

Problem 1 —

Consider the following sets of TV shows for networks A, and B, respectively.

$$S: [A_1, A_2] \quad T: [B_1, B_2]$$

For the case of 2 tv shows as represented in S and T, there are two slots that can be filled by these tv shows.

Let's take the following set of schedules and ratings for the 2 time slots:

$$\text{Slot 1} - A_1: 4 \quad B_1: 3 \quad \text{where } A_1 > B_1 > A_2 > B_2 \text{ in terms of the shows ratings.}$$

$$\text{Slot 2} - A_2: 2 \quad B_2: 1$$

The pair of schedules (S,T) yields a schedule of A, followed by A₂ because A₁' rating was greater than B₁'s rating in slot 1, and A₂'s rating was greater than B₂'s slot in slot 2.

This is not a stable schedule, however, as there is a schedule, ~~where~~ ^{call it} T', that yields more time slots for network B. That is, T': [B₂, B₁] s.t.

$$\text{Slot 1} - A_1: 4 \quad B_2: 1 \Rightarrow A_1 \text{ wins because } A_1 > B_2$$

$$\text{Slot 2} - A_2: 2 \quad B_1: 3 \Rightarrow B_1 \text{ wins because } B_1 > A_2$$

In schedule (S,T') we notice that B has won one more game than schedule (S,T). Therefore this set of shows and associated ratings have no stable pairings because B can always change its schedule to win more shows, and for a pairing to be stable, both A and B should be unable to unilaterally change its schedule to win more spots.

~~This is not a stable pairing~~

∴ By work of ^{a counter-example} ~~construction~~, we've demonstrated that there is not always a stable pairing ^{for} every set of shows and associated ratings.

Problem 2 —

a) Yes, there always exists a perfect match with no strong stability.

Algo

Initially all $m \in M$ and $w \in W$ are free
 between w and w' ...
 order each $m \in M$ and $w \in W$ s.t. if m is indifferent ^{between w and w'} , then choose w , and
 vice versa. (Ranks ordered list as first available element)

every woman for which $(m, w) \notin F$

choose such man m s.t. m is not matched to any woman w s.t. $(m, w) \in F$

let w be highest ranked woman in m 's pref list that is not already matched

if w free

(m, w) matched

else w engaged to m'

if w prefers m' to m

still free

m free

else w prefers m to m'

(m, w) matched

m' free

and if

endif

endwhile

Proof $m, m' \in M$ and $w, w' \in W$ and are free

consider 2 arbitrary elements in W . By way of contradiction, we know that (m, w')

could not have been a pair. The ordering on line 2 of the algorithm determines that

$w > w'$ in preference list. That means for the following 2 cases:

m proposed to w'

1) if w is preferred, that means $w' > w$ which is a contradiction and

2) if w was preferred by w'' , a third woman $\in W$

2) if w had to prefer a third $m'' \in M$, then $m'' > m$ it's clear that

$m' > m''$ because m' would have proposed to w' , which by transitivity

means $m' > m$, which is also a contradiction.

Hence, the solution has no strong stabilities with the issue of indifference as

long as those indifference are given an arbitrary ordering, like that of

choosing $w > w' > w''$... and same for m .

b) Suppose that both m and m' are indifferent to w , and w' , but w prefers

$m > m'$ and so does w' .

In this case, we have 2 perfect matchings where:

~~(m, w) and (m', w')~~

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Both of these matchings are unstable because w prefers m to m' and

m is indifferent in both cases, hence both are weak instabilities. Therefore all

perfect matchings are weak instabilities, meaning there does not always exist

a perfect matching w/o weak instabilities.

Problem 3 —

- Let I be the set of all inputs, and O the set of all outputs, with an arbitrary pattern in which the input wires and output wires meet.
- order all preference lists of $i \in I$ such that each input wire i prefer output wires in the order that the stream meets each output wire from source to terminals
- order all preference lists of $o \in O$ s.t. each output wire o prefer input lines in the order of ~~downstream~~ ^{downstream} junctions to ~~upstream~~ ^{upstream} junctions, without any ties.
- all $i \in I$ and $o \in O$ are ~~free~~ ^{unswitched} and haven't proposed switching to each $o \in O$
- while input wire i is unswitched
 - choose input wire i
 - let o be output wire with highest preference for i to which i hasn't already matched
 - if o free
 - (i, o) is new switched ordering
 - else o matched with i'
 - if o prefers i over i'
 - i remains unswitched
 - else o prefers i' over i
 - (i, o) switched
 - i' free
 - endit
- endwhile

By way of contradiction, suppose that there exists two stable matchings (i, o) and (i', o') that meet at some junction. This junction could either be on line i or o for (i, o) and on line i' or o' for (i', o') .

This would imply that the junction is not on both i and i' , and similarly, not on o and o' , because that is contrary to the problem statement on the definition of a junction.

This would mean that the junction is either on the stream where i' hits o (i', o) or the stream where i hits o' (i, o').

These are contradictions:

~~if (i, o) hits junction, then matching (i', o) indicates that i' prefers $o > o'$ when it should prefer $o' > o$ because the junction is upstream to the junction (i, o)~~

~~if (i', o') hits junction, then matching (i, o) indicates that o prefers~~

1. $J(i, o')$

2. $J(i', o)$

• (i, o) passes J

• (i', o') passes J

• J upstream to junction $(i, o) \Rightarrow i$ is in J upstream to junction $(i', o') \Rightarrow$ prefers $o' > o$

• (i', o') passes J , J is downstream to (i, o) when (i', o') passes J
 $(i', o') \Rightarrow o' \text{ prefers } i > i' \Rightarrow o \text{ prefers } i' > i$

Since o' prefers i , this is instability
because Since o prefers i' , this is an instability

This means that after switching, there cannot be a case where two pairs meet at the same junction. Therefore, by proof of contradiction, there can only exist stable pairings.

Problem 4.

First let's find the number of total operations the computer can perform in an hour.

$$10^{10} \text{ per second} = \frac{10^{10}}{1s} \cdot \frac{60s}{1min} \cdot \frac{60min}{1hr} = \frac{3.6 \cdot 10^{13}}{hr}$$

I assume that n must be a whole number.

a) The input size upper bound is that when $n^2 = \text{input size} = \text{num of total operations done in an hour}$

Thus,

$$n^2 = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13} \Rightarrow n = \sqrt{3.6 \cdot 10^{13}}$$

$$\text{input size} = 6 \cdot 10^6$$

b)

$$n^3 = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13} \Rightarrow n = \sqrt[3]{3.6 \cdot 10^{13}}$$

$$\text{input size} = 33019$$

c)

$$100n^2 = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13} \Rightarrow n^2 = \sqrt{3.6 \cdot 10^{11}}$$

$$\text{input size} = 6 \cdot 10^5$$

d)

$$n \log n = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13} \Rightarrow \log n = \frac{3.6 \cdot 10^{13}}{n}$$

$$n^2 = 10^{3.6 \cdot 10^{13}}$$



$$n \log(n) = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13}$$

this question is unsolvable with

any methods I've learned from earlier

courses. So, using wolfram alpha I found that

$$\text{input size} = 1.29 \cdot 10^{12}$$

$$n \ln(n) = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13}$$

$$\ln(n^2) = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13}$$

$$2 \ln(n) = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13}$$

$$n = \sqrt{e^{3.6 \cdot 10^{13}}}$$

$$\text{input size} =$$

$$e) \quad 2^n = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13} \Rightarrow \ln(2^n) = \ln(3.6 \cdot 10^{13})$$

~~$$\ln(2^n) = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13}$$~~

$$n \ln(2) = \ln(3.6 \cdot 10^{13})$$

~~$$n = \frac{3.6 \cdot 10^{13}}{\ln(2)}$$~~

$$n = \frac{\ln(3.6 \cdot 10^{13})}{\ln(2)}$$

~~$$n = 5 \cdot 10^{13}$$~~

$$\boxed{\text{input size} = 45}$$

$$f) \quad 2^{2^n} = 3.6 \cdot 10^{13} \Rightarrow \ln(2^{2^n}) = \ln(3.6 \cdot 10^{13})$$

$$2^n \ln(2) = \ln(3.6 \cdot 10^{13})$$

$$\ln(2^{2^n}) = \ln\left(\frac{\ln(3.6 \cdot 10^{13})}{\ln(2)}\right)$$

$$n = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{\ln(3.6 \cdot 10^{13})}{\ln(2)}\right)}{\ln(2)}$$

from e) ≈ 45

$$n = 5 \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{input size} = 5}$$

Problem 5 —

$$\text{Let } P(n) = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = 1 + 2 + \dots + n$$

1. Base case.

$$\text{For } n=1, \quad P(1) = 1 = \frac{1(1+1)}{2}$$

$$1 = \frac{2}{2}$$

$$1 = 1 \Rightarrow \text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

Therefore $P(n)$ is true for the base case $n=1$.

2. Induction.

Assume for induction that for some arbitrary number k , $n=k$ s.t.

$$P(n) = P(k) = 1 + 2 + \dots + k = \frac{k(k+1)}{2}$$

is true.

We must prove $n=k+1$. We notice

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k+1) &= \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + (k+1) \\ &= \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + \frac{2(k+1)}{2} \\ &= \frac{k^2 + k + 2k + 2}{2} \\ &= \frac{k^2 + 3k + 2}{2} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

We see that adding a term $k+1$ gives us $\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$, which is what we get

if we plug $n=k+1$ into $P(n)$. Therefore, by induction, this remains true for $n=k$.

$$\therefore 1 + 2 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Problem 6 —

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$\text{Let } P(n) = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

Base case.

For $n=1$,

$$\begin{aligned} 1^2 &= P(1) \\ &= \frac{1(1+1)(1+2+1)}{6} \\ &= \frac{6}{6} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(n)$ is true for base case $n=1$.

Induction step.

Assume for an arbitrary ~~number~~ ^{number} k that $P(k)$ is true for $P(k)$ s.t.

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + k^2 = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6}$$

Then for some $n=k+1$, $P(k+1)$ must also be true. We notice

$$\begin{aligned} 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + k^2 + (k+1)^2 &= \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6} + (k+1)^2 \\ &= (k+1) \left[\frac{k(2k+1)}{6} + k+1 \right] \\ &= (k+1) \left[\frac{2k^2 + k}{6} + \frac{6(k+1)}{6} \right] \\ &= (k+1) \left[\frac{2k^2 + k + 6k + 6}{6} \right] \\ &= (k+1) \left[\frac{(k+2)(2k+3)}{6} \right] \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2k+3)}{6} \end{aligned}$$

We notice that $P(k+1) = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2k+3)}{6} =$

\therefore By induction, $P(k+1)$ remains true. Hence, $1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$

Problem 7

Given 2 eggs, we can use the eggs to calculate the number of tries it would take to guess what floor it'll break at.

First, let's take the case of 1 egg. The only way to use 1 egg to find the num of floors it'll take to break is by starting from the bottom one floor at a time. This means that our second egg will have to use this method to determine the floor the egg will break at. That means the first egg will have to be strategically dropped in order to maximize the risk of where to the egg.

We could set a fixed number of increments to drop the egg from: i.e.

if 200 eggs \rightarrow

200
:
20
10 } 10 floors

and then once the egg drops it has to be one of the 10 floors from the floor dropped at and under.

The question now remains how to maximize the above algorithm, as it's worst case for 200 steps is $(200)/10 + 9 = 29$ tries, or to generalize, if f is the number of floors and n is the number of eggs then

we can notice that if ~~we~~ we had 10 floors

10
9
8
7
6
5
4
3
2
1 } 1 egg

Worst num of tries 3 tries or if we had used a fixed number like 5 or 2, we'd get 4 tries and 5 tries respectively.

This shows that we have the decrement the search range by -1 for every ~~the~~ increment of floors the worse eggs.

This means that for m ~~tries~~ increments, we decrement -1 $\Rightarrow m + (m-1) + (m-2) + \dots + 1 = \text{worst}$

As shown in problem 5,

$$m + (m-1) + (m-2) + \dots + 1 \Rightarrow 1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + m^2 = \frac{m(m+1)}{2} \geq \text{floors}$$

Hence, the ^{worst} ~~best~~ number of tries will be $\frac{m(m+1)}{2} \geq n$

For 200 tries,

$$\frac{m(m+1)}{2} \geq 200 \Rightarrow \frac{m^2 + m - 400}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(1)(-400)}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow m \approx 19.5 \Rightarrow m = 20 \text{ floors}$$

With this algorithm:

- let n be the number of floors
- drop egg 1 in m increments where $m \geq \frac{m(m+1)}{2}$
- ~~drop egg 1~~ ^{while} egg 1 doesn't break
- move egg up $m-1$ floors
- ~~if egg 1 does break~~
- while egg 2 has not broken
 - move egg 2 up 1 floor ~~iteration~~
 - if egg 2 does not break
 - continue
- else, the
- solution is num floors, exit

Therefore, with 200 tries, the worst case is 20 floors and for n floors,

the worse case is $\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(1)(n)}}{2}$