

## 15-853: Algorithms in the Real World

Parallelism: Lecture 3  
Parallel techniques and algorithms  
- Contraction

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## Parallel Techniques

Some common themes in "Thinking Parallel"

1. Working with collections.
  - map, selection, reduce, scan, collect
2. Divide-and-conquer
  - Even more important than sequentially
  - Merging, matrix multiply, FFT, ...
3. Contraction
  - Solve single smaller problem
  - List ranking, graph contraction, Huffman codes
4. Randomization
  - Symmetry breaking and random sampling

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## Technique 3: Contraction

Consists of:

- Do some work to make a smaller problem
- Solve smaller problem recursively
- Use result to create solution of full problem

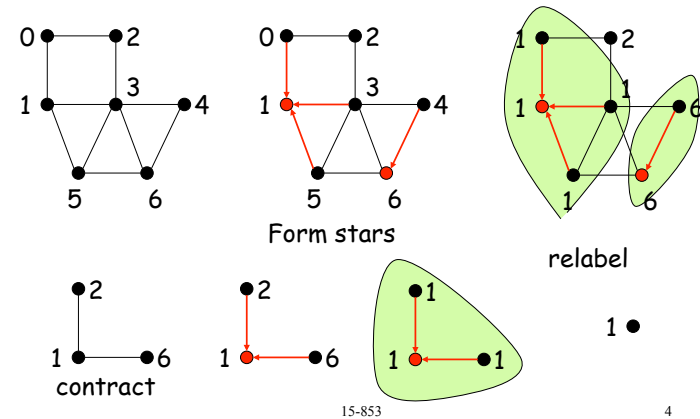
The code for scan was based on this, i.e.:

- Pairwise add neighbors in array
- Solve scan that is half as large
- Use results along with original values to generate overall result

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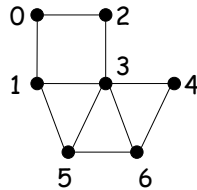
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## Contraction : Graph Connectivity



## Graph Connectivity

Representing a graph as an edge list:



```
E = [(0,1), (0,2), (1,0), (1,3), (1,5), (2,0), (2,3),
      (3,1), (3,2), (3,4), (3,5), (3,6), (4,3), (4,6),
      (5,1), (5,3), (5,6), (6,3), (6,4), (6,5)]
```

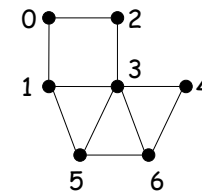
Here every edge is represented once in each direction

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## Graph Connectivity

Use an array of pointers, one per vertex to point to parent in connected tree. Initially everyone points to self.

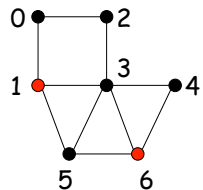


```
L = [0,1,2,3,4,5,6] (initially)
L = [1,1,1,1,6,1,1] (possible final)
```

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## Graph Connectivity



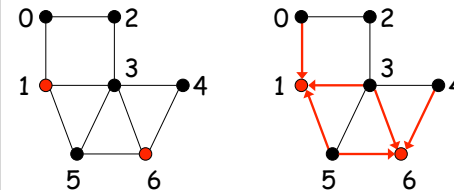
Randomly flip coins

```
FL = {coinToss(.5) : x in [0:#L]};
FL = [0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1]
```

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## Graph Connectivity



Randomly flip coins

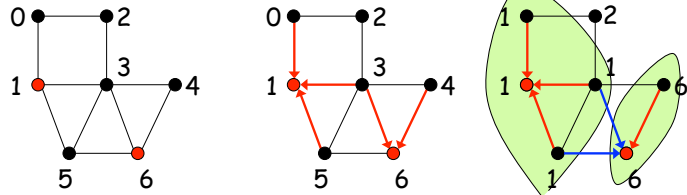
Every edge link from black to red

```
FL = [0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1]
H = {(u,v) in E | not(FL[u]) and FL[v]}
H = [(0,1), (3,1), (5,1), (3,6), (4,6), (5,6)]
```

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## Graph Connectivity



Randomly flip coins

Every edge link  
from black to red

"Hook"

$H = [(0,1), (3,1), (5,1), (3,6), (4,6), (5,6)]$

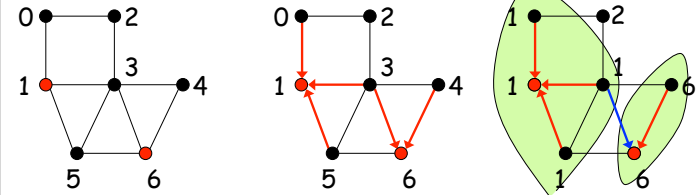
$L = L \leftarrow H$

$L = [\underline{1}, 1, 2, \underline{1}, \underline{6}, \underline{1}, 6]$

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## Graph Connectivity



Randomly flip coins

Every edge link  
from black to red

Relabel edges and  
remove self edges

$L = [\underline{1}, 1, 2, \underline{1}, \underline{6}, \underline{1}, 6]$

$E = \{(L[u], L[v]) : (u,v) \text{ in } E \mid L[u] \neq L[v]\}$

$E = [(1,2), (2,1), (2,1), (1,2), (1,6), (1,6), (6,1), (1,6), (6,1), (6,1)]$

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## Graph Connectivity

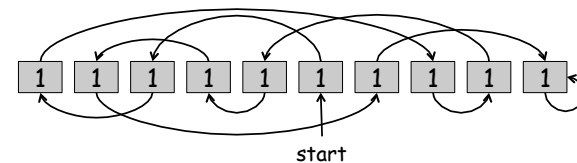
$L = \text{Vertex Labels}, E = \text{Edge List}$

```
function connectivity(L, E) =
  if #E = 0 then L
  else let
    FL = {coinToss(.5) : x in [0:#L]};
    H = {(u,v) in E | not(FL[u]) and FL[v]};
    L = L <- H;
    E = {(L[u],L[v]) : (u,v) in E | L[u] \neq L[v]};
  in connectivity(L,E);
  D = O(log n)
  W = O(m log n)
```

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## List Ranking (again)



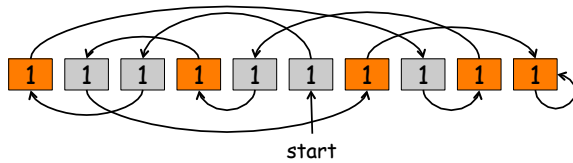
$P = [7, 6, 0, 1, 3, 2, 9, 8, 4, 9]$

$W = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]$

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## List Ranking

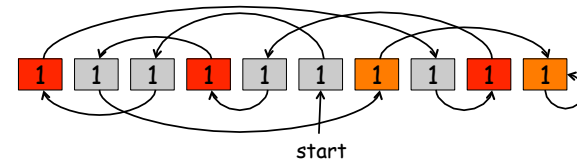


```
FL = {coinToss(.5) : x in [0:#P]};
FL = [1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1]
```

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## List Ranking

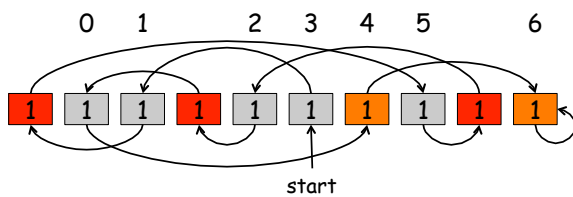


```
D = {FL[i] and not(FL[P[i]]) : i in [0:#P]};
D = [1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0]
```

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## List Ranking

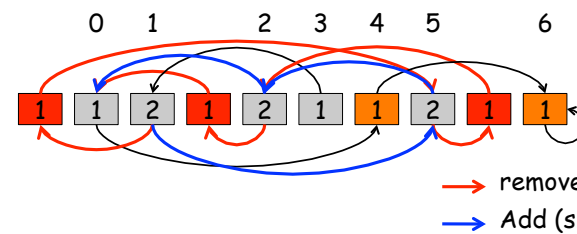


```
D = [1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0]
NI = plusScan({not(x) : x in D});
NI = [0, 0, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6]
```

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## List Ranking

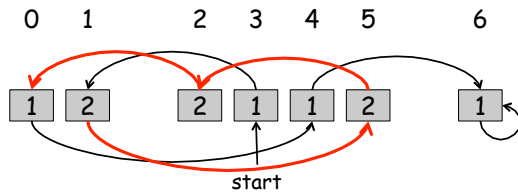


```
NI = [0, 0, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6]
if D[P[i]] then
  (W[i] + W[P[i]], NI[P[P[i]])]
else (W[i], NI[P[i]])
```

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## List Ranking

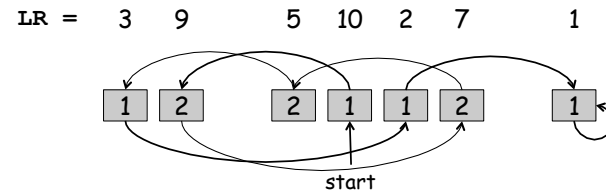


W = [1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1]  
P = [4, 5, 0, 1, 6, 2, 6]

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## List Ranking



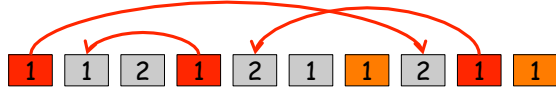
LR = listRank(W', P');

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## List Ranking

LR = 3 9 5 10 2 7 1  
NI = 0 1 2 3 4 5 6



R = 8 3 9 4 5 10 2 7 6 1

If D[i] then LR[NI[P[i]]]+W[i]  
else LR[NI[i]]

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## List Ranking

```
function listRank(W, P) =
  if #P == 1 then [W[0]]
  else let
    FL = {coinToss(.5) : i in [0:#P]};
    D = {FL[i] and not(FL[P[i]]) : i in [0:#P]};
    NI = plusScan({not(x) : x in D});
    (W', P') = unzip {
      if D[P[i]] then (W[i] + W[P[i]], NI[P[P[i]])]
      else (W[i], NI[P[i]])
      : i in [0:#P] | not(D[i])};
    LR = listRank(W', P');
  in {if D[i] then LR[NI[P[i]]]+W[i]
     else LR[NI[i]]
     : i in [0:#P]};
```

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## Greedy: Huffman Codes

### Huffman Algorithm:

Each p in P is a probability and a tree

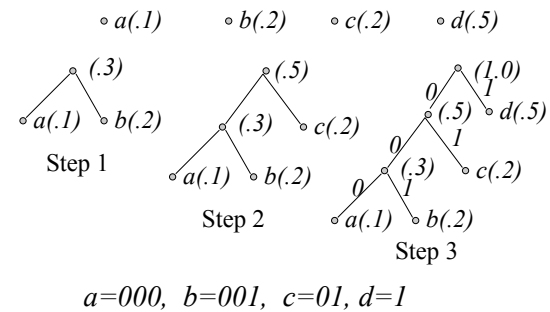
```
function Huffman(P) =
  if (#P == 1) then return
  else let
    ((p1, t1), (p2, t2), P') = extract2mins(P)
    pt = (p1+p2, newNode(t1, t2))
  in Huffman(insert(pt, P'))
```

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## Example

$p(a) = .1$ ,  $p(b) = .2$ ,  $p(c) = .2$ ,  $p(d) = .5$



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## Greedy: Huffman Codes

### Huffman Algorithm:

How do we do it in parallel?

```
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  if #P == 1 then return
  else let
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    pt = (p1+p2, newNode(t1, t2))
  in Huffman(insert(pt, P))
```

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## Primes Sieve

```
function primes(n) =
  if n == 2 then [] int
  else
    let sqr_primes = primes(ceil(sqrt(float(n))));
        sieves = flatten([2*p:n:p] : p in sqr_primes);
        flags = dist(t, n) <- {(i, f) : i in sieves};
    in drop({i in [0:n]; flags | flags}, 2) ;
```

$$W(n) = O(n \log \log n) \quad D(n) = D(\sqrt{n}) + O(\log n)$$

$$= O(\log n)$$

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