## Reference Sheet

## $\overline{BFS(s)}$



- 2: Mark s discovered
- 3: queue  $\leftarrow \{s\}$
- 4: while queue not empty do
- 5:  $u \leftarrow removeFront(queue)$
- 6: for all edge  $(u, x)$  do
- 7: **if**  $x$  is "undiscovered" then
- 8: Mark x "discovered"
- 9: Append x on queue
- 10: end if
- 11: end for
- 12: Mark u "fully explored"

### 13: end while

### $TopologicalOrder(G)$



# $\overline{\mathrm{DFS}(v)}$ :

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1: v \, df \, s \# = \text{dfscounter++}2: for all edge (v, x) do
3: if x.dfs\# = -1 then
4: DFS(x)5: else
6: (code for back edges, etc.)
7: end if
8: Mark v "completed"
9: end for
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Shortest Weighted  $Path(G, s, l)$ 

- 1: Let S be the set of explored nodes
- 2:  $S = \{s\}$  and  $d(s) = 0$
- 3: while  $S \neq V$  do

4: Select a node  $v \notin S$  with at least one edge from S for which

$$
d'(v) = min_{e=(u,v):u \in S} d(u) + l_e
$$

is as small as possible.

5: Add v to S and define  $d(v) = d'(v)$ 

6: end while

Min Spanning  $Tree(G, l)$  (Prim's Algorithm)

1: Arbitrarily choose some starting node  $x$ .

2: Let  $V_{new} = \{x\}, E_{tree} = \{\}.$ 

- 3: while  $\textbf{do}V_{new} \neq V$
- 4: Choose edge  $e = (u, v)$  with minimal weight such that  $u \in V_{new}$  and  $v \notin V_{new}$
- 5: Add v to  $V_{new}$  and e to  $E_{tree}$ .
- 6: end while

#### $Huffman(C, f)$

- 1: Insert node for each letter into priority queue by freq
- 2: while queue length  $> 1$  do
- 3: Remove smallest 2 nodes, call them  $x, y$
- 4: Make new node z with children  $x, y$ .
- 5:  $f(z) = f(x) + f(y)$
- 6: Insert z into queue
- 7: end while

### $O, \Omega, \Theta$

- $f(n)$  is  $O(g(n))$  iff there is a constant  $c > 0$  so that  $f(n)$  is eventually always  $\leq c g(n)$
- $f(n)$  is  $\Omega(g(n))$  iff there is a constant  $c > 0$  so that  $f(n)$  is eventually always  $\geq c g(n)$
- $f(n)$  is  $\Theta(g(n))$  iff there is are constants  $c_1, c_2 > 0$  so that eventually always  $c_1$   $g(n) \leq$  $f(n) \leq c_2$   $g(n)$

### Greedy Analysis Strategies

- Greedy algorithm *stays ahead*. Show that after each step of the greedy algorithm, its solution is at least as good as any other algorithm's.
- *Structural.* Discover a simple "structural" bound asserting that every possible solution must have a certain value. Then show that your algorithm always achieves this bound.

• Exchange argument. Gradually transform any solution to the one found by the greedy algorithm without hurting its quality.

#### Master Recurrence

- If  $T(n) = aT(n/b) + cn^k$  for  $n > b$  then
	- if  $a > b^k$  then  $T(n)$  is  $\Theta(n^{\log_b a})$ .  $(many subproblems \Rightarrow leaves dominate)$
	- if  $a < b^k$  then  $T(n)$  is  $\Theta(n^k)$ (few subproblems  $\Rightarrow$  top level dominates)
	- if  $a = b^k$  then  $T(n)$  is  $\Theta(n^k log n)$  $(balanced \Rightarrow all log n levels contribute)$

#### Minimum Stamp Recurrence

$$
Opt(i) = min \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i = 0 \\ 1 + Opt(i - 5) & i \ge 5 \\ 1 + Opt(i - 4) & i \ge 4 \\ 1 + Opt(i - 1) & i \ge 1 \end{pmatrix}
$$

#### Minimum Stamp: Memoized Code

Initialize  $M$  to array of "empty" values procedure MEMOIZESTAMP $(n)$  $\mathbf{if} \,\, M[n] = \text{``empty''} \,\, \mathbf{then} \,\, M[n] = min$  $\sqrt{ }$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\sqrt{ }$  $\int$  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$ 0  $i = 0$  $1 + MemoizeStamp(i-5)$   $i \geq 5$  $1 + MemoizeStamp(i-4)$   $i \geq 4$  $1 + MemoizeStamp(i-1) \quad i \geq 1$  $\setminus$  $\Bigg\}$ end if return  $M[n]$ end procedure

Minimum Stamp: Iterative Code

**for** 
$$
i = 1
$$
 to *n* **do**  
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$$
M(i) = min \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i = 0 \\ 1 + M(i - 5) & i \ge 5 \\ 1 + M(i - 4) & i \ge 4 \\ 1 + M(i - 1) & i \ge 1 \end{pmatrix}
$$

end for

RNA folding recurrence

$$
Opt[i,j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \geq j-4 \\ max \begin{cases} Opt[i,j-1] \\ max_t(1+Opt[i,t-1] + Opt[t+1,j-1]) \end{cases} \end{cases}
$$

### NP

A decision problem is in NP if and only if there is a polynomial time procedure  $verify()$  and an integer k such that

- 1. For every YES problem instance x there is a hint h with  $|h| \leq |x|^k$  such that  $verify(x, h) =$ Y ES
- 2. For every NO problem instance x there is no hint h with  $|h| \leq |x|^k$  such that  $verify(x, h) =$ Y ES

## NP-hard

A problem B is NP-hard if and only if every problem in NP is polynomial time reducible to B.

## NP-complete

A problem B is NP-complete if and only if both:

- 1.  $B$  is in NP
- 2. B is NP-hard

## Polynomial-Time Reductions

Given two decision problems, A, B, we say that A is polynomial-time reducible to B,  $A \leq_{P} B$ if there exists some polynomial-time function  $f$  that converts each instance  $x$  of problem  $A$ into an instance  $f(x)$  of problem B such that x is a YES instance of A if and only if  $f(x)$  is a YES instance of B.