

# **CSCI-570: Homework # 3**

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**HW3****(2)**

A) The intersections can be viewed as the nodes of a directed graph. An intersection  $I_i$  can be reached from  $I_j$  given that there is an edge incident from  $I_j$  to  $I_i$  that is  $(I_j, I_i) \in E$  where  $E =$  set of edges of Graph  $G(V, E)$

If such a directed graph allows to reach from any point to any other point, it needs to be strongly connected implying there is a path from  $I_i$  to  $I_j$  and from  $I_j$  to  $I_i$ . Checking if a path from  $I_j$  exists to  $I_i$  will involve reversing the edge directions in the directed graph and checking if  $I_i$  can be reached from  $I_j$ . So if the mayor is right, it should be possible to traverse from  $I_j$  to  $I_i$  with the edges inverted.

Such a strongly connected directed graph can be traversed in linear time using DFS with a run time of  $O(n+m)$

B) Since the mayor's original claim is false  $\implies G$  is not strongly connected. However the focus shifts to the town hall being "strongly connected" with the rest of the nodes. In order for this to happen the node for town hall say T must be a sink of a strongly connected component. The approach would involve determining all such components containing T such that they are strongly connected. Next run a DFS in  $O(n+m)$  to determine all nodes reachable from T if all these nodes belong to same strongly connected component, it should be possible to travel from T to these and back.

**(3: Ch#3 Ex#3)**

For outputting a cycle G(if any) in G, we perform a BFS and keep track of nodes visited in an array. Initially  $visited[i] = 0 \forall i \in V$  and change the status of this array as we traverse the nodes checking *if visited* $[i] = 1$ ; *then cycle exists* else we follow the following algorithm for creating a topological ordering.

BFS traversal takes  $O(n+m)$  and so does topological ordering

**(4)**

Distance between neighboring gas stations is  $p$  miles. Let's stop at stations  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$ . To minimise the number of stops, we need to stop only if the distance to the next station(s) is larger than what can be covered with the petrol in the car at present. Hence we should avoid stopping at  $I_i$  if distance to be travelled till  $I_{i+1}, I_{i+2} \dots$  is less than  $p$ .

Consider  $\{s'_1, s'_2, s'_3, \dots, s'_k\}$  to be some other optimal solution. If  $s_1$  comes before  $s'_1$  that means greedy worked at step 1. If it does not then  $s'_1$  can be avoided and replaced with  $s_1$ . Now since  $s_1$  and  $s'_1$  both were first steps they are each at least as far from starting point as the other, so this is an allowed solution. Now travelling from  $s_1$  to last point and  $s'_1$  to last point can be greedily solved and thus this would be an inductive process. Thus  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$  is an optimal solution.

The running time is  $O(n)$  as we search for all vertices till the distance does not exceed  $p$  and as such there can be at worst  $n - 1$  stations coming up.

**(5: Ch#4 Ex#3)**

Consider that the greedy algorithm in use makes use of  $k$  trucks loading boxes  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_i$  and the optimal algorithm uses  $k$  trucks to load  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_j$ . If the greedy algorithm stays ahead it should ensure  $i \geq j$ . Consider  $k = 1$ , then the greedy algorithm fits as many boxes as the optimal solution. Then consider the case that it holds true for  $k = r-1$ , so the greedy algorithm fits  $i'$  and the optimal algorithm fits  $j'$  such that  $i' \geq j'$ . Then for the  $k = r$  truck, greedy algorithm can pack  $b_{i'+1}, b_{i'+2}, \dots, b_i$  and the other algo packs  $b_{j'+1}, b_{j'+2}, \dots, b_j$  but  $i' > j'$  and  $i > j$  so essentially greedy algo is able to pack all boxes from  $b_{i'+1}, \dots, b_j$  and the other algo packs  $b_{j'+1}, \dots, b_j$  but greedy can pack more since it covers box till  $b_j$  as ( $i > j$ ) but can go upto  $i$ .

**(6)**

Given two sets A and B, each containing  $n$  positive integers. Perform reordering maximising  $\prod_{i=1}^n a_i^{b_i}$ . There are 4 ways to proceed.

1. Larger values of  $a$  raised to larger values of  $b$
2. Smaller values of  $a$  raised to larger values of  $b$
3. Larger values of  $a$  raised to smaller values of  $b$
4. Smaller values of  $a$  raised to smaller values of  $b$

It is easy to rule out Case 4, since it would be the smallest possible product. The case maximising the payoff is Case 1 since the product is maximised when the individual terms are maximised which is possible if the largest number has the largest exponent. So  $a_1 > a_2$  and  $b_1 > b_2$  then we consider  $P = a_1^{b_1} * a_2^{b_2}$

Consider an alternate optimal arrangement where  $a_1$  is paired with  $b_2 \neq b_1$ . Then  $P' = a_1^{b_2} * a_2^{b_1}$ . Then  $\frac{P'}{P} = \left(\frac{a_1}{a_2}\right)^{-b_1+b_2} < 1$ . This can be extended to be true for  $n$  term product and hence greedy algorithm yields optimal solution.

The sorting is possible in  $O(n \log n)$  and assuming multiplication and exponentiation to be elementary operations, the complexity would be  $O(n \log n)$ .

**(7: Ch#4 Ex#4)**

Given two sequences  $S'$  of size  $m$  and  $S$  of size  $n$ , to determine if  $S' \subset S$ .

$S'$  can be visualised as a DAG or more specifically as a topological ordering. Also treat  $S$  as a DAG. We keep two pointers, one for  $S'$  and one for  $S$  and perform a DFS on  $S$  till we hit an element from  $S'$  starting with  $S'[0]$ , once  $S'[0]$  is found in  $S$  we start a DFS again after deleting all preceding elements of  $S$  now continuing till we find  $S'[1]$  and deleting the intermediate hits if any.

**(8)**

Choose the largest denomination of (25,10,1) such that  $(n - \text{max\_denomination})$  is positive and then keep doing this until  $n = 0$ . This is also equivalent to adding  $n/\text{max\_denomination}$  as the coin count and the new amount being  $n \bmod \text{max\_denomination}$ .

Let the first choice of greedy be  $n_1$  value of coins of denomination  $d_1$ . If a set  $G$  represents this greedy solution for  $n$  coins then  $G - \{d_1\}$  is a greedy solution for  $n - n_1$ . Let another optimal solution for this be  $O$ , then  $O \cup \{d_1\}$  should contain fewer coins than  $G$ , that would mean a total of  $n$  is possible in fewer than  $d_1$  (max possible) value coins which is a contradiction. Hence  $G$  is the optimal solution  $O$ .

**Part b)** Consider  $n = 6$  and denominations = 1,3,4. Then greedy gives : 1, 1, 4 while the optimal is 3, 3.