

Types of Problems

Boolean Satisfiability (SAT) Problem: NP Complete

Given a series of truth assignments, is there a way to make the entire statement true?

$X_1 \vee \bar{X}_2 \vee X_3 \vee X_4$	X1 = F X5 = T \bar{X}_1 $X_2 \vee \bar{X}_3 \vee \bar{X}_5$ $\bar{X}_2 \vee X_3$	This satisfies the clause. Certifying if's correct Plug in the values. X is polynomial, meaning it's in class NP. Solving the algorithm
	X2 = T X3 = T X4 = T	Brute force: 1. Make list of variables X_1, \dots, X_n 2. Try every assignment of truth values to these variables 3. Return YES if satisfies, NO otherwise. 4. Repeat for 2^n different assignments in worst case. Worst case run time: $\Omega(n^2)$

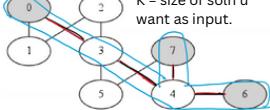
To convert non-decision problem to decision, add a random variable (k in the case of steiner).

3-SAT Problem: Every clause must be exactly length 3.

Better for NP-completeness reductions, since it is constrained. (We will reduce from 3-SAT to problem we want to prove is NP-complete).

Steiner Problem (ST): Optimization Problem, NP Complete

Given the graph below, how do we connect the shaded parts (S) with least amount of edges? Optimization problem, minimizing edges connecting.



Decision Problem: Output can be either a yes or no. For Steiner, Yes is when it connects all shaded nodes, with edge amount $\leq k$. If u specify edge amount $< k$ any other solution, is NOT a decision problem.

An Instance of ST: $G = (V, E)$, $S \subseteq V$, and k , where $1 \leq k \leq n$.

ST is good: Edges of E' (soln) connect all vertices in S , and $|E'| \leq k$

ST is optimal: Edges of E' (soln) connect all vertices in S , $|E'| \leq k$

any other solution for the instance.

Certifying the algorithm

(1) Check that edges in E' have size at most k , (2) the edges connect all shaded vertices with a DFS on the subgraph of G formed by deleting all edges but the ones in E' , starting from any shaded nodes. During DFS, we "check off" all shaded nodes.

If $|E'| \leq k$ and all shaded notes are checked off, E' is a good solution (Yes), is in CLASS NP.

If all nodes are shaded, is minimum spanning tree algorithm.

Vertex Cover Problem (NP-COMPLETE)

Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ and an integer K , is there a vertex cover with at most K vertices in G ? A vertex cover is a subset

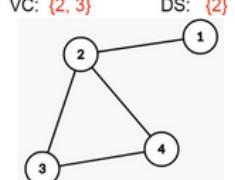
W of V such that $|W| \leq K$, such that every edge in E has at least one endpoint in W . In other words, ALL EDGES TOUCH A VERTEX IN W .

Dominating Set Problem (NP-COMPLETE)

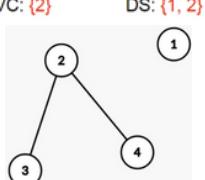
Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ and an integer K , is there a dominating set with at most K vertices in G ? A dominating set is a subset W of V such that $|W| \leq K$, such that every element of $V - W$ is joined by an edge to an element of W .

EVERY VERTEX NOT IN THE SUBSET, IS CONNECTED WITH AN EDGE TO ANY ELEMENT IN THE SUBSET.

VC: {2, 3} DS: {2}



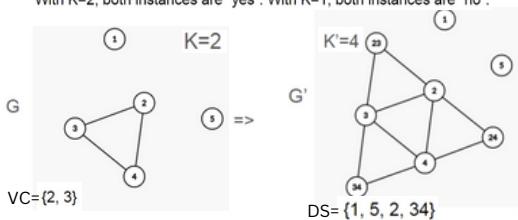
VC: {2} DS: {1, 2}



Vertex Cover -> Dominating Set Reduction

Recognize that VC cares about 'covered edges', and DS cares about 'dominated nodes'. Add a node to G' for each edge in G , and attach the endpoints to it.

With $K=2$, both instances are "yes". With $K=1$, both instances are "no".



the edge in $3 \rightarrow 4$ becomes $3 \rightarrow 34$, $34 \rightarrow 4$, with an edge in between.

Isolated nodes don't have an edge, so they don't need to be part of vertex cover, but need to be part of dominating set. Therefore

$$K' = K + \#(\text{isolated nodes in } G)$$

Reduction: Given an instance (G, K) of Vertex Cover, construct an instance (G', K') of Dominating Set by adding one node v_e for each edge $e \in E$, and connecting this node to the endpoints of e . That is, if $e = \{x, y\}$ then we add the edges $\{v_e, x\}$ and $\{v_e, y\}$.

Choose K' to be K plus the number of isolated nodes of G .

Runtime: The time to generate the new nodes and edges is $O(m)$.

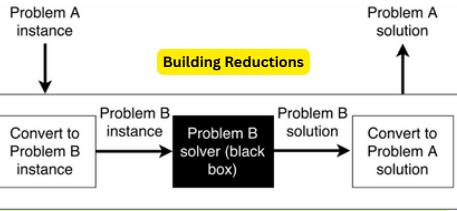
Correctness: The following is a formal proof of this algorithm's correctness, using the same "if and only if" style proof as assignment 1 question 4.3 and 4.4:

Suppose that G has a vertex cover W of size at most K . Since W is a vertex cover of G , (i) all non-isolated nodes in $V - W$ are joined by an edge to the nodes of W and (ii) all nodes v_e are also joined by an edge to the nodes of W . So the set W' which contains all nodes of W , plus the isolated nodes of G , is a dominating set of G' and has size at most K' .

Conversely, let W' be a dominating set of G' . Note that W' must contain all isolated nodes of G' . Let W be obtained from W' by discarding isolated nodes, and replacing any v_e node in W' by one of e 's endpoints. Then the nodes of W are all nodes of G , and have an edge to all of the v_e nodes. This means that every edge of G has at least one endpoint in W , and so W must be a vertex cover of G . [Note: Without the extra v_e nodes, this part of the reduction correctness would not hold.]

INTER: OUTSIDE (INTER-GALACTIC), OUTSIDE OF SUBSET

INTRA: INSIDE (INSIDE THE SUBSET)



Theory
P: Can create algorithm to solve in polynomial time.
NP: Can be verified in polynomial time.
NP-complete: A problem A that's NP, in which you can reduce any other NP problem B to A polynomially. It's possible to reduce any NP problem into 3-SAT.
NP-hard: A problem is as hard as every other problem in NP. NP hard problems can possibly not be verified in polynomial time.
P != NP: No one has ever been able to solve an NP problem polynomially. If someone successfully does so, then ALL NP problems are solvable polynomially.

For a problem A to be NP-complete:

1. prove A is in NP => outline steps to verify solution in polynomial time
2. prove A is in NP-hard => reduce B to A where B is NP-complete/np-hard

$$A \Leftrightarrow B \text{ (A can be reduced to B)}$$

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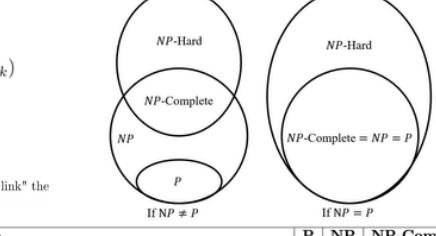
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Another way to write the definition of NP-Hard is $\{X : Y \leq X, \forall Y \in NP\}$.

Another way to write the definition of NP-Complete is $\{X : X \in NP \text{ and } Y \leq X, \forall Y \in NP\}$.



	P	NP	NP-Complete	NP-Hard
Solvable in Polynomial Time	✓			
Solution Verifiable in Polynomial Time		✓	✓	
Reduces any NP Problem in Polynomial Time			✓	✓

More Types of Problems

Counting Inversions (P) problem, not a decision one.

ALL NP PROBLEMS ARE DECISION PROBLEMS.

Input: Array $A[1..n]$
Task: Count the number of pairs where $(i < j)$ and $A[i] > A[j]$. In other words, find the number of pairs where the smaller number is ahead of the larger number.

For array [1,4,3,2], the NUMBERS (4,3), (4,2), and (3,2) are inversions. 3 inversions total.

Brute Force Algorithm is $O(n^2)$. Can count maximum of $n(n-1)/2$ inversions. Can solve faster with CountInversions Divide and Conquer.

```
function COUNTINVERSIONS(A[1..n])
    inversions ← 0
    for i ∈ [1..n] do
        for j ∈ [(i+1)..n] do
            if A[i] > A[j] then
                inversions ← inversions + 1
        end if
    end for
    return inversions
end function
```

Counting Inversions (Divide and Conquer)

HELPER FUNCTION CALLED COUNTAPPENDEDINVERSIONS()

Input: Two arrays $A[1..n]$, $B[1..m]$

Task: Count the inversions of $[A[1..n], B[1..m]]$ time.

```
function COUNTAPPENDEDINVERSIONS(A[1..n], B[1..m])
    inversions ← 0, i ← 1, j ← 1
    while i ≤ n and j ≤ m do
        if A[i] ≤ B[j] then
            D[i] is at least as small as any remaining element of B
            i ← i + 1
        else
            D[j] is smaller than every remaining element of A
            inversions ← inversions + (n - i + 1)
            j ← j + 1
        end if
    end while
    return inversions
end function
```

If (10, 6) is an inversion, everything right of 10 is also an inversion of 6, since arrays are sorted!

We can use CountAppendedInversions() for a divide and conquer algorithm for counting inversions in $\log n$ time.

function COUNTINVERSIONS&SORT(A[1..n])

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if n ≤ 1 then
    return (0, A)
end if
mid ← ⌊n/2⌋
inv_L, Left ← COUNTINVERSIONS&SORT(A[1..mid])
inv_R, Right ← COUNTINVERSIONS&SORT(A[(mid+1)..n])
inv_combine ← COUNTAPPENDEDINVERSIONS(Left, Right)
SortedArr ← MERGE(Left, Right)
return (inv_L + inv_R + inv_combine, SortedArr)
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end function

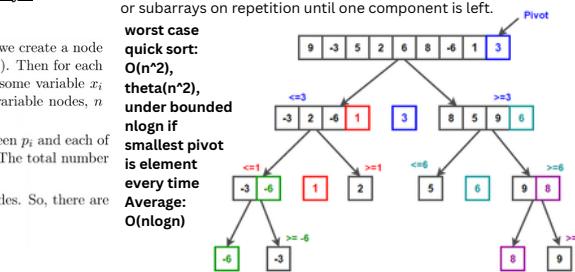
Master Theorem Case 2:

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + cn \quad a=2, b=2, \log_2 2 = 1 \quad f(n)=cn \in \Theta(n^1)$$

Quicksort vs Merge Sort

worst case merge sort is $\log n$

Quick Sort sorts the components by comparing each component with the pivot while Merge Sort splits the array into two segments or subarrays on repetition until one component is left.



For each variable, we need to connect the shaded node between the + and -.

Whenever we connect it is what we choose for the truth value.

3-SAT complete reduction from 3-SAT to ST such that ST instance is YES if and only if 3-SAT instance is YES also.

Nodes: We first create a single hub node. Then, for each variable x_i of instance I , we create a node labeled x_i and one labeled \bar{x}_i , and one additional "pin" node p_i (the unlabeled node). Then for each clause $c_j = (l_1 \vee l_2 \vee l_3)$, we create a node labeled c_j . (Recall that each l_j is either some variable x_i or its negation \bar{x}_i). So, with n variables and c clauses, that's one hub, n pins, n variable nodes, n negated variable nodes, and c clause nodes, for a total of $3n + c + 1$ nodes.

Edges: We put edges between the hub and each of x_i and \bar{x}_i , as well as edges between p_i and each of x_i and \bar{x}_i . Also, we connect each clause node c_j to each of its literals l_1, l_2 , and l_3 . The total number of edges is $4n + 3c$. These nodes and edges comprise our graph G .

We let the set of "shaded" node S be the hub, the p pin nodes and the c clause nodes. So, there are $n + c + 1$ shaded nodes in total.

Finally, we let $k = 2n + c$. Make sure to state why it is polynomial as well.

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Divide and Conquer

THE KEY STAGES

- Divide.** We recursively divide the main problem into two or more smaller pieces that usually are of equal size. Division is done based on some criteria and that criteria could depend on step 3.
- Base Cases.** Once we have divided the main problem into small enough pieces, we carry out the computations to solve each of those subproblems. Those computation are usually just brute force.
- Combine.** We recursively combine the results of the two adjacent subproblems. I = doing so, we compare their results and use some criteria to build up the overall result. Generally, there are three cases to consider [with iii being the most typical one]:
 - the result from the first subproblem is the one we want
 - the result from the second subproblem is the one we want
 - the result that could be formed using elements from both subproblems is the one we want

The work in this step should usually be done in at most *linear* time and often this step is the most challenging one to design.

Quicksort

```
function QUICKSORT(A[1..n])    // returns the sorted array A of n distinct numbers
  if n > 1 then
    Choose pivot element p = A[1]
    Let Lesser be an array of all elements from A less than p
    Let Greater be an array of all elements from A greater than p
    LesserSorted ← Quicksort(Lesser)
    GreaterSorted ← Quicksort(Greater)
    return the concatenation of LesserSorted, [p], and GreaterSorted
else
  return A
```

Recurrence relation for the runtime of Quicksort:

$$T_Q(n) = \begin{cases} c, & \text{if } n = 0 \text{ or } n = 1 \\ T_Q(\lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil - 1) + T_Q(\lfloor \frac{3n}{4} \rfloor) + cn, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Ignoring floors, ceilings, constants for recurrence

Divide & Conquer

overall work: $O(n(n+m)) = O(n^2 + mn)$

Divide & Conquer: greater as array of all elements from A greater than p, 3 sort $O(n)$ to split it choose $\lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil$ -th smallest element as its pivot. $T_A(n) = T_A(\lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil) + T_A(\lfloor \frac{3n}{4} \rfloor) + cn$. Find base case when problem (and) has size ≤ 1 . $\log_4 n \leq i \leq \log_2 n$ "full levels". Depth leaf: $(\frac{n}{4})^i \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow (\frac{4}{n})^i \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow \log_{\frac{4}{n}} 1 \leq i \leq \log_2 n$. Depth leaf: goal for randomized data. We must do cn work at each level from D to shallowest $\lceil \log_2 n \rceil$. At most $D(n) = O(n \log n) = O(n \log n)$

QuickSort: pick a pivot, lesser as array of all elements from A less than p. It choose $\lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil$ -th smallest element as its pivot. $T_A(n) = T_A(\lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil) + T_A(\lfloor \frac{3n}{4} \rfloor) + cn$. Find base case when problem (and) has size ≤ 1 . $\log_4 n \leq i \leq \log_2 n$ "full levels". Depth leaf: $(\frac{n}{4})^i \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow (\frac{4}{n})^i \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow \log_{\frac{4}{n}} 1 \leq i \leq \log_2 n$. Depth leaf: goal for randomized data. We must do cn work at each level from D to shallowest $\lceil \log_2 n \rceil$. At most $D(n) = O(n \log n) = O(n \log n)$

Interval Scheduling

Set of requests $\{(1, 2, \dots, n)\}$: i-th request corresponds to an interval of time starting at $s(i)$ and finishing at $f(i)$.

Subset of requests:

- Compatible:** no two of them overlap in time, and goal is to maximize compatible subset
- Optimal:** compatible sets of maximum size

Select a first request $i1$, once accepted, reject all requests not compatible with $i1$. Select next request $i2$ and repeat until out of requests to select from.

Solution: Accept the request that finishes first (request i for which $f(i)$ is as small as possible).

Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ and integer $k \geq 1$, does G contain an independent matching of size k ? That is, is there a subset M of E with $|M| = k$ such that M is an independent matching? **Independent Matching Problem**

Here we give an incomplete reduction from IMP to SAT (see Page 3 for a formal definition of SAT). Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ with m edges, and a value k , we define the variable $X_{i,j}$ for $i = 1$ to m and for $j = 1$ to k , which represents whether the edge e_i is the j th element of the independent matching M . We define clauses as follows:

- For each integer a from 1 to k , add the clause:

$$X_{1,a} \vee X_{2,a} \vee \dots \vee X_{m,a}$$

The clauses in (A) ensure that at exactly one edge is in each position of the clique.

- and for every 2 distinct edges e_i, e_j also add the clause:

$$\overline{X}_{i,a} \vee \overline{X}_{j,a}$$

The clauses in (B) ensure that each edge is assigned to at most one position of the independent matching.

- For any edge e_p and for every two distinct integers a, b from 1 to k , add the clause:

$$\overline{X}_{p,a} \vee \overline{X}_{p,b}$$

The clauses in (C) ensure that the selected edges form a matching. Specifically, these make sure that if e_p, e_q, e_r have a common endpoint, then at most one can be selected in the matching.

- For each pair of distinct edges e_p and e_q which share an endpoint, and for every pair of integers a, b in 1 to k , add the clause:

$$\overline{X}_{p,a} \vee \overline{X}_{q,b}$$

The clauses in (D) ensure that for any 2 edges in the selected matching, there is no edge which connects the endpoint of one to an endpoint of the other.

- For any path of length three, induced by consecutive edges e_i, e_j, e_q , and for every two integers a, b from 1 to k , add the clause:

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

(To be completed.)

True

Start by introducing n_k variables $X_{i,j}$ where $n = |V|$ and $X_{i,j}$ denotes whether vertex i is the j th element of the clique. Clique of size k . A vertex must be in each of k positions. For each integer a from 1 to k , add the clause $X_{1,a} \vee X_{2,a} \vee \dots \vee X_{n,a}$. No more than 1 vertex can occupy any position of clique. For each pair of vertices v_p, v_q . For every a, b in 1 to k , add: $\overline{X}_{p,a} \vee \overline{X}_{q,a}$. A single vertex can't occupy more than one position of the clique. For each vertex v_v and for every 2 distinct integers a, b from 1 to k , add the clause $\overline{X}_{p,a} \vee \overline{X}_{q,b}$. Every vertex in position of clique must share an edge w/ every other vertex in position of clique. For all pairs of vertices v_p, v_q that don't share an edge, add the clause: $\overline{X}_{p,a} \vee \overline{X}_{q,b}$. For every a, b b/w 1 & k

$T(n) = \alpha T(\lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil) + O(n^k)$ $a > 0, b > 1, d \geq 0$ then: $T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^k) & \text{if } d > \log_2 n \\ O(n^{d+\log_2 n}) & \text{if } d = \log_2 n \\ O(n^{\log_2 n}) & \text{if } d < \log_2 n \end{cases}$

2-DP Longest Common Substring Problem

The Longest Common Subsequence of two strings A and B is the longest string whose letters appear in order (but not necessarily consecutively) within both A and B .

Given two strings A & B of length n & m respectively, we want to find the length of the LCS of A and B by $\text{LCSS}(A[1..n], B[1..m])$. Define $\text{LLCS}(A[1..n], B[1..m])$ as a recursive solution to this instance. Use your work in the previous problem.

LLCS ($A[1..n]$, $B[1..m]$)

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 + \text{LCSS}(A[1..n-1], B[1..m-1]) \quad \text{if } A[n] = B[m] \\ \max \{ \text{LLCS}(A[1..n-1], B[1..m-1]), \text{LLCS}(A[1..n], B[1..m-1]) \} \quad \text{if } A[n] \neq B[m] \\ \text{otherwise delete from } A \text{ or } B. \end{array} \right.$

procedure **MEMO-LCSS**($A[1..n], B[1..m]$)
 create a 2-dimensional array $\text{Solv}[0..n][0..m]$
 initialize all elements of Solv to -1
MEMO-HELPER($A[1..n], B[1..m]$)
 procedure **MEMO-HELPER**($A[1..i], B[1..j]$)
 As always with memoization, we wrap the recurrence with a check
 to see if the Solv array already contains the answer. If not, compute
 the answer via the recurrence and store it. If so, just return the answer.
 if $\text{Solv}[i][j] = -1$ then
 if $i == 0$ or $j == 0$ then
 $\text{Solv}[i][j] = 0$
 else if $A[i] == B[j]$ then
 $\text{Solv}[i][j] = \text{MEMO-HELPER}(A[1..i-1], B[1..j-1]) + 1$
 else
 $\text{Solv}[i][j] = \max(\text{MEMO-HELPER}(A[1..i-1], B[1..j]), \text{MEMO-HELPER}(A[1..i], B[1..j-1]))$
 returns $\text{Solv}[i][j]$

	c	co	cou	count	counte	country
e	0	0	0	0	0	0
t	0	0	0	0	1	1
ty	0	0	0	1	1	2
tyc	0	1	1	1	1	2
tyco	0	1	2	2	2	2
tycoo	0	1	2	2	2	2
tycooo	0	1	2	3	3	3

procedure **EXPLAIN-LCS**($A[1..n], B[1..m]$, Solv)
 Note: $\text{Solv}[0..n][0..m]$ is a filled-in LCS memoization table for A and B
 if $n == 0$ or $m == 0$ then // base case
 return ** Memo
 else
 if $A[n] == B[m]$ then
 // the final letters match, so we add a letter to the LCS
 return **EXPLAIN-LCS**($A[1..n-1], B[1..m-1]$, Solv) + $A[n]$
 else
 // which recursive call yielded the max?
 if $\text{Solv}[n-1][m] \geq \text{Solv}[n][m-1]$ then
 // we don't use the last letter of A in the solution
 return **EXPLAIN-LCS**($A[1..n-1], B[1..m]$, Solv)
 else
 // we don't use the last letter of B in the solution
 return **EXPLAIN-LCS**($A[1..n], B[1..m-1]$, Solv)
procedure DP-LLCSS($A[1..n], B[1..m]$)
 create a 2-dimensional array $\text{Solv}[0..n][0..m]$
 fill in the base cases
 for i from 0 to n do
 $\text{Solv}[i][0] \leftarrow 0$ DP
 for j from 1 to m do
 $\text{Solv}[0][j] \leftarrow 0$
 fill in the recursive cases column-by-column, top-to-bottom
 for i from 1 to n do
 for j from 1 to m do
 if $A[i] = B[j]$ then
 $\text{Solv}[i][j] \leftarrow \text{Solv}[i-1][j-1] + 1$
 else
 $\text{Solv}[i][j] \leftarrow \max(\text{Solv}[i-1][j], \text{Solv}[i][j-1])$
 return $\text{Solv}[n][m]$

Runtime = $O(mn)$ m is first word length, n length of second #subproblems for memoized and DP is $O(mn)$
 Space Complexity: $O(mn)$

Merge Sort

Step 1: Split lists two until you reach pair of values.
 Step 2: Sort/swap pair of values if needed.
 Step 4: Merge and sort sub-lists and repeat process till you merge the full list.

Selection Sort

If an NP problem has a polynomial number of possible certificates, then it is in P. It can be solved in polynomial time because you can just check every single certificate to verify it working. Polynomial num of certificates * polynomial time to check each.

Insertion Sort

Bubble Sort

	Best	Average	Worst	Worst Space
Quick Sort	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(\log n)$
Merge Sort	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n)$
Selection	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
Insertion	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
Bubble	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$

Consider a class of the change-making problem for which the greedy algorithm returns an optimal solution (that is, the one that uses the fewest coins). What can we say about the dynamic programming solution to this problem?

The dynamic programming solution will be optimal, but generally slower than the greedy solution.

R(i, j) =

0	if $i = 0$ or $j = 0$
$\max_{k=j \text{ to } n} \{S[k-j+1] + R(i-1, k)\}$	if $1 \leq i \leq m$ and $1 \leq j \leq n$.

function IterativeMystery:

```
// initialize table; we choose to keep the zero rows/columns
initialize a zero-indexed (m+1)*(n+1) array R

// handle base cases
Set R[i][0] = 0 for all i and R[0][j] = 0 for all j

for i=1 to m:
  for j=1 to n:
    maxSoFar = -inf
    for k=j to n:
      val = S[k-j+1] + R[i-1][k]
      if val > maxSoFar:
        maxSoFar = val
    R[i][j] = maxSoFar

return R[m][n]
```

Runtime is $\Theta((n^2)m)$ time, and $\Theta(nm)$ space.

3.1 Greedy Algorithm

Briefly describe a simple greedy strategy to determine a distribution of exam bundles. You must provide a plain English description of your greedy strategy, and should only provide pseudocode if you feel it is necessary to clarify details of your algorithm. (We suspect that if you need pseudocode, your approach is too complicated.)

Pick the bundles from left to right, starting from the first TA and giving the current TA the same bundle until giving the bundle to the TA will cause it to exceed m. If this happens, then move onto the next TA.

function DETERMINISTICSELECT($A[1..n], k$) // returns the element of rank k in an array A of distinct numbers, where $1 \leq k \leq n$

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if  $n \geq 5$  then
  Choose pivot element  $p$  using the procedure described above
  Let Lesser be an array of all elements from  $A$  less than  $p$ 
  Let Greater be an array of all elements from  $A$  greater than  $p$ 
  If [ $\text{Lesser}] = k - 1$  then
    return  $p$ 
  else if [ $\text{Lesser}] < k - 1$ 
    // subtract from k the number of smaller elts removed
    return DeterministicSelect(Greater,  $k - [\text{Lesser}] - 1$ )
  else
    sort  $A$  and return  $A[k - 1]$ 
```

Deterministic Select

Question 3.3: Give a reasonable "greedy stays ahead" lemma that you could use to prove your algorithm is optimal. (You do not need to prove the lemma.)

Solution: The first k TAs in the greedy solution will be carrying at least as many total bundles as the first k TAs in the optimal solution.