

# Assignment 3

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## Question 1 (a).

**Idea:** Sum consecutive elements of the input array until the sum exceeds  $M$ . Once this happens, add the offending index to the subdivision and reset the sum.

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**Algorithm 1:** Subdivide( $W, M$ )

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**Input:**  $W[1..n], 0 \leq W[i] \leq M, 1 \leq i \leq n$

**Output:**  $S[1..k]$  such that  $S$  is an optimal subdivision of  $W$

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begin
  sum := 0;
  S := [ ];
  for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do
    sum = sum +  $W[i]$ ;
    if  $sum > M$  then
      append(S,  $i - 1$ );
      sum :=  $W[i]$ ;
    end
  end
end
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**Lemma 1.1.** Algorithm Subdivide produces a valid subdivision of the input array  $W$

We shall show this by inductively proving that after the  $m$ th iteration of the for loop,

$$S \text{ is a valid subdivision of } W[1..m] \wedge sum = \sum_{j=S_{last}+1}^m W[j]$$

**Note:** We take  $S_{last}$  to be the last element in  $S$  if it exists, and 0 otherwise.

*Proof.* (Induction Basis) We first note that sum is initialized to 0. After control reaches line 4 for the first time we have,

$$sum = sum + W[1] \Rightarrow sum = W[1] = \sum_{j=1}^1 W[j]$$

Note that  $S$  was initialized to  $[\ ]$ . Since  $sum = W[1] \leq M$ , control will not enter the if statement on line 5, thus  $S$  will remain empty and  $S_{last} = 0$ . Further since  $W[1..m = 1]$  is a single element list such that  $W[1] \leq M$ ,  $S = [\ ]$  is vacuously a valid subdivision of  $W[1..m]$ .

(Induction Hypothesis) Assume that after  $k$  iterations of the for loop,

$$S \text{ is a valid subdivision of } W[1..k] \wedge sum = \sum_{j=S_{last}+1}^k W[j]$$

(Induction Step) **Case 1:**  $sum > M$

By the induction assumption  $S$  is a valid subdivision of  $W[1..k]$ . By the definition of a valid subdivision we thus have,

$$\sum_{j=S_{last}+1}^k W[j] \leq M \quad (I)$$

After appending  $i - 1 = k$  to  $S$ ,  $S_{last} = k$ . Therefore (I) is equivalent to,

$$\sum_{j=S_{last-1}+1}^{S_{last}} W[j] \leq M$$

Further since  $\sum_{j=S_{last}+1}^{k+1} W[j] = W[k+1] \leq M$  we have  $S$  is a valid subdivision of  $W[1..k+1]$ .

After assigning  $sum = W[k+1]$  we also have  $sum = \sum_{j=S_{last}+1}^{k+1} W[j]$ .

**Case 2:**  $sum \leq M$

Since by our inductive assumption  $S$  is a valid subdivision of  $W[1..k]$  and,

$$\begin{aligned} sum &= \sum_{j=S_{last}+1}^k W[j] + W[k+1] \\ &= \sum_{j=S_{last}+1}^{k+1} W[j] \\ &\leq M \end{aligned}$$

We have  $S$  is a valid subdivision of  $W[1..k+1]$ . □

Therefore by Lemma 1.1, after  $n$  iterations  $S$  will be a valid subdivision of  $W[1..n]$ . Hence the algorithm produces a valid subdivision of  $W$ .

**Lemma 1.2.** Algorithm Subdivide produces an optimal subdivision of the input array in terms of size

*Proof.* (Contradiction) Suppose to the contrary that Algorithm Subdivide does not produce an optimal subdivision of the input array. Let  $S$  be the subdivision produced by Algorithm Subdivide for some input array  $W$ , and let  $S'$  be a valid subdivision of  $W$  such that  $|S'| < |S|$  (i.e.  $S'$  is more optimal than  $S$ ). Since  $|S'| < |S|$ ,  $\exists i_j, i_{j+1} \in S$  and  $\exists i_x, i_{x+1} \in S'$  such that  $i_x \leq i_j < i_{j+1} < i_{x+1}$  (I). Such indices must exist for if they didn't the solutions would be equal in size. Since  $W[i] > 0$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , it can be seen that extending any subdivision produced by Algorithm Subdivide would result in an invalid subdivision as,

$$\exists i_k, \sum_{j=i_k+1}^{i_{k+1}} W[j] > M$$

(I) implies that  $S'$  contains a subdivision that is an extension of a subdivision of  $S$ , and thus must have a sum larger than  $M$ . Therefore  $S'$  is an invalid subdivision. Hence  $S$  must be optimal.  $\square$

**Lemma 1.3.** Algorithm Subdivide runs in  $O(n)$  time

The for loop iterates over each of the  $n$  elements of  $W$ , and performs two operations for each iteration (i.e. one addition and one comparison).

We therefore have  $T(n) = O(2n) = O(n)$ .

**Question 1 (b).** The greedy algorithm presented above will not produce an optimal subdivision if  $W$  contains negative elements. If  $W$  contains negative elements, extending a subdivision does not necessarily increase its sum, and thus greedily ending subdivisions does not guarantee optimality.

**Example:**  $W = [1, 2, 10, -9]$ ,  $M = 10$

$S_{greedy} = [2]$ ,  $S_{optimal} = []$

**Question 2 (a).** *Proof.* Given  $s_i < s_j \wedge h_i < h_j$ , by symmetry 3 different cases arise:

**Case 1:**  $s_i < s_j \leq h_i < h_j$  We thus have,

$$|h_j - s_j| + |h_i - s_i| = h_j - s_j + h_i - s_i$$

And,

$$|h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j| = h_j - s_i + h_i - s_j$$

I.e.

$$\begin{aligned} h_j - s_j + h_i - s_i &= h_j - s_i + h_i - s_j \Rightarrow |h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j| = |h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j| \\ &\Rightarrow |h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j| \leq |h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j| \end{aligned}$$

**Case 2:**  $s_i \leq h_i \leq s_j \leq h_j$  We thus have,

$$|h_j - s_j| + |h_i - s_i| = h_j - s_j + h_i - s_i$$

And,

$$|h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j| = h_j - s_i + s_j - h_i$$

I.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} s_j \geq h_i &\Rightarrow s_j - h_i \geq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow -(s_j - h_i) \leq s_j - h_i \\ &\Rightarrow h_j - s_j - s_j - h_i \leq h_j - s_i + s_j - h_i \\ &\Rightarrow |h_j - s_j| + |h_i - s_i| \leq |h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j| \end{aligned}$$

**Case 3:**  $s_i \leq h_i < h_j \leq s_j$  We thus have,

$$|h_j - s_j| + |h_i - s_i| = s_j - h_j + h_i - s_i$$

And,

$$|h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j| = h_j - s_i + s_j - h_i$$

I.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} h_j \geq h_i &\Rightarrow h_j - h_i \geq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow -(h_j - h_i) \leq h_j - h_i \\ &\Rightarrow s_j - h_j + h_i - s_i \leq h_j - s_i + s_j - h_i \\ &\Rightarrow |h_j - s_j| + |h_i - s_i| \leq |h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j| \end{aligned}$$

The remaining cases can be expressed by swapping  $h_i$  with  $s_i$  and  $s_j$  with  $h_j$  and are thus omitted.

Therefore the statement holds true for all cases.

Hence  $s_i < s_j \wedge h_i < h_j \Rightarrow |h_j - s_j| + |h_i - s_i| \leq |h_j - s_i| + |h_i - s_j|$  □

## Question 2 (b).

**Idea:** Let  $D[i, j]$  represent the least difference mapping between  $H[i..n]$  and  $S[j..m]$ . For any  $i, j$  two options arise:

- Pair  $H_i$  with  $S_j$ , in which case  $D[i, j] = |H_i - S_j| + D[i + 1, j + 1]$
- Don't pair  $H_i$  with  $S_j$ , in which case  $D[i, j] = D[i, j + 1]$

The optimal result is thus the minimum of the two options.

**Base cases:**

- $D[n, m] =$  the least difference mapping between  $H[n..n]$  and  $S[m..m] = |H_n - S_m|$
- $D[i, m] = \infty$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$  since each value in  $H$  must map to a distinct value in  $S$
- $D[n + 1, i] = 0$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$  since  $H[n + 1..n]$  is empty

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**Algorithm 2:** LeastDifferenceMapping( $H, S$ )

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**Input:**  $H = \{h_j \mid 1 \leq j \leq n\}, S = \{S_j \mid 1 \leq j \leq m\}, n \leq m$

**Output:**  $\min(\sum_{i=0}^n |H[i] - S[i]|)$

**begin**

**for**  $i \leftarrow 1$  **to**  $m$  **do**

$D[n + 1, i] = 0$ ;

**end**

**for**  $i \leftarrow 1$  **to**  $n - 1$  **do**

$D[i, m] = \infty$ ;

**end**

    SortAscending( $H$ );

    SortAscending( $S$ );

$D[n, m] = |H[n] - S[m]|$  ;

**for**  $i \leftarrow n$  **to**  $1$  **do**

**for**  $j \leftarrow m - 1$  **to**  $1$  **do**

$D[i, j] = \min(|H[i] - S[j]| + D[i + 1, j + 1], D[i, j + 1])$ ;

**end**

**end**

**return**  $D[1, 1]$

**end**

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**Lemma 2.1.** Algorithm LeastDifferenceMapping correctly produces the mapping from  $H$  to  $S$  such that  $\sum_{j=1}^n |h_j - s_j|$  is minimized

(The optimal substructure)

Consider a one-to-one mapping from two sequences sorted in ascending order

$h_i h_{i+1} \dots h_n$  to  $s_j s_{j+1} \dots s_m$ .

We define the least difference mapping as a mapping that minimizes  $\sum_{x=i}^n |h_x - s_x|$ .

Let  $D[i, j] =$  the summation of the differences in the least difference mapping of  $h_i h_{i+1} \dots h_n$  to  $s_j s_{j+1} \dots s_m$ .

In any least difference mapping  $h_i h_{i+1} \dots h_n$  to  $s_j s_{j+1} \dots s_m$ ,

1. If  $h_i$  is mapped to  $s_j$ , then  $h_{i+1}...h_n$  is mapped to  $s_{j+1}...s_m$  and must be a least difference mapping. Otherwise, a more optimal mapping from  $h_{i+1}...h_n$  to  $s_{j+1}...s_m$  combined with the mapping from  $h_i$  to  $s_j$  would produce a mapping with a smaller difference, a contradiction!

It follows that  $D[i, j] = |h_i - s_j| + D[i + 1, j + 1]$ .

2. If  $h_i$  is not mapped to  $s_j$ , then  $h_i...h_n$  is mapped to  $s_{j+1}...s_m$  and must be a least difference mapping. Since the sequences are sorted, the property proven in 2 (a) shows that any other mapping could be swapped to decrease the sum, thus it must be a minimum.

It follows that  $D[i, j] = D[i, j + 1]$ .

We thus obtain the following recurrence:

$$D[i, j] = \min\{|h_i - s_j| + D[i + 1, j + 1], D[i, j + 1]\}$$

Clearly,

$$\begin{aligned} D[n, m] &= |h_n - s_m| && \text{(Only one possible mapping)} \\ D[n + 1, i] &= 0 && \text{(H is empty)} \\ D[i, m] &= \infty && \text{(Not enough elements in S for a distinct mapping)} \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 2.2.** Algorithm LeastDifferenceMapping runs in  $O(mlgm + mn)$  time

**Initialization:** Initializing the first and second base cases perform  $m$  and  $n - 1$  operations respectively.

**Sorting:** Sorting  $H$  and  $S$  requires at most  $nlgn$  and  $mlgm$  operations respectively.

**Filling the table:** The outer loop performs  $n$  iterations, while the inner loop performs  $m - 1$  iterations. Each of the  $m - 1$  iterations performs a constant amount of work, we therefore have  $n(m - 1) = nm - n = O(mn)$  total operations.

**Total:** In summation,

$$\begin{aligned} T(n, m) &= O(m) + O(n - 1) + O(nlgn) + O(mlgm) + O(mn) \\ &= O(mlgm) + O(mn) && (n \leq m) \\ &= O(mlgm + mn) \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3 (a).**

*Proof.* Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected simple graph such that  $\exists j, 1 \leq j \leq d_1 + 1, \{v_1, v_j\} \notin E$ .

We note that since  $G$  is a simple graph  $\{v_1, v_1\} \notin E$ , therefore the above statement can be re-expressed as  $\exists j, 2 \leq j \leq d_1 + 1, \{v_1, v_j\} \notin E$ .

Let  $v_j \in V, \{v_1, v_j\} \notin E, 2 \leq j \leq d_1 + 1$ .

Since  $v_1$  is adjacent to  $d_1$  vertices, and  $|\{v_i \mid 2 \leq i \leq d_1 + 1\} - \{v_j\}| = d_1 - 1$ ,  $v_1$  must be adjacent to a vertex outside of this range. That is,

$$\exists v_\ell \in V, d_1 + 1 < \ell \leq n, \{v_1, v_\ell\} \in E$$

By transitivity  $j < \ell$ , therefore  $d_j \geq d_\ell$ . Further since  $v_1$  is adjacent to  $v_\ell$  and not adjacent to  $v_j$ , there must exist some vertex, namely  $u (\neq v_j, v_\ell)$ , that is adjacent to  $v_j$  and not  $v_\ell$ . Hence we have,

$$\{v_1, v_j\} \notin E \wedge \{u, v_\ell\} \notin E \wedge \{v_1, v_\ell\} \in E \wedge \{u, v_j\} \in E$$

Such that,

$$2 \leq j \leq d_1 + 1 \wedge 1 \leq j \leq d_1 + 1 < \ell \leq n \wedge u \in V - \{v_\ell, v_j\}$$

□

**Question 3 (b).**

*Proof.* We must construct a graph  $G'$  with the same degree sequence as  $G$ , but  $\{v_1, v_j\} \in E'$ .

$\forall v_j \in V, \{v_1, v_j\} \notin E, 2 \leq j \leq d_1 + 1$  we assume the existence of the corresponding  $v_\ell$ , and  $u$  in  $G$  by the previously proven theorem in Question 3 a.

$E'$  can then be constructed by performing the following transformations to  $E$ :

- Connect  $v_1$  to  $v_j$
- Connect  $u$  to  $v_\ell$
- Disconnect  $v_1$  from  $v_\ell$  (Note that this restores each to their original degrees)
- Disconnect  $v_j$  from  $u$  (Note that this restores each to their original degrees)

Thus  $G'$  contains the same degree sequence as  $G$ , but contains an edge from  $v_1$  to  $v_j$ . □

**Question 3 (c).**

**Idea:** After sorting the degree sequence, we can apply the theorem proved in Question 3 (b) to assert that there exists a graph with an identical degree sequence such that  $\forall v_i, \{v_1, v_i\} \in E, 2 \leq i \leq d_1 + 1$ . Thus by removing  $v_1$  from the graph, we reduce the degree of the following  $d_1$  vertices by 1. This process can be continued until:

1. We are left with a null graph. I.e. decomposing the graph one vertex at a time leads to an empty graph.
2.  $d_1 > |V| - 1$  or  $d_1 < 0$ . In this case the graph is invalid, as the degree of a single vertex in a simple graph must be  $\in [0, n - 1]$ .

The degree sequence shall be stored in a *linked list* to allow for constant time removal and reordering of the elements.

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**Algorithm 3:** IsValidGraph(D)

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**Input:**  $D[1..n]$  a *linked list* of integers

**Output:** Whether or not a graph exists with the degree sequence D

**begin**

SortDescending(D);  
**return** *IsValidGraph'*(D);

**end**

**Function** *IsValidGraph'*( $D_{sorted}$ )

**begin**

**if**  $D_{sorted}$  is empty **then**  
     **return** true;  
**end**

// Remove the first element and return it

$d_1 = \text{pop\_first}(D_{sorted});$   
**if**  $d_1 > |D_{sorted}|$  or  $d_1 < 0$  **then**  
     **return** false;  
**end**

// Pointer to the head of the linked list

ptr := head( $D_{sorted}$ );  
**for**  $i \leftarrow 1$  **to**  $d_1$  **do**  
     ptr.value = ptr.value - 1;  
     ptr = ptr.next;  
**end**

MaintainSort( $D_{sorted}$ );  
**return** *IsValidGraph'*( $D_{sorted}$ );

**end**

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**Lemma 3.1.** Algorithm IsValidGraph correctly determines if a graph exists with the provided degree sequence

**Note:** IsValidGraph simply sorts the degree sequence in descending order and then calls IsValidGraph'. The remainder of this proof will reference IsValidGraph', and assume the initial input was sorted. This sorting will be accounted for in the following time complexity analysis.



We shall show correctness by induction on the input size  $n$ .

(Induction Basis)  $n = 0$  The null graph is a graph with an empty degree sequence. Therefore there does exist a graph when  $n = 0$ . The algorithm will clearly return true as  $D_{sorted}$  will be empty upon the initial call. Therefore the algorithm works correctly.

(Induction Hypothesis) Suppose  $\forall k < n$  ( $n > 0$ ), the algorithm correctly determines if there exists a graph with the given degree sequence of size  $k$ .

(Induction Step) Let  $D'$  be a degree sequence of size  $n$  sorted in descending order. By the theorem proven in Question 3 (b), there must exist a graph with the same degree sequence such that  $\forall v_i, \{v_1, v_i\} \in E, 2 \leq i \leq d_1 + 1$ . Following the call to `pop_first` on Line 4,  $d_1$  contains the maximum value in  $D'$  (since it is assumed to be sorted in descending order), and  $|D'| = n - 1$ .

If  $d_1 > |D'| = n - 1$  we have an invalid degree sequence, as the maximum degree in any simple graph is  $n - 1$ . Additionally if  $d_1 < 0$  the degree sequence is invalid as no vertex can have a negative degree. The algorithm correctly reports this and returns false.

Since  $\{v_1, v_i\} \in E, 2 \leq i \leq d_1 + 1$ , removing  $d_1$  from the degree sequence will result in a new graph with degree sequence  $d_2 - 1, d_3 - 1, \dots, d_{d_1+1} - 1, d_{d_1}, \dots, d_n$ .

The following for loop will decrement each of  $d_2, \dots, d_{d_1+1}$  by 1 from  $D'$  producing  $d_2 - 1, d_3 - 1, \dots, d_{d_1+1} - 1, d_{d_1}, \dots, d_n$  i.e.  $D'$  will represent the degree sequence of  $V - \{v_1\}$ .

`MaintainSort` has previously been proven to correctly resort the elements of a linked list, thus  $D'$  will be sorted in descending order following the call to it.

Finally, `IsValidGraph'(D')` will correctly identify whether a graph exists with the degree sequence  $D'$  by the induction hypothesis since  $|D'| = n - 1 < n$  and  $D'$  is sorted in descending order.

Therefore  $\forall n > 0$  Algorithm `IsValidGraph` correctly determines if a graph exists with a given degree sequence of size  $n$ . Hence, the correctness is proved.

**Lemma 3.2.** Algorithm `IsValidGraph` graphs runs in  $O(n \lg n + D)$  time where  $n = |V|$  and  $D = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i$

**Sorting:** Sorting the degree sequence requires at most  $n \lg n$  operations

**Recursive calls:** Since `IsValidGraph'` removes at most 1 element from  $V$  and terminates when  $V$  is empty, we have at most  $n$  calls to `IsValidGraph'`. Further, each recursive call performs  $d_1$  operations within the for loop in order to decrement each of  $d_2, d_3, \dots, d_{d_1+1}$ . The

recurrence can thus be expressed as,

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} T(n-1) + d_1 & , \text{if } n > 0 \\ 1 & , \text{if } n = 0 \end{cases}$$

In the worst case each of the  $n$  degrees will be a maximum (i.e.  $d_1$ ) at some point, therefore the total complexity of the recursive calls would be

$$\sum_{i=1}^n d_i$$

**Total:** In summation,

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= O(n \lg n) + \sum_{i=1}^n d_i \\ &= O(n \lg n) + D \\ &= O(n \lg n + D) \end{aligned}$$