



National University of Computer & Emerging Sciences, Karachi
Fall-2020 Department of Computer Science
Assignment 5
Due: 25th December 2020



Max Marks: 60 Points

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- (b) Why it is important to find approximate solutions for NP Complete Problems
- (c) What is the difference between NP Complete and NP Hard
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while(E' ≠ ∅){  
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We say that a subset $S \in F$ covers all elements in X . Our goal is to find a minimum size subset $C \subseteq F$ whose members cover all of X .

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Algorithm 1: GREEDY-SET-COVER (X, F)

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Consider each of the following words as a set of letters: {arid, dash, drain, heard, lost, nose, shun, slate, snare, thread}. Show which set cover GREEDY-SET-COVER produces, when we break ties in favor of the word that appears first in the dictionary.

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NP problems

- c. (The original definition) Problems that can be solved by **non-deterministic Turing machine** in polynomial-time.
- d. (A equivalent definition) Problems that are **verifiable** in polynomial time.
 - i. Given a solution, there is a polynomial-time algorithm to tell if this solution is correct.

$P = NP$ means whether an NP problem can belong to class P problem. In other words, whether every problem whose solution can be verified by a computer in polynomial time can also be solved by a computer in polynomial time

- (b) Why it is important to find approximate solutions for NP Complete Problems

Sol: If a problem is NP-complete, there is very likely no polynomial-time algorithm to find an optimal solution. The idea of approximation algorithms is to develop polynomial-time algorithms to find a near optimal solution

- (c) What is the difference between NP Complete and NP Hard

NP Problem:

The NP problems set of problems whose solutions are hard to find but easy to verify and are solved by **Non-Deterministic Machine** in polynomial time.

NP-Hard Problem:

Any decision problem P_i is called NP-Hard if and only if every problem of NP (say P_{subj}) is reducible to P_i in polynomial time.

NP-Complete Problem: Any problem is NP-Complete if it is a part of both NP and NP-Hard Problem.

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Proof:

- Assume a minimum vertex-cover is U^*
- A vertex-cover produced by **APPROX-VERTEX-COVER(G)** is U
- The edges chosen in **APPROX-VERTEX-COVER(G)** is A
- A vertex in U^* can only cover 1 edge in A
 - So $|U^*| \geq |A|$
- For each edge in A , there are 2 vertices in U
 - So $|U| = 2|A|$
- So $|U^*| \geq |U|/2$
- So $\frac{|U|}{|U^*|} \leq 2$

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Since all of the words have no repeated letters, the first word selected will be the one that appears earliest on among those with the most letters, this is “thread”. Now, we look among the words that are left, seeing how many letters that aren’t already covered that they contain. Since “lost” has four letters that have not been mentioned yet, and it is first among those that do, that is the next one we select. The next one we pick is “drain” because it has two unmentioned letters. This only leave “shun” having any unmentioned letters, so we pick that, completing our set. So, the final set of words in our cover is {*thread, lost, drain, shun*}.

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- A) Jarvis March: The points at the hull of convex in ordered form are: $(-6, -10) \rightarrow (6, -6) \rightarrow (8, 0) \rightarrow (9, 5) \rightarrow (-8, 8) \rightarrow (-10, 4) \rightarrow (-10, 3) \rightarrow (-8, -6)$.
- B) Graham Scan: The points are as same as the Jarvis March but the deleted points are: $(6, 2) \rightarrow (6, 4) \rightarrow (-2, 2) \rightarrow (-4, -4) \rightarrow (-3, 4)$. The sorted points are: $(-6, -10) \rightarrow (6, -6) \rightarrow (8, 0) \rightarrow (9, 5) \rightarrow (6, 2) \rightarrow (6, 4) \rightarrow (-2, 2) \rightarrow (-4, -4) \rightarrow (-3, 4) \rightarrow (-8, 8) \rightarrow (-10, 4) \rightarrow (-10, 3) \rightarrow (-8, -6)$.

