

## Exercise Set #6

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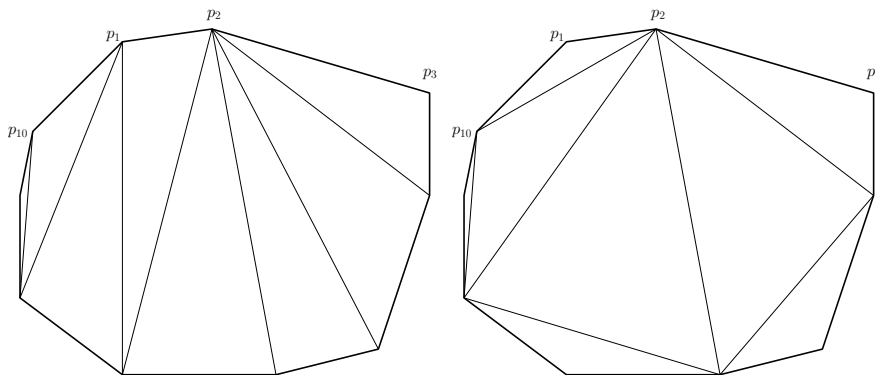
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**Problem 8.**

- (i) Exercise 22.3-10 of CLRS p612.
- (ii) Problem 22-1 (both a and b) of CLRS p621
- (iii) Problem 22-2 of CLRS p621. Answer questions **a**, **b**, and **e**.

The following problems are for additional practice. They will not be considered for quizzes.

**Problem 9.** One can find interesting problems that can be solved by DP from the web. I'd suggest this web site: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/top-20-dynamic-programming-interview-questions/> for additional problems, which are claimed to be "top 20 DP Interview Questions." Note that DP is not only for optimization problems (just like Fibonacci number problem, which is not an optimization problem). You may take a look at the following subset:

- Longest Increasing Subsequence
- Edit Distance (a simpler version of Problem 15-5 of CLRS p406-408)
- Minimum Partition
- Subset Sum Problem (Here the given integers are nonnegative. For arbitrary integers, the problem is unlikely poly-time solvable, a so-called NP-hard problem)
- Optimal Strategy for a Game (an interesting two-player game problem)
- Word Break Problem (said to be a Google interview question; not an optimization problem)
- Egg Dropping Puzzle (The same problem we have seen in a previous Exercise)

**Problem 10.** Exercise Exercise 22.5-7 of CLRS p621.

Handwritten numbers for Problem 10:

10	22	9	33	21	50	41	60	80
1	2	1	3	2	4	1	1	1

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a. Omit the first character and recurse on the remaining sequence, omit the last character and recurse on the remaining sequence.

$$\text{Longest-Sub-Palindrome} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ \text{LSP}[i+1, j-1] + 2 & \text{if } x[i] = x[j] \\ \max(\text{LSP}[i+1, j], \text{LSP}[i, j-1]) & \text{if } x[i] \neq x[j] \end{cases}$$

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	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	1	1	1	1	3	5
1		1	1	1	3	3
2			1	1	3	3
3				1	1	1
4					1	1
5						1

b. Create a topological order of the directed graph  $G$ . Array  $\text{dist}[V]$  stores the longest path from  $s$  to the vertex  $V$ .

recursion:  $\text{dist}[U] = \max_u \{ \text{dist}[u] + w[u, V] \}$ ,  $u$  is any parent of vertex  $V$ , and  $w[u, V]$  is the edge weight.

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let  $T[1, k]$  be the cheapest cost from post 1 to post  $k$ , for  $k = 1, \dots, n$

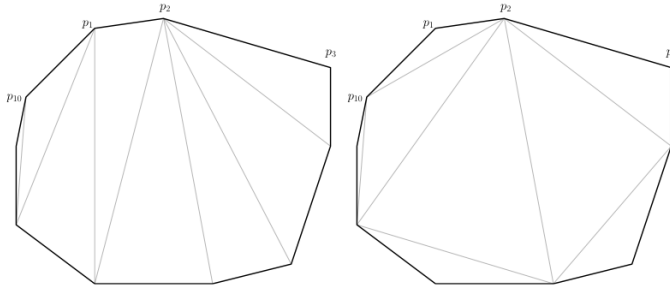
$$T[1, 1] = 0$$

for  $k = 2$  to  $n$  do:

$$T[1, k] = \min_{j=1, \dots, k-1} \{T[1, j] + C[j, k]\}$$

The running time is  $O(n^2)$ .

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procedure polygonTriangulation(1, n)
  for i ← 1 to n-2 do
    m[i, i+1] ← 0
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  m[n-1, n] ← 0
  for shift ← 3 to n do:
    for i ← 1 to n-shift do:
      j ← i + shift
      m[i, j] ← ∞
      for k ← i+1 to j-1 do
        if k > i+1 and k < j-1 then
          new ← m[i, k] + m[k+1, j] + d[i, k] + d[k, j]
        else if k = i+1 then
          new ← m[i, k] + m[k+1, j] + d[i, k]
        else
          new ← m[i, k] + m[k+1, j] + d[k, j]
      m[i, j] ← new
  end

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new
new ← m[i][k] + m[k+1][j] + A[i][k]
if new < h[i][j] then
    m[i][j] ← new
    s[i][j] ← k
return m[i][n]

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$O(n^3)$

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procedure max-ind-set( $V$ )
    if  $V$  has no children:
         $C[V,1] = w(V)$ 
         $C[V,2] = 0$ 
    else
        let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{d(V)}$  be children of  $V$ 
        for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $d(V)$  do
            max-ind-set( $u_i$ )
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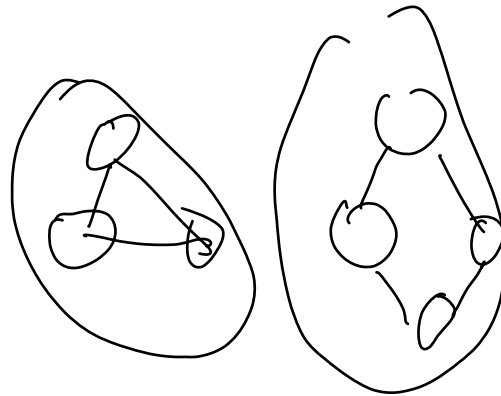
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Run BFS start at  $v$ , as soon as reach the level 4, stop BFS search.

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procedure BFS-visit( $u, i$ ):
  if  $i > 0$  then
    mark  $u$  as explored
    for each  $v \in \text{adj}[u]$  do
      if  $v$  is not explored then
        mark  $u, v$  as a tree edge
         $p[v] \leftarrow u$ 
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  for each  $u \in V[G]$ 
    for each  $v \in \text{adj}[u]$ 
      for each  $w \in \text{adj}[v]$ 
         $E[G^2] \leftarrow \{(u, w)\} \cup E[G^2]$ 
   $O(V^3)$ 
  
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ii) procedure adj-matrix

for  $i=1$  to  $V$

for  $j=1$  to  $V$

$a^L[i][j] = 0$

for  $k=1$  to  $V$

if  $(g[i][k] \neq 1 \text{ and } g[k][j] \neq 1)$

$a^L[i][j] = 1$

break

end for

end for

end for

$O(V^3)$

8. u. pfs\_visit\_print( $G, v$ )

time = time + 1

$u.d = \text{time}$

$u.\text{color} = \text{gray}$

for each  $v \in G.\text{adj}[u]$

if  $v.\text{color} = \text{white}$

print( $u, v$ ) is a tree edge

$v.p = u$

pfs\_visit\_print( $u, v$ )

else if  $v.\text{color} = \text{gray}$

print( $u, v$ ) is a back edge.

else

if  $v.d > u.d$

print( $u, v$ ) is a forward edge)

else

else

print " $u, v$  is a cross edge")

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