

# COMP 251 Final Review

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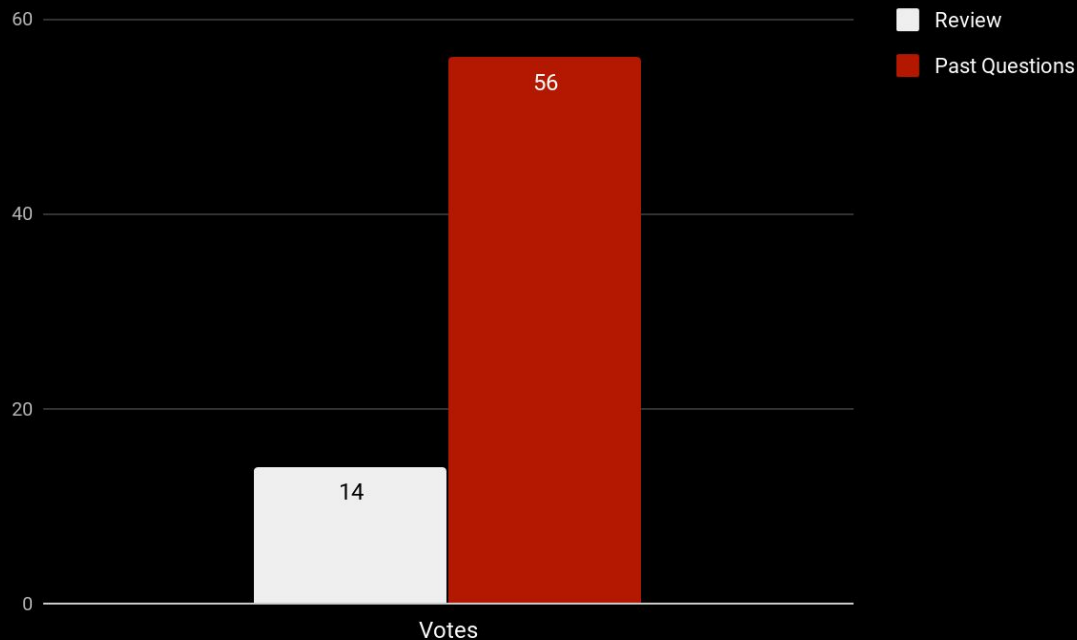


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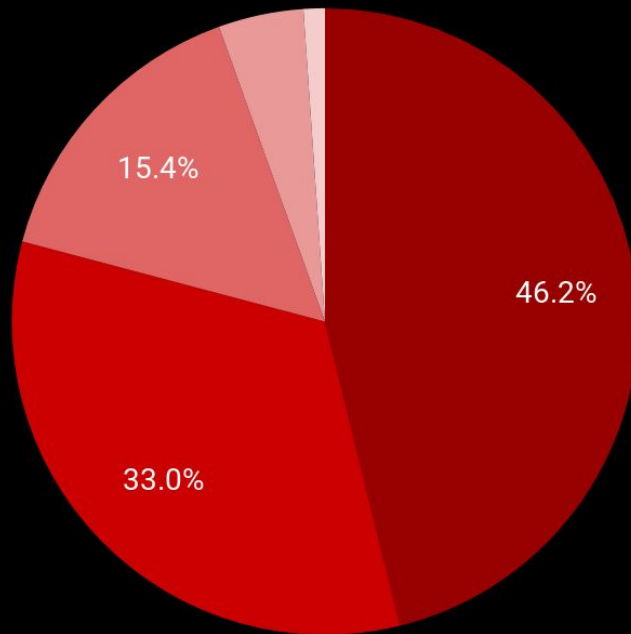


# Facebook Survey Responses



# Facebook Survey Responses (Cont.)

● Amortized Analysis, Randomized Algorithms & Probabilistic Analysis  
● Dynamic Programming ● Network Flow ● Divide and Conquer ● Graphs and Trees



# This Session:

- We'll go more in-depth for **Amortized Analysis (etc.) and Dynamic Programming** (you guys seem to really hate those topics!)
- We'll do **brief reviews** for everything else, with a focus on solving **problems!**
- For each section:
  - ↳ Review → Answer Questions (above link and by hands) → Problem → Answer Questions!

# Exam Structure

- True / False Questions - **10%**
- Short Answer Questions - **20%**
- Algorithm Demonstrations - **60% (pt. 1)**
- Algorithm Pseudo Code - **60% (pt. 2)**
- Algorithm Proofs (Guided) - **60% (pt. 3)**
- Multiple Choice Questions - **10%**



# Amortized Analysis





# Amortized Analysis

“In an ***amortized analysis***, we **average** the time required to perform a **sequence** of data-structure operations **over all the operations performed**. With amortized analysis, we can show that the **average cost of an operation is small**, if we average over a sequence of operations, even though a **single operation** within the sequence **may be expensive**. Amortized analysis differs from **average-case analysis** in that **probability is not involved**; an amortized analysis **guarantees the average performance of each operation in the worst case.**”

- [CLRS 2009, Page 451]

# Amortized Analysis (Cont.)

## Key Points:

- Describe a **sequence** of operations **as a whole** in the **worst case**.
- E.g. Consider: **one** operation which is **expensive** (slow), but the rest are **cheap** (fast). With Amortized Analysis, we find that as a whole, the average cost is **small** (fast).
- Not probabilistic! Don't use probability! Probability is not here!
  - ↳ Probability is used in **Average-Case Analysis**.





# Amortized Analysis Techniques

1. Aggregate Analysis
2. Accounting Method



# Amortized Analysis: Aggregate Analysis

- “In **aggregate analysis**, we show that for all  $n$ , a sequence of  $n$  operations takes worst-case time  $T(n)$  in **total**. In the worst cases, the **average cost**, or amortized cost, per operation is therefore  **$T(n)/n$** . Note that this amortized **cost applies to each operation**, even when there are several types of operations in the sequence.”
  - [CLRS 2009, Page 452]



# Amortized Analysis: Aggregate Analysis (Cont.)

## Key Points:

- Total worst-case time is  $T(n)$ , **for all  $n$ .**
- Amortized Cost **for any operation in the sequence is**  $T(n)/n$ .
- So, each operation is judged based on all of its peers!
  - ↳ We don't treat different types of operations differently!



# Aggregate Analysis: Multipop

In stacks we have:

- **S.PUSH(x) :  $O(1)$**  - we say it has **cost of 1**.
- **S.POP() :  $O(1)$**  - we say it has **cost of 1**.

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S.MULTIPOP(k)
while not S.EMPTY() and k > 0
    S.POP()
    k--
```

Let's also add:

- **S.MULTIPOP(k) :  $O(k)$**  - but it's **cost is really  $\min(s, k)$**  where  $s$  is the number of objects in the Stack.

**Let's consider all of these together as our "Stack Operations (Stack Bois)"**

# Aggregate Analysis: Multipop (Cont.)

So in a sequence of  $n$  Stack Bois (operations) we have:

- The worst-case runtime for each operation is  $O(n)$  - if it turns out that operation is MULTIPOP and the stack is filled with  $n$  elements.
- We also have  $n$  total operations, so our worst case run time is  $O(n^2)$ .

**But that's not an Amortized Analysis: what's wrong with this?**





# Aggregate Analysis: Multipop (Cont.)

If we consider the sequence of operations as a whole, we find that the previous case is not actually possible.

- **# of Pop Operations (including in MULTIPOP) = # of Push Operations.**
- The sequence of operations therefore takes  $O(n)$  total time.
- Our amortized time is then  $O(n) / n = O(1)$ .
  - ↳ This gives us an average worst case runtime per operation.
- The tricky part here was showing the  $O(n)$  worst case bound on the sequence of  $n$  operations.





# Aggregate Analysis: Binary Counter

Consider an array that acts as a binary counter (i.e. represents a binary number):

<sup>0</sup> <sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup> <sup>3</sup> <sup>4</sup> <sup>5</sup> <sup>6</sup>  
[1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]

→ Value is the sum of  $A[i] * 2^i$  (e.g. above gives one).



# Aggregate Analysis: Binary Counter (Cont.)

We can define an operation for adding one to this Binary Counter Array:

## **A.INCREMENT()**

$i = 0$

**while**  $i < A.length$  and  $A[i] == 1$

$A[i] = 0$

$i = i + 1$

**If**  $i < A.length$

$A[i] = 1$

Each execution of INCREMENT() takes  $\Theta(k)$  in the worst case.

A sequence of  $n$  INCREMENT() operation-s on  $A=0$  (or any  $A$ ) takes  $O(nk)$  in the worst case, where  $k$  is the length of  $A$ .

# Aggregate Analysis: Binary Counter (Cont.)

We can find a tighter bound with Aggregate Analysis.

- Obviously we do not have  $k$  bit flips for each increment operation.
  - ↳ Can we find the no. bit flips a sequence of  $n$  increment operations is restricted to? (Similarly to how we did for push / pop operations before?)
- Try to look at the right hand side.

Counter value	A[7]	A[6]	A[5]	A[4]	A[3]	A[2]	A[1]	A[0]	Total cost
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4
4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	7
5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	8
6	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	10
7	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	11
8	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	15
9	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	16
10	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	18
11	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	19
12	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	22
13	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	23
14	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	25
15	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	26
16	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	31



# Aggregate Analysis: Binary Counter (Cont.)

- The zero-th bit is flipped for every increment operation.
- The first bit is flipped every *second* increment operation.
- The second bit is flipped every *fourth* increment operation.
- The third bit is flipped every *eight* increment operation.

## In general we have:

- The  $i$ -th bit is flipped  $\lfloor n/2^i \rfloor$  times for  $n$  increment operations.
- By taking sums we find that the total number of bit flips for  $n$  operations is  $2n$ .

# Aggregate Analysis: Binary Counter (Cont.)

- Worst case runtime for  $n$  increment operations is therefore  $O(n)$
- Performing Aggregate Analysis we get that the amortized cost per operation is  $O(n) / n = O(1)$ .
- Again this is the average worst case runtime per operation.
  - ↳ (And furthermore, since we used aggregate analysis this is a representation of **all** the operations in our sequence - we don't treat different operations differently).





# Amortized Analysis: Accounting Method

- “In the **accounting method** of amortized analysis, we assign differing charges to different operations, with some operations charged more or less than they actually cost. We call the amount we charge an operation its **amortized cost**. When an operation’s amortized cost exceeds its actual cost, we assign the different to specific objects in the data structure as **credit**. Credit can help pay for later operations whose amortized cost is less than their actual cost.”
  - [CLRS 2009, Page 456]





# Amortized Analysis: Accounting Method (Cont.)

## Key Points:

- Assign a cost to each operation - known as **amortized cost**.
  - ↳ Different to the **average amortized cost per operation** that we've been calculating up until now - we assign different costs for different operations.
- If we overshoot the **amortized cost** (i.e. the cost we assign is bigger than its actual cost, we assign the **amount we overshoot by** as **credit**.



# Accounting Method: Choosing Costs

- We need to choose costs such that **the total amortized cost** of a sequence of operations provides an **upper bound on the total actual cost** of the sequence.
  - ↳ **For an arbitrary sequence of operations!**
- This means the sum of amortized costs needs to be **greater than the sum of actual costs**:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i \geq \sum_{i=1}^n c_i$$



# Accounting Method: Credits

- When we overshoot the amortized cost (i.e. estimate the amortized cost to be larger than the actual cost):
- We can take the difference (the amount we overshoot by) as **credit**.
- For each operation the credit is given by:

$$\hat{c}_i - c_i$$

- And the total credit is given by:
- **The total credit must remain non-negative to ensure an upper bound.**



# Accounting Method: Multipop

The **actual cost** for our Stack Bois are:

<b>PUSH</b>	-	<b>1</b>
<b>POP</b>	-	<b>1</b>
<b>MULTIPOP</b>	-	<b><math>\min(s,k)</math></b>

But we can assign **amortized costs** of (we'll see why next):

<b>PUSH</b>	-	<b>2</b>
<b>POP</b>	-	<b>0</b>
<b>MULTIPOP</b>	-	<b>0</b>

# Accounting Method: Multipop (Cont.)





# Accounting Method: Mulpop (Cont.)

## What we're doing:

- We can only pop *after* we've pushed.
- Assigning a cost of **2** to PUSH gives us a credit of **2-1=1**.
- By assigning a cost of **2** to PUSH, we are keeping a credit of **1** to pay for its eventual **POP** operation (including the **POPs** that take place in **MULTIPOP**).

<b>PUSH</b>	-	<b>2</b>
<b>POP</b>	-	<b>0</b>
<b>MULTIPOP</b>	-	<b>0</b>





# Accounting Method: Multipop (Cont.)

Proving that our assigned costs give an upper bound:

- **2 cases:**
- **Case 1:** The element we push is never popped, so we've just overcharged the operation without using the credit - **Upper Bound**
- **Case 2:** The element we push is popped (in **POP** or **MULTIPOP**), so we use the credit - '**Correct Estimation**' (**Upper Bound**).



# Accounting Method: Binary Counter

When we set a bit to 1, let's charge an **amortized cost** of **2**.

A cost of **1** goes to covering the actual cost of us flipping the bit. The **remaining 1** is considered credit to pay for us if / when we flip the bit back to **0**.

We can consider every **'1'** on our binary counter as having a credit of **1** to pay for it if/when its reset back to **0**.

**A.INCREMENT()**

$i = 0$

**while**  $i < A.length$  and  $A[i] == 1$

$A[i] = 0$

$i = i + 1$

**If**  $i < A.length$

$A[i] = 1$

# Accounting Method: Binary Counter (Cont.)

**So what is the amortized cost of the whole INCREMENT operation?**

- All of the flips from  $1 \rightarrow 0$  are already paid for by the credit we placed on our 1's so the while loop has a total amortized cost of 0.
- All we have to consider is the final 'if'-block of the operation, so the amortized cost of an INCREMENT operation is at most 2. (Constant time)
- For a sequence of  $n$  INCREMENT operations, we have a total amortized cost of  $O(n)$ .



# Dynamic Tables

- We're not always able to predict the size of a table (e.g. HashTable) that we store objects in.
- It's useful to be able to **dynamically expand / contract** a table.
- When we **insert** an element - cost is potentially **big**, if it triggers an **expansion**.
- **Amortized Analysis** shows that the **Amortized** Cost of Insertion (and Deletion) is only  **$O(1)$** .



# Dynamic Tables

- The **load factor** is, defined to be:

$$\alpha = \text{no. items stored} / \text{size allocated to table.}$$

- We obviously want to keep the load factor **under 1**.
- We also want to keep the load factor above some constant, **a**.
  - ↳ This ensures we haven't allocated *too big* of a table.





# Dynamic Tables - Insertion

**TABLE-INSERT(*T*, *x*)**

**if** *T.size* == 0

    allocate *T.table* with 1 slot

*T.size* = 1

**if** *T.num* == *T.size*

    allocate *new-table* with  $2 \times T.size$  slots

    insert all items in *T.table* into *new-table*

    free *T.table*

*T.size* =  $2 \times T.size$

insert *x* into *T.table*

*T.num* = *T.num* + 1





# Dynamic Table Insertion: Aggregate Analysis

- Disregard allocating tables / freeing memory steps.
  - ↳ 1st allocation is a constant cost that's only used once.
  - ↳ Allocation and freeing memory upon expansion is dominated by the cost of actually transferring the elements into the new table.
- We are left with just the elementary insertion steps, which are constant in time so we assign them a **cost of 1**.
- The cost of a single Table Insertion is then given by:

$$c_i = \begin{cases} i & \text{if } i - 1 \text{ is an exact power of } 2, \\ 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



# Dynamic Table Insertion: Aggregate Analysis

- The total cost of  $n$  Insertions is the sum of the individual costs:
- An upper bound for this can be given by:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^n c_i &\leq n + \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \lg n \rfloor} 2^j \\ &< n + 2n \\ &= 3n,\end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow 3n / n = \mathbf{3}$$

↳ Our **average amortized cost per operation** (a.k.a  $O(1)$ )



# Dynamic Table Insertion: Accounting Method

- We, again, only consider the elementary insertions.
- Let's start by trying to assign a **cost of 2** to each elementary-insertion.
  - 1 - Pays for the actual elementary insertion.*
  - 1 - Pays for moving the element when we expand.*
- **Where is the problem?**
- We need to assign an **extra cost of 1** giving us an **amortized cost of 3.**



# Questions?



**Problem 1:** Let's say we added a MULTIPUSH operation with our Stack Bois, which pushes  $k$  elements onto the stack. Would our  $O(1)$  bound on the amortized cost of stack operations still hold?





## Solution 1:

**No.** The whole reason that we could lower the time complexity from  $O(n^2)$  to  $O(n)$  was that the runtime of the MULTIPOP operations was limited by the number of unpopped push operations preceding it. Also, ***more obviously***, if our stack has no upper bound on its capacity, we could just keep executing **MULTIPUSH** which has a runtime of  $\Theta(k)$ .

Performing  $n$  **MULTIPUSH** operations, gives us a total runtime of  $\Theta(kn)$ . This gives us an amortized cost of  $\Theta(k)$ .



**Problem 2:** We perform a sequence of  $n$  operations wherein the  $i$ th operation costs  $i$  if  $i$  is an exact power of 3, else it is 1. Use aggregate analysis to determine the amortized cost per operation.



## Solution 2:

Consider a sequence of  $n$  operations: We have  $\lfloor \log_3 n \rfloor + 1$  powers of 3. We can calculate the **total cost** of the operations where  $i$  is a power of 3 as the **sum of all powers of 3** in the sequence. This is a **finite geometric sum**.

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor \log_3 n \rfloor} 3^i = \frac{3^{\lfloor \log_3 n \rfloor + 1} - 1}{3 - 1} < \frac{3n - 1}{2} < 3n$$

Adding the total cost of all other operations ( $= n$ ), we get an **overall total cost of  $4n$** .

Our **average amortized cost per operation is then  $O(4n)/n = O(1)$** .

**Problem 3:** Suppose we perform a sequence of stack operations on a stack whose size never exceeds  $k$ . After every  $k$  operations, we make a copy of the entire stack for backup purposes. Show that the cost of  $n$  stack operations, including copying the stack, is  $O(n)$  by [the accounting method].



## Solution 3:

We know that ***once an element is pushed***, it may ***potentially be popped*** or ***eventually copied***. To cover both cases we can assign the following **amortized costs**:

<b>PUSH</b>	-	<b>3</b>
<b>POP</b>	-	<b>0</b>
<b>COPY</b>	-	<b>0</b>

This works because the cost of **3** covers the actual cost of pushing (1) and gives us a **credit of 2** to cover popping case and copying case.  $n$  operations thus have an amortized cost of  **$O(3n) = O(n)$** .



# Randomized Algorithms



# Global Min Cut

A Global Min-Cut is a **partition** of a **graph vertices,  $V$**  into two subsets  **$(A, B)$**  such that the **number of edges between  $A$  and  $B$**  is minimized.

- We could do this using Network (Flows):
  - Replace every edge  $(u, v)$  with 2 opposing edges  $(u, v)$  &  $(v, u)$ .**
  - Pick some vertex  $s$ , and compute the min  $s$ - $v$  cut (as we do in Ford Fulkerson) for each other vertex,  $v$ .**
- The problem here is that we're kind of **assuming that it's easier to find  $s$ - $t$  cuts than to find global min-cut** → This is a wrong assumption!

# Karger's Contraction Algorithm

**Contraction( $V, E$ ):**

**while**  $|V| > 2$ :

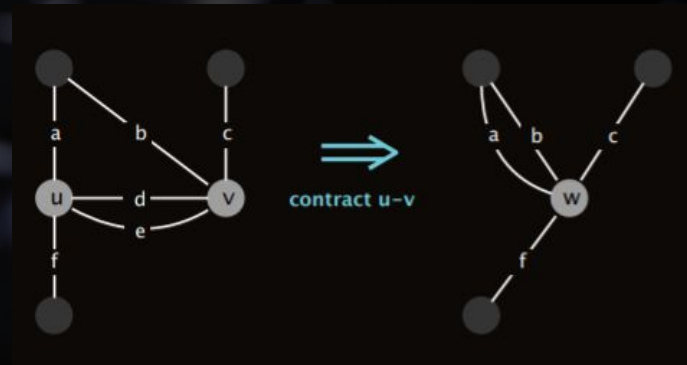
**choose**  $e \in E$  **uniformly at random**

**contract** edge  $e$

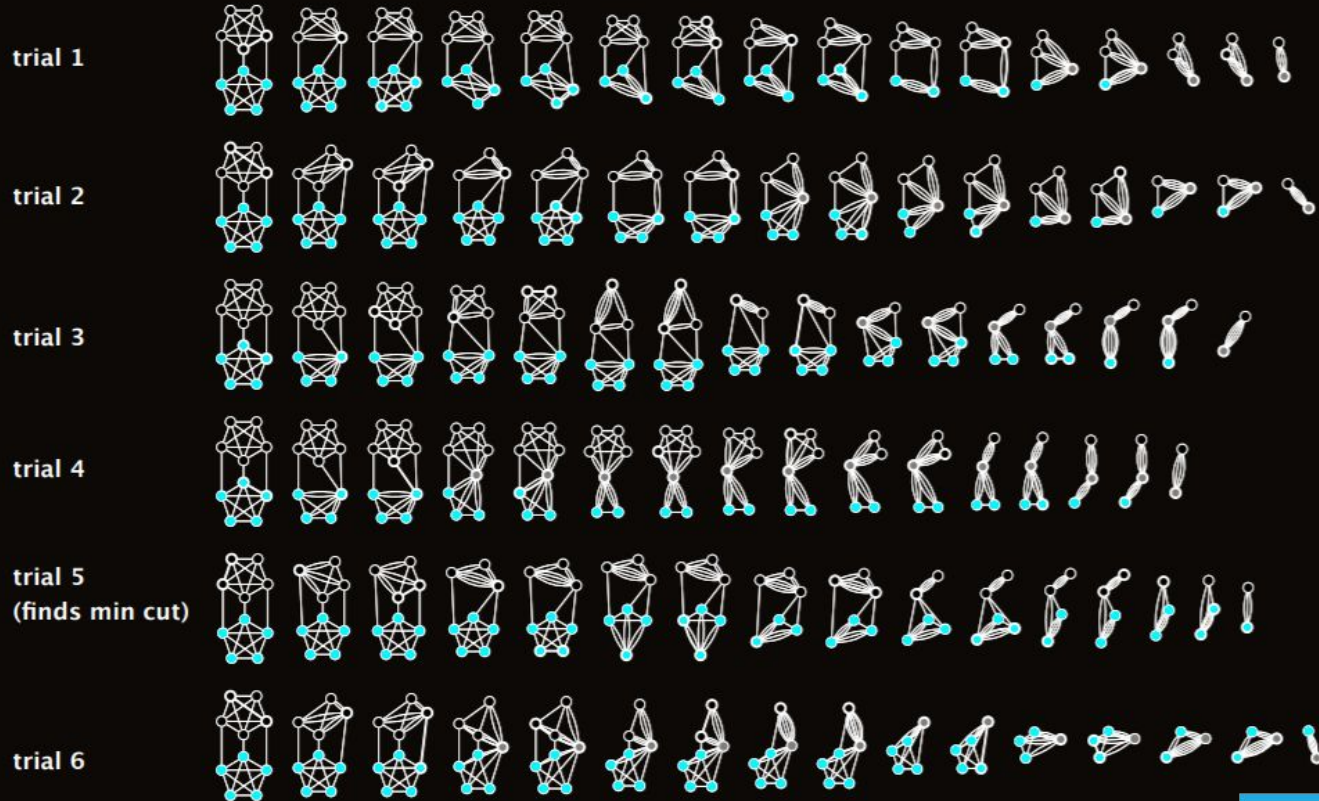
**return** remaining cut (all nodes contracted to form  $v_1$ )

**Contracting an edge,  $e$ :**

- Replace  $u$  and  $v$  with a single node.
- Delete all self-loops.



# Contraction algorithm: example execution



# Contraction Algorithm: Proof I

*Prove that the contraction algorithm returns a min cut with a probability  $\geq 2/n^2$*

Let's say  $F^*$  is the **set of edges in the global min-cut** (the ones that cross)

Let  $k = |F^*|$  = **size of min cut.**

*Note that every node in the graph must have a degree of at least  $k$ , or else the min-cut we have would not be a min-cut.*

Recall also that the sum of degrees is twice the number of edges.

$$2|E| \geq kn \rightarrow |E| \geq kn/2$$



# Contraction Algorithm: Proof I (Cont.)

Let  $E_i$  be the event that the algorithm **doesn't** contract an edge from  $F$  in step  $i$ . (What we want, *when it does contract* - we've f\*\*\*ed up)

$$\begin{aligned} Pr(E_1) &= 1 - \frac{k}{|E|} \\ &\geq 1 - \frac{2}{n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Pr(E_2|E_1) &\geq 1 - \frac{2}{n-1} \\ Pr(E_i|E_1 \cap E_2 \cap \dots) &\geq 1 - \frac{2}{n-i+1} \end{aligned}$$



# Contraction Algorithm: Proof I (Cont.)

Probability that the Algorithm ***finds a Global Min-Cut*** = Probability that it ***hasn't contracted an edge that it wasn't meant*** to at every step of the algorithm.

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\text{success}) &= \Pr(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap \dots \cap E_{n-2}) \\ &\geq \Pr(E_1) \Pr(E_2|E_1) \dots \Pr(E_{n-2}|E_1 \cap \dots \cap E_{n-3}) \\ &\geq \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n-1}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\right) \\ &\geq 2 \frac{(n-2)!}{n!} \geq \frac{2}{n(n-1)}, \end{aligned}$$



# Contraction Algorithm: Proof II - Amplification

If we run the algorithm many times, the probability that it succeeds at some point is greater (**its amplified**).

***Prove that if we repeat the contraction algorithm  $n^2 \ln n$  times, then the probability of failure is  $\leq 1/n^2$ .***

$$\left(1 - \frac{2}{n^2}\right)^{n^2 \ln n} = \left[\left(1 - \frac{2}{n^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}n^2}\right]^{2 \ln n} \leq \left(e^{-1}\right)^{2 \ln n} = \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $(1 - 1/x)^x \leq 1/e$





# Contraction - Crib Sheet Stuff

The overall running time is slow since we perform  $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$  iterations with  $\Omega(|E|)$  time giving us an overall complexity of  **$O(n^2 |E| \log n)$**

Early iterations are less at risk of f\*\*\*ing up than later ones: probability of contracting an edge you weren't meant to hits 50% when  $n/\sqrt{2}$  nodes remain. Run contraction algorithm **once until  $n/\sqrt{2}$  nodes remain**. Run it **twice on resulting graph** and return the **best of two cuts**.  **$O(n^2 \log^3 n)$**

Best known improvement gives runtime of  **$O(|E| \log^3 n)$**





# Maximum 3-satisfiability

**Satisfiability:** When a boolean expression evaluates to true.

**3-SAT:** A boolean expression with 3 literals (elements) per clauses.

**Maximum 3-satisfiability:** Given a 3-SAT formula, find a truth assignment that satisfies as many clauses as possible.

**The idea** is we flip a coin for each element in the formula - if it comes up **Heads**, we set the element to **true**, if it is **Tails** we set it to **false**.

$$\begin{array}{lcl} C_1 & = & x_2 \vee \overline{x_3} \vee \overline{x_4} \\ C_2 & = & x_2 \vee x_3 \vee \overline{x_4} \\ C_3 & = & \overline{x_1} \vee x_2 \vee x_4 \\ C_4 & = & \overline{x_1} \vee \overline{x_2} \vee x_3 \\ C_5 & = & x_1 \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \overline{x_4} \end{array}$$

# Maximum 3-satisfiability: Proof III - Expectation

**Prove:** Given a 3-SAT formula with  $k$  clauses, the expected number of clauses satisfied by a random assignment is  $7k/8$ .

We first **define a random variable** that tells us whether each clause is satisfied:

$$Z_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if clause } C_j \text{ is satisfied} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Note that:**  $\Pr(Z_j=1) = 1 - (1/2)^3 = 7/8$

$$\begin{aligned} E[Z] &= \sum_{j=1}^k E[Z_j] \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^k \Pr[\text{clause } C_j \text{ is satisfied}] \\ &= \frac{7}{8}k \end{aligned}$$



# Maximum 3-satisfiability: Proof III - Expectation

A **corollary** (by-product) of the previous proof is:

*For any instance of 3-SAT, there exists a truth assignment that satisfied at least a  $\frac{7}{8}$  fraction of all clauses.*

This is pretty trivial to prove: A Discrete Random Variable is going to attain at least its expected value *some* of the time.



# The Probabilistic Method

This is when you use a Random Variable to produce the property you are trying to prove with a positive probability.

**Property:** *For any instance of 3-SAT, there exists a truth assignment that satisfies at least  $\frac{7}{8}$  of the clauses. **It is a  $\frac{7}{8}$ -approximation algorithm.***



# The Probabilistic Method

**Pf.** Let  $p_j$  be probability that exactly  $j$  clauses are satisfied;  
let  $p$  be probability that  $\geq 7k/8$  clauses are satisfied.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{7}{8}k &= E[Z] = \sum_{j \geq 0} j p_j \\ &= \sum_{j < 7k/8} j p_j + \sum_{j \geq 7k/8} j p_j \\ &\leq \left(\frac{7k}{8} - \frac{1}{8}\right) \sum_{j < 7k/8} p_j + k \sum_{j \geq 7k/8} p_j \\ &\leq \left(\frac{7}{8}k - \frac{1}{8}\right) \cdot 1 + k p\end{aligned}$$

Rearranging terms yields  $p \geq 1/(8k)$ . ■





# Questions?



**Problem 1:** An execution of the contraction algorithm will find the global min-cut if it never contracts an edge that crosses a global min-cut. Is this assertion true or false?



# Solution 1

**True, if the global min-cut is unique.**

The logic suggested by the question is:

**Never contracting an edge that crosses a global min-cut  $\Rightarrow$  A  
Global Min-Cut is found.**

This is conditional on the global min-cut being unique:

If it is not unique then, if we never contract an edge that crosses a global min-cut we won't contract required edges to find the global min-cut.

**Problem 2:** Suppose we repeat the contraction algorithm  $n^3$  times. Which of the following statements are correct?

- A. We are guaranteed to find the global min cut
- B. The probability of failing to find the min cut is less than  $1/e^n$**
- C. The probability of failing to find the min cut is less than  $1/e^{n \ln(n)}$
- D. The probability of failing to find the min cut is less than  $1/e^{n^2}$
- E. Repeating the algorithm another  $n$  times increases the probability of finding the min cut.**
- F. No matter how many times we repeat the algorithm, there is a chance we fail to find the min cut.**

## Solution 2

- A. We are guaranteed to find the global min cut
- B. The probability of failing to find the min cut is less than  $1/e^n$
- C. The probability of failing to find the min cut is less than  $1/e^{n \ln(n)}$
- D. The probability of failing to find the min cut is less than  $1/e^{n^2}$
- E. Repeating the algorithm another  $n$  times increases the probability of finding the min cut.
- F. No matter how many times we repeat the algorithm, there is a chance we fail to find the min cut.



Problem 3: There exists at least one truth assignment that satisfies any 3-SAT formula with 7 clauses - T/F?



## Solution 3

The expectation  $\frac{7}{8} * k$ . For  $k=7$ , this gives an expectation of  $49/8$

This is 6.125 clauses - Recall that we need to have at least some value of our random variable that surpasses the expectation and since the number of clauses satisfied is strictly a natural number, we must have at least some outcome that satisfies 7 clauses (i.e. all the clauses).

So the answer is **True**.

# Probabilistic Analysis of Quick Sort



# What the f\*\*k is quick sort?

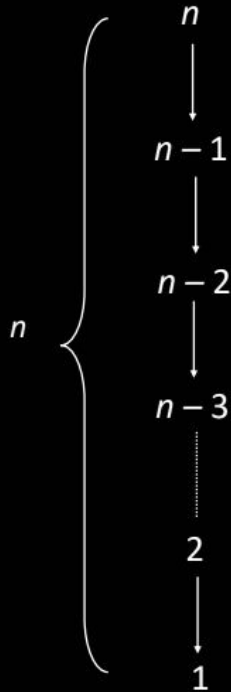
1. Given an array **A**=[**a1**, ..., **an**]
2. Pick an element as a pivot **p** (Somehow)
3. Split A into two arrays (Partition step)
  - a.  $A1 = \{ \text{all elements} < \mathbf{p} \}$
  - b.  $A2 = \{ \text{all elements} > \mathbf{p} \}$
4. Recursively sort **A1**, **A2**
5. Then the sorted array is **A1** + [**p**] + **A2** (+ means array concatenation)

Animation: <https://visualgo.net/en/sorting>



# Worst case

Recursion tree for  
worst-case partition



Split off a single element at each level:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n-1) + T(0) + \text{PartitionTime}(n) \\ &= T(n-1) + \Theta(n) \\ &= \sum_{k=1 \text{ to } n} \Theta(k) \\ &= \Theta(\sum_{k=1 \text{ to } n} k) \\ &= \Theta(n^2) \end{aligned}$$





# Randomized quicksort

- **Deterministic Algorithm** : Exactly same **behavior** for different runs for the same input.
- **Randomized Algorithm : Behavior** might differ for different runs for the same input.
  - ↳ **Watch out!** Behaviour not output is what matters.
- To make an algorithm randomized we need to introduce a random decision somewhere. For quicksort we can pick the pivot at random!



# Terminology

- Random variable  **$X$**  is a variable that take values  **$\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$**  with probabilities  **$\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$**  such that  **$p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_n = 1$**
- Expectation of a random variable is the weighted average of all the values  **$X$**  takes.  **$E[x] = (x_1 * P(X=x_1) + \dots + x_n * P(X=x_n))$** 
  - ↳ One can think about it as the value we expect from  **$X$**  on average
- Indicator variable  **$I$**  is a random variable only taking values  **$\{1, 0\}$**  with probabilities  **$\{p, 1-p\}$** . We also have  **$E[I] = 0 * P(I=0) + 1 * P(I=1) = P(I=1) = p$**



# Analysis:

## Notation:

- Let  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n$  denote the list items (in sorted order).
- Let  $Z_{ij} = \{z_i, z_{i+1}, \dots, z_j\}$ .

Let RV  $X_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } z_i \text{ is compared to } z_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$   $X_{ij}$  is an **indicator random variable**.  
 $X_{ij} = I\{z_i \text{ is compared to } z_j\}.$

$$\text{Thus, } X = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n X_{ij}.$$

# Analysis:

$$E[X] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n X_{ij}\right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n E[X_{ij}]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n P[z_i \text{ is compared to } z_j]$$

**Reminder:**

$$\begin{aligned} E[X_{ij}] &= 0 \cdot P[X_{ij}=0] + 1 \cdot P[X_{ij}=1] \\ &= P[X_{ij}=1] \end{aligned}$$

# Analysis:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So, } P[z_i \text{ is compared to } z_j] &= P[z_i \text{ or } z_j \text{ is first pivot from } Z_{ij}] \\ &= P[z_i \text{ is first pivot from } Z_{ij}] \\ &\quad + P[z_j \text{ is first pivot from } Z_{ij}] \\ &= \frac{1}{j-i+1} + \frac{1}{j-i+1} \\ &= \frac{2}{j-i+1}\end{aligned}$$



# Analysis:

- $z_i$  will be compared to  $z_j$  if and only if the first element to be picked as the pivot from  $[z_i, \dots, z_j]$  is either  $z_i$  or  $z_j$ .
- Imagine we are throwing darts:
  - ↳ If we hit  $z_i$  or  $z_j$  then  $X_{ij}=1$
  - ↳ If we hit  $[z_{i+1} \dots z_{j-1}]$  then  $X_{ij}=0$
  - ↳ If we hit  $[z_1 \dots z_{i-1}]$  or  $[z_{j+1} \dots z_n]$  then we need to try again!



# Analysis:

$$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \frac{2}{j-i+1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-i} \frac{2}{k+1}$$

$$< \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2}{k}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} O(\lg n)$$

$$= O(n \lg n).$$

Substitute  $k = j - i$ .

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} = H_n \text{ (n}^{\text{th}} \text{ Harmonic number)}$$
$$H_n = \ln n + O(1)$$

# Analysis:

You can think about this like this:

$$\sum_{x=1}^n \frac{1}{x} \leq \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx$$

Not claiming this is always true.

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# Dynamic Programming



# Plan for this part:

- Very quick intro to what is DP.
- Practice final sample problem walkthrough.
- Summarize Jerome's slides.





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  2. Solve all possible sub-problems.
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    - a. Usually, Bottom-up but no necessarily.
  4. **Crib sheet stuff:** Dynamic programming is always one of these themes:
    - a. Maximization.
    - b. Minimization
    - c. Counting.
- Easiest way to learn dynamic programming is to solve problems!



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# Coin change:

Given a set of  $m$  types of coins  $C=\{c_1,\dots,c_m\}$  such that  $c_i>0$  and a number  $k>0$ . Give the minimum size of a subset of  $C$ , call it  $S$ , such that  $|S|=k$ .

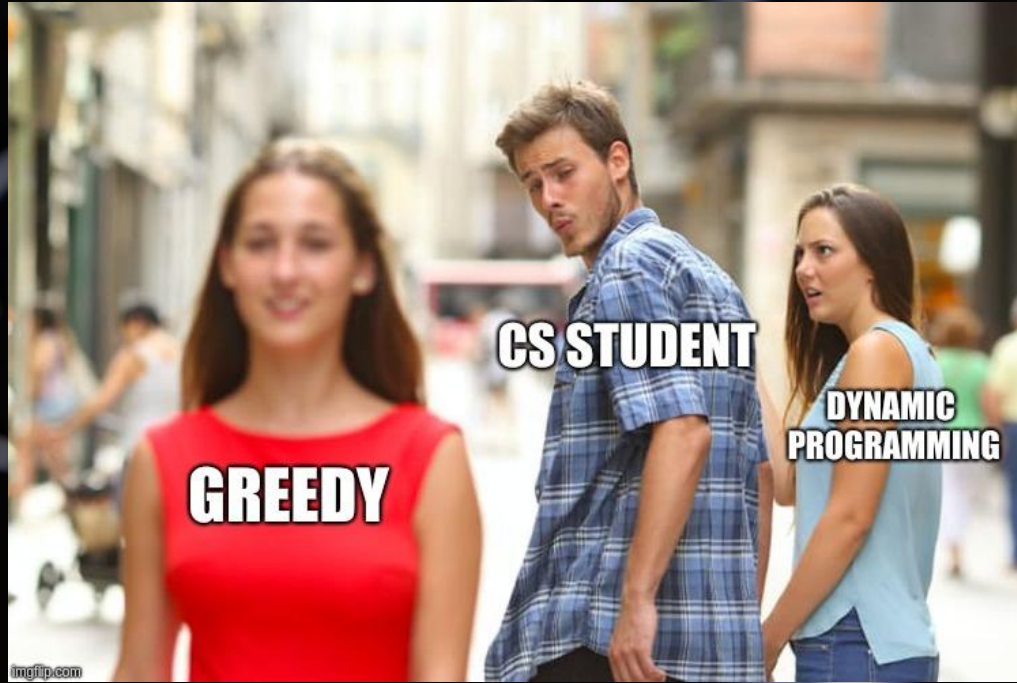


# Comparison: [Brute force]

1. Try every possible subset
  2. Can be pruned and optimized, but still exponential complexity.
  3. Example:
    - a.  $C=\{1, 3, 4\}$ ,  $k=6$
    - b.  $\{1\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{1,1\}, \{1,3\}, \{1,4\}, \{3,1\}, \mathbf{\{3,3\}}, \{3,4\}, \{4,1\}, \{4,3\}, \{4,4\}, \{1,1,1\}, \dots$
- Assume we want to try sets of size  $k$ , we have  $3^k$  possible sets.
- The total number of sets to try is  $(|C| + |C|^2 + \dots + |C|^k)$  so complexity is  $\sim O(|C|^{(k+1)})$



# What about Greedy?





# Comparison: [Greedy]

- We want minimum  $|S|$  then why not pick the largest coin the fits?
- Example:
  - ↳  $C=\{1, 3, 4\}$ ,  $k=6$
  - ↳  $k=6$ ,  $S=\{\}$
  - ↳  $k=2$ ,  $S=\{4\}$
  - ↳  $k=1$ ,  $S=\{1,4\}$
  - ↳  **$k=0$ ,  $S=\{1, 1, 4\} \Rightarrow$  solution is 3?**
- Optimal solution is actually 2 (  $S=\{3,3\}$  )



# Comparison: [Dynamic Programming]

- We want to split to subproblems.
- Assume  $C=\{1, 3, 4\}$ ,  $k=6$ 
  - ↳ Min. number of coins for 6 have to be one of these:
    - ↳  $1 + \text{Min. number of coins for } 5$
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$$F[0] = 0$$
$$F[i] = \min_{i=1 \dots m} \{1 + F[i - c_i]\}$$



# Example

→  $C=\{1, 3, 4\}$ ,  $k=6$

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

## Example (Cont.)

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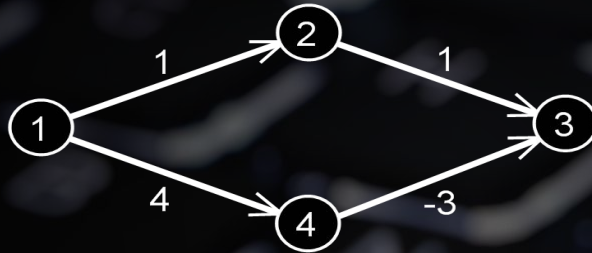


# Bellman-Ford Algorithm



# Shortest path with negative weights

- Given a weighted graph  $G(V,E)$  find the shortest path from  $u$  to all other vertices in the graph.



- If we have negative weights Dijkstra's will probably f\*\*k up.
- If negative cycles exist, then shortest path is ill-defined.

# Bellman-ford

## Bellman-Ford Algorithm

- Allows negative-weight edges.
- Computes  $d[v]$  and  $\pi[v]$  for all  $v \in V$ .
- Returns TRUE if no negative-weight cycles reachable from  $s$ , FALSE otherwise.

If Bellman-Ford has not converged after  $V(G) - 1$  iterations, then there cannot be a shortest path tree, so there must be a negative weight cycle.



# Bellman-ford (Cont.)

- The idea is that we find shortest path of **length 1**, then using those we find paths of **length 2**, ..., up to paths of **length  $|V|-1$**
- Shortest paths are constructed from other shortest paths
- After  $|V|-1$  iterations, we should have computed all shortest paths.
  - ↳ Because we cannot have a shortest path with length greater than  $|V|-1$
  - ↳ If not, then there is **negative cycle!**



# Bellman-ford (Cont.)

## Bellman-Ford Algorithm

- Can have negative-weight edges.
- Will “detect” **reachable** negative-weight cycles.

```
Initialize(G, s);  
for i := 1 to |V[G]| - 1 do  
  for each (u, v) in E[G] do  
    Relax(u, v, w)  
for each (u, v) in E[G] do  
  if d[v] > d[u] + w(u, v) then  
    return false  
return true
```

Time  
Complexity  
is  $O(VE)$ .





# Table view

## Another Look at Bellman-Ford

**Note:** This is essentially dynamic programming.

Let  $d(i, j)$  = cost of the shortest path from  $s$  to  $i$  that is at most  $j$  hops.

$$d(i, j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = s \wedge j = 0 \\ \infty & \text{if } i \neq s \wedge j = 0 \\ \min(\{d(k, j-1) + w(k, i) : i \in \text{Adj}(k)\} \cup \{d(i, j-1)\}) & \text{if } j > 0 \end{cases}$$

		i →				
		z	u	v	x	y
		1	2	3	4	5
j ↓	0	0	∞	∞	∞	∞
	1	0	6	∞	7	∞
	2	0	6	4	7	2
	3	0	2	4	7	2
	4	0	2	4	7	-2



# Knapsack



# Definition

- Given  $n$  objects and a "knapsack."
- Item  $i$  weighs  $w_i > 0$  and has value  $v_i > 0$ .
- Knapsack has capacity of  $W$ .
- Goal: fill knapsack so as to maximize total value.

Ex.  $\{1, 2, 5\}$  has value 35.

Ex.  $\{3, 4\}$  has value 40.

Ex.  $\{3, 5\}$  has value 46 (but exceeds weight limit).

$i$	$v_i$	$w_i$
1	1	1
2	6	2
3	18	5
4	22	6
5	28	7

knapsack instance  
(weight limit  $W = 11$ )

Greedy by value. Repeatedly add item with maximum  $v_i$ .

Greedy by weight. Repeatedly add item with minimum  $w_i$ .

Greedy by ratio. Repeatedly add item with maximum ratio  $v_i / w_i$ .

Observation. None of greedy algorithms is optimal.

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# Idea

- For each item we can either take it or leave it.
  - ↳ If we take it then  $W=W-w_i$  and  $V=V+v_i$
  - ↳ If not, we just move to the next item
- We need the current weight to be a parameter to our function because otherwise there would be no way of telling if we can fit more items!
- So our solution can be a function **OPT(i, w)**
  - ↳ **i** means we are considering items **1, 2, ..., i**
  - ↳ **w** is the available weight
- Complexity is **O(nW)** which is **pseudo-polynomial**



# Dynamic programming solution

Def.  $OPT(i, w) = \text{max profit subset of items } 1, \dots, i \text{ with weight limit } w.$

Case 1.  $OPT$  does not select item  $i$ .

- $OPT$  selects best of  $\{1, 2, \dots, i-1\}$  using weight limit  $w$ .

Case 2.  $OPT$  selects item  $i$ .

- New weight limit =  $w - w_i$ .
- $OPT$  selects best of  $\{1, 2, \dots, i-1\}$  using this new weight limit.

↙ optimal substructure property  
↘ (proof via exchange argument)

$$OPT(i, w) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \\ OPT(i-1, w) & \text{if } w_i > w \\ \max\{OPT(i-1, w), v_i + OPT(i-1, w - w_i)\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$





# Dynamic programming solution (Cont.)

KNAPSACK ( $n, W, w_1, \dots, w_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$ )

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FOR  $w = 0$  TO  $W$

$M[0, w] \leftarrow 0$ .

FOR  $i = 1$  TO  $n$

    FOR  $w = 1$  TO  $W$

        IF ( $w_i > w$ )  $M[i, w] \leftarrow M[i-1, w]$ .

        ELSE  $M[i, w] \leftarrow \max \{ M[i-1, w], v_i + M[i-1, w - w_i] \}$ .

RETURN  $M[n, W]$ .



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		weight limit $w$											
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
subset of items 1, ..., $i$	{ }	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	{ 1 }	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	{ 1, 2 }	0	1	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
	{ 1, 2, 3 }	0	1	6	7	7	18	19	24	25	25	25	25
	{ 1, 2, 3, 4 }	0	1	6	7	7	18	22	24	28	29	29	40
	{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 }	0	1	6	7	7	18	22	28	29	34	34	40

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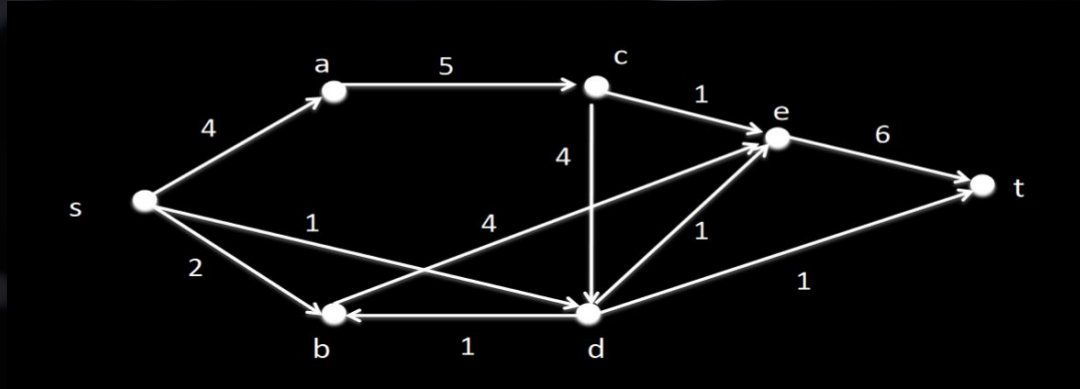
# Activity-selection Problem + Pairwise sequence alignment



# Network Flows



**Problem 1:** Apply Ford-Fulkerson while choosing the shortest augmenting path at every iteration:





# Solution 1

See board.

**Problem 2:** Prove that any maximum  $s$ - $t$  flow has a finite optimal solution if and only if there is no directed path from  $s$  to  $t$  consisting only of infinite capacity arcs.



## Solution 2

If  $G$  contains a path,  $P$ , with infinite capacity for some path from  $s$  to  $t$  then we can send an infinite amount of flow from  $s$  to  $t$  using this path.

**(No finite and optimal solution)**

Suppose there is no such path. Let  $S$  be the set of nodes reachable from  $s$  using infinite capacity arcs. Obviously,  $s$  is contained within  $S$  and  $t$  is not (since we don't have an infinite capacity path to  $t$ ) -  $S$  is an  $s$ - $t$  cut. There are only finite capacity arcs leaving  $S$ , otherwise we can grow  $S$  more. The cut given by  $S$  has a finite capacity and so there exists a minimum-cut with finite capacity (whether or not it is  $S$ ). Since the capacity of such a cut is finite, by Max-Flow, Min-Cut, so is the max flow.

# Questions?



Good luck!

