



# Grokking the Coding Interview: Patterns for Coding Questions



# Pattern: Cyclic Sort



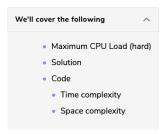
## Pattern: In-place Reversal of a LinkedList



# Pattern: Tree Breadth



# Solution Review: Problem Challenge 2



## Maximum CPU Load (hard)

We are given a list of Jobs. Each job has a Start time, an End time, and a CPU load when it is running. Our goal is to find the maximum CPU load at any time if all the jobs are running on the same machine.

#### Example 1:

```
Jobs: [[1,4,3], [2,5,4], [7,9,6]]
Output: 7
Explanation: Since [1,4,3] and [2,5,4] overlap, their maximum CPU load (3+4=7) will be when bot h the
jobs are running at the same time i.e., during the time interval (2,4).
```

#### Example 2:

```
Jobs: [[6,7,10], [2,4,11], [8,12,15]]
Output: 15
Explanation: None of the jobs overlap, therefore we will take the maximum load of any job which is 15.
```

#### Example 3:

```
Jobs: [[1,4,2], [2,4,1], [3,6,5]]
Output: 8
Explanation: Maximum CPU load will be 8 as all jobs overlap during the time interval [3,4].
```

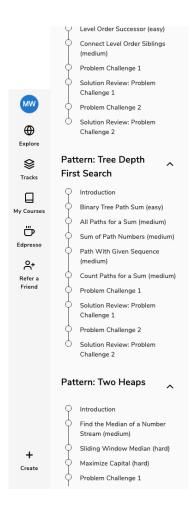
## Solution

The problem follows the Merge Intervals pattern and can easily be converted to Minimum Meeting Rooms. Similar to 'Minimum Meeting Rooms' where we were trying to find the maximum number of meetings happening at any time, for 'Maximum CPU Load' we need to find the maximum number of jobs running at any time. We will need to keep a running count of the maximum CPU load at any time to find the overall maximum load.

#### Code

Here is what our algorithm will look like:

```
Python3
                   ⊙ C++
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 nst Heap = require('./collections/heap'); //http://www.collectionsjs.co
lass Job {
constructor(start, end, cpuLoad) {
   this.start = start;
  this.end = end;
  this.cpuLoad = cpuLoad;
unction find_max_cpu_load(jobs) {
let maxCPULoad = 0.
  currentCPULoad = 0;
const minHeap = new Heap([], null, ((a, b) => b.end - a.end));
for (j = 0; j < jobs.length; j++) {</pre>
  while (minHeap.length > 0 && jobs[j].start >= minHeap.peek().end) {
    currentCPULoad -= minHeap.pop().cpuLoad;
  minHeap.push(jobs[j]);
  currentCPULoad += jobs[j].cpuLoad;
  maxCPULoad = Math.max(maxCPULoad, currentCPULoad):
                                                                                SAVE
                                                                                           RESET
                                                                                                    03
                                                                                                Close
```



Output 2.208s

Maximum CPU load at any time: 7

Maximum CPU load at any time: 15

Maximum CPU load at any time: 8

### Time complexity

The time complexity of the above algorithm is O(N\*logN), where 'N' is the total number of jobs. This is due to the sorting that we did in the beginning. Also, while iterating the jobs, we might need to poll/offer jobs to the priority queue. Each of these operations can take O(logN). Overall our algorithm will take O(NlogN).

#### Space complexity

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The space complexity of the above algorithm will be O(N), which is required for sorting. Also, in the worst case, we have to insert all the jobs into the priority queue (when all jobs overlap) which will also take O(N) space. The overall space complexity of our algorithm is O(N).

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