

Date: January 10

Statement:

Is this algorithm,

Make change of C cents using fewest coins,

$$\text{Quarters} = C / 25$$

$$R = C - 25 * \text{Quarters}$$

$$\text{Dimes} = R / 10$$

$$R = R - 10 * \text{Dimes}$$

$$\text{Nickels} = R / 5$$

$$\text{Pennies} = R - 5 * \text{Nickels}$$

still correct, i.e., are fewest coins used if same algorithm without nickels?

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$$R = C - 25 * \text{Quarters}$$

$$\text{Dimes} = R / 10$$

$$\text{Pennies} = R - 10 * \text{Dimes}$$

My work:

No, the algorithm is not optimized to receive the fewest coins.

Corrected Sol'n:

Solution is correct, but here's another example.

$$C = 30$$

$$\text{Quarters} = 30 / 25$$

$$R = 30 - 25 * 1$$

$$\text{Dimes} = 5 / 10$$

$$\text{Pennies} = 5 - 10 * 0$$

$\therefore 30$ ¢ is 1 quarter & 5 pennies when it

should be 3 dimes with no nickels (or
a quarter is a nickel with nickels).

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Statement:

Can we obtain the upper bounds on p_{10} , p_5 , p_1 (the number of dimes, nickels, & pennies in the optimal sol'n, respectively)?

My work:

$$\text{Dime}(10) \equiv 2 * \text{Nickel}(5)$$

$$\text{Nickel}(5) \equiv 5 * \text{Penny}(1)$$

These values create bounds for each other.

Corrected sol'n:

Theorem 1: $p_{10} \leq 2$, $p_5 \leq 1$, $p_1 \leq 4$ b/c

3 dimes could be replaced w/a quarter & nickel,

2 nickels could be replaced w/a dime,

& 5 pennies could be replaced w/a nickel.

Theorem 2: $p_5 = 1$, $p_{10} \leq 1$ b/c

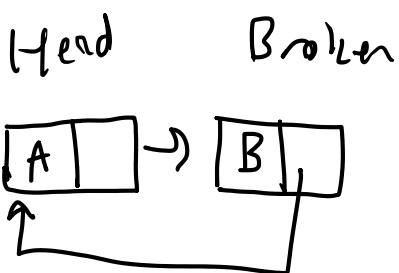
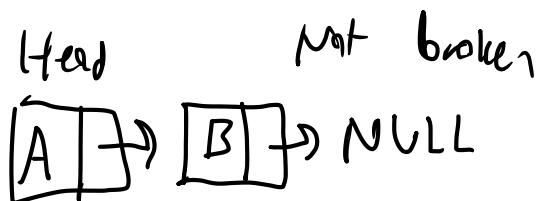
if we have a nickel).

if we have a nickel,
then 2 dimes could be replaced w/o quarter
our nickel.

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Statement:

Given an efficient algorithm that uses a minimum of extra space for testing whether a linked list is "broken" i.e., has a next pointer that points to previous node in the linked list, thereby forming a cycle.



My work:

I propose using a set of pointers representing the next steps. Cycling through the list & finding any duplicate occurred would terminate the cycle until a NULL address was found at the end of the list. This should run in $\Omega(n)$ time complexity.

1. It thus should run in $O(n)$ time complexity w/o $O(n)$ space complexity,

corrected sol'n:

Man is Tortoise sol'n,

Hare = Head

Tortoise = Head

Broken = false

while (Hare != NULL && Broken == false)
{

Hare = Hare->next

if (Hare == Tortoise)

{

Broken = true

}

if (Hare != NULL)

{

Hare = Hare->next

if (Hare == Tortoise)

{

Hare = true

}

}

Tortoise = Tortoise->next

}

Hare goes twice as fast through the list compared to Tortoise. Hare will encounter Tortoise in cycle if broken, otherwise Hare will reach end of list.

Date: January 12

Statement:

Number of digits.

Show that the number n of decimal digits of p is approximately $\log_{10}(p)$.

What about number of binary digits? Octal digits?
Hexadecimal digits?

My work:

1 to 9 digits of p if single digit. For example,
 $0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, \dots, 0.9$.

$$n \approx \log_{10}(p)$$

$$p = 10^n$$

Above example is $10^1 = 10$ number of decimal digits of p .

$p = 2^n$ for binary digits.

$p = 8^n$ for octal digits.

$p = 16^n$ for hexadecimal digits.

connected sol'n:

3-digit number has $100 \leq r \leq 999$ digits in decimal.

$$10^0 \leq r \leq 999$$

$$10^2 \leq r \leq 10^3 - 1$$

$$10^{n-1} \leq r \leq 10^n - 1 \quad (\text{Generalize})$$

$$10^{n-1} \leq r \quad r \leq 10^n - 1$$

$$n-1 \leq \log_{10}(r) \quad r+1 \leq 10^n$$

$$n \leq 1 + \log_{10}(r) \quad \log_{10}(r+1) \leq n$$

$$\log_{10}(r+1) \leq n \leq 1 + \log_{10}(r)$$

$$n \approx \log_{10}(r)$$

$$\text{Binary: } n \approx \log_2(r)$$

$$\text{Octal: } n \approx \log_8(r)$$

$$\text{Hex: } n \approx \log_{16}(r)$$

Date: January 12

Statement:

Changing to binary

Given pseudocode for a recursive function BinRep(n)
 for converting a number n to its binary (base 2) representation
 stored in a string. Assume + performs the operation
 of adding a digit, i.e.,
 $"1011" + 0 \rightarrow "10110"$

My work:

Hint that the least significant digit $\Rightarrow n \bmod 2$
 in binary & decimal is $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$.

I propose recursing the decimal value & concatenating the
 binary least significant digit.

Corrected sol'n:

BinRep(n)

{

if ($n == 0$)

{

....

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{\n    return ""\n}\nelse\n{\n    return BinRep(n / 2) + n mod 2\n}\n}
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Statement:

computing cryptographic key K.

How about computing key K as follows,

$$k = (b^m \bmod p)(b^n \bmod p) = b^{m+n} \bmod p ?$$

Alice knows: $b, ?, n, b^n \bmod p, b^m \bmod p$,

Bob knows: $b, ?, m, b^n \bmod p, b^m \bmod p$,

Eve knows: $b, ?, b^n \bmod p, b^m \bmod p$,
will Eve know $b, ?, b^n \bmod p, b^m \bmod p$,

My work:

I'm not sure how secure the key is.

Corrected Sol'n:

This is the famous "Discrete Logarithm Problem" that some of the greatest minds in mathematics & computer science have (unsuccessfully) tried to crack throughout the years.

Date: January 17

Statement:

Using Euclid's algorithm, compute $\text{gcd}(585, 1035)$.

Requires recursion relation $\text{gcd}(a, b) = \text{gcd}(b, r)$, where $r = a \bmod b$. with initial condition $\text{gcd}(a, 0) = a$.

My work:

$$\text{gcd}(a, b) = \text{gcd}(585, 1035), r = a \bmod b = 585 \bmod 1035 = 585$$

$$\text{gcd}(b, r) = \text{gcd}(1035, 585), r = a \bmod b = 1035 \bmod 585 = 450$$

$$\text{gcd}(b, r) = \text{gcd}(585, 450), r = a \bmod b = 585 \bmod 450 = 135$$

$$\text{gcd}(b, r) = \text{gcd}(450, 135), r = a \bmod b = 450 \bmod 135 = 45$$

$$\text{gcd}(b, r) = \text{gcd}(135, 45), r = a \bmod b = 135 \bmod 45 = 0$$

Since $b=0$, $a=45$, then $\text{gcd}(585, 1035) = 45$

Corrected sol'n:

No need, my work is correct.

Date: January 19

Statement:

Recursive Binary Search

Write the algorithm[↖] from below that's in pseudocode,

in C++:

function BinarySearch(L[0:n-1], low, high, X)

Input: L[0:n-1] (an array of n list elements,
sorted in increasing order)

low, high (nonnegative integers)

X (a search item)

Output: returns the index of an occurrence of X
in the sublist L[0:n-1, low, high] or -1 if
X is not in the list.

if high < low then return(-1) endif // empty list

mid $\leftarrow \lfloor (low + high) / 2 \rfloor$

if X = L[mid] then return(mid) endif

if X < L[mid] then

BinarySearch(L[0:n-1], low, mid - 1, X)

else

BinarySearch(L[0:n-1], mid + 1, high, X)

endif

end BinarySearch

My work:

/* Inputs:

ItemType list[MAX] (an array of n list elements,
sorted in increasing order)

ItemType searchItem (a search item)

int low, int high (non-negative integers)

Output: returns the index of an occurrence of searchItem
in the sublist L or -1 if searchItem is not in the list

*/

int BinarySearch(ItemType list[MAX], ItemType searchItem, int low, int high)

{

// initial condition, list empty

if (low > high) return -1;

// compute midpoint

int mid = (low + high) / 2;

// if the midpoint is the search element, return mid

if (searchItem == list[mid]) return mid;

// if the search element is in front half of list, partition

else if (searchItem < list[mid]) return BinarySearch(list, searchItem, low, mid - 1);

// if the search element is in back half of list, partition

else if (searchItem > list[mid]) return BinarySearch(list, searchItem, mid + 1, high);

}

Corrected Sol'n:

Corrected sol'n:

No need, my work is correct.

Date: January 19

Statement:

Give C++ code for a recursive version of binary search where no equality check with midpoint is made & analyze the algorithm.

My work:

/* Inputs:

ItemType list[MAX] (an array of n list elements,
sorted in increasing order)

ItemType searchItem (a search item)

int low, int high (nonnegative integers)

Output: returns the index of an occurrence of searchItem

in the sublist L or -1 if searchItem is not in the list

*/

```
int BinarySearch(ItemType list[MAX], ItemType searchItem, int low, int high)
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{

// initial condition, list empty

if (low > high) return -1;

// if the list has one element

if (low == high)

{

if (list[low] == searchElement) return low;

else return -1;

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// compute midpoint  
int mid = (low + high) / 2;  
  
// if the search element is in front half of list, partition  
if (searchItem < list[mid]) return BinarySearch(list, searchItem, low, mid - 1)  
  
// if the search element is in back half of list, partition  
else if (searchItem > list[mid]) return BinarySearch(list, searchItem, mid + 1, high)
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I'm not sure how to analyze this algorithm.

(Corrected sol'n:

complexity analysis) Note: A(n) is average
B(n) is best
W(n) is worst

Assume $n = 2^k$.

Then, $B(n) = W(n) = k = \lg(n)$.

for any probability distribution on the sample
space of inputs of size n

$B(n) \leq A(n) \leq W(n)$.

It follows that, $A(n) = \lg(n)$.

The worst-case complexity is equal to
twice the longest string of midpoints ever
generated by the algorithm for input X.

... $= 2^k + 1 \in O(2^k)$

generated by the algorithm for input X .

In particular, if we assume $n=2^k-1$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, then such a string is generated by searching for $x=L[0]$. We then compare x successively to the midpoints $2^{k-1}-1, 2^{k-2}-1, \dots, 0$, so that this longest string has length k . To express k in terms of n , we note that $n+1=2^k$, so that we have $k=\lg(n+1)$. Since comparisons are involved at each stage,

$$W(n)=2\lg(n+1) \approx 2\lg(n).$$

The best-case complexity occurs when

x is found in the midpoint position $\lfloor (n+1)/2 \rfloor$ of $L[0:n-1]$ involves a single operation. So, $B(n)=1$.

Date: January 22

Statement:

obtain a general formula for i in terms of x ,
 low , high , $L[\text{low}]$, $L[\text{high}]$ on the line contained in
the three points:

$$(\text{low}, L[\text{low}]), (i, x), (\text{high}, L[\text{high}])$$

My work:

I know we can compute the slope $m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$
for two points, I'm not sure what we would
do once we obtain multiple stages.

Corrected sol'n:

Slope $\Delta y / \Delta x$ of two points $(\text{low}, L[\text{low}])$ &
 $(\text{high}, L[\text{high}])$:

$$\Delta y / \Delta x = (L[\text{high}] - L[\text{low}]) / (\text{high} - \text{low}).$$

Slope $\Delta y / \Delta x$ of two points $(\text{low}, L[\text{low}])$ &
 (i, x) :

(i, x) :

$$\Delta y / \Delta x = (x - L[\text{low}]) / (i - \text{low}).$$

Equating these two slopes above, we get:

$$(L[\text{high}] - L[\text{low}]) / (\text{high} - \text{low}) = (x - L[\text{low}]) / (i - \text{low})$$

Solving for i , we obtain:

$$i = \text{low} + (x - L[\text{low}]) (\text{high} - \text{low}) / (L[\text{high}] - L[\text{low}])$$

Date: January 22

Statement:

Write pseudocode for the recursive version of
Interpolation Search.

My work:

I'm not sure how to implement the specifics of
Interpolation Search.

Corrected Sol'n:

function InterpolationSearch($L[0:n-1]$, low, high, X)

Input: $L[0:n-1]$ (an array of n list elements,
sorted in increasing order)

low, high (nonnegative integers)

X (a search item)

Output: returns the index of an occurrence of X
in the sublist $L[0:n-1, low, high]$ or -1 if
X is not in the list,

if $high < low$ then return(-1) endif // empty list

if $X < L[low]$ or $X > L[high]$ return(-1) endif

$$mid \leftarrow \lfloor low + (x - L[low])(high - low) / (L[high] - L[low]) \rfloor$$

if $x = L[mid]$ then return(mid) endif

if $x < L[mid]$ then

 InterpolationSearch($L[0:n-1]$, low, mid - 1, x)

else

 InterpolationSearch($L[0:n-1]$, mid + 1, high, x)

endif

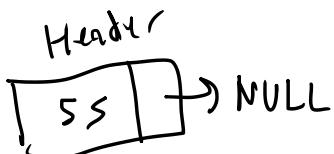
end InterpolationSearch

Date: January 24

Statement:

Show pictorially the action of insertion sort implemented using a linked list for the same sample list: 55, 49, 1, 23, 61, 8.

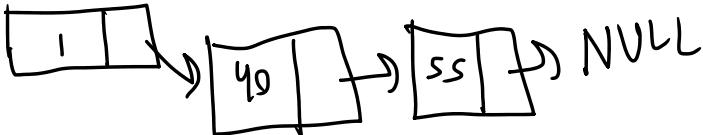
My work:



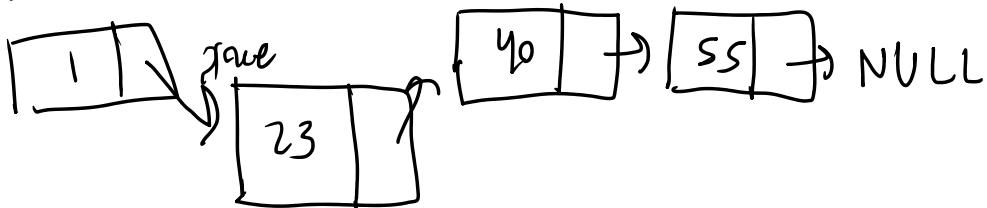
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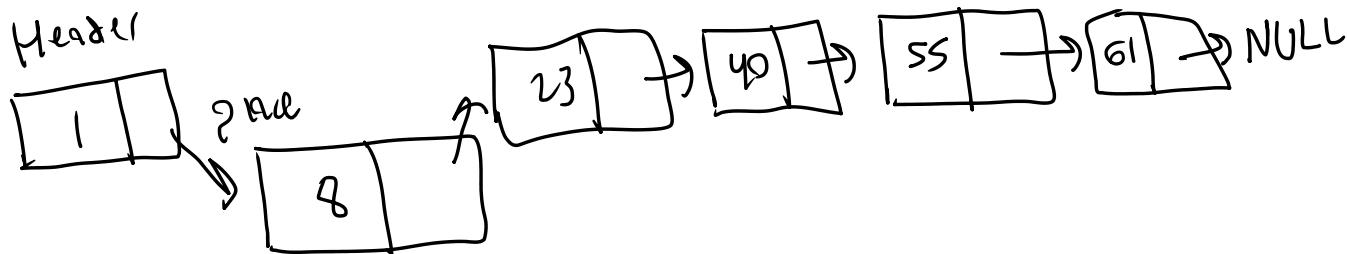
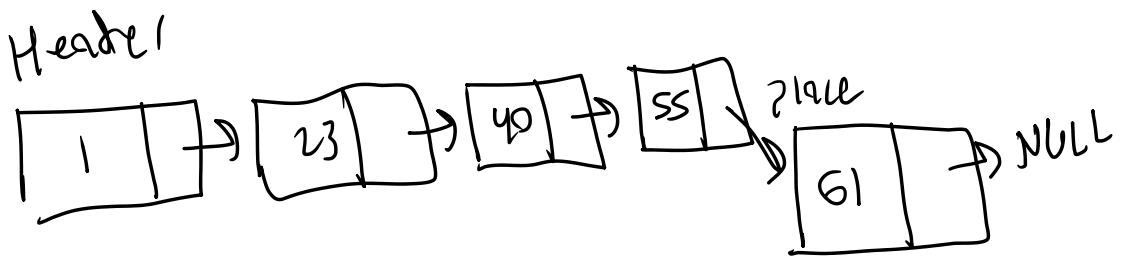


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Corrected Sol'n:
work above is correct.

Date: January 26

Statement:

for the example, $f(n) = 100n + 50 \in \mathcal{O}(g(n))$
 Show that $f(n) \in \mathcal{O}(g(n))$.

My work:

We know \exists positive constants c, n_0 such that $\forall n \geq n_0$,
 $f(n) = c \cdot g(n)$.

I'm not sure how we apply this formula.

Correct sol'n:

We're proving $100n + 50 \in \mathcal{O}(n^2 - n)$.

One way we can show this is choosing $c=1$,
 $n_0 = 102$. Then,

$$100n + 50 \leq 1 \cdot (n^2 - n) \quad \forall n \geq 102, \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{(derived from } \\ -n^2 + 101n + 50 \leq 0 \end{array}$$

Another choice is $c=1000$, $n_0=1$. Then,

$$100n + 50 \leq 1000 \cdot (n^2 - n) \quad \forall n \geq 1. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{(derived from } \\ -n^2 + 101n + 50 \leq 0 \end{array}$$

$$100n + 50 \leq 1999 \cdot (n^2 - n) \quad \forall n \geq 1. \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{derived from} \\ -20n^2 + 22n + 1 \leq 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$n \geq 1.14$$

Date: January 26

Statement:

$$n^2 - n \in O(100n + 50).$$

Why not just choose a really, really huge constant c ? Show that,

$$n^2 - n \leq 1000000000000000000000(100n + 50) \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

is not true.

My work:

$$n^2 - n \leq 1000000000000000000000(100n + 50) \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$$n - 1 \leq 1000000000000000000000\left(100 + \frac{50}{n}\right) \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$: $n - 1 \rightarrow \infty$, but,

$$1000000000000000000000\left(100 + \frac{50}{n}\right) \rightarrow c \cdot 100,$$

where $c = 1000000000000000000000$.

So,

$$n - 1 \notin 1000000000000000000000\left(100 + \frac{50}{n}\right) \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

Corrected sol'n:

The same argument applies for any constant c .

The same argument applies for any positive constants c, n_0 .

\therefore it follows that,

$$n^2 - n \notin O(100n + 50).$$

Date: January 26

Statement:

Show that $\log_a(n) \in \log_b(n)$ have the same order, independent of the choices of bases $a \neq b$.

My work:

$$\frac{\log_b(n)}{1} = \frac{\log_a(n)}{\log_a(b)} \quad (\text{by change of base formula})$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_a(n) = \log_a(b) \cdot \log_b(n) \quad (\text{cross multiply})$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_a(n) \in \Theta(\log_b(n)) \quad (\log_a(b) \text{ is constant, drop it})$$

$\Rightarrow \log_a(n) \in \log_b(n)$ have the same order.

constant multiple still
has the same growth
rate

corrected sol'n:

Adding details.

\therefore we can drop the base when talking about the order of logarithmic functions, i.e. $\Theta(\log(n))$.

Date: January 26

Statement:

Using the Ratio Limit Theorem, show that worst-case complexity of Binary Search has smaller order than the worst-case complexity of Linear Search, i.e., $O(\lg(n)) \subset O(n)$.

Reminder: " $A \subset B$ " means
" A is a proper subset of B ".

Comparing orders with the Ratio Limit Theorem

Let $f(n), g(n) \in F$. If the ratio $\frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$ exists as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then f & g are comparable. Moreover, assuming $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$ exists, then the following results hold true:

1. $0 < L < \infty \Rightarrow f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$ (f & g have the same order)
2. $L = 0 \Rightarrow O(f(n)) \subset O(g(n))$ (f has a smaller order than g)
3. $L = \infty \Rightarrow O(g(n)) \subset O(f(n))$ (f has a larger order than g)

L' Hospital's Rule

Suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)$ & $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(n)$ are both 0 or both ∞ . Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)}.$$

My work:

Let $f(n) = \lg(n)$, $g(n) = n$.

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \quad (\text{Ratio Limit Theorem})$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg(n)}{n} \quad (\text{Substitute } f(n) \text{ & } g(n))$$

I'm not sure where to go from here.

corrected sol'n:

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg(e) \cdot \ln(n)}{n} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{from previous problem, } \log_a(n) = \log_b(b) \cdot \log_b(n), \\ \text{so } \log_2(n) = \log_2(e) \cdot \log_e(n) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg(e) \cdot \frac{1}{n}}{1} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{apply L'Hopital's rule,} \\ (\lg(e) \cdot \ln(n))' = (\lg(e))' \cdot \ln(n) + \lg(e) \cdot (\ln(n))' = 0 + \lg(e) \cdot \frac{1}{n} \\ (n)' = 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\lg(e)}{n} \quad (\text{Simplify})$$

$$= 0 \quad (\text{Apply limit})$$

\therefore by the Ratio Limit Theorem, it follows that

$$\mathcal{O}(\lg(n)) \subset \mathcal{O}(n).$$

Date: January 29

Statement:

Strongly asymptotic result for polynomials.

Proposition: Let $P(n)$ be the k^{th} degree polynomial,

$a_k n^k + \dots + a_1 n + a_0$, where $a_k > 0$. Then,

$$P(n) \sim a_k n^k.$$

Corollary: $P(n) \in \Theta(n^k)$.

Prove the proposition.

Strong Asymptotic Behavior

we say $f(n)$ is strongly asymptotic to $g(n)$, denoted $f(n) \sim g(n)$, if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 1.$$

By the Ratio Limit Theorem:

$$f(n) \sim g(n) \Rightarrow f(n) \in \Theta(g(n)).$$

My work:

$$\text{Let } f(n) = P(n) = a_k n^k + \dots + a_1 n + a_0,$$

$$g(n) = a_k n^k.$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \quad (\text{Ratio Limit Theorem})$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_k n^k + \dots + a_1 n + a_0}{a_k n^k}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \frac{a_{k-1}}{a_k n} + \dots + \frac{a_1}{a_k n^{k-1}} + \frac{a_0}{a_k n^k}$$

= 1

This proves the proposition.

corrected sol'n:

work above is correct.

Date: January 29

Statement:

$$\text{prove } f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(n) \in O(g(n)) \nvdash f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$$

My work:

Suppose $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$. Then,

\exists positive constants c_1, c_2, n_0 such that
 $c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n), \forall n \geq n_0$.

$$f(n) \leq c_2 g(n), \forall n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow f(n) \in O(g(n)).$$

$$f(n) \geq c_1 g(n), \forall n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow f(n) \in \Omega(g(n)).$$

Corrected sol'n:

Conversely, suppose $f(n) \in O(g(n)) \nvdash f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$.

Then, \exists positive constants c_1, c_2, n_0, n_1 such that
 $f(n) \leq c_2 g(n), \forall n \geq n_0 \nvdash f(n) \geq c_1 g(n), \forall n \geq n_1$.

$\therefore c_1 y(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 y(n), \forall n \geq \max\{n_0, n_1\}$

$\Rightarrow f(n) \in \Theta(y(n))$

Date: January 31

Statement:

Obtain recurrence relation for $W(n)$ & solve for the version of Binary Search where no equality check is done until list has size 1. For convenience, assume $n=2^k$.

Recursive version of Binary Search where no equality check is done until list has size 1 in C++

/* Inputs:

ItemType list[MAX] (an array of n list elements,
sorted in increasing order)

ItemType searchItem (a search item)

int low, int high (nonnegative integers)

Output: returns the index of an occurrence of searchItem
in the sublist L or -1 if searchItem is not in the list

*/

```
int BinarySearch(ItemType list[MAX], ItemType searchItem, int low, int hi)
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{

// initial condition, list empty

if (low > high) return -1;

// if the list has one element

if (low == high)

{

if (list[low] == searchElement) return low;

else return -1;

}

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// compute midpoint  
int mid = (low + high) / 2;  
// if the search element is in front half of list, partition  
if (searchItem < list[mid]) return BinarySearch(list, searchItem, low, mid - 1);  
// if the search element is in back half of list, partition  
else if (searchItem > list[mid]) return BinarySearch(list, searchItem, mid + 1, high);
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My work:

$$n = 2^k \Rightarrow k = \lg(n).$$

$W(n) = W\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1$ from recursive midpoint,

$W(1) = 1$ for the initial condition where we only make one comparison if the list is empty.

Corrected Sol'n:

Applying the technique of repeated substitution, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} W(n) &= W\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1 = (W\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 1) + 1 \\ &= W\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 2 = (W\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 1) + 2 \\ &= W\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 3 = (W\left(\frac{n}{16}\right) + 1) + 3 \\ &\quad \vdots \quad \vdots \\ &= W\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) + k \end{aligned}$$

$$= W\left(\frac{2^k}{2^k}\right) + k \quad (\text{apply } n=2^k)$$

$$= W(1) + k \quad (\text{simplify})$$

$$= 1 + \lg(n) \quad (\text{apply } W(1)=1 \because 1=lg(1))$$

$$\sim \lg(n)$$

Date: January 31

Statement:

Obtain recurrence relation for the Best-Case complexity $B(n)$ of Merge Sort & solve using repeated substitution.

```
void MergeSort(DataType L[MAX], int low, int high)
{
    // bootstrap condition -- a list of size one or at most
    // is a priori sorted

    if (low < high)
    {
        mid = (low + high) / 2;

        // recursively sort first half
        MergeSort(L, low, mid - 1);

        // recursively sort second half
        MergeSort(L, mid + 1, high);

        // merge two halves
        Merge(L, low, mid, high);
    }
}
```

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My work:

$$n = 2^k \Rightarrow k = \lg(n).$$

$$B(n) = B\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \quad (\text{the number of comparisons to recursively sort first half})$$

$$+ B\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \quad (\text{the number of comparisons to recursively sort second half})$$

$$+ \frac{n}{2}. \quad (\text{fewest comparisons to merge left & right sublists that are merged evenly in half})$$

We have the recurrence relation:

$B(n) = 2 \cdot B\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{n}{2}$ & $W(1) = 0$ for the initial condition
 where we need not compare a sorted list of size 1. Here,
 we approximate n with $n-1$. Note: $\frac{n}{2} \approx n$, so
 $B(n) = 2 \cdot B\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n$.

Corrected sol'n:

Applying the technique of repeated substitution, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 B(n) &= 2 \cdot B\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n = 2 \cdot \left(2 \cdot B\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + \frac{n}{2} \right) + n \\
 &= 2^2 \cdot B\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + 2n = 2^2 \cdot \left(2 \cdot B\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + \frac{n}{2^2} \right) + 2 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \\
 &= 2^3 \cdot B\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + 3 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \\
 &\quad \vdots \qquad \vdots \\
 &= 2^k \cdot B\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) + k \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \\
 &= 2^k \cdot B\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) + k \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \quad (\text{apply } n=2^k) \\
 &= 2^k \cdot B(1) + k \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \quad (\text{simplify}) \\
 &= 2^k \cdot 0 + k \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \quad (\text{apply } B(1)=0) \\
 &= k \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \quad (\text{simplify}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot n \cdot \lg(n)
 \end{aligned}$$

Date: February 2

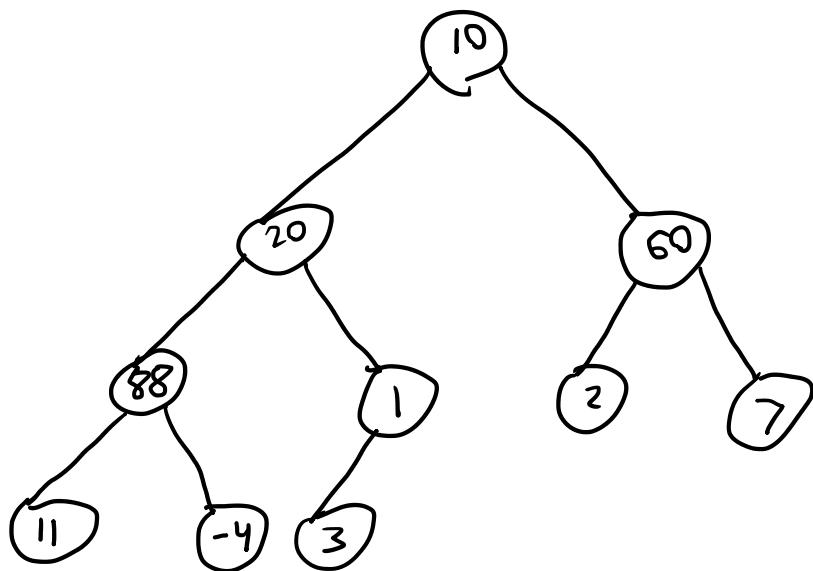
Statement:

Implementing a full & complete binary tree.

- a.) Draw a complete binary tree with values on nodes implemented by the array:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	20	60	88	1	2	7	11	-4	3

My work:



Statement:

- b.) Given the index i of a node in a complete binary tree, give the formula for the index of the parent of the node at i :

My work:

$$\text{parent_index} = (i - 1) / 2$$

Statement:

- c.) Given the index i of a node in a complete binary tree, give the formulas for the indices of the left & right children of the node at i :

My work:

$$\text{left_child} = 2 * i + 1$$

`right_child = 2 * i + 2`

Corrected sol'n:

work above is correct.

Date: February 2

Statement:

Give C++ code for Preorder, Inorder & Postorder traversals, invoking function visit() to perform operations on data in the node.

Assume the nodes of the tree are implemented using the following structure:

```
typedef int datatype;
```

```
struct Node {
```

```
datatype item;
```

```
Node *left;
```

```
Node *right;
```

```
} // END TREENODE
```

```
typedef *Node ztrNode;
```

My work:

```
void Preorder(BtNode root)
{
    if (root != nullptr)
    {
        visit(root->item);
        Preorder(root->left);
        Preorder(root->right);
    }
}
```

```
void Inorder(BtNode root)
{
    if (root != nullptr)
    {
        Inorder(root->left);
        visit(root->item);
        Inorder(root->right);
    }
}
```

```
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3  
void Postorder( ptrNode root )  
{  
    if (root != nullptr)  
    {  
        Postorder( root->left );  
        Postorder( root->right );  
        Visit( root->item );  
    }  
}
```

Corrected Sol'n:
work above is correct.

Mathematical Properties of Trees with Applications to Lower Bound Theory - 1

Saturday, February 10, 2024 1:12 PM

Statement:

Date: February 5

Number of edges vs. number of nodes in a tree.

Theorem: The number m of edges of any tree T is one less than the number n of nodes.

Proof by induction. We perform induction on the number n of nodes.

Basis step. A tree with one node has no edges, i.e., we have $m=0 = n-1$.

Induction step. Assume for $n=k$, i.e., any tree having k nodes has $k-1$ edges.

Now consider a tree T having $n=k+1$ nodes. For convenience, let $n(T) \in m(T)$ denote the number of nodes \in edges of T .

To apply the induction hypothesis, we need to perform an operation that reduces T to a tree T' having k

an operation turn \dots into \dots
nodes. How do we do this?

My work:

Any node at the deepest level (highest level number) must necessarily be a leaf. Thus, T contains at least one leaf node.

Remove a leaf node (in its incident edge)
to obtain a tree T' having k nodes.

Corrected sol'n:

work above is correct.

Date: February 5

Statement:

A 2-tree is a tree where every node that is not a leaf node has exactly two children.

An internal node is a node that is not a leaf node.

Let $I(T)$ & $L(T)$ denote the number of internal & leaf nodes of a 2-tree T , respectively. For convenience, let $I = I(T)$ & $L = L(T)$.

Proposition: Let T be a 2-tree. Then $L = I + 1$.

(Nearly, the total number n of nodes satisfies $n = I + L$,

so we have:

$$\text{Corollary 1: } n = 2 \cdot I + 1.$$

$$\text{Corollary 2: } n = 2 \cdot L + 1.$$

Parametrizing the induction, we must decide, which parameter we will perform induction on, i.e., the number I of internal nodes, the number L of leaf nodes, or the total number n

nodes, the number L of leaf nodes, or the total number n of nodes. we will choose L .

Base Step: $L=1$

A single node 2-tree has one leaf node, the root, is 0 internal nodes, so we have

$$L=1=I+1.$$

Induction Step: $L=k$

Assume,

all 2-trees T with k leaf nodes have $k-1$ internal nodes.

Now consider any 2-tree T having $k+1$ leaf nodes.

To apply the induction hypothesis, we need to perform an operation that reduces T to a tree T' with k leaf nodes.

How do we do this?

My work:

I'm not sure how to prove the induction hypothesis.

Corrected sol'n:

Find a node of T , both of whose children are leaf nodes, i.e., delete both of the node's child leaf nodes (i.e., their incident edges). Then the resulting z -tree, T' , has one fewer leaf nodes & one fewer internal nodes than T .

Since T' has one fewer leaf nodes than T , i.e., T' has l'_L leaf nodes, we can apply the induction hypothesis, i.e.,

$$L(T') = I(T') + 1.$$

Thus,

$$L(T) = L(T') + 1 = (I(T') + 1) + 1 = I(T) + 1$$

Proving the proposition by the inductive step.

Mathematical Properties of Trees with Applications to Lower Bound Theory - 3

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Date: February 5

Statement:

To verify that this construction is valid, we must prove that every 2-tree T contains a node, both of whose children are leaf nodes. Prove this.

Hint: Consider a node x at the deepest (i.e., highest) level. Let p be its parent; let y be its sibling (i.e. the other child of p). Use proof by contradiction to show that y is also a leaf node.

My work:

Assume that y is not a leaf node, i.e., y has a child c . Now c is at a deeper level than y . Since x is at the same level as y , it follows that x is not at the deepest level, contradicting our assumption about x . Thus, both $x \& y$ are leaf nodes.

Corrected sol'n:
work above is correct.

Date: February 7

Statement:

Searching a BST.

Write a recursive function `SearchBST` in C++ for searching a binary tree for a search key. If found, it returns a pointer to a node where found; otherwise, it returns `nullptr`.

Assume the nodes of the tree are implemented using the structure:

```
typedef int KeyType;
```

```
struct Node {
```

```
    KeyType key;
```

```
    Node *Left;
```

```
    Node *Right;
```

```
} // END TREENODE
```

```
typedef *Node ptrNode;
```

My work:

```
ptrNode SearchBST(ptrNode Root, KeyType SearchKey)
{
```

```

// returns nullptr if searchkey not found
if (Root == nullptr)
{
    return nullptr;
}
// returns pointer to node that contains search key
else if (Searchkey == Root->key)
{
    return Root;
}
else if (Searchkey < Root->key)
{
    return SearchBST(Root->Left, Searchkey);
}
else if (Searchkey > Root->key)
{
    return SearchBST(Root->Right, Searchkey);
}
// end SearchBST

```

Corrected sol'n:

No need, my work is correct.

Date: February 7

Statement:

Write a recursive function InsertBST in C++ for inserting into a BST.

My work:

```
void InsertBST(ptrNode Root, KeyType SearchKey)
```

{

// create a new node for Newkey

ptrNode Newptr = new Node;

Newptr->Key = Newkey;

Newptr->Left = nullptr;

Newptr->Right = nullptr;

if (Root == nullptr)

{

Root = Newptr;

{}

else if (Newkey < Root->Key)

```

    {
        if ( Root -> Left == nullptr )
            {
                Root -> Left = Newptr;
            }
        }
        else
        {
            InsertBST( Root -> Left, Newkey );
        }
    }

    else if ( Newkey > Root -> Key )
    {
        if ( Root -> Right == nullptr )
            {
                Root -> Right = Newptr;
            }
        }
        else
        {
            InsertBST( Root -> Right, Newkey );
        }
    }
}

```

3
3
3 // end Insert BST

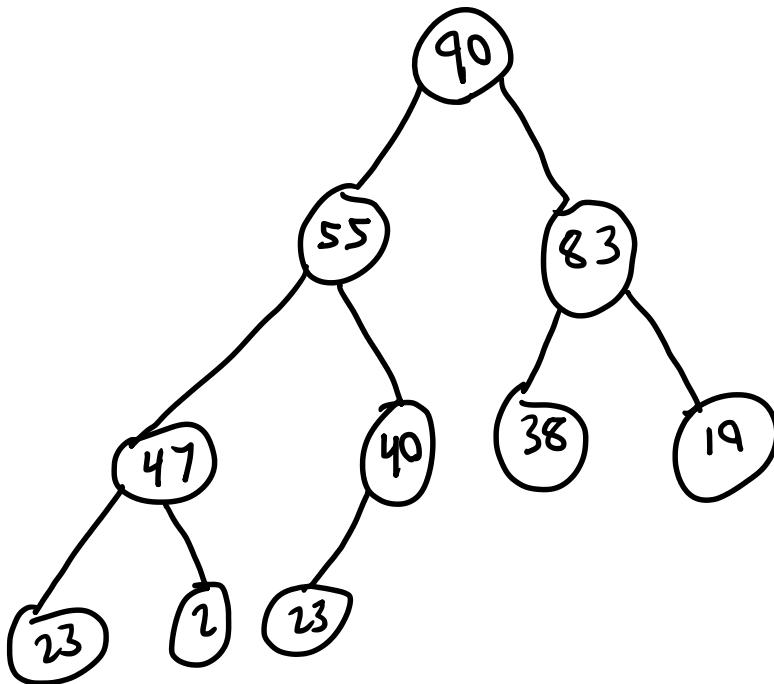
Corrected sol'n:

No need, my work is correct.

Date: February 9

Statement:

Show the action of an array for inserting 70 into the max-heap:



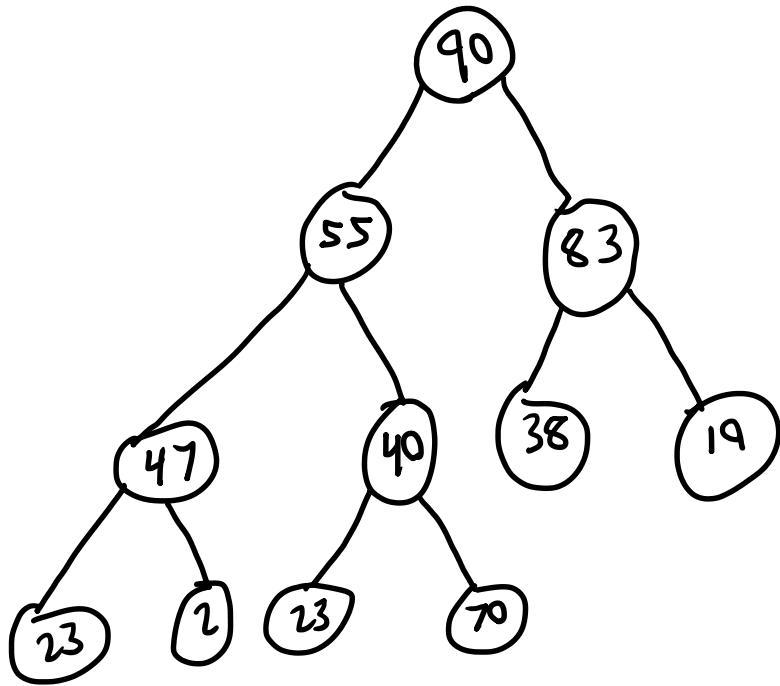
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My workin'

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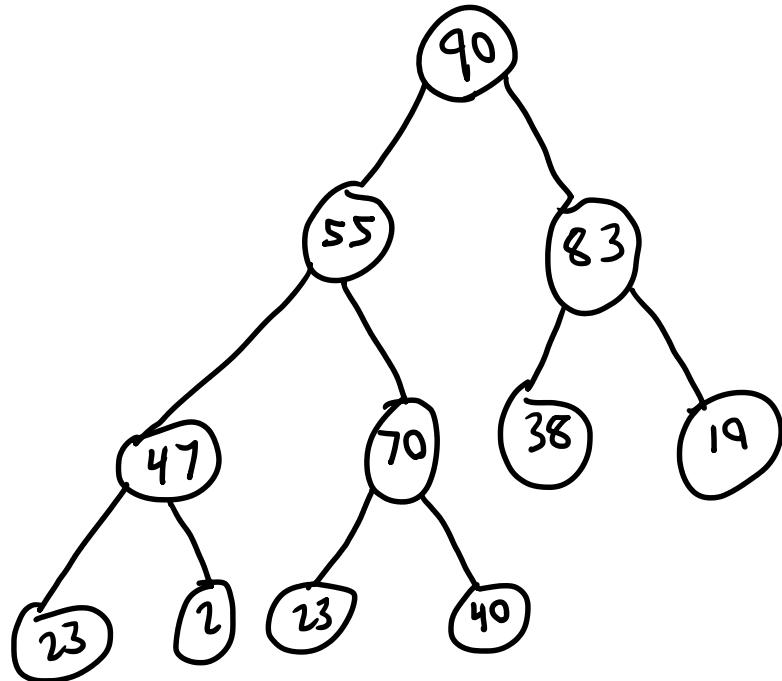


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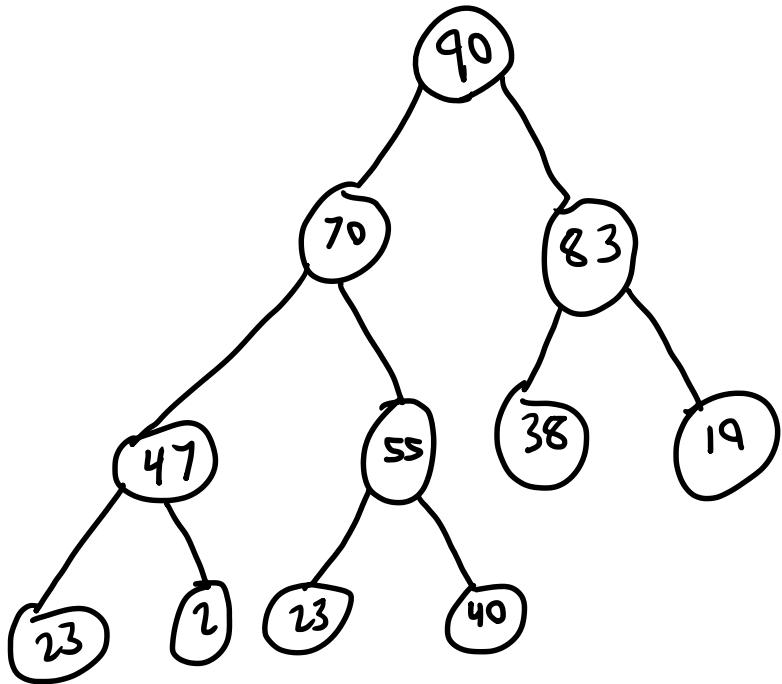
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2.)



[90, 55, 83, 47, 70, 38, 19, 23, 2, 23, 40]

3.)



[90, 70, 83, 47, 55, 38, 19, 23, 2, 23, 40]

Corrected sol'n:

No need, my work is correct.

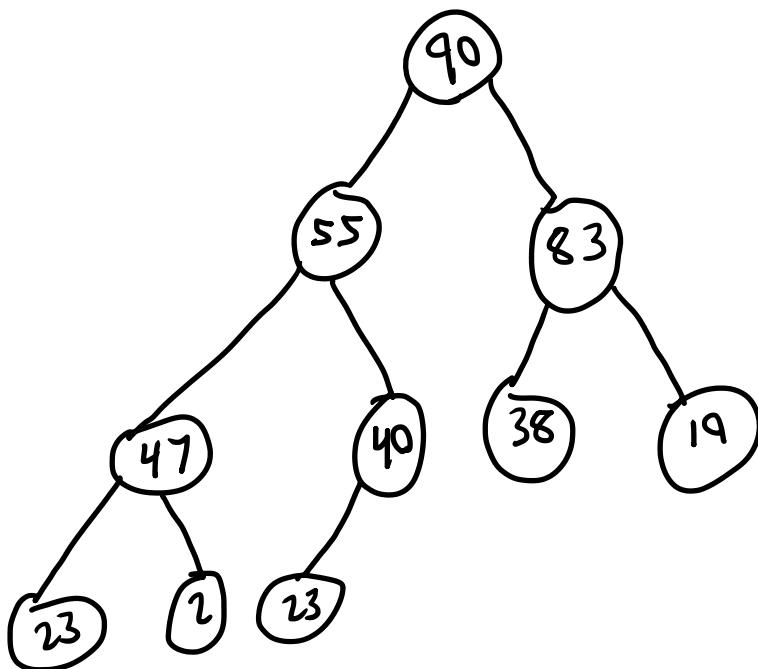
Priority Queues, Heaps, Heapsort - 2

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Date: February 9

Statement:

Show the action of an array for deleting of an element (e.g. the root) from the max-heap:



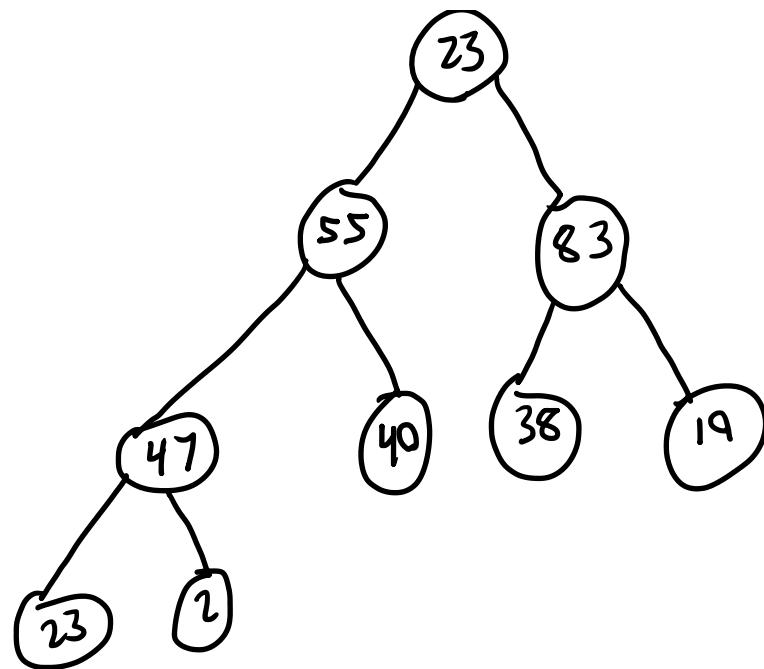
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My work:

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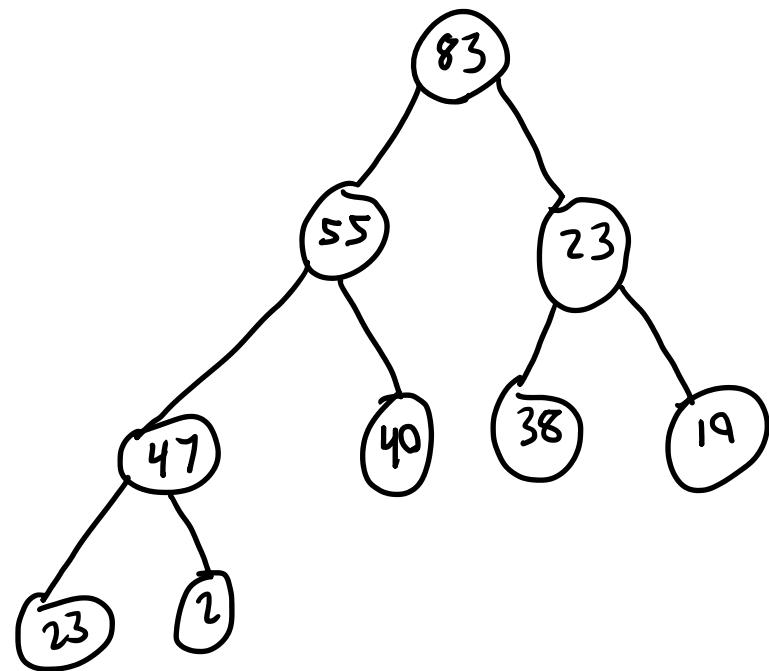


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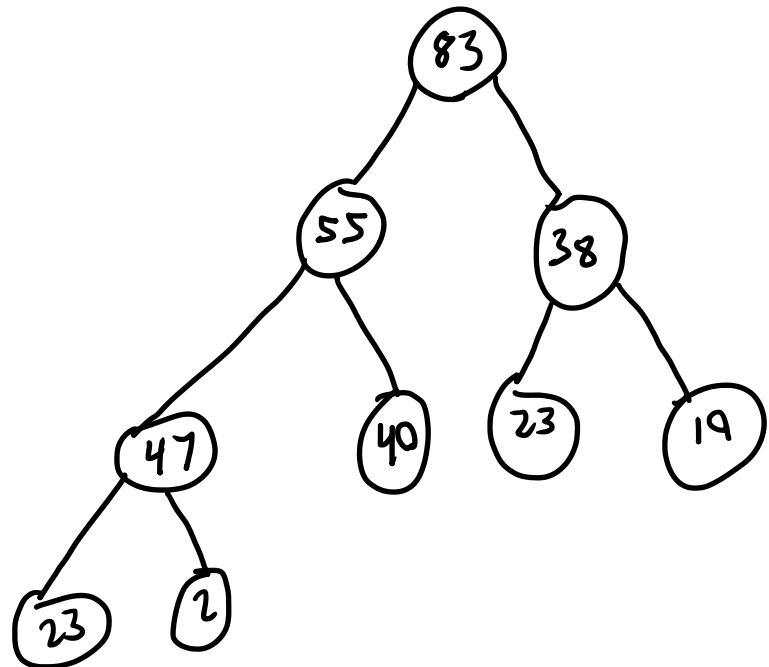
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3.)



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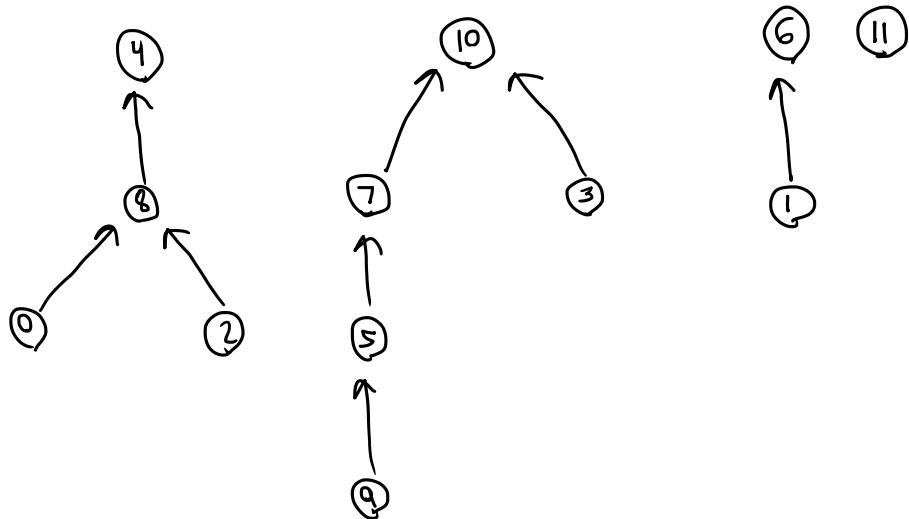
Corrected sol'n:

No need, my work is correct.

Date: February 13

For the disjoint sets represented as a forest
 (a collection of tree data structures),

- Show the action of $\text{find}(9)$.
- Show the action of $\text{find}(2)$.



My work:

a.) $\text{parent}(9) = 5$, $\text{parent}(5) = 7$, $\text{parent}(7) = 10$, $\text{parent}(10) = -1$.
 $\text{find}(9) = 10$.

b.) $\text{parent}(2) = 8$, $\text{parent}(8) = 4$, $\text{parent}(4) = -1$.
 $\text{find}(2) = 4$.

Corrected sol'n:

No need, my work is correct.

Date: February 14

Statement:

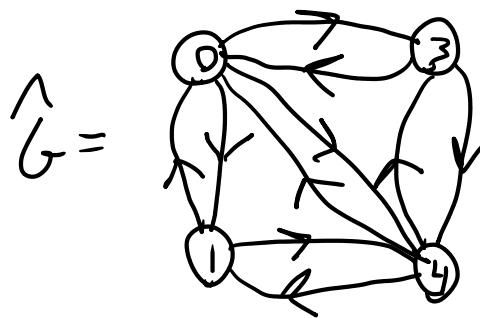
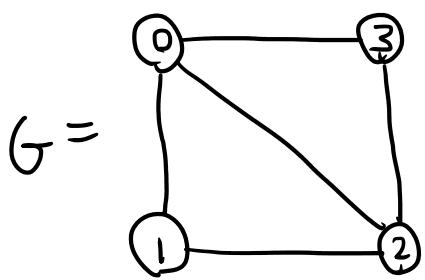
which is more general, a graph or digraph?

My work:

I believe a digraph is because it holds more information.

Corrected Sol'n:

A graph $G = (V, E)$ can be identified with its symmetric digraph $\hat{G} = (V, \hat{E})$ where \hat{E} is obtained by replacing each unordered $\{a, b\} \in E$ with two ordered pairs $(a, b) \neq (b, a)$ for every edge $\{a, b\} \in E$.



A two-way communication is equivalent to two one-way communications.

Date: February 16

Statement:

Modify the recursive version of DFS to output the parent array of the DFS tree.

procedure $\text{DFS}(G, v)$ recursive

Input: G (a graph with n vertices & m edges)

v (a vertex where search begins)

Output: the depth-first search of graph G starting with vertex v .

$\text{Mark}[v] \leftarrow \text{true}$ // mark v as visited

call $\text{Visit}(v)$

for each vertex u adjacent to v do

if $\text{Mark}[u] = 0$ then call $\text{DFS}(G, u)$ endif

end for

end DFS

My work:

procedure DFS($G, v, \text{Parent}[0:n-1]$) recursive

Input: G

(a graph with n vertices &
 m edges)

v

(a vertex where search begins)

$\text{Parent}[0:n-1]$ (parent array for DFS tree rooted at v)

Output: the depth-first search of graph G
starting with vertex v .

$\text{Mark}[v] \leftarrow \text{true}$ // mark v as visited

call $\text{Visit}(v)$

for each vertex u adjacent to v do

if $\text{Mark}[u] = 0$ then

call $\text{DFS}(G, u)$

$\text{Parent}[u] \leftarrow v$

endif

end for

end DFS

Corrected Sol'n:

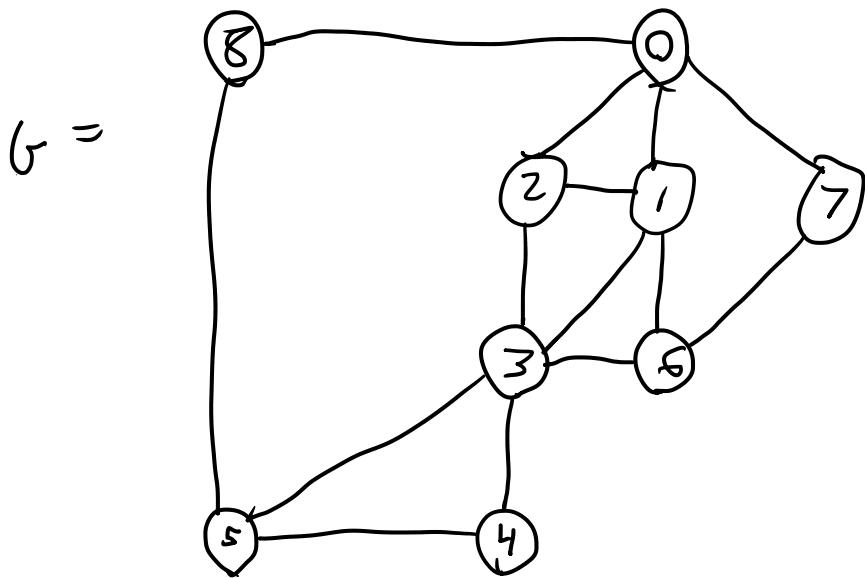
mark above is correct.

...
work above is correct.

Date: February 16

Statement:

Repeat the action of DFS in computing the DFS Tree & give the DFS order, where the initial vertex is $v=0$.



My work:

DFS order: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 6, 7

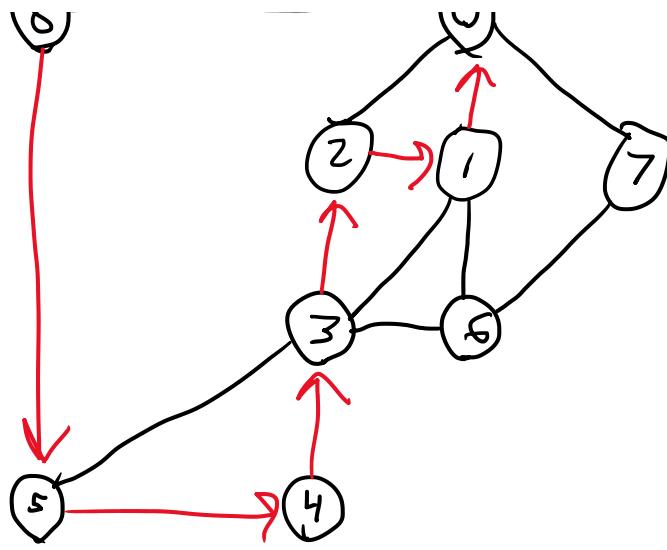
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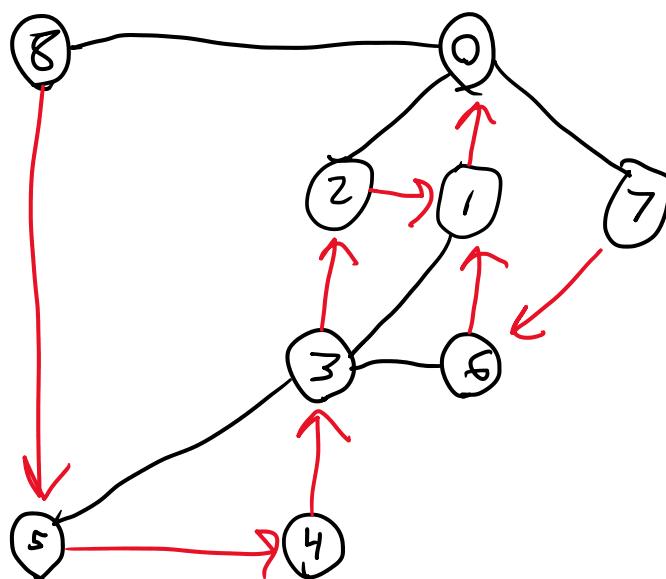
Get:

0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7



2.)

backtrack
to 1,
get:
6
7



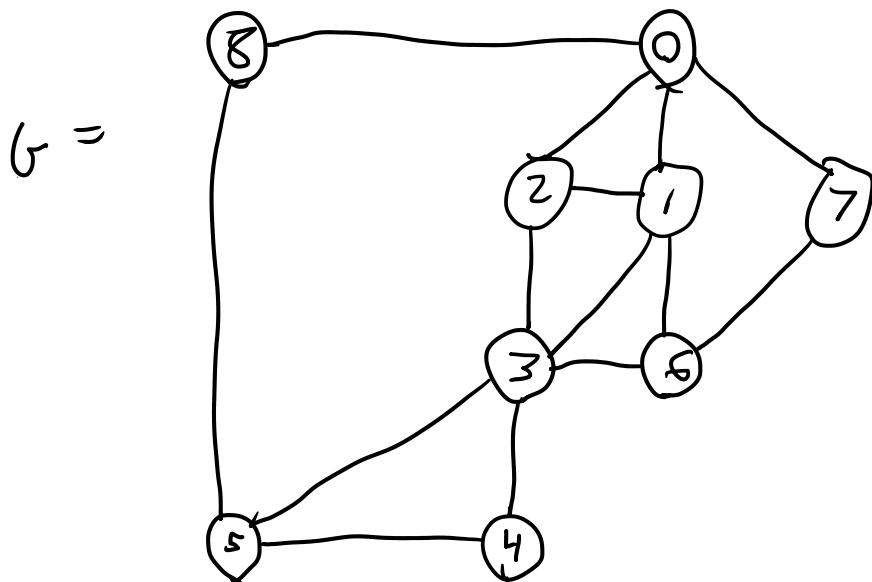
Corrected sol'n:

work above is correct.

Date: February 16

Statement:

Repeat the action of BFS in computing the BFS Tree & give the BFS order, where the initial vertex is $v=0$.



My work:

BFS order: 0, 1, 2, 3, 8, 5, 6, 4

1.)



1.)

get i:

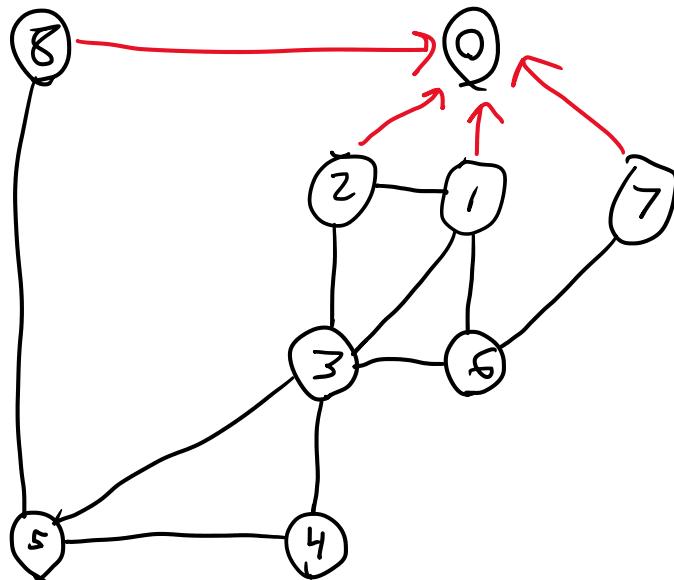
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1

2

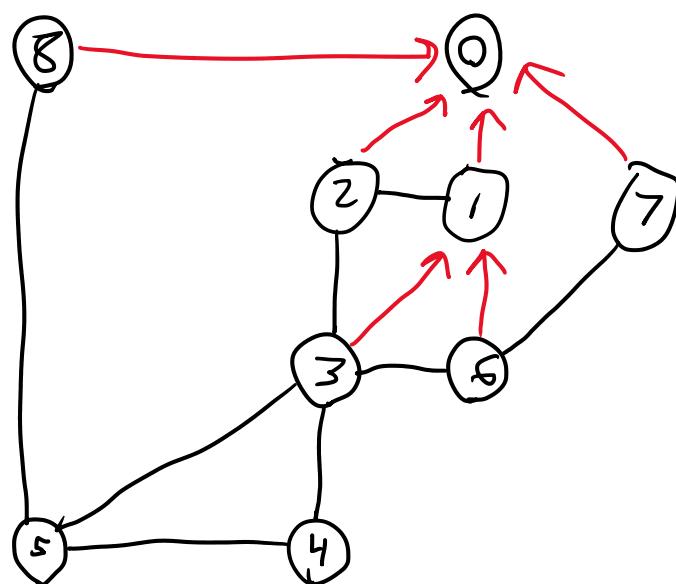
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8



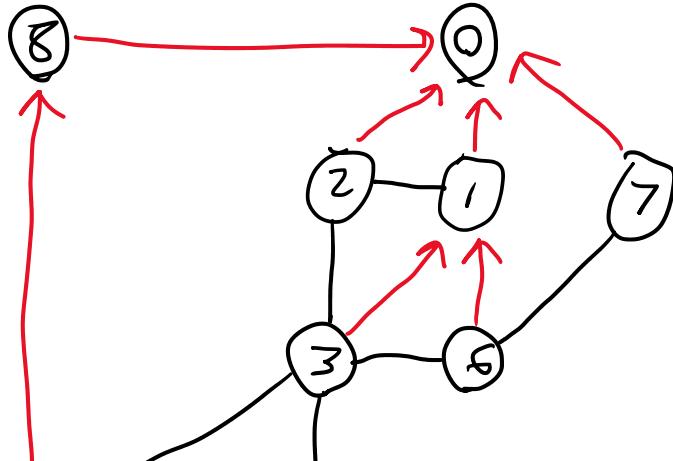
2.)

go to 1
in queue,
get:
3
6



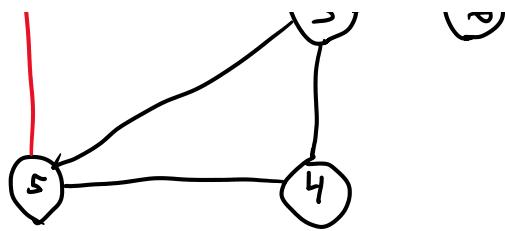
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2 & 7 brings in
nothing in queue
go to 8 in
queue, get:
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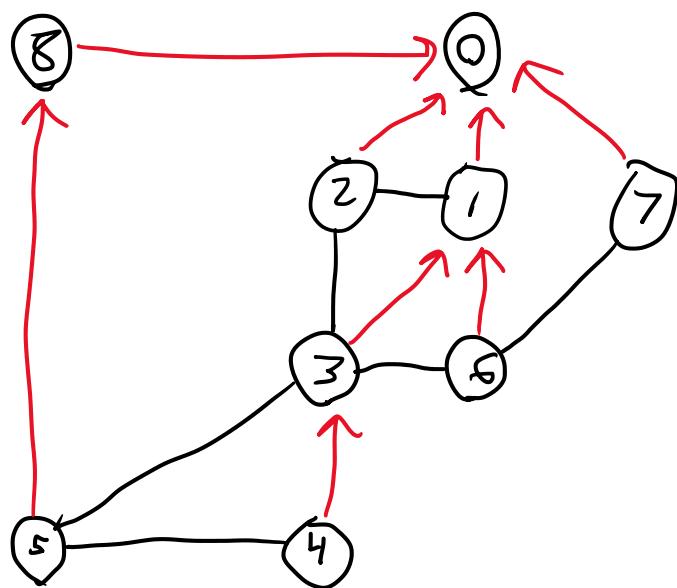
4.)

go to 3

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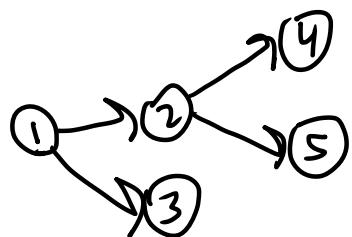


Statement:

Date: February 23

Show that a (finite) DAG must always contain a source & a sink.

A directed acyclic graph (DAG) is a digraph without any directed cycles.



Source - a vertex v where all edges incident with v are directed out of v , i.e., $\text{in-degree}(v) = 0$.

Sink - a vertex v where all edges incident with v are directed into v , i.e., $\text{out-degree}(v) = 0$.

My work:

I am unsure how we would effectively plan this.

Corrected Sol'n:

Start at any vertex & keep growing a path until a sink is reached. Since a digraph is acyclic, we cannot return to the same vertex, so that we must eventually reach a sink.

Reverse the orientation on all the edges & find a sink. This sink is a source in the original digraph.

Statement:

Date: February 23

construct a digraph $D = (V, E)$ where V is the set of tasks & $(u, v) \in E$ whenever task u must precede, i.e., be performed before, task v .

Prove D is a DAG.

My work:

I am unsure how we would effectively prove this.

Corrected sol'n:

Proof by contradiction.

Suppose D is not a DAG. Then it contains
 $\dots \dots u, v, w, \dots v_i, v_j$. It follows the

$\Rightarrow v_1 \rightarrow \dots$

a directed cycle $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{k'}, v_1$. It follows the definition of D that,

Task v_1 must be performed before task v_2 .

Task v_2 must be performed before task v_3 .

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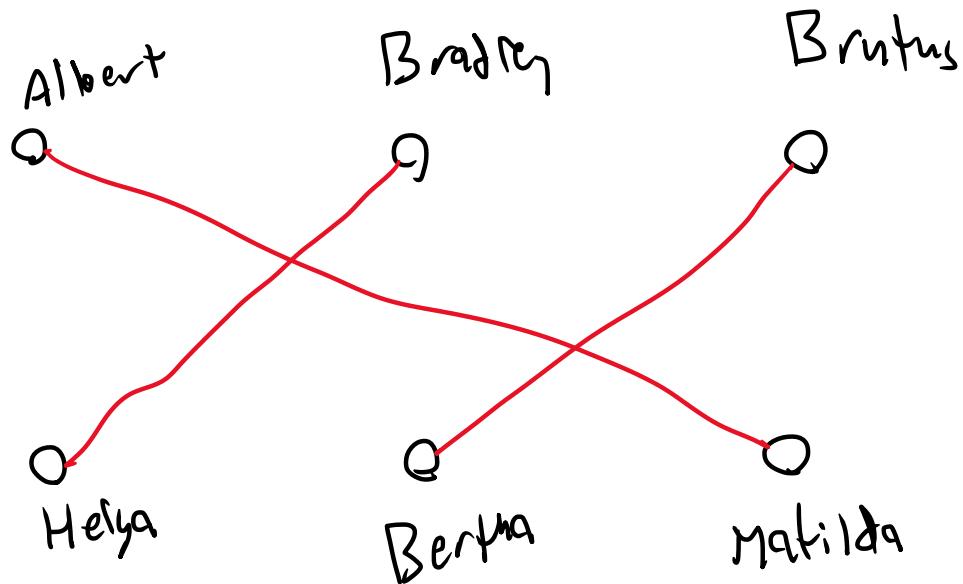
Task v_{n-2} must be performed before task v_{n-1} .

Task v_{n-1} must be performed before task v_1 .

But this implies that task v_1 must be performed before itself, a contradiction.

Date: February 26

Statement:



	1st	2nd	3rd
Albert	Helya	Bertha	<u>Matilda</u>
Bradley	Bertha	<u>Helya</u>	Matilda
Brutus	Helya	<u>Bertha</u>	Matilda

	1st	2nd	3rd
Helya	<u>Bradley</u>	Albert	Brutus
Bertha	Albert	Bradley	<u>Brutus</u>
Matilda	<u>Albert</u>	Bradley	Brutus

Is this perfect matching stable?

My work:

No, this perfect matching is not stable.

The pair (Albert, Helya) is unstable, Albert would be better matched with Helya if Brutus (who was with Helya) with Matilda (who was with Albert).

Statement:

Date: February 28

Solve the following instance of the knapsack problem with capacity $C = 15$:

Object	b_0	b_1	b_2	b_3	b_4
value	100	20	30	15	66
weight	50	2	10	5	12

My work:

Object	b_0	b_1	b_2	b_3	b_4
value	100	20	30	15	66
weight	50	2	10	5	12
density	2	10	3	3.75	5.5

density	2	10	3	3.75	5.5
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choose all b_1 - remaining weight is 13

choose all b_4 - remaining weight is 1

choose $\frac{1}{4}$ of b_3 - knapsack is full

$$\text{value of knapsack is } 20 + 66 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 15 = 89.75$$

corrected sol'n:

work above is correct.

Statement:

Date: February 28

Approximation to $\frac{0}{1}$ knapsack using greedy.

Since the greedy solution to the Knapsack problem chooses the whole objects, except for possibly the last object chosen, we can use this to get a solution to the $\frac{0}{1}$ knapsack by simply removing the last object if a fraction of it is chosen.

Show that this greedy solution fails to give a good approximation to the $\frac{0}{1}$ knapsack. In particular, show that for any given ϵ , there are examples where it gives worse than an M -approximation, i.e., the ratio of the value of an optimal solution to the value of the greedy solution is greater than M . For example, if $M = 1000000$, then the value of the optimal solution is more than one million times greater.

My work:

Sort in descending order, i.e., the price
is keep choosing as much of the most pricy
coffee as possible until the coffee bag is full.

Corrected sol'n:

work above is correct.

Statement:

Date: March 1

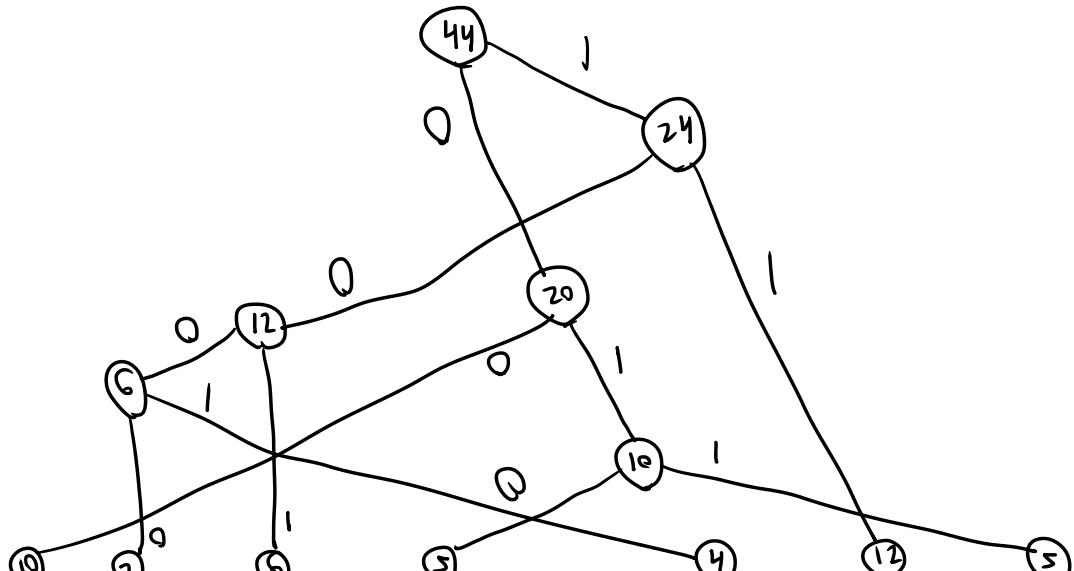
Illustrate the greedy method for computing Huffman tree & Huffman code following instance

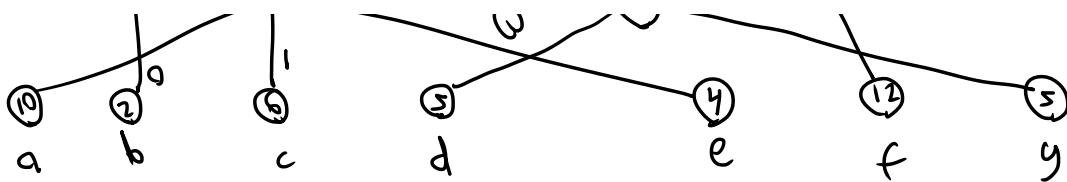
Symbol	a	b	c	d	e	f	g
frequency	10	2	6	5	4	12	5

My work:

I am unsure of how to prove this.

Corrected Sol'n





Symbol	Binary code
a	00
b	1000
c	101
d	010
e	1001
f	11
g	011

Statement:

Date: March 4

Give transformations showing,

a.) The MST problem for weights can be reduced to the MST problem for positive weights.

b.) The MST problem with some weights repeated can be reduced to the MST problem where all the weights are disjoint.

My work:

I am unsure of how to prove this.

- example coming

Corrected Sol'n:

a.) Let w' be the weighting obtained from w by adding a weight M to each edge, where M is chosen to be large enough so that all the w' -weights become positive.

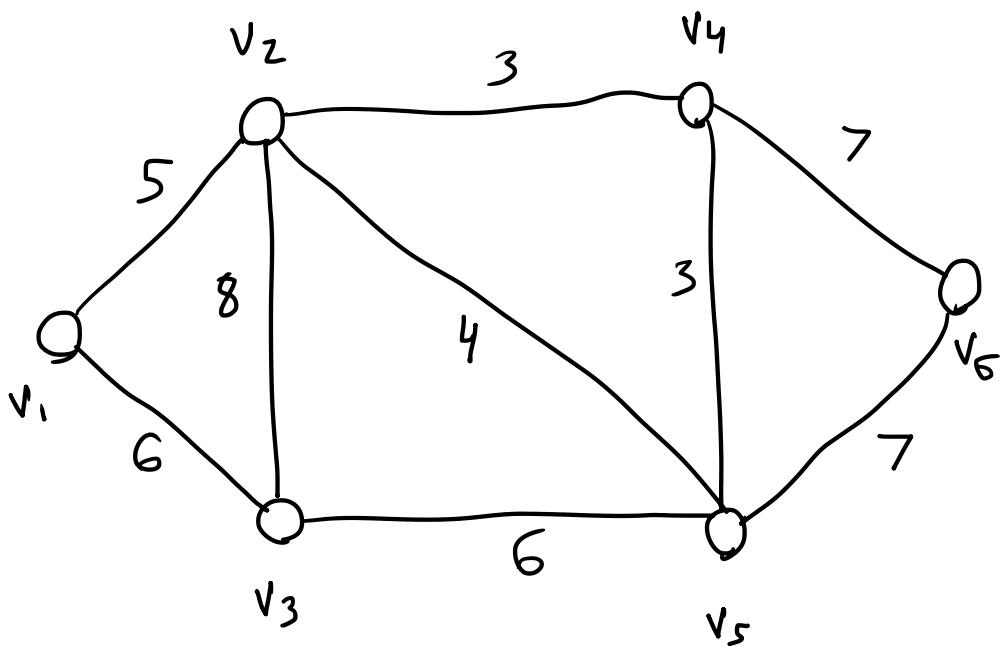
Then a spanning tree is a MST with respect to w iff it is a MST with respect to w' .

b.) Let w'' be the weighting obtained from w by adding a small weight ϵ_i to each edge e_i , where the ϵ_i 's are distinct & their sum is smaller than the smallest weight. Then a spanning tree is a MST with respect to w iff it is a MST with respect to w'' .

Statement:

Date: March 5

Find a MST in the following weighted graph using Prim's algorithm starting at vertex v_3 .



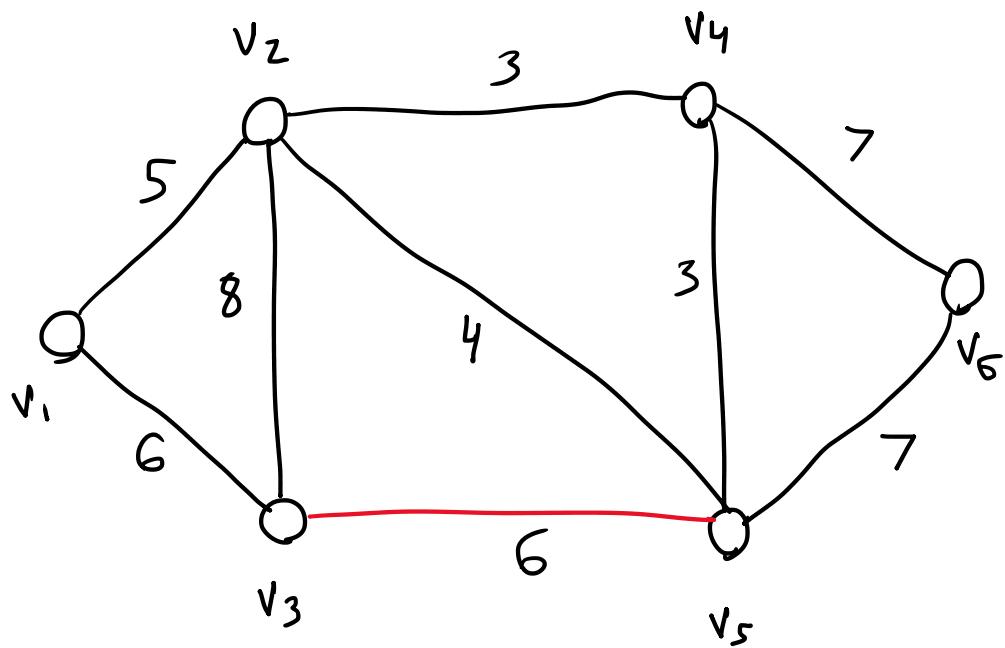
My work:

At each stage choose the smallest edge in cut (T).

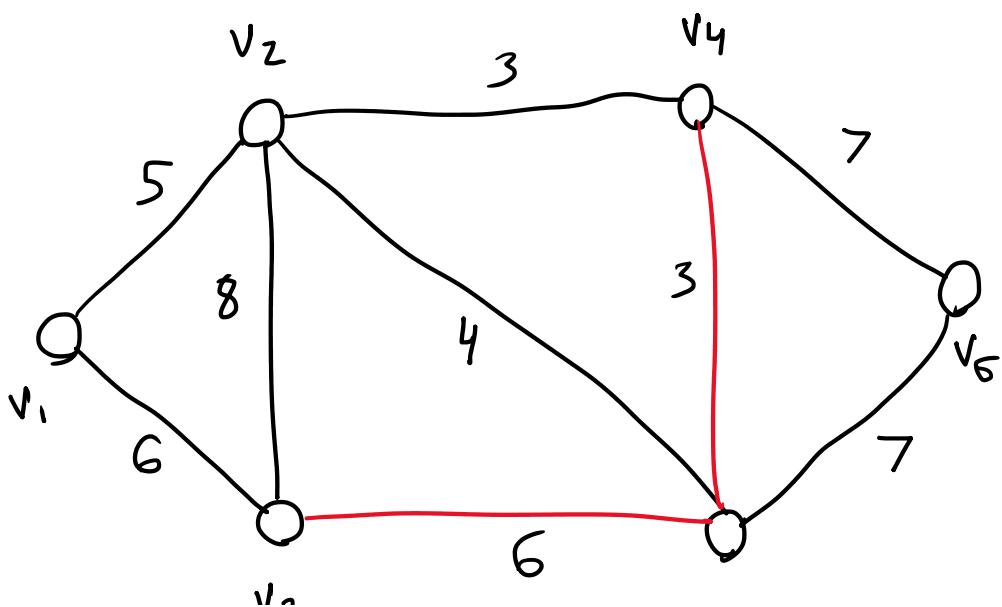
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when there is a tie, an arbitrary choice can be made.

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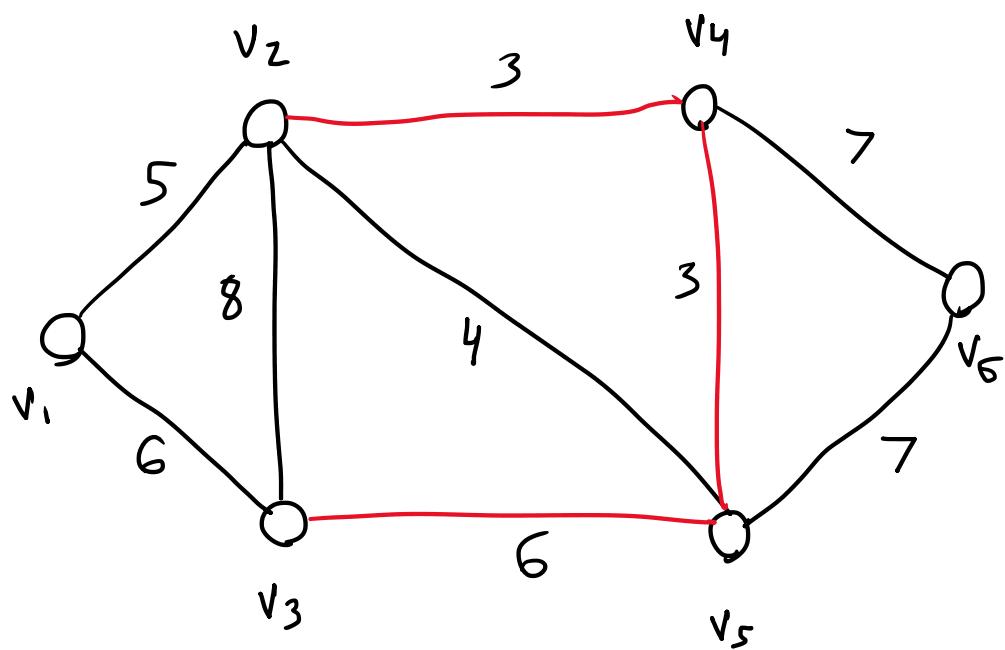


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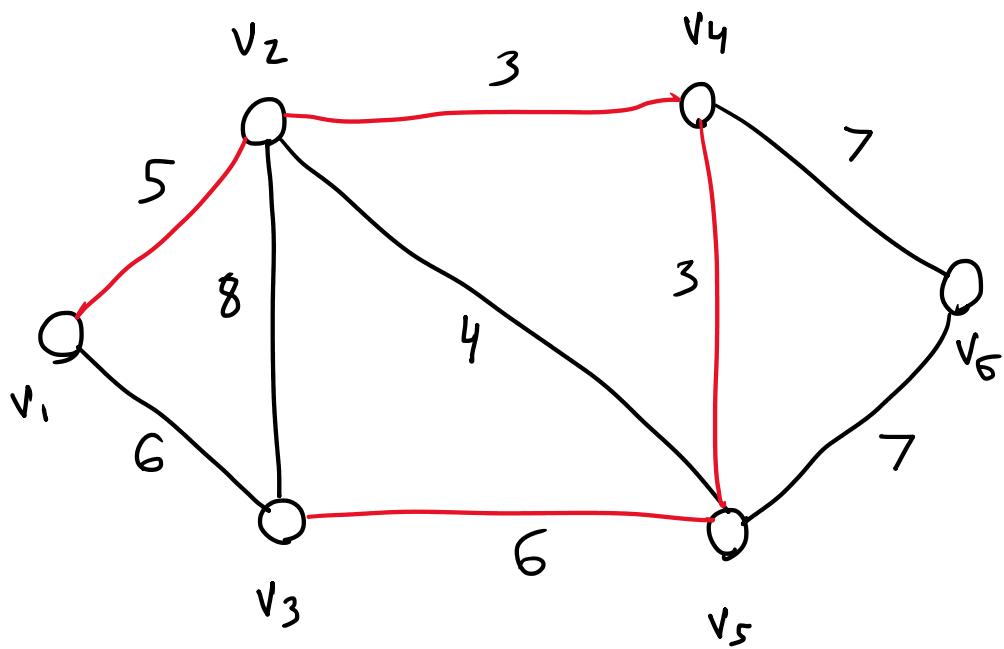




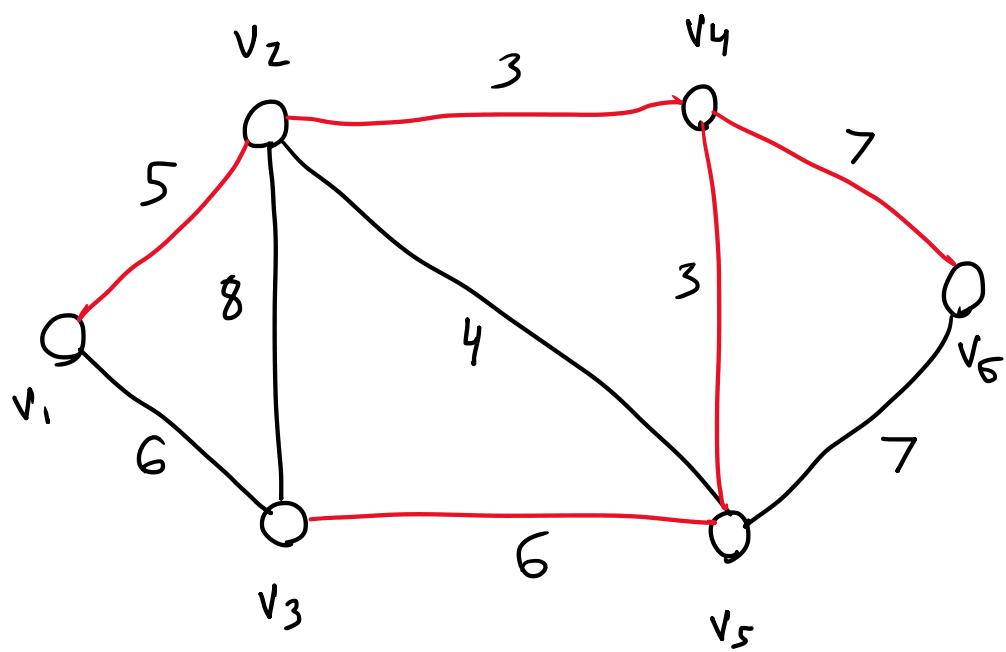
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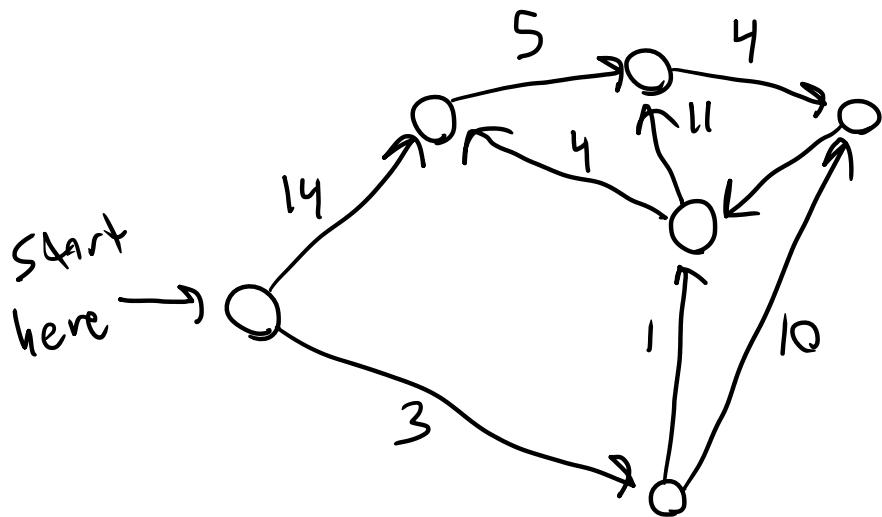


Correct sol'n:
work above is correct.

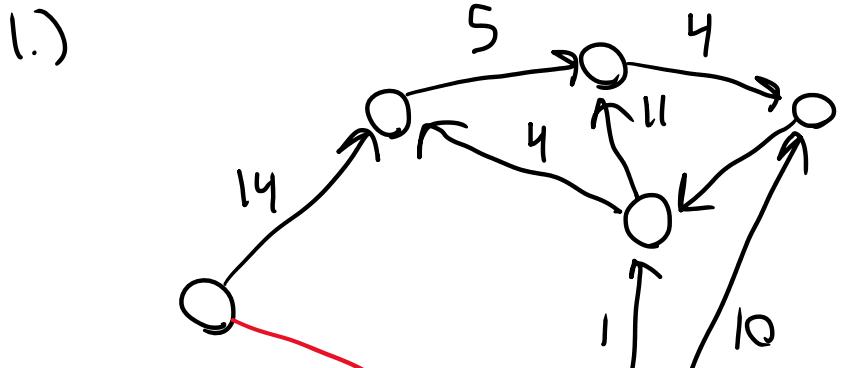
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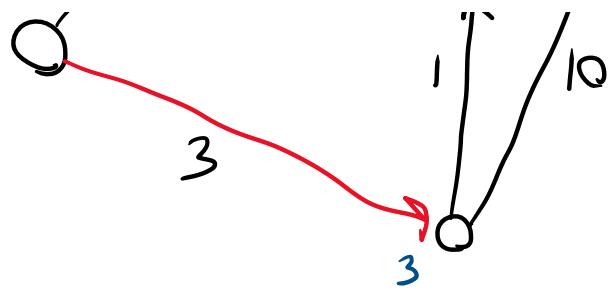
Date: March 8

Show the action of Dijkstra's algorithm for the following digraph

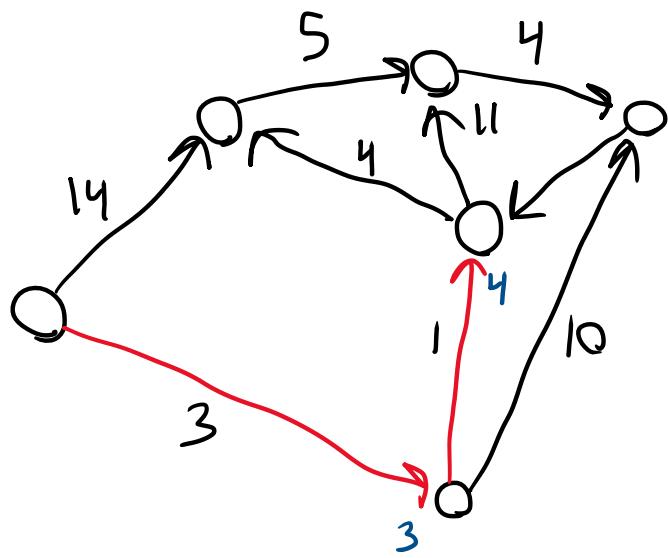


My work:

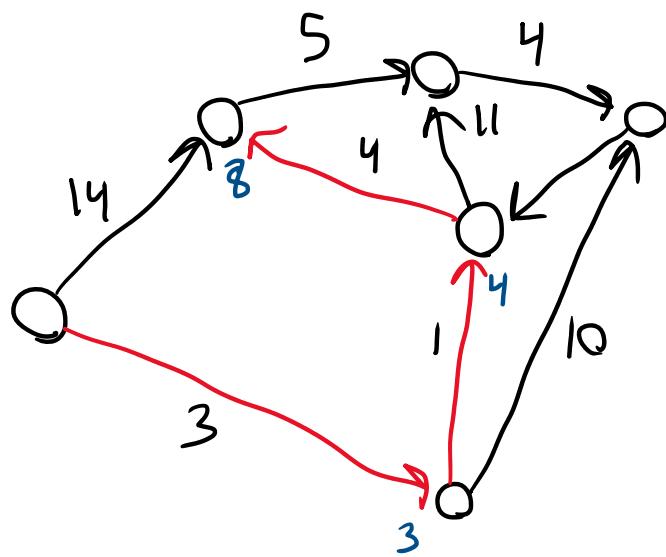




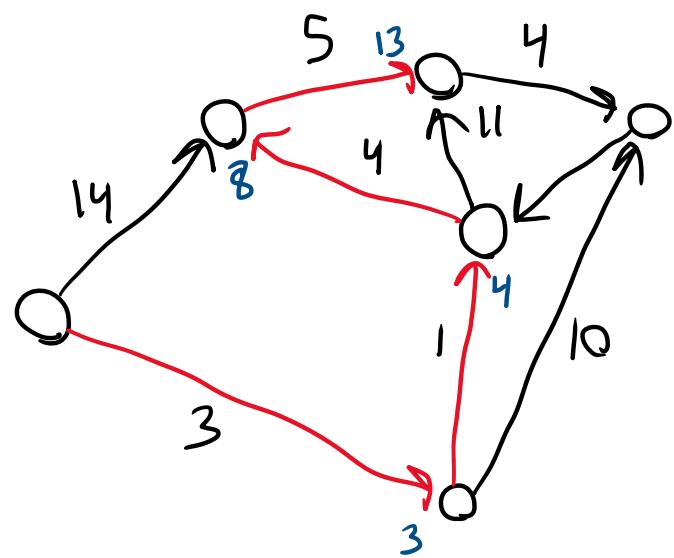
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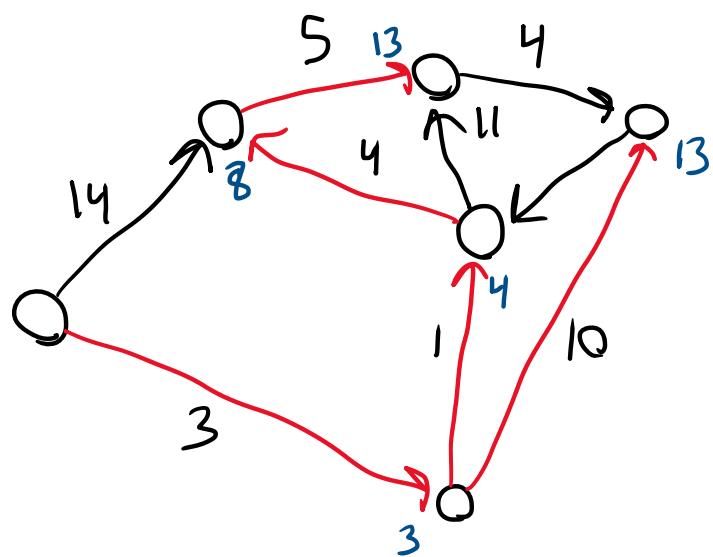
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Corrected sol'n:
work above is correct.

Matrix Multiplication Using Divide-&-Conquer - 1

Thursday, March 21, 2024 8:34 PM

Date: March 20

Statement:

Verify correctness for col.

My work:

Consider entry in first row & second column

$$m_3 + m_5 = a_{00} * (b_{01} - b_{11}) + (a_{00} + a_{01}) * b_{11}$$

$$= (a_{00} b_{01} - a_{00} b_{11}) + (a_{00} b_{11} + a_{01} b_{11})$$

$$= a_{00} b_{01} + a_{01} b_{11} = c_{01}$$

Corrected sol'n:

work above is corrct.

Matrix Multiplication Using Divide-&Conquer - 2

Thursday, March 21, 2024 8:43 PM

Date: March 20

Statement:

Verify $O(n^{2.795})$ result.

Nearly ten years after Strassen discovered his identities, Pan found a way to multiply two 70×70 matrices that involves only 143,640 multiplications (compared to over 150,000 multiplications used by Strassen's method), yielding an algorithm that performs $O(n^{2.795})$ multiplications.

My work:

Recurrence Relation for Worst-case Complexity of Pan's Algorithm.

Pan's algorithm divides each of the two $n \times n$ matrices A & B into 4900 block submatrices each of dimensions $\frac{n}{70} \times \frac{n}{70}$, then performs 143,640 recursive calls with these matrices of $\lfloor \frac{n}{70} \rfloor \times \lfloor \frac{n}{70} \rfloor$ rank.

... recursive calls with these matrices of $\frac{1}{70}$ th the size. Assuming $n=70^k$,

$$w(n) = 143, 640 w\left(\frac{n}{70}\right), \quad w(1) = 1.$$

Corrected sol'n:

$$w(n) = 143, 640 w\left(\frac{n}{70}\right)$$

$$= 143, 640 (143, 640 w\left(\frac{n}{70^2}\right))$$

$$= 143, 640^2 w\left(\frac{n}{70^2}\right)$$

$$= 143, 640^2 (143, 640 w\left(\frac{n}{70^3}\right))$$

$$= 143, 640^3 (w\left(\frac{n}{70^3}\right))$$

⋮

$$= 143, 640^k w\left(\frac{n}{70^k}\right)$$

$$= 143, 640^k w(1)$$

$$= 143, 640^k$$

$$= (70^{\log_{70}(143, 640)})^k$$

$$= (70^k)^{\log_{70}(143, 640)}$$

$$= n^{\log_{70}(143, 640)}$$

$$\approx n^{2.79512}$$

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) and Fast Fourier Transform Algorithm (FFT) - 1

Thursday, March 21, 2024 11:12 AM

Statement:

Date: March 22

Compute DFT(ω) $P(x)$ for $P(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x - 1$

Given $\omega = -i$ give associated coefficient arrays.

My work:

$$P(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x - 1 \leftrightarrow [-1, 2, 3, 1]$$

$$P(1) = 5$$

$$P(-i) = -4 + i$$

$$P(-1) = -1$$

$$P(i) = -4 - i$$

Corrected soln:

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x) &= \text{DFT } \omega P(x) \\ &= (-4-i)x^3 - x^2 + (-4+i)x + 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\hookrightarrow [5, -4+i, -1, -4-i]$$

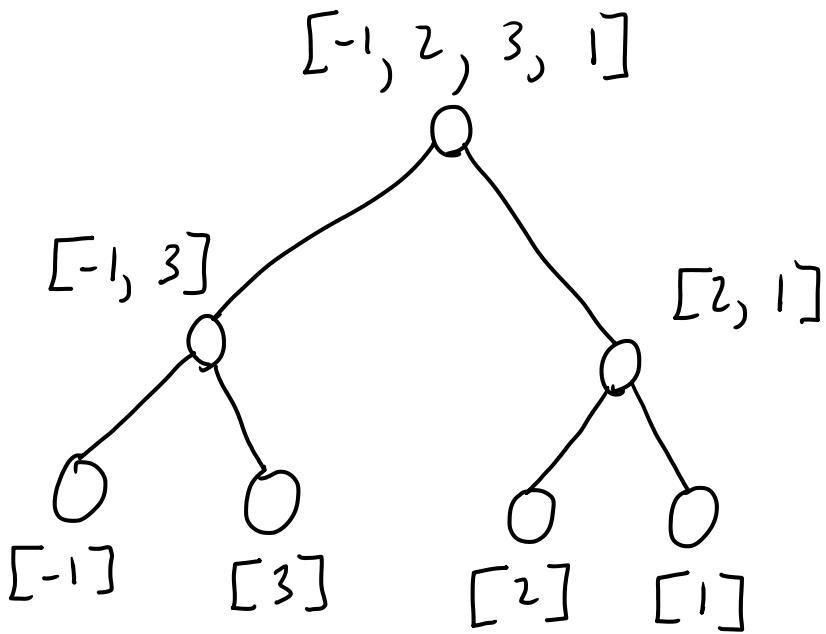
Statement:

Date: March 22

Show the action of FFT in computing DFT($\omega P(x)$) for
 $P(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x - 1$ & $\omega = -i$ give associated
 coefficient arrays.

My work:

$$P(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x - 1 \leftrightarrow [-1, 2, 3, 1]$$



Corrected sol'n:

$$n=1, \omega = 1 : [-1] [3] [2] [1]$$

$$\begin{aligned} n=2, \omega = -1 : & [-1+3, -1+3] & [2+1] [2-1] \\ & = [2, -4] & = [3, -1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n=4, \omega = -i : & [2+3, -4+(-1)(-i), 2-3, -4-(-1)(-i)] \\ & = [5, -4+i, -1, -4, -i] \end{aligned}$$

$$Q(x) = (-4-i)x^3 - x^2 + (-4+i)x + 5$$

Statement:

Date: March 25

For $k=7$, i.e., $n=2^k=128$, what is the index of a_i for leaf node 11 ?

My work:

11_{10} is 1011_2 in binary.

We add leading zeros to bring the number of digits to $k=7$, i.e., 0001011₂.

Then, we reverse the bits,

1101000_2 ,

which is 104_{10} , i.e., a_{11} ends up in leaf node 104 .

Statement:

Date: April 1

Consider a digraph $D = (V, E)$ whose edges are weighted with real numbers such that there are no negative cycles, i.e., no directed cycles so that the sum of the weights over the edges of the cycle is strictly negative.

Then the Principle of Optimality holds for shortest paths.

My work:

I am unsure of what this question is asking.
why are we making a statement on the Principle
of Optimality?

Corrected sol'n:

Proof by Contradiction.

Assume the Principle of Optimality does not
hold for shortest paths in weighted digraphs :
.. -

hold for shortest paths in weighted digraphs, i.e., there is a shortest path P from x to y in digraph D that contains vertex z , but its subpaths $Q \in R$ from x to z & z to y , respectively, are not both shortest paths.

We can assume without loss of generality that Q is not shortest, i.e., there exists a shorter path Q' from x to z .

Replace Q with Q' in P . This will result in a walk W from x to z that is strictly shorter than P .

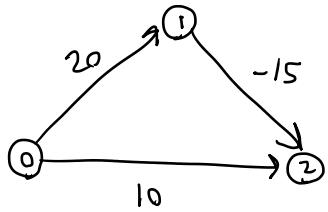
Since there are no negative cycles, removing cycles from W will result in a path P^* that is no greater in length than W .

Since W is strictly shorter than P & P^* is no greater in length than W , it follows that P^* is strictly shorter than P , a contradiction to our assumption that P is a shortest path,

Statement:

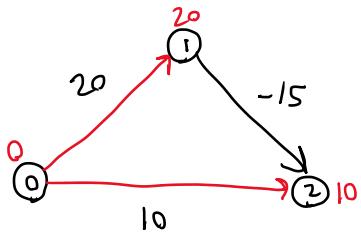
Date: April 1

Show that Dijkstra's algorithm fails for the following weighted DAG but the Floyd-Warshall algorithm works.



My work:

Applying Dijkstra's algorithm at vertex 0, we obtain the distances in red below. But the path 01 of length 10 is not shortest. The shortest path is 012 of length $20 + (-15) = 5$.



Corrected sol'n:

The Floyd-Warshall algorithm yields correct distances in paths:

$$S_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 20 & 10 \\ \infty & 0 & -15 \\ \infty & \infty & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 20 & 10 \\ \infty & 0 & -15 \\ \infty & \infty & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 20 & 10 \\ \infty & 0 & -15 \\ \infty & \infty & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 20 & 10 \\ \infty & 0 & -15 \\ \infty & \infty & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{P}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{P}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{P}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Statement:

Date: April 3

$$m(\mathcal{P}) = m(\mathcal{P}_1) + m(\mathcal{P}_2) + p_{\text{yr}}$$

Give a proof by contradiction that shows that both the left & right parenthesizations \mathcal{P}_1 & \mathcal{P}_2 of \mathcal{P} must be optimal for \mathcal{P} to be optimal.

My work:

I am unsure of how to prove this.

corrected sol'n:

Assume that \mathcal{P} is optimal, but at least one of \mathcal{P}_1 & \mathcal{P}_2 is suboptimal. Without loss of generality, we may assume that \mathcal{P}_1 is suboptimal. Replace \mathcal{P}_1 with an optimal parenthesization \mathcal{P}' &

Let \mathcal{P}' denote the resulting parenthesization.
Since $m(\mathcal{P}') < m(\mathcal{P}_1)$, we have,

$$m(\mathcal{P}') = m(\mathcal{P}_1') + m(\mathcal{P}_2) + pqr$$

$$< m(\mathcal{P}_1) + m(\mathcal{P}_2) + pqr = m(\mathcal{P})$$

But this contradicts the assumption that \mathcal{P} is
optimal. QED.

Statement:

Date: April 3

Find the optimal parenthesization for,

$$\delta = (3, 10, 4, 10, 1)$$

 M_0, M_1, M_2, M_3 having dimensions

$$3 \times 10, 10 \times 4, 4 \times 10, 10 \times 1$$

My work:

$$\delta = (3, 10, 4, 10, 1)$$

$$m_{00} = m_{11} = m_{22} = m_{33} = 0$$

$$m_{01} = 3 \times 10 \times 4 = 120$$

$$m_{12} = 10 \times 4 \times 10 = 400$$

$$m_{23} = 4 \times 10 \times 1 = 40$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_{02} &= \min \{m_{00} + m_{12} + 3 \times 10 \times 10, m_{01} + m_{22} + 3 \times 4 \times 10\} \\ &= \min \{0 + 400 + 300, \underline{120 + 0 + 120}\} = 240, \text{ First Cut} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_{13} &= \min \{m_{11} + m_{23} + 10 \times 4 \times 1, m_{12} + m_{33} + 10 \times 10 \times 1\} \\ &= \min \{0 + 40 + 40, 400 + 0 + 100\} = 80, \text{ First Cut} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_{03} &= \min \{m_{00} + m_{13} + 3 \times 10 \times 1, m_{01} + m_{23} + 3 \times 4 \times 1, m_{02} + m_{33} + 3 \times 10 \times 1\} \\ &= \min \{0 + 80 + 30, 120 + 40 + 12, 240 + 0 + 30\} = 110, \text{ First Cut} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Associated matrices:

$$m = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 120 & 240 & 110 \\ 0 & 400 & 80 & \\ 0 & 40 & \\ 0 & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{firstCut} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Computing optimal parenthesization:

$$(M_0 M_1 M_2 M_3)$$

For O^3 , first cut at $k=0$:

$$(M_0 (M_1 M_2 M_3))$$

For I^3 , first cut at $k=1$:

$$(M_0 (M_1 (M_2 M_3)))$$

corrected sol'n:

work above is correct.

Statement:

Date: April 5

Prove the Principle of Optimality holds
for Optimal Binary Search Tree.

My work:

I am unsure of how to prove this.

Corrected sol'n:

Assume that T is an optimal binary search tree, but at least one of $L \in R$ is suboptimal. Without loss of generality, we may assume that L is suboptimal. Replace L with an optimal binary search tree L' , let T' denote the resulting binary searching tree. Since $A(L') < A(L)$, we have,

$A(L') < A(L)$, we have,

$$\begin{aligned}A(T') &= A(L') + A(R) + \sigma(i, j) \\&< A(L) + A(R) + \sigma(i, j) = A(T)\end{aligned}$$

But, this contradicts the assumption that T is optimal. QED.

Statement:

Date: April 5

Solve the action of Optimal Search Tree for the following instance. Instead of drawing trees, compute $\text{Root}[i, j]$ each stage.

i	0	1	2	3
p_i	0.25	0.25	0.05	
q_i	0.20	0	0	0.25

My work:

$$A(T_{00}) = 0.25 + 0.20 + 0 = 0.45,$$

$$A(T_{11}) = 0.25 + 0 + 0 = 0.25,$$

$$A(T_{22}) = 0.50 + 0 + 0.25 = 0.30$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(T_{01}) &= \min \{ 0 + A(T_{11}), A(T_{00}) + 0.3 + 0.7 \} \\ &= \min \{ 0.25, 0.45 \} + 0.7 = 0.95 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Root}[0, 1] = 0$$

$$R_{00} + [0, 1] = 0$$

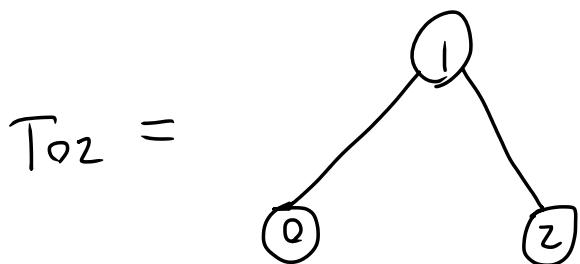
$$\begin{aligned} A(T_{12}) &= \min \{0 + A(T_{22}), A(T_{11}) + 0\} + 0.55 \\ &= \min \{0.30, \underline{0.25}\} + 0.55 = 0.80 \end{aligned}$$

$$R_{00} + [1, 2] = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(T_{02}) &= \min \{0 + A(T_{12}), A(T_{00}) + A(T_{22}), A(T_{01}) + 0\} + 1 \\ &= \min \{0.80, 0.45 + 0.30, 0.95\} + 1 \\ &= \min \{0.80, \underline{0.75}, 0.95\} + 1 = 1.75 \end{aligned}$$

$$R_{00} + [0, 2] = 1$$

$$R_{00} + = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$A(T_{02}) = 1.75$$

Statement:

Date: April 8

Give pseudocode for recursive version of the sum of subsets problem backtracking solution using the variable-type state stack tree.

My work:

I am unsure of how to write this algorithm.

Corrected sol'n:

Procedure SumOfSubsetsRec(k) recursive

Input: k (a nonnegative integer, 0 on initial call)

A[0:n-1] (global array of positive integers)

Sum (global positive integer less than $A[0] + \dots + A[n-1]$)

X[0:n] (an array of integers, where $X[1:n]$ stores

variable-type problem states, $X[1], \dots,$

$X[k]$ have already been assigned,

& where $X[0] = -1$ for convenience of pseudocode)

PathSum (global variable - $A[X[1]] + A[X[k]]$, initialized to 0)

Output: print all descentent goal states of $(x[1], \dots, x[k])$; that is, print all $(x[1], \dots, x[k], x[k+1], \dots, x[q])$ such that $A[x[1]] + \dots + A[x[k]] + A[x[k+1]] + \dots + A[x[q]] = \text{sum}$

$k \leftarrow k+1$ // move on to the next level

$\text{Temp} \leftarrow \text{PathSum}$

for Child $\leftarrow x[k-1]+1$ to $n-1$ do

$x[k] \leftarrow \text{Child}$

$\text{PathSum} \leftarrow \text{Temp} + A[x[k]]$

if $\text{PathSum} \geq \text{sum}$ then // $x[1], \dots, x[k]$ is bounded

if $\text{PathSum} = \text{sum}$ then

 print($x[1], \dots, x[k]$) // print goal state

endif

else

 SumOfSubsetsRec(k) // $(x[1], \dots, x[k])$ is not bounded

endif

endfor

end SumOfSubsetsRec

Statement:

Date: April 10

Give a linear time algorithm for solving the problem $k=2$?

My work:

Graph $G = (V, E)$, $n = |V|$, $m = |E|$.

Perform a BFS keeping track of the distance from the root (initial) vertex for each BFS.

If the distance is even, color the vertex 0, otherwise, if the distance is odd, color it 1.

This gives a prime' vertex 2-coloring, if

This gives a 'prime' vertex 2-coloring, i.e. one exists, if the graph is bipartite. If any edge is monochromatic, i.e., both end vertices are colored the same, then the graph is not bipartite & the graph can't be properly vertex 2-colored.

This algorithm has computing time $O(m + n)$, where $m \in n$ denote the number of edges & vertices.

Corrected Solution:

The work above is correct.

Statement:

Date: April 10

Show that the k -clique can be solved in polynomial time for k constant.

- a.) The 3-clique problem can be solved in time $O(n^3)$.
- b.) For k constant, the k -clique problem can be solved in $O(n^k)$.

My work:

I am unsure how to solve this problem.

Corrected sol'n:

We obtain a polynomial function using brute force. For example, in the case of $k=3$, check

brute force. In the case of $k=3$, check every three vertices to see whether it forms a triangle. The number of subsets of 3 vertices is

$$C(n, 3) = n(n-1)(n-2)/6 \in \Theta(n^3).$$

For constant k , we look at every subset of k vertices to see whether one is a k -clique. The number of such subsets is

$$C(n, k) = n(n-1)\dots(n-k+1)/k! \in \Theta(n^k).$$

Statement:

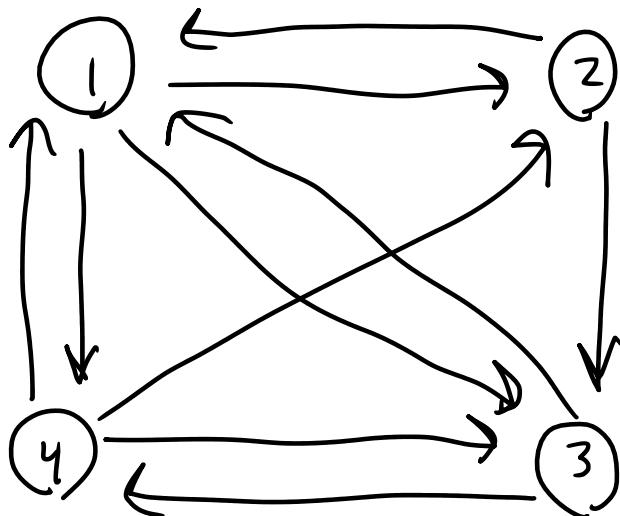
Date: April 12

For the mini-web below:

a.) Give the PageRank equations

b.) Give the associated matrix equation

c.) Give transpose matrix & verify it is the matrix for a random walk.



My work:

the PageRank equations

the PageRank equations

$$R_1 = \frac{1}{2} R_2 + \frac{1}{2} R_3 + \frac{1}{3} R_4$$

$$R_2 = \frac{1}{3} R_1 + \frac{1}{3} R_4$$

$$R_3 = \frac{1}{3} R_1 + \frac{1}{2} R_2 + \frac{1}{3} R_4$$

$$R_4 = \frac{1}{3} R_1 + \frac{1}{2} R_3$$

the associated matrix equation

Let B be the matrix for a random walk
on W , i.e.,

$$B[i, j] = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\text{dout}(i)}, & ?j \in E(W) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For W , B is the matrix for a random

walk

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} R, \text{ where } R = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ R_2 \\ R_3 \\ R_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

or equivalently,

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix}^T R$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \cdot & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$