$  for some node  $v \in V$ .
- 2 If there is no negative length cycle in  $G$  then  $\text{dist}(s, v) = d(v, n - 1)$  for all  $v \in V$ .

# Bellman-Ford Algorithm

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k	s	a	b	c	d
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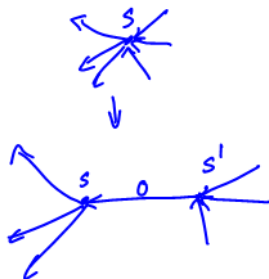
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Run Bellman-Ford from  $s$ .  $d(s', k)$

for  $k$  iterations 

$d(v, k)$  : length of the shortest walk from  $s$  to  $v$  that has at most  $k$  edges.

$\Rightarrow d(s', k)$  : length of the shortest walk from  $s$  to  $s'$  with at most  $k$  edges.

Since edge weights are positive  
walk is essentially a path.

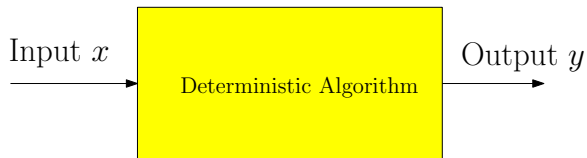
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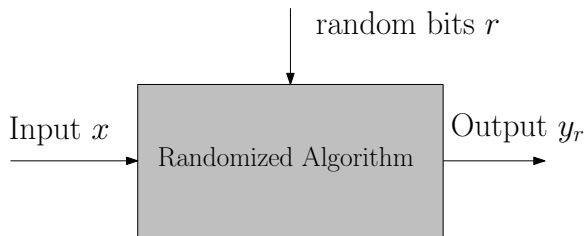
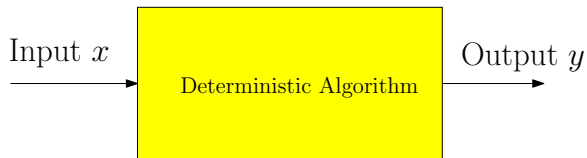
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- 3 Algorithms whose running time and output may both be random.

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# Ping and find randomized.

Consider an algorithm **randFind** that is trying to find an element in an array  $X$  of size  $n$ . At every step it asks the value of one random cell in the array, and the adversary is allowed after each such ping, to shuffle elements around in the array in any way it seems fit. This algorithm would stop in expectation after

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steps.

# Median

Consider the problem of finding an “approximate median” of an unsorted array  $A[1..n]$ : an element of  $A$  with rank between  $n/4$  and  $3n/4$ .

- Finding an approximate median is not any easier than a proper median.
- $n/2$  elements of  $A$  qualify as approximate medians and hence a random element is good with probability  $1/2$ !

# Part IV

## Basics of Randomization



# Discrete Probability Space

## Definition

A discrete probability space is a pair  $(\Omega, \Pr)$  consists of finite set  $\Omega$  of **elementary events** and function  $p : \Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]$  which assigns a probability  $\Pr[\omega]$  for each  $\omega \in \Omega$  such that  $\sum_{\omega \in \Omega} \Pr[\omega] = 1$ .

## Example

An unbiased coin.  $\Omega = \{H, T\}$  and  $\Pr[H] = \Pr[T] = 1/2$ .

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## Linearity of Expectation

Given two random variables  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ ,  
 $\mathbf{E}[X_1 + X_2] = \mathbf{E}[X_1] + \mathbf{E}[X_2]$ .

# Independence of Random Variables

Random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be independent if

$$\forall x, y, \quad \Pr[X = x \wedge Y = y] = \Pr[X = x] \cdot \Pr[Y = y]$$

## Multiplication

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent then  $E[XY] = E[X] E[Y]$ .



# Part V

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- 1 Pick a pivot element *uniformly at random* from the array.
- 2 Split array into 3 subarrays: those smaller than pivot, those larger than pivot, and the pivot itself.
- 3 Recursively sort the subarrays, and concatenate them.

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Since each element of  $A$  has probability exactly of  $1/n$  of being chosen:

$$\mathbf{E}[X_i] = \mathbf{Pr}[\text{pivot is the element with rank } i] = 1/n.$$

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## Lemma

Random variables  $X_i$  is independent of random variables  $Q(A_{left}^i)$  as well as  $Q(A_{right}^i)$ , i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} E[X_i \cdot Q(A_{left}^i)] &= E[X_i] E[Q(A_{left}^i)] \\ E[X_i \cdot Q(A_{right}^i)] &= E[X_i] E[Q(A_{right}^i)] \end{aligned}$$

## Proof.

This is because the algorithm, while recursing on  $Q(A_{left}^i)$  and  $Q(A_{right}^i)$  uses new random coin tosses that are independent of the coin tosses used to decide the first pivot. Only the latter decides value of  $X_i$ . □

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(Guess and) Verify by induction. □

# Part VI

## Inequalities

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Let  $X$  be a **non-negative** random variable over a probability space  $(\Omega, \Pr)$ . For any  $a > 0$ ,

$$\Pr[X \geq a] \leq \frac{\mathbf{E}[X]}{a}$$

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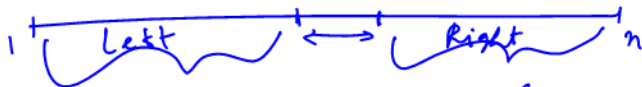
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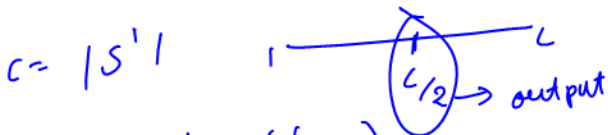
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# Problem: Approximate Median

Suppose you are presented with a very large set  $S$  of real numbers, and you would like to approximate the median of these numbers by sampling. Let  $|S| = n$ . We say  $x$  is an  $\epsilon$ -approximate median of  $S$  if at least  $(1/2 - \epsilon)n$  are less than  $x$  and at least  $(1/2 - \epsilon)n$  are greater than  $x$ . Consider an algorithm that samples a number  $c$  times u.a.r. from  $S$ , forms set  $S'$  of sampled numbers, and outputs a median of  $S'$ . Show that for the algorithm to return  $\epsilon$ -approximate median w.p. at least  $(1 - \delta)$ , it suffices to have sample size  $c$  that is an absolute constant, independent of  $n$ .



Ans is wrong if  $> 1/2$  OR  $> c/2$   
So, bound probability for each by  $\frac{\delta}{2}$



$$|\text{left}| = \left(\frac{1}{2} - \epsilon\right)n$$

$$\Pr(\text{sample } i \text{ is from left}) = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2} - \epsilon\right) \cdot n}{n}$$

$$X_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i^{\text{th}} \text{ sample from left} \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$E[X_i] = \frac{1}{2} - \epsilon.$$

$$Z = \# \text{ ele. from left} = \sum_{i=1}^c X_i$$

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want  $\Pr[Z > c/2] \leq \frac{\delta}{2}$ . Then what should be 'c'?

(using Chernoff)