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(Bellman 1953)

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Unfortunately, it's a bad name. Doesn't tell what's the algorithm.

There's something programming (planning).

But something like “reduce, try and memorize” is perhaps better.

Let's see what it actually is.

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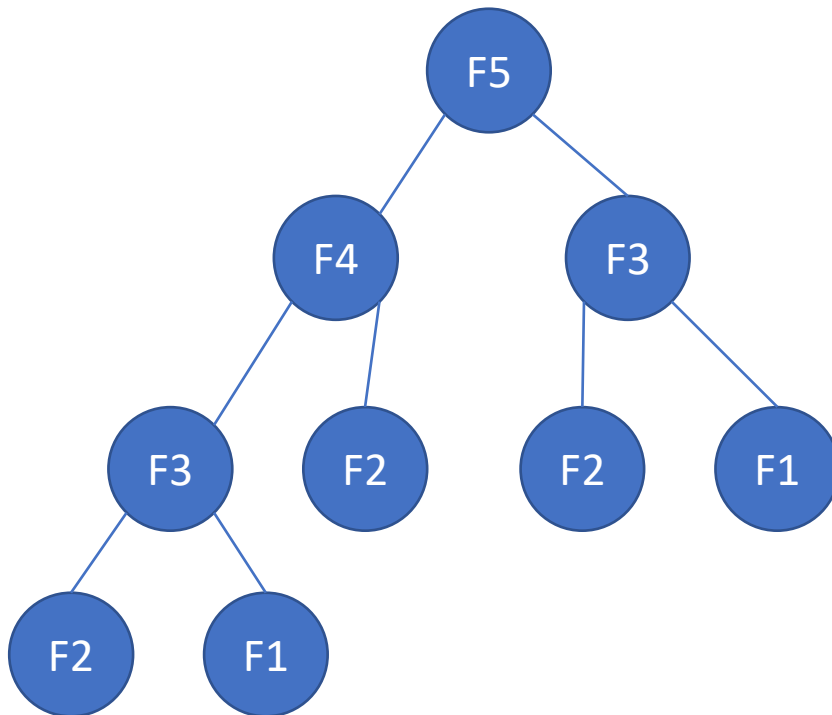
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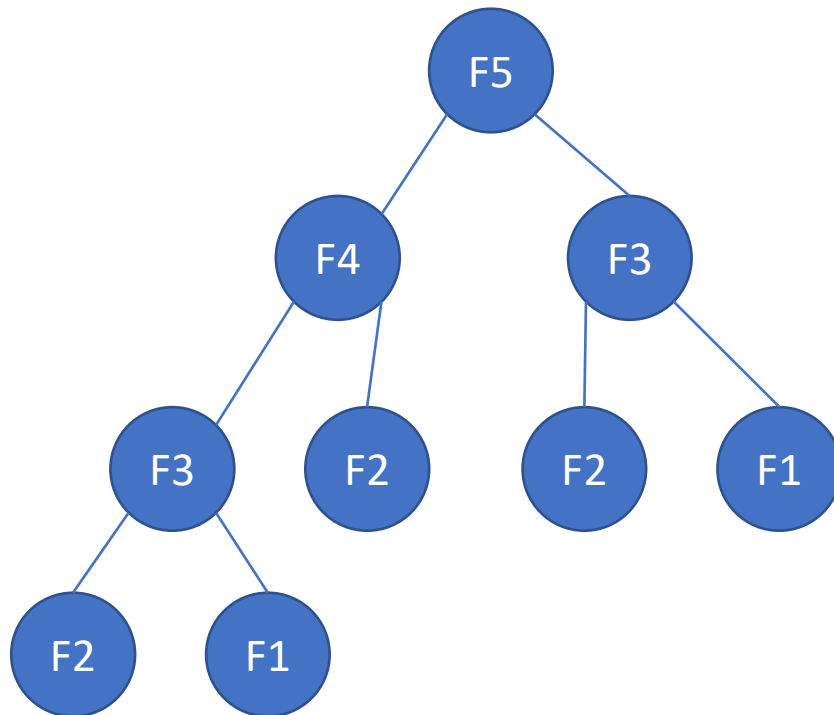


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Consider the right-most path

Height: $\lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor$

Thus, # vertices $> 2^{\lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor}$

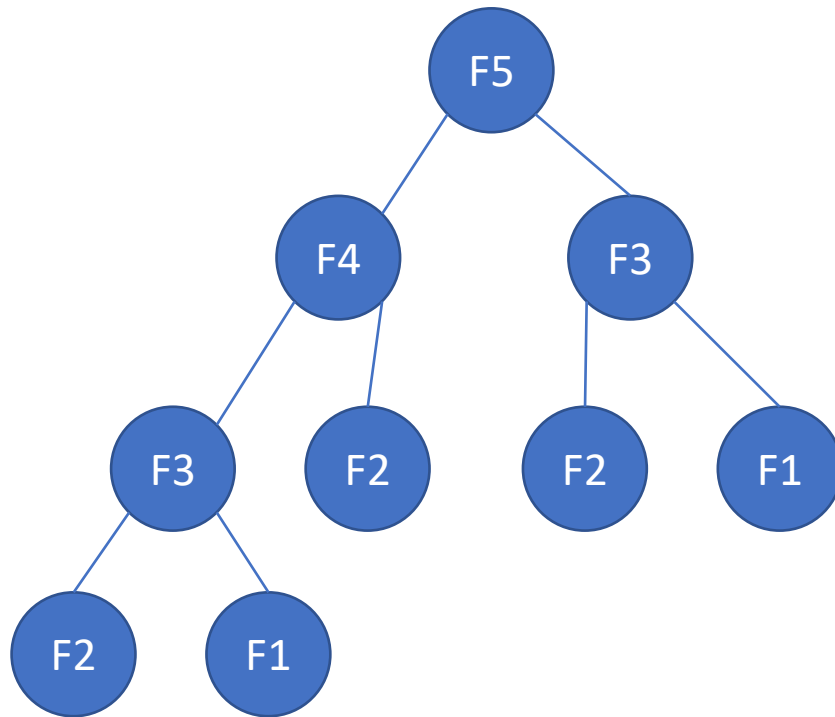
Time complexity: $O(2^n)$

Exponential, very bad.

Can we do better?

Of course! We have only calculated n functions, not 2^n !

Idea to improve Fibonacci: Note F3 calculated twice.
Can we calculate once and remember it?



Memorization

Time complexity: $O(n)$.

Using a dict

```
memo = {}  
def fib_2(n):  
    if n not in memo:  
        memo[n] = fib_2(n-1) + fib_2(n-2) if n > 2 else 1  
    return memo[n]
```

Using built-in cache

```
from functools import lru_cache  
@lru_cache(maxsize=None)  
def fib_3(n):  
    return fib_3(n-1) + fib_3(n-2) if n > 2 else 1
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print(fib_3.cache_info()) # check cache efficiency
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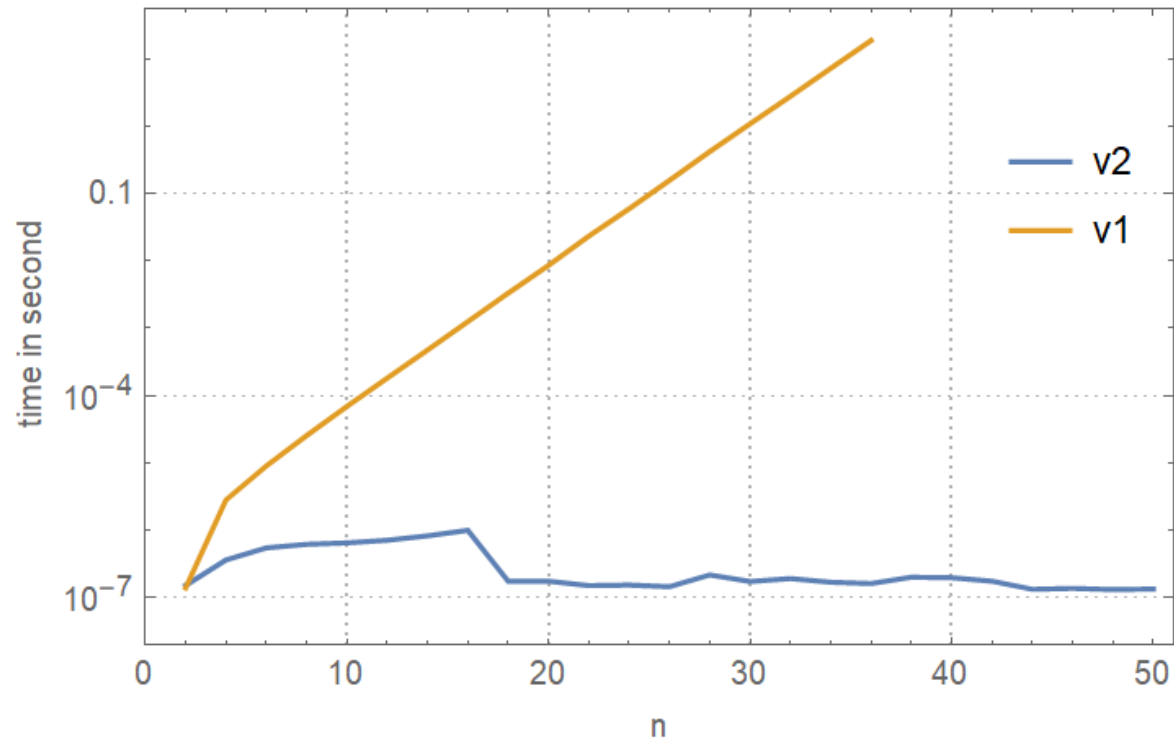
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Version 1

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Version 2

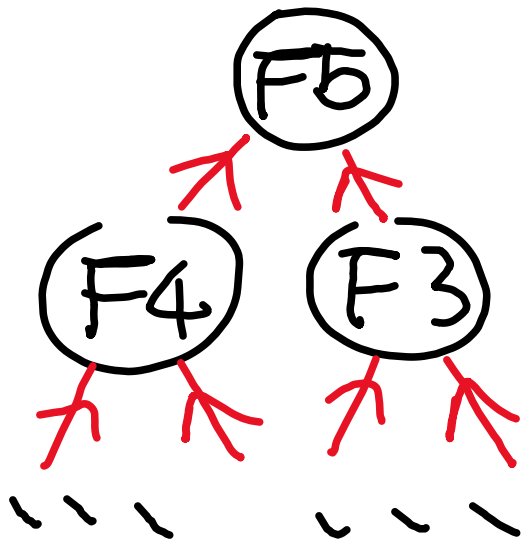
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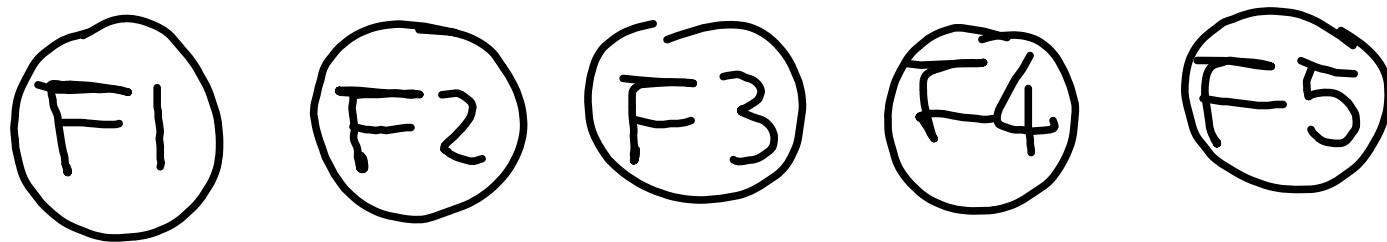
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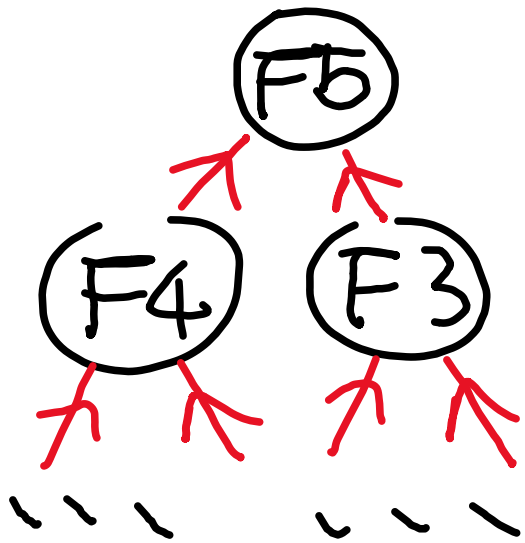
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def fib_2p(n):  
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    return memo[n]
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Eliminate recursion?

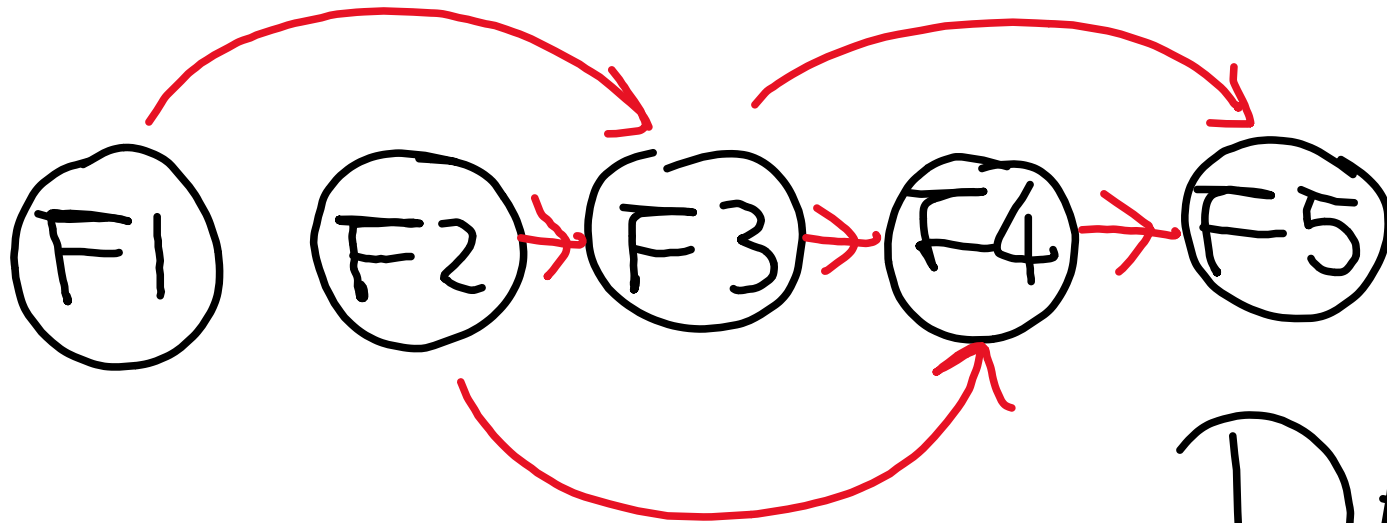


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Eliminate recursion:

Calculate the vertices in topological order.

Needed: $\text{fib}(1) \rightarrow \text{fib}(2) \rightarrow \text{fib}(3) \dots \rightarrow \text{fib}(n)$

```
def fib_4(n):  
    fib = {1:1, 2:1}  
    for i in range(3, n+1):  
        fib[i] = fib[i-1] + fib[i-2]  
    return fib[n]
```

```
def fib_5(n):  
    fib = [1 for i in range(n+1)]  
    for i in range(3, n+1):  
        fib[i] = fib[i-1] + fib[i-2]  
    return fib[n]
```

So what's dynamic programming?

Recursive version:

1. Reduce to smaller problems
2. Remember result of called functions

Iterative version:

1. Construct “dependency” graph
2. Compute answers in topological order

In fib(n): we know for sure

how to reduce to smaller problems

$$\text{fib}(n) = \text{fib}(n-1) + \text{fib}(n-2)$$

More complicated problems: need to use
if, for to try possible solutions.

Let's see two examples with if statements:

Longest common subsequence

Knapsack problem

Longest common subsequence problem

DC Readout Experiment in Enhanced LIGO

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We (they/you) observe a considerable improvement in short-circuit sensitivity due to offset, offset offsets. The conduct is compatible with high input power operation, and provides a path forward to a desired L&C.

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The sensitivity of gravitational-wave observations requires a million-fold improvement in gravitational-wave detector sensitivity and the goal: These detectors require modified Michelson interferometers in an effort to detect the tiny oscillatory spatial path length modulation induced by gravitational waves of astrophysical origin. The LIGO project operates two such detectors in Hanford, WA and Livingston, LA, which are described in

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It, however, uses the existing optical infrastructure to produce the homodyne local oscillator, and this local oscillator did is significantly altered by the measurement before reaching the detection port, mitigating two of the usual issues in implementing homodyne detection.

The new homodyne detection scheme is limited by photon quantum (shot) noise above 200 Hz and provides a path towards higher power interferometer operation and squeezed light injection.

The implementation of DC readout was part of the

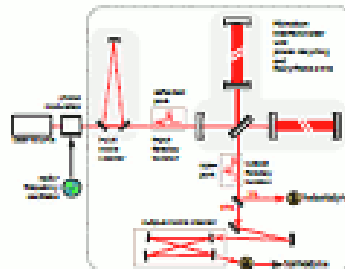


Fig. 1. Experimental arrangement. The dotted line represents the vacuum enclosure.

Enhanced LIGO program [45] of detector improvements, which culminated with LIGO's sixth science run, between July 2009 and October 2015.

OC mode has been implemented previously at the Caltech 40 meter prototype [16] and the CRO 600 detector [20]. The current configuration of Virgo incorporates an output mode cleaner but uses RF heterodyne readout [2]. Earlier prototype experiments were also performed at the big LIGO interferometers at LIGO LIGO was tried at Hanford [18, 19] and OC readout using a span (input) pre-mode cleaner cavity as an OMC was tried at Livingston. These experiments demonstrated the

need to place the GCM in vacuum to avoid acoustic noise and informed the choice of cavity topology and g-factor

Principle of operation

The interferometer consists of six core suspended optical fibers forming the Michelson interferometer, the arm control and the power recycling cavity, as depicted in Figure 2. The experimental wave number appears in the difference of the lengths of the two resonant arm cavities, the differential arm (DARM) degree of freedom. It is this length that we control using FPC resonant.

At its simplest, DC feedback consists of introducing a small offset in the HARM degree of freedom, driving the degrees of freedom.

system slightly off of the dark fringe. Small perturbations around this point will now linearly produce power fluctuations at the output port, which can be sensed directly by a photodiode with no further demodulation.

In the frequency domain, the DAQIM object is seen to introduce a carrier-mode local oscillator at the output port (to be defined in `ports`) without otherwise modifying the response function of the machine.

This form of single-point beam π -polarization is called "1C" random, where "1C" indicates the direction between the π -polarization and the π -polarization is randomly distributed and "1C" indicates that the beam is randomly distributed.

DC readout is best implemented in conjunction with an output mode cleaner. An output mode cleaner also has benefits for EP readout.

~~•H₂: forest of plantations, bushy hills, some fern
•H₂: advantage, spotted snake covering, camouflage
•mammals, mammals held in justice~~

Initial LIGO experienced a number of deletions of data that were a result of interactions between the heterodyne readout system and the production of higher-order spatial modes in the nominally stable recycling cavity.

Four overlap of the signal beam and the subband beam reduced the optical gain, elevating the shot noise-limited noise floor. One measurement in 2003 found only half the expected optical gain [24]. This was largely alleviated through the use of [radio-frequency thermal compensation systems \(TCS\)](#), which prewarmed [GaAs](#) laser light onto opto to adjust their effective rate of current. By the start of 2010, no elevation in the shot noise level was observed [25].

² Because the Valley Point unit on-line unit was operated slightly off resonance, no optical spring is created, with a modified optomechanical transfer function. However, the effect within the LIGO detection band is negligible.

However, pink light still caused backscatter by producing a large signal in the uncontrolled quadrant due to the homodyne random (ASR) light. *As expected, this signal would saturate the photodiode electron.* An electronic servo was introduced to cancel this signal *in the photodiode head.* While the electronic ASR/ASR-Ratio-TNIR servo did eliminate the saturations, it was found to introduce noise.

To cope with this excess power in dim light, bipolar 14000 spins the light to the detector part onto four detection photodiodes. Scaling the semiconductor image power would require a corresponding increase in the number of photodiodes at the output port to handle the power; a silicon chip was seen to quickly become unwieldy.

A prototype RF output mode cleaner was tried. The RF OMC successfully reduced the ASJ signal, but, not isolated by a vacuum, the acoustic noise was too high to be used in production.

Plans were made to introduce an OMC for either EF or DC resident. DC resident was chosen due to several additional benefits:

- In addition to mitigating technical difficulties of RF detection, homodyne detection confers a fundamental improvement in SNR by up to a factor of 10^3 . The extra noise in heterodyne detection can be considered either a result of time dependence in the average power leading to correlations in the shot noise [2], or the simple fact that demodulation ~~introduces~~ [introduces](#) noise into the signal from around $2f_{\text{beat}}$, giving an extra dose of shot noise. A more sophisticated analysis ascribes this noise to the two heterodyne demodula-tion quadratures acting as non-commuting quantum operators [14].
- The electronic mixers used to demodulate the heterodyne error signal are typically used in a fully saturated mode, effectively mixing the photodiode signal with a square wave rather than the (opti-mally) sinusoidal f_{beat} . Noise at harmonics of the (demodulation) frequency is downconverted to base-band. Homodyne detection skirts this issue by avoid-ing the need for any demodulation.

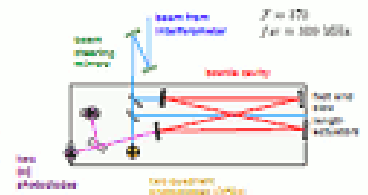


Fig. 2. Schematic of the DMG layout.

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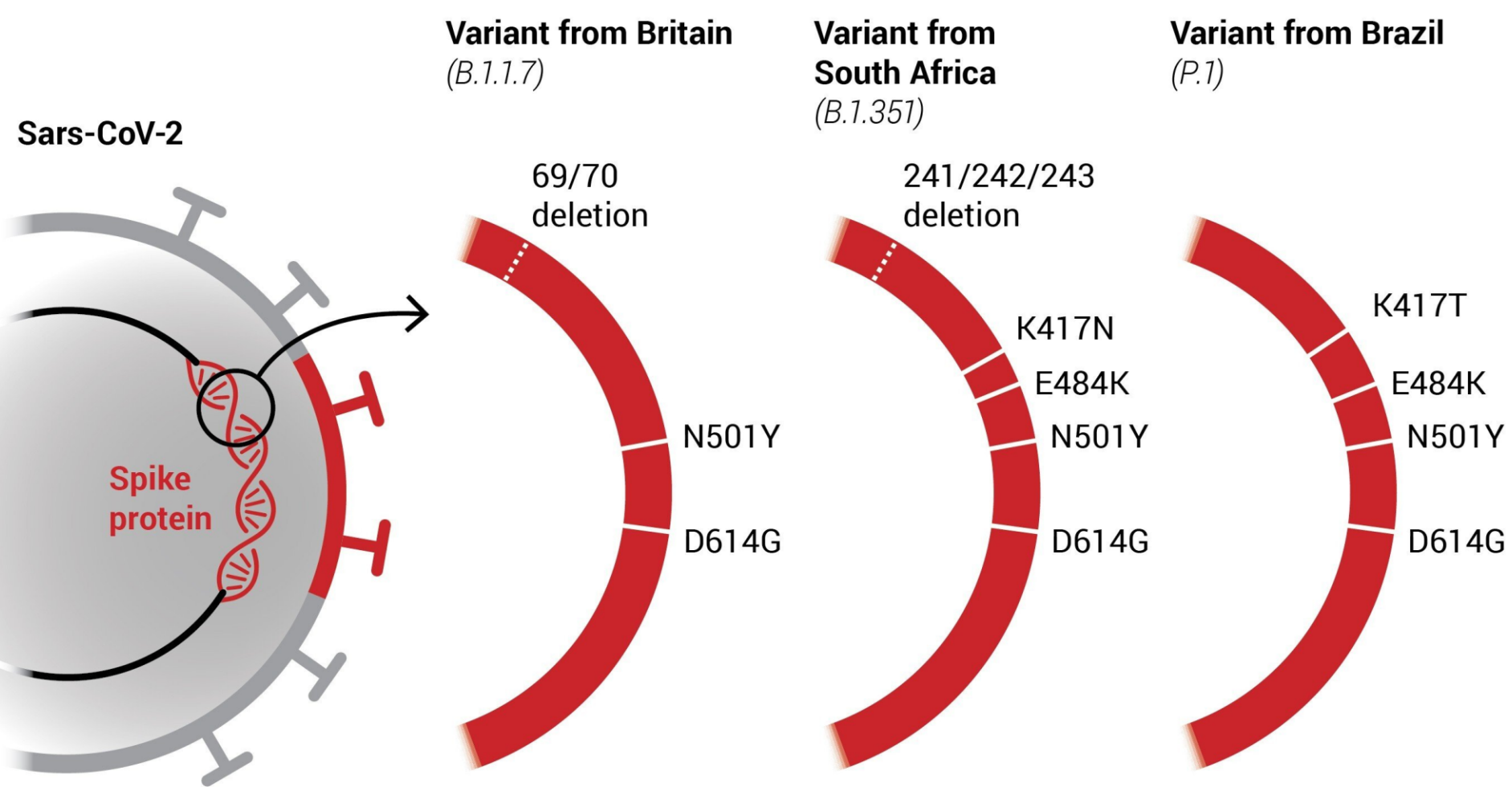
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3 namespace HelloWorld
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5     class Hello
6     {
7         static void Main()
8         {
9             Console.WriteLine("Hello World");
10
11             Console.ReadKey();
12         }
13     }
14 }
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2 using System;
3 namespace HelloWorld
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5     class Hello
6     {
7         static void Main()
8         {
9             Console.WriteLine("Hello World");
10 +
11 + // Keep the console window open
12 + Console.WriteLine("Press any key to continue.");
13         }
14     }
15 }
16 }
```


Key mutations in genetic codes in variants of concern



Problem: Given strings S and T

Find the longest common subsequence that appear left-to-right
(but not necessarily contiguous).

For example:

S = “SDL TQL WSL”

T = “SQL server on Windows Subsystem for Linux”

Expected output: “SQL WSL”

How to do it? Ideas?

Idea: use $\text{LCS}(n, m)$ to denote

0, if $n < 0$ or $m < 0$ (empty substring has no LCS with other strings)

Otherwise: the LCS of $S[:n]$ and $T[:m]$

If $S[n] == T[m]$, then $\text{LCS}(n, m) = \text{LCS}(n-1, m-1) + 1$

Otherwise: $\text{LCS}(n, m) = \max(\text{LCS}(n-1, m), \text{LCS}(n, m-1))$

How to realize this?

```
def LCS_1(S, T, n, m):  
    if m<0 or n<0: return ""  
    if S[n] == T[m]:  
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Time complexity?

```
from functools import lru_cache
@lru_cache(maxsize=None)
def LCS_2(S, T, n, m):
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```



```
memo = {}  
def LCS_3(S, T, n, m):  
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    if (n, m) in memo: return memo[(n, m)]  
    if S[n] == T[m]:  
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    else:  
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    memo[(n, m)] = result  
    return result
```

Iteration version: build up calculation in topological order
Two loops: over substrings of S and substrings of T

```
def LCS_4(S, T, n, m):  
    memo = {}  
    for i in range(-1, len(S)):  
        for j in range(-1, len(T)):  
            if i == -1 or j == -1:  
                memo[(i, j)] = ""  
                continue  
            if S[i] == T[j]:  
                memo[(i, j)] = memo[(i-1, j-1)] + S[i]  
            elif len(memo[(i-1, j)]) > len(memo[(i, j-1)]):  
                memo[(i, j)] = memo[(i-1, j)]  
            else:  
                memo[(i, j)] = memo[(i, j-1)]  
    return memo[len(S)-1, len(T)-1]
```

Exercise: LCS for 3 strings?

Exercise: Shortest Common Supersequence (SCS) Problem

Given strings X and Y

Find a shortest superstring containing both X and Y as subsequence

Example:

X = "SDLTQL"

Y = "DL666"

SCS = "SDLTQL666" (may not be unique though)

```
@lru_cache(maxsize=None)
def SCS_1(X, Y, n, m):
    if m == -1: return X[:n+1]
    if n == -1: return Y[:m+1]
    if X[n] == Y[m]: return SCS_1(X, Y, n-1, m-1) + X[n]
    if len(SCS_1(X, Y, n-1, m)) < len(SCS_1(X, Y, n, m-1)):
        return SCS_1(X, Y, n-1, m) + X[n]
    else:
        return SCS_1(X, Y, n, m-1) + Y[m]
```


Knapsack problem:

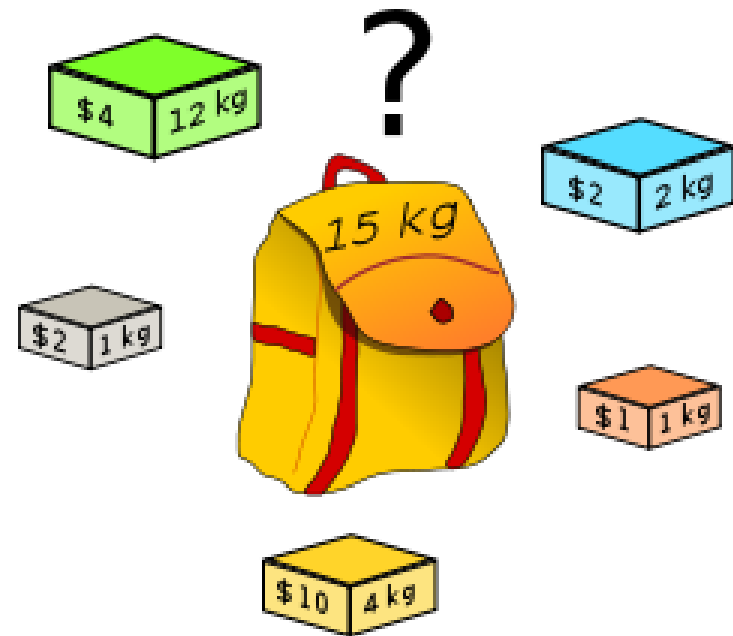
Assume weight is an integer, not too large.
Say, 10,000 fine.
 10^{10} or 1.234 not fine.

Bag has capacity (e.g. weight no heavier than 15 kg)

Put in items, each item has feature weight and value

```
class item:
    def __init__(self, weight, value):
        self.weight = weight
        self.value = value
```

How to put items into bag with maximum total value?



Idea: turn the problem into
a smaller bag and a smaller collection of items

Let S be the capacity of bag;

Let k be pointer to last item. If $k = -1$: no item.

$\text{knapsack}(S, k)$ return maximal total value

Then:

if $k = -1$: $\text{knapsack}(\dots, -1) = 0$ (no item, no value)

elif $S - \text{item}[k].\text{weight} < 0$: $\text{knapsack}(S, k) = \text{knapsack}(S, k-1)$ # 要不起

else: $\text{knapsack}(S, k) = \max(\text{$

$\text{knapsack}(S, k-1),$

$\text{knapsack}(S - \text{item}[k].\text{weight}, k-1) + \text{item}[k].\text{value}$

)

```
from functools import lru_cache
def knapsack_1(S, item_array):
    items = [item(i[0], i[1]) for i in item_array]

    @lru_cache(maxsize=None)
    def DP(S, k):
        if k == -1: return 0
        if S - items[k].weight < 0: return DP(S, k-1)
        return max(DP(S, k-1), DP(S-items[k].weight, k-1) + items[k].value)
    print_solution(S, items, DP)
```

```
def knapsack_2(S, item_array):
    memo = {}
    items = [item(i[0], i[1]) for i in item_array]
    def DP(S, k):
        if k == -1: return 0
        if S - items[k].weight < 0:
            memo[(S, k)] = DP(S, k-1)
            return memo[(S, k)]
        if (S, k) not in memo:
            memo[(S, k)] = max(DP(S, k-1), DP(S-items[k].weight, k-1) + items[k].value)
        return memo[(S, k)]
    print_solution(S, items, DP)
```

```

def knapsack_3(S, item_array):
    memo = {}
    items = [item(i[0], i[1]) for i in item_array]
    k = len(items)
    for ls in range(S+1):
        for lk in range(-1, k):
            if lk == -1:
                memo[(ls, lk)] = 0
                continue
            if ls - items[lk].weight < 0:
                memo[(ls, lk)] = memo[(ls, lk-1)]
                continue
            memo[(ls, lk)] = max(memo[(ls, lk-1)], memo[(ls-items[lk].weight, lk-1)] + items[lk].value)
    print_solution(S, items, lambda ls, lk: memo[(ls, lk)])

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```
def print_solution(S, items, DP):
    print("Total value = ", DP(S, len(items)-1))
    remaining = S
    picked = []
    for k in reversed(range(len(items))):
        if DP(remaining, k) != DP(remaining, k-1):
            picked.append(k)
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Comment about knapsack problem:

For general S , the problem is NP-complete!

Because:

input bit \propto number of digits of S

Time complexity $O(S \times |\text{item_array}|)$ is considered exponential.

In fib(n): we know for sure

how to reduce to smaller problems

$$\text{fib}(n) = \text{fib}(n-1) + \text{fib}(n-2)$$

In longest common subsequence, knapsack:

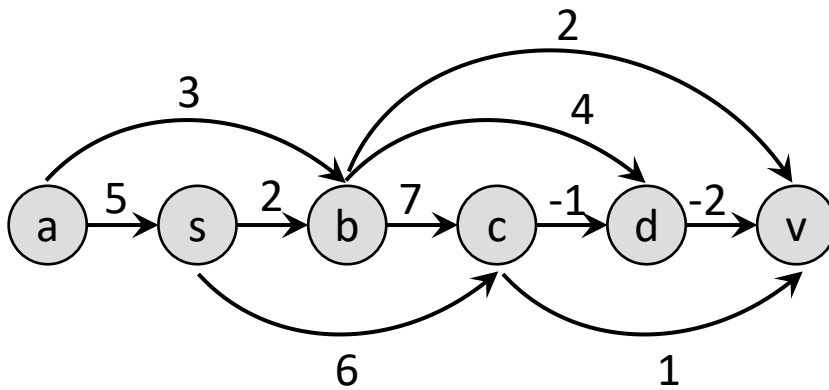
use if statement but still definite.

Sometimes, we need blind (brute force) search
for all possibilities.

Example: shortest path problems

Shortest path of DAG revisited

Dynamic programming example:
Shortest path from s on a DAG.



Previous method:
(1) Topological sort
(2) Relax each right vertex

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```
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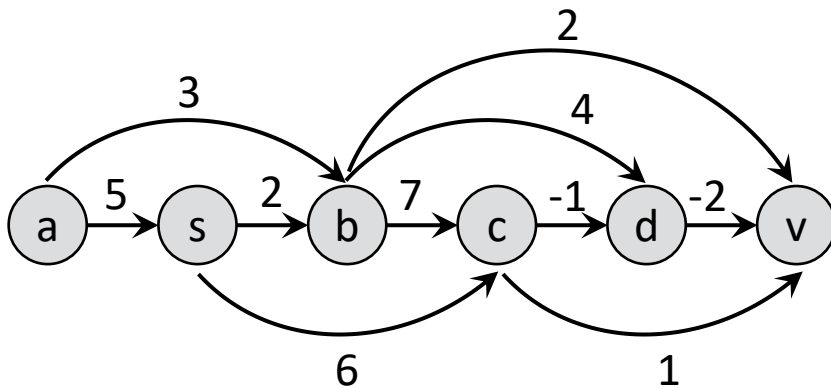
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memo = {}
def delta(s, v):
    attempts = []
    for u in in_degree(v):
        delta_s_u = memo[u] if u in memo else delta(s, u)
        attempts.append(delta_s_u + w(u, v))
    delta_s_v = min(attempts)
    memo[u] = delta_s_v
    return delta_s_v
```

To write a non-recursive version?

1. Find out what needed – topological sort
2. Start from s , calculate $\delta(s, v)$ for each v to the right of s

The same as the previous method 😊



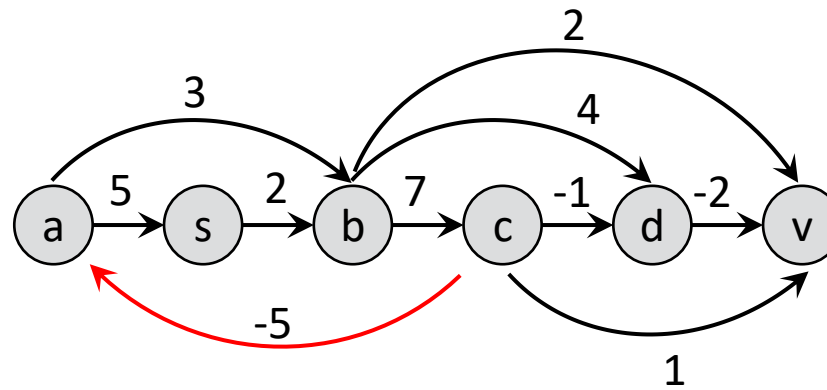
Previous method:

- (1) Topological sort
- (2) Relax each right vertex

Previously rely on smart ideas. Now: systematic.

General single-source shortest path problem revisited

Can we directly use algorithm for DAG?



Does DAG algorithm still work?

Recursion version:

Memorize and use recursion

→ Infinite loop

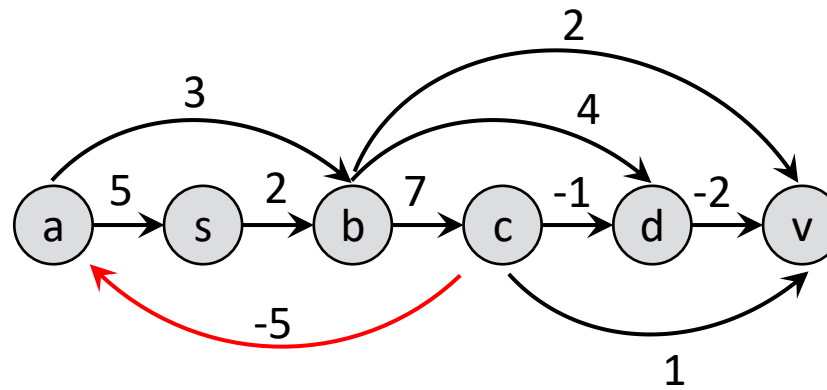
Iteration version:

(1) Topological sort

→ No topological order

(2) Relax each right vertex

Can we directly use algorithm for DAG?



Way out?

Not to visit a vertex visited before?

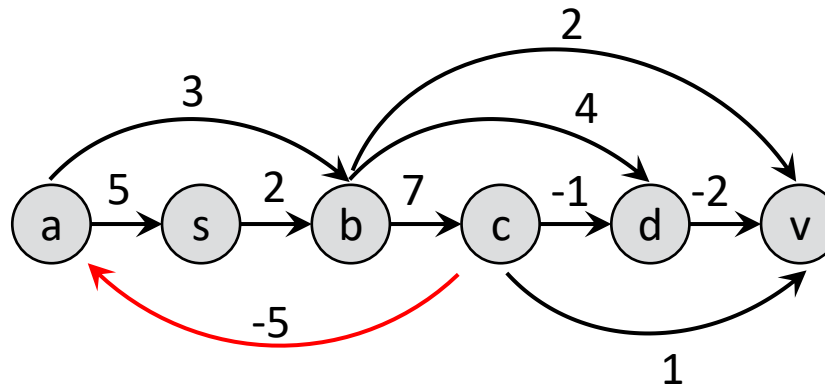
Does not work. E.g. vertex c.

The first time of visit: edge -1 is used.

The second time of visit: edge -5 is used.

If not visiting c, -5 is neglected and $\delta(s, a)$ is wrong.

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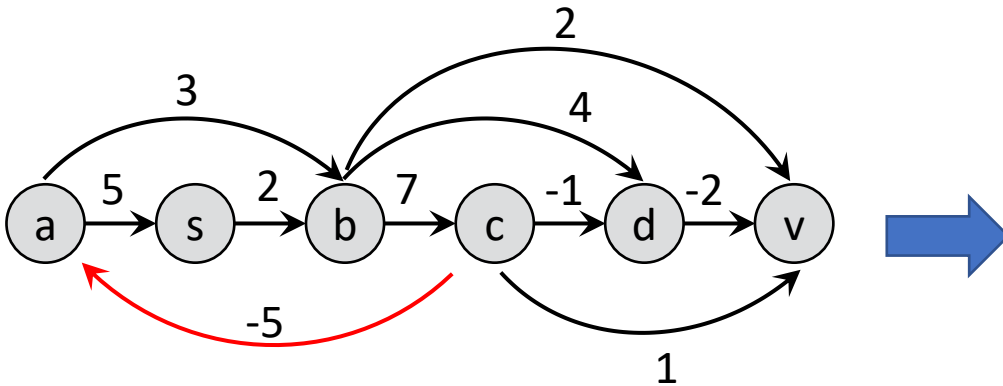


Way out?

Turn a space diagram into a spacetime diagram

And time never has backward edges 😊

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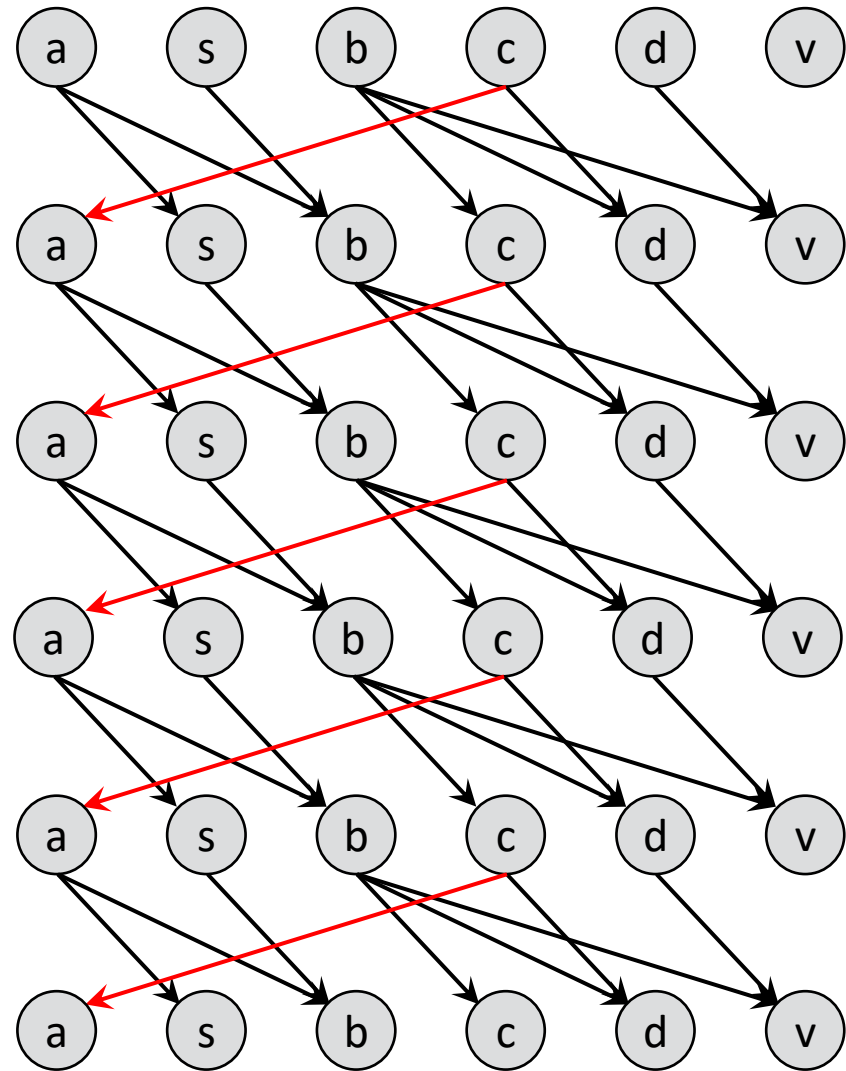


Problem converted to DAG
with $V \times V$ vertices (subproblems).

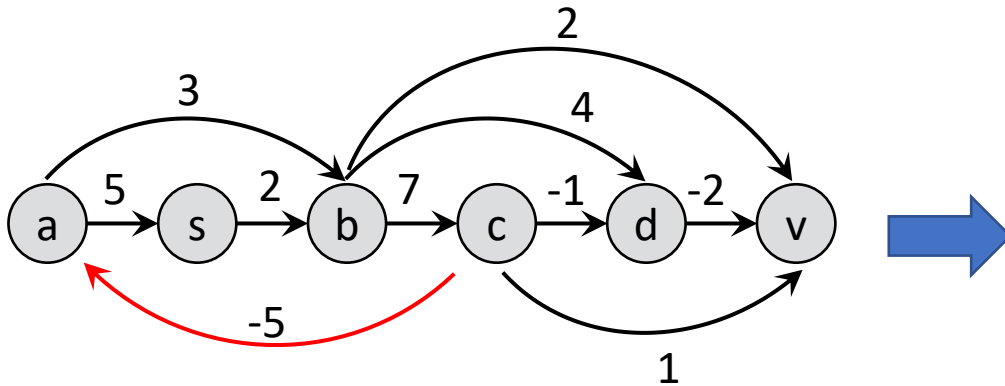
Time for each subproblem
= # incoming edges of that vertex

Total time complexity: $O(VE)$

Does this look familiar?



Can we directly use algorithm for DAG?

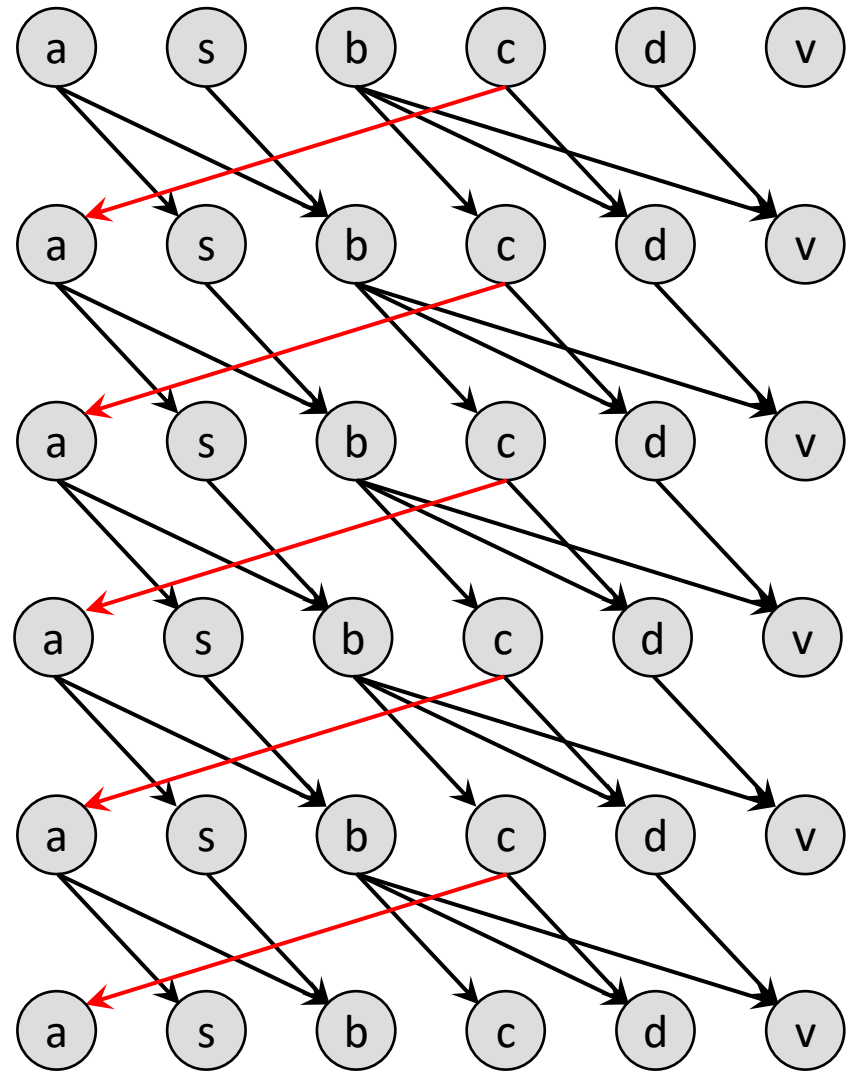


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This is in fact identical to Bellman-Ford



Exercise:

Text justification (word wrap) problem

Given a string, and a line-width:

(Cost of a line) = (Number of extra spaces in a line)

(Total cost) = (Sum of costs of all lines)

How to minimize total cost for word wrap?

Summary of dynamic programming?

Recursive version:

1. Reduce to smaller problems

- Two direct recursive calls (Fibonacci)
- Using if statements to try (LCS, Knapsack)
- Using for statements to try (shortest path, word wrap)

2. Remember result of called functions

Iterative version:

1. Construct “dependency” graph

2. Compute answers in topological order