

# CS3230

## Tutorial 6

1. Consider the greedy algorithm for coin-change problem.

Suppose the coin denominations are  $d_1 > d_2 > \dots > d_n = 1$ .

Suppose that  $d_{i+1}$  is a factor of  $d_i$ , for  $1 \leq i < n$ .

Then, show that the greedy algorithm is optimal.

2. (a) Suppose we modify the greedy algorithm for fractional knapsack problem to consider the objects in order of “non-increasing” value (rather than non-increasing ratio of value/weight as done in class).

Is the modified algorithm still optimal? If so, give an argument for its optimality. If not, give a counterexample.

(b) Suppose we modify the greedy algorithm to consider the objects in order of “non-decreasing” weight (rather than non-increasing ratio of value/weight as done in class).

Is the modified algorithm still optimal? If so, give an argument for its optimality. If not, give a counterexample.

3. Using the algorithm done in class, give Huffman tree and code if the frequencies of the letters are as follows:

$freq(a) = 25, freq(b) = 2, freq(c) = 5, freq(d) = 6, freq(e) = 6, freq(f) = 6$

4. Suppose  $T$  is a Huffman coding tree for the frequencies  $f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots, f_n$ , where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  have the same parent. Consider the tree  $T'$  with  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  deleted, and the parent of  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  labeled with frequency  $f_1 + f_2$ .

Consider the following conjecture: If  $T'$  is optimal for frequencies  $f_1 + f_2, f_3, \dots, f_n$  then  $T$  is optimal for  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$ .

Either prove the conjecture to be true or give a counterexample.

5. Consider the following undirected graph.

$G = (V, E)$ , where the set of vertices is  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$  and edges and their weights are given as follows:

$wt(1, 2) = 3, wt(1, 5) = 2, wt(1, 4) = 10, wt(2, 3) = 4, wt(2, 5) = 9, wt(3, 5) = 6,$   
 $wt(3, 6) = 5, wt(4, 5) = 4, wt(4, 7) = 4, wt(5, 6) = 3, wt(5, 7) = 6, wt(5, 8) = 2,$   
 $wt(5, 9) = 6, wt(6, 9) = 6, wt(7, 8) = 8, wt(7, 10) = 3, wt(8, 9) = 8, wt(8, 10) = 3,$   
 $wt(8, 11) = 5, wt(8, 12) = 7, wt(9, 12) = 4, wt(10, 11) = 5, wt(11, 12) = 2$

Use Dijkstra’s algorithm to find the shortest path to all the nodes from node 8.