

# CSE 421

## RNA Secondary Structure, Sequence Alignment

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# Sequence Alignment

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Given two strings  $x_1, \dots, x_m$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  find an alignment with minimum number of mismatch and gaps.

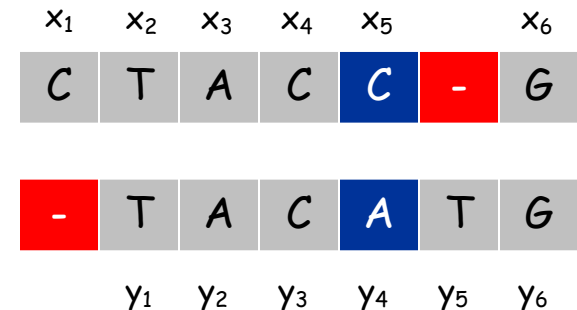
An alignment is a set of ordered pairs  $(x_{i_1}, y_{j_1}), (x_{i_2}, y_{j_2}), \dots$  such that  $i_1 < i_2 < \dots$  and  $j_1 < j_2 < \dots$

**Example:** CTACCG VS. TACATG.

Sol: We aligned

$x_2-y_1, x_3-y_2, x_4-y_3, x_5-y_4, x_6-y_6$ .

So, the cost is 3.



# DP for Sequence Alignment

Let  $OPT(i, j)$  be min cost of aligning  $x_1, \dots, x_i$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_j$

**Case 1:** OPT matches  $x_i, y_j$

- Then, pay mis-match cost if  $x_i \neq y_j$  + min cost of aligning  $x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_{j-1}$  i.e.,  $OPT(i-1, j-1)$

**Case 2:** OPT leaves  $x_i$  unmatched

- Then, pay gap cost for  $x_i$  +  $OPT(i-1, j)$

**Case 3:** OPT leaves  $y_j$  unmatched

- Then, pay gap cost for  $y_j$  +  $OPT(i, j-1)$

# Bottom-up DP

```
Sequence-Alignment(m, n, x1x2...xm, y1y2...yn) {  
  for i = 0 to m  
    M[0, i] = i  
  for j = 0 to n  
    M[j, 0] = j  
  
  for i = 1 to m  
    for j = 1 to n  
      M[i, j] = min( (xi=yj ? 0:1) + M[i-1, j-1],  
                    1 + M[i-1, j],  
                    1 + M[i, j-1])  
  
  return M[m, n]  
}
```

**Analysis:**  $\Theta(mn)$  time and space.

**English words or sentences:**  $m, n \leq 10, \dots, 20$ .

**Computational biology:**  $m = n = 100,000$ . 10 billions ops OK,  
but 40GB array?

# Optimizing Memory

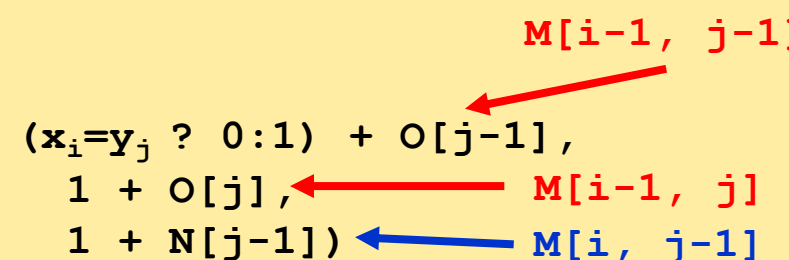
If we are not using strong induction in the DP, we just need to use the last (row) of computed values.

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}
```

Just need  $i - 1, i$  rows  
to compute  $M[i, j]$

# DP with $O(m + n)$ memory

- Keep an Old array containing values of the last row
- Fill out the new values in a New array
- Copy new to old at the end of the loop

```
Sequence-Alignment(m, n,  $x_1x_2 \dots x_m$ ,  $y_1y_2 \dots y_n$ ) {  
  for i = 0 to m  
    O[i] = i  
  for i = 1 to m  
    N[0]=i  
    for j = 1 to n  
      N[j] = min( ( $x_i=y_j$  ? 0:1) + O[j-1],  
                 1 + O[j],  
                 1 + N[j-1])  
        
    for j = 1 to n  
      O[j]=N[j]  
  return N[n]  
}
```

# Lesson

Advantage of a bottom-up DP:

It is much easier to optimize the space.



# Longest Path in a DAG

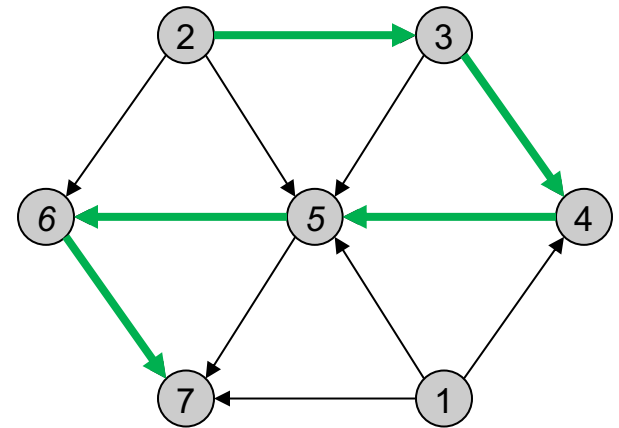
# Longest Path in a DAG

**Goal:** Given a DAG  $G$ , find the longest path.

**Recall:** A directed graph  $G$  is a DAG if it has no cycle.

This problem is NP-hard for general directed graphs:

- It has the Hamiltonian Path as a special case

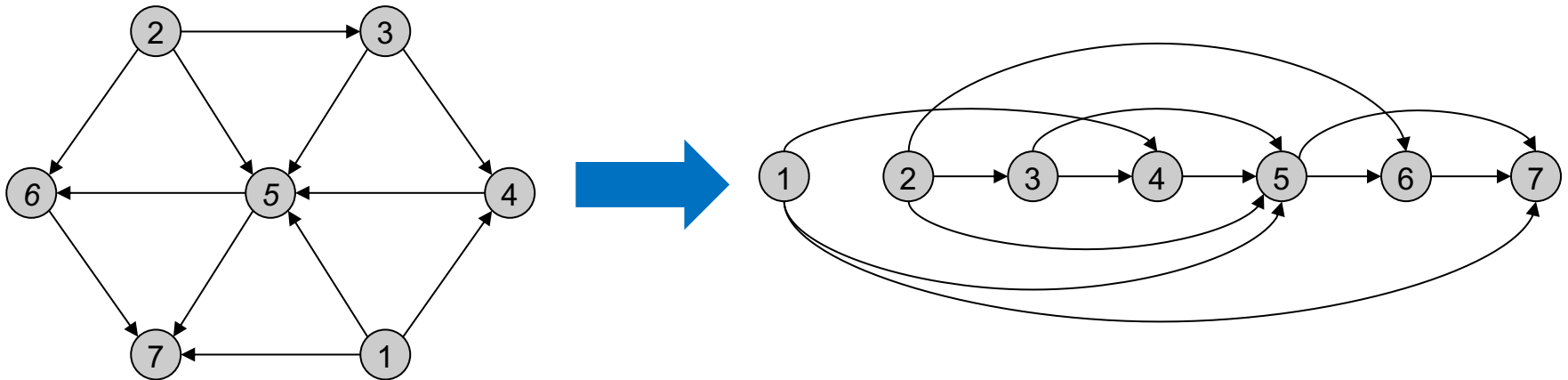


# DP for Longest Path in a DAG

Q: What is the right **ordering**?

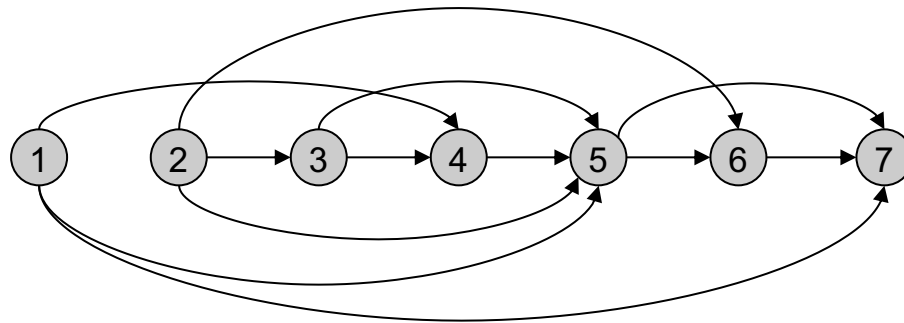
Remember, we have to use that  $G$  is a DAG, ideally in defining the ordering

We saw that every DAG has a **topological sorting**  
So, let's use that as an ordering.



# DP for Longest Path in a DAG

Suppose we have labelled the vertices such that  $(i, j)$  is a directed edge only if  $i < j$ .



Let  $OPT(j)$  = length of the longest path ending at  $j$

Suppose in the longest path ending at  $j$ , last edge is  $(i, j)$ .

Then, **none** of the  $i + 1, \dots, j - 1$  are in this path since topological ordering. So,

$$OPT(j) = OPT(i) + 1.$$

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$$OPT(j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{If } j \text{ is a source} \\ 1 + \max_{i:(i,j) \text{ an edge}} OPT(i) & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

# DP for Longest Path in a DAG

Let  $G$  be a DAG given with a topological sorting: For all edges  $(i, j)$  we have  $i < j$ .

```
Compute-OPT(j) {
  if (in-degree(j) == 0)
    return 0
  if (M[j] == empty)
    M[j] = 0;
  for all edges (i, j)
    M[j] = max(M[j], 1 + Compute-OPT(i))
  return M[j]
}
Output max(M[1], ..., M[n])
```

Running Time:  $O(n + m)$

Memory:  $O(n)$

Can we output the longest path?

# Outputting the Longest Path

Let  $G$  be a DAG given with a topological sorting: For all edges  $(i, j)$  we have  $i < j$ .

**Initialize**  $\text{Parent}[j] = -1$  for all  $j$ .

**Compute-OPT**( $j$ ) {

**if** ( $\text{in-degree}(j) == 0$ )

**return** 0

**if** ( $M[j] == \text{empty}$ )

$M[j] = 0$ ;

**for** all edges  $(i, j)$

**if** ( $M[j] < 1 + \text{Compute-OPT}(i)$ )

$M[j] = 1 + \text{Compute-OPT}(i)$

**Parent**[ $j$ ]= $i$

**return**  $M[j]$

}

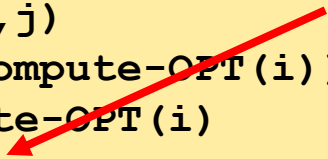
Let  $M[k]$  be the maximum of  $M[1], \dots, M[n]$

**While** ( $\text{Parent}[k] \neq -1$ )

    Print  $k$

$k = \text{Parent}[k]$

Record the entry that  
we used to compute  $\text{OPT}(j)$



# Longest Increasing Subsequence



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Given a sequence of numbers

Find the longest increasing subsequence

41, 22, 9, 15, 23, 39, 21, 56, 24, 34, 59, 23, 60, 39, 87, 23, 90



41, 22, **9, 15, 23**, 39, 21, 56, **24, 34, 59**, 23, **60**, 39, **87**, 23, **90**

# DP for LIS

Let  $OPT(j)$  be the longest increasing subsequence ending at  $j$ .

**Observation:** Suppose the  $OPT(j)$  is the sequence

$$x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_k}, x_j$$

Then,  $x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_k}$  is the longest increasing subsequence ending at  $x_{i_k}$ , i.e.,  $OPT(j) = 1 + OPT(i_k)$

$$OPT(j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{If } x_j > x_i \text{ for all } i < j \\ 1 + \max_{i: x_i < x_j} OPT(i) & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

**Remark:** This is a special case of Longest path in a DAG: Construct a graph  $1, \dots, n$  where  $(i, j)$  is an edge if  $i < j$  and  $x_i < x_j$ .

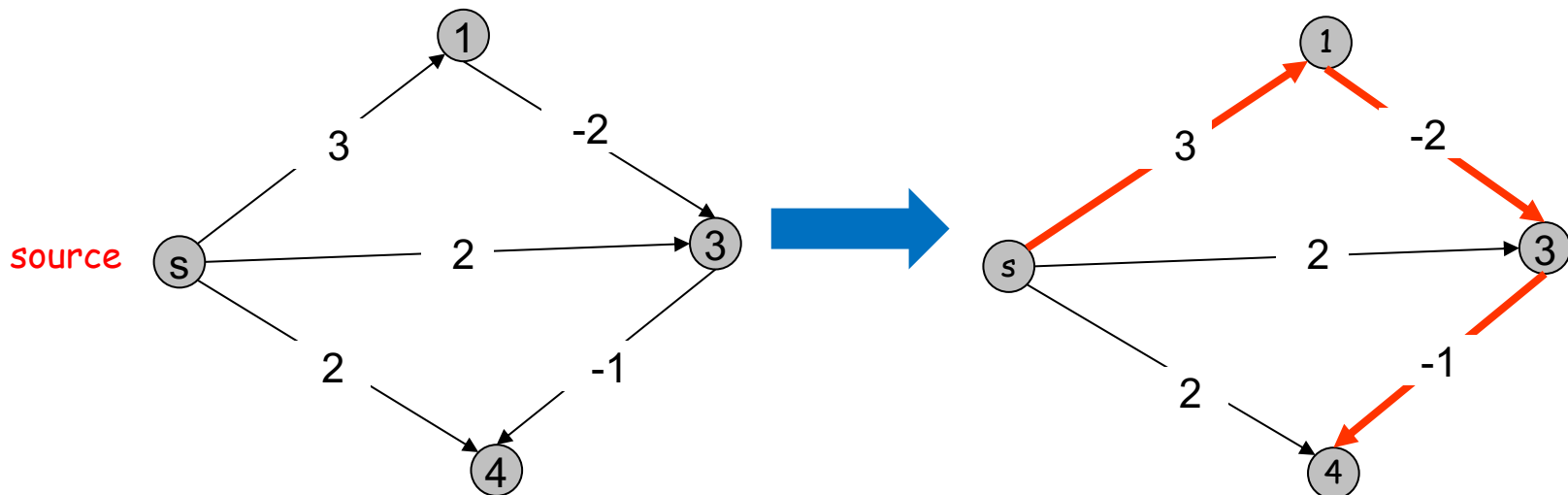
# Shortest Paths with Negative Edge Weights

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Given a weighted directed graph  $G = (V, E)$  and a source vertex  $s$ , where the weight of edge  $(u,v)$  is  $c_{u,v}$

**Goal:** Find the shortest path from  $s$  to all vertices of  $G$ .

Recall that Dijkstra's Algorithm fails when weights are negative

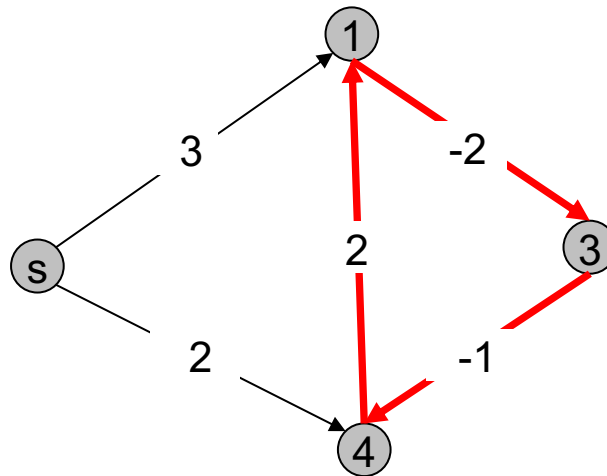


# Impossibility on Graphs with Neg Cycles

**Observation:** No solution exists if  $G$  has a negative cycle.

This is because we can minimize the length by going over the cycle again and again.

So, suppose  $G$  does not have a negative cycle.



# DP for Shortest Path

**Def:** Let  $OPT(v, i)$  be the length of the shortest  $s - v$  path with **at most  $i$  edges**.

Let us characterize  $OPT(v, i)$ .

**Case 1:**  $OPT(v, i)$  path has less than  $i$  edges.

- Then,  $OPT(v, i) = OPT(v, i - 1)$ .

**Case 2:**  $OPT(v, i)$  path has exactly  $i$  edges.

- Let  $s, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{i-1}, v$  be the  $OPT(v, i)$  path with  $i$  edges.
- Then,  $s, v_1, \dots, v_{i-1}$  must be the shortest  $s - v_{i-1}$  path with at most  $i - 1$  edges. So,

$$OPT(v, i) = OPT(v_{i-1}, i - 1) + c_{v_{i-1}, v}$$

# DP for Shortest Path

**Def:** Let  $OPT(v, i)$  be the length of the shortest  $s - v$  path with **at most  $i$  edges**.

$$OPT(v, i) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v = s \\ \infty & \text{if } v \neq s, i = 0 \\ \min(OPT(v, i - 1), \min_{u:(u,v) \text{ an edge}} OPT(u, i - 1) + c_{u,v}) & \end{cases}$$

So, for every  $v$ ,  $OPT(v, ?)$  is the shortest path from  $s$  to  $v$ .

But how long do we have to run?

Since  $G$  has no negative cycle, it has at most  $n - 1$  edges. So,  $OPT(v, n - 1)$  is the answer.

# Bellman Ford Algorithm

```
for v=1 to n
  if v ≠ s then
    M[v,0]=∞
M[s,0]=0.

for i=1 to n-1
  for v=1 to n
    M[v,i]=M[v,i-1]
    for every edge (u,v)
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Running Time:  $O(nm)$

Can we test if  $G$  has negative cycles?



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Yes, run for  $i=1 \dots 2n$  and see if the  $M[v,n-1]$  is different from  $M[v,2n]$

# DP Techniques Summary

## Recipe:

- Follow the natural induction proof.
- Find out additional assumptions/variables/subproblems that you need to do the induction
- Strengthen the hypothesis and define w.r.t. new subproblems

## Dynamic programming techniques.

- Whenever a problem is a special case of an NP-hard problem an ordering is important:
- Adding a new variable: knapsack.
- Dynamic programming over intervals: RNA secondary structure.

## Top-down vs. bottom-up:

- Different people have different intuitions
- Bottom-up is useful to optimize the memory