

1. [20 points] TRUE/FALSE OR PICK ONE. No need for justification.

(a) TRUE/FALSE

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a directed graph with weights on edges, and  $\gamma(p, q)$  denote the length of the *longest simple path* between  $p$  and  $q$ . Then, we have the triangle inequality, i.e.,  $\gamma(p, q) + \gamma(q, r) \leq \gamma(p, r)$  for every  $p, q$ , and  $r$  in  $V$ .

(b) TRUE/FALSE

A *Bottleneck spanning tree* of an undirected graph  $G$  is defined as a spanning tree of  $G$  whose largest edge weight is minimum over all spanning trees of  $G$ . A bottleneck spanning tree of a graph is also a minimum spanning tree.

(c) TRUE/FALSE

Given two graphs  $G$  and  $G'$  with the same sets of vertices  $V$  and edges  $E$ , however different edge weight functions ( $w$  and  $w'$  respectively). Both weight functions are non-negative and distinct. Moreover, they satisfy the following relation:  $w'(e) = w(e)^3$  for every edge  $e$  of  $E$ . For a pair of vertices  $u$  and  $v$  in  $V$ , a shortest path between them in  $G$  is also a shortest path in  $G'$ .

(d) TRUE/FALSE

Suppose we are given a weighted, directed graph  $G = (V, E)$  in which edges that leave the source vertex  $s$  may have negative weights, all other edge weights are non-negative, and there are no negative-weight cycles. Then, Dijkstra's algorithms correctly finds shortest paths from  $s$  in this graph.

(e) TRUE/FALSE

If an edge  $e$  is part of some minimum spanning tree of an undirected, connected graph  $G$ , then it must be a lightest edge across some cut of  $G$ .

(f) TRUE/FALSE

Let  $f_1, f_2 : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be two different flows on a flow network  $G = (V, E)$  with a capacity  $c : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$ . Then,  $f_1 + f_2$ , which is defined as  $(f_1 + f_2)(e) = f_1(e) + f_2(e)$  for every  $e \in V \times V$ , is also a flow in  $G$ .

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(g) TRUE/FALSE

If all edge capacities in a flow network are integer multiples of 9, then the maximum flow value is always a multiple of 9.

(h) TRUE/FALSE

Consider the following pseudocode which describes a greedy algorithm that takes a graph  $G = (V, E)$  and a weight function  $w$  on its edges as input and returns a set of edges  $T$ . The output  $T$  of the algorithm is a minimum spanning tree of  $G$ .  
MAYBE-MST( $G, w$ )

Sort the edges of  $G$  into nondecreasing order of edge weights  $w$

$T \leftarrow E$

**for** each edge  $e$ , taken in nondecreasing order by weight

**do if**  $T - \{e\}$  is a connected graph

**then**  $T \leftarrow T - e$

**return**  $T$

(i) PICK ONE

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a directed graph with edge weight function  $w : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Consider an adjacency matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$  where  $a_{ij} = w(i, j)$  or  $\infty$ . Let  $d_{ij}^{(m)}$  denote the weight of a shortest path from  $i$  to  $j$  that uses at most  $m$  edges. Which of the following recurrences correctly formulate a dynamic programming solution for the all-pairs shortest path problem?

(i)  $d_{ij}^{(m)} = \min_{i \leq k \leq j} \{d_{ik}^{(m-1)}\} + a_{kj}$  for  $m = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

(ii)  $d_{ij}^{(m)} = \min\{d_{ij}^{(m-1)} + a_{ij}\}$  for  $m = 1, 2, \dots, n$

(iii)  $d_{ij}^{(m)} = \min_{i \leq j} \{d_{ik}^{(m-1)} + a_{kj}\}$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$

(iv)  $d_{ij}^{(m)} = \min_{1 \leq k \leq n} \{d_{ik}^{(m-1)} + a_{kj}\}$  for  $m = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

(j) PICK ONE

Consider a sequence of  $n$  operations performed on a data structure, where  $c_i$  and  $\hat{c}_i$  denote the actual and the amortized costs of operation  $i$ , respectively. Which ONE of the following inequalities is essential for amortized complexity analysis?

(i)  $c_i \leq \hat{c}_i$

(ii)  $c_i \geq \hat{c}_i$

(iii)  $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i$

(iv)  $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i$

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2. [10 points] SUPPORTING YOUR CLAIM

Pick any TWO of the statements in Question 1 (a)-(h) that you decided to be TRUE or FALSE. Give a complete proof of your decision.

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3. [20 points] AMORTIZED ANALYSIS

A sequence of  $n$  operations is performed on a data structure. The  $k$ th operation has a cost of  $k$  when  $k$  is an exact power of 4, and otherwise it has a cost of 1. Analyze the amortized cost per operation using any one of these methods: (a) aggregate, (b) accounting, (c) potential. Specify which method you choose.

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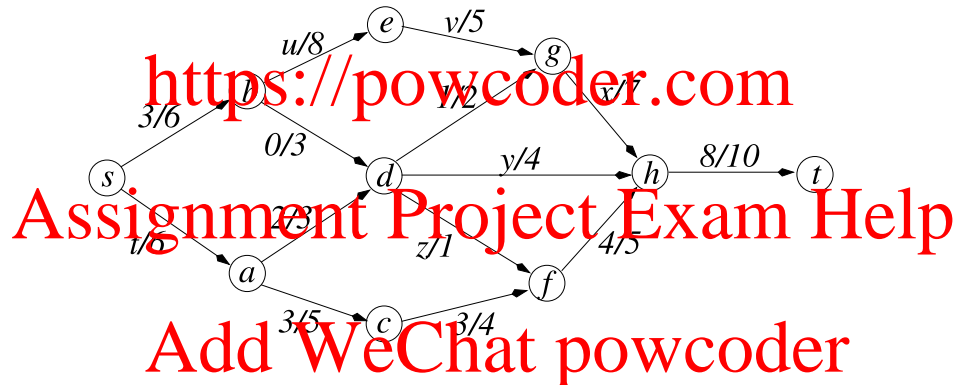
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4. [25 points] MAXIMUM FLOW

Figure shows a flow network on which an  $s - t$  flow has been assigned. The two numbers on each edge shows the flow and the capacity values, respectively.



- What are the values of  $t, u, v, x, y$ , and  $z$  that make the assigned flow feasible?
- What is the value of this flow? Is this a maximum  $s - t$  flow in this network?
- Draw the residual graph for this flow.
- Find a minimum  $s - t$  cut in this network. What is the capacity of this minimum cut?
- Starting with a **zero flow** consider a sequence of three augmentations: (i)  $\langle s, a, c, f, h, t \rangle$  with flow 4, (ii)  $\langle s, a, d, f, h, t \rangle$  with flow 1, and (iii)  $\langle s, b, d, h, t \rangle$  with flow 3. Give a fourth augmentation that can follow these. Is there a fifth possible?
- Start with a **zero flow** in this flow network, and illustrate that the number of augmentations performed by the Edmonds-Karp algorithm can be more than the number of augmentations performed by the Ford-Fulkerson algorithm. (Simply list two sequences of augmentations with their flow values, one for each algorithm.)

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5. [15 points] MST OF AN ALMOST TREE GRAPH

A graph  $G = (V, E)$  is called an *almost tree* if it is connected and has most  $n + c$  edges where  $n = |V|$  and  $c$  is small constant number. Design and analyze an algorithm for a given *almost tree* graph  $G$  with distinct costs on its edges, computes a minimum spanning tree of  $G$  in time  $O(n)$ .

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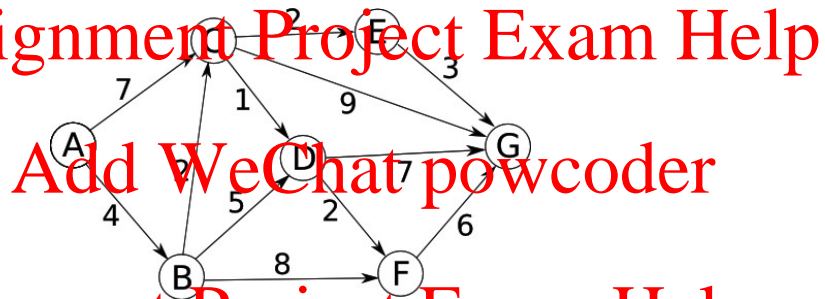
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6. [10 points] SHORTEST PATH ALGORITHM

For the directed weighted graph shown below, use Dijkstra's algorithm to compute the shortest paths from node A to all other nodes by filling in the table. At each step add a new vertex to M, the set of nodes whose shortest path length from A is correctly computed. The first two steps are already given.

$d(X)$ : the cost of the current shortest path estimate from A to node X.

$p(X)$ : the predecessor of node X along the current shortest path estimate from A.



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Step	M		A	B	C	D	E	F	G
0	-	d	0	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
		p	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	A	d	0	4	7	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
		p	-	A	A	-	-	-	-
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		p							
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- Trace back on array p to output the shortest path from A to G:

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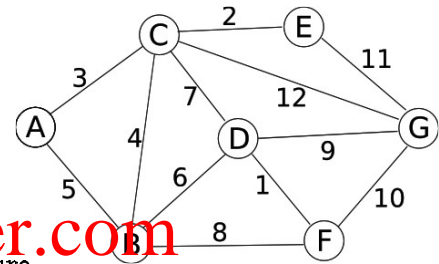
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7. [10 points] MINIMUM SPANNING TREES

Kruskal's algorithm for computing a Minimum Spanning Tree of an input graph  $G$  (as described in your textbook) considers the edges of  $G$  in non-decreasing order of weights and adds to a list of selected MST edges unless a cycle is formed by the selected edges, relying on the Union-Find data structure.



Union-Find maintains a collection of sets of vertices, those who are connected to each other with the selected MST edges. Union-Find is initially a collection of one vertex sets (see the first row of the table below).  $\text{find}(X)$  operation returns the ID of a set a vertex  $X$  belongs to.  $\text{union}(X,Y)$  operation merges two sets with a given member of each. Based on this description, complete the table below, showing iterations of Kruskal's algorithm on the given graph above (first step is already given).

Step	Edge Considered	Sets in Union-Find Data Structure	Union-Find Operations	Select as MST Edge?
1	(D, F)	{A}, {B}, {C}, {D}, {E}, {F}, {G}	$\text{find}(D) \neq \text{find}(F)$ $\text{union}(D, F)$	Yes
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