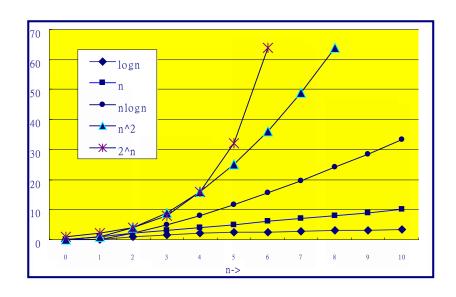
Basic Physical Design Algorithm Reviews and Layout System Fundamentals

Course contents:

- Computational complexity reviews
- Basic algorithms
- Layout system fundamentals



Introduction to This Unit

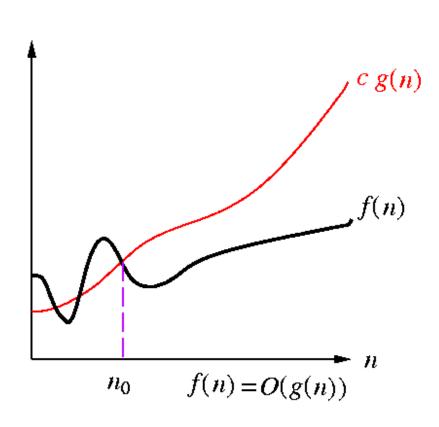
- VLSI design process: transformation of data from HDL code (logic), to schematics (circuit), to layout (physical)
 - Database management problem
- Layout therefore is represented as a collection of several layers of planar geometric elements or polygons
 - Symbolic database captures net and transistor attributes
 - Symbolic database is converted into a polygon database prior to tapeout
 - Symbolic database is used for technology independence, but never reached

Introduction (cont)

- CAD tools are needed due to sophisticated layout database manipulation
 - CAD tools require highly specialized algorithms and data structures
 - Three categories:
 - Helps human designers to manipulate layouts
 - Layout editor (e.g. Springsoft 'Laker')
 - Performs some task on the layout automatically
 - Channel router and placement tools (e.g. Cadence 'QPlace')
 - Checks and verifies layout
 - DRC and LVS (e.g. Mentor 'Calibre')
 - Research in physical design focused on the last two types
 - Algorithms for partitioning, placement and routing are based on graph theory (and computational geometry)

Asymptotic Notation -Big "oh"

- f(n)=O(g(n)) iff
 - = \exists positive const. c and $n_{0,}$ \ni f(n) ≤ cg(n) \forall n, n ≥ n₀
 - _ e.g.
 - 3n+2 =O(n)3n+2 ≤ 4n for all n ≥ 2
 - $10n^2+4n+2=O(n^2)$ $10n^2+4n+2 \le 11n^2$ for all $n \ge 10$
 - $3n+2 = O(n^2)$ $3n+2 \le n^2$ for all $n \ge 4$



^{*} g(n) should be a *least upper* **bound**

Asymptotic Notation -Omega

- $f(n)=\Omega(g(n))$ iff
 - ∃ positive const. c and n_{0} ∋ f(n) ≥ cg(n) \forall n, n ≥ n_{0}
 - _ e.g.

■
$$3n+3 = Ω(n)$$
 $3n+3 ≥ 3n$ for all $n ≥ 1$
■ $6*2^n + n^2 = Ω(2^n)$ $6*2^n + n^2 ≥ 2^n$ for all $n ≥ 1$

■ $3n+3 = \Omega(1)$ $3n+3 \ge 3$ for all $n \ge 1$

^{*} g(n) should be a most lower bound

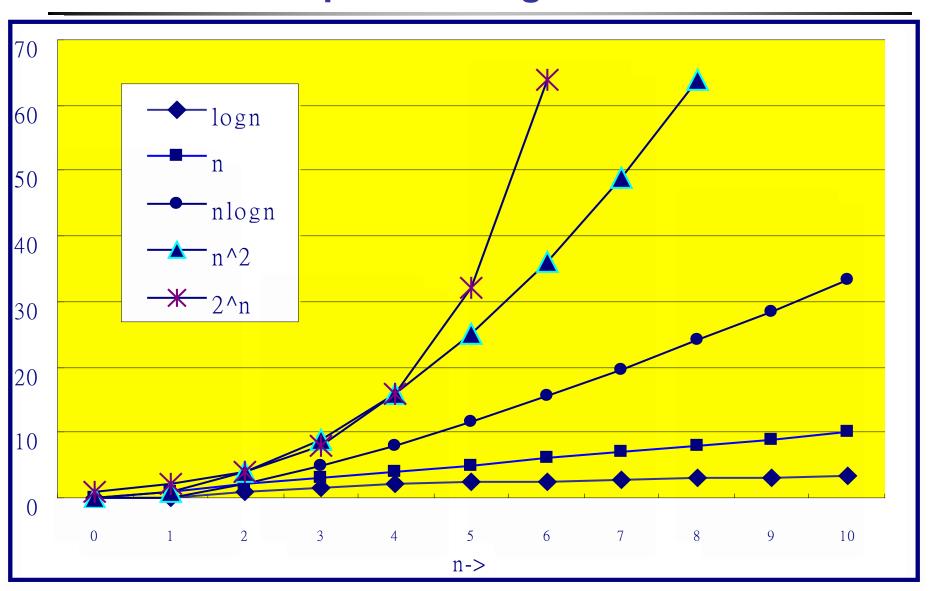
Asymptotic Notation -Theta

- $f(n)=\Theta(g(n))$ iff
 - ∃ positive constants c_1,c_2 , and $n_0 \ni c_1g(n) \le f(n) \le c_2g(n)$ \forall n, n ≥ n_0
 - e.g.
 - $3n+2 = \Theta(n)$ $3n \le 3n+2 \le 4n$, for all $n \ge 2$
 - $10n^2+4n+2=\Theta(n^2)$ $10n^2 \le 10n^2+4n+2 \le 11n^2$, for all $n \ge 5$
 - * g(n) should be both lower bound & upper bound

Computational Complexity

- Computational complexity: an abstract measure of the time and space necessary to execute an algorithm as function of its "input size".
- Input size examples:
 - sort *n* words of bounded length ⇒ *n*
 - the input is the integer $n \Rightarrow \lg n$
 - the input is the graph $G(V, E) \Rightarrow |V|$ and |E|

Output Growing Curves



Amortized Analysis

- Why Amortized Analysis?
 - Find a tight bound of a sequence of data structure operations.
- No probability involved, guarantees the average performance of each operation in the worst case
- Three popular methods
 - Aggregate method
 - Accounting method
 - Potential method

Methods for Amortized Analysis

Aggregate method

- n operations take T(n) time.
- Average cost of an operation is T(n)/n time.

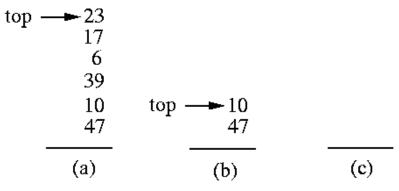
Accounting method

- Charge each type of operation an amortized cost.
- Store the overcharge of early operations as "prepaid credit" in "bank."
- Use the credit for later operations.
- Must guarantee nonnegative balance at all time
- Potential method
 - View "prepaid credit" as "potential energy."

Aggregate Method: Stack and MULTIPOP

- n operations take T(n) time \square average cost of an operation is T(n)/n time.
- Consider a sequence of n PUSH, POP, and MULTIPOP operations on an initially empty stack.
 - Worst-case analysis: a MULTIPOP operation takes O(n).
 - Aggregate method: Any sequence of n PUSH, POP, MULTIPOP costs at most O(n) time (why?) \Rightarrow amortized cost of an operation: O(n)/n=O(1).

Multipop(S, k)
1. **while** not Stack-Empty(S) and k > 0 **do**2. Pop(S)
3. $k \leftarrow k-1$



Accounting Method

- Assign differing charges to different operations.
 - Amortized cost = actual cost + credit.
 - Credit is assigned to specific objects and must be nonnegative all the times.
- Stack operations (s: stack size):

	Actual cost	Amortized cost
PUSH	1	2
POP	1	0
MULTIPOP	Min(k,s)	0

For any sequence of n operations, total actual cost ≤ total amortized cost = O(n).

Potential Method

- Represent the prepaid work as "potential" that can be released to pay for future operations.
 - Potential is associated with the whole data structure, not with specific items in the data structure. (cf. accounting method)
- The potential method:
 - D_0 : initial data structure D_i : data structure after applying the *i*th operation to D_{i-1} c_i : actual cost of the *i*th operation
 - Define the potential function $\Phi: D_i \to \Re$.
 - Amortized cost \hat{c}_i , $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) \Phi(D_{i-1})$.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{c_i} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}))$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i + \Phi(D_n) - \Phi(D_0)$$

- _ Pick $\Phi(D_n)$ ≥ $\Phi(D_0)$ to make $\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i \ge \sum_{i=1}^n c_i$
- _ Often define $Φ(D_0)$ = 0 and then show that $Φ(D_i)$ ≥ 0, ∀ i.

Potential Method: Stack Operations

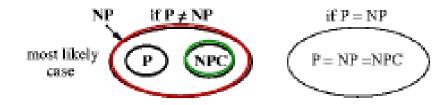
- Amortized cost of each operation = O(1).
- $\Phi(D)$ = # of objects in the stack D; $\Phi(D_0)$ =0, $\Phi(D_i) \ge 0$.
- PUSH: $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) \Phi(D_{i-1}) = 1 + (s+1) s = 2$.
- POP: $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) \Phi(D_{i-1}) = 1 + (-1) = 0$.
- MULTIPOP(S, k): $k' = \min(k, s)$ objects are popped off.

$$\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$$

= $k' - k'$
= 0.

Complexity Classes

- The class P: class of problems that can be solved in polynomial time in the size of input.
 - Size of input: size of encoded "binary" strings.
 - Edmonds: Problems in P are considered tractable.
- The class NP (Nondeterministic Polynomial): class of problems that can be verified in polynomial time in the size of input.
 - _ P = NP?
- The class NP-complete (NPC): Any NPC problem can be solved in polynomial time ⇒ all problems in NP can be solved in polynomial time (i.e., P = NP).



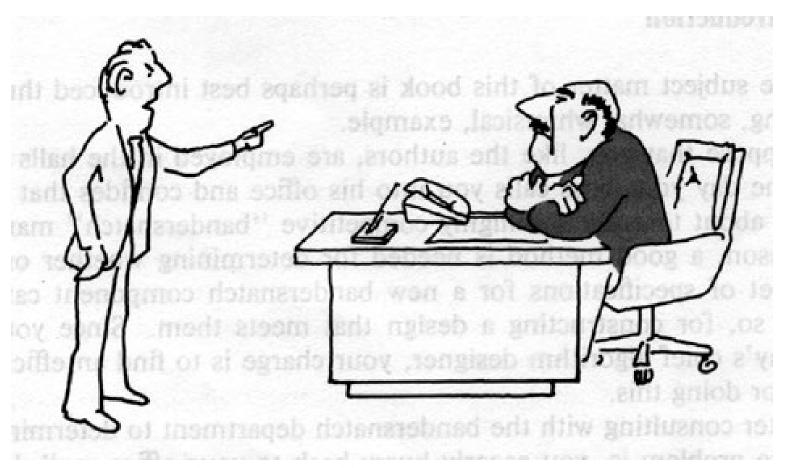
Coping with a "Tough" Problem: Trilogy I



"I can't find an efficient algorithm.

I guess I'm just too dumb."

Coping with a "Tough" Problem: Trilogy II



"I can't find an efficient algorithm, because no such algorithm is possible!"

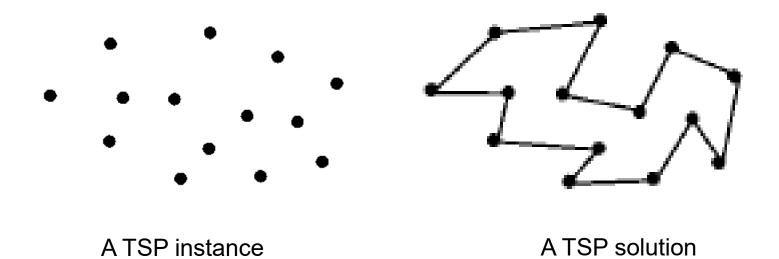
Coping with a "Tough" Problem: Trilogy III



"I can't find an efficient algorithm, but neither can all these famous people."

The Traveling Salesman Problem (TSP)

- **Instance**: a set of *n* cities, distance between each pair of cities, and a bound *B*.
- Question: is there a route that starts and ends at a given city, visits every city exactly once, and has total distance ≤ B?



NP vs. P

TSP ∈ NP.

- Need to check a solution (tour) in polynomial time.
 - Guess a tour.
 - Check if the tour visits every city exactly once, returns to the start, and total distance ≤ B.

• TSP ∈ P?

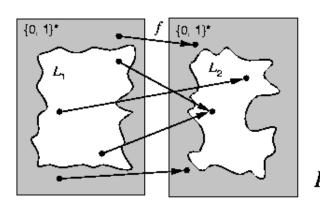
- Need to solve (find a tour) in polynomial time.
- Still unknown if TSP ∈ P.

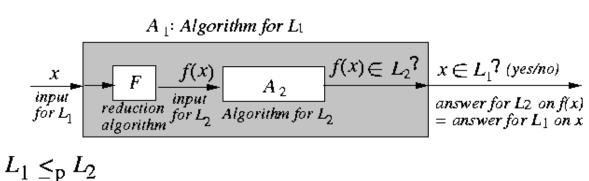
Decision Problems and NP-Completeness

- Decision problems: those having yes/no answers.
 - TSP: Given a set of cities, distance between each pair of cities, and a bound B, is there a route that starts and ends at a given city, visits every city exactly once, and has total distance at most B?
- Optimization problems: those finding a legal configuration such that its cost is minimum (or maximum).
 - TSP: Given a set of cities and that distance between each pair of cities, find the distance of a "minimum route" that starts and ends at a given city and visits every city exactly once.
- Could apply binary search on decision problems to obtain solutions to optimization problems.
- NP-completeness is associated with decision problems.

Polynomial-time Reduction

- Motivation: Let L1 and L2 be two decision problems.
 Suppose algorithm A2 can solve L2. Can we use A2 to solve L1?
- Polynomial-time reduction f from L1 to L2: $L1 \le_P L2$
 - f reduces input for L1 into an input for L2 s.t. the reduced input is a "yes" input for L2 iff the original input is a "yes" input for L1.
 - $L1 \leq_P L2$ if \exists polynomial-time computable function $f: \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^*$ s.t. $x \in L1$ iff $f(x) \in L2$, $\forall x \in \{0, 1\}^*$.
 - L2 is at least as hard as L1.
- f is computable in polynomial time.

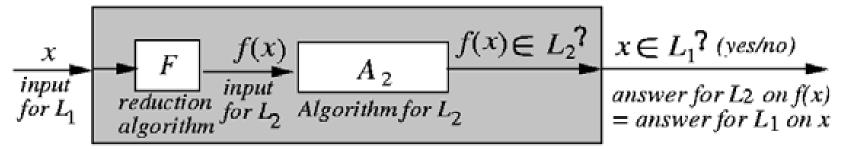




Significance of Reduction

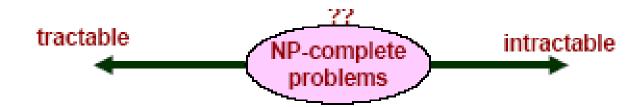
- Significance of L1 ≤_P L2:
 - = \exists polynomial-time algorithm for $L2 \Rightarrow \exists$ polynomial-time algorithm for L1 ($L2 \in P \Rightarrow L1 \in P$).
 - \nearrow polynomial-time algorithm for L1 ⇒ \nearrow polynomial-time algorithm for L2 (L1 \notin P ⇒ L2 \notin P).
- \leq_P is transitive, i.e., $L1 \leq_P L2$ and $L2 \leq_P L3 \Rightarrow L1 \leq_P L3$.

A 1: Algorithm for L1



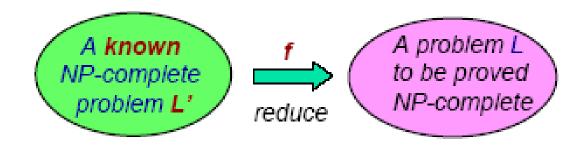
NP-Completeness

- NP-completeness: worst-case analyses for decision problems.
- A decision problem L is NP-complete (NPC) if
 - 1. $L \in NP$, and
 - 2. $L' \leq_{\mathbf{P}} L$ for every $L' \in NP$.
- **NP-hard:** If *L* satisfies property 2, but not necessarily property 1, we say that *L* is **NP-hard**.
- Suppose $L \in NPC$.
 - If L ∈ P, then there exists a polynomial-time algorithm for every L' ∈ NP (i.e., P = NP).
 - If $L \notin P$, then there exists no polynomial-time algorithm for any $L' \in NPC$ (i.e., P ≠ NP).



Proving NP-Completeness

- Five steps for proving that *L* is NP-complete:
 - 1. Prove $L \in NP$. (easy)
 - 2. Select a known NP-complete problem L'.
 - 3. Construct a reduction *f* transforming **every** instance of *L* to an instance of *L*.
 - 4. Prove that $x \in L'$ iff $f(x) \in L$ for all $x \in \{0, 1\}^*$.
 - 5. Prove that *f* is a polynomial-time transformation.



Coping with NP-hard Problems

Exhaustive search/Branch and bound

— Is feasible only when the problem size is small.

Approximation algorithms

- Guarantee to be a fixed percentage away from the optimum.
- E.g., MST for the minimum Steiner tree problem.

Pseudo-polynomial time algorithms

- Has the form of a polynomial function for the complexity, but is not to the problem size.
- E.g., O(nW) for the 0-1 knapsack problem. (W: maximum weight)

Restriction

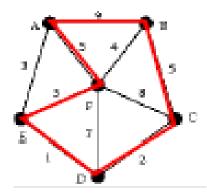
- Work on some subset of the original problem.
- E.g., the maximum independent set problem in circle graphs.
- Heuristics: No guarantee of performance.

Algorithmic Paradigms

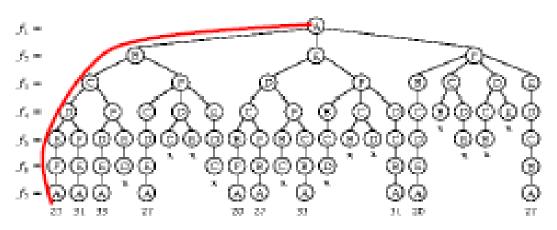
- Exhaustive search: Search the entire solution space.
- Branch and bound: A search technique with pruning.
- Greedy method: Pick a locally optimal solution at each step.
- Dynamic programming: Partition a problem into a collection of sub-problems, the sub-problems are solved, and then the original problem is solved by combining the solutions. (Applicable when the sub-problems are NOT independent).
- Hierarchical approach: Divide-and-conquer.
- **Simulated annealing:** An adaptive, iterative, non-deterministic algorithm that allows "uphill" moves to escape from local optima.
- Genetic algorithm: A population of solutions is stored and allowed to evolve through successive generations via mutation, crossover, etc.
- Multilevel framework: The bottom-up approach (coarsening) followed by the top-down one (uncoarsening); often good for handling large-scale designs.
- Mathematical programming: A system of solving an objective function under constraints.

Exhaustive Search vs. Branch and Bound

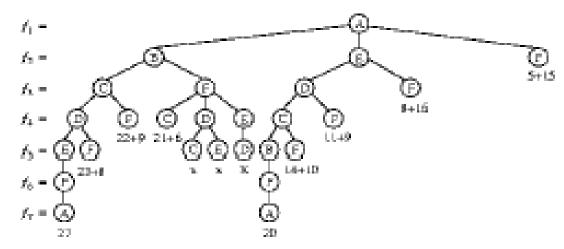
TSP example



State-space trees



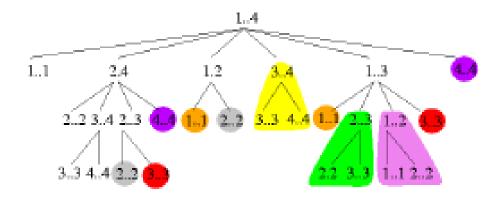
Backtracking/exhaustive search



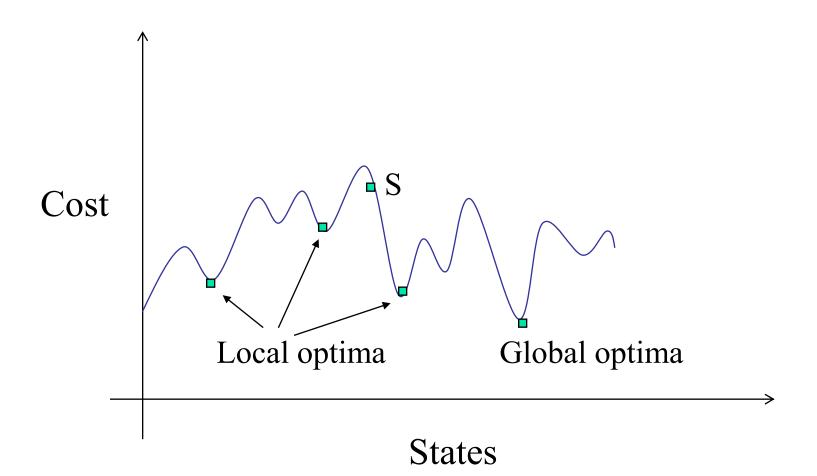
Branch and bound

Dynamic Programming (DP) vs. Divide-and-Conquer

- Both solve problems by combining the solutions to subproblems.
- Divide-and-conquer algorithms
 - Partition a problem into **independent** subproblems, solve the subproblems recursively, and then combine their solutions to solve the original problem.
 - Inefficient if they solve the same subproblem more than once.
- Dynamic programming (DP)
 - Applicable when the subproblems are not independent.
 - DP solves each subproblem just once.



Simulated Annealing



Simulated Annealing Algorithm

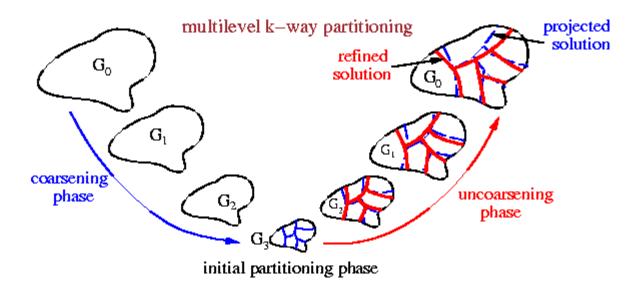
Begin Get an initial solution S and an initial temperature T > 0while not yet "frozen" do for $1 \le i \le P$ do Pick a random neighbor S' of S; $\Delta = Cost(S') - Cost(S)$ if $\Delta \le 0$ then $S \leftarrow S'$ // down-hill move if $\Delta > 0$ then $S \leftarrow S'$ with probability $e^{-\Delta/T}$ // up-hill $T \leftarrow rT$; // reduce temperature

End

return S

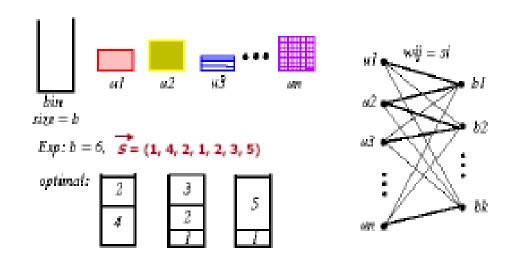
Multilevel Framework

- Clustering: Reduce the problem size by grouping highly connected components and treat them as a super node.
- Multilevel partitioning
 - Coarsening: Recursively clusters the instance until its size is smaller than a given threshold.
 - Uncoarsening: Declusters the instance while applying a partitioning refinement algorithm (e.g., F-M).

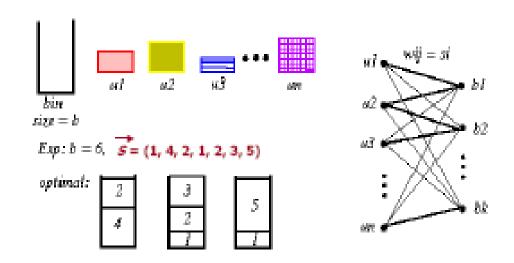


Example: Bin Packing

- The Bin-Packing Problem Π : Items $U = \{u1, u2, ..., un\}$, where u_i is of an integer size s_i ; set B of bins, each with capacity b.
- Goal: Pack all items, minimizing # of bins used. (NP-hard!)



Algorithms for Bin Packing



- Greedy approximation alg.: First-Fit Decreasing (FFD)
- Dynamic Programming? Hierarchical Approach? Genetic Algorithm? ...
- Mathematical Programming: Use integer linear programming (ILP) to find a solution using |B| bins, then search for the smallest feasible |B|.

ILP Formulation for Bin Packing

• 0-1 variable: *xij*=1 if item *ui* is placed in bin *bj*, 0 otherwise.

$$\max \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\sup_{\forall i \in U} w_{ij} x_{ij} \leq b_j, \forall j \in B / * capacity \ constraint * / \ (1)$$

$$\sum_{\forall j \in B} x_{ij} = 1, \forall i \in U / * assignment \ constraint * / \ (2)$$

$$\sum_{ij} x_{ij} = n / * completeness \ constraint * / \ (3)$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0,1\} / * 0, 1 \ constraint * / \ (4)$$

- **Step 1:** Set |B| to the lower bound of the # of bins.
- Step 2: Use the ILP to find a feasible solution.
- **Step 3:** If the solution exists, the # of bins required is |B|. Then exit.
- Step 4: Otherwise, set $|B| \leftarrow |B| + 1$. Goto Step 2.

Basic Graph Algorithms

- Basic terminology and representations
- Graph search algorithms
- Spanning tree algorithms
- Shortest path algorithms
- Maximum flow and matching
- Steiner tree algorithms

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Basic Terminology (1/3)

- A <u>graph</u> is a pair of sets G(V,E) where V is the set of vertices, and E [(u,v)]is a set of pair of distinct vertices called edges.
- A <u>complete graph</u> on n vertices is a graph in which every vertex is adjacent to every other vertex. (Denoted by K_n)
- A graph G' = (V',E') is a <u>subgraph</u> of G iff V' is a subset of V, and E' is a subset of E.
- A <u>walk</u> P of a graph G is defined as a finite alternating sequence P = v₀, e₁,...,e_k,v_k.
- A walk is an <u>open walk</u> if the terminal vertices (starting and ending) are distinct.
- A <u>path</u> is an open walk in which no vertex appears more than once.

Basic Terminology (2/3)

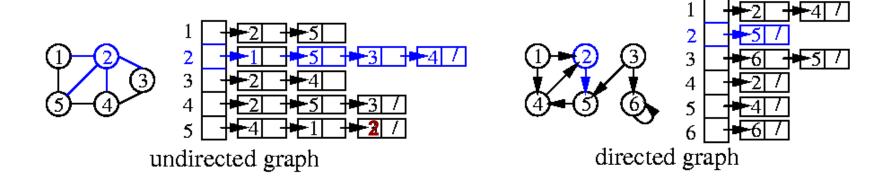
- The *length* of a path is the number of edges in it.
 - A path is a (u,v) path if u and v are the terminal vertices.
- A <u>cycle</u> is a path (v_0, v_k) of length k (k > 2) where $v_0 = v_k$.
 - Odd cycle if k is odd, Even cycle if k is even.
- A <u>connected component</u> of G is a subgraph of G that has a path from each vertex to every other vertex.
- An edge e in E is called a <u>cut edge</u> in G if its removal from G increases the number of connected components of G by at least one.
- A graph is called <u>planar</u> if it can be drawn in the plane without any two edges crossing

Basic Terminology (3/3)

- A <u>tree</u> is a connected subgraph with no cycles.
- A <u>directed graph</u> is a pair of sets (V,E) where E is a set of ordered pairs of distinct vertices, called directed edges.
- A *directed acyclic graph* (DAG) is a directed graph with no cycles.
- Hypergraph is a pair (V,E) where V is a set of vertices, and E is a family of sets of vertices.
 - Each e in E denoted by {v_0, v_1,...,v_k} is called a net.
- A **bipartite graph** is a graph that can be partitioned in to two sets X, and Y so that each edge has one end in X, and the other end in Y.
- Graph Problem G = (V,E), find a subset V'/E' ⊆ V/E → V'/E' has a property ℘

Representations of Graphs: Adjacency List

- Adjacency list: An array Adj of |V| lists, one for each vertex in V. For each $u \in V$, Adj[u] pointers to all the vertices adjacent to u.
- Advantage: O(V+E) storage, good for sparse graph.
- Drawback: Need to traverse list to find an edge.

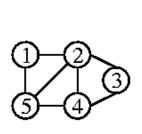


Representations of Graphs: Adjacency Matrix

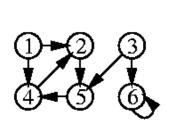
• Adjacency matrix: A $|V| \times |V|$ matrix $A = (a_{ij})$ such that

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (i,j) \in E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Advantage: O(1) time to find an edge.
- Drawback: $O(V^2)$ storage, more suitable for **dense** graph.
- How to save space if the graph is undirected?



	1	2	3	4	5
1	0	1	0	0	1
2	1	0	1	1	1
3	0	1	0	1	0
4	0	1	1	0	1
5	0 1 0 0 1	1	0	1	0



	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	0 0 0 0 0	1	0	1	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	1	0
3	0	0	0	0	1	1
4	0	1	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	1	0	0
6	0	0	0	0	0	1

undirected graph

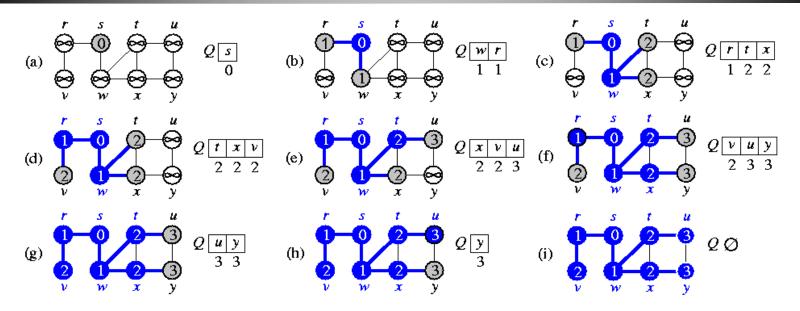
directed graph

Breadth-First Search (BFS)

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BFS(G, s)
1. for each vertex u \in V[G]-{s} do
   color[u] \leftarrow WHITE
3. d[u] \leftarrow \infty
   \pi[\mathsf{u}] \leftarrow \mathsf{NIL}
5. color[s] \leftarrow GRAY
6. d[s] \leftarrow 0
7. \pi[s] \leftarrow \text{NIL}
8. Q \leftarrow \emptyset
9. Enqueue(Q, s)
10. while Q \neq \emptyset do
11. u \leftarrow \text{Dequeue}[Q]
12. for each v \in Adj[u] do
         if color[v] = WHITE then
13.
14.
             color[v] \leftarrow GRAY
15.
             d[v] \leftarrow d[u]+1
16.
             \pi[v] \leftarrow u
17. Enqueue(Q, v)
18. color[u] \leftarrow BLACK
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- color[u]: white (undiscovered)
 → gray (discovered) → black (explored: out edges are all discovered)
- d[u]: distance from source s;
 π[u]: predecessor of u.
- Use queue for gray vertices.
- Time complexity: O(V+E)
 (adjacency list).

BFS Example



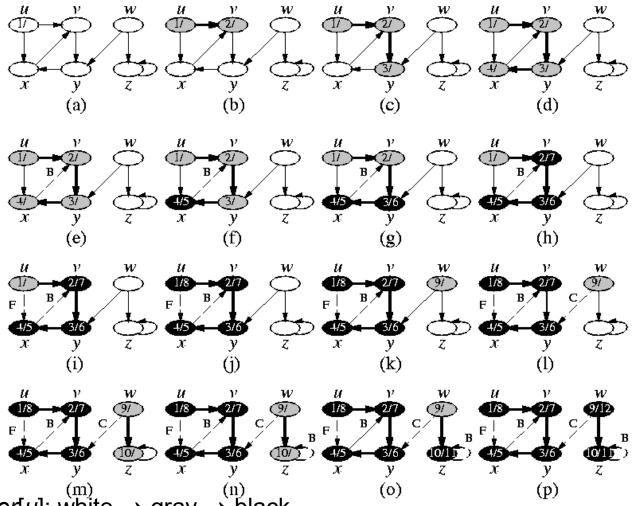
- color[u]: white (undiscovered) → gray (discovered) → black (explored: out edges are all discovered)
- Use queue Q for gray vertices.
- Time complexity: O(V+E) (adjacency list) using aggregate analysis
 - Each vertex enqueued and dequeued once: O(V) time.
 - Each edge considered once: O(E) time.
- Breadth-first tree: $G_{\pi} = (V_{\pi}, E_{\pi}), V_{\pi} = \{v \in V \mid \pi [v] \neq NIL\} \cup \{s\}, E_{\pi} = \{(\pi[v], v) \in E \mid v \in V_{\pi} \{s\}\}.$

Depth-First Search (DFS)

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DFS(G)
1. for each vertex u \in V[G] do
2. color[u] \leftarrow WHITE
3. \pi [u] \leftarrow NIL
4. time \leftarrow 0
5. for each vertex u \in V[G] do
6. if color[u] = WHITE then
        DFS-Visit(u)
DFS-Visit(u)
1. color[u] \leftarrow GRAY
 /* white vertex u has just been
    discovered. */
2. d[u] \leftarrow time \leftarrow time + 1
3. for each vertex v \in Adj[u] do
     /* Explore edge (u,v). */
4. if color[v] = WHITE then
        \pi [v] \leftarrow u
        DFS-Visit(v)
7. color[u] \leftarrow BLACK
  /* Blacken u; it is finished. */
8. f[u] \leftarrow time \leftarrow time +1
```

- color[u]: white (undiscovered)
 → gray (discovered) → black (explored: out edges are all discovered)
- d[u]: discovery time (gray);
 f[u]: finishing time (black);
 π[u]: predecessor.
- Time complexity: O(V+E)
 (adjacency list).

DFS Example



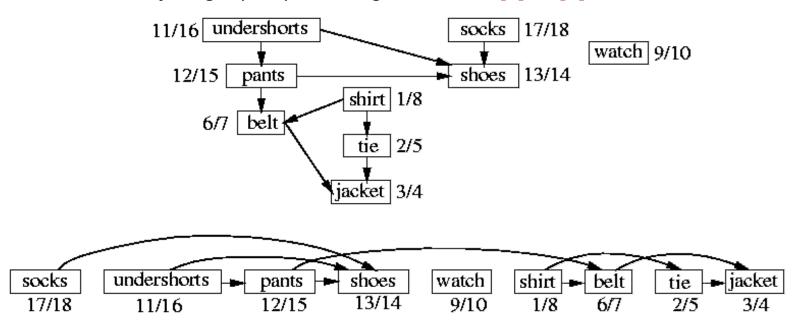
- color[u]: white \rightarrow gray $\stackrel{\text{(n)}}{\rightarrow}$ black.
- Depth-first forest: $G_{\pi} = (V, E_{\pi}), E_{\pi} = \{(\pi[v], v) \in E \mid v \in V, \pi[v] \neq NIL\}.$

Topological Sort

• A **topological sort** of a directed acyclic graph (DAG) G = (V, E) is a linear ordering of V s.t. $(u, v) \in E \square u$ appears before v.

Topological-Sort(*G*)

- 1. call DFS(G) to compute finishing times f[v] for each vertex v
- 2. as each vertex is finished, insert it onto the front of a linked list
- 3. **return** the linked list of vertices
- Time complexity: O(V+E) (adjacency list).
- Correctness: Any edge (u, v) in a dag, we have f[v] < f[u].



Vertices are arranged from left to right in order of decreasing finishing times.

Topological Sort: Another Way

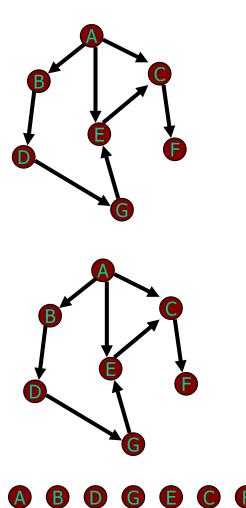
A directed acyclic graph always contains a vertex with indegree 0.

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Topological-Sort2(G)
1. Call DFS(G) to compute indegree[v] for each vertex v \in V[G]
2. Q \leftarrow \emptyset
3. label \leftarrow 0
4. for each vertex v \in V[G] do
5.
      if indegree[v] = 0 then
        Enqueue(Q, v)
7. while Q \neq \emptyset do
8. u \leftarrow Dequeue(Q)
    label[u] ← label ← label+1
10. for each v \in Adj[u] do
11.
         indegree[v] = indegree[v]-1
12.
         if indegree[v] = 0 then
13.
           Enqueue(Q, v)
```

Time complexity: O(V+E) (adjacency list).

Topological Sort Illustration

- Topological Search/Sort (DAG only)
 - A node is visited when all its parents are visited
 - Two algorithms:
 - Simple application of DFS: perform DFS traversal and note the order in which vertices become dead ends (popped off the traversal stack)
 - Direct implementation of the decreaseand conquer technique: repeatedly, identify in a remaining digraph a node which has no incoming edges, and delete it along with all the edges outgoing from it.

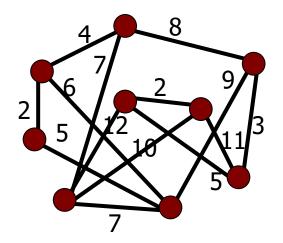


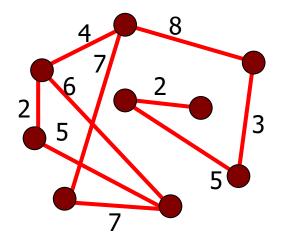
Spanning Tree Algorithms

- Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) \wp : E induces a tree and $\Sigma_{e_i \in E}$ wt(e_i) is minimum over all such trees
- Kruskal's Algorithm (greedy)
 - n sets (n nodes) where each represents a partial spanning tree
 - Select an edge to merge two spanning trees until all sets join together to be a single tree
- O(|E|log|E|)
 - Sorting edges dominates: O(|E|log|E|) = O(|E|log|V|) (|E| < |V|²)

Kruskal's Spanning Tree Algorithm

Algorithm MST() begin



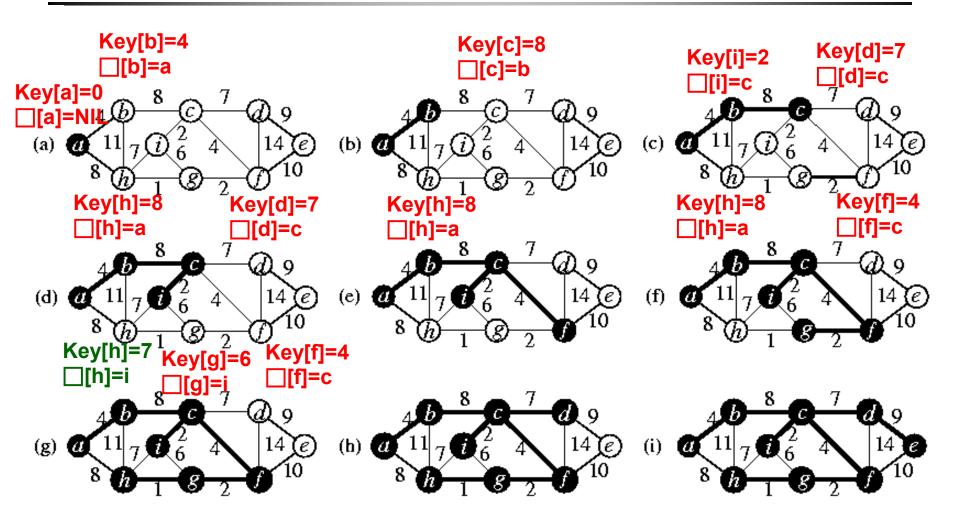


Prim's (Prim-Dijkstra's?) MST Algorithm

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MST-Prim(G, w, r)
/* Q: min-priority queue for vertices not in the tree, based on key[]. */
/* key: min weight of any edge connecting to a vertex in the tree. */
1. for each vertex u \in V[G] do
2. key[u] \leftarrow \infty
3. \pi[u] \leftarrow \text{NIL}
4. key[r] \leftarrow 0
5. Q \leftarrow V[G]
6. while Q \neq \emptyset do
7. u \leftarrow \text{Extract-Min}(Q)
8. for each vertex v \in Adj[u] do
9. if v \in Q and w(u,v) < key[v] then
10. \pi[v] \leftarrow u
            key[v] \leftarrow w(u,v)
11.
```

- Starts from a vertex and grows until the tree spans all the vertices.
 - The edges in A always form a single tree.
 - At each step, a safe, a light edge connecting a vertex in A to an isolated vertex in V - A is added to the tree.
 - $= A = \{(v, \pi[v]) : v \in V \{r\} Q\}$

Example: Prim's MST Algorithm



Time Complexity of Prim's MST Algorithm

```
MST-Prim(G, w, r)

1. for each vertex u \in V[G] do

2. key[u] \leftarrow \infty

3. \pi[u] \leftarrow \text{NIL}

4. key[r] \leftarrow 0

5. Q \leftarrow V[G]

6. while Q \neq \emptyset do

7. u \leftarrow \text{Extract-Min}(Q)

8. for each vertex v \in Adj[u] do

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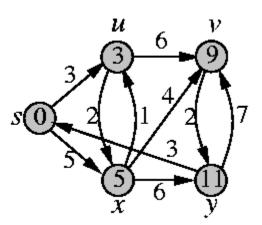
10. \pi[v] \leftarrow u

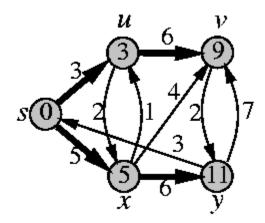
11. key[v] \leftarrow w(u, v)
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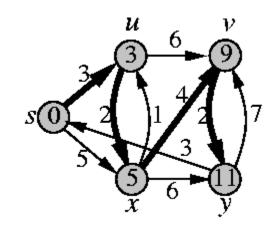
- Q is implemented as a binary min-heap: O(E lg V).
 - _ Lines 1—5: O(V).
 - Line 7: $O(\lg V)$ for Extract-Min, so $O(V \lg V)$ with the **while** loop.
 - Lines 8—11: O(E) operations, each takes $O(\lg V)$ time for Decrease-Key (maintaining the heap property after changing a node).
- Q is implemented as a Fibonacci heap: $O(E + V \lg V)$. (Fastest to date!)
- $|E| = O(V) \square \text{only } O(E \lg^* V) \text{ time. (Fredman & Tarjan, 1987)}$

Single-Source Shortest Paths (SSSP)

- The Single-Source Shortest Path (SSSP) Problem
 - **Given:** A **directed** graph G=(V, E) with edge weights, and a specific **source node** s.
 - Goal: Find a minimum weight path (or cost) from s to every other node in V.
- Applications: weights can be distances, times, wiring cost, delay. etc.
- Special case: BFS finds shortest paths for the case when all edge weights are 1 (the same).





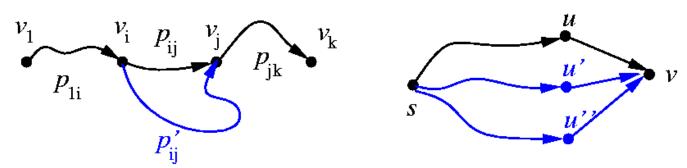


Variants on Shortest-Paths Problem

- Single-source shortest-paths problem
- Single-destination shortest-paths problem
- Single-pair shortest-path problem
- All-pairs shortest-paths problem

Optimal Substructure of a Shortest Path

- Subpaths of shortest paths are shortest paths.
 - Let $p = \langle v_1, v_2, ..., v_k \rangle$ be a shortest path from vertex v_1 to vertex v_k , and let $p_{ij} = \langle v_i, v_{i+1}, ..., v_j \rangle$ be the subpath of p from vertex v_i to vertex v_j , $1 \le i \le j \le k$. Then, p_{ij} is a shortest path from v_i to v_i .
- Suppose that a shortest path p from a source s to a vertex v can be decomposed into $s \stackrel{p'}{\leadsto} u \to v$. Then, $\delta(s, v) = \delta(s, u) + w(u, v)$.
- For all edges $(u, v) \in E$, $\delta(s, v) \le \delta(s, u) + w(u, v)$.



subpaths of shortest paths

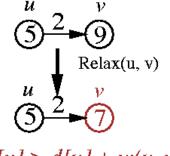
Relaxation

Initialize-Single-Source(G, s)

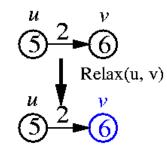
- 1. **for** each vertex $v \in V[G]$ **do**
- 2. $d[v] \leftarrow \infty$
 - /* shortest-path estimate, upper bound on the weight of a shortest path from s to v */
- $\pi[v] \leftarrow NIL /* predecessor of <math>v */$
- 4. $d[s] \leftarrow 0$

- Relax(u, v, w)
- 1. **if** d[v] > d[u] + w(u, v) **then**
- 2. $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + w(u, v)$
- 3. $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$

- $d[v] \le d[u] + w(u, v)$ after calling Relax(u, v, w).
- $d[v] \ge \delta(s, v)$ during the relaxation steps; once d[v] achieves its lower bound $\delta(s, v)$, it never changes.
- Let $s \rightsquigarrow u \rightarrow v$ be a shortest path. If $d[u] = \delta(s, u)$ prior to the call Relax(u, v, w), then $d[v] = \delta(s, v)$ after the call.



$$d[v] > d[u] + w(u, v)$$

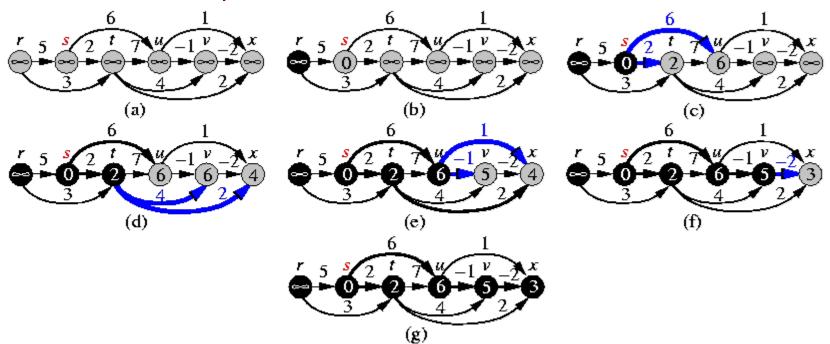


$$d[v] > d[u] + w(u, v)$$
 $d[v] <= d[u] + w(u, v)$

SSSPs in Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAGs)

DAG-Shortest-Paths(*G*, *w*, *s*)

- 1. topologically sort the vertices of *G*
- 2. Initialize-Single-Source(G, s)
- 3. **for** each vertex *u* taken in topologically sorted order **do**
- 4. **for** each vertex $v \in Adj[u]$ **do**
- 5. Relax(u, v, w)
- Time complexity: O(V+E) (adjacency-list representation).
- What if critical paths?



Dijkstra's Shortest-Path Algorithm

```
Dijkstra(G, w, s)

/* S: final shortest-path weights determined */

/* Q: min-priority queue of V-S, keyed by d values */

1. Initialize-Single-Source(G, s)

2. S \leftarrow \emptyset

3. Q \leftarrow V[G]

4. while Q \neq \emptyset do

5. u \leftarrow \text{Extract-Min}(Q)

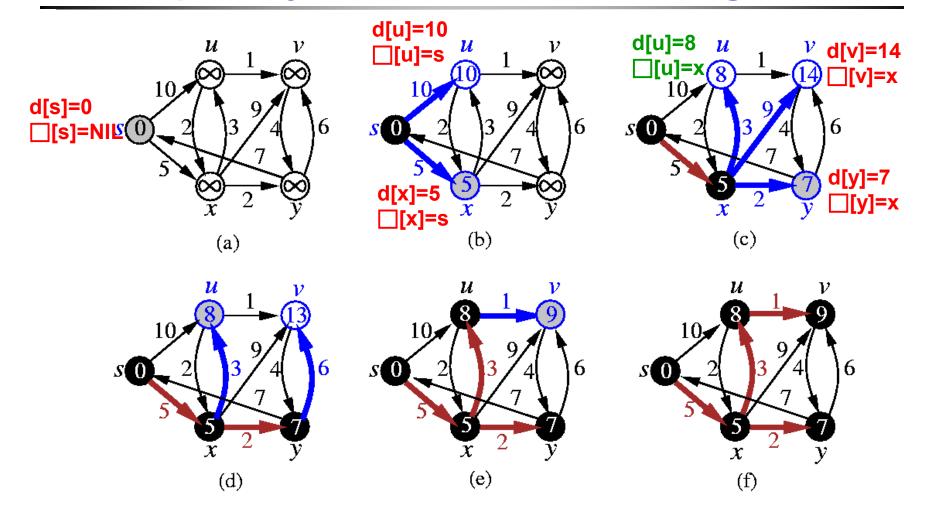
6. S \leftarrow S \cup \{u\}

7. for each vertex v \in Adj[u] do

8. \text{Relax}(u, v, w)
```

- Combines a greedy and a dynamic-programming schemes.
 - Loop invariant: at the start of each iteration of the while loop, $d[v] = \delta(s, v)$ for each vertex $v \in S$.
- Works only when all edge weights are nonnegative.
- Executes essentially the same as Prim's algorithm.
 - Except the definition of key values.
- Naive analysis: $O(V^2)$ time by using adjacency lists.

Example: Dijkstra's Shortest-Path Algorithm



Runtime Analysis of Dijkstra's Algorithm

Dijkstra(*G*, *w*, *s*)

- 1. Initialize-Single-Source(*G*, *s*)
- 2. $S \leftarrow \emptyset$
- 3. $Q \leftarrow V[G]$
- 4. while $Q \neq \emptyset$ do
- 5. $u \leftarrow \text{Extract-Min}(Q)$
- 6. $S \leftarrow S \cup \{u\}$
- 7. **for** each vertex $v \in Adj[u]$ **do**
- 8. Relax(u, v, w)
- Q is implemented as a linear array: $O(V^2)$.
 - Line 5: O(V) for Extract-Min, so $O(V^2)$ with the **while** loop.
 - Lines 7—8: O(E) operations, each takes O(1) time.
- Q is implemented as a binary heap: O(E lg V).
 - Line 5: O(lg V) for Extract-Min, so O(V lg V) with the while loop.
 - Lines 7—8: O(E) operations, each takes $O(\lg V)$ time for Decrease-Key (maintaining the heap property after changing a node).
- Q is implemented as a Fibonacci heap: O(E + V lg V).

All-Pairs Shortest Paths (APSP)

- The All-Pairs Shortest Path (APSP) Problem
 - Given: A directed graph G=(V, E) with edge weights
 - Goal: Find a minimum weight path (or cost) between every pair of vertices in V.
- Method 1: Extends the SSSP algorithms.
 - No negative-weight edges: Run Dijkstra's algorithm |V| times, once with each $v \in V$ as the source.
 - Adjacency **list** + Fibonacci heap: $O(V^2 \lg V + VE)$ time.
 - With negative-weight edges: Run the Bellman-Ford algorithm |V| times, once with each $v \in V$ as the source.
 - Adjacency list: O(V² E) time.
- Method 2: Applies the Floyd-Warshall algorithm (negative-weight edges allowed).
 - Adjacency **matrix**: $O(V^3)$ time.
- Method 3: Applies Johnson's algorithm for sparse graphs (negative-weight edges allowed).
 - Adjacency **list**: $O(V^2 \lg V + VE)$ time.

Overview of Floyd-Warshall APSP Algorithm

- Applies dynamic programming.
 - 1. Characterize the structure of an optimal solution?
 - 2. Recursively define the value of an optimal solution?
 - 3. Compute the value of an optimal solution in a bottom-up fashion?
 - 4. Construct an optimal solution from computed information?
- Uses adjacency matrix A for G = (V, E):

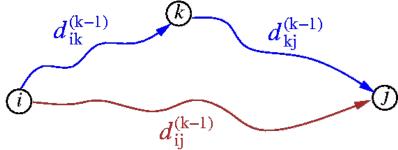
$$A[i,j] = a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i = j \\ w_{ij}, & \text{if } (i,j) \in E \\ \infty, & \text{if } i \neq j \text{ and } (i,j) \not\in E \end{cases}$$

- **Goal:** Compute $|V| \times |V|$ matrix D where $D[i, j] = d_{ij}$ is the weight of a shortest i-to-j path.
- Allows negative-weight edges.
- Runs in $O(V^3)$ time.

Shortest-Path Structure

- An intermediate vertex of a simple path $\langle v_1, v_2, ..., v_l \rangle$ is any vertex in $\{v_2, v_3, ..., v_{l-1}\}$.
- Let $d_{ij}^{(k)}$ be the weight of a shortest path from vertex i to vertex j with all intermediate vertices in $\{1, 2, ..., k\}$.
 - The path does not use vertex k: $d_{ij}^{(k)} = d_{ij}^{(k-1)}$
 - The path uses vertex $d_{ij}^{(k)}=d_{ik}^{(k-1)}+d_{kj}^{(k-1)}$
- **Def**: $D^k[i, j] = d_{ij}^{(k)}$ is the weight of a shortest i-to-j path with intermediate vertices in $\{1, 2, ..., k\}$.

$$d_{ij}^{(k)} = \begin{cases} w_{ij}, & \text{if } k = 0, \\ \min\left(d_{ij}^{(k-1)}, d_{ik}^{(k-1)} + d_{kj}^{(k-1)}\right), & \text{if } k \ge 1. \end{cases}$$



The Floyd-Warshall Algorithm for APSP

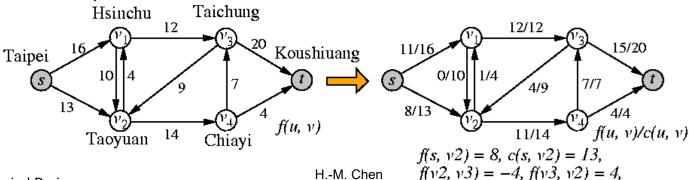
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Floyd-Warshall(W)
1. n \leftarrow rows[W] /* W = A */
2. D^{(0)} \leftarrow W
3. for k \leftarrow 1 to n do
4. for i \leftarrow 1 to n do
5. for j \leftarrow 1 to n do
6. d_{ii}^{(k)} \leftarrow \min(d_{ii}^{(k-1)}, d_{ik}^{(k-1)} + d_{ki}^{(k-1)})
7. return D^{(n)}
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- $D^{(k)}[i, j] = d_{ij}^{(k)}$: weight of a shortest *i*-to-*j* path with intermediate vertices in $\{1, 2, ..., k\}$.
 - $D^{(0)} = A$: original adjacency matrix (paths are single edges). $D^{(n)} = (d_{ij}^{(n)})$: the final answer $(d_{ij}^{(n)} = \delta(i, j))$.
- Time complexity: $O(V^3)$.
- Question: How to detect negative-weight cycles?

Maximum Flow

- Flow network: directed G=(V, E)

 - Exactly one node with no incoming (outgoing) edges, called the source s (sink t).
- Flow f: $V \times V \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ that satisfies
 - Capacity constraint: $f(u, v) \le c(u, v)$, $\forall u, v \in V$.
 - **Skew symmetry:** f(u, v) = -f(v, u).
 - **Flow conservation:** $\sum_{v \in V} f(u, v) = 0$, $\forall u \in V \{s, t\}$.
- **Value** of a flow f: $|f| = \sum_{v \in V} f(s, v) = \sum_{v \in V} f(v, t)$, where f(u, v) is the net flow from u to v.
- The maximum flow problem: Given a flow network G with source s and sink t, find a flow of maximum value from s to t.



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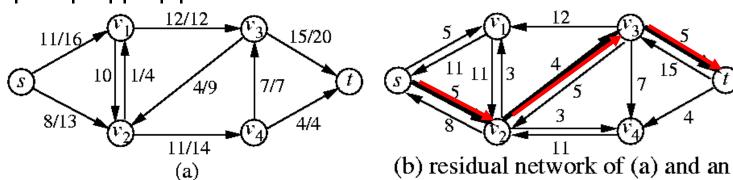
Basic Ford-Fulkerson Method

Ford-Fulkerson-Method(*G*, *s*, *t*)

- 1. Initialize flow f to 0
- 2. **while** there exists an augmenting path *p* **do**
- Augment flow f along p
- 4. return f
- Ford & Fulkerson, 1956
- Augmenting path: A path from s to t along which we can push more flow.
- Need to construct a residual network to find an augmenting path.

Residual Network

- Construct a residual network to find an augmenting path.
- Residual capacity of edge (u, v), $c_f(u, v)$: Amount of additional net flow that can be pushed from u to v before exceeding c(u, v), $c_f(u, v) = c(u, v) f(u, v)$.
- $G_f = (V, E_f)$: **residual network** of G = (V, E) induced by f, where $E_f = \{(u, v) \in V \times V: c_f(u, v) > 0\}.$
- The residual network contains **residual edges** that can admit a positive net flow $(|E_f| \le 2|E|)$.
- Let f and f' be flows in G and G_f , respectively. The **flow sum** f + f': $V \times V \to \mathbb{R}$: (f + f')(u, v) = f(u, v) + f'(u, v) is a flow in G with value |f + f'| = |f| + |f'|.



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Augmenting Path

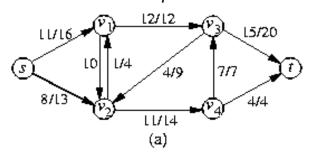
- An augmenting path p is a simple path from s to t in the residual network G_f.
 - $= (u, v) \in E$ on p in the **forward** direction (a **forward edge**), f(u, v) < c(u, v).
 - $(u, v) \in E$ on p in the **reverse** direction (a **backward edge**), f(u, v) > 0.
- Residual capacity of p, $c_f(p)$: Maximum amount of net flow that can be pushed along the augmenting path p, i.e.,

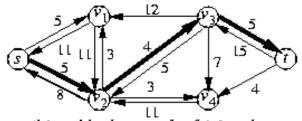
$$c_f(p) = \min\{c_f(u, v) : (u, v) \text{ is in } p\}.$$

• Let p be an augmenting path in G_f . Define $f_p: V \times V \to \mathbf{R}$ by

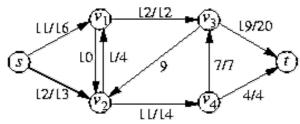
$$f_p(u,v) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} c_f(p), & \text{if } (u,v) \text{ is on } p, \\ -c_f(p), & \text{if } (v,u) \text{ is on } p, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{array} \right.$$

Then, f_p is a flow in G_f with value $|f_p| = c_f(p) > 0$.





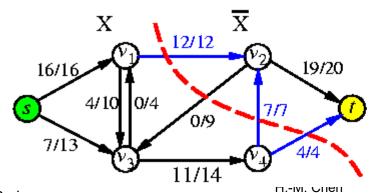
(b) residual network of (a) and an augmenting path <s, v2, v3, t>



(c) push a flow of 4—unit along the augmenting path found in (b)

Cuts of Flow Networks

- A cut (S, T) of flow network G=(V, E) is a partition of V into S and T = V S such that s ∈ S and t ∈ T.
 - Capacity of a cut: $c(S, T) = \sum_{u \in S, v \in T} c(u, v)$. (Count only forward edges!)
 - $= f(S, T) = |f| \le c(S, T)$, where f(S, T) is net flow across the cut (S, T).
- Max-flow min-cut theorem: The following conditions are equivalent
 - 1. f is a max-flow.
 - G_f contains no augmenting path.
 - 3. |f| = c(S, T) for some cut (S, T).



flow/capacity

max flow
$$|f| = 16 + 7 = 23$$

cap $(X, \overline{X}) = 12 + 7 + 4 = 23$

Ford-Fulkerson Algorithm

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Ford-Fulkerson(G, s, t)

1. for each edge (u, v) \in E[G] do

2. f[u, v] \leftarrow 0

3. f[v, u] \leftarrow 0

4. while there exists a path p from s to t in the residual network G_f do

5. c_f(p) \leftarrow \min\{c_f(u, v): (u, v) \text{ is in } p\}

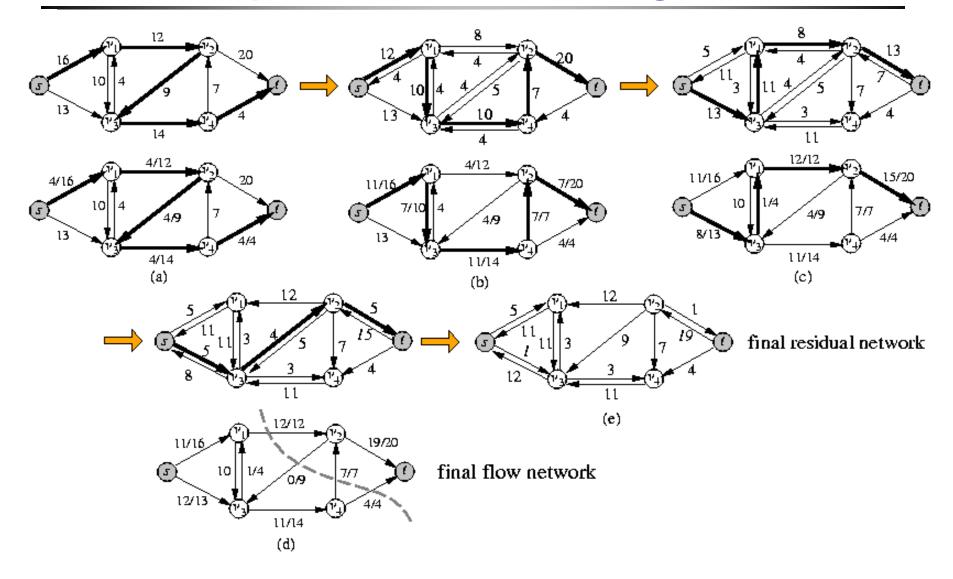
6. for each edge (u, v) in p do

7. f[u, v] \leftarrow f[u, v] + c_f(p)

8. f[v, u] \leftarrow -f[u, v];
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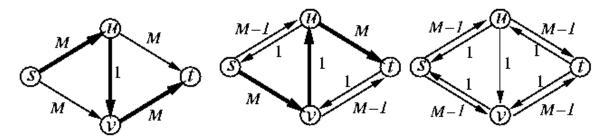
- Time complexity (assume **integral capacities**): $O(E |f^*|)$, where f^* is the maximum flow.
 - Each run augments at least flow value 1 ☐ at most |f*| runs.
 - Each run takes O(E) time (using BFS or DFS).
 - Polynomial-time algorithm?

Example: Ford-Fulkerson Algorithm



Edmonds-Karp Algorithm

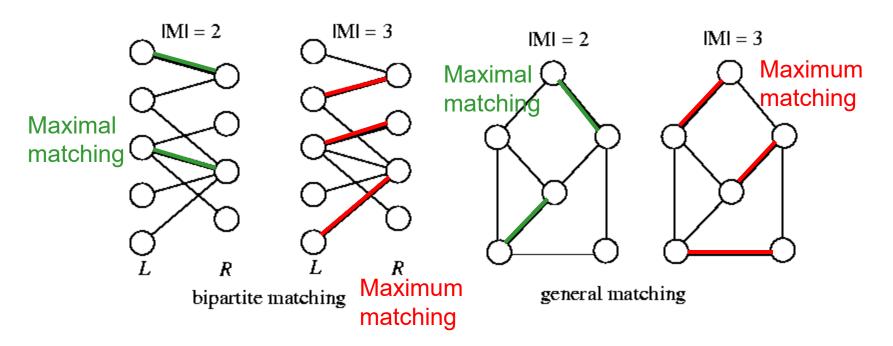
- The Ford-Fulkerson algorithm may be bad when |f*| is very large.
 - 2M iterations in the worst case v.s. 2 iterations.



- Edmonds-Karp Algorithm (1969): Find an augmenting path by shortest path (minimum # of edges on the path), i.e., use breadthfirst search (BFS).
 - Using the Edmonds-Karp algorithm, the shortest-path distance $\delta_f(s, v)$ in the residual network G_f increases monotonically with each flow augmentation.
 - The # of flow augmentations performed by the Edmonds-Karp algorithm is at most O(VE).
 - Each flow augmentation can be found in O(E) time by BFS.
 - Total running time of the Edmonds-Karp algorithm is $O(VE^2)$.
- Goldberg & Tarjan (1985): $O(EV \lg(V^2/E))$; Ahuja, Orlin, Tarjan (1989): $O(EV \lg(V\sqrt{\lg U}/E+2))$, $U = \max$ edge capacity.

Maximum Cardinality Matching

- Given an undirected G=(V, E), $M \subseteq E$ is a **matching** iff at most one edge of M is incident on $v, \forall v \in V$.
 - $v \in V$ is **matched** if some edge in M is incident on v; otherwise, v is **unmatched**.
- *M* is a **maximum matching** iff $|M| \ge |M'| \forall$ matching *M'*.



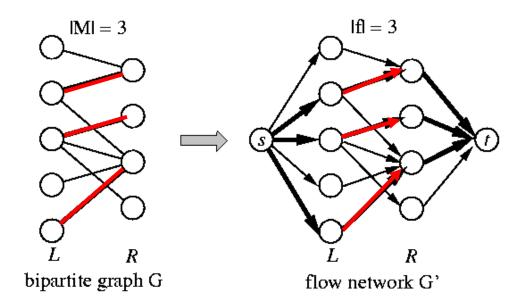
Application: Maximum Cardinality Bipartite Matching

• Given a bipartite graph $G = (V, E), V = L \cup R$, construct a unit-capacity flow network G' = (V', E'):

$$V' = V \cup \{s, t\}$$

$$E '= \{(s, u): u \in L\} \cup \{(u, v): u \in L, v \in R, (u, v) \in E\} \cup \{(v, t): v \in R\}.$$

- The cardinality of a maximum matching in G = the value of a maximum flow in G' (i.e., |M| = |f|).
- Time complexity: O(VE) by the Ford-Fulkerson algorithm.
 - Value of maximum flow \leq min(L, R) = O(V).

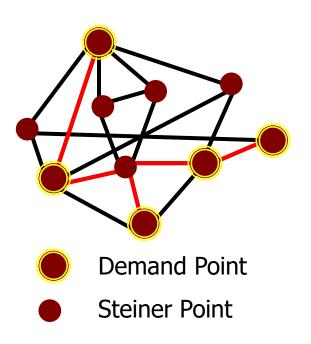


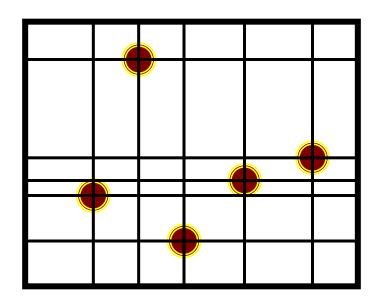
Steiner Tree Algorithms (1/4)

- Steiner Minimum Tree (SMT) Given G = (V,E) and D ⊆ V, select V' ⊆ V → D ⊆ V', and V' induces a tree of minimum cost over all such trees
 - D − Demand Points, (V' − D) − Steiner Points
 - Demands point the net terminal
 - Steiner point the connection point of two paths
- D = V \rightarrow SMT \equiv MST (minimum spanning tree)
- $|D| = 2 \rightarrow SMT \equiv SSSP$ (single source shortest path)

Steiner Tree Algorithms (2/4)

 The Underlying Grid Graph – defined by the intersections of H-lines and V-lines extending from the demand points

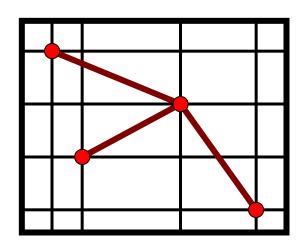


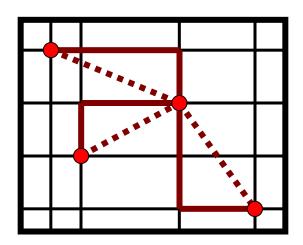


Steiner Tree Algorithms (3/4)

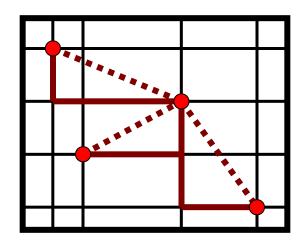
- Rectilinear Steiner Tree (RST) a steiner tree whose edges are restricted to rectilinear shape
- Rectilinear Steiner Minimum Tree (RSMT)
- Theorem:

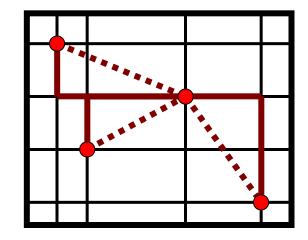
$$\frac{Cost_{MST}}{Cost_{RSMT}} \leq \frac{3}{2}$$

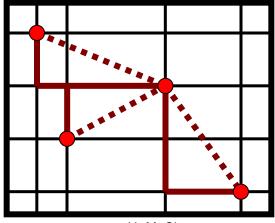




Steiner Tree Algorithms (4/4)



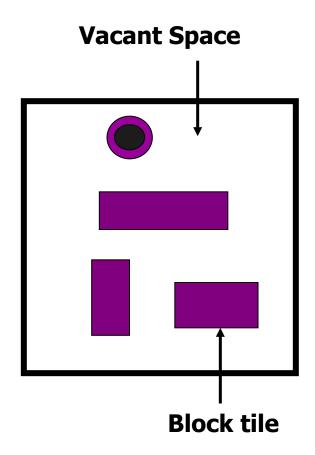




Different Steiner trees constructed from a minimum cost spanning

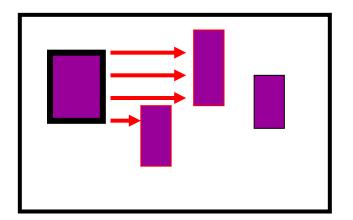
Components of a Layout System (1/2)

- Elements for layout editor
 - Operand database entry
 - Flat Dot, line, circle, rectangle, path, polygon, donut, etc.
 - Hierarchical object, instance, cell, etc.



Components of a Layout System (2/2)

- Operator atomic operation
 - Point finding find the block containing the point (Pick)
 - Neighbor finding find all blocks touching a given block
 - Block visibility
 - Area searching check if there is any block residing in that area (Region Query)
 - (Directed) area enumeration visit each tile intersecting with the area exactly once (in sorted order) (Region Query)
 - Block insertion
 - Block deletion
 - Plowing move an object in one direction and then force associated objects to move
 - Compaction plow the entire layout
 - One dimensional vs. two dimensional
 - Channel generation



Basic Data Structures for Layout Representation

- Linked list of blocks
- Bin-based method
- Neighbor pointers
- Corner stitching

Linked List of Blocks

- Only suitable for a hierarchical system where each level contains few blocks
- Space complexity O(n), n is the number of blocks
- Time complexity O(n) for Find, Insert, and Delete

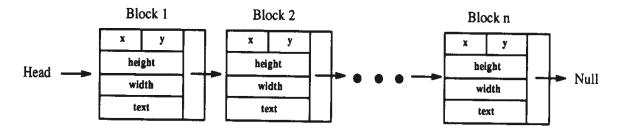


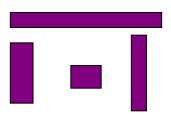
Figure 4.17: Linked list representation.

Bin-Based Method

- Layout is superimposed by virtual grids
- Space complexity O(bn), b is the number of bins
- Easily degenerated to the linked list all blocks are in a bin
- Worse performance for neighbor finding, area searching, area enumeration
 - Bins containing no blocks must be tested
 - Worst case complexity O(b + n)
- Sensitive to time-space tradeoff
 - If the bins are small with respect to the average size of a block, the blocks are likely to intersect with more than one bin, increasing storage requirements
 - If the bins are too large, the average case performance will be reduced since the linked lists used to store blocks in each bin will be very long

Neighbor Pointers

- Keep neighboring info
- Space complexity O(n²)
- Block representation
 - Upper left corner, length, width
- Easy for plowing operation
- Difficult to generate channel (vacant space not explicitly represented)



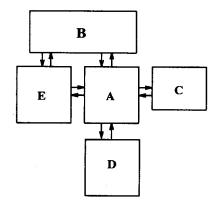


Figure 4.22: Neighbor pointers.

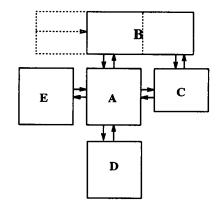
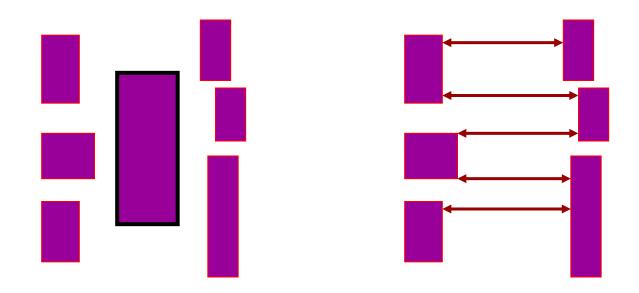


Figure 4.23: Update of neighbor pointers.

Neighbor Pointers (cont)

- Difficult for updating operation
 - $O(n^2)$ for a plowing operation which modifies the neighbors of all blocks
 - O(n) for block insertion and block deletion



Corner Stitching (1/16)

- A data structure to represent both block tiles and vacant (space) tiles, used by Berkeley MAGIC layout editor
- Keep four neighboring pointers
- Canonical representation for "one layer" of stuff on an IC, such as metal1, poly, etc.
- Need more memory space

operation	av. comp. complexity	av.comp. complexity with hint
Insert	$O(\sqrt{n})$	O(1)
Delete	$O(\sqrt{n})$	O(1)
Neighbor enumeration	$O(\sqrt{n})$	O(1)
Area enumeration	$O(\sqrt{n} + n')$	O(n')
Point finding	$O(\sqrt{n})$	O(1)

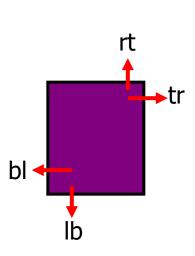
Corner Stitching (2/16)

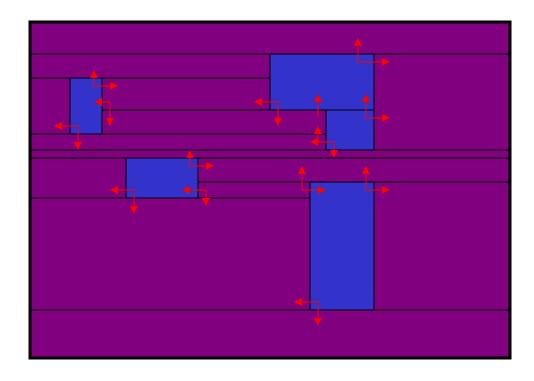
An example

Canonical representation

Given a layout of objects, there is only one space tile representation

Maximal horizontal strips: every space tile must be as wide as possible

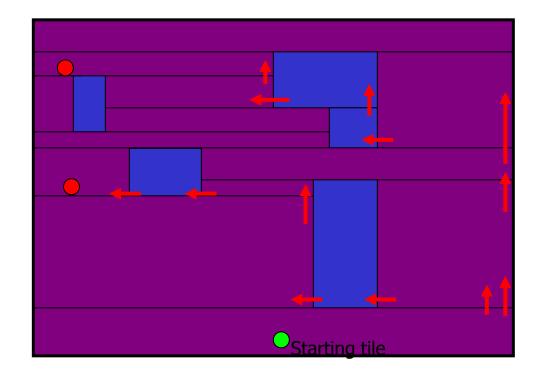




Corner Stitching (3/16)

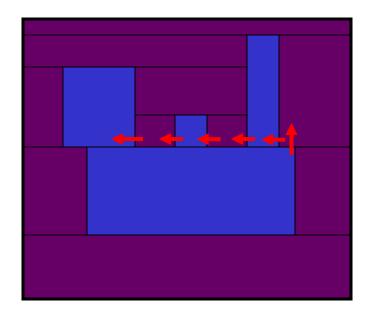
Point finding

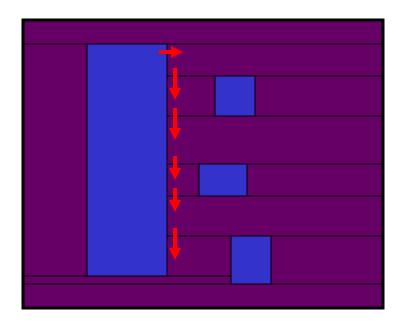
- First move up/down
- Then move left/right
- Move up/down if the tile does not contain the target during horizontal move
- Worse case: *O*(*n*)
- Average case: $O(\sqrt{n})$



Corner Stitching (4/16)

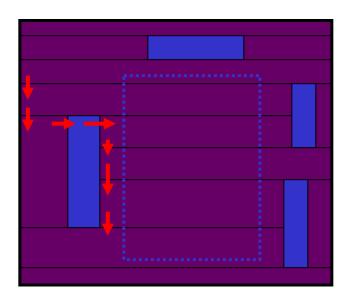
Neighbor finding

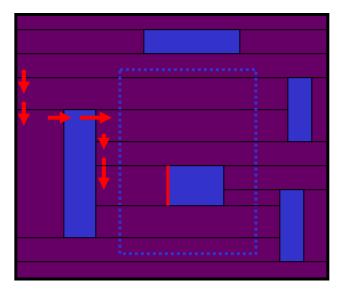




Corner Stitching (5/16)

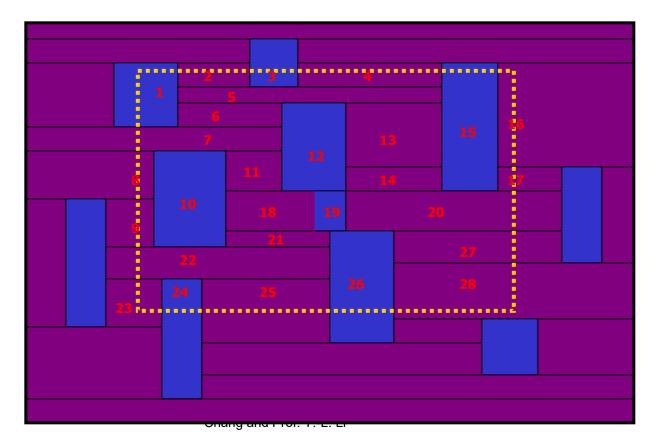
- Area Searching search if there is block tile inside an area
 - First do point location
 - Check the right side of each tile containing the left edge of the searching area





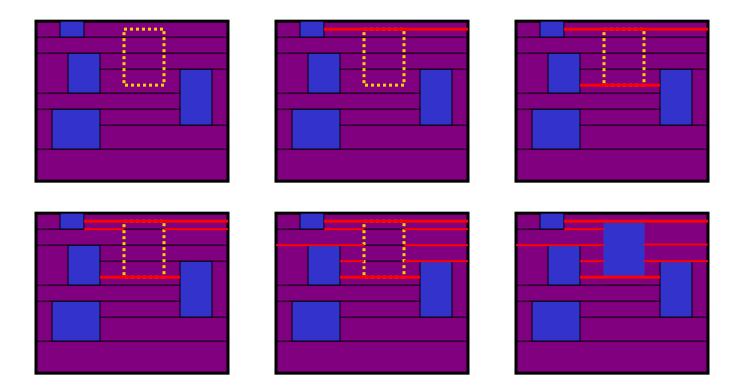
Corner Stitching (6/16)

- Enumerate All Tiles first DFS, and then BFS
 - If the bottom left corner of the neighbor touches the current tile, call recursive enumerate algorithm
 - If the bottom edge of the search area cuts both the current tile and the neighbor, call recursive enumerate algorithm



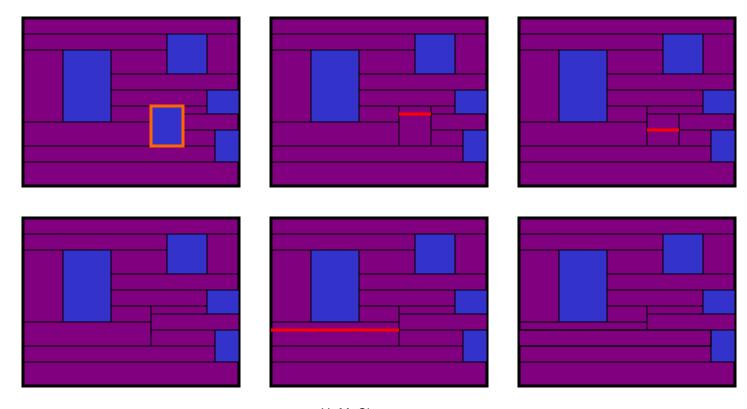
Corner Stitching (7/16)

- Block Insertion
- 1. Split space tiles containing the top and bottom edges of the new tile
- 2. Walk the left and right edges, then split tiles
- 3. Merge space-like tiles vertically wherever possible



Corner Stitching (8/16)

Block Deletion

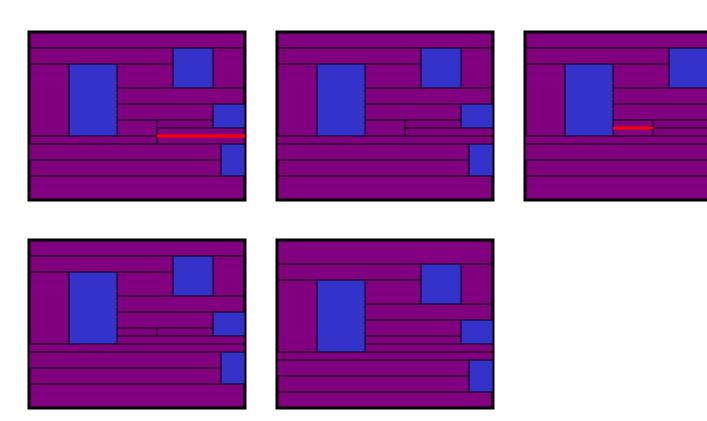


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Corner Stitching (9/16)

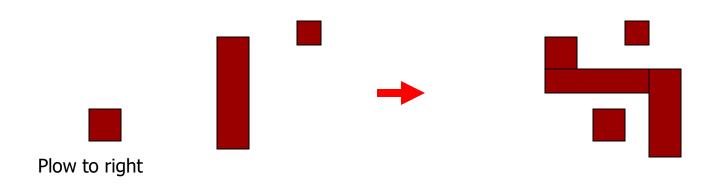
Block Deletion (cont)



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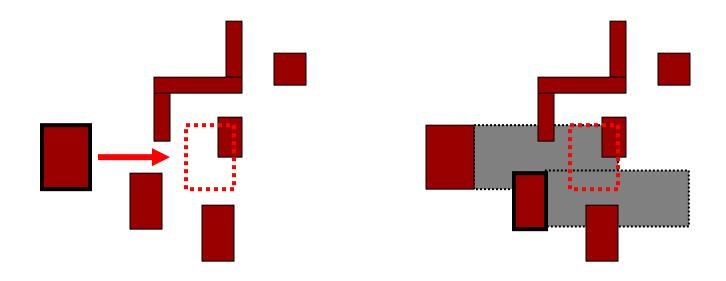
Corner Stitching (10/16)

 Plow – preserve ordering between blocks(recursive area search and compress)

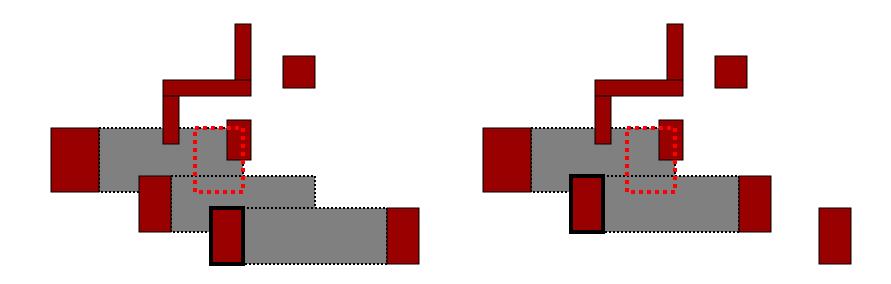


Corner Stitching (11/16)

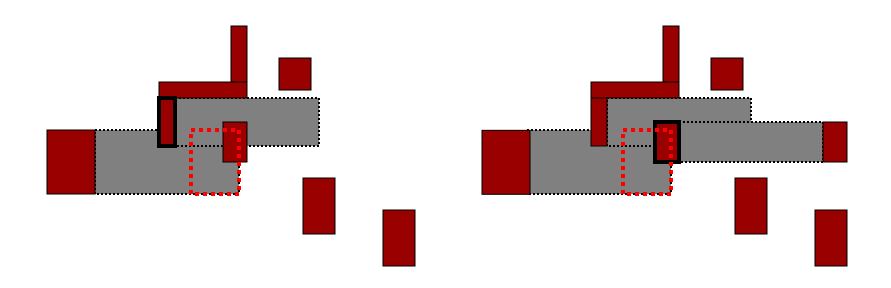
Plowing example



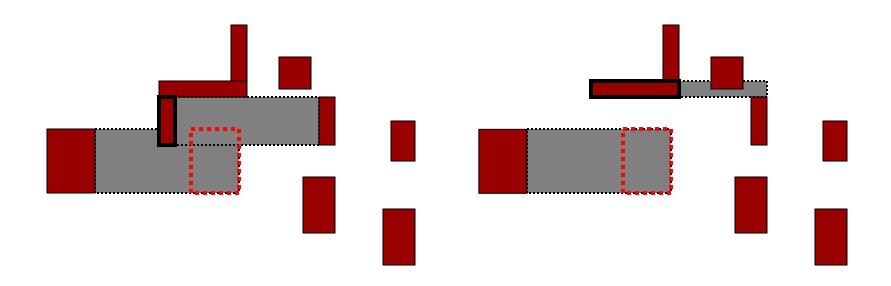
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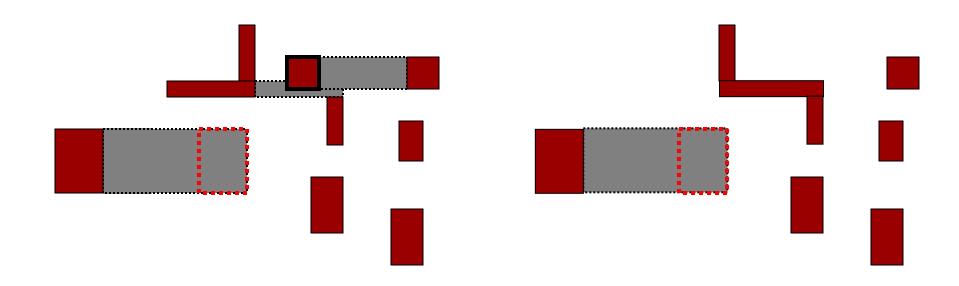
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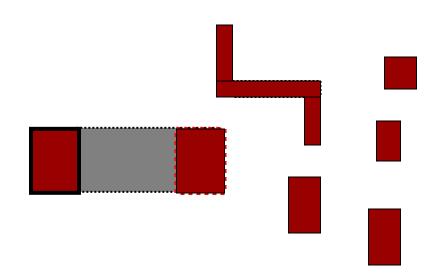
Corner Stitching (14/16)



Corner Stitching (15/16)



Corner Stitching (16/16)



Appendix: Physical Design Related Conferences/Journals

Important Conferences:

- ACM/IEEE Design Automation Conference (DAC)
- IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD)
- ACM Int'l Symposium on Physical Design (ISPD)
- ACM/IEEE Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conf. (ASP-DAC)
- ACM/IEEE Design, Automation, and Test in Europe (DATE)
- IEEE Int'l Conference on Computer Design (ICCD)
- IEEE Int'l Symposium on Quality Electronic Design (ISQED)
- IEEE Int'l Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS)
- Others: VLSI Design/CAD Symposium (Taiwan)

Important Journals:

- IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design (TCAD)
- ACM Transactions on Design Automation of Electronic Systems (TODAES)
- IEEE Transactions on VLSI Systems (TVLSI)
- IEEE Transactions on Computers (TC)
- IEE Proceedings
- IEICE
- INTEGRATION: The VLSI Journal