CMPUT 204 — Problem Set 5

(Partial solutions provided by Theo)

Topics covered in Part I are biconnected component and minimum spanning tree; in Part II are Dijkstra's algorithm for single-source shortest paths, Strassen's matrix multiplication algorithm, P & NP concepts, decision problem, and polynomial time verification.

It is highly recommended that you read pages 580– 587, 595–601, 735–741, and 966–983 very carefully and do all the exercises. The following are some of them that you are **REQUIRED** to practice on.

Quiz questions are mostly based on this list, with some minor modifications necessary. Consult your instructor and TAs if you have any problem with this list.

Announcement: Quiz 5-2 will be on MST and SSSP.

Part I

- 1. P558, Prob 22-2.
- 2. P566, Ex 23.1-1.

Hint:

Proof similar to the proof of Theorem 23.1.

- 3. P566, Ex 23.1-5.
 - Hint:

Proof similar to the proof of Theorem 23.1.

- 4. Change the weights on the graph on page 568 by replacing each weight t with (15 t). Trace Kruskal's algorithm on the resulting graph.
- 5. Trace Prim's algorithm on the graph on page 571, starting with vertex d.
- 6. P573, Ex 23.2-2.

Hint:

See lecture slides where the pseudocode is provided for adjacency lists representation. 7. P573, Ex 23.2-3.

Please ignore this question.

8. P573, Ex 23.2-4.

Hint:

Assuming adjacency lists representation:

When all edges have weight in the range from 1 to |V|, the running time for sorting the edges into non-decreasing order dominates the overall running time. Therefore, the overall running time is $\Theta(|E| \log |V|)$.

When all edges have weight in the range from 1 to a constant W, the running time for sorting the edges into non-decreasing order is $\Theta(|E|)$. Therefore the dominant term in the overall running time is the Disjoint Sets implementation. Using operations rUnion and cFind, the overall running time is $\Theta(|E|\alpha(|V|))$.

9. P573, Ex 23.2-5.

Hint:

Since the dominant term in the overall running time is the heap (priority queue) implementation, the overall running times are both $\Theta(|E|\log|V|)$.

10. P573, Ex 23.2-8.

Hint:

The algorithm is not correct. You need to provide an example by yourself.

11. P578, Prob 23-4.

Hint:

(a) Yes.

Proof can be done similarly to the proof of correctness of Prim's

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algorithm provided in the lecture slides.
Can be implemented to run in \Theta(|E|^2) time since checking the connectivity takes \Theta(|E|) time and you might need to remove as many as \Theta(|E|) edges.
(b) No.
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(c) Yes.

You need to figure out the implementation details by yourself.

Part II

- 1. P600, Ex 24.3-1.
- 2. P600, Ex 24.3-2.

Hint:

Check the lecture slides (set #32).

3. P600, Ex 24.3-4.

Hint:

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The "most reliable" here means the minimum probability of failure. For every edge (u, v), its probability of failure is f(u, v) = 1 - r(u, v). The probability of failure for a path is the product of the probabilities of failure of the edges on that path. Therefore, the easiest way is to modify Dijkstra's algorithm by replacing the addition by multiplication:

d[v] \leftarrow d[u] \times f(u, v).
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The hints to the rest of the questions will be posted on next Friday (Nov 29).