

**COMS 311: Homework 5**  
**Due: April 26<sup>th</sup>, 11:59pm**  
**Total Points: 30**

**Late submission policy.** Any assignment submission that is late by not more than two business days from the deadline will be accepted with 20% penalty for each business day. That is, if a homework is due on Friday at 11:59 PM, then a Monday submission gets 20% penalty and a Tuesday submission gets another 20% penalty. After Tuesday no late submissions are accepted.

**Submission format.** Homework solutions will have to be typed. You can use word, LaTeX, or any other type-setting tool to type your solution. Your submission file should be in pdf format. Do **NOT** submit a photocopy of handwritten homework except for diagrams that can be hand-drawn and scanned. We reserve the right **NOT** to grade homework that does not follow the formatting requirements. Name your submission file: `<Your-net-id>-311-hw5.pdf`. For instance, if your netid is `asterix`, then your submission file will be named `asterix-311-hw5.pdf`. Each student must hand in their own assignment. If you discussed the homework or solutions with others, a list of collaborators must be included with each submission. Each of the collaborators has to write the solutions in their own words (copies are not allowed).

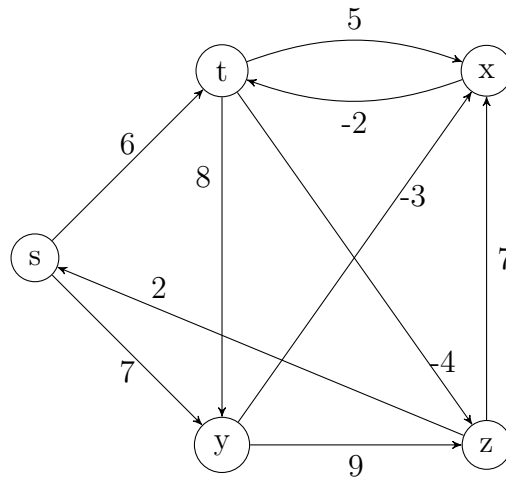
### General Requirements

- When proofs are required, do your best to make them both clear and rigorous. Even when proofs are not required, you should justify your answers and explain your work.
- When asked to present a construction, you should show the correctness of the construction.

### Some Useful (in)equalities

- $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$
- $\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$
- $2^{\log_2 n} = n$ ,  $a^{\log_b n} = n^{\log_b a}$ ,  $n^{n/2} \leq n! \leq n^n$ ,  $\log x^a = a \log x$
- $\log(a \times b) = \log a + \log b$ ,  $\log(a/b) = \log a - \log b$
- $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$
- $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} = 2(1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}})$
- $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$

1. (10 pts) Consider the following directed graph.



Apply Bellman-Ford algorithm to find the shortest distances to all vertices from the source  $s$ . Your solution must present the dictionary entries for each vertex for each iteration (as discussed in class lecture).

iteration	s	t	x	y	z
setup	0	inf	inf	inf	inf
1	0	6	inf	7	inf
2	0	6	4	7	2
3	0	2	4	7	2
4	0	2	4	7	-2

2. Given two strings, write an algorithm for finding the longest common subsequence. A subsequence of a string is a sequence of characters which conforms to the relative ordering of the characters in the string. The characters do not necessarily appear contiguously in the string.

Example: GHTCCHT and CHTGCH. The longest common subsequence is HTCH.

Design an algorithm using a Dynamic Programming strategy which consists of the following:

- (a) (**7 pts**) Formalize a recursive definition for the solution.

The problem can be broken up into sub problems comparing one character at a time. Given Strings A, B, if  $A[i] == B[j]$  for some  $i, j$ , then  $A[i]$  will be part of the subsequence.  $i$  and  $j$  will be used to iterate through the string.

This recursive definition would look something like (code snippet):

```
int i, j = 0
while (i < len(A), j < len(B)):
    if(A[i] == B[j]):
        return A[i] + LCS(A, B, i, j)
    else:
        return max {LCS(A, B, i + 1, j), LCS(A, B, i, j + 1)}
```

In this recursive definition, we are checking to see if the characters are the same at indexes  $i, j$ . If they are equal, they are part of the subsequence. If they are not, we must increment either  $i$  or  $j$ , so we will keep the better outcome of the two.

- (b) (**10 pts**) Write pseudocode for an iterative dynamic programming algorithm with a dictionary to implement the solution.

```
LCS(String A, String B, int m, int n):
    if (len(A) == 0 OR len(B) == 0):
        return 0 // null input check

    int[] [] dict = new int[m + 1][n + 1]
    for (i = 0 : m + 1):
        for (j = 0 : n + 1):
            if(A[i] == A[j]):
                dict[i][j] = dict[i + 1][j + 1] + 1
            else:
                dict[i][j] = max{ dict[i + 1][j], dict[i][j + 1]}

    return dict
```

- (c) (**3 pts**) Analyze the runtime of your algorithm.

This algorithm uses nested for loops of size  $m$  and  $n$ , meaning this runtime will be  $O(m \cdot n)$ , where  $m$  and  $n$  are  $|A|$  and  $|B|$  respectively, so this algorithm will finish in  $O(|A| \cdot |B|)$  time, where  $A$  and  $B$  are the input strings.