

Algorithmic Discrete Mathematics



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- **Exercises:**

Thursday	14:25 to 16:05	every two weeks	start 19.04.2012	S103/110
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Thursday	16:15 to 17:55	every two weeks	start 19.04.2012	S103/113
Thursday	16:15 to 17:55	every two weeks	start 19.04.2012	S103/164
Thursday	16:15 to 17:55	every two weeks	start 19.04.2012	S103/175
Wednesday	8:00 to 9:40	every two weeks	start 18.04.2012	S103/164

Module description

- References:
 - M. Aigner: Diskrete Mathematik, Vieweg
 - **T.H. Cormen, C.E. Leiserson, R.L. Rivest, C. Stein: Introduction to Algorithms**
 - **Lecture notes of 2010 (in german)**
 - Further material (partially in advance, in the web), simplifies taking notes, **cannot compensate for a teaching book!**
- Written exam: 60 minutes
- 4,5 (5,0) ECTS, 2V + 1Ü
- **General concepts:** [Growth of functions and asymptotic complexity](#).
Graph theory: [Euler graphs](#), [spanning trees](#), [shortest paths](#), Travelling-Salesman-Problem.
Search problems: [Sorting](#), decision trees.
Coding/Cryptography: [Huffman-encoding](#), [RSA-algorithm](#).
Further topics (examples): [Matchings in bipartite graphs](#), [flow algorithms](#).

Organisation

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- **exercise groups:** registration via TUCaN
begin of exercises: Wednesday 18.4.2012
 - **exercises, procedure:**
 - release dates:** Tuesday 19:00 (in the Web, deadline on exercise sheet)
 - delivery dates:** usually next Tuesday after the reading
 - **assessment:** The grade of the written exam can be upgraded via active participation in exercises and with the help of solving ,many‘ of the exercise items. Partially, the exam will contain multiple-choice items about the homework.
 - **Working in small groups is recommended**
(groups with up to 4 students are allowed to work together!)
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Organization



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- 3 or 4 items per sheet. In irregular intervals:
programming exercises with longer lasting handling time.
Additionally: simplified items in the exercises
 - If necessary, the exercises will deal more extensively with the lecture,
otherwise small tasks in small groups.
 - ! You can only learn by “do it yourself“,
only “read + listen“ is not enough!
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Contents

- Introduction
- Complexity theory
 - Data structures and encoding schemes
 - Algorithms
 - Asymptotic notation, upper and lower bounds
 - Complexity classes P, NP; NP-complete problems
- Algorithms for graphs
 - DFS algorithm
 - Greedy-algorithms (e.g.: computing spanning trees)
 - Dijkstra, Moore-Bellmann (shortest paths on graphs)
 - Ford-Fulkerson (maximum flows in networks, matchings)
- Abstract data types (stack, queue, heap) and again DFS, BFS and Dijkstra
- Sorting on arrays
 - Mergesort, Quicksort, Heapsort
 - Divide-and-Conquer
 - Lower complexity bounds for sorting by comparison

Algorithmic every day problems:

- How does a navigation system find “good“ connections?
- How can we find optimal paths for gas in a gas distribution system?
- How does e.g. Lufthansa optimize its aircraft assignments?

Algorithm, informal explanation:

A sequence of easy understandable actions to perform,
on the right level of abstraction.

Introduction, “good” connections



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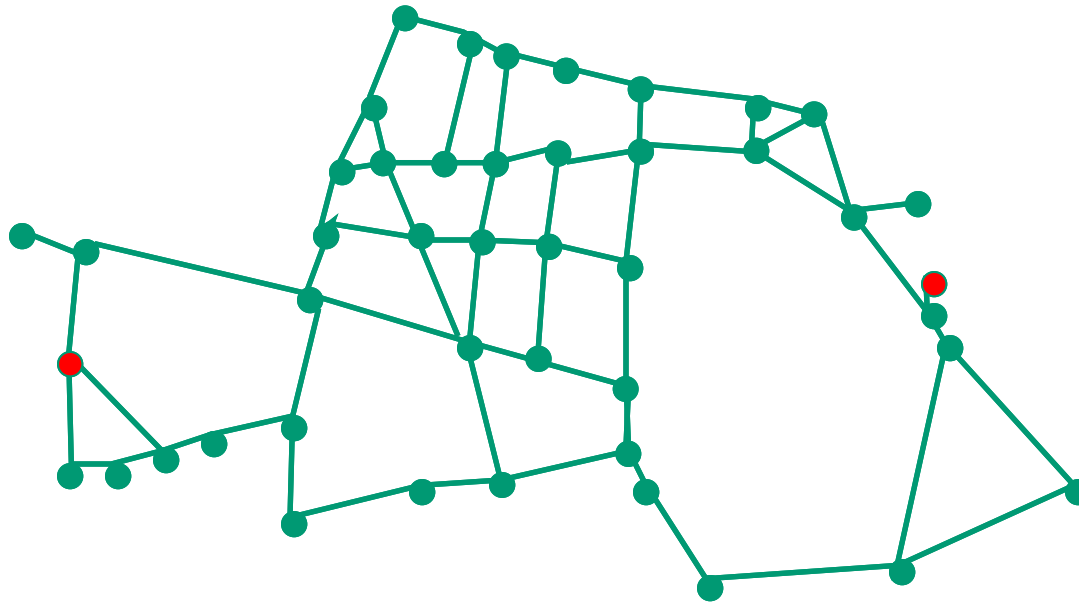
Introduction, “good” connections



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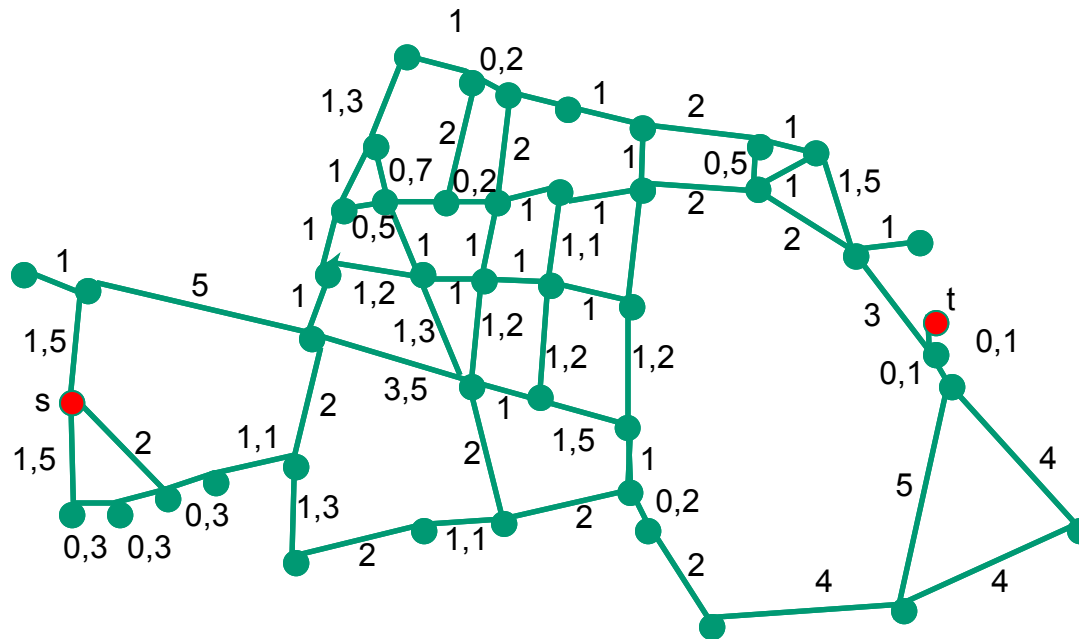


Introduction, “good” connections



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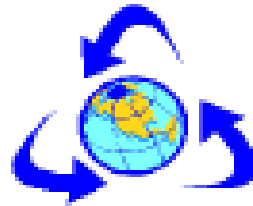


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Optimization in airline industries



**Network
Design**



**Market
Modeling**



**Fleet
Assignment**



**Crew
Pairing**



**Operation
Control**



**Revenue
Management**

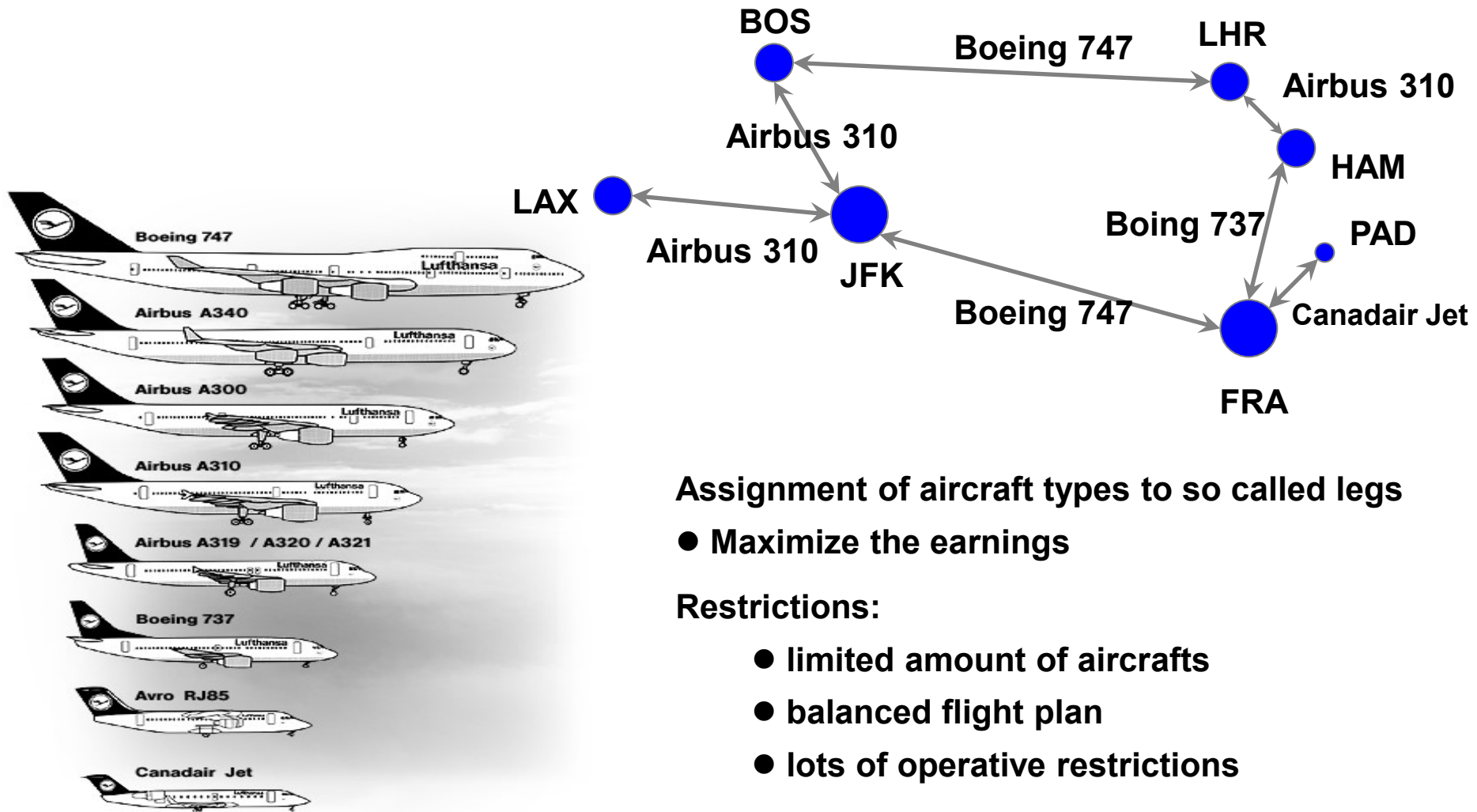


**Aircraft
Rotation**



**Crew
Rostering**

Fleet Assignment



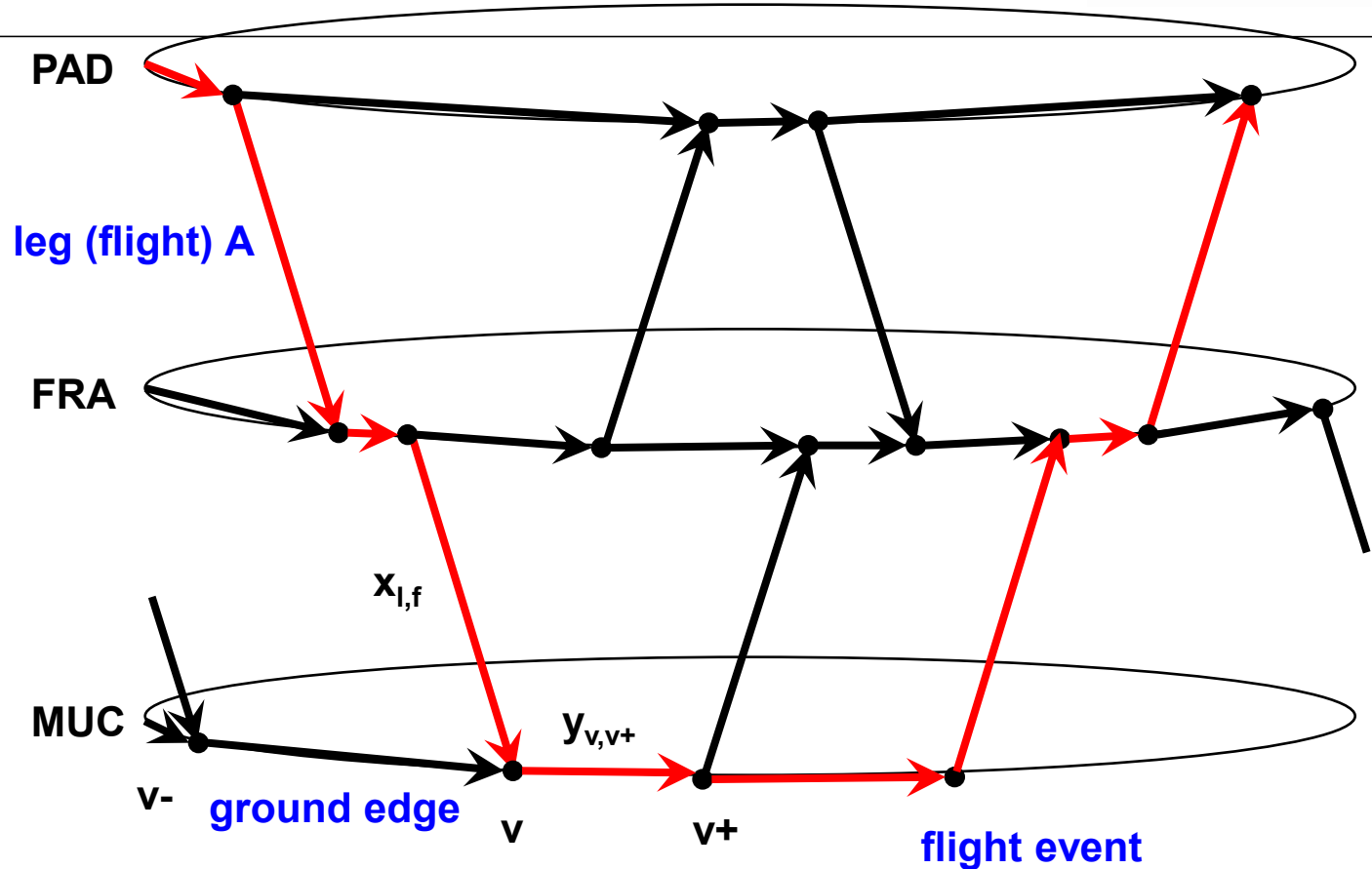
Assignment of aircraft types to so called legs

- Maximize the earnings

Restrictions:

- limited amount of aircrafts
- balanced flight plan
- lots of operative restrictions

Time-Space Network



Weekly planning with up to 10.000 flight events, 10-23 aircraft types

Linear Program for Fleet Assignment

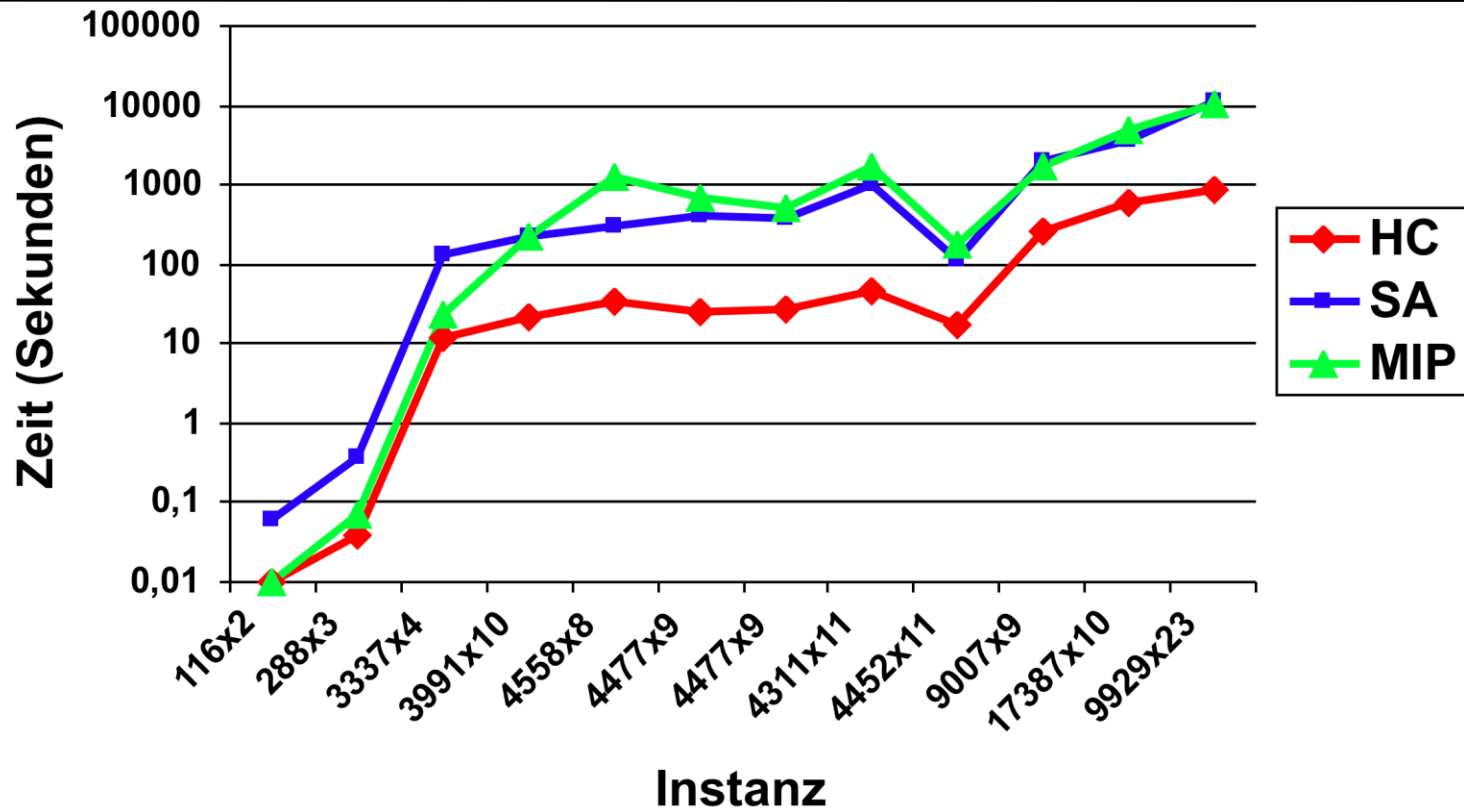
$(x_{l,f} = 1) \Leftrightarrow$ (leg l is operated with fleet f)

y_{v,v^+} : number of waiting aircrafts between two flight events

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}} \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} p_{l,f} \cdot x_{l,f} \\ & \text{subject to} && \\ & && \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} x_{l,f} = 1 \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L} \\ & && \sum_{l_f^{arr}=v} x_{l,f} - \sum_{l_f^{dep}=v} x_{l,f} + y_{v^-,v} - y_{v,v^+} = 0 \quad \forall v \in V \\ & && \sum_{l_f \in E_{F0}^f} x_{l,f} + \sum_{(v,v^+) \in E_{G0}^f} y_{v,v^+} \leq size_f \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{F} \\ & && x_{l,f} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}; \forall f \in \mathcal{F} \\ & && y_{v,v^+} \geq 0 \quad \forall (v,v^+) \in E_G \end{aligned}$$

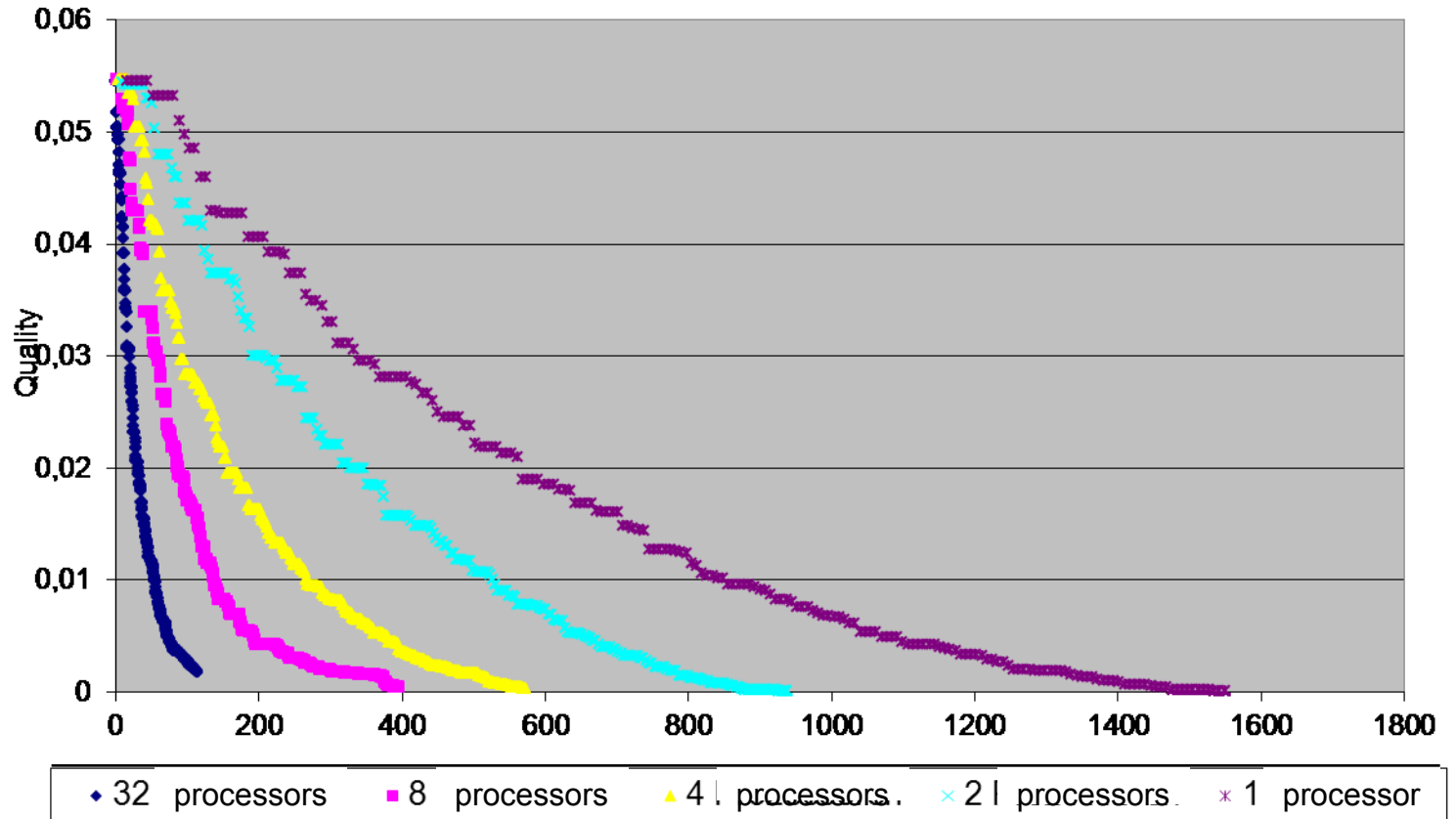
- **Mathematical Model, Linear Programm \rightarrow Optimization I - III**
- **Model size:**
|legs|*|fleets| integer variables, 2*|legs|*|fleets| constraints
thus about 230,000 variables, 500,000 constraints
- **solution times for getting exact solutions took too long at that time (ca. year 2k)**

Results for Fleet Assignment, Heuristics



Verfahren	HC	SA	MIP
∅-Lösungsqualität	98,5%	99,7%	>99,9%

Parallel Simulated Annealing



Important for practice is speed



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 **Lufthansa Systems**

NetLine/Plan

The Network Planning Solution



Lufthansa

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Conclusions:

- Graphs and clever algorithms are the core of successful mathematical optimization
- There is need for speed and: Graphs are always and everywhere

First algorithmic example

- The max sum problem

Input: Sequence a_1, \dots, a_n of integer numbers. Let $f(i, j) := a_i + a_{i+1} + \dots + a_j$,
for $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$.

Desired: maximized $f(i, j)$.

For an efficiency analysis, we only count at this place

- the number of used comparisons $V(n)$ between numbers and
- the number of used arithmetic operations.
- The runtime is defined as $T(n) = A(n) + V(n)$.

In the following, 4 different algorithms are presented and analysed in detail.

First algorithmic example

- **Algorithm 1 (naive algorithm)**

1. compute all $f(i,j)$, one after the other
2. choose the one with largest $f(i,j)$

Example: given. $(3,-2,4,-5)$

$$f(1,1) = 3$$

$$f(1,2) = 3-2$$

$$f(1,3) = 3-2+4$$

$$f(1,4) = 3-2+4-5$$

$$f(2,2) = -2$$

$$f(2,3) = -2+4$$

$$f(2,4) = -2+4-5$$

$$f(3,3) = 4$$

$$f(3,4) = 4-5$$

$$f(4,4) = -5$$

First algorithmic example

Algorithm 1 (naive algorithm)

1. compute all $f(i,j)$, // $f(1,1), f(1,2), f(1,3)\dots f(1,n), f(2,1)\dots$
2. choose the largest $f(i,j)$

Analysis: We need $j-i$ summations in order to compute $f(i,j)$.

$$A(n) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{i \leq j \leq n} (j-i) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n-i} k = L = \frac{1}{6}n^3 - \frac{1}{6}n$$

In order to determine the maximum of L numbers, $L-1$ comparisons are needed. Here, it is $L = \text{[redacted]}$. (why?) Therefore,

$$V(n) = \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} - 1 = -1 + \sum_{i=1}^n i = \text{[redacted]} - 1 = \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{1}{2}n - 1$$

$$T(n) = V(n) + A(n) = \frac{1}{6}n^3 + \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{1}{3}n - 1$$

First algorithmic example

- **Algorithm 2 (normal algorithm)**

$f(i,j)$ can be computed more efficiently: do not compute $f(i,j+1)$ completely new, but instead use that $f(i,j+1) = f(i,j) + a_{j+1}$ and $f(i,j)$ is already known. We compute $f(i,j)$ in the following order:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 (a_1 = & f(1,1) & f(1,2) & f(1,3) & \cdots & f(1,n) & \\
 & (a_2 = & f(2,2) & f(2,3) & \cdots & f(2,n) & \\
 & & (a_3 = & f(3,3) & \cdots & f(3,n) & \\
 & & & \ddots & & \vdots & \\
 & & & & & (a_n = & f(n,n)
 \end{array}$$

and thereafter compute the maximum. Now, $V(n)$ is the same as in the naive algorithm. However, we consume only one addition in order to compute $f(i,j)$, $j > i$:

$$A(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n (i-1) = -n + \sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{1}{2}n^2 - \frac{1}{2}n$$

$$T(n) = V(n) + A(n) = n^2 -$$

First algorithmic example

- **Algorithm 3 (Divide & Conquer algorithm)**

In order to become better: do not compute all $f(i,j)$!

General methodology „Divide & Conquer“:

Partition the given problem into several subproblems of the same type („divide“), solve the subproblems (recursively) and construct a solution of the original problem with the help of the two partial solutions („Conquer“).

In the following, we assume for simplicity that n is of the form
 $n=2^k$ for some natural number k .



First algorithmic example

- For $1 \leq a \leq b \leq n$ we define:

$$\sigma(l, r) := \sigma(a_l, \dots, a_r) := \max \{ (i, j), l \leq i \leq j \leq r \},$$

$$s_1 := \max \left\{ \left(i, \frac{n}{2} \right), 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \right\},$$

$$s_2 := \max \left\{ \left(\frac{n}{2} + 1, j \right), \frac{n}{2} + 1 \leq j \leq n \right\}.$$

Then it is valid for $\sigma(1, n)$:

$$\sigma(1, n) := \max \left\{ \left(1, \frac{n}{2} \right), \sigma\left(\frac{n}{2} + 1, n\right), s_1 + s_2 \right\}.$$

Example:

$(-10, 5, 2, -7,$	$3, 6, -9, 11)$
$\sigma(1, 4) = 7$	$\sigma(5, 8) = 11$
$s_1 = 0$	$s_2 = 11$



First algorithmic example

- **function $\sigma(a_1, \dots, a_n)$**
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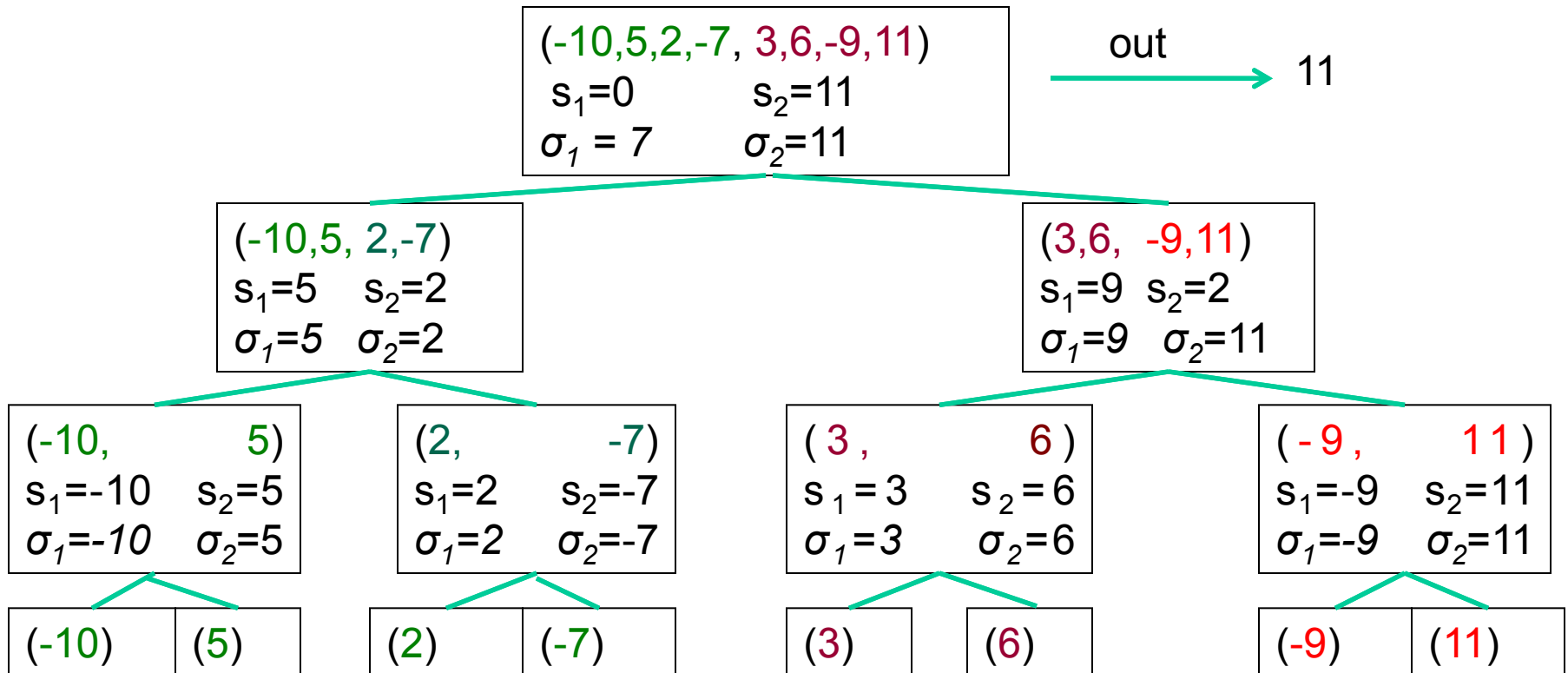
$(2, -7)$
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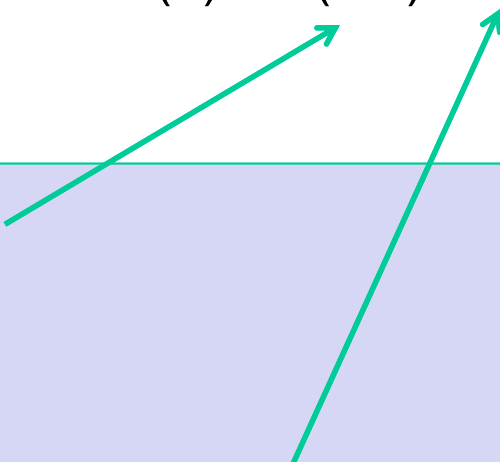
First algorithmic example

- **Analysis:**

let $T(n)$ be the number of operations (comparisons + additions), consumed by the D&C algorithm on inputs of length n .

Then: $T(1) = 0$, and for $n > 1$: $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 2n - 1$

Reasoning:


$$\text{In total: } 2(n/2 - 1 + n/2 - 1) + 2 + 1 = 2n - 1$$

First algorithmic example

- **Analysis:**

Result: a so called recursive equation / recurrence for the running time (for technical reasons we substitute n by 2^k)

$$T(1) = 1, \text{ and for } k \geq 1 : T(2^k) = 2T(2^{k-1}) + 2^k - 1$$

(this is typical for recursive algorithms, especially for D&C)
Several replacements result in:

$$\begin{aligned} T(2^k) &= 2T(2^{k-1}) + 2^k - 1 \\ &= 2(2T(2^{k-2}) + 2^{k-1} - 1) + 2^k - 1 \\ &= 4T(2^{k-2}) + (2^{k+1} - 2) + (2^{k+1} - 1) \\ &= 8T(2^{k-3}) + (2^{k+1} - 4) + (2^{k+1} - 2) + (2^{k+1} - 1) \end{aligned}$$

First algorithmic example

- **Analysis:**

$$T(1) = 1, \text{ and for } k \geq 1: T(2^k) = 2T(2^{k-1}) + 2^k - 1$$

... and, as a consequence, the following conjecture:

$$T(2^k) = 2^l T(2^{k-l}) + \sum_{i=1}^l (2^i - 2^{i-1})$$

Such that for $l=k$ it will be valid:

$$\begin{aligned} T(2^k) &= 2^k T(2^0) + \sum_{i=1}^k (2^{i+1} - 2^{i-1}) \\ &= 0 + k \cdot 2^{k+1} - \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} 2^{i+1} = 2k \cdot 2^k - (2^k - 1) \\ &= 2n \log_2(n) - n + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Proof: Exercise

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- **Algorithm 4 (clever algorithmus)**
(scans over the input exactly once)

$Max := a_1; Max^* := Max;$

For $l = 2, \dots, n$

$Max^* := \max\{Max^* + a_l, a_l\}$

$Max := \max\{Max^*, Max\}$

Output: Max

Correctness:

Claim.: after the l -th loop execution, it is

$$Max^* = \max \{ (i, l), 1 \leq i \leq l \}$$

$$Max = \sigma(1, l) = \max \{ (i, j), 1 \leq i \leq j \leq l \}$$

Example:

$(-10, 5, 2, -7, 3, 6, -9, 11)$ $Max^* = -10, Max = -10$

$(-10, 5, 2, -7, 3, 6, -9, 11)$ $Max^* = 5, Max = 5$

$(-10, 5, 2, -7, 3, 6, -9, 11)$ $Max^* = 7, Max = 7$

$(-10, 5, 2, -7, 3, 6, -9, 11)$ $Max^* = 0, Max = 7$

$(-10, 5, 2, -7, 3, 6, -9, 11)$ $Max^* = 3, Max = 7$

$(-10, 5, 2, -7, 3, 6, -9, 11)$ $Max^* = 9, Max = 9$

$(-10, 5, 2, -7, 3, 6, -9, 11)$ $Max^* = 0, Max = 9$

$(-10, 5, 2, -7, 3, 6, -9, 11)$ $Max^* = 11, Max = 11$

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Insertion, repetition: Induction proofs

Claim: A certain statement $A(n)$ is valid for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Proof: I.) proof of the „base clause“ !

$A(1)$ is true, is a correct statement

II.) proof of the „induction step“!

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$: if $A(n-1)$ is true, then also $A(n)$ is true

The claim follows from I.) and II.):

$A(1)$ is true, because of I.)

$\Rightarrow A(2)$ is true, because of II.)

$\Rightarrow A(3)$ is true, because of II.) $\Rightarrow \dots$ Etc.

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- **Analysis:**

Induction:

$l=2$: after the first loop execution:

$$Max^* = \max \{ \quad + a_2, a_2 \} = \max \{ (1,2), f(2,2) \},$$

$$Max = \max \{ \quad + a_2, a_2, a_1 \} = \sigma(1,2)$$

$l-1 \rightarrow l$:

(Max_{l-1} und Max^*_{l-1} describe Max and Max^* after the $(l-2)$ -th execution of the loop)

Concerning the induction hypothesis, it is:

$$Max^*_{l-1} = \max \{ (i, l-1), 1 \leq i \leq l-1 \},$$

$$Max_{l-1} = \sigma(1, l-1)$$

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Analysis:

this implies:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Max^* &= \max \{ Max_{l-1}^* + a_l \} \\
 &\stackrel{IH}{=} \max \{ f(i, l-1) + a_l \text{ with } 1 \leq i \leq l-1 \cup a_l \} \\
 &= \max \{ f(i, l) \text{ with } 1 \leq i \leq l \} \\
 Max &= \max \{ Max_{l-1}, Max^* \} \\
 &\stackrel{IH}{=} \max \{ \sigma(1, l-1) \cup f(i, l) \text{ with } 1 \leq i \leq l \} \\
 &= \sigma(1, l)
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, with $Max = \sigma(1, n)$, the correct value is computed and

- $A(n) = n-1$
- $V(n)$: two comparisons per loop execution, thus $2(n-1)$ comparisons in total
- **$T(n) = 3n-3$**

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n	<i>naive</i> $\frac{1}{6}n^3 + \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{1}{3}n - 1$	<i>normal</i> $n^2 - 1$	<i>divide & conquer</i> $2n \log(n) - n + 1$	<i>clever</i> $3n - 3$
$2^2 = 4$	19	15	13	9
$2^4 = 16$	814	255	113	45
$2^6 = 64$	45759	4095	705	189
$2^8 = 256$	2829055	65535	3841	765
$2^{10} = 1024$	179418599	1048575	19457	3069
$2^{15} = 32768$	$> 5 \cdot 10^{12}$	$\approx 10^9$	950273	98301

e.g.. *clever* needs for $n = 1024$ approx. As much time as *divide & conquer* for $n = 256$ or as *normal* for $n = 64$.

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Questions:

- Is it really necessary to make such an effort for analyses? This is already complicated and boring for small examples with three lines.
- Why did we count comparisons and additions? Could we also count multiplications? Why did we deal with the addition in the same way as with the comparison? Is that really the right way?
- Why do we use just the number of sequence items as a parameter of analysis? Isn't the consequence that everybody counts whatever he/she likes to count? Is it possible to reach better comparability?
- How do I know whether I have discovered a good algorithm?