



**CS204: Algorithms**  
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Please do not write anything on the question paper.

Time: 3 Hrs

Full marks: 50

1. State true or false. No marks will be awarded without valid reasoning. Please try to answer these in the first two pages of your answer script. (1 × 10)

- (a) Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a directed graph where every vertex has at most three outgoing edges. Then every vertex has at most three incoming edges.
- (b) Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a directed graph. If  $s \in V$  is a source and  $t \in V$  is a sink, then there is a path from  $s$  to  $t$ .
- (c) If all of the edge capacities in a graph are an integer multiple of 7, then the value of the maximum flow will be a multiple of 7.
- (d) Is  $n \lg n = \Theta(n^2)$ ?
- (e) Depth-first search on a connected undirected graph  $G$  will visit all of the vertices of  $G$ .
- (f) DFS on a directed graph with  $n$  vertices and at least  $n$  edges is guaranteed to find at least one back edge.
- (g) If we want to prove that a decision problem  $X$  is NP-complete, it is enough to reduce  $X$  to 3SAT (in other words, it is enough to prove  $X \leq_P 3SAT$ ).
- (h) If we can find a single problem in NP that has a polynomial-time algorithm, then there is a polynomial-time algorithm for 3SAT.
- (i) Every problem in P can be reduced to 3SAT.
- (j) If we have a dynamic programming algorithm with  $n^2$  subproblems, is it possible that the running time could be asymptotically strictly more than  $\Theta(n^2)$ ?

2. Answer briefly. (2.5 × 4)

- (a) Find asymptotic bound for  $T(n)$  where  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \frac{n}{\lg n}$
- (b) Perform a depth-first search on the graph (Fig - 1) starting at A. Label every edge in the graph with T if it is a tree edge, B if it is a back edge, F if it is a forward edge, and C if it is a cross edge. Whenever faced with a decision of which node to pick from a set of nodes, pick the node whose label occurs earliest in the alphabet.
- (c) Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an algorithm that solves the following problem. Given a set of integers  $P = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$  ( $y_i \geq 0$ ), is it possible to divide the numbers into two disjoint sets ( $M, N$  say) such that sum of the numbers in both the sets are equal (that is  $\sum_i m_i = \sum_i n_i$  where  $m_i \in M$  and  $n_i \in N$ ). Use algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$  to solve the following problem. Given a set of integers  $L = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  ( $x_i \geq 0$ ) and an integer  $S$ , the algorithm finds a set  $L' \subseteq L$  such that  $\sum_i x'_i = S$  where  $x'_i \in L'$ .
- (d) Design an efficient algorithm to count the number of *shortest* paths from vertex  $s$  to vertex  $t$  in a directed graph  $G$  (possibly containing cycles; all edges are of length 1). (You can use any known algorithm as a black box)

3. You are given two strings, A and B. You need to find out the minimum cost of operations to transform A to B. Operations allowed are (a) delete one character from A (b) insert one character in A (c) replace a character of A by another character c. Each operation has a cost associated with it. (For example: Let A be FOOD and B be MONEY. Let all operations cost 1. The minimum cost for transforming A to B is 4. The operations are Replace F by M, Replace O by N, Replace D by E, Insert Y.)

- Present an efficient *recursive* algorithm to find out the *minimum cost* to transform A to B.
- Present a working example to demonstrate your algorithm.
- Find complexity of your algorithm. (3 + 2 + 2)

4. Describe network flow problem and present an algorithm to find the maximum flow in a network. Present a working example using Fig. 2. Analyze time complexity of your algorithm. (4 + 2 + 2)

Answer any 3 from the following. (5 × 3)

- Define Max-Clique problem. Prove that the decision version of the problem is NP-Complete.
- Given a text  $T[1, \dots, n]$  ( $n$  characters) and a pattern  $P[1, \dots, m]$  (both of which are strings over the same alphabet), present a linear time algorithm to find all occurrences of  $P$  in  $T$ . Analyze time complexity of your algorithm.
- If  $S$  is a set of vertices in an undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$ , define  $f(S)$  to be the length of the shortest edge between a vertex in  $S$  and a vertex not in  $S$ , i.e.,  $f(S) = \min\{(v, w) : v \in S, w \notin S, (v, w) \in E\}$ . Present an efficient algorithm for the following problem. Input: a connected, undirected graph  $G$ , with a non-negative length  $l(e)$  on each edge  $e$ . Output: a non-empty set  $S$  that makes  $f(S)$  as large as possible, subject to the requirement that  $S \neq V$ .
- Given four vertices  $u, v, s$  and  $t$  in a directed weighted graph  $G = (V, E)$  with non-negative edge weights, present an algorithm to find out if there exists a vertex  $v_c \in V$  which is part of some shortest path from  $u$  to  $v$  and also a part of some shortest path from  $s$  to  $t$ . The algorithm should run in  $O(E \log V)$ . (You can use any known algorithm as a black box)
- Prove that the average case time complexity of quick sort is  $O(n \log n)$ .

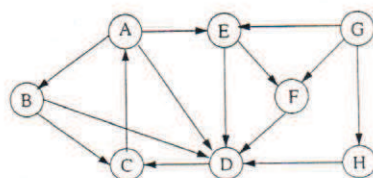


Fig - 1

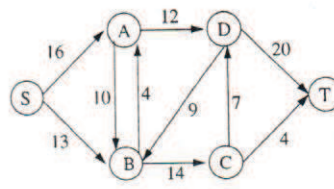


Fig - 2