

# Homework 7

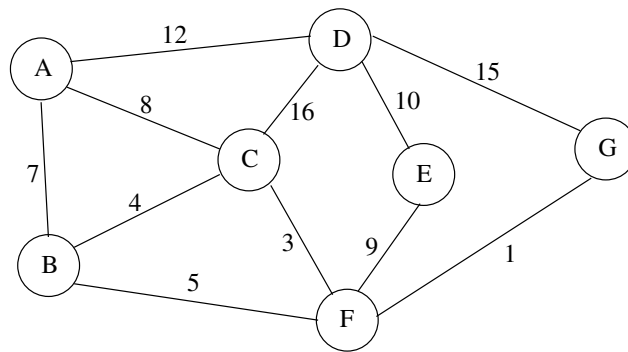
CS6033 Design and Analysis of Algorithms I  
Fall 2024  
(Sec. B, Prof. Yi-Jen Chiang)

**Due: Wed. 12/11 by 1pm**  
**(submit online on NYU Brightspace; one submission per group)**  
**Maximum Score: 113 points**

*Note: This assignment has 3 pages.*

## 1. (10 points)

Consider the undirected connected weighted graph below:



(a) What are the FIRST FIVE (5) edges added to the minimum spanning tree by the Kruskal's algorithm, in the order they are added? Name an edge by its endpoints, e.g.,  $AB$ . **(5 points)**

(b) What are the FIRST FIVE (5) edges added to the minimum spanning tree by Prim's algorithm, started at vertex  $D$ , in the order they are added? **(5 points)**

## 2. (10 points)

What is an optimal Huffman code for the following set of symbols and their corresponding frequencies?

a:10, b:7, c:22, d:46, e:32, f:38.

Show the tree after each iteration, and give the final Huffman code for each symbol. Use the convention that the frequency of the left child is **no larger than** the frequency of the right child.

## 3. (40 points)

This question considers the knapsack problem discussed in the Textbook Section 15.2.

(Recall that there are  $n$  items; each item  $i$  has value  $v_i$  and weight  $w_i$ . The total weight of the items that are put into the knapsack cannot exceed the knapsack capacity  $W$ . Also, each  $w_i$ , as well as  $W$ , is a **positive integer**.)

(a) Prove that the fractional knapsack problem has the greedy-choice property (where the greedy choice is as discussed in Section 15.2). (10 points)

(b) Now we consider the following two versions of the **integral** knapsack problem:

**Version 1: Integral knapsack with repetition:**

There are unlimited quantities of each item available. Each item  $i$  can be taken **multiple** times (including 0 time), but it **cannot be taken partially**.

**Version 2: Decision problem of integral knapsack with no repetition:**

Same as **Version 1**, except that no repetitions are allowed, i.e., each item  $i$  can be taken **at most once**. Moreover, we only want to know whether there is a subset of the  $n$  items that can fully fill up the knapsack, i.e., whose total weight is **exactly**  $W$ .

(Note: This is a **decision problem** — the task is to report either **yes** together with the desired subset of items, or **no**.)

(1) Give a dynamic programming algorithm to solve **Version 1** in  $O(nW)$  worst-case time. (12 points)

(2) Give a dynamic programming algorithm to solve **Version 2** in  $O(nW)$  worst-case time. (18 points)

**4. (15 points)**

In the **art gallery guarding** problem, we are given a line  $L$  that represents a long hallway in an art gallery. We are also given a set  $X = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}\}$  of real numbers that specify the positions of  $n$  paintings in this hallway. Suppose that a single guard can protect all the paintings within distance at most  $d$  ( $d > 0$ ) **of their position on both sides**. Design and analyze a greedy algorithm to find a placement of guards that uses the minimum number of guards to protect all the paintings at positions in  $X$ . You need to prove the correctness of your algorithm by proving the greedy-choice property and optimal substructure.

**5. (20 points)**

Given a connected, undirected, weighted graph  $G = (V, E)$  where each edge  $e$  has a positive weight  $w(e)$ , a **bottleneck spanning tree**  $T$  is a spanning tree of  $G$  **whose largest edge weight is minimum over all spanning trees of  $G$** , i.e., for each spanning tree of  $G$  look at its largest edge weight, and  $T$  is the one whose largest edge weight is the smallest among all spanning trees of  $G$ . Prove that a minimum spanning tree of  $G$  is a bottleneck spanning tree of  $G$ .

(Hint: Prove by contradiction using a “swapping” argument, by applying the idea of cut edges (i.e., edges across a cut). Such a “swapping” argument can also be found in the proof of Theorem 21.1 in the Textbook.)

**6. (18 points)**

Given a directed acyclic graph (DAG)  $G = (V, E)$  where each edge  $e$  has a weight  $w(e)$  ( $w(e)$  can be  $> 0$  or  $< 0$ ), a vertex  $s \in V$  and an integer  $k \in (1, V - 1)$ , design and analyze a dynamic

programming algorithm to compute the lengths of the **longest paths** from  $s$  to all other vertices, where each longest path uses **at least  $k$  edges** (if a vertex  $v$  cannot be reached from  $s$  at all or can only be reached from  $s$  with fewer than  $k$  edges, then report “No Such Path” for  $v$  instead of a path length).

Define your cost function  $d()$  for each vertex  $v$ , derive a recursive solution for  $d()$ , and explain how to compute  $d()$  for all vertices  $v$ . Be careful to explain in what order the computation takes place, and analyze the running time. Your algorithm should run in  $O(V(V + E))$  worst-case time.