

## CS 180 Homework 2

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### 1. Exercise 3 Page 107

The following algorithm finds a topological order of  $G$  if  $G$  is a DAG or a cycle if  $G$  is not a DAG.

To compute a topological ordering of  $G$  (not necessarily a DAG):

Find a node  $v$  with no incoming edges and order it first

Delete  $v$  from  $G$

Recursively compute a topological ordering of  $G - \{v\}$  and append this order after  $v$

If there are no nodes with no incoming edges

Initialize a list of nodes

Pick the first element in the adj list for each node

If unique, add to list

If revisiting, return the set of nodes between the visits

Return the list of nodes

### 2. Exercise 4 on Page 107

Construct a graph showing the relationship of specimens. If  $(i, j)$  is marked as “different”, we say there is an edge between node  $i$  and node  $j$ . Observations marked as “same” or “ambiguous” do not need to be indicated on the graph. The following algorithm uses DFS to search for bipartiteness in  $G$ . Since  $G$  is not necessarily a connected graph (since “same” and “ambiguous” relations produce detached nodes), we must iterate over components of  $G$ .

For components  $C$  with more than 1 node in  $G$

Start at an arbitrary node

Add to set  $U$

Assign all neighboring nodes to set  $V$

Assign all of the neighbor’s neighbors to Set  $U$

Continue for all nodes in component  $C$

While assigning colors, if we find a neighbor which is in the same set as current vertex, then the observations do not line up.

The runtime of this algorithm is  $O(m + n)$ . Creating the graph  $G$  will take  $O(m)$  for  $m$  observations. Running BFS will take  $O(m + n)$ .

### 3. Exercise 9 on page 110

We use BFS to produce a spanning tree of  $G$  starting with the root node  $s$ . The spanning tree will have levels, which will represent the length of the shortest path from  $s$  to the nodes in that level of the spanning tree. We are given that the length of  $s - t$  is strictly greater than  $n/2$  so the node  $t$  must be past the level  $n/2 + 1$ . Now we look at the levels between  $s$  and  $t$ . The total number of nodes in levels 1 through  $n/2$  is at most  $n - 2$  (since nodes  $s$  and  $t$  don't appear in any of these levels). If each of these  $n/2$  levels has 2 or more nodes, then total number of nodes in  $G$  will exceed  $n$ . Therefore, there must be at least one level in the range 1 through  $n/2$  containing just one node, say  $v$ . If we remove the only node in that level,  $v$ , then we break the path from  $s$  to  $t$ .

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Construct a BFS spanning tree of G
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Construct a list of the nodes at each level of the tree
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For any level  $i$  where  $1 \leq i \leq n/2$  and there is only 1 node in level  $i$  (called  $v$ )
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return v
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### 4. Exercise 11 on page 111

We constructed a directed graph. For a triple  $(C_i, C_j, t_k)$ , we add nodes  $(C_i, t_k)$  and  $(C_j, t_k)$  with directed edges in both directions. Simultaneously, we maintain a list for  $C_i$  and  $C_j$ . If the nodes are not the first in the list, add a directed edge from the previous element in the list to the current node.

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Initialize G and an array of linked lists representing each computer
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Loop through all of the given triples
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  Add nodes  $(C_i, t_k)$  and  $(C_j, t_k)$  to G
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  Add dir edge from  $(C_i, t_k) \rightarrow (C_j, t_k)$  and  $(C_j, t_k) \rightarrow (C_i, t_k)$ 
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  If  $C_i$ 's list not empty
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    Add edge from last element in list  $(C_i, t_j)$  to  $(C_i, t_k)$ 
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  Add node  $(C_i, t_k)$  to  $C_i$ 's list
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  If  $C_j$ 's list not empty
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    Add edge from last element in list  $(C_j, t_j)$  to  $(C_j, t_k)$ 
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  Add node  $(C_j, t_k)$  to  $C_j$ 's list
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Start at  $C_a$ 's list. Go through the list until you find the last node  $(C_a, x')$  for  $x' \leq x$ . Now run BFS with  $(C_a, x')$  as the root node. If a node  $(C_b, y')$  for  $y' \leq y$  is part of the traversal, then we say that  $C_b$  could be infected by time  $y$ .

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Go through  $C_a$ 's linked list and find last node  $(C_a, x')$  for  $x' \leq x$ 
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Run BFS algorithm starting at  $(C_a, x')$

If  $(C_b, y')$  for  $y' \leq y$  is visited

$C_b$  can be infected by time  $y$

To analyze the output of the algorithm, let's split into the two possibilities that  $C_a$  was infected and the case that  $C_b$  was not infected.

If the virus could have been introduced to  $C_a$  at time  $x$  and could have infected  $C_b$  at time  $y$ , then we expect our algorithm to indicate that. For this to happen,  $C_a$  and  $C_b$  have to be connected after time  $x$ . If  $C_a$  and  $C_b$  are connected, then there must be a path from  $C_a$  to  $C_b$  since the algorithm builds the graph as so. The connection must also happen after the time  $x$  of infection, which the algorithm enforces by starting at nodes of  $C_a$  after time  $x$ .

Now consider the situation where a virus introduced to  $C_a$  at time  $x$  cannot infect  $C_b$  at time  $y$ . This can happen with  $C_a$  and  $C_b$  being connected but before time  $x$ . In this case, our algorithm would give the correct output since it starts looking through  $C_a$ 's list only for  $x' \leq x$ . If  $C_a$  and  $C_b$  are not connected in the first place, then there will be no path from  $C_a$  to  $C_b$  in the graph list, so our algorithm would give the correct output.

Consider the runtime of the algorithm. There are  $m$  triples, so it will take  $O(m)$  to steps to traverse all of them. Looking through each triple runs in constant time, so we can build the graph in  $O(m)$ . Running DFS is linear with the size of the graph, so that takes  $O(m)$ , giving a total runtime of  $O(m)$ .

## 5. Exercise 12 on page 112

We construct a directed graph using the relations. For each  $P_i$  add nodes birth and death,  $b_i$  and  $d_i$ . Since every person was born and died at some point, we add the edge  $(b_i, d_i)$ . For all relations where we know  $P_i$  died before  $P_j$ , we can construct a directed edge from  $(d_i, b_j)$ . For relations where we know the  $P_i$  overlapped with  $P_j$ , we add edges  $(b_i, d_j)$  and  $(b_j, d_i)$ . The algorithm looks like the following:

Loop through all the relations

For  $P_i$  and  $P_j$  in the relations

Add 2 nodes:  $b_i$  and  $d_i$

Add dir edge from  $b_i$  to  $d_i$

If the relation is  $P_i$  died before  $P_j$

Add dir edge from  $d_i$  to  $b_j$

If the relation is  $P_i$  overlapped with  $P_j$

Add dir edge from  $b_i$  to  $d_j$

Add dir edge from  $b_j$  to  $d_i$

Now we run a topological sort algorithm on the directed graph. If the DG is a DAG, then we call the relations consistent, and the topological sort is our ordering of the people's lives. If the DG has a

cycle, then the topological sort algorithm will fail, and our inputs were inconsistent. The algorithm for the topological sort looks like this:

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Find a node v with no incoming edges and order it first
    Delete v from G
    Recursively compute a topological ordering of G-{v} and append this order
    after v
If there are no nodes with no incoming edges
    G has a cycle and therefore finding are inconsistent
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6. An array of  $n$  elements contains all but one of the integers from 1 to  $n+1$ .

(a) Give the best algorithm you can for determining which number is missing if the array is sorted, and analyze its asymptotic worst-case running time.

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Create two pointers: one for start and one for end
While the end is greater than the start
    Middle is (start+end)/2
    If the difference between the middle element and the start index is 1
        Set end to middle
    If the difference between the middle element and the start index is 2
        Set start to middle
Return one more than the middle element
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This algorithm will run in  $O(\log n)$  time. This is because for each iteration of the while loop, we are halving the domain. In the worst case, the missing number is at the start or the end, which would require  $\log n$  comparisons.

(b) Give the best algorithm you can for determining which number is missing if the array is not sorted, and analyze its asymptotic worst-case running time.

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Calculate the total sum of all numbers from 1 to n+1 which is (n+1)*(n+2)/2
For all n numbers in the array
    Subtract the number from sum
Return sum
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This algorithm will run in  $O(n)$  time. This is because we need to consider all the elements in the array at least once. This algorithm does not have a worst-case and will take  $n$  steps every time.