CS 577 - Greedy

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Techniques for showing that GREEDY is optimal:

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- Exchange argument

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How should we prove that it produces an MST?

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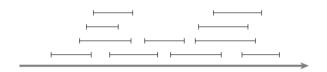
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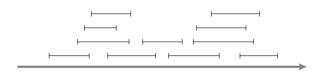


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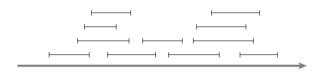
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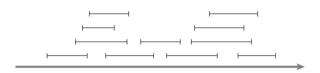
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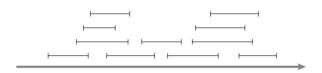
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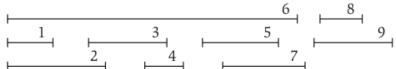
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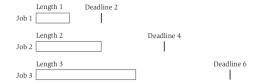
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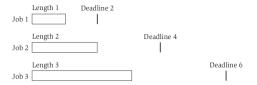
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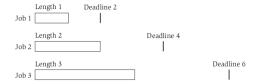
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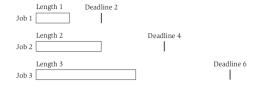
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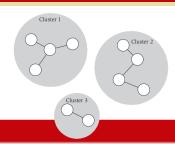
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Clustering*

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Maximizing Spacing Problem

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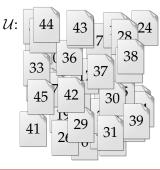
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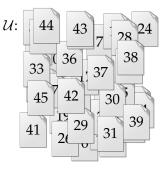


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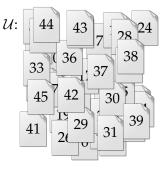
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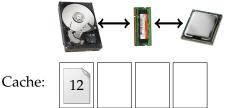
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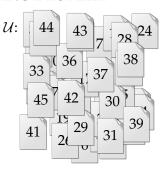


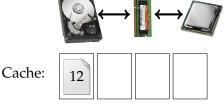
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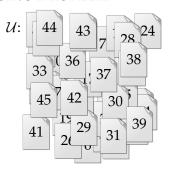
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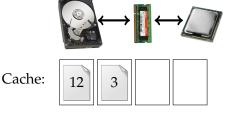
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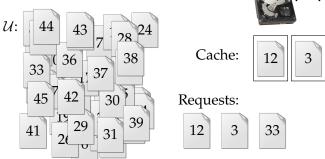
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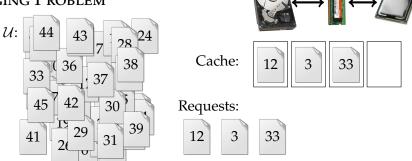
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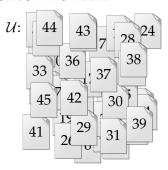
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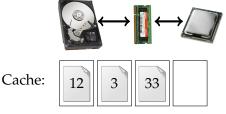
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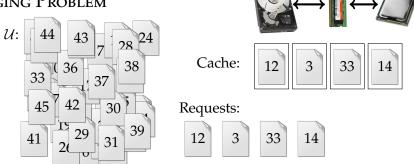
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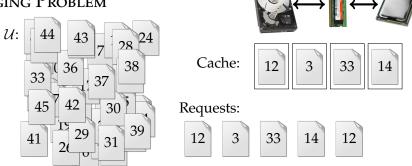


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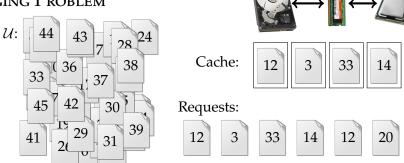


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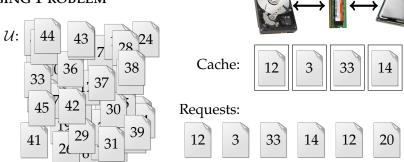


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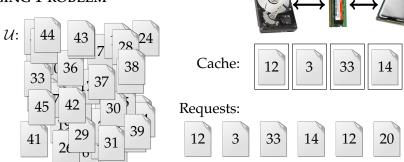


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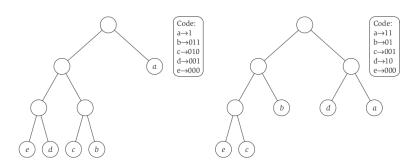
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- For a set of symbols S, let f_x denote the frequency of x in the text to be encoded.
- Average bits $ABL(\gamma) := \sum_{x \in S} f_x \cdot |\gamma(x)|$.
- Goal: Find γ that minimizes ABL.

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ALGORITHM DESIGN

Prefix Binary Trees



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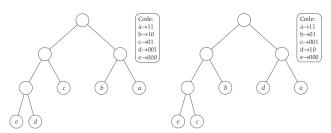
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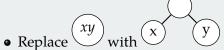
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