

Homework Six

1. This approach is a greedy algorithm, even if it goes from the end to the beginning. This is because a greedy algorithm looks for the best option in the current moment, searching for the optimal solution. This is the same as the original problem would be, just running in reverse. The same logic would apply, where we are searching for the most optimal choice at each step.
2.
 - a. Least Duration

Activity	Start	Finish	Duration
1	3	5	2
2	1	4	3
3	4	7	3

The solution for this approach is {1} (activity 1), but the optimal solution should be {2,3} (activity 2,3).

- b. Fewest Overlaps

Activity	Start	Finish	Number of overlaps
1	0	1	2
2	1	2	2
3	1	3	3
4	1	3	3
5	2	4	3

The solution for this approach is one of {1,2} but the optimal solution is {2,3,4,5}.

- c. Earliest Start Times

Activity	Start	Finish
1	1	5
2	2	3

3	4	5
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3. 1: If certificate y is permutation of $\{1,2,\dots,n\}$ continue, else return false

2: Permute vertices of $G1$, verify the permuted $G1$ is identical to $G2$

Step 1 takes $O(V^2)$ time, Step 2 takes $O(V + E)$

Algorithm verification runs $O(V^2)$ meaning $\text{GRAPHISOMORPHISM} \in \text{NP}$

4. Assume $P = \text{NP}$

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Due to the contrapositive proof, $P = \text{NP} \Rightarrow \text{NP} = \text{coNP}$ and this implies that $\text{NP} \neq \text{coNP}$ then $P \neq \text{NP}$

5. The truth table proves that ψ is not satisfiable

x_1	x_2	x_3	$x_1 \vee x_2$	\wedge_{x_3}	\wedge	$x_1 \wedge x_2$	\wedge	\bar{x}_3	\vee_{x_3}	\wedge	$x_1 \wedge x_2$	\wedge	\bar{x}_3
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	F	F	T	F	T	F	F
T	T	F	T	F	F	T	T	T	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	T	T	F	F	F	T	F	F	F	F
T	F	F	T	F	F	F	F	T	F	F	F	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	T	F	F	F	T	F	F	F	F
F	T	F	T	F	F	F	F	T	F	F	F	F	T

6. A propositional formula has a truth value. Looking at the value as a boolean, as the values are true/false, the satisfiability can be seen to be true if the clause is evaluated to 1, as any of its clauses that produces a 1 will automatically make the clause true. This would be run in polynomial time, as the number of clauses would determine the time.

7.

- a. The time complexity of the algorithm would be $O(nW)$, where n = number of items in the knapsack and W = max weight it can hold.
- b. $P = NP$, as the knapsack problem is NP-hard, it would mean that unless $P = NP$, a polynomial time would be impossible.