

Must-Do Greedy Problems for FAANG Interviews

1. Interval Problems (Super High-Frequency)

- Merge Intervals (LC 56)
- Insert Interval (LC 57)
- Non-overlapping Intervals (LC 435)
- Minimum Number of Arrows to Burst Balloons (LC 452)
- Meeting Rooms II (LC 253, Premium)

2. Scheduling & Selection Problems

- Activity Selection Problem (GFG)
- Course Schedule III (LC 630)
- Task Scheduler (LC 621)
- IPO / Capital Maximization (LC 502)
- Minimum Number of Platforms (GFG)

3. Array / Sorting + Greedy

- Assign Cookies (LC 455)
- Candy Distribution (LC 135)
- Gas Station (LC 134)
- Jump Game I (LC 55)
- Jump Game II (LC 45)
- Partition Labels (LC 763)
- Maximum Subarray / Kadane's Algorithm (LC 53)

4. String Based Greedy

- Valid Parenthesis String (LC 678)
- Remove K Digits (LC 402)
- Lexicographically Smallest Subsequence (LC 316 / 1081)
- Reorganize String (LC 767)
- Minimum Remove to Make Valid Parentheses (LC 1249)

5. Greedy + Heap / Priority Queue

- Meeting Rooms II (LC 253)
- IPO (LC 502)
- Reorganize String (LC 767)
- Task Scheduler (LC 621)
- Maximum Performance of a Team (LC 1383)

6. Classic Math / Logic Greedy

- Fractional Knapsack Problem (GFG)
- Minimum Spanning Tree (Kruskal's Algorithm)
- Huffman Encoding (Classic)
- Lemonade Change (LC 860)
- Boats to Save People (LC 881)

7. Graph + Greedy

- Prim's MST (Greedy)
- Dijkstra's Algorithm (Greedy Shortest Path)
- Network Delay Time (LC 743)

Top 15 Must-Solve (If Time is Short)

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6. Jump Game I & II (LC 55, 45)
7. Gas Station (LC 134)
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14. Reorganize String (LC 767)
15. Fractional Knapsack (GFG)