# **Final Solutions**

#### 1. Initialization.

Don't forget to do this.

# 2. Empirical running time.

# 16,000, $\Theta(V^2 E)$

When V doubles, the running time goes up by a factor of 4, so the exponent for V is  $\log_2 4 = 2$ . When E quadruples, the running time goes up by a factor of 4, so the exponent for E is  $\log_4 4 = 1$ . Thus, the order of growth of the running time is  $\Theta(V^2E)$ .

### 3. Depth-first search.

- (a)  $0\ 2\ 5\ 8\ 1\ 3\ 7\ 9\ 6\ 4$
- (b) 5 1 7 9 3 6 8 2 4 0
- (c) yes

The digraph is a DAG. So, the reverse postorder provides a topological order.

#### 4. Minimum spanning trees.

- (a) 0 10 20 30 50 60 110
- (b) 30 0 20 50 60 10 110

### 5. Shortest paths.

- (a) 0 7 58 13 3 1
- (b) 045

### 6. Maxflows and mincuts.

- (a) 31 = 8 + 5 + 18
- (b) 34 = 13 + 21
- (c) **31**

The net flow across any cut is equal to the value of the flow.

- (d)  $A \to F \to B \to G \to H$
- (e) **3**

The edge  $B \rightarrow G$  is the bottleneck.

#### 7. Data structures.

- (a) F C would not be inserted at index 3 with index 0 empty.
  T The second one would arise if the keys were inserted in the order A B C D E.
  T The third one would arise if the keys were inserted in the order B A E D C.
- (b) (10, 10), (12, 9)

The constraints of the 2d-tree imply that, for any point (x, y) in T, we must have both  $9 \le x < 13$  and  $8 \le y < 14$ .

(c)  $\Theta(n^2), \Theta(n)$ 

In the worst case (repeatedly removing the first element), each call to remove() takes time proportional to number of elements remaining. This leads to a running time of n + (n-1) + ... 1, which is  $\Theta(n^2)$ .

In the best case (repeatedly removing the last element), each call to remove() takes  $\Theta(1)$  time. Also, each call to append() takes  $\Theta(1)$  amortized time. So, the overall running time is  $\Theta(n)$ .

### 8. Dynamic programming.

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A C E H H L or C A E H H L
int[][] opt = new int[m+1][n+1];
for (int i = 1; i <= m; i++) {
   for (int j = 1; j <= n; j++) {
     if (times[j] > i) {
        opt[i][j] = opt[i][j-1];
     }
     else {
        opt[i][j] = Math.max(opt[i][j-1], points[j] + opt[i - times[j]][j-1]]);
     }
}
```

### 9. Karger's algorithm.

(a) A B D

It runs Kruskal's algorithm (using the random edge weights), adding the edges C-E, E-F, A-D, and A-B to T, until T contains exactly two connected components.



(b) **4** 

The edges that cross the cut are A-E, B-C, B-E, and D-E.

10. Multiplicative weights.

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11. Intractability.

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### 12. Princeton path game.

- (a) To determine whether the orange player has already won:
  - Build an edge-weighted graph G' containing only the orange edges.
  - Run BFS (or DFS) to determine whether there is a directed path from s to t in G'.
  - If such a path exists, declare orange the winner.
- (b) To determine whether the black player has already won:
  - Build an edge-weighted graph G'' containing the orange and uncolored edges (but not the black edges).
  - Run BFS (or DFS) to determine whether there is a directed path from s to t in G''.
  - If no such path exists, declare black the winner.
- (c) The game cannot end in a tie.

Let's suppose the game continues until all edges are colored either orange or black. We'll see that exactly one player must win.

- If there is a directed path P from s to t containing only orange edges, then orange wins (and black cannot simultaneously win because there are no black edges in P).
- Otherwise, consider the subset of vertices S reachable from s via orange edges, and let T be the remaining vertices. Note that  $s \in S$  and  $t \in T$ . All edges that go from S to T are black and every directed path from s to t must use one (or more) of these edges. Thus, black wins.

#### 13. Princeton minimum spanning trees.

The main idea is to change the weight of all of the orange edges to a small value, smaller than the weight of any of the black edges. That way, the MST will prefer the orange edges to the black edges.

Step 1. Construct G':

- Create an edge-weighted graph G' that has the same vertices and edges as G.
- Let w(e) and w'(e) denote the weight of edge e in G and G', respectively.
- If edge e is black, set w'(e) = w(e).
- If edge e is orange, set  $w'(e) = \min_e w(e) 1$ .

Step 2. Compute the MST T' of G' via Prim or Kruskal.

- If T' contains all of the orange edges, then return T'.
- Otherwise, report no Princeton-MST exists.



#### Alternate solution (to determine whether Princeton MST exists).

- Create a graph G'' containing all of the orange edges in G.
- Determine whether G'' contains a cycle using DFS.
- If G'' contains a cycle, then report no Princeton-MST exists.

Alternate solution (to find MST). Create a graph G' formed by *contracting* all of the orange edges in G; compute the MST in G'; and return the corresponding edges in G. Some care is needed to contract the edges efficiently, which we won't describe here.

