CSL356: Analysis and Design of Algorithms

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• <u>Problem[travelling salesperson (TSP)]</u>: There are *n* cities and all the inter-city distances are given. Let *d(i, j)* denote the distance between cities *i* and *j*. You are a salesperson and would like to visit each of the *n* cities starting and ending at your home-city. Give a tour that minimizes the total distance you have to travel.

• <u>Example</u>:



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TSP-Length $-T(\{1\},1) = 0$ - for s = 2 to n- for all subsets S of $\{1, \dots, n\}$ of size S and containing 1 $-T(S,1) = \infty$ - for all *j* in *S*, $j \neq 1$ $-T(S, j) = \min\{T(S - \{j\}, i) + d(i, j), i \in S, i \neq j\}$ - return $min_i(T(\{1, ..., n\}, j) + d(1, j))$

- Running time:
 - $O(n^2 \cdot 2^n)$.

 $\begin{aligned} \text{TSP-Length}(S, i) \\ &- \text{ if } (|S| = 1) \text{ return}(0) \\ &- \text{ if } (|S| \neq 1 \text{ and } i = 1) \text{ return}(\infty) \\ &- \text{ return} \Big(\min_{j \in S, j \neq i} (TSP - Length(S - \{i\}, j)) \Big) \end{aligned}$

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Dynamic Programming: Some more examples

Viterbi's Algorithm

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- Let us consider the negation of log of edge weights instead of edge weights. Call this graph G'.
- Now we need to minimize the sum of edge weights in the path rather than maximize the product of edge weights.
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- Space:
 - O(|E|) in case we are only interested in the probability.

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