

CPSC 320 Midterm Examination 1

Wed Oct 9, 2024, 15:00-15:45

Name: _____ Student ID: _____

CWL: _____ Signature: _____

- You have 45 minutes to write the three questions on this examination.
- **Please write answers in pen (preferred) or VERY DARKLY in pencil.**
- You are allowed one double-sided sheet of notes, but no laptop, calculator or other electronic equipment.
- Scrap paper for rough work is available upon request, but **you must write all your answers in the exam booklet** (we will not accept scrap paper for grading). If you run out of space to answer a question, there is extra space at the end of the exam.
- Use the number of marks allocated for each question to help you determine how much time you should spend on it. There are a total of 25 points.

<i>Question</i>	1	2	3
<i>Points</i>	6	10	9

- **Good luck!**

UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS:

- Candidates should be prepared to produce, upon request, their UBC card.
- CAUTION: candidates guilty of any of the following, or similar, dishonest practices shall be immediately dismissed from the examination and shall be liable to disciplinary action.
 1. Having at the place of writing, or making use of, any books, papers or memoranda, electronic equipment, or other memory aid or communication devices, other than those authorised by the examiners.
 2. Speaking or communicating with other candidates.

Write CWL here (we will deduct a mark if this is incorrect or missing):

1 SMP, Asymptotic Analysis

No justification is needed for these questions.

1. [2 points] Complete the preference lists for three employers and three applicants, such that the Gale-Shapley algorithm (provided on page 7) matches employer e_1 with applicant a_1 .

$e_1:$	a_2	a_3	a_1
$e_2:$	a_2		
$e_3:$	a_2		

$a_1:$	e_2	e_3	e_1
$a_2:$	e_2		
$a_3:$	e_2		

2. [2 points] Let $f(n)$ be the number of different SMP instances of size n such that e_i is the top choice of a_i , and a_i is the top choice of e_i , for all i from 1 to n . We saw in Assignment 1 that $f(n) = ((n-1)!)^{2n}$. Which of the following bounds are valid for $f(n)$? Choose all that apply.

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| <input type="radio"/> $f(n) = O(n)$ | <input type="radio"/> $f(n) = O((n-1)!)^n$ | <input type="radio"/> $f(n) = O((n)^{2n})$ |
| <input type="radio"/> $f(n) = \Omega(n)$ | <input type="radio"/> $f(n) = \Omega((n-1)!)^n$ | <input type="radio"/> $f(n) = \Omega((n)^{2n})$ |

3. [2 points] Let $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ be functions that map nonnegative integers to positive real numbers. Indicate whether the following statements must be true (for *all* such functions f and g), or could be false (for *some* such functions f and g).

- If $f(n) = o(n \cdot g(n))$ then $f(n) = O(g(n))$.

☐ True ☐ False

- If $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ then $g(n) = o(f(n))$.

☐ True ☐ False

2 True/False++

For each of the following claims below, select whether the claim is True or False. If the claim is True, justify your answer by proving the claim is always True. If the claim is False, justify your answer by providing and briefly explaining a counterexample in which the claim is not True.

1. [5 points] Given: An SMP instance with n employers and applicants in which all employers have the same first choice applicant. **Claim:** The Gale-Shapley algorithm (provided on page 7) will take at least $2n - 1$ while-loop iterations to converge.

Choose one:

☐ **TRUE**

☐ **FALSE**

Justification (proof for True or counterexample for False):

2. [5 points] Given: A connected graph G and a spanning tree T of G . **Claim:** Every diametric node¹ in G is also a diametric node in T .

Choose one:

☐ **TRUE**

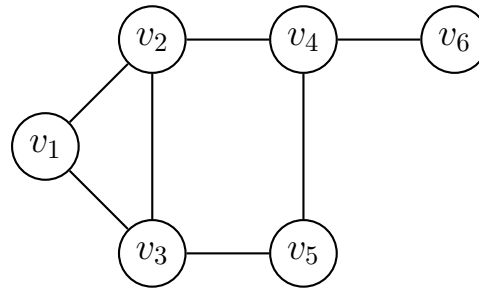
☐ **FALSE**

Justification (proof for True or counterexample for False):

¹Recall that a “diametric node” is a node whose distance from another node defines the diameter of a graph.

3 Reduction

Given a graph $G = (V, E)$, a **dominating set** is a subset D of vertices in V with the property that every vertex in V either belongs to D , or has a neighbour in D . The graph below has a dominating set of size 2 given by $\{v_3, v_4\}$, but no dominating set of size 1.



In this question, we consider the *Dominating Set* problem (DSP):

Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ with n nodes, plus an integer $k \geq 1$, does G have a dominating set of size k ? That is, is there a subset D of vertices in V such that $|D| = k$, and all vertices in V are either in D or are adjacent to a vertex in D ?

Recall also the **Boolean satisfiability** (SAT) problem, defined as follows:

The input is a collection of m clauses over r boolean variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_r . Each clause is a disjunction of some of the variables or their complements.

The problem consists of answering the question “Is there a way to assign truth values to each variable that makes **every** clause of the instance TRUE?”

In the following questions you will complete a reduction from DSP to SAT.

1. [1 point] Our reduction defines nk variables $X_{i,j}$, for $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $1 \leq j \leq k$. What should the variable $X_{i,j}$ represent? Choose the **best** answer.
 - ☐ Whether vertex v_i is in the potential dominating set
 - ☐ Whether vertex v_j is in the potential dominating set
 - ☐ Whether vertex v_i is the j th element of the potential dominating set
 - ☐ Whether vertex v_j is the i th element of the potential dominating set

2. [2 points] Consider the following **partially complete** reduction from DSP to SAT. Define nk variables $X_{i,j}$, for $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $1 \leq j \leq k$.

(A) For each a from 1 to k , add the clause:

$$X_{1,a} \vee X_{2,a} \vee \dots \vee X_{n,a}.$$

(B) For every p from 1 to n and every distinct a, b from 1 to k , add the clause:

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

(C) For every distinct p, q from 1 to n and all a from 1 to k , add the clause:

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

For this reduction, Which of the following best describes the purpose of the clauses in (A)-(C)? Select all that apply.

- ☐ They ensure that G contains a dominating set of size k
- ☐ They ensure that every vertex in V is either in the potential dominating set, or is adjacent to a vertex in the potential dominating set
- ☐ They ensure that the potential dominating set contains exactly k vertices
- ☐ None of the above

3. [6 points] Complete the reduction by adding the necessary clauses in (D) below:

(D) Let the neighbours of vertex v_p be denoted by $v_{p1}, v_{p2}, \dots, v_{pq}$. For each vertex v_p , add the clause(s):

Appendix: Gale-Shapley Algorithm

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1  set all  $s \in S$  and  $e \in E$  to free
2  while some free employer  $e$  hasn't made an offer to every student do
3       $s \leftarrow$  the highest-ranking student  $e$  hasn't made an offer to
4      if  $s$  is free then
5          hire( $e, s$ )
6      else
7           $e' \leftarrow s$ 's current employer
8          if  $s$  prefers  $e$  to  $e'$  then
9              set  $e'$  to free
10             hire( $e, s$ )
11         endif
12     endif
13 endwhile
14 return the set of pairs
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Extra Space

If you write any part of your answers here, you must CLEARLY indicate it in the space allocated for that question.