CSE417: Review

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Complexity, I

Asymptotic Analysis
Best/average/**worst** cases
Upper/Lower Bounds
Big O, Theta, Omega
Analysis methods
- loops
- recurrence relations
- common data structures, subroutines

Graph Algorithms

Graphs
- Representation (edge list/adjacency matrix)
- Breadth/depth first search
- Bipartitness/2-Colorability
- DAGS and topological ordering

Design Paradigms

Greedy
Dynamic Programming
- recursive solution, redundant subproblems, few
- do all in careful order and tabulate

Divide & Conquer
- recursive solution
- superlinear work
- balanced subproblems

Examples

Greedy
- Interval Scheduling Problems
- Huffman Codes

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Examples

Dynamic programming
- Fibonacci
- Making change/Stamps
- Weighted Interval Scheduling
- RNA

Divide & Conquer
- Merge sort
- Closest pair of points
- Integer multiplication (Karatsuba)

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Complexity, II

P vs NP
- Big-O and poly vs exponential growth
- Definition of NP - hints and verifiers
- Example problems from slides, reading & hw
  - SAT, VertexCover, quadratic Diophantine equations, clique, independent set, TSP, Hamilton cycle, coloring, max cut
- $P \subseteq NP \subseteq Exp$
- Definition of (polynomial time) reduction
- SAT $\leq_p$ VertexCover example (how, why correct, why $\leq_p$, implications)
- Definition of NP-completeness
- 2x approximation to Euclidean TSP

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Some Typical Questions

Give O( ) bound on $17n^*(n-3+\log n)$

Give O( ) bound on some code `{for i=1 to n {for j …}}`

True/False: If X is $O(n^2)$, then it's rarely more than $n^3 + 14$ steps.

Give a run time recurrence for a recursive alg, or solve a simple one

Simulate any of the algs we've studied

Give an alg for problem X, maybe a variant of one we've studied, or prove it's in NP

Understand parts of correctness proof for an algorithm or reduction

Implications of NP-completeness

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