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10 grade points in total, 2h 30m, closed books.

1. Derive the computational time complexity of the following recursive algorithm to compute the value of a^n , $a \geq 0$, $n > 0$, and justify your answer with the Master Theorem. Assume that each arithmetic operation takes a constant amount of time. (1 g.p.)

Function $exp(a, n)$

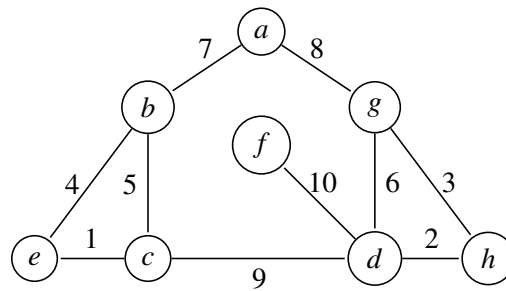
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if  $n = 1$  then
  return  $a$ 
else
   $x = exp(a, \lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$ 
  if  $n$  is even then
    return  $x \cdot x$ 
  else
    return  $x \cdot x \cdot a$ 
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Master Theorem (general version):

Let $a \geq 1$, $b > 1$, $d \geq 0$.

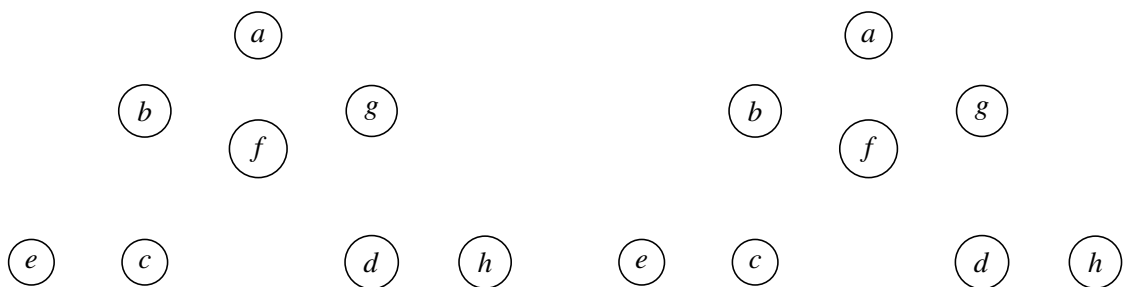
$$T(n) = \begin{cases} aT(n/b) + n^c & \text{if } n > 1 \\ d & \text{if } n = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$
$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(n^c) & \text{if } \log_b a < c \\ \Theta(n^c \log n) & \text{if } \log_b a = c \\ \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } \log_b a > c \end{cases}$$

2. Consider the following undirected graph.



- (a) Find the articulation points of the graph above (ignore the weights in the edges). Justify your answer by reporting the DFS tree starting from vertex a , choosing the vertices for traversal in alphabetic order of the labels, and by explicitly writing the final values for dfs and low at each vertex. In addition, report the articulation points. (1.5 g.p.)

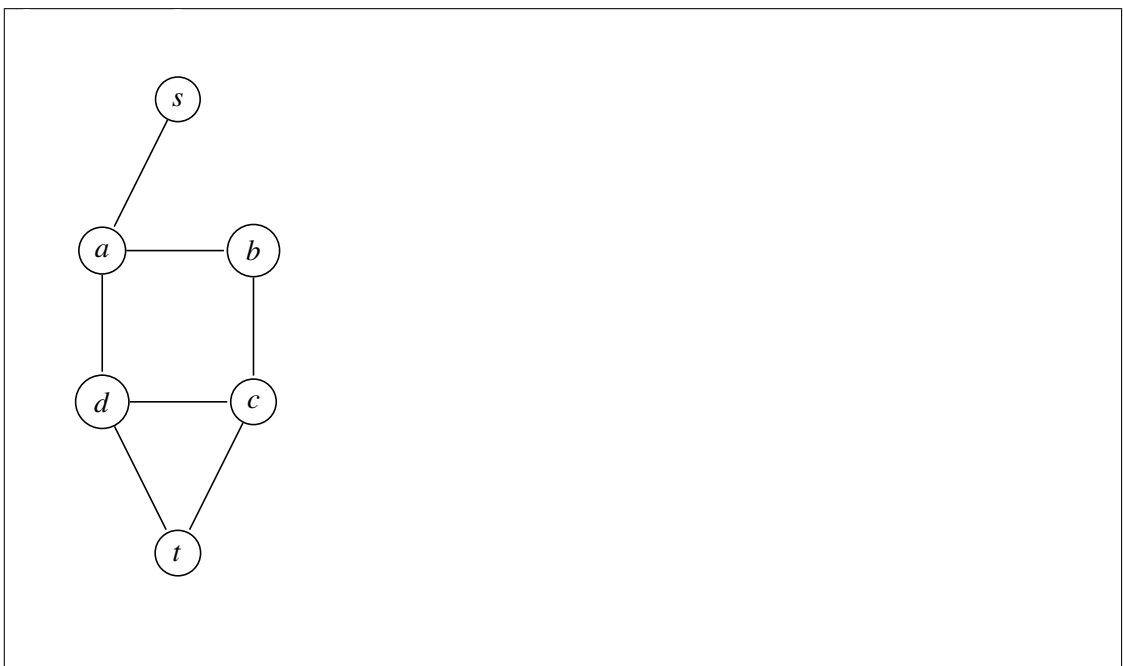
- (b) Given the graph above, draw its minimum spanning tree (left) as well as the graph of the union-find data structure (right), without path compression, using Kruskal algorithm. Always connect the root of the tree with the smallest height to the root of the tree with largest height and, in case of a tie, choose as root the node with the smallest label. (1.5 g.p.)



3. Consider the following problem: Given an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, where V is the set of vertices and E is the set of edges in G , and two vertices s and t in V , find the longest simple path (with respect to the number of edges traversed by the path) from s to t . A simple path does not contain repeated vertices.

- (a) Write the pseudo-code of a recursive algorithm that computes the length (the number of edges) of the longest simple path between two given vertices of a graph. Assume that there is always a path between any two vertices of the graph. (1.5 g.p.)

- (b) Show that optimal substructure *does not* apply to this problem if you consider the following definition of sub-problem: *find the longest simple path from s to v , for v in V* . Hint: Construct a counter-example using the graph below (1.5 g.p.).



4. Let p be a three-dimensional matrix of positive integers of size $n \times n \times n$. For a given n , we define $M(i, j)$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, $1 \leq j \leq n$, with the following recurrence relation:

$$M(i, j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = j \\ \min_{i \leq k < j} \{M(i, k) + M(k+1, j) + p[i, k, j]\} & \text{if } i < j \end{cases}$$

- (a) Give the pseudo-code of a top-down dynamic programming algorithm that explores the recurrence above to find the value for $M(1, n)$, for a given n . (1.5 g.p.)

- (b) Give the pseudo-code of a bottom-up dynamic programming algorithm that explores the recurrence above to find the value for $M(1, n)$, for a given n . (1.5 g.p.)

