

Assignment 1

*The Hong Kong Polytechnic University***Problem 1** (15 points)

In each of the following situations, indicate whether $f = O(g)$, or $f = \Omega(g)$, or both (in which case $f = \Theta(g)$).

	$f(n)$	$g(n)$
(a)	$n^{1.01}$	$n \log^2 n$
(b)	$n2^n$	3^n
(c)	2^n	2^{n+1}

Problem 2 (15 points)

Let G be an undirected graph on n nodes. Prove any two of the following statements imply the third:

1. G is connected.
2. G does not contain a cycle.
3. G has $n - 1$ edges.

Problem 3 (10 points) (Appeared in Tutorial W4 without presenting detailed proof)

The diameter of a tree $T = (V, E)$ is defined as the largest of all shortest path distances in the tree. Give an efficient algorithm to compute the diameter of a tree, and prove its correctness.

Problem 4 (15 points)

Use Dijkstra's algorithm to find the shortest path from s to v for the following graph in Figure 1. Backtracking is required.

Problem 5 (15 points)

Suppose we are given an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, and we identify two nodes v and w in G . Give an algorithm that computes the number of shortest $v - w$ paths in G . (The algorithm should not list all the paths; just the number suffices.) Analyze the running time of your algorithm.

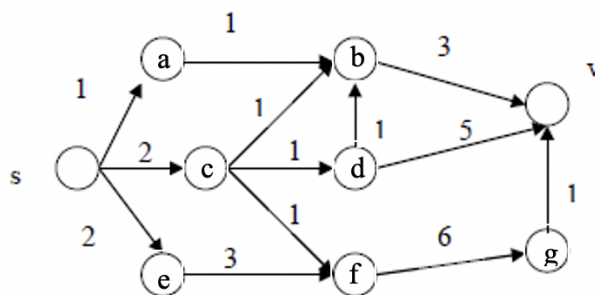


Figure 1: Problem 4

Problem 6 (15 points)

A thief robbing a store finds n items. The i th item is worth v_i dollars and weighs w_i pounds, where v_i and w_i are integers. The thief wants to take as valuable a load as possible, but he can carry at most W pounds in his knapsack, for some integer W . The thief can take fractions of the items. Which items should he take?

Give an efficient algorithm that achieves this goal and prove its correctness.

Problem 7 (15 points)

Write a Java, Python, C, or C++ program that uses Prim's algorithm to compute a minimum spanning tree for the graph in Figure 2. Your program needs to output the intermediate steps. Both code and result should be submitted.

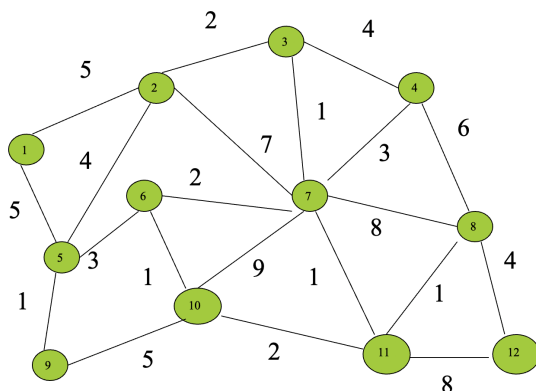


Figure 2: Problem 7