

**Major 2 Old Exams:**

**062\_Major2**

3. (45 points) Dynamic Programming
- (10 points) Write the recursive solution to the longest common subsequence problem
  - (25 points) Use dynamic programming to find the length of the longest common subsequence and a longest common subsequence of the two strings:  $xyxyzxzy$  and  $zxyxxzr$ .
  - (10 points) Is the longest common subsequence unique in this case? If yes, justify your answer. If no, give two different longest common subsequences.

(a)  
Let ~~be~~

$L[i, j]$  ~~be~~ be longest common subsequence between the first  $i$  letters of string A and first  $j$  letters of string B.

$$L[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i=0 \text{ or } j=0 \\ L[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } a_i = b_j \\ \max\{L[i-1, j], L[i, j-1]\} & \text{if } a_i \neq b_j \end{cases}$$

(b)

	x	y	u	y	x	u	u	z	u	.
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
z	0	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	R1	1
u	0	R1	1	R1	1	R1	R1	R1	11	R2
u	0	R1	11	R2	12	R2	R2	R2	12	R2
y	0	R1	R2	R3						
z	0	R1	R2	R3	R3	R3	R3	R3	R4	R4
u	0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R4	R4	R4	R4	R5
z	0	R1	R2	R3	R3	R4	R4	R4	R5	R5
y	0	R1	R2	R3	R4	R4	R4	R4	R5	R5

(1)  $uxyzx$     (2)  $xxyzyuz$

(c) No, there are two different subsequences.

## II. (55 points) Dynamic Programming Algorithms

1. (30 points) Consider the matrix chain multiplication problem:

- a. (6 points) This problem is one application that is solved using dynamic programming. What are the two main properties of an optimization problem that direct an algorithm designer to investigate dynamic programming as a possible solution? Explain them very briefly.

- (1) Optimal substructures, where an optimal solution consists of sub solutions that are optimal.
- (2) Overlappy sub problems. Many some sub problems are solved multiple times.

- b. (10 points) Write the recursive solution for finding the cost of the optimal parenthesization in evaluating the product of  $n$  matrices with dimensions

$$M_1 = r_1 \times r_2, M_2 = r_2 \times r_3, M_3 = r_3 \times r_4, \dots, M_n = r_n \times r_{n+1}$$

We can represent the cost of optimal parenthesization of  $M_1 \dots M_n$  as

$$C[1, n]$$

cost of multiplying  $M_1 \dots M_{k-1}$  with  $M_k \dots M_n$   
can be represented as  ~~$r_1 \times r_k \times r_{n+1}$~~

Therefore, total optimal cost of  $M_1 \dots M_n$   
parenthesization is:

$$C[1, n] = \min_{2 \leq k \leq n} [C[1, k-1] + C[k, n] + r_1 r_k r_{n+1}]$$

- c. (10 points) Fill the table below by running the dynamic programming algorithm for matrix chain multiplication developed in class on the following matrices to find the least number of scalar multiplications.

$$r_1 = 5, r_2 = 2, r_3 = 3, r_4 = 6, r_5 = 4, r_6 = 2, r_7 = 4$$

	$r_1 = 5, r_2 = 2, r_3 = 3, r_4 = 6, r_5 = 4, r_6 = 2, r_7 = 4$	$M_1$	$M_1 \dots M_2$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_3]$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_4]$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_5]$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_6]$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_7]$
0	30	$M_1$	$M_1 \dots M_2$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_3]$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_4]$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_5]$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_6]$	$M_1 [M_2 \dots M_7]$
1	0	$M_2$	$M_2$	$M_2 \dots M_3$	$[M_2 \dots M_3] M_4$	$M_2 [M_3 \dots M_5]$	$[M_2 \dots M_5] M_6$	$M_2 [M_3 \dots M_6] M_7$
2	0	$M_3$	$M_3$	$M_3 \dots M_4$	$M_3 [M_4 \dots M_5]$	$M_3 [M_4 \dots M_6]$	$M_3 [M_4 \dots M_7]$	$M_3 [M_5 \dots M_7]$
3	0	$M_4$	$M_4$	$M_4 \dots M_5$	$M_4 [M_5 \dots M_6]$	$M_4 [M_5 \dots M_7]$	$M_4 [M_6 \dots M_7]$	$M_4 [M_7]$
4	0	$M_5$	$M_5$	$M_5 \dots M_6$	$M_5 [M_6]$	$M_5 [M_7]$	$M_5 [M_6 \dots M_7]$	$M_5 [M_7]$
5	0	$M_6$	$M_6$	$M_6 \dots M_7$	$M_6 [M_7]$	$M_6 [M_7]$	$M_6 [M_7]$	$M_6 [M_7]$
6	0	$M_7$	$M_7$	$M_7$	$M_7$	$M_7$	$M_7$	$M_7$

$C[1,6]$

minimum of the following  $\{k \text{ from } 2 \text{ to } 6\}$

$k=2: C[1,1] + C[2,6] + r_1 r_2 r_7 = 30 + 112 + 5 \times 2 \times 4 = 112 + 40 = \underline{152}$

$k=3: C[1,2] + C[3,6] + r_1 r_3 r_7 = 30 + 108 + 5 \times 3 \times 4 = 138 + 60 = \underline{198}$

$k=4: C[1,3] + C[4,6] + r_1 r_4 r_7 = 96 + 96 + 5 \times 6 \times 4 = 192 + 120 = \underline{312}$

$k=5: C[1,4] + C[5,6] + r_1 r_5 r_7 = 124 + 32 + 5 \times 4 \times 4 = 156 + 80 = \underline{236}$

$k=6: C[1,5] + C[6,6] + r_1 r_6 r_7 = 116 + 0 + 5 \times 2 \times 4 = 116 + 40 = \underline{156}$

- d. (4 points) Derive from the table the optimal exact parenthesization of the product generating the least number of scalar multiplications.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= M_1 [M_2 \dots M_6] \\
 &= M_1 [(M_2 \dots M_5) M_6] \\
 &= M_1 [(M_2 [M_3 \dots M_5]) M_6] \\
 &= M_1 ((M_2 (M_3 (M_4 M_5))) M_6)
 \end{aligned}$$

2. (25 points) Consider the knapsack problem

- a. (10 points) Write the recursive solution for finding the maximum value a knapsack of size C can hold from n items, each having a size and a value.

given  $n$  items with values  $v_i$  and sizes  $s_i$

define  $V[i, j]$  as the optimal value of fully filling a knapsack of size  $j$  with the first  $i$  items

$$V[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i=0 \text{ or } j=0 \\ V[i-1, j] & \text{if } s_i > j \\ \max\{V[i-1, j], V[i-1, j-s_i] + v_i\} & \text{if } s_i \leq j \end{cases}$$

- b. (15 points) Solve the following instance of the knapsack problem. There are four items of sizes 2, 3, 5, and 6 and values 3, 4, 5, and 7, and the knapsack capacity is 11.

$s_i$	2	3	5	6
$v_i$	3	4	5	7

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
2	0	0	3	4	4	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
3	0	0	3	4	4	7	7	8	9	9	12	12
4	0	0	3	4	4	7	7	8	10	11	12	14

max value : items 4, 2, 1

Q&A

#### IV. (50 points) NP-Completeness and Turing Machines

1. (30 points) Given the following Boolean formula, which is an instance of the *Satisfiability* problem

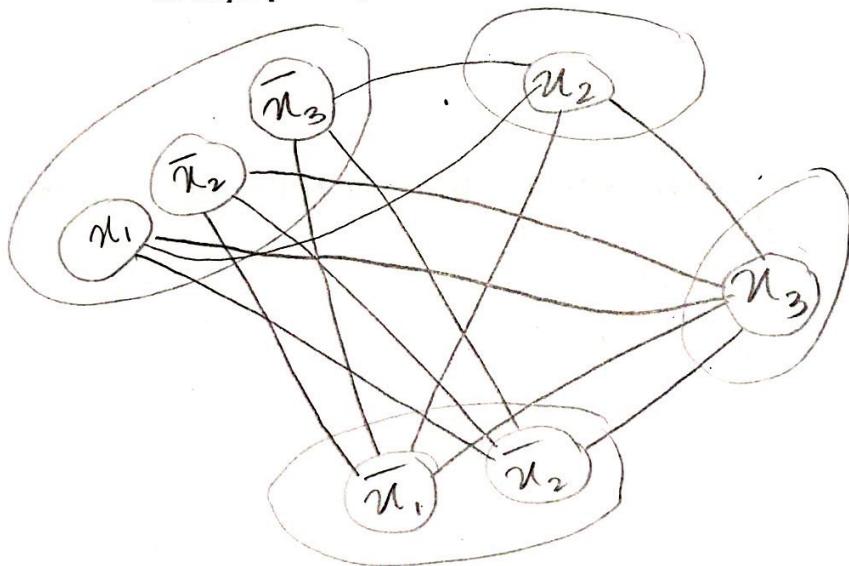
$$f = (x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{x}_3) \wedge (x_2) \wedge (\bar{x}_1 \vee \bar{x}_2) \wedge (x_3)$$

- a. (5 points) Clearly define what it means when we say a problem  $P$  is NP-Complete.

(1) It is an NP problem

(2) Every problem  $\Pi$  in NP is reducible in polynomial time to  $P$ .  $\forall \Pi \in \text{NP} \quad \Pi \leq_p P$

- b. (15 points) Run the polynomial time reduction from the *Satisfiability* problem to the *Clique* problem, described in class, on the above formula  $f$ .



- c. (10 points) Can you answer the question: "Does the Boolean formula  $f$  have a truth assignment such that it evaluates to true?" just from looking at the constructed *Clique* instance developed in part b? Clearly justify your answer.

No. There isn't a clique of size

4. Since there isn't a clique, we can't set truth values to the variables without having a contradiction. Hence the formula is unsatisfiable.

**Final Old Exams:**

**062\_Final**

**Question I (40 points):**

For each statement below, indicate whether it is a true statement with T, or a false statement with F. For false statements, you have to correct the statement. Note that adding a "not" in the statement will not be considered as a correction:

a. (T)  $f = O(g)$  if and only if  $g = \Omega(f)$

b. (F) If  $f_1(n)$  is in  $O(g_1(n))$  and  $f_2(n)$  is in  $O(g_2(n))$  then  $f_1(n)f_2(n)$  is in  $O(\max\{g_1(n), g_2(n)\})$

$$f_1(n)f_2(n) = O(g_1(n)g_2(n))$$

c. (F) Average case analysis of an algorithm is the average value of its best case and worst case complexities.

it is the average value of cost of input weighted with probability.  
 $= \sum_{i \in \text{inputs}} c(i)p(i)$

d. (F) The solution to the recurrence  $T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=1 \\ 5T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2 & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$  is  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ .

$$g(n) = n^2 \quad n^{\log_b a} = n^{\lg_2 5} = n^{2.4} \\ \text{since } \lg_2 5 \approx 2.32 \text{, } g(n) = O(n^{2.4-\epsilon}) \text{ where } \epsilon \approx 0.01, \\ T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) = \Theta(n^{\log_2 5})$$

e. (F) Radix sort can sort  $n$  integers in the range  $[1..n!]$  in  $O(n \log n)$  time.

$$= \Theta(kn) \\ k = \lg_2 n! = \Theta(n \log n) \\ \therefore = \Theta(n \log n \times \Theta(n)) = \Theta(n^2 \log n)$$

f. (T) The SELECT algorithm, when run on  $n$  elements, guarantees that the number of elements in Partitions  $A_1$  or  $A_3$  does not exceed  $0.7n + 1.2$  elements each.

- g. (F) The dynamic programming algorithm that solves the integer (0-1) Knapsack problem runs in polynomial time.

it runs in  $\Theta(C^n)$

$C$  is an integer input.

Therefore, in terms of input size

its  $\Theta(2^k n)$  where  $k = \log_2 C$

its exponential  $\frac{1}{n}$

- h. (F) If you manage to find a polynomial time reduction from a problem  $\pi \in \text{NP}$  to the Element-Uniqueness decision problem, you will prove that  $P = NP$ .

you will only ~~prove~~ prove that  $\Pi \in P$ .

You need to prove that an NP complete problem is transformed to Element-Uniqueness to prove that  $P = NP$ .

- i. (T) For any language  $L$  that can be accepted by a non-deterministic Turing machine, there is a deterministic Turing machine that can accept it.

**Question II (60 points): Dynamic Programming and Greedy Algorithms**

In class, we have developed a dynamic programming algorithm to solve the matrix chain multiplication problem.

1. (25 points) Given 5 matrices with the following dimensions

$$M_1 : 7 \times 2, M_2 : 2 \times 9, M_3 : 9 \times 3, M_4 : 3 \times 2 \text{ and } M_5 : 2 \times 8$$

- a. (20 points) Fill the table below solving the matrix chain multiplication problem for the above instance.  
 b. (5 points) Find the optimal solution corresponding to the optimal value found in part a.

	1	2	3	4	5	
0	126	96				1
$M_1$	$M_1 M_2$	$M_1 (M_2 M_3)$				2
0		54	66			3
$M_2$		$M_2 M_3$	$(M_2 M_3) M_4$			4
0			54	198		5
$M_3$			$M_3 M_4$	$(M_3 M_4) M_5$		
0				48		
$M_4$				$M_4 M_5$		
0					$M_5$	
$M_5$						

$\gamma_1$	$\gamma_2$	$\gamma_3$	$\gamma_4$	$\gamma_5$	$\gamma_6$
7	2	9	3	2	8

(a)  $C[1,3] = \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} K=2: C[1,1] + C[2,3] + \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \gamma_4 \\ \quad = 0 + 54 + 7 \times 2 \times 3 = 54 + 42 \\ \quad = 96 \\ K=3: C[1,2] + C[3,3] + \gamma_1 \gamma_3 \gamma_4 = 126 + 0 + 7 \times 9 \times 3 \\ \quad = 126 + 189 \\ \quad = 315 \end{array} \right.$

$$C[2,4] = \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} K=3: C[2,2] + C[3,4] + \gamma_2 \gamma_3 \gamma_5 = 0 + 54 + 2 \times 9 \times 2 \\ \quad = 54 + 36 = 90 \\ K=4: C[2,3] + C[4,4] + \gamma_2 \times \gamma_4 \times \gamma_5 = 54 + 0 + 2 \times 3 \times 2 \\ \quad = 54 + 12 = 66 \end{array} \right.$$

$$C[3,5] = \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} K=4: C[3,3] + C[4,5] + \gamma_3 \gamma_4 \gamma_6 = 0 + 48 + 9 \times 3 \times 8 \\ K=5: C[3,4] + C[5,5] + \gamma_3 \gamma_5 \gamma_6 = 48 + 180 + 9 \times 4 \\ \quad = 54 + 0 + 9 \times 2 \times 8 = 228 + 36 \\ \quad = 54 + 144 = 258 + 6 = 264 \end{array} \right.$$

{ incomplete solution }

**Question III (50 points): NP-Complete Problems**

Consider the DOUBLE-SAT decision problem given below

**DOUBLE-SAT**Instance: Boolean formula  $f$  in CNF formQuestion: Does  $f$  have at least two satisfying truth assignments?

1. (15 points) Consider the following Boolean formula:

$$f = (\bar{x}_1 \vee \bar{x}_2) \wedge (x_1 \vee \bar{x}_3) \wedge (x_2 \vee \bar{x}_1)$$

- a. (7 points) Does  $f$  have at least two satisfying truth assignments? List all its truth assignments, if any.
- b. (8 points) Let Boolean formula  $g$  be such that  $g = f \wedge (y \vee \bar{y})$  where  $f$  is the Boolean formula above. Does  $g$  have at least two satisfying truth assignments? List all its truth assignments, if any.

2. (35 points) Prove that DOUBLE-SAT is NP-complete. (Hint: Part 1 of this question is very helpful)

(1) (a)  $x_1 = \text{True}$ ,  $x_3 = \text{True}$ ,  $x_2 = \text{True}$   
only one satisfy truth assignment

(b)  $x_1 = \text{True}$ ,  $x_3 = \text{True}$ ,  $x_2 = \text{True}$ ,  $y = \text{True}$   
 $x_1 = \text{True}$ ,  $x_3 = \text{True}$ ,  $x_2 = \text{True}$ ,  $y = \text{false}$   
Yes, it does have at least  
2 assignments

(2) We need to first prove that Double SAT is an NP problem.

We create a nondeterministic algorithm that guesses and verifies in polynomial time.

guessing phase: Non deterministic algorithm guesses two assignments to the CNF that

satisfy it. This is done in  $O(n)$ .

verifying phase: A deterministic algorithm verifies that the number of assignments guessed is

that the number of assignments guessed is 2. Then it verifies that both the assignments

satisfy the CNF. This is done in  $O(n)$ .

Prove that Satisfiability  $\leq_{\text{pdy}} \text{Double SAT}$

Consider an instance of satisfiability. The input is a boolean formula  $f$  in CNF form.

Create a boolean formula  $g$  such that  $f$  has at least one satisfying assignment  $\Leftrightarrow g$  has at least 2 satisfying assignments.

$g = f \wedge (y \vee \neg y)$  such that  $y$  is a variable

that does not exist in  $f$ .

~~g~~  $g$  is now an instance of Double SAT.

This reduction is done in  $O(n)$  time (need to verify that variable is not in  $f$ )

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$f$  has one satisfying assignment  $\Leftrightarrow g$  has at least 2 satisfying assignments.

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If  $f$  has 1 satisfying assignment, that assignment will be duplicated such that one is when  $y$  is true and one is when  $y$  is false. Therefore  $g$  will have at least 2 satisfying assignments.

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~~g~~  $g$  has at least 2 satisfying assignments  $\rightarrow f$  has one satisfying assignment

If  $g$  has 2 satisfying assignments, one of them is  $y = \text{True}$ , second is  $y = \text{False}$ . When we remove  $y$ , it combines into 1 satisfying assignment for  $f$ .

## 092\_Final

### Question I (40 points):

For each statement below, indicate whether it is a true statement with T, or a false statement with F. For false statements, you have to correct the statement. Note that adding a "not" in the statement will not be considered as a correction:

- a. (F) The time complexity for the dynamic programming algorithm solving the integer knapsack problem is polynomial and is  $\Theta(n)$ .

It is not polynomial  
It is  $\Theta(Cn)$  where  $C$  is size of knapsack  
 $C$  is an integer input, therefore input  
size =  $K = \log_2 C$   
 $\therefore \Theta(2^K n)$  which is exponential

- b. (T) If  $f_1(n)$  is in  $O(g_1(n))$  and  $f_2(n)$  is in  $O(g_2(n))$  then  $f_1(n) + f_2(n)$  is in  $O(\max\{g_1(n), g_2(n)\})$

- c. (F) The SELECT algorithm finds the  $k^{\text{th}}$  smallest element in  $\Theta(n \log n)$ .

in  $\Theta(n)$  time

- d. (F) The solution to the recurrence  $T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=1 \\ 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2 & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$  is  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

$$n^{\log_2 4} = n^2$$

since  $g(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_2 4})$   
 $T(n) = \Theta(n^2 \log n)$

- e. (F) If you manage to find a polynomial time reduction from a problem  $\pi \in \text{NP}$  to the halting problem, you will prove that  $P = \text{NP}$ .

halting problem is unsolvable, you are  
 not proving anything.

- f. (T) For any language  $L$  that can be accepted by a non-deterministic Turing machine, there is a deterministic Turing machine that can accept it.

- g. (T) Radix sort can sort  $n$  natural numbers that are known to have values less than or equal to 999,999 in  $O(n)$  time.

~~long~~ yes =  $6n$

## Question II (60 points): NP-Complete Problems

1. (6 points) The sum of subsets decision problem is as follows:

**Input:** A set  $A$  of  $n$  integers  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  and an integer  $M$ .

**Question:** Does  $A$  contain a subset  $S_A$  such that the sum of the elements in  $S_A$  is equal to  $M$ ?

(i.e., does there exist a subset  $S_A$  such that  $\sum_{a_i \in S_A} a_i = M$ )

Given  $A = \{5, 7, 9, 10, 22, 35, 60\}$  and  $M = 50$ , find a subset  $S_A$  that solves the sum of subsets problem.

$$S_A = \{5, 10, 35\}$$

2. (28 points) The Partition decision problem is as follows:

**Input:** A set  $S$  of  $n$  integers.

**Question:** Is it possible to partition  $S$  into two subsets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  so that the sum of the integers in  $S_1$  is equal to the sum of the integers in  $S_2$ ?

- a. (6 points) In order for the two subsets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  to exist such that the sum of the integers in  $S_1$  is equal to the sum of the integers in  $S_2$ , could the sum of all integers in  $S$  be odd? Explain your answer.

No, since both  $\sum S_1 = \sum S_2$   
and since  $\sum S_1 + \sum S_2 = \sum S$   
 $\sum S = 2 \sum S_1$

Therefore  $S$  should be even.

- b. (6 points) For the same set  $A = \{5, 7, 9, 10, 22, 35, 60\}$  in Question 1 and knowing that the sum of the elements in  $A$  is equal to 148, find two subsets of  $A$  that solve the Partition problem.

Find sets that sum to  $\frac{148}{2} = 74$

$$S_1 = \{9, 5, 60\}, S_2 = \{7, 10, 22, 35\}$$

$S_1$   $S_2$

- c. (10 points) Prove that the Partition problem belongs to the class of NP problems.

To prove that it belongs to NP, we construct a nondeterministic algorithm that guesses and verifies a solution in polynomial time.

(1) Guessing step: Non deterministic algorithm that guesses two sets of numbers from  $S$ . This is done in  $O(|S|)$ .

(2) Verification step: Deterministic algorithm verifies the guess. It makes sure that two sets of numbers were guessed, the two sets are disjoint and they together make up the entire set  $S$ . It then verifies that they both sum to the same number. This is done in polynomial time.

- d. (6 points) Consider the following set

Mence, Partition  $\in$  NP.

$$B = \{5, 7, 9, 10, 22, 35, 60, 51, 99\}$$

where  $51 = 50 + 1$  and  $99 = 148 + 1 - 50$ . Knowing that a solution to the sum of subsets problem of part 1 exists (actually you already should have found it), can you find a solution to the Partition problem when applied to the set  $B$  above? (Hint: What should the sum be equal to in this case?)

$$\text{Total} = 148 + 150 = 298$$

Therefore, total in each subset should be  $298/2 = 149$

$$S_1 = \{5, 7, 9, 10, 22, 51, 60\} \quad S_2 = \{35, 99\}$$

3. (20 points) Given that the sum of subsets problem is NP-Complete, find a polynomial time reduction from the sum of subsets problem to the Partition problem. Here, you need to prove two things
- (14 points) The transformation proposed by you is indeed a reduction.
  - (6 points) The reduction can be done in polynomial time.

Hint: The information in part 2(d) above is essential!

Given an instance of sum of subsets where there is a set  $A$  of  $n$  integers and integer  $M$ , set an integer  $C = \sum_{a \in A} a_i = \text{sum of elements in } A$ . Create a new set  $B = A \cup \{M+1, C+1-M\}$

This set  $B$  represents an instance of Partition problem. Thus reduction is done in polynomial time.

We need to prove that if set  $A$  has a subset of size  $M$ ,  $B$  can be partitioned into two equal sub arrays, and vice versa.

$\Rightarrow$  If  $A$  has a subset of size  $M$ , then set  $A$  contains  $A = X \cup Y$  where  $\sum X = M$  and  $Y$  could be an empty array. Set  $B$  will contain  $B = X \cup Y \cup \{M+1, C+1-M\}$

where  $C = \sum X + \sum Y = M + \sum Y$ . This set can be partitioned into  $S_1 = Y \cup \{M+1\}$ ,  $S_2 = X \cup \{C+1-M\}$

$\Leftarrow$  If set  $B$  can be partitioned into two sets  $S_1, S_2$ , then to be balanced,  $\{C+1-M\}$  has to be in a set with elements that sum up to  $M$ . Therefore there exists a subset of size  $M$ .

**Question IV (30 points): Backtracking Algorithms.**

1. (5 points) Clearly explain how backtracking algorithms are useful.

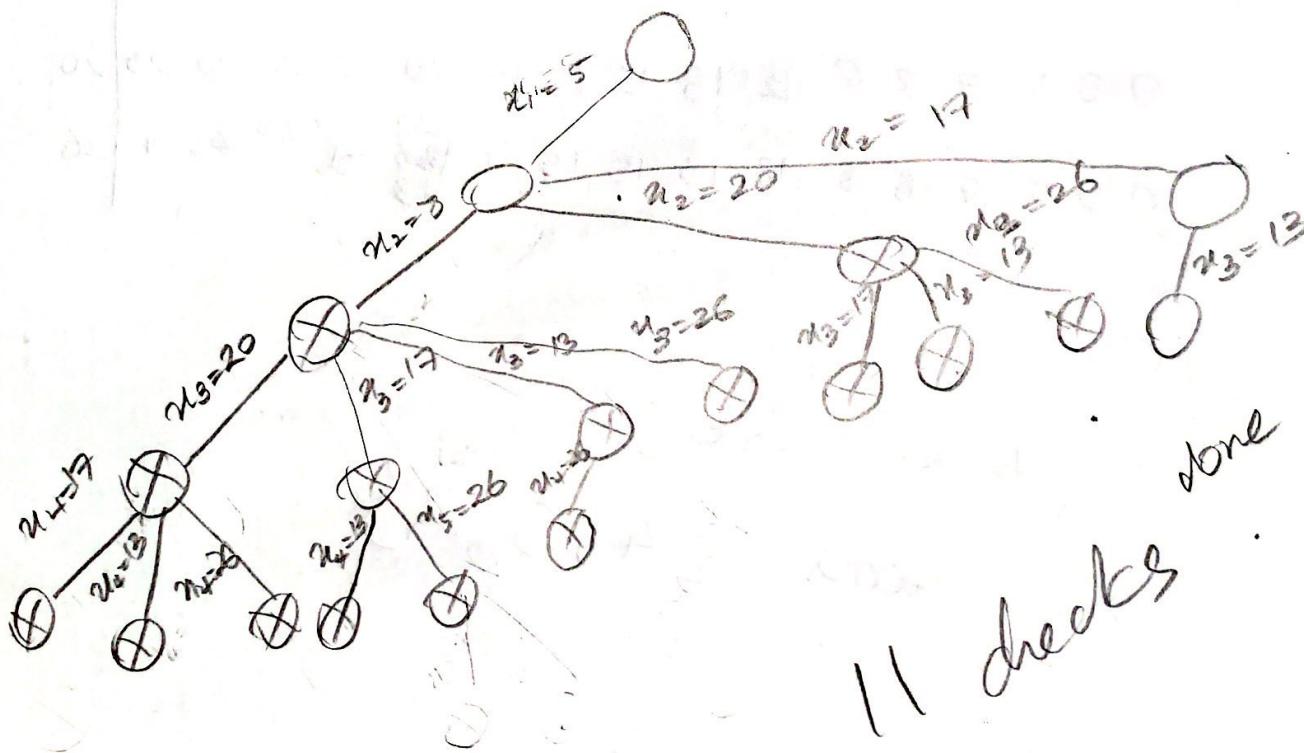
Back tracky algorithms help us reduce the search space by eliminaty incorrect subtrees.

If also provides a way for reverty incorrect decisions with minimal cost.

2. (25 points) Given a set of n +ve integers  $X = \{5, 8, 20, 17, 13, 26\}$  and an integer 35.

- (20 points) Use backtracking to answer the question of whether there is a subset of  $X$  of integers such that their sum is equal to 35. Make sure you show the intermediate steps.
- (5 points) Compare the number of subsets you checked to the total number of subsets of  $X$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 1+5+8 &= \\ 2+8 &= 30 \end{aligned}$$



11 checks

vs  
64 checks

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Q2. (15 points) Run the dynamic programming solution of the knapsack problem on a knapsack of size 17 with the following items:

Item	Size	Value
1	3	5
2	4	7
3	5	8
4	8	11

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
2	0	0	0	5	7	7	7	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
3	0	0	0	5	7	8	8	12	13	15	15	15	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	0	0	0	5	7	8	8	12	13	15	15	16	20	20	20	23	24	26

Max = 26

items: {4, 3, 2}

**Q5. (20 points)** Longest Path problem: Given a weighted graph  $G = (V, E)$ , two distinguished vertices  $s, t \in V$  and a positive integer  $k$ , is there a simple path in  $G$  from  $s$  to  $t$  of length  $k$  or more?

Prove that the Longest Path problem is NP-Complete. (Hint: reduce the Hamiltonian Path problem to the Longest Path Problem)

first, we need to prove that Longest path problem is NP. We do this by specifying a nondeterministic algorithm that guesses and verifies its solution in polynomial time.

Guessing step: Non deterministic algorithm guesses a path of vertices that start at  $s$  and end at  $t$ . This is done in  $O(n)$  time.

Verification step: A deterministic algorithm verifies the guess. it makes sure that the path starts at  $s$  and ends at  $t$ . it makes sure that every adjacent vertex in the guess is connected by an edge, this costs  $O(|E|)$ , lastly it makes sure that length of path is  $\geq k$ .

This is done in polynomial time.

Hence, Longest path  $\in$  NP.

To prove that Longest path is NP-complete,  
we reduce Hamiltonian Cycle to it.

an instance of HC is an undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$   
we create a weighted graph  $G' = (V, E')$  and  
 $s$  and  $t$  where  $s \in V, t \in V$  and  $s \neq t$ .

These are two arbitrary vertices.

$E'$  contains all edges in  $E$ , however, the  
edges are given a length of 1.

$$k = |V| - 1.$$

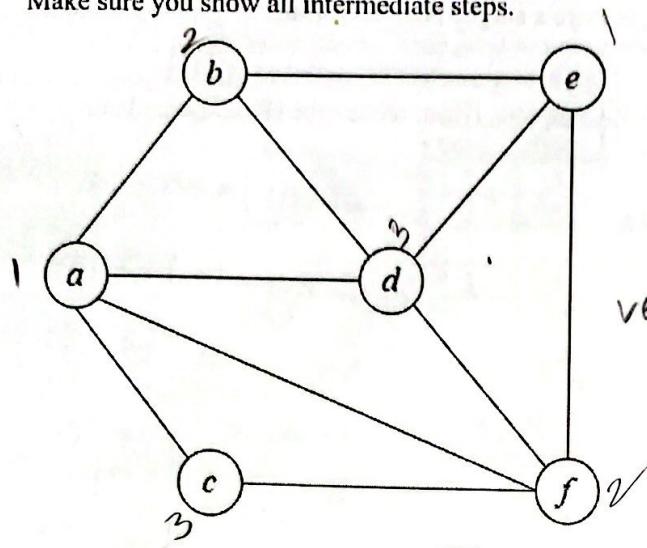
Therefore  $G'$ ,  $s, t, k$  are an instance of longest  
path problem.

We need to prove that  $\nexists G$  has HC  $\Leftrightarrow G'$  has a path  
between  $s$  and  $t$  of length at  
least  $k$ .

$\Rightarrow$  If  $G$  has an HC, the cycle visits  $|V|$  vertices. The number  
of edges are  $|V|-1$ , therefore  $G'$  would have a path  
of length  $k = |V|-1$ .

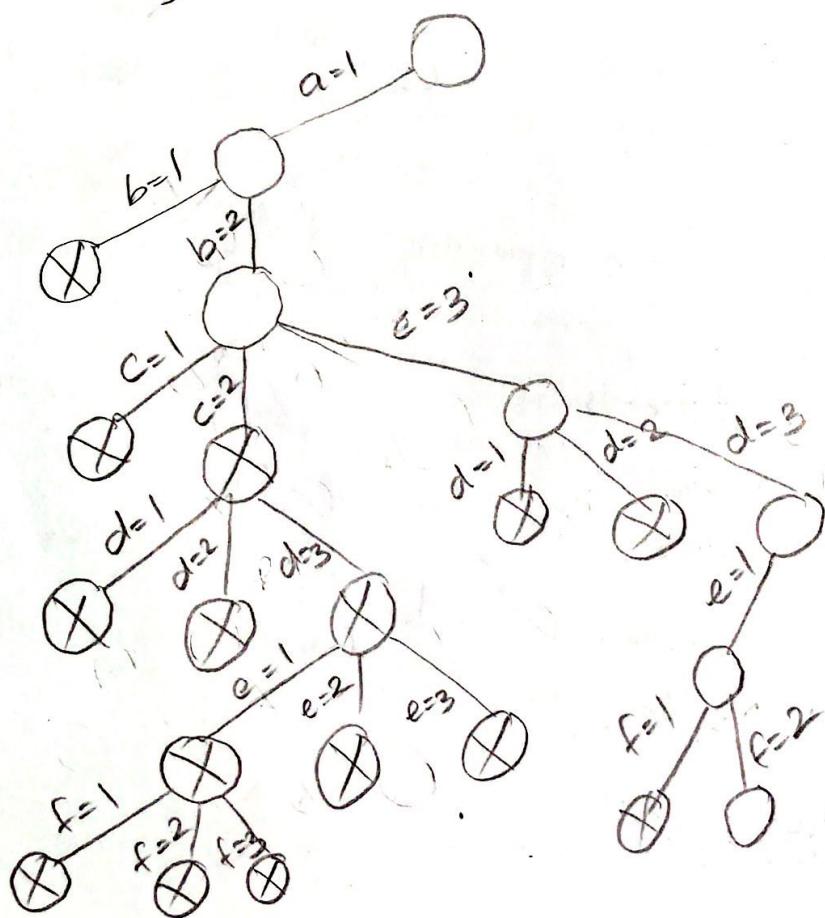
$\Leftarrow$  If  $G'$  has a path of length  $k = |V|-1$ , since it is  
a simple path, vertices are not repeated. Therefore  
the number of distinct vertices covered in path  
is  $|V|$ . Hence,  $G$  has an HC.

Q6. (15 points) Apply the backtracking algorithm for the 3-coloring problem on the graph below. Make sure you show all intermediate steps.



colors: 1, 2, 3

vertices: a, b, c, d, e, f



( $a=1, b=2, c=3, d=3; e=1, f=2$ )

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