

PSO9

The one where we make you work together.

Exercise I.2. For the following problems find the smallest values of a, b such that $S(n) = O(n^a \log^b(n))$.

$$S(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n (4/5)^i$$

$$S(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{3}{i}$$

$$S(n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n^2} \frac{7}{i^2}$$

$$S(n) = \sum_{i=1}^{\log_2(n)} (5/4)^i$$

$$S(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{i^2} j$$

Cheat Sheet Sums

i) Geo. Decreasing ($0 < r < 1$)

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} r^i = \frac{1}{1-r}$$

Sum (diverging),

$$= O(\log n)$$

Sum (converging)

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} = O(1)$$

Sum ($r \geq 1$)

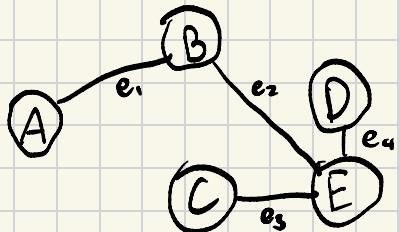
$$\geq \frac{1-r^m}{1-r}$$

Sum

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

2. $\text{min-vertex-cover}(G = (V, E))$: Given an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, return the minimum size of any vertex cover of G .

(A vertex cover is a set of vertices $S \subseteq V$ that includes at least one endpoint of every edge $e \in E$.)



Guiding Questions

1) What is the min cover for this example?

2) Suppose I have 2 vertex covers C_1 and C_2

One of them is guaranteed to be the minimum.
How do I pick the minimum vertex cover
given C_1 and C_2 ?

3) (Base Case) For what graphs G can I immediately return the min cover?

4) (Induction Step) Based on (2), if I can find such C_1 and C_2 that come from 'smaller' graphs
then I can do induction.

Exercise I.3. Prove by induction that a tree with n vertices has $n - 1$ edges.

We prove proposition $p(n) = \text{any tree } T \text{ with } n \text{ vertices has } (n-1) \text{ edges.}$

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IH:

IS: Let T be a tree with $-$ vertices.

Exercise 1.7. Let $A[1..n] \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be an array of n numbers. An *inversion* is a pair of numbers out of increasing order; more precisely, a pair of indices $i, j \in [n]$ such that $i < j$ and $A[i] > A[j]$. Design and analyze an algorithm (as fast as possible) for counting the number of inversions in A .

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1) # inversions in ex?

2) General Technique for Solving?

3) How do I count inversions given two subproblems?