

1. (2 points) Notes of discussion

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True or False: I have read and understood the notes. ☒ True ☐ False

2. (8 points) True or False

Determine whether the following statements are true or false.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
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(a) (2') A DAG has a unique topological sorting if it has only one source.

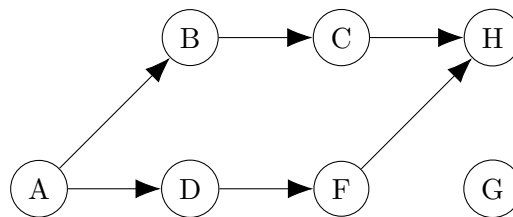
(b) (2') Topological sort can be modified to detect whether a directed graph has a cycle in $O(|V|+|E|)$ time.

(c) (2') A directed graph with n vertices and $n - 1$ edges must have a topological sorting.

(d) (2') Greedy algorithms select the locally optimal choice at each step, hoping that these local choices will lead to a global optimum.

3. (5 points) Topological sort counting

Consider the graph below.



(a) (5') How many topological sort results are there for the graph (show your calculate process)?

Solution: $\frac{4!}{2! \times 2!} \times 7 = 42$.

Consider the left side's sub-graph and G separately. $\frac{4!}{2! \times 2!}$ is the number of all permutations of $\{B, C, D, F\}$, 7 is the number of choices where G can be placed.

4. (10 points) Coin changing

Recall the greedy algorithm we use solving the coin changing problem. Suppose we need to make change for n , and the available coins are in the denominations that are powers of c , i.e., the denominations are c^0, c^1, \dots, c^k for some integers $c > 1$ and $k \geq 1$. Show that the greedy algorithm always yields an optimal solution.

Solution: The greedy algorithm always uses one coin of the largest denomination such that $c^t \leq n$ first, and then solve the sub-problem to make change for $n - c^t$. Then we will show that the optimal solution always uses one coin c^t .

Denote x_i as the number of coins c^i used in the optimal solution, then $n = \sum_{i=0}^t x_i c^i$, and we will prove that $x_t > 0$.

Note that $\forall i \in [0, t-1], x_i \leq c-1$ in the optimal solution, because if at least c coins of c^i are used, then we can replace them with one c^{i+1} coin to get a better solution. Then

$$\begin{aligned} x_t c^t &= n - \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} x_i c^i \\ &\geq n - (c-1) \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} c^i \\ &= n - (c-1) \frac{c^t - 1}{c - 1} \\ &= n - c^t + 1 \\ x_t c^t + c^t &\geq n + 1 \\ x_t + 1 &\geq \frac{n+1}{c^t} > \frac{n}{c^t} \geq 1 \\ x_t &> 0 \end{aligned}$$