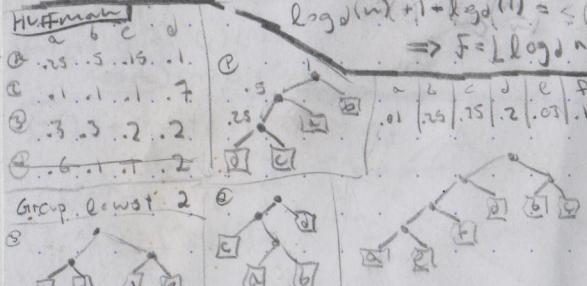


- $\log_b N = \frac{\log N}{\log b} \Rightarrow \log_b N = \log_b N \cdot \log_b b$
- $x = b^{\log_b x}$ | $\log_b \left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_b x - \log_b y$
- $\text{all } p + p^2 + \dots + p^k = \sum_{i=0}^k p^i = p(p^{k+1} - 1)/(p - 1) \quad 1 + x \leq e^x$
- Bits in binary representation of N : $\lceil \log_2(N+1) \rceil$
- Depth of binary tree w/ N nodes: $\lceil \log_2(N) \rceil$
- Fast exp w/repeated squaring: $9^{71} = 9^{64} \cdot 9^4 \cdot 9^2 \cdot 9^1$
- [sum of 3 digits] $\leq \lceil 2 \cdot \text{digit num} \rceil$
- $x_0 + y_0 + z_0 \leq a+b+c \Rightarrow 3(b-1) \leq b^2 - 1$
- $K\text{-digits in base } b \text{ span } [0, b^K) \equiv [0, b^K - 1]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\text{len base-2}] &\leq 4k[\text{len base-10}] \\
 T \log_{10}(x+1) &\leq 4T \log_{10}(x+1) \\
 \log_{10} \frac{x}{2^{\lfloor \log_2 x \rfloor}} &\leq 4 \cdot \log_{10} 10^k = 4k \\
 2^{\lfloor \log_2 x \rfloor} &\leq 2^{4k} \quad \text{and } n = 2^{\lfloor \log_2 x \rfloor} - 1 \\
 10^n &\leq 16^n \quad \log(10) + \log(16) = 4 \Rightarrow \log(16) = \log(2^{4+1}) \\
 \underline{\text{Huffman}} \quad a \ b \ c \ d \quad \cancel{\log_2(n)} &= \log_2(2^{4+1}) = 5+1 = 6 \\
 \cancel{\log_2(n)} &\Rightarrow F = \lceil \log_2 n \rceil = n \quad \cancel{\log_2(n)}
 \end{aligned}$$



DFS | Stack, FIFO $\approx O(V(N+E))$

Edge Types, $e = (u, v)$

- 1.) Tree: $e \in E'$
 - u is parent of v
 - e traversed in DFS
- 2.) Back: $e \notin E'$
 - v descendent of u
 - Visit v prior \Rightarrow cycle
- 3.) Forward
 - u ancestor of v \wedge $v \in \text{DFS}$
 - Skipped e , $z_w e < w_e$
- 4.) Cross
 - u, v are cousins
 - Different, disjoint DFS calls

Source: Highest post, visit first
 → No incoming edges from other SCs
 → Guarantee by popping source

Sink: Lowest post, visit last
 → No outgoing edges to other SCs

Backedge \Rightarrow cycle \Rightarrow SCC
 \neg outgoing \Rightarrow SCC

All errors one direction
Ordered descending post

Diagram illustrating the execution of a Depth-First Search (DFS) on a graph. The graph consists of nodes A through P, each with a label and a small circle indicating its current state. The nodes are arranged in a grid-like structure with some connections between them.

- Stack:** A vertical column of nodes representing the current stack of nodes being visited.
- Forward Edges:** Represented by arrows pointing downwards from a node to its children.
- Cross Edges:** Represented by arrows pointing from a node to another node that is not its child.
- Back Edges:** Represented by arrows pointing upwards from a node to its parent.
- Visited Nodes:** Indicated by a small circle with a dot inside each node.
- Post-order Visits:** Indicated by numbers next to the nodes, representing the order of visits: A(1), B(2), C(3), D(4), E(5), F(6), G(7), H(8), I(9), J(10), K(11), L(12), M(13), P(14).

- Process paths in increasing weight
- Dijkstra's: Find shortest path between one node and all others [non-neg weight]
 $O((N+ED) \lg(N))$
- Shortest path \rightarrow \leftarrow through $\forall v: O(|V| + E) \lg |V|$
- Fnd $v_0 \rightarrow t$ on G_i and $t \rightarrow s$ on G^R
- Bellman-Ford: Shortest path, w/neg weights
- SPFA: by iterating $|V|-1$ times

BFS: Shortest path w/o weights
 $G(V, E)$ → Fewest edges, unlike DFS. (e.g., complete)
 Use it for matrix

- Doesn't always work/compute
- All same freq. → binary
- Largest Coded word len. is n
- If Freqs are $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots, \frac{1}{2^n}$
- Computed in $O(n \log n)$

left frequencies dominate

- If C, C' are SCCs, and edge $c \rightarrow c'$
 - \Rightarrow Highest post in $C >$ Highest in C'
- SSC Rule
 - 1) DFS on G^T to find Succ(s) (successors of G^T)
 - 2) DFS on G w/ decreasing posteriors
- From (1)
 - MST Tree: (connected, acyclic), $|E| = |V| - 1$
- ↳ Removing cycle edge keeps connected
- ↳ Tree iff unique (some) path between all nodes
- Cheapest edge across cut
 $|E| \leq |V|$ must be in MST

MEST PROB: Device outputs $w_t \in [w]$
 w/ chance P_i : Find most likely:
 $\Pr[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 = w] = P[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$
 $A(w) = \sum_i P_i x_i^i$, $B(w) = A(w)^4$
 (plot) highest coeff of B = mest. likely

OP	MATRIX	LST
size	n ² bits	O($\min(n)$) words
get: (u,v)	O(1)	O(log(n))
neighbors: u	O(N)	O(deg(N))

FFT | $\{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}\}$ | Eval: FFT | $|A(x_0), A(x_1) \dots A(x_{n-1})|$

\downarrow

InterpolatingIFFT

$e^{j\frac{2\pi i k n}{N}}$

$\left\{ e^{j\frac{2\pi i k n}{N}} \right\}_{k=0}^{n-1}$

$\omega_n = e^{\frac{j2\pi}{N}}$

$A = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \omega_n^k = \frac{\omega_n^n - 1}{\omega_n - 1} = \frac{1 - 1}{\omega_n - 1} = 0$

IBI SUM

Given $|A| = n$,

$A_i \in [c, w]$,
 $i \in [1, 8]$

$n = 1$ Find i, j, k s.t.

Zero-pd
 $n = 2^{\lceil \log_2(n+1) \rceil}$
 $\hookrightarrow C$ has max deg. 2d
 \Rightarrow eval $\Theta(2d+1)$ pts

Pd. A: $n = 8$
Pd. B: $n = 8$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{edge } C \rightarrow C' \\ & \leftarrow \text{Coeff on } x^n \text{ of how many} \end{aligned}$$

Cortes Sum

$$A+B := \{a+b \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$$

$$P := \sum_{a \in A} x^a, Q := \sum_{b \in B} x^b$$

$$R := P \cdot Q = \sum_k x^{a_1 + b_1 + \dots + a_k + b_k}$$

$$\text{or } P_R = \sum_{j=0}^k P_j \cdot Q_{n-j}$$

counts how many $a+b=k$

$\sum_{i \in [n]} \sum_{j \in [m]} \text{CROSS-COR}(g_i, g_j)$

$$\text{most likely: } \underset{\substack{\text{P}(x|x_1, x_2, \dots) \\ = P[x_1, x_2, \dots]}}{\text{cross code generation sequence}} \rightarrow \underset{\substack{\text{n-matched} \\ \text{portion}}}{} \underset{\substack{\text{sequence}}}{} \\ = A(x)^n \quad P(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i x^i \\ \hookrightarrow a_i = g'(N-d-i) \rightarrow [\text{Revised!}]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{length} & \\
 \underline{\text{code length}} & \\
 \text{dec!} & \\
 \text{List} & \\
 C(m+n) \text{ words} & \\
 O(\deg(n)) & \\
 \Pr(X) &= \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} b_i x^i \rightarrow b_i = s'(i) \\
 p_3(x) &= p_1 \times p_2 \text{ st. coeff of } x^{n-1+i} \\
 C_{n+1+i} &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_{n-1-i} \cdot b_{i+1} \\
 \forall j \in [0, m-n] & \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} g'(i) \cdot s'(j+i) \\
 \rightarrow \text{o.v.t. } j's \text{ st. } c_{n-1+j} &\geq n-2k
 \end{aligned}$$

DP | PEGIT DIF-F

NICE: $\pi \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ is 'nice' if any two digits differ by at least 2.
 $\pi_3 = \text{nice}, \pi_4 = \text{not nice } \in [10^{k-1}, 10^k]$

Find # of nice integers K digits long
 $f(d, r) := \# \text{ of nice } r\text{-digit ints that start with } d \in [0, 9]$

\rightarrow Want to find $\sum_{d=0}^9 f(d, k)$

$f(d, r) = \begin{cases} 1 & r=1 \\ \sum_{d': d-d' \geq 2} f(d', r-1) & r > 1 \end{cases}$

\rightarrow Calculate $r \in [1, K]$, at each check $\approx O(1)$ digits
 $\hookrightarrow O(k)$ runtime
 $\hookrightarrow O(1)$ space as bottom-up $f(\cdot, r)$
 depends only on $f(\cdot, r-1)$

FLAT SECT | Subseq. is flat's #
 $17A_i < A_{i+1} + A_{i+2}$

$$f(i, j) = 2 + \max_{K \in [j, n]} \{f(j, K) - 1\}$$

Longest subseq. from $A_1 \dots A_n$ st
 that A_j are first 2 elts

$\rightarrow m \cdot n(\phi) := 0$ (catched base-cases, i.e.)

$f(n-1), f(i, n)$
 \rightarrow Calculate $n \in O(n^2)$

For $i \in [n-1 \dots 1]$:

For $j \in [n-i \dots i]$:

$m = 0$

For $k \in [j+1 \dots n]$:

$m = \max(m, f(j, k) - 1)$

$f(i, j) := 2 + m$

$\leftarrow \max_{i \leq k \leq j} f(i, j)$

PACNE | Want to find valid
 phone # w/F n -digits, each
 in L-shape

Subproblem: $f(w, l)$ is # of
 possibilities given n remaining
 digits and ℓ digits l

\rightarrow RR: $f(w, l) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0, l=0 \\ \sum_{d \text{ readable from } l} f(w+1, d) & l > 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

IS | O(n^2)

o Create an edge from $i \rightarrow j$
 whenever $|c_j - c_i| \geq a_{ij}$
 \hookrightarrow Find longest path in DAG

$$L(i) = 1 + \max_{(i,j) \in E} L(j)$$

$$\text{For } j \in [n]: L(j) = 1 + \max_{i \in [n]}$$

EDIT | $S = N \circ W Y \{ \text{cost} = 3$
 $S \text{ UNN - Y }$

\rightarrow Solve for prefix: substitute changes
 $E(i, j) = \min \{ \delta_i F(i, j), E(i-1, j) \}$

$$\text{O}(nm) \text{ Insert } \{ \delta_i + E(i, j-1) \}$$

KNAP / REP | $O(nw)$

$$K(w) := \max \text{ val with bag wt} \\ = \max_{i: w_i \leq w} (K(w-w_i) + v_i)$$

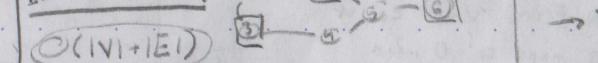
SINGLE | $K(n) = \max(K(n-v_i) + w_i)$

$$K(w, j) := \max \text{ val. ... and rand } l^{(j)} \\ \text{Base} = \max \{ K(w-w_j, j-1) + v_j, \\ \text{skip} \rightarrow K(w, j-1) \}$$

MATRIX MUL.

$$C(i, j) := \min \text{ cost of } A_1 \dots A_j \\ = \min_{K \in [i, j]} (C(i, K) + C(K+1, j) \\ + m_{i-1} \cdot m_K \cdot m_j)$$

INDEP. TREE



$$O(nV + E)$$

$I(u) := \text{size of longest indep. set rooted at } u$

$$= \max \{ 1 + \sum_{w: \text{grandchild of } u} I(w), \sum_{c: \text{child of } u} I(w) \}$$

PALIN SUB-SEQ

$$L(i, j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{First } i \text{ last differ} \\ \max \{ L(i+1, j), L(i, j+1) \} & x[i] \neq x[j] \\ j = i+1 \wedge x[i] = x[j] : L(i, j) = 2 & \text{else: } L(i, j) = L(i+1, j+1) + 2 \\ & \text{First } i \text{ last same } \end{cases}$$

CHANGE | O(nV)

Given coins denoms. $x_1 \dots x_n$, make V ?

$f(i, V) :=$ possible w/ $x_i \dots x_1$ to make V ?

\hookrightarrow WTE: $F(n, V)$

• Base: $F(0, 0) = T, F(0, V) = F$

• RR: $\rightarrow = f(i-1, V) \cup f(i, V-x_i)$

w/ fewest coins:

$$f(V) = \begin{cases} 0 & V=0 \\ 1 + \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{ f(V-x_i) \} : \exists x_i \leq V \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

w/ one coin ea:

$$f(i, V) = \begin{cases} 0 & V=0 \\ 1 + f(i-1, V-x_i) & i > 0 \wedge V \leq x_i \\ f(i-1, V) & i > 0 \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

MITTENS

Each month, d mittens sold

$$\text{Let } D := \sum d_i$$

Produce m mittens/month

Produce another pair for cost c

Starting left-over costs $h \in \mathbb{Z}^0$

Let $J(i, r)$ subproblem consider

month i w/leftover $r \rightarrow$ want

RR: $f(i, r) := \min_{p \in [0, r]} F(i, r-p)$

$$F(i, r, p) = h_p + f(i-1, p) + \begin{cases} 0 & n \geq r-p \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

mittens stored

$$\rightarrow \text{Base: } \begin{cases} f(0, 0) = 0 \\ f(0, +) = \infty \end{cases}$$

\rightarrow Solve in increasing order of months

$\rightarrow n \cdot D$ subproblems, each considering

starting 0-D mittens $\Rightarrow O(nD)$

FRIENDS

Given n cities w/ m roads, we want to go node $s \rightarrow t$ and visit as many friends along the way: $C_1 \dots C_n$

$\rightarrow F(v) = \max$ Friends visitable from $s \rightarrow v$

$$f(s) = C_s, f(v) = \max_{\substack{\text{reverse} \\ (u, v) \in E}} f(u) + C_v$$

$$O((n+m) \cdot \sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)) = O(n+m)$$

EXPERT WEATHER

at least

Given n experts (w_i are always right)

If we guess based on the majority who have yet to fail

\rightarrow Every fail, $\frac{1}{2}$ experts (at least) who haven't failed proved \Rightarrow set who have not failed decreases by (at most) $\frac{1}{2}$

Set starts $1 \cdot 1 = n$, minimally 1, so maximally $\log(n)$ fails

w/ k experts who never fail

We go from $n \rightarrow 2k-1$ in at most $\lceil \log(n/(2k-1)) \rceil$ fails. Here, majority are always right \Rightarrow never fail again

w/ one expert who makes at most K fails

\rightarrow Every fail, pool of those w/m-fails decreases by at least $\frac{1}{2}$.

$\rightarrow m < k$: pool goes from pool size $n \rightarrow 0$ before m increases by 1 \Rightarrow w/every increase, we have at-most $\log(n) + 1$ fails

$\rightarrow m = k$: size $n \rightarrow 1$ in $\log(n)$ once $\Rightarrow K(\log(n)+1) + \log(n)$

MWU CONVEXITY

Randomized solution is simply a linear combination of deterministic sel., se by convexity it can be better than deterministic

CARDS | Given M cards, remove min. until

the card exists, larger than all others

$L(i) =$ longest increasing subseq end \otimes exactly i

" = $\max_{j > i, C_j < C_i} \{ 1 + L(j) \} \mid L(i) = 1$

$r(i) =$ longest inc. SS starting \otimes exactly i

" = $\max_{j > i, C_j < C_i} \{ 1 + r(j) \} \mid r(n-1) = 1$

$\leftarrow M + 1 - \max \{ L(i) + r(i) \}$

\rightarrow $2m$ sub-probs. each taking m time

$\Rightarrow O(m^2)$

w/cycles: decompose into SCCs in

$4C(n+m)$ and run prior algo

Randomized | Chebyshev: $\Pr[(x - E(x)) > \lambda] < \frac{Var(x)}{\lambda^2}$
Algoes
 $E(X) = \sum_{k \in H} k \cdot P(k=1)$ Markov: $\Pr[X > \lambda] < \frac{E(X)}{\lambda}$
Karger: Find min-cut by 'contracting' random edges
 → Fails when min-cut edges are gone

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} n & \xrightarrow{n-1} & n-2 & \xrightarrow{n-3} & \dots & \xrightarrow{\frac{2}{3}} & \textcircled{1} \\ \downarrow n+1 & & \downarrow n+1 & & & & \downarrow n+1 \\ & & & & & & \end{array}$$

LV → MC (ZPP → RP) Let $A \in \mathbb{ZPP}$ s.t. $A = C(n^k)$
 Construct A' as: run A for 2^{n^k} steps.
 If A ever terminates, return its output
 Else, { else: st 'No'
 we want to bound the chance we ~~hazardly~~ rt 'No'
 that is, that we terminate in 2^{n^k}
 Let X be # steps. We know $E[X] \leq n^k$
 Markov's gives us: $\Pr[X \geq 2^n] < \frac{1}{2^{n^k}}$
 i.e. we give correct answer w/ p = 1/2 $\Rightarrow A' \in \mathbb{RP}$

Hashing: $m = \# \text{list bins}$
 $n = \# \text{DB elts.}$
 $E[\text{time to query } x] \leq E[T_n + C(\text{size of } x)]$
 Linearity of expect. → $x \in L_i$
 $Z_i = \text{Indicator for } x \in L_i = T_n + C \cdot E\left(\sum_i Z_i\right)$
 $P(h(j) = h(x)) = T_n + C \cdot \sum_i E(Z_i)$
 w/ $j \in \text{DB keys}$ = $T_n + C \cdot \sum_i P(h(j) = h(x))$
 $h(\cdot)$ is random → $= T_n + C \cdot \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n P(h(j) = h(x))$
 $E(Z_i) = \frac{1}{m}$ = $T_n + C \left(n \cdot m \cdot \frac{1}{m} \right)$
 $= T_n + C \left(\frac{n}{m} \right)$

K-independent: Set of functions mapping $[U] \rightarrow [m]$
 $\exists \# \text{fns}: 2^U$
 $(\forall x_1 \neq x_2 \neq \dots)(\forall y_1)(P((h(x_1) = y_1) \wedge \dots \wedge (h(x_n) = y_n))$
 → Each $h \in \mathcal{H}$ is deterministic, $\stackrel{!}{=} \frac{1}{m^n}$
 but sampled from \mathcal{H} uniformly randomly
 ◉ \mathcal{H} is universal, f.s. $\forall k \in U, h \in \mathcal{H}: E[\text{col. of } h(k)] = \frac{|U|-1}{m}$
 $(\forall x_1 \neq x_2)(P(h(x_1) = h(x_2)) \leq \frac{1}{m}$ Perfect Hashing | i.e. s.t. $\forall k_1 \neq k_2$ then $h(k_1) \neq h(k_2)$
 ↳ 2-wise indep \Rightarrow Universal

→ Specifying an $h \in \mathcal{H}$: takes bits $\sim O(\log m^{|U|})$
 ↳ Seeding: $O(\log m^{|U|})$
 ↳ If we limit $U \cap m = p$ (prime #), and say $H = \{ax+b \pmod p \mid a, b \in \{p\}\}$
 we have $|H| = |a|x|b| = p^2 \leq \log |U|$, while still 2-wise indep. = $O(\log p)$

Complexity
 NP-Hard
 NP-Complete
 NP
 Instance I / Reduction to problem A
 Instance I' / Reduction to problem B
 Algo for A
 Solution to I' → Solution to I
 Vertex Cover
 Clique
 Subset sum
 Int Lin Prog
 Route cycle
 SAT
 3SAT
 ID Matching
 Circuit SAT
 All of NP

• P: Decision problem solvble in polynomial
 → Also in NP: no subroutine req., just use algo to solve

• NP: Can be verified in polynomial time
 → solution is poly. \Rightarrow solvable in poly. space

• NP-Complete: All NP can reduce to
 → To prove: show (1) NP-Hard (2) $\mathbb{NP} \subseteq \text{NP-Comp}$
 → To prove (1) can reduce to A and A can be solved in poly.

• NP-Hard: Any problem at least as hard as an NP-complete
 → If solvable in poly. \Rightarrow all NP solvable in poly. ($P = NP$)

Reductions: A reduces to B implies...
 ↳ $\exists \text{sol. } I' \text{ to } A$ \exists poly-time algo to convert A's inputs to B,
 so we can use B to solve A
 ↳ $\exists \text{sol. } I \text{ to } B$ so B is at least as hard as A:
 $\Rightarrow \exists \text{sol. } I' \text{ to } A$ \exists B $\in P \Rightarrow A \in P, A \in NP$
 ↳ $B \in NP \Rightarrow A \in NP, A \in P \cup NP$

Easy	Hard	Easy	Hard
2SAT, HORNSAT	3SAT	Linear Prog.	Integer LP
MST	TSP	Euler Path	Rudrata path
Shortest Path	Longest TI	Min. cut	Balanced cut
Bipartite Matching	3D match.	Knapsack	
Unary Knapsack		IS on trees	IS
IS			

MAX 3SAT | Given collection of 3-clauses. Find assignment satisfying as many as possible.

Let $Y_i = \mathbb{1}[C_i \text{ is sat.}] \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[Y_i] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{j=1}^3 Y_{ij}\right] = \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbb{E}[Y_{ij}]$

$\min_{\pi} \text{OPT}_T = \frac{7}{8}K$

$P[Y_{ij} = 1] = \sum_{l=1}^k P[Y_{ijl} = 1]$

$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{8}$

$= K \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{8}\right) = \frac{7}{8}K$

Prob. in J. Chosing set over $A \rightarrow B$

$a, b \in A, a+b$

ways st. $h(a) \geq h(b) < \frac{|B|}{|A|}$

A is correct 1/2 time

B runs A dep. T times.

If amb. output of any call gives output, else 'FAIL'

→ How big to make T st. B gives 'FAIL' w/ $\delta = 0.05$

$\left(\frac{T}{2}\right)^T \leq 0.05 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^T \leq 0.05$

$\log_2(0.05) = b \rightarrow T \geq \log_2(20)$

$\therefore T \geq 5$

IS APPX |

While $G \neq \emptyset$:

- $v = \text{randNode}(G)$
- $I.append(v)$
- $G.remove(v, v.neighbors())$

If all $\forall G$ have degree $\leq d$ then each iter we increase $|I|$ by 1 and $\exists M O(d+1)$ nodes $\in \cup (N)_i$

Iterations

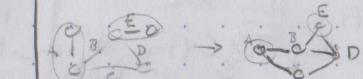
$|I| \geq \frac{|V|}{d+1} \geq \frac{K}{d+1} \frac{7}{8} \text{ Faster}$

Matching | Given $\{G, k\}$, want $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ st. no pairs share a node

Indep. set: Given $\{G, k\}$, want $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ st. no pairs share an edge (e_i)

→ It is believed to not have a poly. reduction to [Bipartite Matching] because $IS \in NP\text{-complete}$, $IS \in P$ so that'd imply $P = NP$

→ Matching reduces to IS as for each. edge, create V'_i, V''_i sharing a common node;



Far-Away Pts: Given $\{d[i][j]\}_{i,j \in [n]}$ that satisfy triangle inequality, want K nodes all at least distance D from one another

→ IS → IS: Run Floyd-Warshall in $O(N^3)$. to construct $d[i][j]$; pass this $\{K=5, D=2\}$.

FarPts sol: No nodes connected by an edge \Rightarrow no common neighbors

IS sol: No adj $\Rightarrow d[i][j] \geq 2$

Vertex Cover: Set of nodes st. at least one endpoint of all $e \in E$ is included

→ Complement of IS

→ Greedy 2-approx alg

$x = \min \max_i A_i$

$y = \max \min_i A_i$

$\Rightarrow x \geq y$

UNIQUE UNION | Rank = Height w/o relaxations

- Rank strictly increases, following parent pts
- $\Leftrightarrow (\text{rank}(x))(\text{rank}(y)) < \text{rank}(\text{rl}(x))$
- Any root x of rank k has $\Omega(2^k)$ descendants
- There's $\Omega(n^{1/k})$ nodes w/rank K

union: Gets represet of each obj. and increase new root rank by 1

relax: lesser rank head = higher rank