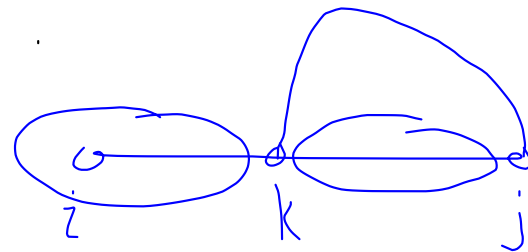
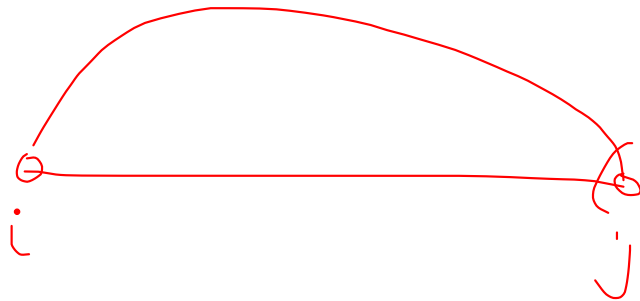


RNA Secondary Structure Prediction.

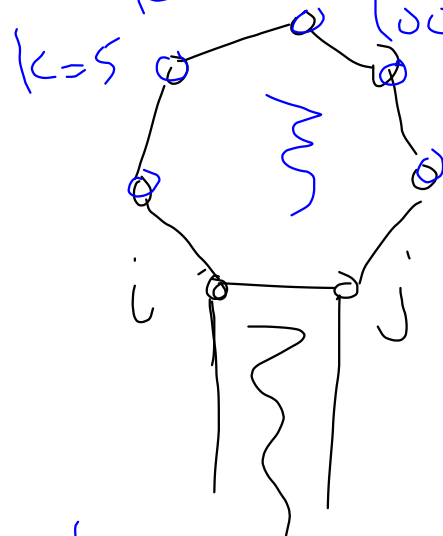
$$S_{i,j} = \min \begin{cases} S_{i,j-1} \\ \alpha(i,j) + S_{i+1,j-1} \\ \min_k [\alpha(k,j) + S_{i,k-1} + S_{k+1,j-1}] \end{cases}$$



Now we want to account for loops

3 kinds of loops

$\gamma(k)$
 $k = \# \text{ bases in loop}$

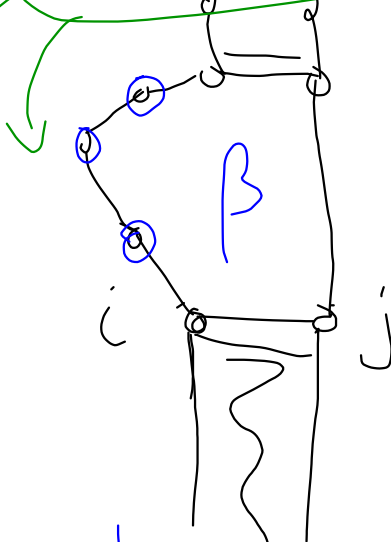


hairpin

Structure

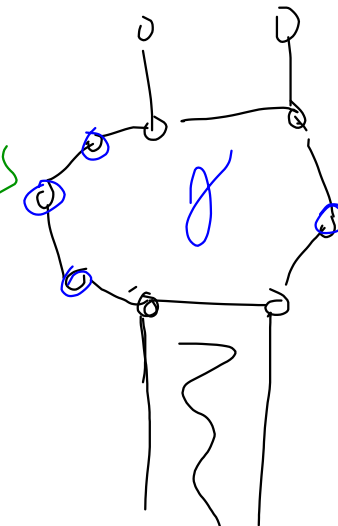
$\beta(k)$

$k = \# \text{ unpaired bases in loop}$



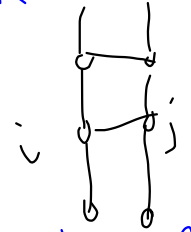
bulge

$\gamma(k)$



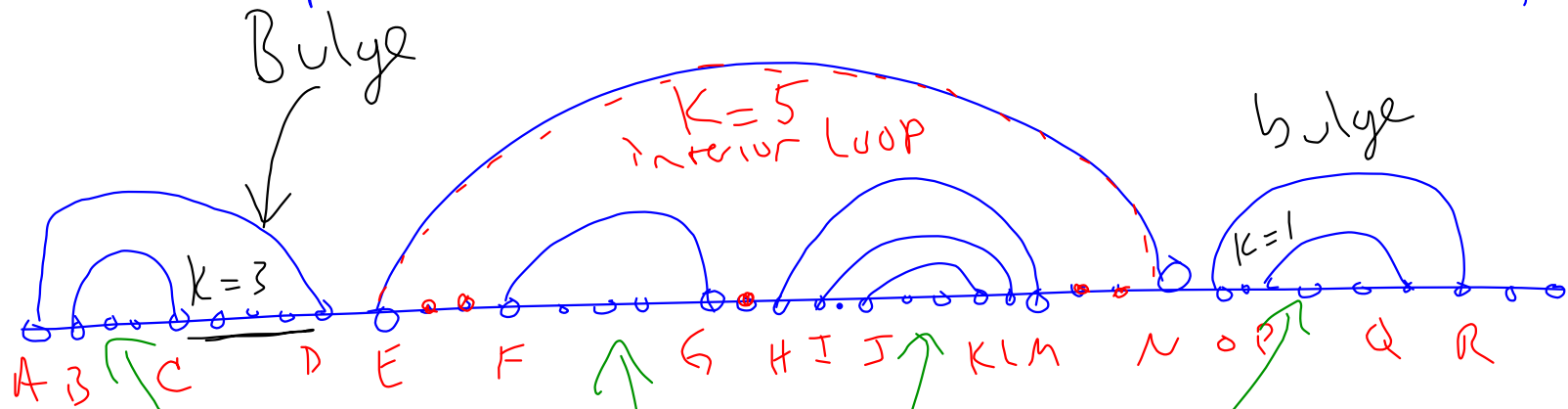
interior loop

η ($k=0$)



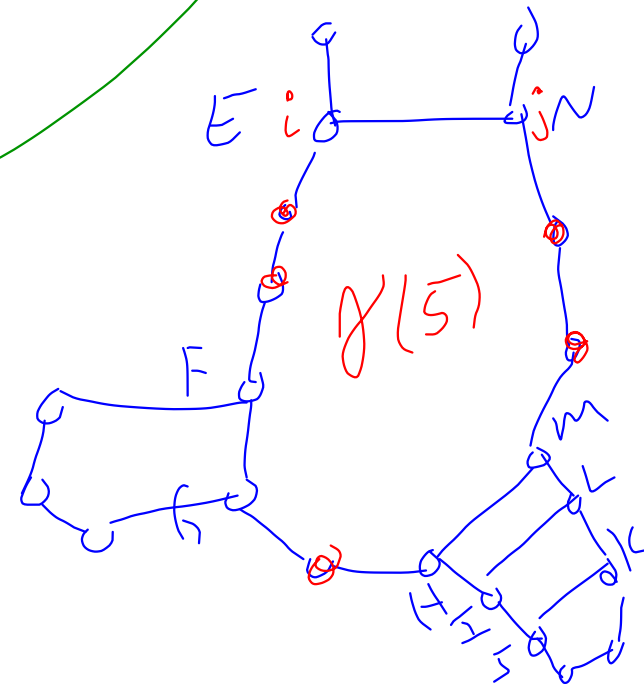
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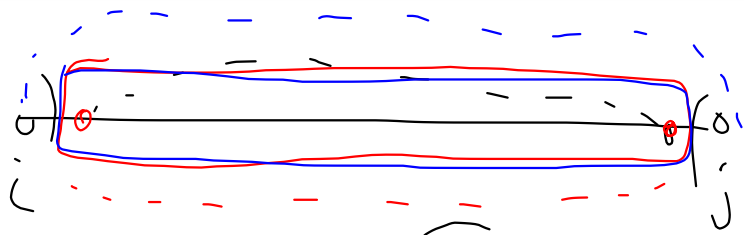
To which pairs i, j do we associate a loop?



beneath any arc, locate the unpinned vertices "visible" to that arc.

Hairpin

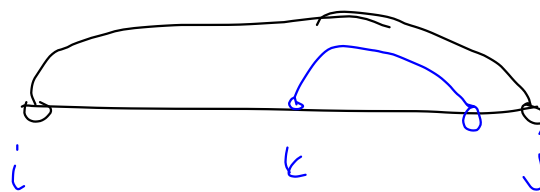
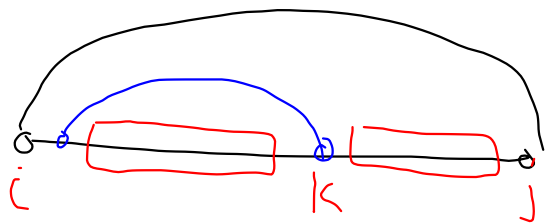




$$S_{i,j} = E(S_{i,j})$$

(US) (book)

$$S_{i,j} = \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha(i,j) + \alpha(i+1,j-1) + \eta + \alpha(i,j) + \eta + L_{i+1,j-1} \quad \text{i paired with j helical loop} \\ \alpha(i,j) + \xi(j-i-1) \quad \text{i paired with j hairpin loop} \\ \alpha(i,j) + \alpha(i+1,k) + L_{i+1,k} + S_{k+1,j-1} \quad \text{i paired with j bulge} \\ \alpha(i,j) + \alpha(k,j-1) + L_{k,j-1} + S_{i+1,k-1} \end{array} \right.$$



$L_{i,j}$ (analogous to $S_{i,j}$)

$L_{i,j}$ = best possible score on a
STRUCTURE ~~between~~ on substring
 $R_{i,j}$, assuming i and j are paired.

