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INSTRUCTIONS: Be clear and concise. Write your answers in the space provided. Use the backs of pages, and/or the scratch page at the end, for your scratchwork. All graphs are assumed to be simple. Good luck!

You may freely use or cite the following subroutines from class<sup>1</sup>:

• explore(G, s)

This returns three arrays of size |V|: pre, post, and visited.

• dfs(G)

This returns three arrays of size |V|: pre, post, and cc. If the graph has k connected components, then the cc array assigns each node a number in the range 1 to k.

 $\bullet$  scc(G)

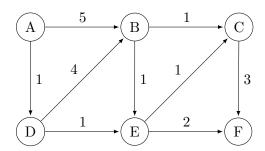
This returns an array scc of size |V|. If the graph has k strongly connected components, then the scc array assigns each node a number in the range 1 to k.

- bfs(G, s), dijkstra $(G, \ell, s)$ , bellman-ford $(G, \ell, s)$ These all return two arrays of size |V|: dist and prev.
- dag-sp $(G, \ell, s)$

This returns two arrays of size |V|: dist and prev. The array dist contains the shortest paths from s to all other reachable nodes in G. The algorithm is similar to dag-lp which instead returns the longest paths. These only work on directed acyclic graphs with and without negative edges.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>We recall from class/text the following time complexities. (1) dfs/explore: O(|V| + |E|). (2) scc: O(|V| + |E|). (3) bfs: O(|V| + |E|). (4) dijkstra:  $O((|V| + |E|) \log |V|)$  assuming a simple binary heap implementation of the priority queue.(5) bellman-ford:  $O(|V| \cdot |E|)$  (6) dag-sp: O(|V| + |E|).

1. (10 points) For the directed graph below with non-negative edges, list the order in which nodes are processed by each of the following algorithms. Start all algorithms from node A and ignore edge lengths if they are not commonly used by an algorithm (e.g., dfs). Break any ties alphabetically (alphabetically-lowest first).



dfs		
bfs		
dijkstra		
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- 2. **Short answer**. For true/false questions state whether the claim is true or false. If true, give a brief justification. If false, justify by providing a counterexample. No points will be given for simply writing "true" or "false" without any justification!
  - (a) (2  $\frac{1}{2}$  points) The running-time of a divide-and-conquer algorithm is characterized by the following recurrence:  $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + \log n$ . Provide a tight big-O bound for the running-time of this algorithm.

(b) (2  $\frac{1}{2}$  points) True/False: For any directed graph G = (V, E) if all edge lengths are distinct (no two edge lengths are the same) then the shortest path between two nodes s and t is unique.

(c) (2  $\frac{1}{2}$  points) True/False: Given two nodes s, t, the shortest (simple) cycle containing s and t must also contain a shortest s-t path.

(d) (2 ½ points) True/False: Given a directed graph G=(V,E) and node  $s\in G$ , with all nodes in V reachable from s. We run the Bellman-Ford algorithm in G, starting from node s, and the stored dist values do not change from the  $(|V|/2-1)^{st}$  iteration to the  $(|V|/2)^{st}$  iteration. Then, G cannot have any negative cycles.

3. (10 points) You are given a nonempty array A with n distinct integer-valued elements. The values in the array increase monotonically from  $A_1$  to an element  $A_i$ , and then decrease monotonically from  $A_i$  to  $A_n$ . The element  $A_i$  is called the *peak* element of A. In other words:

$$A_1 < A_2 < \ldots < A_i > A_{i+1} > A_{i+2} > \ldots > A_n$$

In the following example the peak element is  $A_4 = 5$ :

$$[-7, -1, 4, 5, 2, 0, -10, -23]$$

Design a divide-and-conquer algorithm to find the *peak* element  $A_i$ . Briefly explain your algorithm, give a recurrence characterizing its time complexity, apply the master theorem to provide a big-O running-time, and provide pseudo-code.

- 4. Given a connected, directed graph G = (V, E), we say that  $v \in V$  is a **root** node in G if, for all  $u \in V$ ,  $u \neq v$ , there exists a directed v-u path in G.
  - (a) (2 points) Give an example with no more than four (4) nodes of a connected, directed acyclic graph (DAG) with no root node.

(b) (4 points) Suppose that you are given a connected, directed graph G and a known root node r. Give an efficient algorithm to find all other root nodes in G. (Possibly useful observation: if there is a directed path in G from a node u to r, then u is also a root node.) Briefly explain and justify your algorithm, analyze the time complexity, and provide pseudo-code.

(c) (4 points) Suppose that you are given a connected, directed graph G that may or may not have any root nodes. Explain (with pseudo-code if you wish) how to determine all of G's root nodes, or indicate that no root nodes exist, in time O(|V| + |E|). Clearly state any algorithms from class that you use in your solution.

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