

CS180-Fall20 HW1

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TOTAL POINTS

50 / 60

QUESTION 1

1 Q1 10 / 10

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- **5 pts** Correct intuition but wrong example, the ratings are distinct.
- **6 pts** Correct example, no explanation
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QUESTION 2

2 Q2 10 / 10

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QUESTION 3

3 Q3 0 / 10

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- **5 pts** Incorrect/incomplete proof of correctness
- **5 pts** Incorrect/Incomplete algorithm
- ✓ - **10 pts** Incorrect/Incomplete algorithm and proof
- **10 pts** No answer

QUESTION 4

4 Q4 10 / 10

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QUESTION 5

Q5 10 pts

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QUESTION 6

6 Q6 10 / 10

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- 2 pts wrong number for 200 steps
- 2 pts wrong generalization
- 2 pts minor mistake
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- 10 pts completely wrong

1)

- Counterexample:
 - Denote each set S and T with each network's show's ratings
 - Given $S = \{ 1, 2, 3 \}$ and $T = \{ 1.5, 2.5, 3.5 \}$ competing for 3 network spots
 - If either network knows the other network's schedule, it is always possible for them to schedule their shows so that they acquire at least 2/3 network spots
 - This is because each station has at least 2 shows that are higher rated than 2 of the other network's shows
 - Since both networks are able to do this, the network with less network spots will always have a unilateral move that will win it more time slots
 - As a result, a stable solution is impossible, since the "losing" network will always have an option to improve their situation

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2a)

- Assumptions:
 - Use some arbitrary standard to break every preference tie (lexicographic order of name, subscript number, etc.)
 - By breaking the ties, the Stable Matching Problem is now back to its original form, as each man and woman have an “ordered” list
- Algorithm:
 - While there is an unpaired man
 - Match a man m with the highest ranked woman that he hasn't proposed to yet
 - If the woman is free, the man and woman are now engaged
 - Otherwise
 - If the woman prefers her current match, the current man remains unpaired
 - If the woman prefers the new man, they become engaged and the old match becomes unpaired
 - Return the final result
- Proof:
 - By artificially ordering each person's preference list, we arrive at the same initial conditions as the Stable Matching Problem
 - When a woman is engaged, they will be engaged for the rest of the algorithm's runtime
 - As a result, if n women are engaged, n men are also engaged
 - Therefore, a given man cannot reach beyond the end of his preference list, since if the man is unpaired, there must be a woman that is also unpaired
 - By this logic, the GS algorithm always returns a perfect match for the given initial conditions
 - If this perfect match was not a stable match, then a system with 2 pairs, (m, w) and (m', w') , must meet the conditions that m “prefers” w' and w' “prefers” m
 - Assuming m prefers w' , he must have proposed to w' already before matching with w , meaning that w' rejected him for another m ”
 - This means that w' must prefer her current pairing, m' , over m ”, which implies $m' > m > m$, which contradicts our condition for an unstable match
 - The final result must be a stable match

2b)

- Counterexample:
 - Given a set of 2 men, m and m' , and 2 women, w and w'
 - m and m' both prefer w over w'
 - w has no preference between m and m'
 - After perfect matching is implemented, one of the men will be matched with w and the other with w'
 - Since the man matched with w' must prefer w and w has no preference, a weak instability is inevitable

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3)

- Algorithm:
 - Given a set of n input wires and n output wires
 - Create a “preference list” for each wire, listing the opposite wires in the order you encounter them as you move from the source downstream
 - While there is an input wire with no matched output wire
 - Switch the input wire to the most preferred output wire that it has not yet attempted to switch to
 - If the output wire has not been switched to, switch the input wire to the chosen output wire
 - If the output wire has been switched to:
 - If the current input wire is more preferred by the selected output wire than its previous match, switch the current input wire to the selected output wire
 - Make the previous input wire unswitched
 - If the current input wire is not more preferred than the selected output wire, leave the current input wire unswitched
 - Return the final set of switches between input and output wires
- Proof:
 - Each output wire can only be switched to by a single input wire, since multiple input wires switched onto a single output wire guarantees a crossing of data streams
 - When an output wire is switched onto, they are never unswitched from, so they will be switched onto for the remainder of the algorithm’s runtime
 - As a result of the previous 2 statements, when n output wires are switched to, exactly n input wires have been switched
 - Due to this, it’s impossible to exit the algorithm without every single input and output wire having a unique pair
 - If this solution were to create a result where 2 data streams passed through the same box, then there would have to be pairings (i, o) and (i', o') where i would prefer to switch to o' and o' would prefer if it was switched to by i
 - In order for this to be true, i must have attempted to switch to o' first since o' would be further upstream than o
 - Since i is not paired with o' , it means o' must’ve found an input wire i'' that is further upstream than i
 - Since o' ’s final pairing is with i' , this implies i' is further upstream than i'' , and i'' is further upstream than i
 - Therefore, the conditions for the solution being invalid cannot be met after this algorithm’s execution
 - This has been proved by contradiction, as we have shown that the final pairing is guaranteed to create a valid solution

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4a) n^2

- There are 3600 seconds in an hour, therefore 3.6×10^{13} operations can be performed per hour
- For an n^2 algorithm, an input size of n requires n^2 operations to complete computation
- The maximum size of n can then be derived by solving $n^2 = 3.6 \times 10^{13}$
- $n = (3.6 \times 10^{13})^{1/2}$
- $n = 6 \times 10^6$

4b) n^3

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- The maximum size of n can then be derived by solving $n^3 = 3.6 \times 10^{13}$
- $n = (3.6 \times 10^{13})^{1/3}$
- $n = 33019.27$
- n must be an integer, so we floor the result
- $n = 33019$

4c) $100n^2$

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- For a $100n^2$ algorithm, an input size of n requires $100n^2$ operations to complete computation
- The maximum size of n can then be derived by solving $100n^2 = 3.6 \times 10^{13}$
- $n = (3.6 \times 10^{11})^{1/2}$
- $n = 600000$

4d) $n \log n$

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- For an $n \log n$ algorithm, an input size of n requires $n \log n$ operations to complete computation
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- $n \log n = n (\ln n / \ln 2)$
- $\ln n \sim n^{1/2} - 1/n^{1/2}$
- $n^{3/2} - n^{1/2} = (\ln 2) \times 3.6 \times 10^{13}$
- $n^{1/2}(n - 1) = 2.495 \times 10^{13}$
- $n = 9.06 \times 10^{11}$

4e) 2^n

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- For a 2^n algorithm, an input size of n requires 2^n operations to complete computation
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- $\log_2(2^n) = \log_2(3.6 \times 10^{13})$
- $n = \log_2(3.6 \times 10^{13})$
- $n = \ln(3.6 \times 10^{13}) / \ln 2$
- $n = 45.03$
- n must be an integer, so we floor the result
- $n = 45$

4f) 2^{2^n}

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- $\log_2(2^n) = \log_2(45.03)$
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- $n = 5.49$
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- $n = 5$

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5a)

- Proof:
 - Base case: $1 = 1(1 + 1) / 2$ is true
 - Assume: $(1 + 2 + \dots + n) = n(n + 1) / 2$
 - Prove: $(1 + 2 + \dots + n + [n + 1]) = (n + 1)(n + 2) / 2$
 - $(1 + 2 + \dots + n) + (n + 1) = (n + 1)(n + 2) / 2$
 - $n(n + 1) / 2 + (n + 1) = (n + 1)(n + 2) / 2$
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 - $(n + 1)(n + 2) / 2 = (n + 1)(n + 2) / 2$
 - Assuming $P(k)$ is a valid solution, we proved that $P(k + 1)$ is as well
 - $(1 + 2 + \dots + n) = n(n + 1) / 2$ has been proved by induction

5b)

- Assumption:
 - $1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = ??$
 - First step: find ??
 - $a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$
 - Let $a = n$ and $b = n - 1$
 - $n^3 - (n - 1)^3 = (n - n + 1)(n^2 + n^2 - n + n^2 - 2n + 1)$
 - $n^3 - (n - 1)^3 = 3n^2 - 3n + 1$
 - Repeat this process until $n - 1 = 0$ and sum each equation, and all terms on the left will cancel out except for n^3
 - $n^3 = 3\sum n^2 - 3\sum n + n$
 - $\sum n = n(n + 1) / 2$
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 - $(2n^3 + 3n^2 + n) / 6 + (6n^2 + 12n + 6) / 6 = (n + 1)(n + 2)(2n + 3) / 6$
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- 200 Step Assumptions:
 - In order to solve the problem, the first step is to decide on a partition size for your egg drops
 - Since the problem is strictly about the worst case, focus on that
 - Everytime you go up 1 partition, 1 extra step is added to the problem
 - If the partitions are each the same size, then the bulk of the problem's efficiency is located in the early partitions, while the upper partitions are disproportionately inefficient
 - To minimize the worst-case scenario, the most optimal partition size must be dynamic as the ladder is ascended
 - Since each partition ascended is +1 step, we decrement the size of each partition by 1
 - Assuming the initial partition size is m , the obvious distribution using this method satisfies $m + (m - 1) + (m - 2) + \dots + 1 = 200$
 - This can be solved for m using $m(m + 1) / 2 = 200$
 - This results in $m = 19.51$
 - Since the partition size must be an integer, and we need to make sure we at least make it to the 200th step, we must ceiling this value
 - Therefore, our initial partition size would be 20
 - Since we've designed this method to balance the partition size and number of partitions, our worst case is also 20 steps
- 200 Step Algorithm:
 - Take $h = 20$ as the initial height and $x = 20$ as the initial partition size
 - While the first egg remains intact
 - Drop the egg from the current height h
 - If the egg breaks or the height surpasses 200, break out of the loop
 - If the egg remains intact, increment h by $x - 1$ and decrement x by 1
 - Decrement current height h by current size of partition x
 - While the second egg remains intact
 - Drop the egg from the current height h
 - If the egg breaks, break out of the loop
 - If the egg remains intact, increment h by 1
 - Return the value $h - 1$, since h is the lowest point at which the egg breaks
- N Step Assumptions:
 - The same assumptions apply here as in the 200 step variation
 - The partitions should satisfy $m + (m - 1) + (m - 2) + \dots + 1 = N$
 - We can then use $m(m + 1)/2 = N$ to solve for m in terms of N
 - Like in the 200 step variation, this value of m must then be ceilinged
 - Our worst case is $\text{ceil}(m)$ steps
- N Step Algorithm:
 - Take $h = \text{ceil}(m)$ as the initial height and $x = \text{ceil}(m)$ as the initial partition size
 - While the first egg remains intact
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