# Dynamic Graphs: Dynamic edge orientation 

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## Dynamic.

Algorithms:
Algorithmic problem $\rightarrow$ Algorithm $\rightarrow$ Solution.
Dynamic algorithms:
Update to problem $\rightarrow$ Dynamic algorithm $\rightarrow$ Update to solution.

- Add/delete element in datastructure
- Add/delete edge in graph, $\quad \leftarrow$ Note, $O(\log n)$ bits.
- Add/delete/change character in string, or point in curve, ...

Motivation:

- Useful:
- Efficiently maintain information in large, changing datasets,
- Applications in (static) algorithms, sabotage logic, other models ...
- Revisit fundamental problems and properties
- graph connectivity, planarity, distance, min-cut, colouring, clustering, ...

Toolbox:

- Maintain/update some data structure,
- Amortised algorithms


## Last time: Splay trees



Insert 1, 2, 3, 4, ..., 10. Splay 1.
Be lazy


Balance things out when needed.
Analysis: Potential function.
Benefit: amortisation allows us to approach the problem from a new angle, apply different ideas.

## Dynamic bounded out-degree orientations

## Sparse graphs

A graph is sparse if it has few edges per vertex.
 A measure of sparsity is arboricity, the treeishness of the graph.

- Arboricity of $G$ is $\leq c$, I
- Union of $c$ forests: $G=F_{1} \cup F_{2} \cup \ldots \cup F_{c}$ §
- Any subgraph $J$ on $n_{J}$ vertices has $\leq c\left(n_{\jmath}-1\right)$ edges.

Note: Given $G=F_{1} \cup F_{2} \cup \ldots \cup F_{c}$ possible to orient $F_{i}$ towards root. Thus, outdegree $(v) \leq c$.

Problem: Dynamic graph whose arboricity never exceeds c. Orient edges, so that outdegree $(v)$ is $O(c)$.
Motivation: $\operatorname{adjacency}(u, v)$ in $O(c)$ time. (I.e: are $u$ and $v$ neighbours?)

## Dynamic bounded out-degree orientations

## Setup:

Arboricity $\leq c$
$G=F_{1} \cup F_{2} \cup \ldots \cup F_{c}$
The problem:
Dynamic graph, arboricity always $\leq c$.
out-degree $(v) \leq \Delta=6 \cdot c$ ?
The algorithm (amortised)
Deletion? Easy.
Insertion, safe case? Easy.
Insertion, overflow? Flip all edges.
This may cause some neighbours to overflow (ie. more than $\Delta$ out-neighbours.)
recursively repeat on the overflowing vertices, until the stack of overflowing vertices is empty.



Correctness? If terminates, then correct $\Delta$ out-orientation Running time? Amortised analysis.

## Dynamic bounded out-degree orientations - the omniscient algorithm

Algorithm: $6 \alpha$-overflow $\Rightarrow$ flip-in all edges, keep flipping until no overflow.
Analysis: Consider maintaining a $2 \alpha$-orientation.
If out-degree $(u) \geq 2 \alpha$, there is a path of length $\log n$ to some $v$ of out-degree $<2 \alpha$.
Why? (1) such a vertex must exist (arb. $\leq \alpha$ ).
(2) Consider $V_{i}$; $i$ 'th out-neighbourhood of $u$.

If one of them contains such a $v$ - done.
Otherwise, $\left|V_{i}>2^{i}\right|$. Why? Induction.
Assume $V_{j}>2^{j}$, and we are not done.
Consider the $2 \alpha$ out-edges of $V_{j}: 2 \alpha \cdot 2^{j}$ edges. Arboricity $\alpha$ : those $2 \alpha \cdot 2^{j}$ edges must take up $2 \alpha \cdot 2^{j} / \alpha$ vertices. I.e. $2^{j+1} . \leftarrow V_{j+1}$. :)
So after $\log n$ steps, $V_{\log n}=G$.
Conclusion: There is an omniscient $2 \alpha$-orientation algorithm that performs only $\log n$ flips per dynamic operation.

## Dynamic bounded out-degree orientations - putting it together

Algorithm: When overflow $\Rightarrow$ flip-in all edges, keep flipping until no overflow.
Overflow: $>6 c$ out-edges on a vertex.
Recall: omniscient $2 c$-algorithm, $\log n$ flips.
Say an edge is good if it agrees with the omniscient algorithm.
What happens when 'overflow' $\Rightarrow$ flip-all?
At least $4 c$ bad edges become good.
At most $2 c$ good edges become bad.
Potential $=$ number of bad edges


Greedy algorithm does amortized $O(\log n)$ flips
per edge update.
Take-home message:
Amortised analysis is a potent tool for analysing very simple algorithmic ideas.
Recourse analysis can be an important tool for amortised analysis of greedy algorithms.
(Exercises.)

## Lower bound

Assume $c$ is a constant, and is an upper bound on the arboricity of the dynamic graph.
Then if we force out-degree $\leq c$, we may have to perform $\Omega(n)$ edge-reorientations per insert/delete.
Idea: Think of a path. If we cut and link, we may force $\Omega(n)$ reorientations. For larger $c$, the construction is a union of paths. Still, a cut and link in one of these paths is what shows the lower bound.
(For details, see Thm. 4.)

