

CS 331: Algorithms and Complexity (Spring 2024)
Unique Number: 50930, 50935 50940, 50945

Assignment 3 - Solution

Due on Thursday, 8 February, by 11.59pm

Problem 1: Short Answer Section

(10 pts) True or false. If true, briefly justify, otherwise, provide a counter example . When justifying, restrict answers to no more than a few sentences.

1. (1 pt) True
2. (2 pts) True
3. (2 pts) True
4. (2 pts) False
5. (3 pts) No, the shortest path is not necessarily the path with the fewest edges.

Problem 2

(10 points) I will denote tasks as $(p(i), t(i))$ where $p(i)$ is the value of the task and $t(i)$ is the duration of the task.

1. (Smallest duration first) Pick task i that has the minimum duration $t(i)$, or

Proof. This is not optimal. Counterexample: ☐

2. (Most valuable first) Pick task i that has maximum $p(i)$, or

Proof. This is not optimal. Counterexample: ☐

3. (Maximum time-scaled value first) Pick task i that has maximum $p(i)/t(i)$.

Proof. This is optimal. ☐

Problem 3

(10 points) Yes