

# INTRODUCTION

- Greedy Algorithms
- Median Finding Alg
  - Split into buckets of 5
  - Pivot at median of the  $\frac{n}{5}$  medians
  - Recurse on either left/right $T(n) = T(\frac{1}{5}n) + T(\frac{7}{10}n) + O(n) = O(n)$
- Karatsuba's Alg ( $O(n^{\log_2 3})$ )
 
$$(10^{n/2}A + B)(10^{n/2}C + D)$$

$$= 10^n(AC) + 10^{n/2}[(A+B)(C+D) - AC - BD] + BD$$

# TOOLKIT / PROBABILITY

- Master Thm:  $T(n) = aT(\frac{n}{b}) + f(n)$   
 $\sim f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$ :  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$   
 $\sim f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \lg^k n)$ :  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \lg^{k+1} n)$   
 $\sim f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$  &  $a f(\frac{n}{b}) \leq c f(n)$ :  $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$
- Chernoff: For  $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, \frac{1}{n})$ :  
 $\Pr(X \geq (1+\beta)\mu) \leq \left[ \frac{e^\beta}{(1+\beta)^{1+\beta}} \right]^\mu \leq \begin{cases} e^{-\beta^2 \mu / 3}, & \beta \leq 1 \\ e^{-\beta \mu / 3}, & \beta \geq 1 \end{cases}$   
 $\Pr(X \leq (1-\beta)\mu) \leq \left[ \frac{e^{-\beta}}{(1-\beta)^{1-\beta}} \right]^\mu \leq e^{-\beta^2 \mu / 2}, \beta < 1$
- Union Bound:  $\Pr(\cup E_i) \leq \sum \Pr(E_i)$
- Markov Ineq:  $\Pr(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E(X)}{a}$  ( $X \geq 0$ )
- Chebyshev Ineq:  $\Pr(|X - \mu| \geq a) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{a^2}$

# RANDOMIZED

- Quick-Sort Alg
  - Pick random pivot, divide into L&R.
  - Quick-sort L and R. Return (L, p, R).
 Runtime:  $O(n \log n)$  w/ prob  $1 - \frac{1}{n}$ .  
 Proof Define 'good' pivot if  $\frac{n}{4} \leq \text{rank} \leq \frac{3}{4}n$ .  
 $\Pr(\geq 0.6L \text{ bad pivots for subproblems including } k) \leq e^{-L/150}$  (Chernoff). Pick  $L = 300 \ln(n)$ . Bound.
- Binary Matrix Product Check  
 $AB \neq C \Rightarrow AB\vec{v} \neq C\vec{v}$  w/ prob  $\geq \frac{1}{2}$ .  
 Proof Let  $AB\vec{n} \neq C\vec{n}$ . For any  $AB\vec{x} = C\vec{x}$  we have  $AB(\vec{n} + \vec{x}) \neq C(\vec{n} + \vec{x})$ . Injectivity!

# AMORTIZED & COMPETITIVE

- ~ Aggregate (eg. sum over each item)
- ~ Accounting (give initial 'budget')
- ~ Potential function  $\Phi$
- $\Phi_n \geq \Phi_0 (\forall n)$ .  $\hat{C}_i = C_i + \Delta \Phi_i$
- Union-Find  $\rightarrow$  Path-compression, Union-by-rank/size  
 ~ MakeSet, FindSet, Union  
 $\Theta(\log n)_{am} \rightarrow \Theta(\alpha(n))_{am} \leftarrow \Theta(\log n)_{am}$
- $\alpha$ -Competitiveness  
 $\text{cost}(A) \leq \alpha \cdot \text{cost}(OPT) + k$

# HASHING / DICTIONARIES

	space	ins/del	Search
Soln.Zero	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(n)$
Dir.Address	$O(U)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
Chaining	$O(m+n)$	$O(1)$	$O(1+d)_{avg}$
Ch+Resizing	$O(n)$	$O(1)_{am}$	$O(1)_{avg}$
Open Addr.	$O(m)$	$O(\frac{1}{1-\alpha})_{avg}$	$O(\frac{1}{1-\alpha})_{avg}$
D.A+Resizing	$O(n)$	$O(1)_{am, avg}$	$O(1)_{avg}$
Cuckoo	$O(n)$	$O(1)_{am, avg}$	$O(1)$
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- Uniform Hash Family  $\mathcal{H}$ :  
 $\Pr_{h \in \mathcal{H}} [h(k) = i] = \frac{1}{m} \quad \forall k \in U, i \in M.$
- Universal Hash Family  $\mathcal{H}$ :  
 $\Pr_{h \in \mathcal{H}} [h(k_1) = h(k_2)] \leq \frac{1}{m} \quad \forall k_1 \neq k_2 \in U.$
- Building Universal Hash Family  
 $m$  prime. Write all  $k \in U$  as  $r = \log_m U$  digits in base  $m$ . Then  $\{h_{\vec{a}}(k) = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{k} \mid \vec{a} \in M^r\}$  is universal.

- Open Addressing  
 $h: U \times M \rightarrow M$  (probe seq: perm.)  
 with uniform (perm) hashing assm.
- Static Dictionary  
 Want no collisions  
Birthday Lemma: If  $m \geq n^2$  w/ universal family,  $\Pr(\text{collision}) < 0.5$ .  
 $\hookrightarrow$  2-Level Hashing: ( $O(n)_{avg}$  time)  
 (1) Hash once. Let  $n_i = \#$  keys mapped to  $i$ . If  $\sum n_i^2 > 4n$ , resample. ( $\Pr < \frac{1}{2}$ )  
 (2) For each  $i \in M$ , hash to  $\{0, \dots, m_i - 1\}$  where  $m_i = \Theta(n_i^2)$ . If collide, resample.

- 2-Way Chaining  
 $\rightarrow$  Two oracles used  
 $\rightarrow$  Put key in the less full bin.  
 $E(\text{largest bin size}) = O(\lg \lg n) \gg O(\frac{\lg n}{\lg \lg n})$
- Cuckoo Hashing  
 $\rightarrow$  Two oracles used  
 $\rightarrow$  Kick existing key to other choice during collision.  
 $\rightarrow$  Cuckoo Graph:  $V = M; E = \frac{2}{n}$  choices for key.

# MINIMUM SPANNING TREES

- MST  
 Cut Prop: Lightest edge of any "cut" ( $\neq \emptyset$ ) is in MST.  
 Cycle Prop: Heaviest edge of any cycle is not in MST.  
 Uniqueness: Weights distinct  $\Rightarrow$  Unique MST

- Kruskal's Alg
  - Sort edges by weight
  - Insert edges if safe starting from lightest (use Union-Find)
 Runtime:  $O(m \lg m) + O(m \alpha(n))$
- Prim's Alg ( $\sim$  Dijkstra)  
 $\rightarrow$  Grow single tree starting from lightest (use priority Q for unconnected nodes, update connectedness when popping)  
 Runtime:  $O(n \lg n + m)$  with Fibonacci Heap Priority Queue

# MAX-FLOW MIN-CUT

- Flow Network  
 $G = (V, E, s, t, c: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0})$
- Residual Network  
 $G_f = (V, E_f, s, t, C_f)$  where  $C_f(e) = c(e) - f(e)$  and  $E_f = \{e: C_f(e) > 0\}$ .

Flow Decomposition Thm

Flow  $\rightarrow$  Flow cycles  
 $\rightarrow$  s-t Flow paths.

Max Flow - MinCut Thm

- (a)  $\exists$  cut:  $c(S) = f(S) \in |f|$
  - (b)  $f$  is a maxflow
  - (c) No s-t paths in  $G_f$
- } Equiv

Ford-Fulkerson Alg

Keep pushing flow if  $\exists$  s-t in  $G_f$   $\rightarrow$  DFS  
 $O(mf) = O(mnc)$  (pseudo-poly)

Max Bottleneck Path Alg

Push flow with greatest bottleneck during Ford-Fulkerson  
 $O(m^2 \lg n \lg \lg c)$  (weakly-poly)

Edmonds-Karp Alg

Find s-t in  $G_f$  via BFS during FF.  
 $O(m^2 n)$  (strongly-poly)

**LINEAR PROGRAMS**

Linear Program Duality

$$\begin{array}{l} \max \vec{c}^T \vec{x} \\ A\vec{x} \leq \vec{b} \\ \vec{x} \geq 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \min \vec{b}^T \vec{y} \\ A^T \vec{y} \geq \vec{c} \\ \vec{y} \geq 0 \end{array}$$

Strong Duality

$$\vec{c}^T \vec{x} \leq \vec{c}^T \vec{x}^* = \vec{b}^T \vec{y}^* \leq \vec{b}^T \vec{y}$$

Complementary Slackness

$$x_i^* ((A_i)^T \vec{y}^* - c_i) = 0 \quad \forall i$$

**INTRACTABILITY**

Verifier for NP

$V_\pi(x, y)$  ( $|y| \leq |x|^c$ )  $\left( \begin{array}{l} x = \text{instance} \\ y = \text{certificate} \end{array} \right)$   
 $\rightarrow$  Runs in  $O((|x|+|y|)^c)$  time.  
 $\rightarrow \pi(x) = \text{YES}$  if and only if  $\exists |y| \leq |x|^c : V_\pi(x, y) = \text{YES}$ .

EXP = {solvable in  $2^{\text{poly}(n)}$  time}

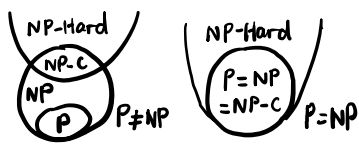
$Q \leq_p \pi$  (Q reduces to  $\pi$ )

if there is a poly reduction alg  
 YES-instances of Q  $\mapsto$  of  $\pi$   
 NO-instances of Q  $\mapsto$  of  $\pi$ .

NP-Hard:  $Q \leq_p \pi \quad \forall Q \in \text{NP}$

NP-Complete:  $\text{NP-Hard} \cap \text{NP}$ .

3-SAT, VC, Clique, 3-color, Subset-Sum, Knapsack, 3-NAE-SAT, IP, ... are NP-Complete



CoNP: Verifier for NO-instances



**APPROXIMATIONS**

$\alpha$ -approximation ( $\alpha \geq 1$ ):

$$\frac{\text{OPT}(P)}{A(P)} \leq \alpha \quad (\text{maximization})$$

$$\frac{A(P)}{\text{OPT}(P)} \leq \alpha \quad (\text{minimization})$$

Approx. Scheme: Alg  $S(P, \epsilon)$  which is  $(1+\epsilon)$ -approx for all  $\epsilon > 0$ .

**MULTIPLICATIVE WEIGHTS**

Online Alg

- (1) Learner picks distribution  $P_t$
- (2) Adversary picks costs  $C_t$
- (3) Learner picks action (via  $P_t$ )
- (4) Learner incurs cost, and learns all  $C_t$ . Repeat.

Expected Loss

$$E(c) = \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{a \in A} P_t(a) c_t(a)$$

Regret  $\frac{1}{T}(E(c) - E(b))$   $\rightarrow$  bench mark

Best actions in hindsight  $= B = \sum_{t=1}^T \min_{a \in A} c_t(a)$

Best fixed action in hs  $= B = \min_{a \in A} \sum_{t=1}^T c_t(a)$

Expert Predictions

$m^{(t)} = c_t = 1$  if mistake else 0.

Weighted Majority

$$m \leq 2(1+\epsilon)m_i + \frac{2 \ln n}{\epsilon}$$

No vanishing regret ( $\geq 1$ )

Multiplicative Weights Update

$$E(M) \leq (1+\epsilon)m_i + \frac{\ln n}{\epsilon}$$

Vanishing regret!

**RANDOM WALKS**

- ~ Stochastic process:  $X = \{X_t : t \in \mathbb{N}\}$
- ~ Markov process: memoryless  $\uparrow$
- ~ Markov chain: Graph repr of  $\int G_x$
- ~ Time-homogenous: Same MC  $\forall t \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- ~ Transition Matrix:  $W_{ij} = \Pr(X_t = j | X_{t-1} = i)$
- ~ Stationary Dist:  $\vec{\pi} = \vec{\pi} W$
- ~ Communicating class: SCC of  $G_x$
- ~ Recurrent class: w/o outdeg
- ~ Transient class: w/ outdeg (Any random walk vanishes here)
- ~ Class period: GCD of cycle len.
- ~ Aperiodic: Period = 1.
- ~ Uniqueness of  $\vec{\pi} \Leftrightarrow 1$  recurrent.
- ~ Convergence  $\Leftrightarrow$  All recurrent aperiodic
- ~ Detailed balance:  $\pi_x W_{xy} = \pi_y W_{yx}$

Metropolis-Hastings

$$W_{xy} = g(y|x) \frac{p_{acc}(y,x)}{p_{acc}(x,y)}, \quad W_{xx} = 1 - \sum_y W_{xy}$$

$$p_{acc}(y,x) = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\bar{v}(y)g(x|y)}{\bar{v}(x)g(y|x)} \right\}$$

# FAST FOURIER TRANSFORM

- FFT (Want  $\bar{w}$ ;  $W_{ij} = \omega_n^{ij}$ )
  - (1) If  $n=1$ , return  $\bar{a}$
  - (2)  $\omega \leftarrow e^{2\pi i/n}$
  - (3)  $y_{\text{even}} \leftarrow \text{FFT}(a_0, a_2, \dots, a_{n-2})$   
 $y_{\text{odd}} \leftarrow \text{FFT}(a_1, a_3, \dots, a_{n-1})$
  - (4) Return  $\bar{y}$  where for  $0 \leq j < \frac{n}{2}$ ,  
 $y_j = y_{\text{even},j} + \omega^j y_{\text{odd},j}$   
 $y_{j+\frac{n}{2}} = y_{\text{even},j} - \omega^j y_{\text{odd},j}$ 

↑ modify

• Inverse FFT:  $W^{-1} = \frac{1}{n} \bar{W}$   
 Runtimes:  $O(n \lg n)$ .

• Convolution  $C_n = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i b_{n-i}$

## SUBLINEAR ALGORITHMS

### Methods for Sublinear

1. Classic Approx: Give  $\alpha$ -approx output
2. Property Testing: YES if true; NO if far from true (w/high prob)

General Alg:

- (1) Repeat  $\_\$  times:  
 If  $\_\$ , return NO.
- (2) Return YES.

### $\epsilon$ -closeness of $G$

Adding  $< \epsilon n \Delta$  edges can make  $G$  connected.

### $\epsilon$ -closeness of $L$

Deleting  $\leq \epsilon n$  items gives a sorted sublist

## SKETCHING

• Streaming Alg: Input is seq only passed once/few times.

• Sketch:  $C(X)$  = compressed input  $X$ .

• Given alg  $A$  with time  $T$  and space  $S$  giving correct expected answer  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\theta}) = \theta$  w/ variance  $\sigma^2$ , *independent of  $\theta$*   
 $\Pr((1+\epsilon)\text{-approx}) \geq 1 - \frac{\sigma^2/\theta^2}{\epsilon^2}$

### Mean of Estimates

$A^m(\epsilon, \delta)$ :  
 (1) Repeat  $A$   $R = \lceil \frac{\sigma^2/\theta^2}{\epsilon^2 \delta} \rceil$  times in parallel.  
 (2) Output  $\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{R}(\hat{\theta}_1 + \dots + \hat{\theta}_R)$   
 $\Pr((1+\epsilon)\text{-approx}) \geq 1 - \delta$   
 Time:  $O(T)$ .  
 Space:  $O(\frac{\sigma^2/\theta^2}{\epsilon^2 \delta} S)$

### Median of Means

$A^{\text{mom}}(\epsilon, \delta)$ :  
 (1) Repeat  $A^m(\epsilon/3)$   $R = \lceil 48 \ln(\frac{1}{\delta}) \rceil$  times in parallel.  
 (2) Output median.  
 $\Pr((1+\epsilon)\text{-approx}) \geq 1 - \delta$   
 Time:  $O(T + \ln(\frac{1}{\delta}))$   
 Space:  $O(\frac{\sigma^2/\theta^2}{\epsilon^2} \ln(\frac{1}{\delta}) S)$ .

### t-Wise Independence

For all distinct  $k_1, \dots, k_t \in \mathcal{U}$  and not necessarily distinct  $i_1, \dots, i_t \in \mathcal{M}$ ,

$$\Pr_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \left[ \bigwedge_{j=1}^t h(k_j) = i_j \right] = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{M}|^t}$$

### Morris' Alg ( $X=1^n, f(X)=n$ )

- (1)  $C(X) \leftarrow 0$ .
- (2) For every 1, increment  $C(X)$  w/ prob  $2^{-C(X)}$ .
- (3) Output  $\hat{f}(X) = 2^{C(X)} - 1$ .  
 Space:  $O(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \lg(\frac{1}{\delta}) \lg(\frac{n}{\epsilon \delta}))$

### FM85 Alg ( $f(X) = \#$ distinct el.)

- (1)  $C(X) \leftarrow 1$ . *→ 2-wise*
- (2)  $C(X) = \min\{C(X), h(x_i)\}$   $\forall i$
- (3) Output  $\hat{f}(X) = \frac{1}{C(X)} - 1$ .  
 $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{d}{d+1}$   
 $\sigma^2 = \frac{d}{(d+1)^2 (d+2)}$

### KMV Alg

- (1) Pick 2-wise  $h: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  where  $|\mathcal{M}| = u^3$ .
- (2)  $C(X) \leftarrow \emptyset$ .  
 $k \leftarrow \lceil 24/\epsilon^2 \rceil$ .
- (3)  $C(X) = \min_k \{C(X) \cup \{h(x_i)\}\} \forall i$ .
- (4) Output  
 $\begin{cases} |C(X)| & \text{if } |C(X)| < k \\ k u^3 / \max C(X) & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$   
 $\Pr((1+\epsilon)\text{-approx}) \geq 2/3$ .

### Jaccard Similarity

$$J(X, Y) = \frac{|X \cap Y|}{|X \cup Y|}$$

### Signature of $A$ under $h$

$$\sigma_h(A) = \min_{a \in A} \{h(a)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr[\sigma_h(A) = \sigma_h(B)] = J(A, B)$$

### Similarity/Near neighbor Search

Given  $A_1, \dots, A_n, s, s'$ . When  $A$  is passed in, output  
 → YES if  $\exists J(A, A_i) \geq s$   
 → NO if  $\exists J(A, A_i) < s'$ .

### Locally Sensitive Hashing Alg

→ To reduce false negatives:

- (1) Build  $L$  signatures to build  $L$  perfect hash tables.  
 $\therefore \Pr(A_i, A_j \text{ same bucket}) \geq 1 - (1 - J(A_i, A_j))^L \xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty} 1$ .

→ To reduce false positives:

- (1) Use  $t$  min-hashes instead, i.e.  $h_{1,t}, \dots, h_{L,t}$  with  
 $\sigma_{h_t}(A) = (\sigma_{h_{1,t}}(A), \dots, \sigma_{h_{L,t}}(A))$   
 $\therefore \Pr(A_i, A_j \text{ same bucket}) \geq 1 - (1 - J(A_i, A_j))^t$   
 Tweak  $t$  and  $L$  for optimality, e.g.  $1 - (1 - \eta^t)^L = \Theta(1)$ ,  $n L s^t \leq o(n)$