

**Variations of the  
subset sum and  
the maximum  
matching problem  
inspired by  
calculations in  
cryptography and  
wireless localization**

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# Combinatorial Optimizations and Other CS Areas

Communication Network

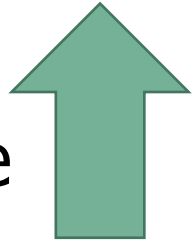
Data Privacy

Game AI

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Landscape Design

Use



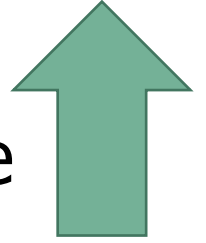
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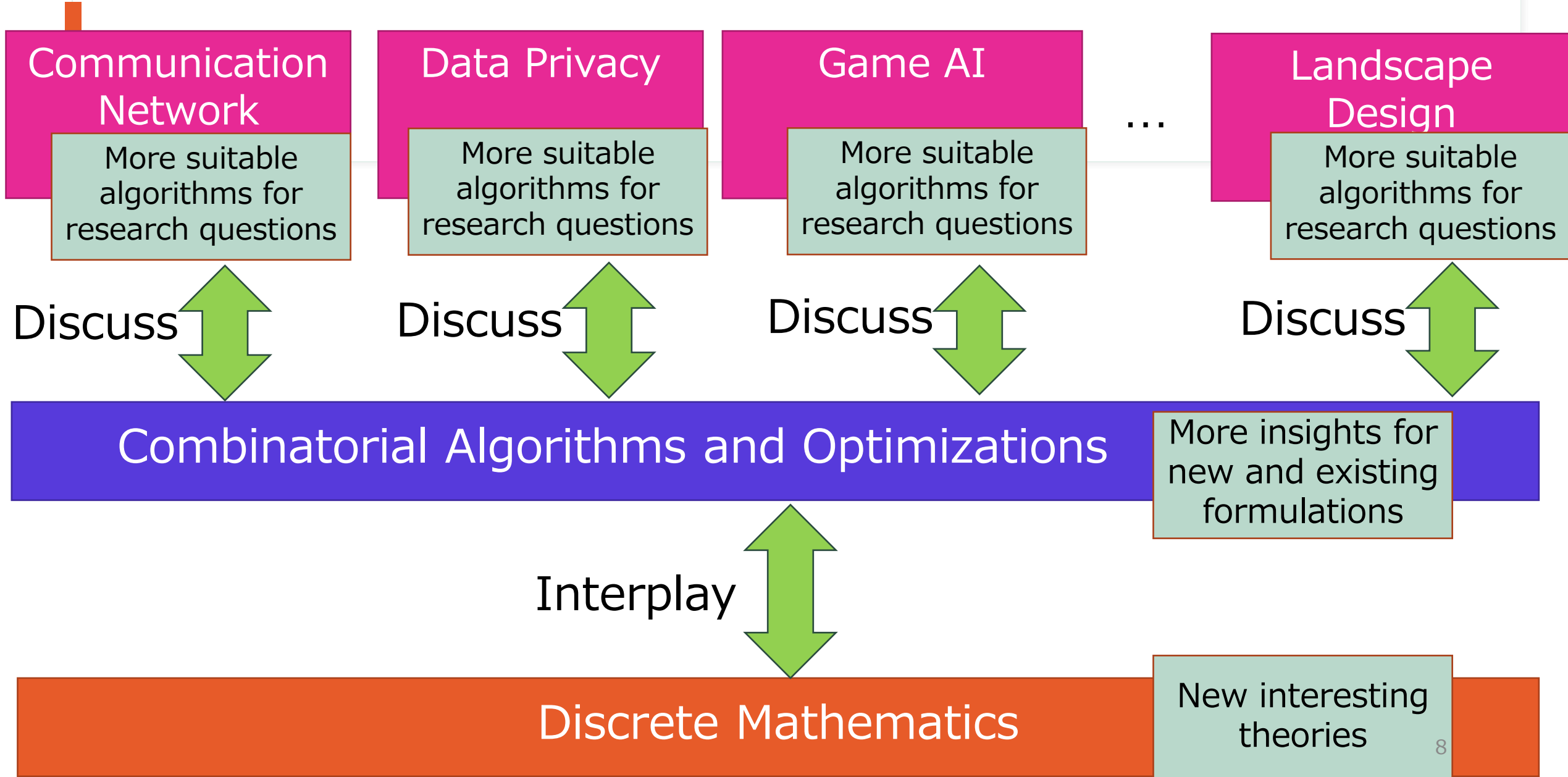
Combinatorial Algorithms and Optimizations

Use



Discrete Mathematics

# Combinatorial Optimizations and Other CS Areas



# Case 1



Parinya  
Chalermsook  
Aalto U.



Hiroshi Imai  
UTokyo



Daniel Krenn  
U. Salzburg



Stefan Wagner  
Uppsala U.

Hamming  
weight of  
2-smooth  
numbers

Interplay



Special cases of  
minimum  
subset sum  
problem

Discuss



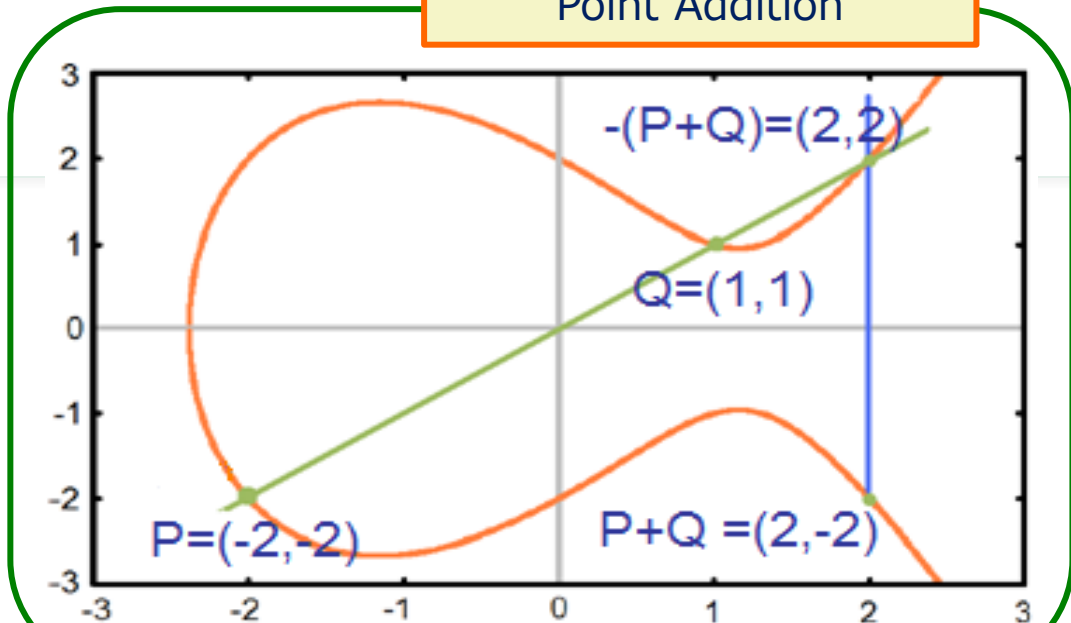
Implementation of  
cryptographic  
algorithm

Topics considered in  
several crypto  
conferences

# Elliptic Curve

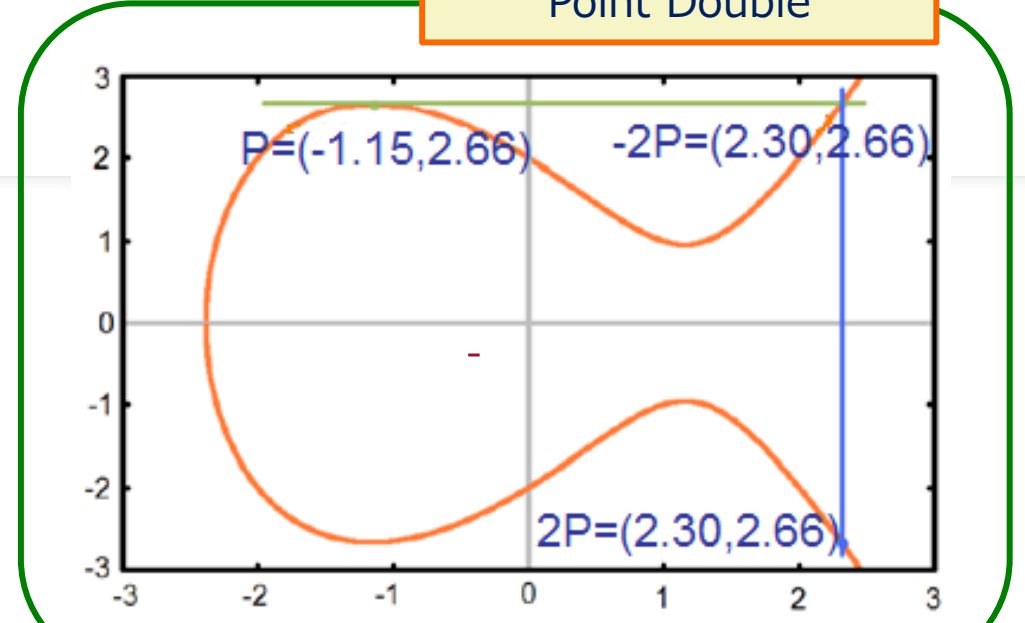
$$\text{Weierstrass Equation: } y^2 = x^3 + Ax + B$$

Point Addition



$$A = -4, B = 4$$

Point Double



$$A = -4, B = 4$$

**Scalar Multiplication:**

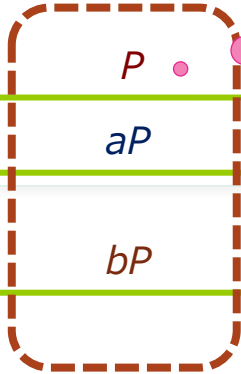
$$aP = \underbrace{P + \dots + P}_{a \text{ times}}$$

# Elliptic Curve Key Exchange

$a, b \approx 2^{256}$

**A  
L  
I  
C  
E**

1. Generate  $P \in E(\mathbb{Z}_p)$
2. Generate positive integer  $a$
3. Receive  $Q = bP$
4. Compute  $aQ = abP$



Other persons  
knows  $P, aP, bP$ ,  
but not  $abP$

**B  
O  
B**

1. Receive  $P$
2. Receive  $S = aP$
3. Generate positive integer  $b$
4. Compute  $bS = abP$

Key

For other persons

Given  $P, aP$ , and  $bP$ ,  
Compute  $abP$ .

Diffie-Hellman Problem



No algorithm in  $o(a^{1/2}) \approx 20,000$  years

For Alice

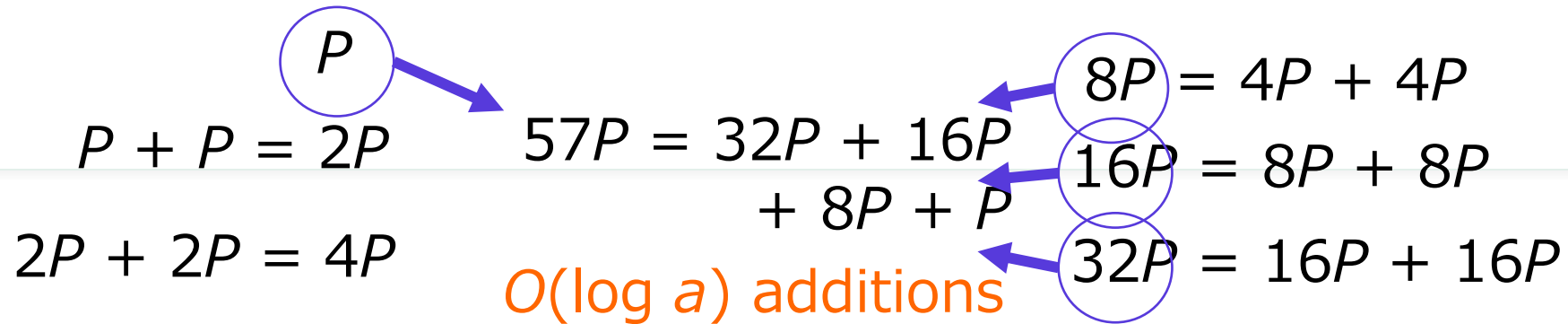
Given  $a, P$   
Compute  $aP$ .

Scalar Multiplication



There is an algorithm with time  $O(\log a)$ .

# Scalable algorithm for calculating $aP$



Question: How to find a set of points in memory which gives smallest number of additions?



Subset Sum Problem!!

Giving a set  $\mathcal{S}$  and an integer  $r$ , find a set  $\mathcal{S}' \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  with smallest size  $\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}'} s = r$ .

NP-hard problem

But, we can solve the problem in this case.

$\mathcal{S} = \{1, 2, 4, 8, \dots, 2^n\}$  and an integer  $r < 2^n$ , find a set  $S' \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  with smallest size  $\sum_{s \in S'} s = r$ .

There is always one solution. A greedy algorithm should work!

Ex:  $r = 57$ , optimal solution =  $\{32, 16, 8, 1\}$



$\mathcal{S}_1 = \{1, 2, 4, 8, \dots, 2^n\}, \mathcal{S}_{-1} = \{-1, -2, \dots, -2^n\}$

$\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_1 \cup \mathcal{S}_{-1}$  and an integer  $r < 2^n$ , find a set  $S' \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  with smallest size  $\sum_{s \in S'} s = r$ . Can be solved in polynomial time! [folklore, c.f. Reitwiesner 1960]

Ex:  $r = 57$ , possible solution:  $\{32, 16, 8, 1\}, \{64, -8, 1\}$

Optimal Solution



# Performance Analysis

Given a set  $\mathcal{S}$  and an integer  $r < 2^n$ , find a set  $S' \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  with smallest size  $\sum_{s \in S'} s = r$ .

Let the optimal solution be  $S^*(r)$ .

We want to know more about the set size  $|S^*(r)|$  to avoid security attacks.

Worst Case:  $W(n) = \max_{0 \leq r < 2^n} |S^*(r)|$     Average Case:  $A(n) = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{0 \leq r < 2^n} |S^*(r)|$

When  $\mathcal{S} = \{1, 2, \dots, 2^n\}$ ,  $W(n) = n + o(n)$  and  $A(n) = 0.5n + o(n)$

e.g.  $S^*(15) = \{8, 4, 2, 1\}$     [folklore]

When  $\mathcal{S} = \{1, 2, \dots, 2^n\} \cup \{-1, -2, \dots, -2^n\}$ ,  $W(n) = n/2$  and  $A(n) = n/3$

[Egecioglu and Koc, 1994]

Other  $\mathcal{S}$      $\mathcal{S}_p = \{p, 2p, \dots, 2^n p\},$

When  $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_1$ ,  $W(n) = n$  and  $A(n) = n/2$

When  $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_1 \cup \mathcal{S}_{-1}$ ,  $W(n) = n/2$  and  $A(n) = n/3$  [Egecioglu and Koc, 1994]

When  $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_3 \cup \mathcal{S}_1 \cup \mathcal{S}_{-1} \cup \mathcal{S}_{-3}$ ,  $W(n) = n/3$  and  $A(n) = n/4$

When  $\mathcal{S} = \bigcup_{-7 \leq h \leq 7: h \text{ is odd}} \mathcal{S}_h$ ,  $W(n) = n/4$  and  $A(n) = n/5$



When  $\mathcal{S} = \bigcup_{-2^q+1 \leq h \leq 2^q-1: h \text{ is odd}} \mathcal{S}_h$ ,  $W(n) = \frac{n}{q+1}$  and  $A(n) = \frac{n}{q+2}$

[Muir 2004]

# Other collection $\mathcal{S}$

$$\mathcal{S}_p = \{p, 2p, \dots, 2^n p\}$$

We can calculate  $W(n)$  for  $\mathcal{S} = \cup_{-2p+1 \leq h \leq 2p-1} \mathcal{S}_h$  for  $2p - 1$  that cannot be written in the form of  $2^q - 1$ . It is equal to  $W(n)$  for  $\mathcal{S} = \cup_{-2^q+1 \leq h \leq 2^q-1} \mathcal{S}_h$  for largest  $2^q - 1$  smaller than  $2p - 1$ .

Thus, we complete the table!

We can also find  $A(n)$  and  $W(n)$  for many collection  $\mathcal{S}$  cryptographer is using.

Set $\mathcal{S}$	$A(n)$	$W(n)$
$\mathcal{S}_1 \cup \mathcal{S}_{-1}$	$\frac{1}{3}n$ [Egecioglu and Koc, 1994]	$\frac{1}{2}n$ [Egecioglu and Koc, 1994]
$\mathcal{S}_3 \cup \mathcal{S}_1 \cup \mathcal{S}_{-1} \cup \mathcal{S}_{-3}$	$\frac{1}{4}n$ [Muir, 2004]	$\frac{1}{3}n$ [Muir, 2004]
$\mathcal{S}_5 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{S}_{-5}$	$\frac{2}{9}n$ [Moller, 2005]	$\frac{1}{3}n$ [Sup and Imai, 2014]
$\mathcal{S}_7 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{S}_{-7}$	$\frac{1}{5}n$ [Muir, 2004]	$\frac{1}{4}n$ [Muir, 2004]
$\mathcal{S}_9 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{S}_{-9}$	$\frac{4}{21}n$ [Moller, 2005]	$\frac{1}{4}n$ [Sup and Imai, 2014]
$\mathcal{S}_{11} \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{S}_{-11}$	$\frac{4}{22}n$ [Moller, 2005]	$\frac{1}{4}n$ [Sup and Imai, 2014]

# Double-Base Number System (DBNS)

$\mathcal{S} = \{2^i : 0 \leq i \leq n\}$  and an integer  $r < 2^n$ , find a set  $S' \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  with smallest size  $\sum_{s \in S'} s = r$ . Polynomial-time solvable



$\mathcal{D} = \{2^i 3^j : 0 \leq i, j \leq n\}$  and an integer  $r < 2^n$ , find a set  $S' \subseteq \mathcal{D}$  with smallest size  $\sum_{s \in S'} s = r$ . Open Problem



Two bases (2,3)  $\rightarrow$  Double-base Number System

Ex:  $r = 41$ , possible solution:  $\{36, 4, 1\}$ ,  $\{32, 9\}$

Optimal Solution

# Greedy Algorithm for DBNS

[Dimitrov, Imbert, and Mishra 2008]

1:  $r' \leftarrow r$

2: Let  $s$  be the largest number in  $\mathcal{D}$  that is smaller than  $r'$ .

3:  $r' \leftarrow r' - s, S \leftarrow S \cup \{s\}$

4: If  $r' \neq 0$ : go to step 2

Let the greedy solution be  $S^g(r)$ .

Worst Case:  $W^g(n) = \max_{0 \leq r < 2^n} |S^g(r)|$

Average Case:  $A^g(n) = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{0 \leq r < 2^n} |S^g(r)|$



**$W^g(n) \in O(n/\log n) !!!$**

We can reduce time complexity of cryptography using DBNS!!

Ex:  $r = 41$ , possible solution:  $\{36,4,1\}, \{32,9\}$

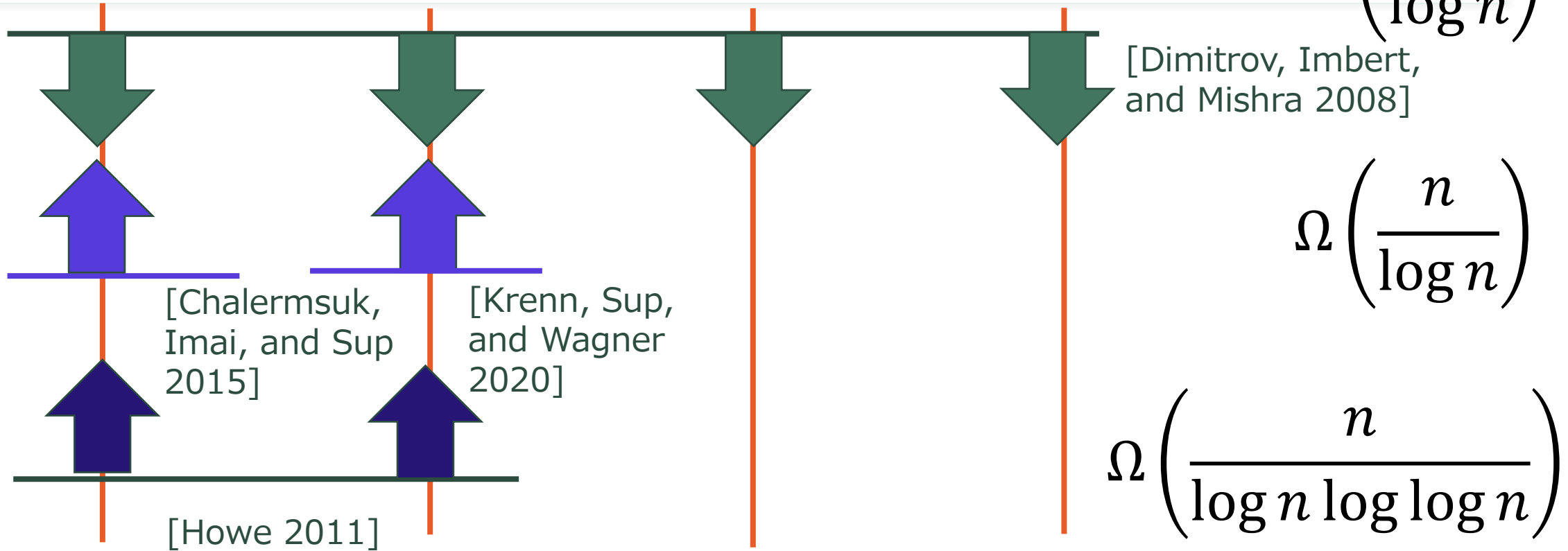
The greedy algorithm does not always give an optimal solution.

# Asymptotic Values of DBNS

$$W^g(n) \geq W(n)$$

$$A^g(n) \geq A(n)$$

$$O\left(\frac{n}{\log n}\right)$$

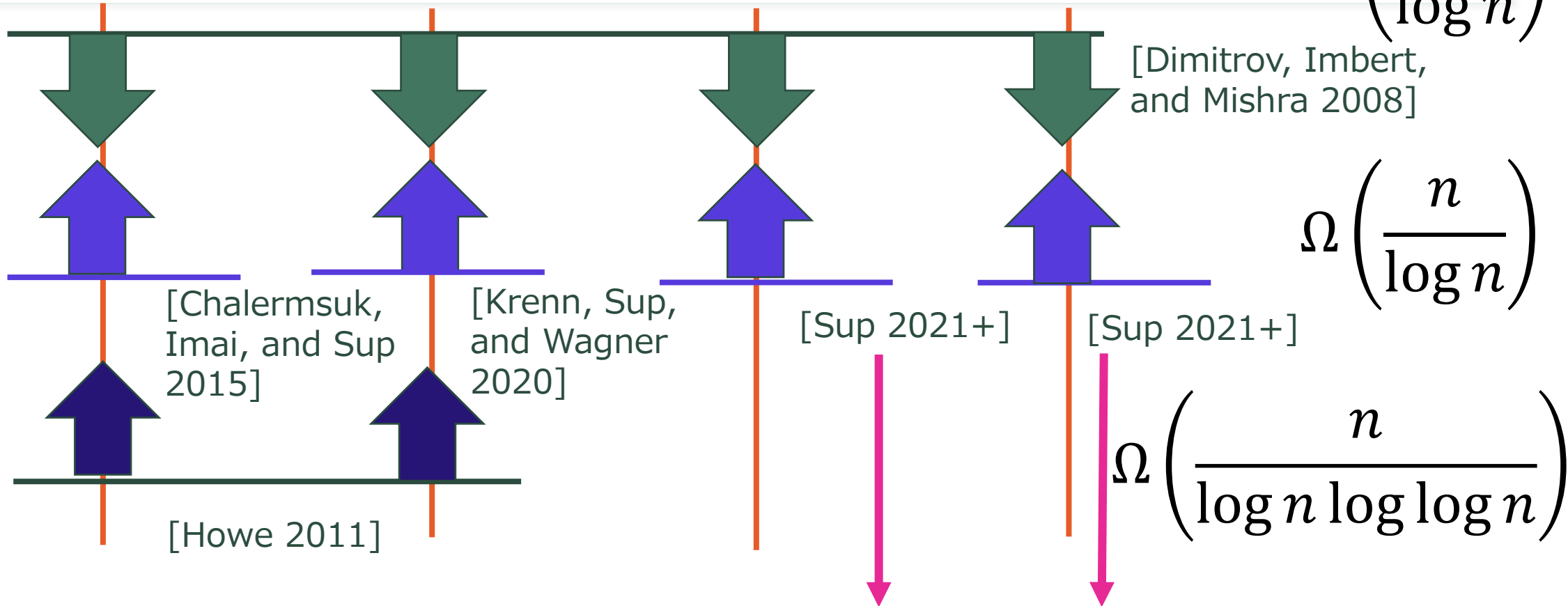


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This presentation will focus here! <sub>20</sub>