

CSE 331 Final Exam Preparation

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merely a compilation of all the key talking points.

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If proof needs to be correct for all numbers $\in \mathbb{N}$, and each step is dependant on the previous step, then *every* step can be reduced to a definitive base case that is easy to directly prove.

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HW4 "Attack on Alarms" and Interval Scheduling are examples of problems with greedy solutions.



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Even though the runtime isn't linear, because the input size is $2n^2 \rightarrow \Theta(n^2)$ ¹, the runtime **with respect** to the input size is $O(N)$, or linear time.

¹This comes from n Group A members and n Group B members with their $2n$ preference lists

Stable Matching

Code:

Initially all $m \in M$ and $w \in W$ are free

While there is a man m who is free and hasn't proposed to every woman

 Choose such a man m

 Let w be the highest-ranked woman in m 's
 preference list to whom m has not yet proposed

 If w is free then

(m, w) become engaged

 Else w is currently engaged to m'

 If w prefers m' to m then

m remains free

 Else w prefers m to m'

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Return the set S of engaged pairs.

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Graph Representation

Adjacency List: Keep a n length array. Vertices are indices of the array where each element of the array contains a pointer to a list of adjacent vertices to the index/vertex. This takes up $\Theta(n + m)$ space for m edges.

Adjacency Matrix: Keep a $n \times n$ matrix. Rows and columns are vertices. An edge (u, v) exists if the matrix at row u and column v is not null This takes up $\Theta(n^2)$ space.

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Bus transportation routes could be classified as an undirected graph, while airports and flights could be modeled as a directed graph.

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A cycle needs **at least** 4 elements. The **maximum length** of a simple path for a graph with n vertices is $n - 1$ ¹.

¹Pigeonhole Principle

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A directed acyclic graph \Leftrightarrow topological ordering, meaning the vertices can be ordered in a way that all edges point in the **same** direction.

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See the **greedy stays ahead proof** for details on proving these types of algorithms.



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Refer to the sources for proof of correctness and runtime analysis.

Shortest Path Problem

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