

# CS483 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Review: Chapters 4 - 8, DPV

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Figures unclaimed are from books “Algorithms” and “Introduction  
to Algorithms”

# Announcements

- 1 Pick up solutions of assignment 8.
- 2 I add **office hours: 2:00pm - 6:00pm December 5th, Friday.**
- 3 The **final exam** is scheduled on **December 10th, Wednesday. 1:30pm - 4:15pm. Innovation Hall 136** (this classroom). Wish you luck in all your finals!
- 4 You are allowed to have **one-page cheat sheet** (hand-written, front-and/or-back). No calculator. Closed textbook.
- 5 I will bring scratch paper for use.
- 6 Please take 5-min to **fill in the evaluation form** and return it to the TA, Cynthia. Thank you!

# Final Covers:

- 1 4.2, 4.4, 4.6
- 2 5.1, 5.2
- 3 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4
- 4 7.1, 7.2, 7.6
- 5 8.1, 8.2, 8.3

# Requirements:

- 1 Definitions: P, NP, NP-complete, flow, cut
- 2 Algorithms:
  - 1 Dijkstra & Bellman-Ford (greedy)
  - 2 Kruskal & Prim (greedy)
  - 3 Huffman coding (greedy)
  - 4 Dynamic programming, knapsack (using dynamic programming approaches) (dynamic programming)
  - 5 linear formulation, linear programming in geometric interpretation
  - 6 maximum-flow min-cut (iterative approach)
  - 7 proving NP-completeness (reduction)
  - 8 (the simplex algorithms)
- 3 If necessary, I will give some well-known NPC problems for your use in your reduction.

# Chapter 4: Paths in Graphs

- 1 Breath-First Search
- 2 Dijkstra's Algorithm
- 3 Shortest path with negative edges

# Breadth-First Search

procedure bfs( $G, s$ )

Input: Graph  $G = (V, E)$ , directed or undirected; vertex  $s \in V$

Output: For all vertices  $u$  reachable from  $s$ ,  $\text{dist}(u)$  is set to the distance from  $s$  to  $u$ .

for all  $u \in V$ :

$\text{dist}(u) = \infty$

$\text{dist}(s) = 0$

$Q = [s]$  (queue containing just  $s$ )

while  $Q$  is not empty:

$u = \text{eject}(Q)$

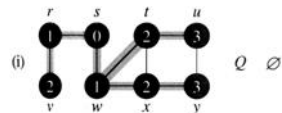
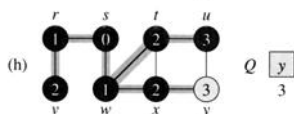
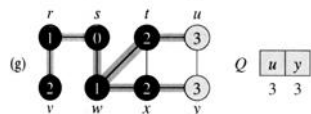
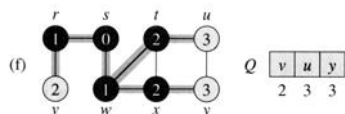
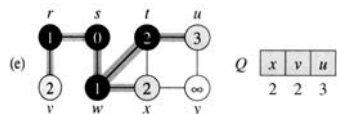
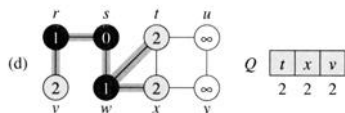
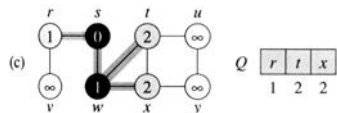
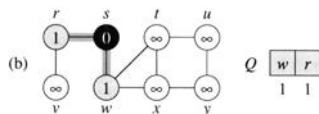
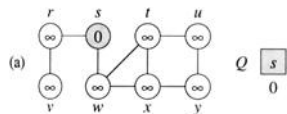
    for all edges  $(u, v) \in E$ :

        if  $\text{dist}(v) = \infty$ :

            inject( $Q, v$ )

$\text{dist}(v) = \text{dist}(u) + 1$

# Breadth-First Search



# Analysis of BFS

## Theorem

BFS runs in  $O(m + n)$  time if the graph is given by its adjacency representation,  $n$  is the number of nodes and  $m$  is the number of edges

## Proof.

When we consider node  $u$ , there are  $\text{deg}(u)$  incident edges  $(u, v)$ . Thus, the total time processing edges is  $\sum_{u \in V} \text{deg}(u) = 2 \cdot m$  □

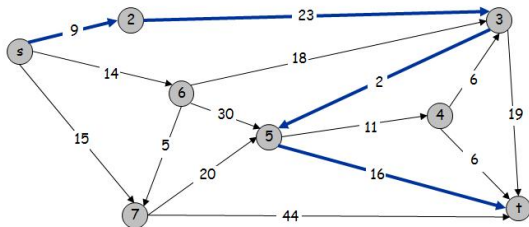


# Dijkstra's Algorithm

Annotate every edge  $e \in E$  with a length  $l_e$ . If  $e = (u, v)$ , let  $l_e = l(u, v) = l_{uv}$

**Input:** Graph  $G = (V, E)$  whose edge lengths  $l_e$  are *positive integers*

**Output:** The shortest path from  $s$  to  $t$



Cost of path  $s-2-3-5-t$   
 $= 9 + 23 + 2 + 16$   
 $= 48.$

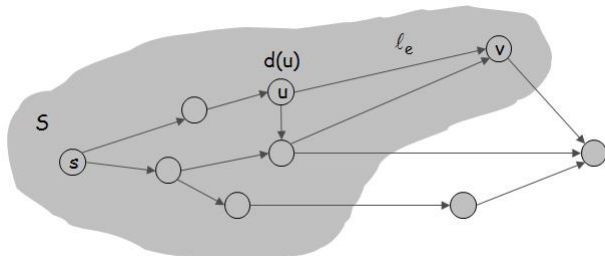
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# Dijkstra's Algorithm

- 1 Maintain a set of explored nodes  $S$  for which we have determined the shortest path distance  $d(u)$  from  $s$  to  $u$
- 2 Initialize  $S = \{s\}$ ,  $d(s) = 0$
- 3 Repeatedly choose unexplored node  $v$  which minimizes

$$\pi(v) = \min_{e=(u,v), u \in S} d(u) + l_e$$

- 4 Add  $v$  to  $S$ , and set  $d(v) = \pi(v)$

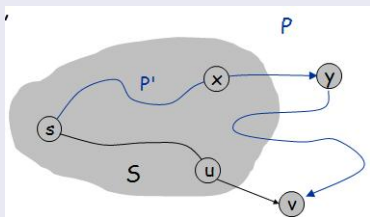


# Dijkstra's Algorithm

## Theorem

*Dijkstra's algorithm finds the shortest path from  $s$  to any node  $v$ :  $d(v)$  is the length of the shortest  $s \rightsquigarrow v$  path*

## Proof.



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## Theorem

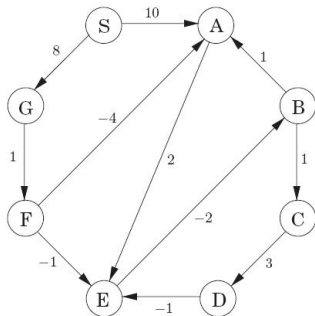
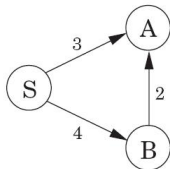
*The overall running time of Dijkstra's algorithm is  $O((|V| + |E|) \cdot \log |V|)$*

Show the figure in the textbook.

# Shortest Paths in the Presence of Negative Edges

Simply update *all* the edges,  $|V| - 1$  times

Dijkstra's algorithm will not work if there are negative edges



	Iteration							
Node	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A	$\infty$	10	10	5	5	5	5	5
B	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	10	6	5	5	5
C	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	11	7	6	6
D	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	14	10	9
E	$\infty$	$\infty$	12	8	7	7	7	7
F	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	9	9	9	9	9
G	$\infty$	8	8	8	8	8	8	8

# Chapter 5: Greedy Algorithms

- 1 Minimum Spanning Tree
- 2 Huffman Coding
- 3 Horn Formulas

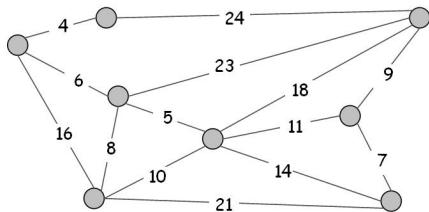
# Greedy Approach

**Idea.** Greedy algorithms build up a solution piece by piece, always choosing the next piece that offers the most obvious and immediate benefit

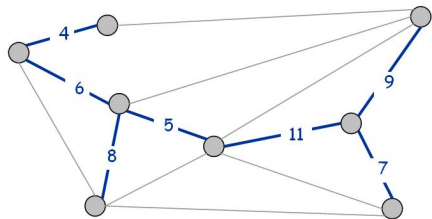
# Minimum Spanning Tree

## Definition

**Minimum Spanning Tree (MST).** Given a connected graph  $G = (V, E)$  with real-valued edge weights  $c_e$ , an MST is a subset of the edges  $T \subseteq E$  such that  $T$  is a spanning tree whose sum of edge weights is minimized



$G = (V, E)$



$T, \sum_{e \in T} c_e = 50$

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# Greedy Algorithms

## 1 Kruskal's algorithm

Start with  $T = \emptyset$ . Consider edges in ascending order of cost. Insert edge  $e$  in  $T$  unless doing so would create a cycle

## 2 Reverse-Delete algorithm

Start with  $T = E$ . Consider edges in descending order of cost. Delete edge  $e$  from  $T$  unless doing so would disconnect  $T$

## 3 Prim's algorithm

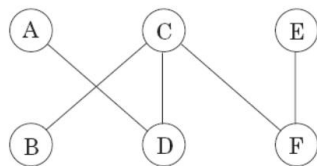
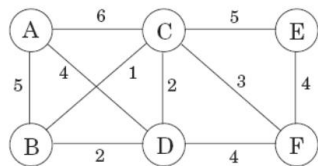
Start with some root node  $s$  and greedily grow a tree  $T$  from  $s$  outward. At each step, add the cheapest edge  $e$  to  $T$  that has exactly one endpoint in  $T$



# Kruskal's Algorithm

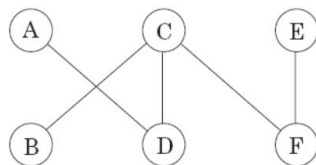
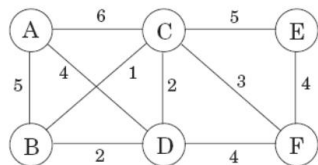
**Figure 5.1** The minimum spanning tree found by Kruskal's algorithm.

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# Kruskal's Algorithm

Figure 5.1 The minimum spanning tree found by Kruskal's algorithm.



- 1 `makeset(x)`: create a singleton set containing just  $x$
- 2 `find(x)`: to which set does  $x$  belong?
- 3 `union(x, y)`: merge the set containing  $x$  and  $y$

# Kruskal's Algorithm

procedure `kruskal` ( $G, w$ )

Input: A connected undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  with edge weights  $w_e$

output: A minimum spanning tree defined by the edges  $X$

for all  $u \in V$ :  
    `makeset` ( $u$ )

$X = \{\}$

sort the edges  $E$  by weight

for all edges  $\{u, v\} \in E$ , in increasing order of weight:

    if `find`( $u$ )  $\neq$  `find`( $v$ ):  
        add edge  $\{u, v\}$  to  $X$   
        `union`( $u, v$ )

Running time =  $|V|$  `makeset` +  $2 \cdot |E|$  `find` +  $(|V| - 1)$  `union`

# Correctness of Greedy Algorithm

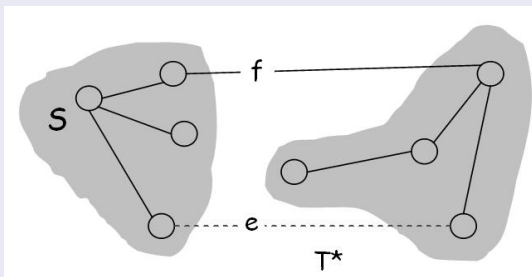
## Definition

**Cut.** A *cut* is any partition of the vertices into two groups,  $S$  and  $V - S$

## Lemma

Let  $S$  be any subset of nodes, and let  $e$  be the min-cost edge with exactly one endpoint in  $S$ . Then the MST contains  $e$

## Proof.



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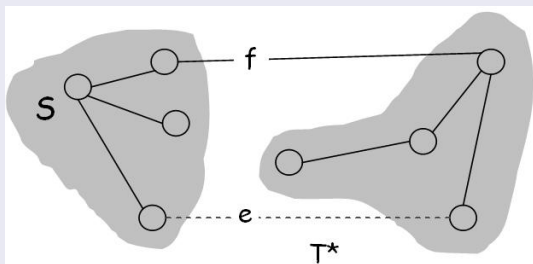
## Definition

**Cycle.** Set of edges the form  $(a, b), (b, c), (c, d), \dots, (y, z), (z, a)$

## Lemma

*Let  $C$  be any cycle in  $G$ , and let  $f$  be the max cost edge belonging to  $C$ . Then the MST does not contain  $f$*

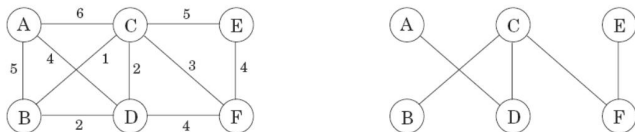
## Proof.



# Prim's Algorithm

- 1 Initialize  $S = \text{any node}$
- 2 Apply cut property to  $S$
- 3 Add min-cost edge in cut-set corresponding to  $S$  to  $T$ , and add one new explored node  $u$  to  $S$

**Figure 5.1** The minimum spanning tree found by Kruskal's algorithm.



## Morse Code

A	• —	U	• • —
B	— • • •	V	• • • —
C	— • — •	W	• — —
D	— • •	X	— • • —
E	•	Y	— • — —
F	• • — •	Z	— — • •
G	— — •		
H	• • • •		
I	• •		
J	• — — — —		
K	— • —	1	• — — — —
L	— • • •	2	• • — — —
M	— —	3	• • • — —
N	— •	4	• • • • —
O	— — —	5	• • • • •
P	• — — •	6	— • • • •
Q	— — • —	7	— — • • •
R	• — •	8	— — — • •
S	• • •	9	— — — — •
T	—	0	— — — — —

# Huffman Coding

## Definition

**Prefix-free.** No codeword can be a prefix of another codeword

{0, 01, 11, 001} ?

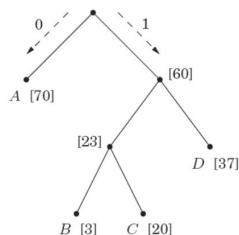
## Remark

*Any prefix-free encoding can be represented by a full binary tree.*

{0, 100, 101, 11} ?

**Figure 5.10** A prefix-free encoding. Frequencies are shown in square brackets

Symbol	Codeword
A	0
B	100
C	101
D	11



$$\text{cost of tree} = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i \cdot (\text{depth of the } i\text{th symbol in tree})$$



# Huffman Coding

procedure Huffman( $f$ )

Input: An array  $f[1 \dots n]$  of frequencies

Output: An encoding tree with  $n$  leaves

let  $H$  be a priority queue of integers, ordered by  $f$

for  $i=1$  to  $n$ : insert( $H, i$ )

for  $k=n+1$  to  $2n-1$ :

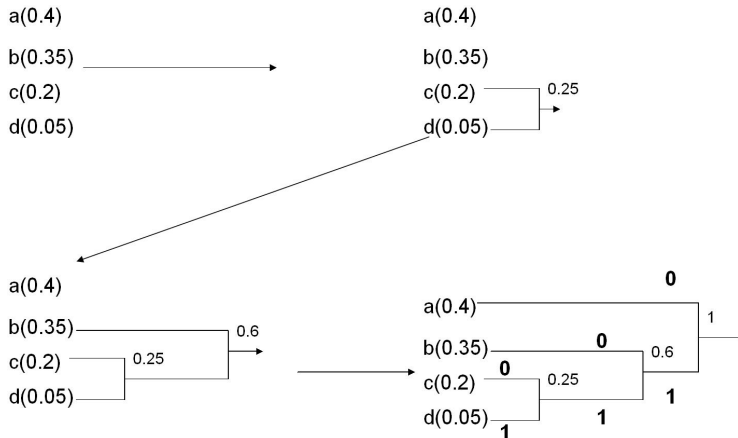
$i = \text{deletemin}(H)$ ,  $j = \text{deletemin}(H)$

    create a node numbered  $k$  with children  $i, j$

$f[k] = f[i] + f[j]$

    insert( $H, k$ )

# Huffman Coding



[http://rio.ecs.umass.edu/gao/ece665\\_08/slides/Rance.ppt](http://rio.ecs.umass.edu/gao/ece665_08/slides/Rance.ppt)

# Horn Formula

The most primitive object in a Horn formula is a *Boolean variable*, taking value either true or false

A *literal* is either a variable  $x$  or its negation  $\bar{x}$

There are two kinds of *clauses* in Horn's formulas

① *Implications*

$$(z \wedge w) \Rightarrow u$$

② *Pure negative clauses*

$$\bar{u} \vee \bar{v} \vee \bar{y}$$

**Questions.** To determine whether there is a consistent explanation: an assignment of true/false values to the variables that satisfies all the clauses

# Satisfying Assignment

**Input:** A Horn formula

**Output:** A satisfying assignment, if one exists

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function horn
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```
    set all variables to false;
```

```
    while (there is an implication that is not satisfied)
        set the right-hand variable of the implication to true;
```

```
    if (all pure negative clauses are satisfied)
        return the assignment;
```

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    else
        return “formula is not satisfiable”;
```

$$(w \wedge y \wedge z) \Rightarrow x, (x \wedge z) \Rightarrow w, x \Rightarrow y, \Rightarrow x, (x \wedge y) \Rightarrow w, (\bar{w} \vee \bar{x} \vee \bar{y}), \bar{z}$$

# Chapter 6: Dynamic Programming

- 1 Shortest Path
- 2 Longest Increasing Subsequences
- 3 Edit Distance
- 4 Knapsack

# Algorithmic Paradigms

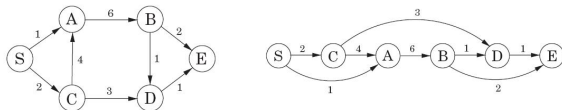
- 1 **Greedy**  
Build up a solution incrementally, optimizing some local criterion in each step
- 2 **Divide-and-conquer**  
Break up a problem into two sub-problems, solve each sub-problem *independently*, and combine solution to sub-problems to form solution to original problem
- 3 **Dynamic programming**  
Identify a collection of subproblems and tackling them one by one, smallest first, using the answers to smaller problems to help figure out larger ones, until the whole lot of them is solved

# Shortest Paths in Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAG)

## Remark

The special distinguishing feature of a DAG is that its nodes can be linearized.

Figure 6.1 A dag and its linearization (topological ordering).



initialize all  $\text{dist}(\cdot)$  values to  $\infty$   
 $\text{dist}(s) = 0$   
for each  $v \in V \setminus \{s\}$ , in linearized order:  
$$\text{dist}(v) = \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{\text{dist}(u) + l(u, v)\}$$

$$\text{dist}(D) = \min\{\text{dist}(B) + 1, \text{dist}(C) + 3\}.$$

This algorithm is solving a collection of *subproblems*,  $\{\text{dist}(u) : u \in V\}$ . We start with the smallest of them,  $\text{dist}(s) = 0$ .

# Some Thoughts on Dynamic Programming

## Remark

- 1 *In dynamic programming, we are not given a DAG; the DAG is implicit.*
- 2 *Its nodes are the subproblems we define, and its edges are the dependencies between the subproblems: If to solve subproblem  $B$  we need to answer the subproblem  $A$ , then there is a (conceptual) edge from  $A$  to  $B$ . In this case,  $A$  is thought of as a smaller subproblems than  $B$  — and it will always be smaller, in an obvious sense.*

## Problem

*How to solve/calculate above subproblems' values in Dynamic Programming?*

## Solution

?



# Longest Increasing Subsequences

## Definition

The input is a sequence of numbers  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ . A subsequence is any subset of these numbers taken in order, of the form  $a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_k}$  where  $1 < i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n$ , and an *increasing subsequence* is one in which the numbers are getting strictly larger. The task is to find the increasing subsequence of greatest length.

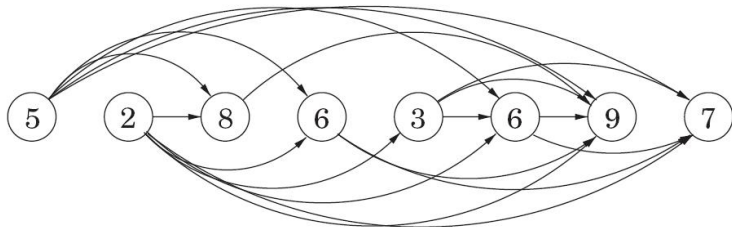
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# Longest Increasing Subsequences

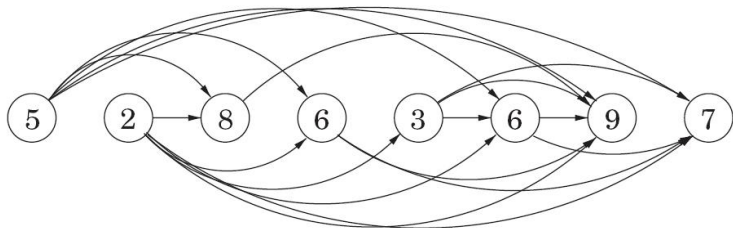
# Longest Increasing Subsequences

Figure 6.2 The dag of increasing subsequences.



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function inc-subsequence( $G = (V, E)$ )

for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$L(j) = 1 + \max_{L(i): (i, j) \in E}$

return  $\max_j L(j)$ ;

# Longest Increasing Subsequences

## Remark

*There is an ordering on the subproblems, and a relation that shows how to solve a subproblem given the answers to “smaller” subproblems, that is, subproblems that appear earlier in the ordering.*

## Theorem

*The algorithm runs in polynomial time  $O(n^2)$ .*

## Proof.

$$L(j) = 1 + \max\{L(i) : (i, j) \in E\}.$$



## Problem

*Why not using recursion? For example,*

$$L(j) = 1 + \max\{L(1), L(2), \dots, L(j-1)\}.$$

## Solution

*Bottom-up versus (top-down + divide-and-conquer).*

# Edit Distance

Edit distance. [Levenshtein 1966, Needleman-Wunsch 1970]

- Gap penalty  $\delta$ ; mismatch penalty  $\alpha_{pq}$ .
- Cost = sum of gap and mismatch penalties.

C T G A C C T A C C T

C C T G A C T A C A T

$$\alpha_{TC} + \alpha_{GT} + \alpha_{AG} + 2\alpha_{CA}$$

- C T G A C C T A C C T

C C T G A C - T A C A T

$$2\delta + \alpha_{CA}$$

from Wayne's slides on "Algorithm Design"

## Problem

*If we use the brute-force method, how many alignments do we have?*

## Solution

?

# Edit Distance

- 1 **Goal.** Given two strings  $X = x_1x_2 \dots x_m$  and  $Y = y_1y_2 \dots y_n$ , find alignment of minimum cost. Call this problem  $E(m, n)$ .
- 2 **Subproblem  $E(i, j)$ .**  
Define  $\text{diff}(i, j) = 0$  if  $x[i] = y[j]$  and  $\text{diff}(i, j) = 1$  otherwise

$$E(i, j) = \min\{1 + E(i - 1, j), 1 + E(i, j - 1), \text{diff}(i, j) + E(i - 1, j - 1)\}$$

```
function edit-distance(X, Y)
```

```
  for i = 0, 1, 2, ... m
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    E(i, 0) = i;
```

```
  for j = 1, 2, ... n
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```
    E(0, j) = j;
```

```
  for i = 1, 2, ... m
```

```
    for j = 1, 2, ... n
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      E(i, j) = min { E(i - 1, j) + 1, E(i, j - 1) + 1,  
                    E(i - 1, j - 1) + diff(i, j) };
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  return E(m, n);
```

# Edit Distance

**Figure 6.4** (a) The table of subproblems. Entries  $E(i - 1, j - 1)$ ,  $E(i - 1, j)$ , and  $E(i, j - 1)$  are needed to fill in  $E(i, j)$ . (b) The final table of values found by dynamic programming.

(a)

			$j - 1$	$j$			$n$	
$i - 1$								
$i$								
$m$								GOAL

(b)

		P	O	L	Y	N	O	M	I	A	L
E	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
X	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
P	2	2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
O	3	2	3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
N	4	3	2	3	4	5	5	6	7	8	9
E	5	4	3	3	4	4	5	6	7	8	9
N	6	5	4	4	4	5	5	6	7	8	9
T	7	6	5	5	5	4	5	6	7	8	9
I	8	7	6	6	6	5	5	6	7	8	9
A	9	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	7	8
L	10	9	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	6	7
	11	10	9	8	9	8	8	8	8	7	6

## Theorem

edit-distance runs in time  $O(m \cdot n)$



# The Underlying DAG

## Remark

*Every dynamic program has an underlying DAG structure: Think of each node as representing a subproblem, and each edge as a precedence constraint on the order in which the subproblems can be tackled.*

*Having nodes  $u_1, \dots, u_k$  point to  $v$  means “subproblem  $v$  can only be solved once the answers to  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  are known”.*

## Remark

*Finding the **right subproblems** takes creativity and experimentation.*

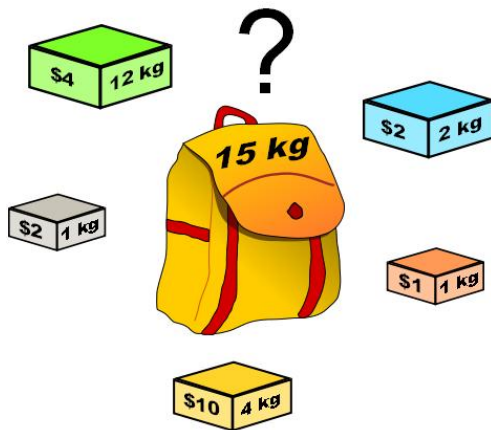
# Solving Problems Using Dynamic Programming Approach

- 1 What is a **subproblem**?  
Can you define it clearly?
- 2 What is the **relation** between a smaller-size subproblem and a larger-size subproblem?  
Can we get the solution of the larger one from the smaller one?  
What is the dependency between them?  
What is the **"DAG"**?  
Is there a relationship between the optimality of a smaller subproblem and a larger subproblem?
- 3 How to **solve this problem**?  
What is the running-time complexity?

# Knapsack

## Knapsack Problem

Given  $n$  objects, each object  $i$  has weight  $w_i$  and value  $v_i$ , and a knapsack of capacity  $W$ , find most valuable items that fit into the knapsack



[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Knapsack\\_problem](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Knapsack_problem)

# Knapsack Problem

**Subproblem:**

$K(w, j)$  = maximum value achievable using a knapsack of capacity  $w$  and items  $1, 2, \dots, j$

**Goal:**  $K(W, n)$

```
function knap-sack(W, S)
```

```
    Initialize all  $K(0, j) = 0$  and all  $K(w, 0) = 0$ ;
```

```
    for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
```

```
        for  $w = 1$  to  $W$ 
```

```
            if ( $w_j > w$ )
```

```
                 $K(w, j) = K(w, j - 1)$ ;
```

```
            else
```

```
                 $K(w, j) = \max\{K(w, j - 1), K(w - w_j, j - 1) + v_j\}$ ;
```

```
    return  $K(W, n)$ ;
```

# Knapsack Algorithm

←————— W + 1 —————→

		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
n + 1	ϕ	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

OPT: { 4, 3 }  
value = 22 + 18 = 40

W = 11

Item	Value	Weight
1	1	1
2	6	2
3	18	5
4	22	6
5	28	7

# Traveling Salesman Problems

## Definition

(TSP). Start from his hometown, suitcase in hand, he will conduct a journey in which each of his target cities is **visited exactly once** before he returned home. Given the pairwise distance between cities, what is the best order in which to visit them, so as to **minimize the overall distance** traveled?

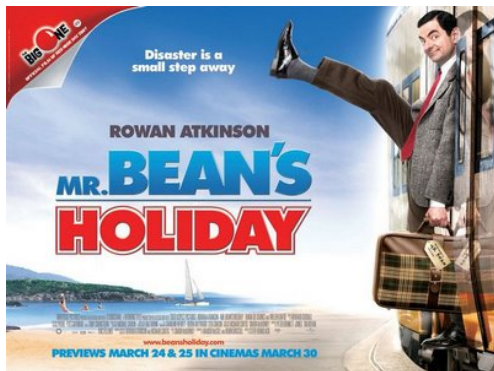


Figure:

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## Subproblem.

Let  $C(S, j)$  be the length of the shortest path visiting each node in  $S$  exactly once, starting at 1 and ending at  $j$ .

## Relation.

$$C(S, j) = \min_{i \in S, i \neq j} C(S - \{j\}, i) + d_{ij}.$$

$$C(\{1\}, 1) = 0$$

for  $s = 2$  to  $n$ :

for all subsets  $S \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  of size  $s$  and containing 1:

$$C(S, 1) = \infty$$

for all  $j \in S, j \neq 1$ :

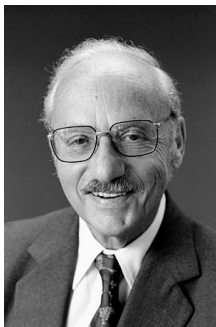
$$C(S, j) = \min\{C(S - \{j\}, i) + d_{ij} : i \in S, i \neq j\}$$

return  $\min_j C(\{1, \dots, n\}, j) + d_{j1}$

There are at most  $2^n \cdot n$  subproblems, and each one takes linear time to solve. The total running time is therefore  $O(n^2 2^n)$ .

# One of the Top 10 Algorithms in the 20th Century!

- 1 Formulate a problem using a linear program (Section 7.1)
- 2 Solve a linear program using the simplex algorithm (Section 7.6)
- 3 Applications: flows in networks; bipartite matching; zero-sum games (Sections 7.2 - 7.5)



**Figure:** Father of Linear Programming and Simplex Algorithm: George Dantzig (1914 - 2005)



# Warm Up

## Definition

**Linear programming** deals with **satisfiability** and **optimization** problems for **linear constraints**.

## Definition

A **linear constraint** is a relation of the form

$$a_1 \cdot x_1 + \dots + a_n \cdot x_n = b,$$

or

$$a_1 \cdot x_1 + \dots + a_n \cdot x_n \leq b \text{ or } a_1 \cdot x_1 + \dots + a_n \cdot x_n \geq b,$$

where the  $a_i$  and  $b$  are constants and the  $x_i$  are the unknown variables.

## Definition

**Satisfiability:** Given a set of linear constraints, is there a value  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  that **satisfies them all**?

## Definition

**Optimization:** Given a set of linear constraints, assuming there is a value  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  that **satisfies them all**, find one which **maximizes (or minimizes)**

$$c_1 \cdot x_1 + \dots + c_n \cdot x_n.$$

# A Toy Example without Necessity of Calculation – from Eric Schost's

Slides

## Problem

You are allowed to share your time between two companies

- 1 company  $C_1$  pays 1 dollar per hour;
- 2 company  $C_2$  pays 10 dollars per hour.

Knowing that you can only work up to 8 hours per day, what schedule should you go for?

Of course, work full-time at company  $C_2$ .

- 1 **Linear formulation:**  
 $x_1$  is the time spent at  $C_1$  and  $x_2$  the time spent at  $C_2$ .

- 2 **Constraints:**

$$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, x_1 + x_2 \leq 8.$$

- 3 **Objective function:**

$$\max x_1 + 10 \cdot x_2.$$

- 4 **Solution:**

$$x_1 = 0, x_2 = 8.$$

# Another Example With Geometrical Solution

## Problem

Two products are produced: *A* and *B*. Per day, we make  $x_1$  of *A* with a profit of 1 each, we make  $x_2$  of *B* with profit 6.

$x_1 \leq 200$  and  $x_2 \leq 300$ , and the total *A* and *B* is no more than 400. What is the best choice of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  at maximizing the profit?

$$\text{Objective: } \max \quad x_1 + 6 \cdot x_2$$

$$\text{Subject to: } \quad x_1 \leq 200$$

$$x_2 \leq 300$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 400$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

## Definition

The points that satisfy a single inequality are in a **half-space**.

## Definition

The points that satisfy several inequalities are in the intersection of half-spaces. The intersection of (finitely many) half-spaces is a **convex polygon (2D)** — the **feasible region**.

# Any Algorithmic Observation?

## Definition

An extreme point  $p$  is impossible to be expressed as a convex combination of two other distinct points in the convex polygon.

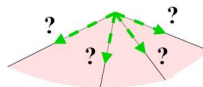
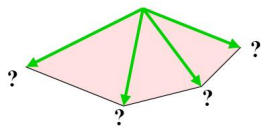
## Theorem

*The optimal solution, if it exists, is at some **extreme point**  $p$ .*

- 1 A naive algorithm (expensive!):
  - 1 List all the possible vertices.
  - 2 Find the optimal vertex (the one with the maximal value of the objective function).
  - 3 Try to figure out whether it is a global maximum.
- 2 Our approach (the simplex algorithm):
  - 1 Start at some **extreme point**.
  - 2 Pivot from one extreme point to a neighboring one.
  - 3 Repeat until optimal.

# The Simplex Algorithm — Sketch

- 1 Start at some **extreme point**  $v_1$ .
- 2 Pivot from one extreme point  $v_1$  to a neighboring one  $v_2$ .



- 1  $v_2$  should increase the value of the objective function.
- 2 Several strategies are available to select  $v_1$ .
- 3 **Repeat until optimal** — reach a vertex where no improvement is possible.

Correctness?

Complexity analysis?

# The Simplex Algorithm

Consider a generic LP

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \vec{c}^T \vec{x} \\ \mathbf{A} \vec{x} \leq & \vec{b} \\ \vec{x} \geq & 0 \end{aligned}$$

One each iteration, simplex has two tasks:

- 1 Check whether the current vertex is optimal (and if so, halt).
- 2 Determine where to move next.
  - 1 Move from the origin by increasing some  $x_i$  for which  $c_i > 0$ . *Until we hit some other constraint.*

That is, we release the tight constraint  $x_i \geq 0$  and increase  $x_i$  until some other inequality, previously loose, now become tight. At that point, we are at a new vertex.

## Remark

*Both tasks are easy if the vertex happens to be at the origin. That is, if the vertex is elsewhere, we will transform the coordinate system to move it to the origin.*

## Theorem

*The objective is optimal when the coordinates of the local cost vector are all zero or negatives.*

# Simplex in Action

Initial LP:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 2x_1 + 5x_2 \\ 2x_1 - x_2 & \leq 4 & \textcircled{1} \\ x_1 + 2x_2 & \leq 9 & \textcircled{2} \\ -x_1 + x_2 & \leq 3 & \textcircled{3} \\ x_1 & \geq 0 & \textcircled{4} \\ x_2 & \geq 0 & \textcircled{5} \end{aligned}$$

Current vertex:  $\{\textcircled{4}, \textcircled{5}\}$  (origin).

Objective value: 0.

Move: increase  $x_2$ .

$\textcircled{5}$  is released,  $\textcircled{3}$  becomes tight. Stop at  $x_2 = 3$ .

New vertex  $\{\textcircled{4}, \textcircled{3}\}$  has local coordinates  $(y_1, y_2)$ :

$$y_1 = x_1, \quad y_2 = 3 + x_1 - x_2$$

Rewritten LP:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 15 + 7y_1 - 5y_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 & \leq 7 & \textcircled{1} \\ 3y_1 - 2y_2 & \leq 3 & \textcircled{2} \\ y_2 & \geq 0 & \textcircled{3} \\ y_1 & \geq 0 & \textcircled{4} \\ -y_1 + y_2 & \leq 3 & \textcircled{5} \end{aligned}$$

Current vertex:  $\{\textcircled{4}, \textcircled{3}\}$ .

Objective value: 15.

Move: increase  $y_1$ .

$\textcircled{4}$  is released,  $\textcircled{2}$  becomes tight. Stop at  $y_1 = 1$ .

New vertex  $\{\textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3}\}$  has local coordinates  $(z_1, z_2)$ :

$$z_1 = 3 - 3y_1 + 2y_2, \quad z_2 = y_2$$

Rewritten LP:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 15 + 7y_1 - 5y_2 \\ & y_1 + y_2 \leq 7 \quad \textcircled{1} \\ & 3y_1 - 2y_2 \leq 3 \quad \textcircled{2} \\ & y_2 \geq 0 \quad \textcircled{3} \\ & y_1 \geq 0 \quad \textcircled{4} \\ & -y_1 + y_2 \leq 3 \quad \textcircled{5} \end{aligned}$$

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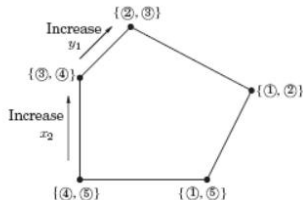
$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 22 - \frac{7}{3}z_1 - \frac{1}{3}z_2 \\ & -\frac{1}{3}z_1 + \frac{5}{3}z_2 \leq 6 \quad \textcircled{1} \\ & z_1 \geq 0 \quad \textcircled{2} \\ & z_2 \geq 0 \quad \textcircled{3} \\ & \frac{1}{3}z_1 - \frac{2}{3}z_2 \leq 1 \quad \textcircled{4} \\ & \frac{1}{3}z_1 + \frac{1}{3}z_2 \leq 4 \quad \textcircled{5} \end{aligned}$$

Current vertex:  $\{\textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3}\}$ .

Objective value: 22.

Optimal: all  $c_i < 0$ .

Solve  $\textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3}$  (in original LP) to get optimal solution  $(x_1, x_2) = (1, 4)$ .



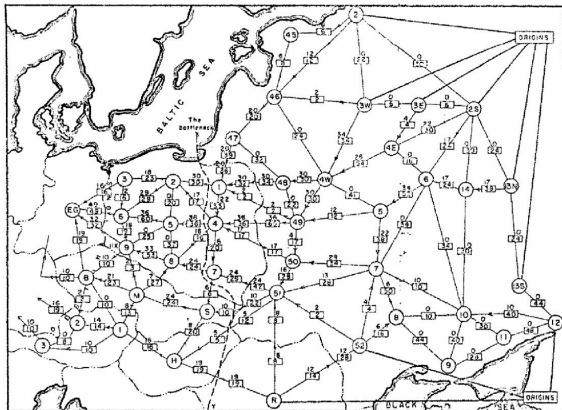


# Complexity of the Simplex

- 1 **Worst case.**  
One can construct examples where the simplex algorithm visits all vertices (which can be exponential in the dimension and the number of constraints).
- 2 **Most cases.**  
The simplex algorithm works very well.

# Flows in Networks

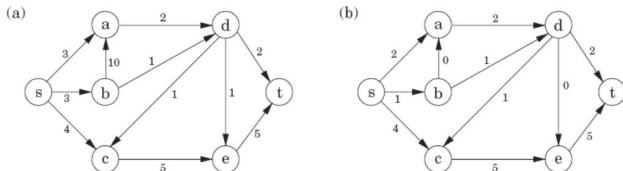
## Soviet Rail Network, 1955



Reference: *On the history of the transportation and maximum flow problems.*  
Alexander Schrijver in *Math Programming*, 91: 3, 2002.

# Flows in Networks

Figure 7.4 (a) A network with edge capacities. (b) A flow in the network.



## Definition

Consider a directed graph  $G = (V, E)$ ; two specific nodes  $s, t \in V$ .  $s$  is the *source* and  $t$  is the *sink*. The *capacity*  $c_e > 0$  of an edge  $e$ .

## Definition

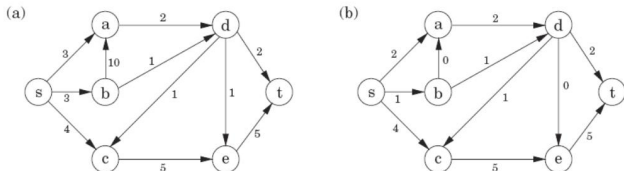
**Flow.** A particular shipping scheme consisting a variable  $f_e$  for each edge  $e$  of the network, satisfying the following two properties:

- 1  $0 \leq f_e \leq c_e, \forall e \in E$ .
- 2 For all nodes  $u \neq s, t$ , the amount of flow entering  $u$  equals the amount leaving  $u$  (i.e., flows are conservative):

$$\sum_{(w,u) \in E} f_{wu} = \sum_{(u,z) \in E} f_{uz}.$$

# Flows in Networks

Figure 7.4 (a) A network with edge capacities. (b) A flow in the network.



## Definition

**Size of a flow.** The total quantity sent from  $s$  to  $t$ , i.e., the quantity leaving  $s$ :

$$\text{size}(f) := \sum_{(s,u) \in E} f_{su}.$$

$$\max \text{size}(f) := \sum_{(s,u) \in E} f_{su}$$

subject to

$$0 \leq f_e \leq c_e, \quad \forall e \in E$$

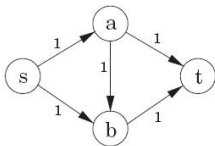
$$\sum_{(w,u) \in E} f_{wu} = \sum_{(u,z) \in E} f_{uz}, \quad u \neq s, t$$

# Using the Interpretation of the Simplex Algorithm

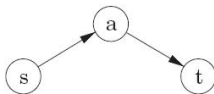
- 1 Start with a zero flow.
- 2 Repeat: Choose an appropriate path from  $s$  to  $t$ , and increase flow along the edges of this path as much as possible.

**Figure 7.5** An illustration of the max-flow algorithm. (a) A toy network. (b) The first path chosen. (c) The second path chosen. (d) The final flow. (e) We could have chosen this path first. (f) In which case, we would have to allow this second path.

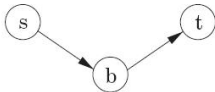
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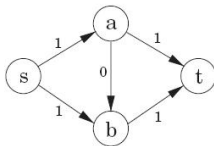
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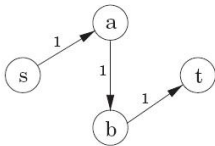
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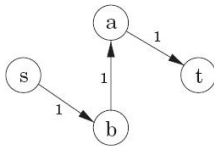
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(e)



(f)



# Using the Interpretation of the Simplex Algorithm

- 1 Start with a zero flow.
- 2 Repeat: Choose an appropriate path from  $s$  to  $t$ , and increase flow along the edges of this path as much as possible. In each iteration, the simplex looks for an  $s - t$  path whose edge  $(u, v)$  can be of two types:
  - 1  $(u, v)$  is in the original network, and is not yet at full capacity. If  $f$  is the current flow, edge  $(u, v)$  can handle up to  $c_{uv} - f_{uv}$  additional units of flow.
  - 2 The reverse edge  $(v, u)$  is in the original network, and there is some flow along it. Up to  $f_{vu}$  additional units (i.e., canceling all or part of the existing flow on  $(v, u)$ ).

## Definition

**Residual network**  $G^f = (V, E^f)$ .  $G^f$  has exactly the two types of edges listed, with residual capacity  $c^f$ :

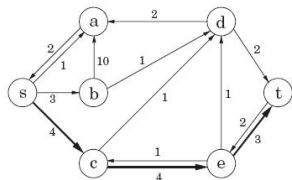
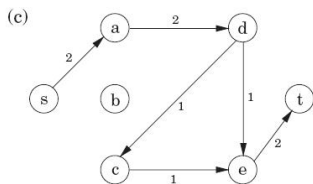
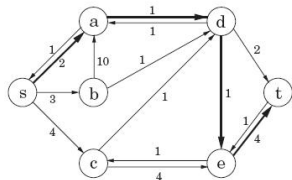
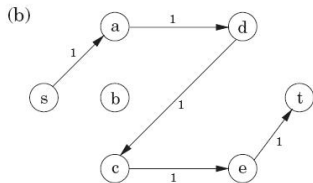
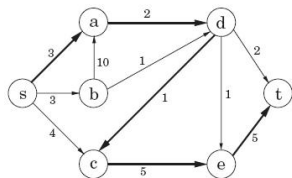
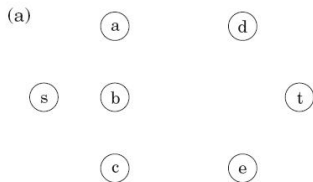
$$c^f := \begin{cases} c_{uv} - f_{uv}, & \text{if } (u, v) \in E \text{ and } f_{uv} < c_{uv} \\ f_{vu}, & \text{if } (v, u) \in E \text{ and } f_{vu} > 0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

## Definition

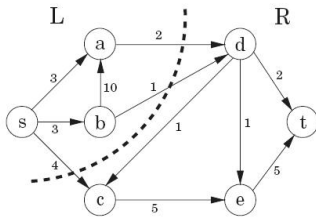
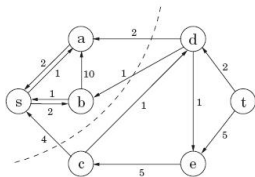
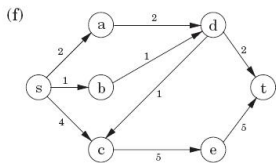
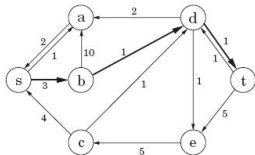
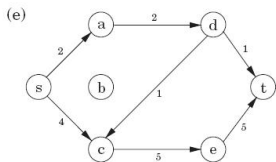
**Augmenting path.** An augmenting path  $p$  is a simple path from  $s$  to  $t$  in the residual network  $G^f$ .

### Current flow

### Residual graph







# Flows in Networks

## Definition

**Cuts.** A  $s - t$  cut partitions the vertices into two disjoint groups  $L$  and  $R$  such that  $s \in L$  and  $t \in R$ . Its *capacity* is the total capacity of the edges from  $L$  to  $R$ , and it is an upper bound on *any* flow from  $s$  to  $t$ .

## Theorem

**Max-flow min-cut theorem.** *The size of the maximum flow in a network equals the capacity of the smallest  $(s, t)$ -cut.*

## Proof.

? □

## Theorem

*The running time of the augmentation-flow algorithm is  $O(|V| \cdot |E|^2)$  over an integer-value graph.*

## Proof.

? □

## Chapter 8: Overview

Hard problems (**NP**-complete)

Easy problems (in **P**)

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3SAT

TRAVELING SALESMAN PROBLEM

LONGEST PATH

3D MATCHING

KNAPSACK

INDEPENDENT SET

INTEGER LINEAR PROGRAMMING

RUDRATA PATH

BALANCED CUT

2SAT, HORN SAT

MINIMUM SPANNING TREE

SHORTEST PATH

BIPARTITE MATCHING

UNARY KNAPSACK

INDEPENDENT SET on trees

LINEAR PROGRAMMING

EULER PATH

MINIMUM CUT

# Some Typical Hard Problems

- 1 Satisfiability
- 2 Traveling Salesman Problem
- 3 Independent Set, Vertex Cover, and Cliques
- 4 Knapsack and Subset Sum

# Satisfiability — SAT

## Definition

**Literal:** a Boolean variable  $x$  or  $\bar{x}$

## Definition

**Disjunction:** logical *or*, denoted  $\vee$

## Definition

**Clause:** e.g., Boolean formula in conjunctive normal form (CNF)

$$(x \wedge y \wedge z)(x \wedge \bar{y})(y \wedge \bar{z})(z \wedge \bar{x})(\bar{x} \wedge \bar{y} \wedge \bar{z})$$

## Definition

**Satisfying truth assignment.** An assignment of false or true to each variable so that every clause it to evaluate is true

## Lemma

*For formulas with  $n$  variables, we can find the answer in time  $2^n$ . In a particular case, such assignment may not exist.*

## Proof.

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# Satisfiability — SAT

## Definition

**Literal:** a Boolean variable  $x$  or  $\bar{x}$

## Definition

**Disjunction:** logical *or*, denoted  $\vee$

## Definition

**Clause:** e.g., Boolean formula in conjunctive normal form (CNF)

$$(x \wedge y \wedge z)(x \wedge \bar{y})(y \wedge \bar{z})(z \wedge \bar{x})(\bar{x} \wedge \bar{y} \wedge \bar{z})$$

## Definition

**Satisfying truth assignment.** An assignment of false or true to each variable so that every clause it to evaluate is true

## Lemma

*In a particular case — Horn formula, a satisfying truth assignment, if one exists, can be found by (?) in polynomial time*

## Lemma

*In a particular case (each clause has only two literals), SAT can be solved in polynomial time (linear, quadratic, etc?) by (?) algorithm*

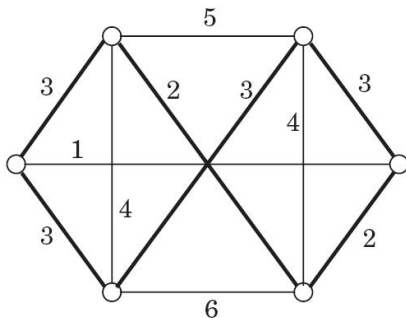
# The Traveling Salesman Problem — TSP

## Definition

**TSP.** We are given  $n$  vertices  $1, 2, \dots, n$  and all  $(n \cdot (n - 1))/2$  distances between them, as well as a budget  $b$ . We are asked to find a *tour*, a cycle that passes through every vertex exactly once, of total cost  $b$  or less — or to report that no such tour exists

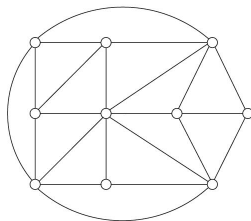
$$d_{\tau(1),\tau(2)} + d_{\tau(2),\tau(3)} + \dots + d_{\tau(n),\tau(1)} \leq b$$

The optimal traveling salesman tour, shown in bold, has length 18



# Independent Set, Vertex Cover, and Clique

What is the size of the largest independent set in this graph?



## Definition

**Independent Set.** Find  $g$  vertices that are independent, i.e., no two of them have an edge between them

## Definition

**Vertex Cover.** Find  $b$  vertices that cover every edge

## Definition

**Clique.** Find a set of  $g$  vertices such that all possible edges between them are present

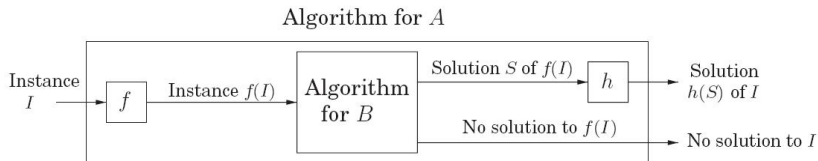


# Reduction

## Definition

Problem  $A$  polynomial reduces to problem  $B$  if arbitrary instances of problem  $A$  can be solved using

- 1 Polynomial number of standard computational steps, plus
- 2 Polynomial number of calls to oracle that solves problem  $B$



# P, NP and NP-Complete

## Definition

**Search problems.** Any proposed solution can be quickly (in polynomial time of the input size) checked for correctness

## Definition

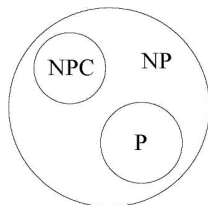
**P.** The class of all search problems that can be solved in polynomial time

## Definition

**NP.** The class of all search problems

## Definition

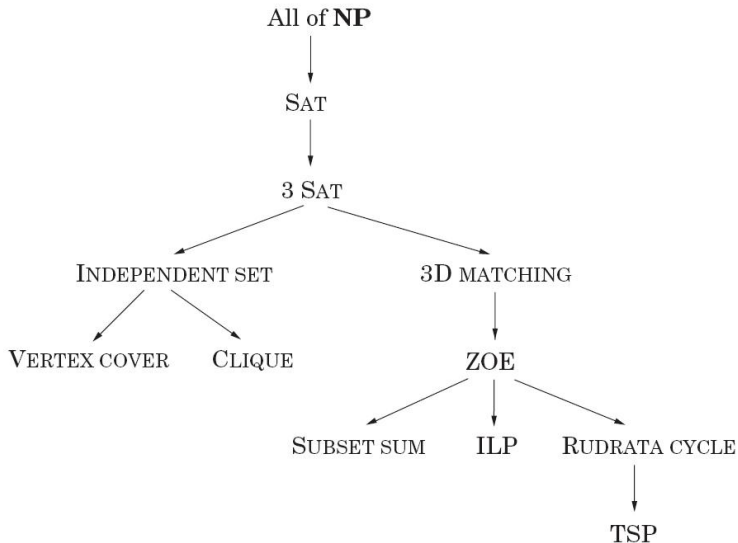
**NP-complete.** A problem is NP-complete if all other search problems reduce to it. (A hardest search NP problem.)



# Reduction

Figure 8.7 Reductions between search problems.

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# 3SAT $\rightarrow$ Independent Set

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$$(\bar{x} \vee y \vee \bar{z})(x \vee \bar{y} \vee z)(x \vee y \wedge z)(\bar{x} \vee \bar{y})$$

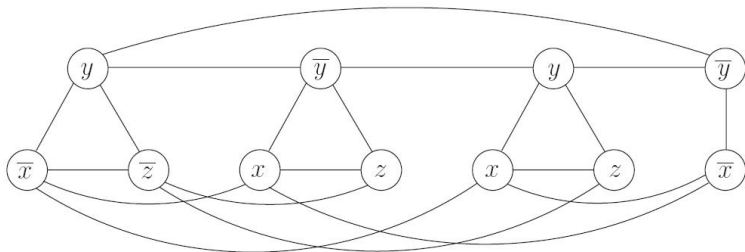
# 3SAT $\rightarrow$ Independent Set

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$$(\bar{x} \vee y \vee \bar{z})(x \vee \bar{y} \vee z)(x \vee y \wedge z)(\bar{x} \vee \bar{y})$$

2

**Figure 8.8** The graph corresponding to  $(\bar{x} \vee y \vee \bar{z}) (x \vee \bar{y} \vee z) (x \vee y \vee z) (\bar{x} \vee \bar{y})$

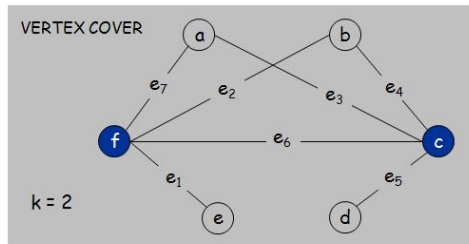


# SAT $\rightarrow$ 3SAT

$$(a_1 \vee a_2 \vee \dots \vee a_k) \rightarrow (a_1 \vee a_2 \vee y_1)(\bar{y}_1 \vee a_3 \vee y_2)(\bar{y}_2 \vee a_4 \vee y_3) \cdots (\bar{y}_{k-3} \vee a_{k-1} \vee a_k)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (a_1 \vee a_2 \vee \dots \vee a_k) \\ \text{is satisfied} \end{array} \right\} \iff \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{there is a setting of the } y_i \text{'s for which} \\ (a_1 \vee a_2 \vee y_1) (\bar{y}_1 \vee a_3 \vee y_2) \cdots (\bar{y}_{k-3} \vee a_{k-1} \vee a_k) \\ \text{are all satisfied} \end{array} \right\}$$

# Set Cover $\rightarrow$ Vertex Cover



## SET COVER

$$U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$$

$$k = 2$$

$$S_a = \{3, 7\}$$

$$S_b = \{2, 4\}$$

$$S_c = \{3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$S_d = \{5\}$$

$$S_e = \{1\}$$

$$S_f = \{1, 2, 6, 7\}$$

from Wayne's slides on "Algorithm Design"



# Beyond NP-hard

## Theorem

*Any problem in NP  $\rightarrow$  SAT*

## Proof.

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## Theorem

*There exists algorithms running in exponential time for NP problems*

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function paradox(z: file)
    1: if terminates(z, z)
        go to 1;
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## Theorem

*Some problems do not have algorithms*

For example, find out  $x, y, z$  to satisfy

$$x^3yz + 2y^4z^2 - 7xy^5z = 6.$$