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1.

- a) To prove there exists a minimal cover  $A$ , first assume that  $A$  be a cover for  $I$ . Consider a point  $x \in A$  where  $x$  is not in  $\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$ .

Also  $I' = \{I_{i,1}, I_{i,2}, I_{i,3} \dots I_{i,k}\}$  is the set of intervals covered by  $x$ . So,  $x$  is found in  $[S_{i,1}, S_{i,2}, \dots, S_{i,k}, F_{i,1}, F_{i,2}, \dots, F_{i,k}]$ . The minimum  $F$  out of  $[F_{i,1}, F_{i,2}, \dots, F_{i,k}]$ , would cover all the intervals in  $I'$ . Consider  $A' = A \cup \{f\} - \{x\}$ . If an interval  $I$  is covered by  $A$ , then it is also covered by  $A'$ .

So, if we start with any minimal cover  $A$ , we can continue to replace any point that is not in  $\{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_j\}$  with a point in  $\{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_j\}$  to maintain the minimal cover.

- b) Pseudocode:

```
// sort so that  $F_1 < F_2 < F_3 \dots < F_n$ 
Sort the intervals by finish times in increasing order
// initialise last to the first endtime to ensure this time is covered
Set last =  $F_1$ 
Let  $A = \{\text{last}\}$ 
// check if the interval is covered, if not add to  $A$ 
Loop from  $j = 2$  to  $n$ 
    If  $s_j > \text{last}$                                 // current interval isn't covered
        Set last =  $F_j$ 
        Add last to  $A$ 
```

Description: The algorithm first sorts by increasing finishing time. If the current interval is not covered yet, add the finish time to  $A$ . This ensures that  $A$  is a minimal cover since it contains the fewest possible points that cover all the intervals.

- c) We will prove that the output generated by greedy is optimal using induction:

First let  $G$  be a cover generated by the pseudocode in part b). To prove this, if  $F_j$  is added to  $A$ , then  $I_j$  is trivially covered. If  $F_j$  is not added then some point has already been added to cover  $I_j$ . This point must be greater or equal to  $s_j$ . Thus, every  $I_j$  is covered by some point in  $A$ .

Now let  $O$  be an optimal, minimal cover. We assume that  $G$  is different to  $O$ . Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k$  denote the set of intervals selected by greedy. Let  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m$  denote the set of intervals selected by the optimal.

Now find the largest value  $r$ , where  $a_1 = b_1, a_2 = b_2 \dots a_r = b_r$  and  $a_{r+1} \neq b_{r+1}$ .

...  $a_r$ . By the definition of the greedy algorithm  $a_{r+1} < b_{r+1}$  since greedy always chooses the interval with the minimum finish time. As a result we can replace  $b_{r+1}$  in  $O$  with  $a_{r+1}$ . We can keep doing this until we reach the end of both solutions. At this point both solutions would be exactly the same where  $G = O$ . Thus the greedy solution is the optimal solution.

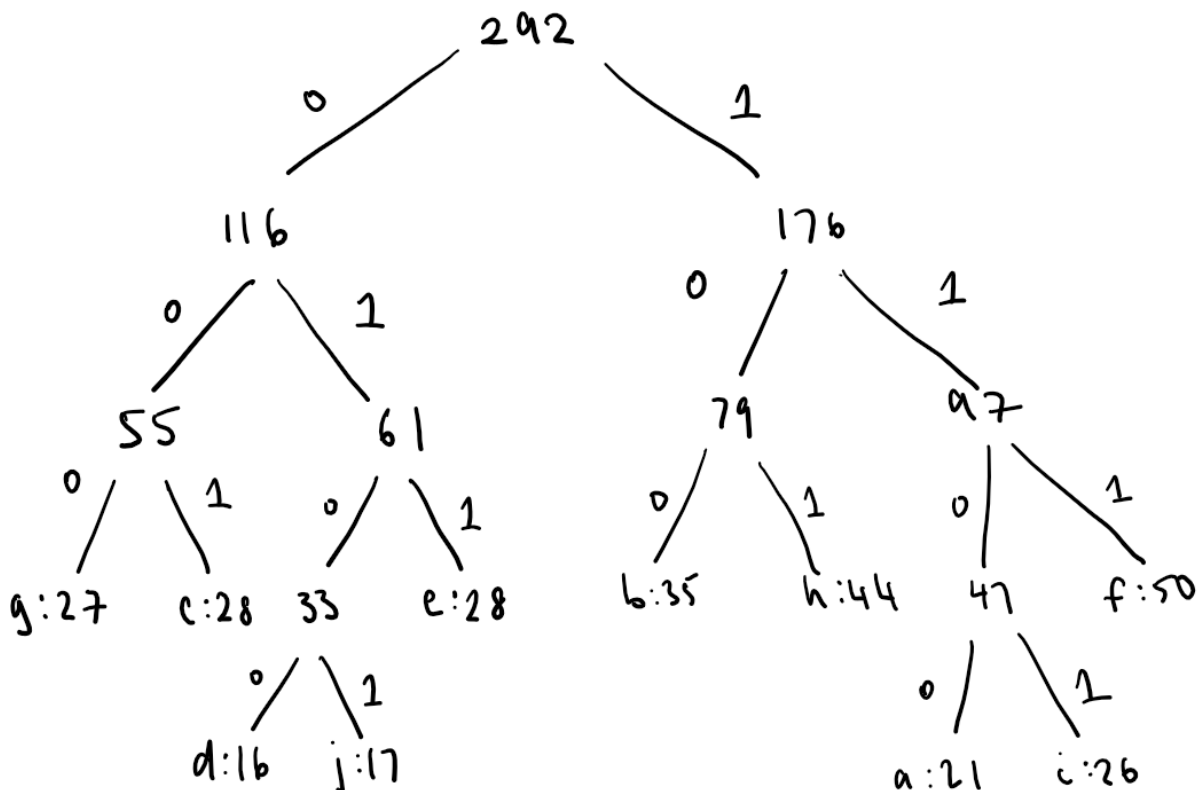
- d) Sorting the intervals in ascending finish times uses  $O(n \log n)$  in the worst case since we can sort in  $O(n \log n)$  by using mergesort.

The loop iterates from 2 to  $n$  times ( $O(n)$ ) and does a maximum of one comparison and value assigning in  $O(1)$  time in each iteration.

So the total runtime is  $O(n \log n) + O(n) = O(n \log n)$ .

2.

- a) Huffman tree:



## b) Final codeword

Letter	Codeword
a	1100
b	100
c	001
d	0010
e	011
f	111
g	000
h	101
i	1101
j	0101

## c) Ordered codeword

Letter	Codeword
b	100
c	001
e	011
f	111
g	000
h	101
a	1100
d	0010
i	1101
j	0101

3.

Match	Free	Rejects
<b>(p1,j4)</b>		
(p2,j2)		
(p3,j4)		j4 rejects p3
(p3,j2)	p2	
(p2,j3)		
<b>(p4,j2)</b>	p3	
<b>(p3,j3)</b>	p2	
<b>(p2,j1)</b>		

People	Jobs			
<i>p1</i>	<i>j4</i>	<i>j1</i>	<i>j2</i>	<i>j3</i>
<i>p2</i>	<i>j2</i>	<i>j3</i>	<i>j1</i>	<i>j4</i>
<i>p3</i>	<i>j4</i>	<i>j2</i>	<i>j3</i>	<i>j1</i>
<i>p4</i>	<i>j2</i>	<i>j3</i>	<i>j4</i>	<i>j1</i>
Jobs	People			
<i>j1</i>	<i>p4</i>	<i>p1</i>	<i>p2</i>	<i>p3</i>
<i>j2</i>	<i>p4</i>	<i>p1</i>	<i>p3</i>	<i>p2</i>
<i>j3</i>	<i>p3</i>	<i>p1</i>	<i>p2</i>	<i>p4</i>
<i>j4</i>	<i>p1</i>	<i>p3</i>	<i>p4</i>	<i>p2</i>

**Bolded** are the final pairings.

4.

#### Design DP algorithm:

Sort the tasks by deadline in ascending order in an array  $\text{task}[n]$ . The array contains elements 1 to  $n$ .

Initialise an array  $\text{value}[n]$  which holds the cumulative values for each index from 1 to  $n$ . Set  $\text{value}[0] = \text{task}[0].\text{value}$ .

For tasks from 1 to  $n$ , fill up  $\text{value}[n]$  in a bottom-up manner. This is accomplished by using binary search to find the index of the last task which does not conflict with the previous task i.e. the start time of the prospective job is less than or equal to the given jobs finish time (which is calculated by summing the start time and length).

Then a dummy value is used to check whether the current  $\text{value}[i]$  or previous  $\text{value}[i-1]$  is larger. The max of the two values is stored in  $\text{value}[i]$ .

#### Define and explain notation:

For a job “ $i$ ”, we have  $[r(i), d(i), w(i), l(i)]$  which reference the release, deadline, weight and length respectively.

Let's define  $p(j)$  as the largest index  $i < j$  such that task “ $j$ ” is compatible with task “ $i$ ”. The index  $p(j)$  is computed using binary search in  $O(\log n)$  time.

**Define and explain recurrence and BCs:**

The boundary condition is when  $\text{value}[0] = 0$  since if there is no tasks to schedule there is a value of 0.

The recurrence is  $\text{value}[j] = \max\{\text{task}[j].\text{value} + \text{value}[j - 1], \text{value}[j-1]\}$ . This is because there are two options for a  $\text{value}[j]$ , where it is either selected or not selected. If it is selected then tasks  $p(j) + 1, p(j) + 2 \dots n$  cannot be used and the solution must contain an optimal solution to the subproblems  $1, 2 \dots p(j)$ . If the task is not selected then the optimal solution to the problem must include a solution from  $1, 2 \dots j - 1$ .

**Pseudocode:**

1. Sort jobs by deadlines so that  $d_1 < d_2 \dots d_n$
2.  $\text{time} = 0$
3. For  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
  - a. If  $\text{task}[j].\text{value} + V[p(j)] > V[j-1]$  &&  $\text{time} + \text{task}[j].\text{length} < \text{task}[j].\text{deadline}$ 
    - i.  $V[j] = \text{task}[j].\text{value} + V[p(j)]$
    - ii.  $\text{time} += \text{task}[j].\text{length}$
    - iii.  $\text{Keep}[j] = 1$
  - b. Else
    - i.  $V[j] = V[j-1]$
    - ii.  $\text{Keep}[j] = 0$
4. Let  $j = n$
5. While  $j > 0$ 
  - a. If  $\text{keep}[j] = 1$ 
    - i. then print  $j$
    - ii.  $j = p(j)$
  - b. Else
    - i.  $j = j - 1$

To find  $p(j)$ : use binary search on the sorted  $\text{task}[n]$  array to find the largest compatible task where  $p(j).\text{start} > \text{time}$  and  $p(j).\text{length} + \text{time} < \text{deadline}$ .

**Runtime:**

Sorting the jobs by deadline can be done in  $O(n \log n)$  time with mergesort. The recursive step starting on line 3 iterates through all  $n$  tasks, thus takes  $O(n)$  time. The backtracking from line 4 takes  $O(n)$  time since, in the worst case, it iterates through all the tasks.

As a result the total run time of the algorithm is  $O(n \log n)$ .

5.

**Design DP algorithm:**

Use DP to store and use the subproblems solved for previous indexes. We will do this by initialising a variable `maxLength` to keep track of the longest path. Then recursive call a depth first search, comparing if the current or previous path is longest.

### Define and explain notation:

Def. `maxPath[i][j]` = the longest increasing path from the cell `[i,j]`

### Define and explain recurrence and BCs:

The BC's

- When the matrix is of size 0, we return 0: `maxPath[0][0] = 0`.
- When the matrix has 1 value, we return 1: `maxPath[i][j] = 1`.

The recurrence is: `maxPath[i][j] = max(maxLength, findMaxPath(newRow, newCol)` which finds the maximum length by comparing the current `maxLength` with `maxLengths` found by the recursive call.

### Pseudocode:

```
maxLength = 0
i_end = -1
j_end = -1
directions = [(-1, 0), (1, 0), (0, -1), (0, 1)]
```

`findMaxPath(i, j):`

1. Let `maxPath[0..n][0..n]` and `keep[0..n][0..n]` be a new array of all 0 *// initialise*
2. For `i` from 1 to `n` *// recursive step*
  - a. For `j` from 1 to `n` *// max 4\*O(n^2)*
    - i. For `dx, dy` in `directions`
      1. `x = i + dx`
      2. `y = j + dy`
      3. if `0 <= x < n` and `0 <= y < n` and `A[x][y] > A[i][j]`
        - a. `maxPath[x][y] = maxPath[i][j] + 1` *// O(1)*
        - b. `keep[x][y] = 1`
      4. Else
        - a. `maxPath[x][y] = maxPath[i][j]` *// O(1)*
        - b. `keep[x][y] = 0`
3. `maxLength = max(maxPath[i][j])` *// max O(n^2)*

*// printing out the max increasing path*

4. Let `count = maxLength`
5. Let `finalPath = []`

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6. While count > 0                                     // print the indices
    a. For i from n to 1
        i. For j from n to 1
            1. If keep[i][j] = 1                         // O(1)
                a. Append [i][j] to finalPath
                b. count--
7. return maxLength, finalPath

```

**Runtime:**

The initialisation step costs  $O(n^2)$  as we must fill two  $n \times n$  sized arrays with 0.

The recursive step costs  $O(n^2)$  as we iterate through  $n \times n$  cells 4 times, since there are maximum of 4 directions the path can increase towards. Since 4 is a constant, the time complexity is  $O(n^2)$ .

The printing step costs  $O(n^2)$  as it loops through all  $n \times n$  cells and appends the indices to the finalPath array.

In conclusion the whole algorithm costs  $O(n^2)$  to find the magnitude of the longest increasing path and also output the indices of the final array.