

Lecture 10

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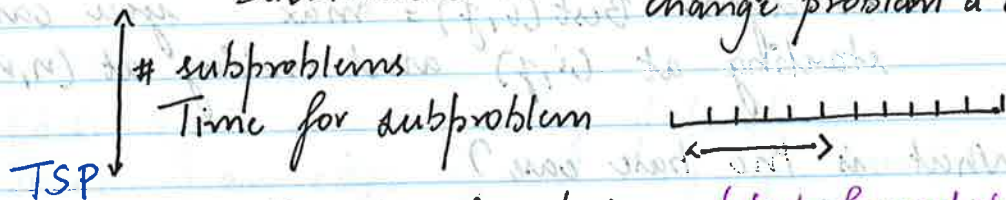
Approximation Algorithms

→ REVIEW

- Dynamic Programming
- Covering Times
- Basic Graph Theory
 - Matching, Trees, MSTs, Hamilton/Euler circuits
 - Independent Sets, Cliques
- Applications of Max Flow
- Dynamic Method
- The probabilistic method
- Reductions between {Vertex Cover,

DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING SOLN.

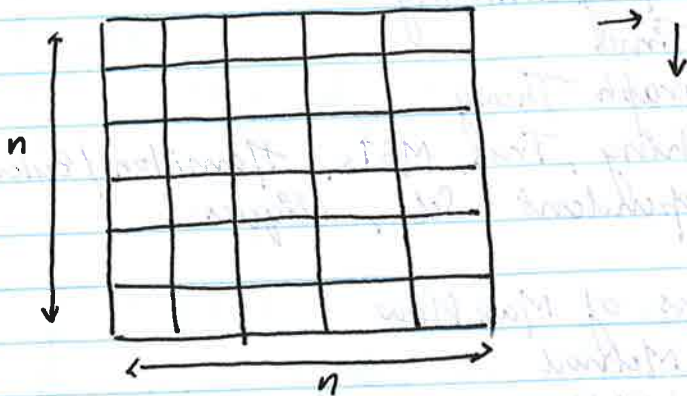
1. Find a ~~recursive~~ structure (Find definition for problem)
Substructure change problem a little.



- consider Hamiltonian paths. { look for end of the path, then end of the window }
- Add ending.

2. Memoize: Memory: $O(\# \text{ of subproblems})$.
space; memory \times amount time used for subproblem.

→ let's say



n decisions to go down
 n decisions to go right.

for n by m grid $\binom{n+m}{n}$ ways to

→ let's define $Best(i, j) = \max$ you can get
starting at (i, j) and ending at (n, n)

What is the base case?

$$Base(n, n) = 39$$

$$= \max \begin{cases} a_{i, j+1} + Best(i, j+1) & (\text{if } j+1 \text{ is in bounds}) \\ a_{i+1, j} + Best(i+1, j) & (\text{if } i+1 \text{ is in bounds}) \end{cases}$$

Final Answer:
 $a_{11} + Best(1, 1)$

→ Better way of doing it.

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3.

Fill in array yourself without recursion.
(Throw away parts of the memoization that aren't needed).

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COVERING TIMES

1. $C(G) \leq 2m(n-1)$

2. $C(G) \leq 2me^3 R \ln(n) + n$
 $= O(mR \log(n))$

$R(G) = \max R_{uv}$

R_{uv} effective resistance.

→ ~~$C(G)$~~

Matthews Bound:

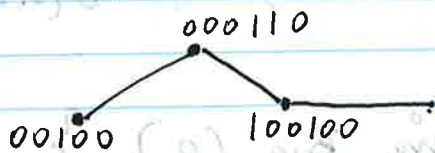
$n \leq C(G) \leq n \log(n)$

longest hitting time.

HYPERCUBE EXAMPLE:

→ Each node is a bit string of length h .

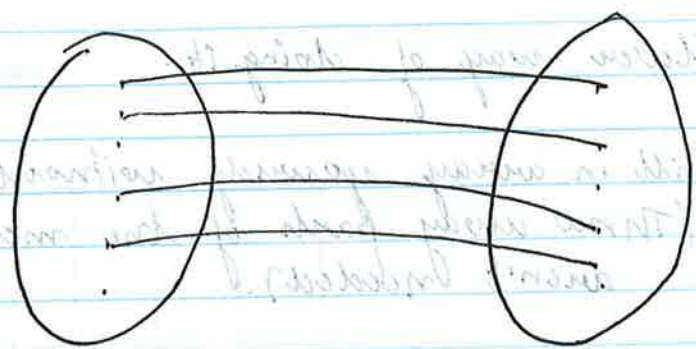
→ There is an edge if and only if two bitstring differ in exactly one location.



no. of nodes $n = 2^h$
no. of edges $m = \frac{h \cdot 2^h}{2}$

degree of every node is h $\deg(v) = h$

$O(n^2 \log(n))$



Even 1's

Odd 1's

\exists Independent Set of size 2^{n-1}

Since bipartite only has 2 sides bigger than $\frac{n}{2}$.

\rightarrow Prove $C(Q_n) \leq O(nh^3)$

What is the diameter of $Q_n = h$ {diameter is h at most}.

$$R(Q_n) \leq h$$

$$\rightarrow C(G) \leq O(h \cdot n \cdot h \cdot \log(2^h)) = O(nh^3)$$

Better $O(h \cdot n \cdot h) = O(nh^2)$

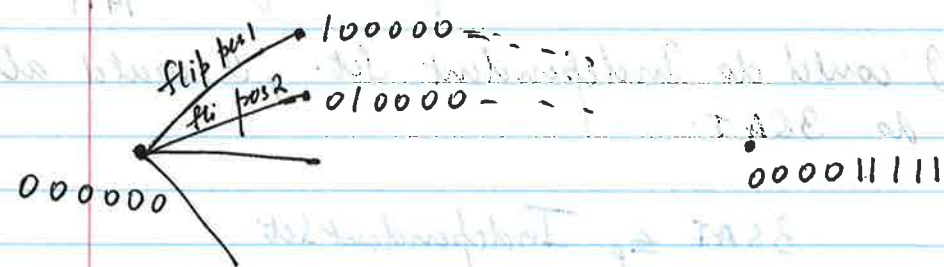
$\log(2^h)$ is order h .

{ $\log(2^h)$ is order h in Big O }

\rightarrow Show that $\max \text{flow}_n \leq h$
 {because $\max \text{flow}$ is bounded by lowest degree}.

\rightarrow Prove that $\max\text{-flow}$ is at least h .
 $\max\text{-flow} \geq h$.

Show, there are



We have parallel nodes. Each path has resistance $\frac{1}{h}$.

$$R_{uv} \leq \frac{1}{\frac{1}{h} + \frac{1}{h} + \dots + \frac{1}{h}} = 1$$

But bound in HW is more loose.
 $(O(n^2 \log(n))) \rightarrow$ not too tight.

2-SAT : Undirected chain \Rightarrow polynomial time algorithm.

? 3-SAT : directed chain \Rightarrow Exponential covering time

Worth thinking about chain of Reductions?

\leq_p SAT { SAT is the hardest problem of all by Cook's Theorem }
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- If I could do Independent Set, I could also do 3SAT.

3SAT \leq_p Independent Set.

\uparrow gadget construction

Relaxation for vertex cover.

Vertex Cover \leq_p Integer Programming.

\uparrow Relaxation for Vertex Cover.

\rightarrow We also showed, if I could find, I could find vertex cover.

Independent Set \leq_p Vertex Cover.

\uparrow complement.

SAT \leq_p 3-SAT

\uparrow by De Morgan's Law.