Probabilistic analysis of algorithms:
What's it GOOd for?

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It was indeed very difficult for me to make a choice of examples...

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...even if I restricted myself to those few that l've worked out myself!

- Randomized Binary search trees
- Optimal sampling for quicksort and quickselect
- Adaptive sampling for quickselect
- Updates and associative queries in relaxed $K$-d trees
- Exhaustive and random Generation of combinatorial Objects
- Partial sorting
- Probabilistic analysis of Binary search trees, skip lists,...
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Example \#: Generating random derangements

Le Problème des Derangements:
"A number of Gentlemen, say $n$, surrender their top hats in the cloakroom and proceed to the evening's enjoyment. After wining and dining (and wining some more), they stumble Back to the cloakroom and confusedly take the first top-hat they see. What is the probability that no Gentleman gets his own hat?"

## Derangements

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- The number $D_{n}$ of derangements of size $n$ is $D_{n}=n!\cdot\left[\frac{1}{0!}-\frac{1}{1!}+\frac{1}{2!}-\frac{1}{3!}+\cdots+\frac{(-1)^{n}}{n!}\right]=\left\lfloor\frac{n!+1}{e}\right\rfloor$ extremely Good approximation to the probability that a random permutation is a derangement for $n>10$.


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- As $n \rightarrow \infty, D_{n} / n!\sim 1 / e \approx 0.36788$. In fact, $e^{-1}$ is a extremely GOOd approximation to the probability that a random permutation is a derangement for $n \geq 10$.

Excursion: Fisher-Yates' shuffle

```
Procedure RandomPermutation \((n)\)
    for \(i \leftarrow 1\) to \(n\) do \(A[i] \leftarrow i\)
    for \(i \leftarrow n\) downto 1 do
        \(j \leftarrow\) Uniform \((1, i)\)
        \(A[i] \leftrightarrow A[j]\)
    return \(A\)
```

Excursion: Sattolo's algorithm

```
procedure RandomCyclicPermutation \((n)\)
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\mathbb{P}[A \text { is a derangement }] & \approx \frac{1}{e} \\
\mathbb{E}[\# \text { of calls to Random }] & =e \cdot n+O(1)
\end{aligned}
$$

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Choice \#l: $n$ belongs to a cycle of lencth $>2$.
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possible ways to do that

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Choice \#2: $n$ Belongs to a cycle of length 2 .
The derangement of size $n$ is Built By constructing a cycle of size 2 with $n$ and some $j, 1 \leq j \leq n-1$; then we suild a derangement of size $n-2$ with the remaining elements

The recursive method

$$
\begin{aligned}
& C \leftarrow\{1,2, \ldots, n\} \\
& \text { RandomDerangement-Rec }(n, C)
\end{aligned}
$$

Require: $n \neq 1$
procedure RandomDerangement-Red $(n, C)$
if $n \leq 1$ then return
$j \leftarrow$ a random element from $C$
$p \leftarrow$ Uniform $(0,1)$
if $p<(n-1) D_{n-2} / D_{n}$ then
RandomDerangement-Rec $(n-2, C \backslash\{j, n\})$

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else
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$j \leftarrow$ a random unmarked element in $A[1 . . i-1]$
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repeat $j \leftarrow$ Random $(1, i-1)$
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& \frac{C_{n}-\log n}{\sqrt{\log n}} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0,1)
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Since we also have $\mathbb{E}[G] \geq n-\mathbb{E}\left[C_{n}\right]$, we have finally

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## Insertion in relaxed $K$-d trees

```
rkdt insert(rkdt t, const Elem& x) {
    int n = size(t);
    int u = random(0,n);
    if (u == n)
        return insert_at_root(t, x);
    else { // t cannot be empty
        int i = t -> discr;
        if (x[i] < t -> key[i])
            t -> left = insert(t -> left, x);
        else
            t -> right = insert(t -> right, x);
        return t;
    }
}
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## Deletion in relaxed $K-d$ trees

```
rkdt delete(rkdt t, const Elem& x) {
    if (t == NULL) return NULL;
    if (t -> key == x)
        return join(t -> left, t -> right);
    int i = t -> discr;
    if (x -> key[i] < t -> key[i])
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& +\frac{2(K-1)}{n K} \sum_{0 \leq j<n} \frac{n-j}{n+1} m_{j},
\end{aligned}
$$

with $s_{0}=0$.

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$$
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$$

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$$
\begin{aligned}
z \frac{d^{2} S}{d z^{2}}+2 \frac{1-2 z}{1-z} & \frac{d S}{d z} \\
& -2\left(\frac{3 K-2}{K}-z\right) \frac{S(z)}{(1-z)^{2}}=\frac{2}{(1-z)^{3}}
\end{aligned}
$$

with initial conditions $S(0)=0$ and $S^{\prime}(0)=1$.

Analysis of split/join

- The homogeneous second order linear ODE is of hypergeometric type.
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$$
-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{K}{K-1}\right) \frac{1}{1-z}
$$

## Analysis of split/join

## Theorem

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$$
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1-\alpha, 2-\alpha \\
2
\end{array} \right\rvert\, z\right)-\frac{1}{1-z}\right],
$$

where $\alpha=\alpha(K)=\frac{1}{2}\left(1+\sqrt{17-\frac{16}{K}}\right)$.

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Theorem
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$$
s_{n}=\eta(K) n^{\phi(K)}+o(n),
$$

with

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \eta=\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{K}} \frac{\Gamma(2 \alpha-1)}{\alpha \Gamma^{3}(\alpha)}, \\
& \phi=\alpha-1=\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{17-\frac{16}{K}}-1\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

## Analysis of split/join



Plot of $\phi(K)$

The cost of insertions and deletions

- The recurrence for the expected cost of an insertion is

$$
\begin{aligned}
& I_{n}=\frac{\mathcal{I}_{n}}{n+1}+\left(1-\frac{1}{n+1}\right)\left(1+\frac{2}{n} \sum_{0 \leq j<n} \frac{j+1}{n+1} I_{j}\right) \\
& \quad=\frac{\mathcal{I}_{n}}{n+1}+1+\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)+\frac{2}{n+1} \sum_{0 \leq j<n} \frac{j+1}{n+1} I_{j} .
\end{aligned}
$$

with $\mathcal{I}_{n}$ the average cost of an insertion at root

- The expected cost of deletions $D_{n}$ satisfies a similar recurrence; it is asymptotically equivalent to the average cost of insertions
- We substitute $\mathcal{I}_{n}$ By the costs OBtained previously $\left(s_{n}\right)$

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## Excursion: Partial match

Given a query $q=\left(q_{0}, \ldots, q_{K_{1}}\right)$ where each $q_{i} \in[0,1]$ or $q_{i}=*$, find all elements $x$ in the $K$-d tree such that $x_{i}=q_{i}$ whenever $q_{i} \neq *$.

## Partial match

```
void partial_match(rkdt t, query q) {
    if (t == NULL) return;
    if (matches(t -> key, q))
        report(t-> key);
    int i = t -> discr;
    if (q[i] == '*') {
        partial_match(t -> left, q);
        partial_match(t -> right, q);
    } else if (q[i] < t -> key) {
        partial_match(t -> left, q);
    } else {
        partial_match(t -> left, q);
    }
}
```


## Analysis of copy-Based updates

The cost of Building $T$ using copy-based insertion of a key $x$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
C(T)=P(T)+\frac{1}{K} \frac{|L|+1}{|T|+1} C(L)+ & \frac{1}{K} \frac{|R|+1}{|T|+1} C(R) \\
& +\frac{K-1}{K}(C(L)+C(R))
\end{aligned}
$$

where $P(T)$ denotes the number of nodes visited by a partial match in $T-\{x\}$ with query
$q=\left(x_{0}, \ldots, x_{i-1}, *, x_{i+1}, \ldots, x_{K-1}\right)$

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The cost of making an insertion at root into a tree of size $n$ :

$$
C_{n}=P_{n}+\frac{2}{n K} \sum_{0 \leq k<n} \frac{k+1}{n+1} C_{k}+\frac{2(K-1)}{n K} \sum_{0 \leq k<n} C_{k} .
$$

with $P_{n}$ the expected cost of a partial match in a random relaxed $K$-d tree of size $n$ with only one specified coordinate out of $K$ coordinates

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Theorem (Duch et al. 1998, Martínez et al. 2001)
The expected cost $P_{n}$ (measured as the number of key comparisons) of a partial match query with $s$ out of $K$ attributes specified, $0<s<K$, in a randomly Built relaxed $K$-d tree of size $n$ is

$$
P_{n}=\beta(s / K) \cdot n^{\rho(s / K)}+\mathcal{O}(1),
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
\rho=\rho(x) & =(\sqrt{9-8 x}-1) / 2, \\
\beta(x) & =\frac{\Gamma(2 \rho+1)}{(1-x)(\rho+1) \Gamma^{3}(\rho+1)},
\end{aligned}
$$

and $\Gamma(x)$ is Euler's Gamma function.

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We will use Roura's Continuous Master Theorem to solve recurrences of the form:

$$
F_{n}=t_{n}+\sum_{0 \leq j<n} w_{n, j} F_{j}, \quad n \geq n_{0}
$$

where $t_{n}$ is the so-called toll function and the quantities $w_{n, j} \geq 0$ are called weights

Excursion: Roura's Continuous Master Theorem

Theorem (Roura 2001)
Let $t_{n} \sim C n^{a} \log ^{b} n$ for some constants $C, a \geq 0$ and $b>-1$, and let $\omega(z)$ Be a real function over $[0,1]$ such that

$$
\sum_{0 \leq j<n}\left|w_{n, j}-\int_{j / n}^{(j+1) / n} \omega(z) d z\right|=\mathcal{O}\left(n^{-d}\right)
$$

for some constant $d>0$. Let $\phi(x)=\int_{0}^{1} z^{x} \omega(z) d z$, and define $\mathcal{H}=1-\phi(a)$. Then
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$\mathcal{H}^{\prime}=-(b+1) \int_{0}^{1} z^{a} \ln z \omega(z) d z$.
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$$

and Get

$$
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$$

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$$
C_{n}=\gamma \cdot n^{\varrho} \ln n+o(n \ln n),
$$

where

$$
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\end{aligned}
$$

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```
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    int i, int j, int m) {
    if (i < j) {
        int p = get_pivot(A, i, j);
        swap(A[p], A[l]);
        int k;
        partition(A, i, j, k);
        partial_quicksort(A, i, k - 1, m);
        if (k < m - 1)
        partial_quicksort(A, k + 1, j, m);
} }
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$$

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$$

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$$
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- Then, each of $F(z, u)$ and $S(z, u)$ satisfies a differential equation like (2) and

$$
\begin{aligned}
F(z, u)= & \frac{1}{(1-z)(1-z u)} \\
& \times\left\{\int(1-z)(1-z u) \frac{\partial T_{F}}{\partial z} d z+K_{F}\right\} \\
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- $F(z, u)$ satisfies exactly the same differential equation as standard quickselect; it is well known (Knuth, 1971) that for $1 \leq m \leq n$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
F_{n, m}=\left[z^{n} u^{m}\right] F & (z, u)=2\left(n+3+(n+1) H_{n}\right. \\
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$$
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\end{aligned}
$$

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$$
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