



**Instructions:** This is a multiple-choice exam, in order to save you the time of tidying up the presentation of your answers. There is exactly *one* correct answer per *assessed* question. You can keep this questionnaire and should *hand in only the answer sheet*: you are *not* expected to explain your answers. Unfortunately, the head teacher cannot attend this exam. *Also read the instructions on the answer sheet before starting.*

## 0 Information About You

**Question -1:** (not assessed) What is your study programme?

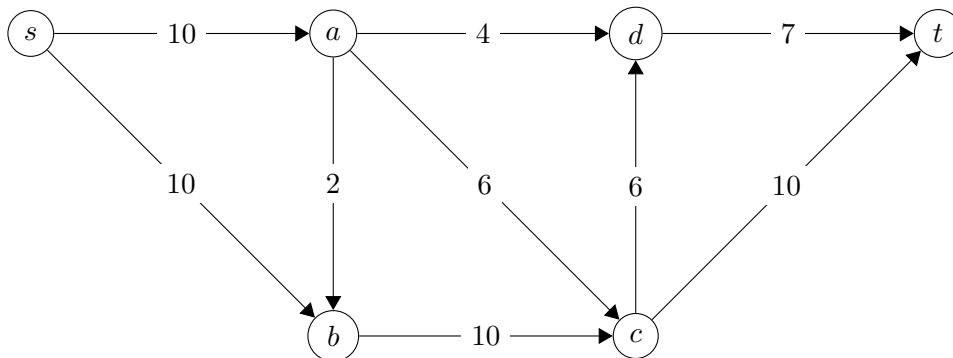
- A DVK       B IT       C STS       D master       E exchange

**Question 0:** (not assessed) How many of the 12 lectures did you attend?

- A 0..1       B 2..4       C 5..7       D 8..10       E 11..12

## 1 Maximum Flow

Consider the following flow network with source  $s$  and sink  $t$ :



**Question 1:** After augmenting along the path  $s \rightarrow a \rightarrow c \rightarrow t$ , along  $s \rightarrow a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow t$ , and finally along  $s \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow d \rightarrow t$ , what is of the following paths is an augmenting paths with the highest capacity?

- A  $s \rightarrow b \rightarrow a \rightarrow d \rightarrow t$ , capacity 1       D  $s \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow d \rightarrow t$ , capacity 1  
 B none, the reached flow value is optimal  
 C  $s \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow t$ , capacity 2       E  $s \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow a \rightarrow d \rightarrow t$ , capacity 1

**Question 2:** Are the flows across *all* cuts after the 3 augmentations of Question 1 equal and to which value?

- A yes: 14       B yes: 15       C yes: 17       D yes: 18       E no

**Question 3:** What is the maximum flow value (after *all* possible augmentations)?

- A 16       B 17       C 18       D 19       E 20



**Question 4:** What is the capacity of a minimum-capacity  $(s, t)$ -cut?

- A 16       B 17       C 18       D 19       E 20

## 2 Greedy Algorithms

Consider lectures  $\ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_n$  for which the same classroom is requested. Each lecture  $\ell_i$  has a start time  $s_i$  and a finish time  $f_i$ , where  $0 \leq s_i < f_i < \infty$ . We wish to select a largest subset of lectures of which no two overlap in time. If selected, then  $\ell_i$  happens during the half-open time interval  $[s_i, f_i)$ . For example, consider the following set of lectures:

$i$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$s_i$	10	3	1	6	7	4	2
$f_i$	14	5	2	9	14	11	10

The subset  $\{\ell_3, \ell_6\}$  has non-overlapping lectures but  $\{\ell_1, \ell_3, \ell_4\}$  is larger. Consider the following greedy algorithm template:

GREEDY-LECTURE-SELECTOR( $n, [s_1, \dots, s_n], [f_1, \dots, f_n]$ )

- 1 in-place sort the lectures by some criterion
- 2  $L := \{\ell_1\}$  //  $L$  is the current subset of selected non-overlapping lectures
- 3 **for**  $i := 2$  **to**  $n$
- 4     **if** lecture  $\ell_i$  does not overlap with any lecture already in  $L$
- 5          $L := L \cup \{\ell_i\}$
- 6 **return**  $L$

**Question 5:** Assume we in-place sort in line 1 the lectures by monotonically increasing start time, giving  $s_1 \leq s_2 \leq \dots \leq s_n$ : on which subsets of lectures taken from the set given above does the greedy algorithm above return a largest subset of non-overlapping lectures?

- A all       B none       C some       D un-  
decidable       E we do  
not know

**Question 6:** Assume we in-place sort in line 1 the lectures by monotonically increasing duration, giving  $f_1 - s_1 \leq f_2 - s_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n - s_n$ : on which which subsets of lectures taken from the example given above does the greedy algorithm above return a largest subset of non-overlapping lectures?

- A all       B none       C some       D un-  
decidable       E we do  
not know

**Question 7:** Assume we in-place sort in line 1 the lectures by monotonically increasing finish time, giving  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ : on which inputs does the greedy algorithm above return a largest subset of non-overlapping lectures?

- A all       B none       C some       D un-  
decidable       E we do  
not know





**Question 14:** What is the two-argument operator  $\gamma$  (written in infix form above)?

- A +             B -             C ·             D max             E min

**Question 15:** Assuming that recurrence  $T[i, v]$  in Question 10 is implemented with an array  $T$  that is filled without performing any redundant computations, what best describes the time complexity of computing  $T[n, V]$ .

- A  $\mathcal{O}(n)$              B  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$              C Pseudo polynomial             D  $\mathcal{O}(V)$              E  $\mathcal{O}(V^n)$

## 4 Complexity

**Question 16:** To the best of our knowledge a decision problem is in NP if and only if its answer takes ...

- A ... non-polynomial time to check.             D ... polynomial time to compute.  
 B ... non-polynomial time to compute.  
 C ... polynomial time to check.             E ... possibly forever to compute.

**Question 17:** To the best of our knowledge a decision problem is NP-hard if and only if ...

- A ... it can be reduced in polynomial time to every problem in NP.  
 B ... it can be reduced in polynomial time to every NP-complete problem.  
 C ... every problem in P can be reduced in polynomial time to it.  
 D ... every problem in NP can be reduced in polynomial time to it.  
 E ... every NP-complete problem can be reduced in polynomial time to it.

**Question 18:** If the best known solution checker for a decision problem  $D$  takes  $\mathcal{O}(n^{k^2})$  time on an instance of size  $n$ , for a constant  $k > 0$ , then what is the *tightest* complexity class of  $D$ , according to current knowledge?

- A P             B NP             C NP-complete             D NP-hard             E we do not know

**Question 19:** Given an algorithm that is implemented using dynamic programming which of the following statements best describes the complexity of the implementation.

- A Always polynomial time  
 B Always NP-complete  
 C Always pseudo polynomial  
 D  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$   
 E we do not have enough information



**Question 20:** Which of the following statements are true

- A Finding the longest simple path from a given source to a given target in a graph can be solved in polynomial time.
- B Finding the longest simple path from a given source to a given target in a graph can be converted into a shortest path problem by considering the complement of the input graph.
- C Finding the longest simple path from a given source to a given target in a graph is NP-complete.
- D Finding the shortest path from a given source to a given target is *not* in the complexity class NP.
- E There is a dynamic programming algorithm that finds the longest simple path from a given source that runs in polynomial time and space.

