

4) (4) (a) Monte Carlo algorithms are preferred over Las Vegas algorithms even when \mathcal{SOL}^n may be incorrect due to following

Reasons:

Efficiency & scalability Monte Carlo algo. highly efficient & scalable. They can handle complex problems with large \mathcal{SOL}^n spaces & high dimensional scenarios where deterministic approaches become intractable or computationally expensive.

It employs a vast no. of probabilities & provide approximate \mathcal{SOL}^n within a reasonable time frame.

Approximate solutions: while \mathcal{SOL}^n may not be exact they often offer a close estimation with a known level of confidence.

Probabilistic Insights Monte Carlo Algo. excel provides probabilistic insights. They can estimate & evaluate statistical measures & simulate random events. This makes them valuable in various fields including risk analysis, scientific simulations.

Trade off b/w correctness & efficiency Monte Carlo Algo. strikes a trade off b/w correctness & efficiency while Las Vegas Algo. guarantee correct \mathcal{SOL}^n . They might be less efficient due to their deterministic nature.

Real world Applicability: In many real world scenarios an exact solⁿ may not necessarily exist due to uncertainties & fluctuations.
So: Monte Carlo also provides practical approach.

finally The preference of Monte Carlo also over Las Vegas Algo. despite the possibility of incorrect solⁿ is driven by their efficiency, scalability.

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(b) Binomial probability formula

$$P(X \geq k) = 1 - P(X < k)$$

$P(X \leq k)$ represents cumulative probability of getting fewer than k successes

$k=0$ (no success) we have to calculate probability for hitting bull eye at least once.

The probability of hitting bullseyes in a single shot is 0.6
no. of Trials $n=4$

$P(X \leq 1)$ (CDF) Binomial cumulative distribution function

$$P(X \leq 1) = CDF(k-1, n, p)$$

$CDF(k-1, n, p)$ = cumulative probability upto $k-1$ success

$$P(X \leq 1) = CDF(0, 4, 0.6)$$

$$P(X \leq 1) = 0.1296$$

$$P(x \geq 1) = 1 - P(x = 0) = 1 - 0.1296$$

$$= 0.8704$$

$$= 88\%$$

so Probability of succeeding in hitting bull's eye at least once in four shot approximately 88%.

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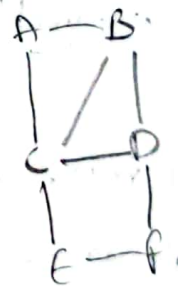
The Randomized min-cut algorithm is based on concept of contraction.

It repeatedly selects random edges & contracts them until there are only 2 vertices left which represents min cut graph.

(i) Vertices A, B, C, D, E, F

Edges (A, B), (A, C), (B, C), (B, D)

(C, D), (C, E), (D, F), (E, F)



→ Randomly select an edge (A, C)

→ contract edge (A, C) merging vertices A & C into one vertex AC

then graph becomes

vertices AC, B, D, E, F

edges : (AC, B), (B, D), (D, F), (E, F)



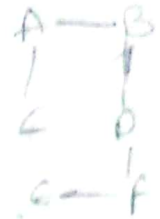
- again selecting random edge (A, B)

contracting edge (A, B) by merging vertices A & B in 1 vertex

Let ACB

vertices ACB, D, E, F

edges (ACB, D) (D, F) (E, F)



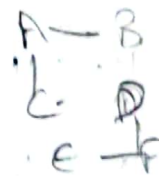
- Repeating steps until there are only 2 vertices left

- Randomly select (D, F) edge

contract edge (D, F) by merging vertices D, F in 1 vertex

vertices ACB, DF, E

edges (ACB, DF) (ACB, E)



- The resulting graph has only 2 vertices ACB & E .

The cut b/w 2 vertices represents the graph min cut in original graph.

The resulting min. cut b/w vertices ACB & E . The benefit of using randomized Algo. like randomized min-cut Algo is that it has high probability of finding correct min. cut.

① case (i) The goat is chosen & another goat is revealed
Then chance of winning = 1.

case (ii) If goat is chosen & another goat is revealed
switching. The door & chance of winning = 1.

case (iii) If a Gold ball is chosen, a goat is revealed
switching & getting gold is $\frac{1}{2}$

case (iv) If a Gold is chosen a goat is revealed
switching & getting gold is $\frac{1}{2}$

From above all cases, chance of winning is

$$1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 3$$

But only one out of the 4 cases happens.

\therefore chances of winning probability is $\frac{3}{4}$

③ To sort a string of characters $O(n)$ Time using a randomized Algorithm, we can utilize a modified Quick sort algorithm.

The key Idea is to choose a random pivot element & partition the string around that pivot

Base Case if string has 2 or 0 or one character, it is already sorted so return string.

- Randomly select pivot character from string.
- Partitioning string into 3 parts: small, equal & large characters

Recursively sort the smaller & larger partitions using Algorithm

Concatenate the sorted smaller partition, equal characters & sorted large partition to obtain final sorted string.

Ex String: openai

lets say 'p'

• Partitioning & smaller = (e no ai)

larger = (a)

equal = (p)

Recursively sort large & smaller partitions.

sort "e no ai".

sort "a"

Concatenate sorted & smaller (aeinoo) with equal char (p)
& sorted larger Partition (" ")

The final sorted string is "aeinoop"

The runtime of algorithm is $O(n)$ because each step we divide string into 3 parts (smaller, large & equal) & process each part separately.

Since pivot chosen randomly we expect size of each partition is proportional to n . ensuring that the Algorithm runs in linear time.