

# Dynamic Programming

## Lecture 6

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## Part I

## Total Recall on DAGs

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## DAGs

### Definition

A **DAG** is a directed acyclic graph. That is a directed graph with no cycles.

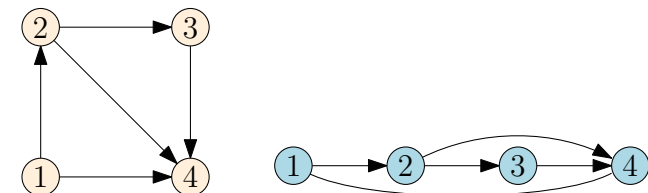
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## Topological Ordering/Sorting

You should already know that...

### Definition

A **topological ordering/topological sorting** of  $G = (V, E)$  is an ordering  $\prec$  on  $V$  such that if  $(u, v) \in E$  then  $u \prec v$ .



### Lemma

A directed graph  $G$  can be topologically ordered iff it is a **DAG**.

### Lemma

A **DAG**  $G = (V, E)$  with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges can be topologically sorted in  $O(n + m)$  time.

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## More things you should already know

You should already know that...

### Lemma

*The strong connected components of a directed graph, can be computed in  $O(n + m)$  time.*

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## Part II

## Maximum Weighted Independent Set in Trees

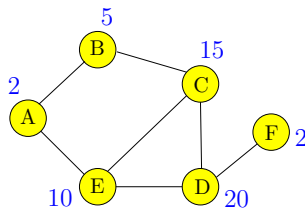
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## Maximum Weight Independent Set Problem

### Problem (**Max Weight Independent Set**)

**Input:** Graph  $G = (V, E)$  and weights  $w(v) \geq 0$  for each  $v \in V$ .

**Goal:** Find maximum weight independent set in  $G$ .



Maximum weight independent set in above graph:  $\{B, D\}$ .

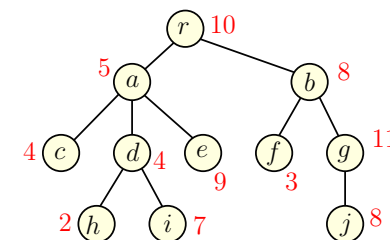
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## Maximum Weight Independent Set in a Tree

### Problem (**Max W. Independent Set in Tree**)

**Input:** Tree  $T = (V, E)$  and weights  $w(v) \geq 0$  for each  $v \in V$ .

**Goal:** Find maximum weight independent set in  $T$ .



Maximum weight independent set in above tree: ??

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## Towards a Recursive Solution

1. For an arbitrary graph  $\mathbf{G}$ :
  - 1.1 Number vertices as  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$
  - 1.2 Find recursively optimum solutions without  $v_n$  (recurse on  $\mathbf{G} - v_n$ ) and with  $v_n$  (recurse on  $\mathbf{G} - v_n - N(v_n)$  & include  $v_n$ ).
  - 1.3 Saw that if graph  $\mathbf{G}$  is arbitrary there was no good ordering that resulted in a small number of subproblems.
2. What about a tree?
3. Natural candidate for  $v_n$  is root  $r$  of  $\mathbf{T}$ ?

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## Towards a Recursive Solution

Maximum Weight Independent Set in a Tree

1. Natural candidate for  $v_n$  is root  $r$  of  $\mathbf{T}$ ?
2. Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be an optimum solution to the whole problem.
  - Case  $r \notin \mathcal{O}$  :  $\mathcal{O}$  contains optimum solution for each subtree hanging from a child of  $r$ .
  - Case  $r \in \mathcal{O}$  : None of children of  $r$  are in  $\mathcal{O}$ .  
 $\mathcal{O} \setminus \{r\}$  contains an optimum solution for each subtree hanging at a grandchild of  $r$ .
3. Subproblems? Subtrees of  $\mathbf{T}$  hanging at nodes in  $\mathbf{T}$ .

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## A Recursive Solution

1.  $\mathbf{T}(u)$ : subtree of  $\mathbf{T}$  hanging at node  $u$ .
2.  $\mathbf{OPT}(u)$ : max weighted independent set value in  $\mathbf{T}(u)$ .
3. 
$$\mathbf{OPT}(u) = \max \begin{cases} \sum_{v \text{ child of } u} \mathbf{OPT}(v), \\ w(u) + \sum_{v \text{ grandchild of } u} \mathbf{OPT}(v) \end{cases}$$

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## Iterative Algorithm

1. Compute  $\mathbf{OPT}(u)$  bottom up.
2. To evaluate  $\mathbf{OPT}(u)$  need to have computed values of all children and grandchildren of  $u$
3. What is an ordering of nodes of a tree  $\mathbf{T}$  to achieve above?
4. Post-order traversal of a tree.

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## Iterative Algorithm

**MIS-Tree(T):**

Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be a post-order traversal of nodes of  $T$   
for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do

$$M[v_i] = \max \left( \begin{array}{l} \sum_{v_j \text{ child of } v_i} M[v_j], \\ w(v_i) + \sum_{v_j \text{ grandchild of } v_i} M[v_j] \end{array} \right)$$

return  $M[v_n]$  // Note:  $v_n$  is the root of  $T$

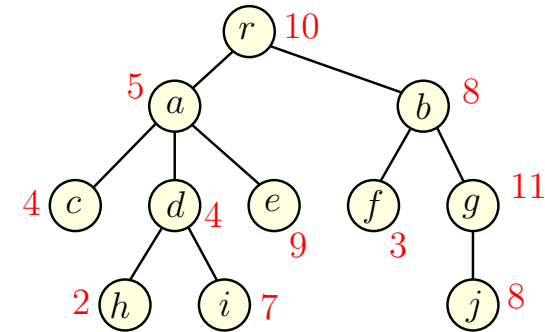
**Space:**  $O(n)$  to store the value at each node of  $T$

**Running time:**

1. Naive bound:  $O(n^2)$  since each  $M[v_i]$  evaluation may take  $O(n)$  time and there are  $n$  evaluations.
2. Better bound:  $O(n)$ . A value  $M[v_j]$  is accessed only by its parent and grand parent.

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## Example

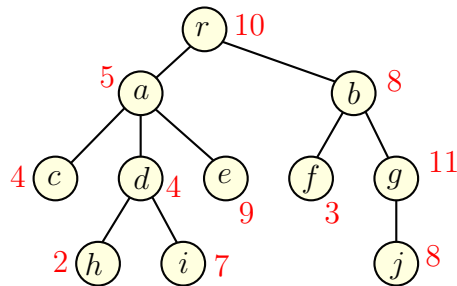


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## Dominating set

### Definition

$G = (V, E)$ . The set  $X \subseteq V$  is a **dominating set**, if any vertex  $v \in V$  is either in  $X$  or is adjacent to a vertex in  $X$ .



### Problem

Given weights on vertices, compute the **minimum** weight dominating set in  $G$ .

**Dominating Set** is **NP-Hard!**

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## Part III

## DAGs and Dynamic Programming

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## Recursion and DAGs

### Observation

**A**: recursive algorithm for problem  $\Pi$ .

For each instance  $I$  of  $\Pi$  there is an associated DAG  $G(I)$ .

1. Create directed graph  $G(I)$  as follows...
2. For each sub-problem in the execution of **A** on  $I$  create a node.
3. If sub-problem  $v$  depends on or recursively calls sub-problem  $u$  add directed edge  $(u, v)$  to graph.
4.  $G(I)$  is a DAG. Why? If  $G(I)$  has a cycle then **A** will not terminate on  $I$ .

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## Iterative Algorithm for...

Dynamic Programming and DAGs

### Observation

An iterative algorithm **B** obtained from a recursive algorithm **A** for a problem  $\Pi$  does the following:

For each instance  $I$  of  $\Pi$ , it computes a topological sort of  $G(I)$  and evaluates sub-problems according to the topological ordering.

1. Sometimes the DAG  $G(I)$  can be obtained directly without thinking about the recursive algorithm **A**
2. In some cases (not all) the computation of an optimal solution reduces to a shortest/longest path in DAG  $G(I)$
3. Topological sort based shortest/longest path computation is dynamic programming!

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## A quick reminder...

A Recursive Algorithm for weighted interval scheduling

Let  $O_i$  be value of an optimal schedule for the first  $i$  jobs.

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Schedule( $n$ ):  
  if  $n = 0$  then return 0  
  if  $n = 1$  then return  $w(v_1)$   
   $O_{p(n)} \leftarrow \text{Schedule}(p(n))$   
   $O_{n-1} \leftarrow \text{Schedule}(n-1)$   
  if  $(O_{p(n)} + w(v_n) < O_{n-1})$  then  
     $O_n = O_{n-1}$   
  else  
     $O_n = O_{p(n)} + w(v_n)$   
  return  $O_n$ 
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## Weighted Interval Scheduling via...

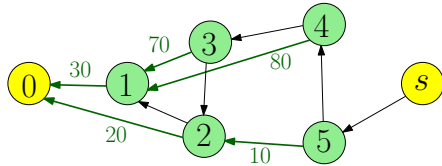
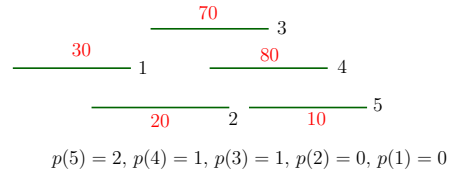
Longest Path in a DAG

Given intervals, create a DAG as follows:

1. Create one node for each interval, plus a dummy sink node  $0$  for interval  $0$ , plus a dummy source node  $s$ .
2. For each interval  $i$  add edge  $(i, p(i))$  of the length/weight of  $v_i$ .
3. Add an edge from  $s$  to  $n$  of length  $0$ .
4. For each interval  $i$  add edge  $(i, i-1)$  of length  $0$ .

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## Example



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## Relating Optimum Solution

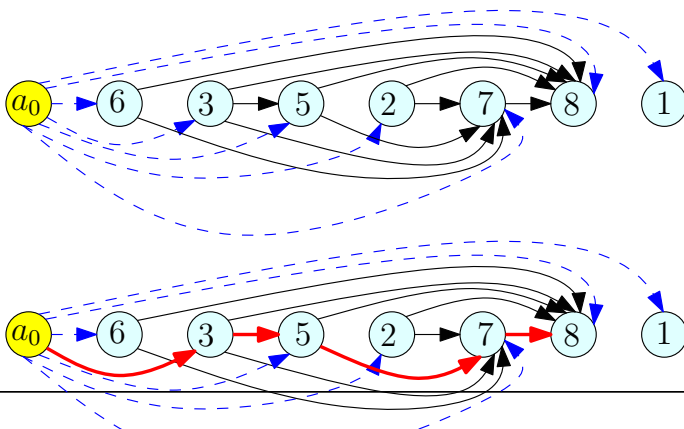
1. Given interval problem instance  $I$  let  $G(I)$  denote the DAG constructed as described.
2. Claim  
Optimum solution to weighted interval scheduling instance  $I$  is given by longest path from  $s$  to  $0$  in  $G(I)$ .
3. Assuming claim is true,
  - 3.1 If  $I$  has  $n$  intervals, DAG  $G(I)$  has  $n + 2$  nodes and  $O(n)$  edges. Creating  $G(I)$  takes  $O(n \log n)$  time: to find  $p(i)$  for each  $i$ . How?
  - 3.2 Longest path can be computed in  $O(n)$  time — recall  $O(m + n)$  algorithm for shortest/longest paths in DAGs.

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## DAG for Longest Increasing Sequence

Given sequence  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  create DAG as follows:

1. add sentinel  $a_0$  to sequence where  $a_0$  is less than smallest element in sequence
2. for each  $i$  there is a node  $v_i$
3. if  $i < j$  and  $a_i < a_j$  add an edge  $(v_i, v_j)$
4. find longest path from  $v_0$



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## Part IV

### Edit Distance and Sequence Alignment

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## Spell Checking Problem

1. Given a string “exponen” that is not in the dictionary, how should a spell checker suggest a *nearby* string?
2. What does nearness mean?
3. **Question:** Given two strings  $x_1x_2 \dots x_n$  and  $y_1y_2 \dots y_m$  what is a *distance* between them?
4. **Edit Distance:** minimum number of “edits” to transform  $x$  into  $y$ .

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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 → MOOD → MONOD → MONED → MONEY

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## Edit Distance: Alternate View

### Alignment

Place words one on top of the other, with gaps in the first word indicating insertions, and gaps in the second word indicating deletions.

F	O	O		D
M	O	N	E	Y

Formally, an **alignment** is a set  $M$  of pairs  $(i, j)$  such that each index appears at most once, and there is no “crossing”:  $i < i'$  and  $i$  is matched to  $j$  implies  $i'$  is matched to  $j' > j$ . In the above example, this is  $M = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 5)\}$ . Cost of an alignment is the number of mismatched columns plus number of unmatched indices in both strings.

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## Edit Distance Problem

### Problem

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

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## Applications

1. Spell-checkers and Dictionaries
2. Unix diff
3. DNA sequence alignment ... but, we need a new metric

## Similarity Metric

### Definition

For two strings **X** and **Y**, the cost of alignment **M** is

1. **[Gap penalty]** For each gap in the alignment, we incur a cost  $\delta$ .
2. **[Mismatch cost]** For each pair  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $\mathbf{q}$  that have been matched in  $\mathbf{M}$ , we incur cost  $\alpha_{pq}$ ; typically  $\alpha_{pp} = 0$ .

Edit distance is special case when  $\delta = \alpha_{pq} = 1$ .

## An Example

## Example

<i>o</i>		<i>c</i>	<i>u</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>e</i>
<i>o</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>u</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>e</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>e</i>

 $\text{Cost} = \delta + \alpha_{ae}$ 

Alternative:

<i>o</i>		<i>c</i>	<i>u</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>r</i>		<i>a</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>e</i>	Cost = $3\delta$
<i>o</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>u</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>e</i>		<i>n</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>e</i>	

Or a really stupid solution (delete string, insert other string):

o	c	u	r	r	a	n	c	e	o	c	c	u	r	r	e	n	c	e
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$$\text{Cost} = 19\delta.$$

## Sequence Alignment

## Problem (Sequence Alignment)

**Input:** Given two words  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$ , and gap penalty  $\delta$  and mismatch costs  $\alpha_{pq}$ .

**Goal:** Find alignment of minimum cost.

## Edit distance

### Basic observation

Let  $X = \alpha x$  and  $Y = \beta y$

$\alpha, \beta$ : strings.

$x$  and  $y$  single characters.

Think about optimal edit distance between  $X$  and  $Y$  as alignment, and consider last column of alignment of the two strings:

$\alpha$	$x$	or	$\alpha$	$x$	or	$\alpha x$	
$\beta$	$y$		$\beta y$			$\beta$	$y$

### Observation

*Prefixes must have optimal alignment!*

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## Problem Structure

### Observation

Let  $X = x_1 x_2 \cdots x_m$  and  $Y = y_1 y_2 \cdots y_n$ . If  $(m, n)$  are not matched then either the  $m$ th position of  $X$  remains unmatched or the  $n$ th position of  $Y$  remains unmatched.

1. **Case**  $x_m$  and  $y_n$  are matched.
  - 1.1 Pay mismatch cost  $\alpha_{x_m y_n}$  plus cost of aligning strings  $x_1 \cdots x_{m-1}$  and  $y_1 \cdots y_{n-1}$
2. **Case**  $x_m$  is unmatched.
  - 2.1 Pay gap penalty plus cost of aligning  $x_1 \cdots x_{m-1}$  and  $y_1 \cdots y_n$
3. **Case**  $y_n$  is unmatched.
  - 3.1 Pay gap penalty plus cost of aligning  $x_1 \cdots x_m$  and  $y_1 \cdots y_{n-1}$

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## Subproblems and Recurrence

### Optimal Costs

Let  $\text{Opt}(i, j)$  be optimal cost of aligning  $x_1 \cdots x_i$  and  $y_1 \cdots y_j$ . Then

$$\text{Opt}(i, j) = \min \begin{cases} \alpha_{x_i y_j} + \text{Opt}(i-1, j-1), \\ \delta + \text{Opt}(i-1, j), \\ \delta + \text{Opt}(i, j-1) \end{cases}$$

Base Cases:  $\text{Opt}(i, 0) = \delta \cdot i$  and  $\text{Opt}(0, j) = \delta \cdot j$

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## Dynamic Programming Solution

```
for all  $i$  do  $M[i, 0] = i\delta$ 
for all  $j$  do  $M[0, j] = j\delta$ 

for  $i = 1$  to  $m$  do
  for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
     $M[i, j] = \min \begin{cases} \alpha_{x_i y_j} + M[i-1, j-1], \\ \delta + M[i-1, j], \\ \delta + M[i, j-1] \end{cases}$ 
```

### Analysis

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

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## Matrix and of Computation

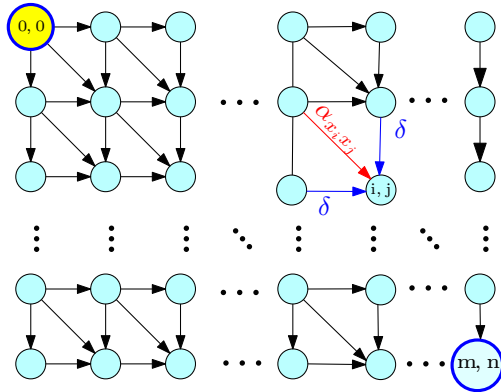


Figure: Iterative algorithm in previous slide computes values in row order. Optimal value is a shortest path from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(m, n)$  in

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## Sequence Alignment in Practice

1. Typically the DNA sequences that are aligned are about  $10^5$  letters long!
2. So about  $10^{10}$  operations and  $10^{10}$  bytes needed
3. The killer is the 10GB storage
4. Can we reduce space requirements?

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## Optimizing Space

1. Recall

$$M(i, j) = \min \begin{cases} \alpha_{x_i y_j} + M(i-1, j-1), \\ \delta + M(i-1, j), \\ \delta + M(i, j-1) \end{cases}$$

2. Entries in  $j$ th column only depend on  $(j-1)$ st column and earlier entries in  $j$ th column
3. Only store the current column and the previous column reusing space;  $N(i, 0)$  stores  $M(i, j-1)$  and  $N(i, 1)$  stores  $M(i, j)$

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## Computing in column order to save space

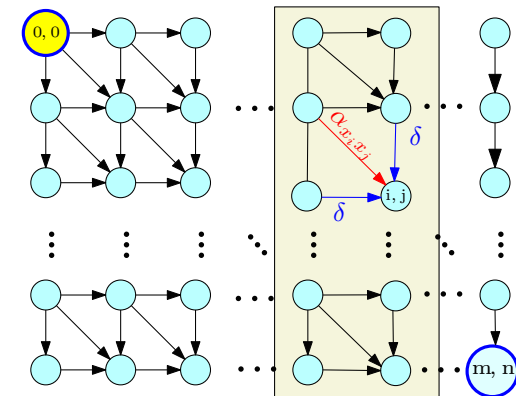


Figure:  $M(i, j)$  only depends on previous column values. Keep only two columns and compute in column order.

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## Space Efficient Algorithm

```
for all  $i$  do  $N[i, 0] = i\delta$ 
for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
   $N[0, j] = j\delta$  (* corresponds to  $M(0, j)$  *)
  for  $i = 1$  to  $m$  do
    
$$N[i, j] = \min \begin{cases} \alpha_{x_i y_j} + N[i-1, j] \\ \delta + N[i-1, j-1] \\ \delta + N[i, j-1] \end{cases}$$

  for  $i = 1$  to  $m$  do
    Copy  $N[i, 0] = N[i, j]$ 
```

### Analysis

Running time is  $O(mn)$  and space used is  $O(2m) = O(m)$

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## Analyzing Space Efficiency

1. From the  $m \times n$  matrix  $M$  we can construct the actual alignment (exercise)
2. Matrix  $N$  computes cost of optimal alignment but no way to construct the actual alignment
3. Space efficient computation of alignment? More complicated algorithm — see text book.

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## Takeaway Points

1. Dynamic programming is based on finding a recursive way to solve the problem. Need a recursion that generates a small number of subproblems.
2. Given a recursive algorithm there is a natural **DAG** associated with the subproblems that are generated for given instance; this is the dependency graph. An iterative algorithm simply evaluates the subproblems in some topological sort of this **DAG**.
3. The space required to evaluate the answer can be reduced in some cases by a careful examination of that dependency **DAG** of the subproblems and keeping only a subset of the **DAG** at any time.

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## Part V

## All Pairs Shortest Paths

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## Shortest Path Problems

### Shortest Path Problems

**Input** A (undirected or directed) graph  $G = (V, E)$  with edge lengths (or costs). For edge  $e = (u, v)$ ,  $\ell(e) = \ell(u, v)$  is its length.

1. Given nodes  $s, t$  find shortest path from  $s$  to  $t$ .
2. Given node  $s$  find shortest path from  $s$  to all other nodes.
3. Find shortest paths for all pairs of nodes.

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## Single-Source Shortest Paths

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2. Given node  $s$  find shortest path from  $s$  to all other nodes.

**Dijkstra's algorithm** for non-negative edge lengths. Running time:  $O((m + n) \log n)$  with heaps and  $O(m + n \log n)$  with advanced priority queues.

**Bellman-Ford algorithm** for arbitrary edge lengths. Running time:  $O(nm)$ .

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## All-Pairs Shortest Paths

### All-Pairs Shortest Path Problem

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1. Find shortest paths for all pairs of nodes.

Apply single-source algorithms  $n$  times, once for each vertex.

1. Non-negative lengths.  $O(nm \log n)$  with heaps and  $O(nm + n^2 \log n)$  using advanced priority queues.
2. Arbitrary edge lengths:  $O(n^2m)$ .  
 $\Theta(n^4)$  if  $m = \Omega(n^2)$ .

Can we do better?

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## Shortest Paths and Recursion

1. Compute the shortest path distance from  $s$  to  $t$  recursively?
2. What are the smaller sub-problems?

### Lemma

Let  $G$  be a directed graph with arbitrary edge lengths. If  $s = v_0 \rightarrow v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v_k$  is a shortest path from  $s$  to  $v_k$  then for  $1 \leq i < k$ :

1.  $s = v_0 \rightarrow v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v_i$  is a shortest path from  $s$  to  $v_i$

Sub-problem idea: paths of fewer hops/edges

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## Hop-based Recur': Single-Source Shortest Paths

1. Single-source problem: fix source  $s$ .
2.  **$OPT(v, k)$** : shortest path dist. from  $s$  to  $v$  using at most  $k$  edges.
3. Note:  **$dist(s, v) = OPT(v, n - 1)$** .
4. Recursion for  **$OPT(v, k)$** :

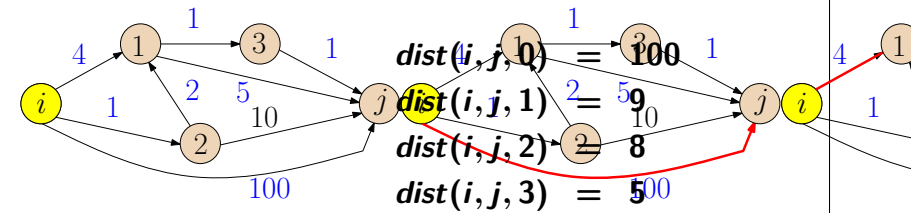
$$OPT(v, k) = \min \begin{cases} \min_{u \in V} (OPT(u, k - 1) + c(u, v)) \\ OPT(v, k - 1) \end{cases}$$

5. Base case:  **$OPT(v, 1) = c(s, v)$**  if  $(s, v) \in E$  otherwise  $\infty$
6. Leads to Bellman-Ford algorithm — see text book.
7.  **$OPT(v, k)$**  values are also of independent interest: shortest paths with at most  $k$  hops.

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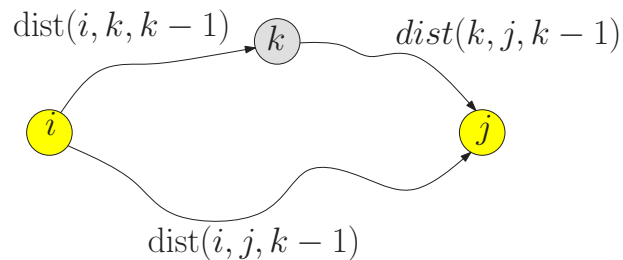
## All-Pairs: Recursion on index of intermediate nodes

1. Number vertices arbitrarily as  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$
2.  **$dist(i, j, k)$** : shortest path distance between  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  among all paths in which the largest index of an intermediate node is at most  $k$



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## All-Pairs: Recursion on index of intermediate nodes



$$dist(i, j, k) = \min \begin{cases} dist(i, j, k - 1) \\ dist(i, k, k - 1) + dist(k, j, k - 1) \end{cases}$$

Base case:  **$dist(i, j, 0) = c(i, j)$**  if  $(i, j) \in E$ , otherwise  $\infty$

**Correctness:** If  $i \rightarrow j$  shortest path goes through  $k$  then  $k$  occurs only once on the path — otherwise there is a negative length cycle.

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## Floyd-Warshall Algorithm

for All-Pairs Shortest Paths

Check if  $G$  has a negative cycle // Bellman-Ford:  **$O(mn)$**  time  
if there is a negative cycle then return "Negative cycle"

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for i = 1 to n do
  for j = 1 to n do
    dist(i, j, 0) = c(i, j) (* c(i, j) = ∞ if (i, j) ∉ E, 0 if i = j *)

for k = 1 to n do
  for i = 1 to n do
    for j = 1 to n do
      dist(i, j, k) = min { dist(i, j, k - 1),
                           dist(i, k, k - 1) + dist(k, j, k - 1)
      }
    
```

**Correctness:** Recursion works under the assumption that all shortest paths are defined (no negative length cycle).

**Running Time:**  $\Theta(n^3)$ , **Space:**  $\Theta(n^3)$ .

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## Floyd-Warshall Algorithm

for All-Pairs Shortest Paths

Do we need a separate algorithm to check if there is negative cycle?

```

for i = 1 to n do
  for j = 1 to n do
    dist(i, j, 0) = c(i, j)  (* c(i, j) = ∞ if (i, j) ∉ E, 0 if i = j *)
    not edge, 0 if i = j *)

  for k = 1 to n do
    for i = 1 to n do
      for j = 1 to n do
        dist(i, j, k) = min(dist(i, j, k - 1), dist(i, k, k - 1) + dist(k, j, k - 1))

  for i = 1 to n do
    if (dist(i, i, n) < 0) then
      Output that there is a negative length cycle in G
    
```

Correctness: exercise

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## Floyd-Warshall Algorithm: Finding the Paths

1. **Question:** Can we find the paths in addition to the distances?
2. Create a  $n \times n$  array Next that stores the next vertex on shortest path for each pair of vertices
3. With array Next, for any pair of given vertices  $i, j$  can compute a shortest path in  $O(n)$  time.

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## Floyd-Warshall Algorithm

Finding the Paths

```

for i = 1 to n do
  for j = 1 to n do
    dist(i, j, 0) = c(i, j) (* c(i, j) = ∞ if (i, j) not edge, 0 if i = j *)
    Next(i, j) = -1
  for k = 1 to n do
    for i = 1 to n do
      for j = 1 to n do
        if (dist(i, j, k - 1) > dist(i, k, k - 1) + dist(k, j, k - 1)) then
          dist(i, j, k) = dist(i, k, k - 1) + dist(k, j, k - 1)
          Next(i, j) = k

  for i = 1 to n do
    if (dist(i, i, n) < 0) then
      Output that there is a negative length cycle in G
    
```

**Exercise:** Given **Next** array and any two vertices  $i, j$  describe an  $O(n)$  algorithm to find a  $i$ - $j$  shortest path.

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## Summary of results on shortest paths

Single vertex		
No negative edges	Dijkstra	$O(n \log n + m)$
Edges cost might be negative But no negative cycles	Bellman Ford	$O(nm)$

### All Pairs Shortest Paths

No negative edges	$n$ * Dijkstra	$O(n^2 \log n + nm)$
No negative cycles	$n$ * Bellman Ford	$O(n^2 m) = O(n^4)$
No negative cycles	Floyd-Warshall	$O(n^3)$

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# Part VI

## Knapsack

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## Knapsack Problem

### Problem (**Knapsack**)

**Input:** Given a Knapsack of capacity  $W$  lbs. and  $n$  objects with  $i$ th object having weight  $w_i$  and value  $v_i$ ; assume  $W, w_i, v_i$  are all positive integers.

**Goal:** Fill the Knapsack without exceeding weight limit while maximizing value.

1. Basic problem that arises in many applications as a sub-problem.

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## Knapsack Example

### Example

Item	$I_1$	$I_2$	$I_3$	$I_4$	$I_5$
Value	1	6	18	22	28
Weight	1	2	5	6	7

If  $W = 11$ , the best is  $\{I_3, I_4\}$  giving value 40.

### Special Case

When  $v_i = w_i$ , the Knapsack problem is called the **Subset Sum Problem**.

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## Greedy Approach

1. Pick objects with greatest value
  - 1.1 Let  $W = 2, w_1 = w_2 = 1, w_3 = 2, v_1 = v_2 = 2$  and  $v_3 = 3$ ; greedy strategy will pick  $\{3\}$ , but the optimal is  $\{1, 2\}$
2. Pick objects with smallest weight
  - 2.1 Let  $W = 2, w_1 = 1, w_2 = 2, v_1 = 1$  and  $v_2 = 3$ ; greedy strategy will pick  $\{1\}$ , but the optimal is  $\{2\}$
3. Pick objects with largest  $v_i/w_i$  ratio
  - 3.1 Let  $W = 4, w_1 = w_2 = 2, w_3 = 3, v_1 = v_2 = 3$  and  $v_3 = 5$ ; greedy strategy will pick  $\{3\}$ , but the optimal is  $\{1, 2\}$
  - 3.2 Can show that a slight modification always gives half the optimum profit: pick the better of the output of this algorithm and the largest value item. Also, the algorithm gives better approximations when all item weights are small when compared to  $W$ .

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## Towards a Recursive Solution

First guess:  $\text{Opt}(i)$  is the optimum solution value for items  $1, \dots, i$ .

### Observation

Consider an optimal solution  $\mathcal{O}$  for  $1, \dots, i$

Case item  $i \notin \mathcal{O}$   $\mathcal{O}$  is an optimal solution to items  $1$  to  $i - 1$

Case item  $i \in \mathcal{O}$  Then  $\mathcal{O} - \{i\}$  is an optimum solution for items  $1$  to  $n - 1$  in knapsack of capacity  $W - w_i$ .

Subproblems depend also on remaining capacity.

Cannot write subproblem only in terms of

$\text{Opt}(1), \dots, \text{Opt}(i - 1)$ .

$\text{Opt}(i, w)$ : optimum profit for items  $1$  to  $i$  in knapsack of size  $w$

**Goal:** compute  $\text{Opt}(n, W)$

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## Dynamic Programming Solution

### Definition

Let  $\text{Opt}(i, w)$  be the optimal way of picking items from  $1$  to  $i$ , with total weight not exceeding  $w$ .

$$\text{Opt}(i, w) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \\ \text{Opt}(i - 1, w) & \text{if } w_i > w \\ \max \begin{cases} \text{Opt}(i - 1, w) \\ \text{Opt}(i - 1, w - w_i) + v_i \end{cases} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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## An Iterative Algorithm

```
for  $w = 0$  to  $W$  do
   $M[0, w] = 0$ 
for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do
  for  $w = 1$  to  $W$  do
    if  $(w_i > w)$  then
       $M[i, w] = M[i - 1, w]$ 
    else
       $M[i, w] = \max(M[i - 1, w], M[i - 1, w - w_i] + v_i)$ 
```

### Running Time

1. Time taken is  $O(nW)$
2. Input has size  $O(n + \log W + \sum_{i=1}^n (\log v_i + \log w_i))$ ; so running time not polynomial but “pseudo-polynomial”!

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## Knapsack Algorithm and Polynomial time

1. Input size for Knapsack:  $O(n) + \log W + \sum_{i=1}^n (\log w_i + \log v_i)$ .
2. Running time of dynamic programming algorithm:  $O(nW)$ .
3. Not a polynomial time algorithm.
4. Example:  $W = 2^n$  and  $w_i, v_i \in [1..2^n]$ . Input size is  $O(n^2)$ , running time is  $O(n2^n)$  arithmetic/comparisons.
5. Algorithm is called a **pseudo-polynomial** time algorithm because running time is polynomial if *numbers* in input are of size polynomial in the **combinatorial size** of problem.
6. Knapsack is **NP-Hard** if numbers are not polynomial in  $n$ .

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# Part VII

## Traveling Salesman Problem

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## Traveling Salesman Problem

### Problem (**TSP**)

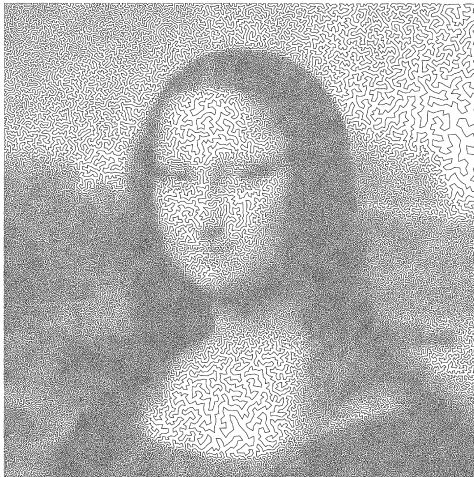
**Input:** A graph  $G = (V, E)$  with non-negative edge costs/lengths. Cost  $c(e)$  for each edge  $e \in E$ .

**Goal:** Find a tour of minimum cost that visits each node.

1. No polynomial time algorithm known. Problem is **NP-Hard**.

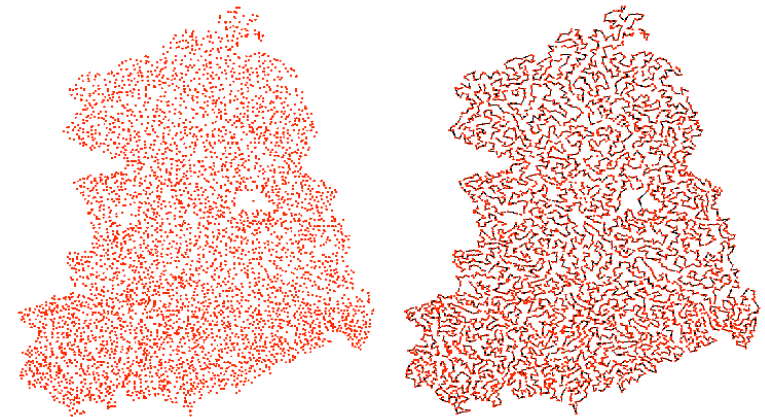
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## Drawings using TSP



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## Example: optimal tour for cities of a country (which one?)



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## An Exponential Time Algorithm

1. How many different tours are there?  $n!$
2. Stirling's formula:  $n! \simeq \sqrt{n}(n/e)^n$  which is  $\Theta(2^{cn \log n})$  for some constant  $c > 1$
3. Can we do better? Can we get a  $2^{O(n)}$  time algorithm?

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## Towards a Recursive Solution

1. Order vertices as  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$
2. **OPT(S)**: optimum **TSP** tour for the vertices  $S \subseteq V$  in the graph restricted to  $S$ . Want **OPT(V)**.

Can we compute **OPT(S)** recursively?

1. Say  $v \in S$ . What are the two neighbors of  $v$  in optimum tour in  $S$ ?
2. If  $u, w$  are neighbors of  $v$  in an optimum tour of  $S$  then removing  $v$  gives an optimum *path* from  $u$  to  $w$  visiting all nodes in  $S - \{v\}$ .

Path from  $u$  to  $w$  is not a recursive subproblem! Need to find a more general problem to allow recursion.

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## A More General Problem: TSP Path

### 1. Problem (**TSP Path**)

**Input:** A graph  $G = (V, E)$  with non-negative edge costs/lengths( $c(e)$  for edge  $e$ ) and two nodes  $s, t$ .

**Goal:** Find a path from  $s$  to  $t$  of minimum cost that visits each node exactly once.

2. Can solve **TSP** using above. Do you see how?
3. Recursion for optimum **TSP Path** problem:
  - 3.1 **OPT(u, v, S)**: optimum **TSP Path** from  $u$  to  $v$  in the graph restricted to  $S$  (here  $u, v \in S$ ).

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## A More General Problem: TSP Path

Continued...

1. What is the next node in the optimum path from  $u$  to  $v$ ?
2. Suppose it is  $w$ . Then what is **OPT(u, v, S)**?
3. **OPT(u, v, S) = c(u, w) + OPT(w, v, S - {u})**
4. We do not know  $w$ ! So try all possibilities for  $w$ .

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## A Recursive Solution

1.  $OPT(u, v, S) = \min_{w \in S, w \neq u, v} (c(u, w) + OPT(w, v, S - \{u\}))$
2. What are the subproblems for the original problem  $OPT(s, t, V)$ ?  
 $OPT(u, v, S)$  for  $u, v \in S, S \subseteq V$ .
3. How many subproblems?
  - 3.1 number of distinct subsets  $S$  of  $V$  is at most  $2^n$
  - 3.2 number of pairs of nodes in a set  $S$  is at most  $n^2$
  - 3.3 hence number of subproblems is  $O(n^2 2^n)$
4. **Exercise:** Show that one can compute **TSP** using above dynamic program in  $O(n^3 2^n)$  time and  $O(n^2 2^n)$  space.

Disadvantage of dynamic programming solution: memory!

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## Dynamic Programming: Postscript

Dynamic Programming = Smart Recursion + Memoization

1. How to come up with the recursion?
2. How to recognize that dynamic programming may apply?

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## Some Tips

1. Problems where there is a *natural* linear ordering: sequences, paths, intervals, **DAGs** etc. Recursion based on ordering (left to right or right to left or topological sort) usually works.
2. Problems involving trees: recursion based on subtrees.
3. More generally:
  - 3.1 Problem admits a natural recursive divide and conquer
  - 3.2 If optimal solution for whole problem can be simply composed from optimal solution for each separate pieces then plain divide and conquer works directly
  - 3.3 If optimal solution depends on all pieces then can apply dynamic programming if *interface/interaction* between pieces is *limited*. Augment recursion to not simply find an optimum solution but also an optimum solution for each possible way to interact with the other pieces.

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## Examples

1. Longest Increasing Subsequence: break sequence in the middle say. What is the interaction between the two pieces in a solution?
2. Sequence Alignment: break both sequences in two pieces each. What is the interaction between the two sets of pieces?
3. Independent Set in a Tree: break tree at root into subtrees. What is the interaction between the subtrees?
4. Independent Set in an graph: break graph into two graphs. What is the interaction? Very high!
5. Knapsack: Split items into two sets of half each. What is the interaction?

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