# Theoretical Aspects of Intruder Search Course Wintersemester 2015/16 Example Queries for the oral exams 

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## General remarks!

- Repetition of the main statements:

Problem Def./Theorem/Lemmata

- Top-Down! Proof ideas and details!
- Explanation on examples! Algorithm/Lower Bound!
- Example Questions!
- Not all details are on the foils!
- First questions Q1/Q2 in detail!
- Walk-Through!


## Graphs and Trees

- Model: Grid environment, static variant, moving agent
- Q: How many agents are required?
- Q1: Lower bound, proof in detail
- Q2: Upper bound, proof idea



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Firefigthing interpretation! Integer LP for $I \leq 8, T \leq 9$

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\begin{aligned}
& \operatorname{Min} \sum_{v \in L} b_{v, T} \\
& b_{v, t}+d_{v, t}-b_{w, t-1} \geq 0 \quad: \quad \forall v \in L, v \in N(w), 1 \leq t \leq T \\
& b_{v, t}+d_{v, t} \leq 1 \quad: \quad \forall v \in L, 1 \leq t \leq T \\
& b_{v, t}-b_{v, t-1} \geq 0 \quad: \forall v \in L, 1 \leq t \leq T \\
& d_{v, t}-d_{v, t-1} \geq 0 \quad: \quad \forall v \in L, 1 \leq t \leq T \\
& \sum_{v \in L}\left(d_{v, t}-d_{v, t-1}\right) \geq 2: \forall 1 \leq t \leq T \\
& b_{v, 0}=1 \quad: \quad v \in L \text { is the origin }(0,0) \\
& b_{v, 0}=0 \quad: v \in L \text { is not the origin }(0,0) \\
& d_{v, 0}=0 \quad: \quad \forall v \in L \\
& d_{v, t}, b_{v, t} \in\{0,1\} \quad: \quad \forall v \in L, 1 \leq t \leq T
\end{aligned}
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## Graphs and Trees

- Same Model: static variant, moving agent, general graph
- How many agents are required?
- Q: Complexity of the problem?
- Q3: Explain the NP-hardness, present reduction in detail
- Q: Polynomial time in some cases?
- Q: Special graphs?
- Q: Greedy approximation for trees: Factor and proof!
- Q: Dynamic programming approach for trees! Explain!


## Q3: Static general Graph, Reduction detail: k-Clique

Theorem 10: Firefighter decision problem in graphs: NP-hard.

$k$-Clique and $k^{\prime}=k+\left(\frac{k}{2}\right)+1$ protected vertices

- Static: Approximation Greedy, Dynamic Programming (exact)
- Q4: Advantage for trees? Dynammic Programming! Idea!



## Dynamic configuration, structure!

1. Place a team of $p$ guards on a vertex.
2. Move a team of $m$ guards along an edge.
(3. Remove a team of $q$ guards from a vertex)

- Contiguous search (1.+2.) number: $\operatorname{cs}(T) \leq k$
- Theorem 17: Monotone contiguous strategy with all $\operatorname{cs}(T)$ agents that starts in a single vertex.
- Corollary 33: Tree $T$ exists with $c s(T) \leq 2 s(T)-2$.
- Q5 Definition: Progr. connected crusades, frontier at most $k$ Q6 Proof idea: Progr. Conn. Crusades frontier $k, T$ and $T^{\prime}$
- Q7 Rule 3. What is the difference? Jumping! $\mathrm{cs}(T)$ vs. $s(T)$



## Dynamic configuration, trees, strategy

- Message sending algorithm! Q8 Explain the idea! Analysis!
- Correct only for unit weights! Q9 Explain the problem!

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\begin{aligned}
& \mu\left(v_{3}\right)=\max \left(\lambda_{v_{3}}\left(e_{1}\right), \lambda_{v_{3}}\left(e_{3}\right)+7\right)=12 \\
& \mu\left(v_{5}\right)=\max \left(\lambda_{v_{5}}\left(e_{4}\right), \lambda_{v_{5}}\left(e_{5}\right)+5\right)=10{ }_{10 \cdot \lambda_{v_{7}}}\left(e_{6}\right)=10
\end{aligned}
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\text { 8. } \lambda_{v_{3}}\left(e_{1}\right)=7 \quad \text { 3. } \lambda_{v_{5}}\left(e_{6}\right)=1
$$


2. $\lambda_{v_{3}}\left(e_{3}\right)=5 \quad 1 \cdot \lambda_{v_{3}}\left(e_{2}\right)=3$
11. $\lambda_{v_{2}}\left(e_{3}\right)=1012 \cdot \lambda_{v_{1}}\left(e_{2}\right)=12$

## Cop and Robber Problems

- Structural properties: Pitfalls, Classification, If-and-only-if! Q10 Explain the concepts/definitions!
- Number of cops required! $c(G)$
- Theorem 41: $G$ max. degree 3, any two adjacent edges are contained in a cycle of length at most 5: $c(G) \leq 3$.
- Theorem 43: For planar graphs: $c(G) \leq 3$
- Q11/12: Explain the proof ideas!



## Randomization: Tree, static!

- Greedy approximation: $\frac{1}{2}$, Expetcted: $1-\frac{1}{e}$
- Q13: Explain the idea, sketch the analysis!

Minimize $\sum_{v \in V} x_{v} w_{v}$
so that

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x_{r}=0=0
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{v \leq u} x_{v} \leq 1 \quad: \quad \text { for every leaf } u \\
& \sum_{v \in L_{i}} x_{v} \leq 1 \quad: \quad \text { for every level } L_{i}, i \geq 1
\end{aligned}
$$

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x_{v} \in\{0,1\} \quad: \quad \forall v \in V
$$

$$
\operatorname{Pr}\left[y_{v}=1\right]=1-\prod_{i=1}^{k}\left(1-x_{v_{i}}^{F}\right) \geq\left(1-\frac{1}{e}\right) y_{v}^{F} .
$$

## Randomization: Search number, random fire

- Minimal number $k$ such that proportional part can be safed
- $s_{k}(G) \geq \epsilon: \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_{v \in V} \operatorname{sn}_{k}(G, v) \geq \epsilon|V|$
- Q14: Explain the definitions!
- Theorem 46: Planar graphs,no 3- and 4-cycle: $s_{2}(G) \geq 1 / 22$. Analysis:
- Let $X_{2}$ denote the vertices of degree $\leq 2$.
- Let $Y_{4}$ denote the vertices of degree $\geq 4$.
- Let $X_{3}$ denote the vertices of degree exactly 3 but with at least one neighbor of degree $\leq 3$.
- Let $Y_{3}$ denote the vertices of degree exacly 3 but with all neighbors having degree $>3$ (degree 3 vertices not in $X_{3}$ ).
- Q15: Explain the analysis:

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s_{2}(G) \geq \frac{n-2}{n} \cdot \frac{x_{2}+x_{3}}{x_{2}+x_{3}+y_{3}+y_{4}} \geq \frac{n-2}{n} \cdot \frac{x_{2}+x_{3}}{21\left(x_{2}+x_{3}\right)}=\frac{n-2}{21 n}
$$

## Geometric Fire Fighting: Polygons/Global Greedy

- Theorem 1: Computing optimal-enclosement-sequence: NP-hard. (Q: Present Reduction!)

Global Greedy! Q16: Explain the prerequisites/the idea!

- Sort remaining jobs $b_{j}$ by $\frac{A_{j}\left(J_{n}\right)}{d_{j}}$, process largest!
(1) $b_{j}$ can be scheduled somewhere in $J_{n}$. Insert $b_{j}: J_{n+1}$
(2) $b_{j}$ cannot be processed, overlaps with jobs in $J_{n}$. Find sequence in $J_{n}$ that overlaps:

1. Profits of these jobs smaller than $\mu$ times $A_{j}\left(J_{n}\right)$.
2. $b_{j}$ can be scheduled after deletion of the jobs.

Then build $J_{n+1}$ with $b_{j}$. Deleted jobs vanish forever!
(3) No such sequence exists in $J_{n}$. Reject $b_{j}$ !

## Geometric Fire Fighting: Global Greedy

Q16 Explain the analysis in detail!

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\begin{align*}
\left|J_{\text {opt }}\right| & \leq J_{m}(\text { blue })+J_{m}(\text { green })+J_{m}(\text { grey })  \tag{1}\\
& \leq\left(2+\frac{2}{\mu}\right)\left(J_{m}(\text { green })+J_{m}(\text { grey })\right)  \tag{2}\\
& \leq \frac{2(\mu+1)}{\mu}\left(J_{m}(\text { green })+\frac{\mu}{1-\mu} J_{m}(\text { green })\right)  \tag{3}\\
& \leq \frac{2(\mu+1)}{\mu} \frac{1}{1-\mu} J_{m}(\text { green })  \tag{4}\\
& \leq 2 \frac{\mu+1}{\mu(1-\mu)} J_{m}(\text { green }) \leq 2 \frac{\mu+1}{\mu(1-\mu)}\left|J_{m}\right| \tag{5}
\end{align*}
$$

Explain Inequalities: Grey vs. Green! (3)
Paying scheme: Blue vs. Grey and Green (2)!

## Geometric Fire Fighting: Global Greedy

Theorem 55: Geometric firefighter problem inside a simple polygon with non-intersecting barriers, approximation algorithms saves at least $\frac{1}{6+4 \sqrt{2}}=\frac{3}{2}-\sqrt{2} \approx 0.086$ times area of the optimal solution.


Q17 Example/Problem with intersecting barriers! Explain!

## Geometric Fire Fighting: Plane

Spiral strategy is reasonable!
Q18 Explain the relationship: Speed/Spiral!


## Geometric Fire Fighting: Plane limit speed!

Theorem 56: Speed $v>v_{l} \approx 2.6145$ success of spiralling strat.


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By induction:
On reaching $p_{i}$, interval of length $A$ below $p_{i-1}$ is on fire.
(Induction base!)

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1. $A+\frac{x}{v} \leq p_{i} \leq x$ and
2. $A+\frac{x}{v}+\frac{y}{v} \leq p_{i+1} \leq y$
$\Longrightarrow \frac{1}{v(v-1)} x+\frac{1}{v-1} A \leq \frac{y}{v}$
$\Longrightarrow x+A \leq \frac{y}{v}$
from $v^{2}-v \leq 1$

## Alternative Strategy FollowFire: Free String Wrapping!

Theorem 59: Strategy FF contains the fire if $v>v_{c} \approx 2.6144$. Q20 Explain the idea and sketch the proof!

- $v=5.27(\alpha=1.38)$
- $\log \left(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{0}}, \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{1}}\right), \log \left(\mathbf{p}_{1}, \mathbf{p}_{2}\right)$
- Free string: $F_{1}(I)$ :

Wrapping around $\log \left(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{0}}, \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{1}}\right)$


- $v=3.07(\alpha=1.24)$
- Wrapping around $\log \left(\mathbf{p}_{1}, \mathbf{p}_{2}\right)$

Wrapping around wrappings!


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## 2. Linkage: Structural Properties

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Parameterized by lenght / of starting spirals!
$L_{j}(I)$ length of the curve! $F_{j}(I)$ (and $\left.\phi_{j}(I)\right)$ length of the free string!


> Lemma 60:
> $L_{j-1}+F_{j}=\cos \alpha L_{j}$

Lemma 61:

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\frac{L_{j}^{\prime}}{L_{j-1}^{\prime}}=\frac{\dot{F}_{j}}{F_{j-1}}
$$

## Upper bound by FollowFire

Theorem 59: FollowFire strategy is successful if $v>v_{c} \approx 2.6144$ Q21 Explain the meaning of these steps!

When gets the free string to zero?
(1) Parameterize free strings for coil $j$ (Linkage)
(2) Structural properties
(3) Successive interacting differential equations
(9) Inserting end of parameter interval
(5) Coefficients of power series
(0) Ph. Flajolet: Singularities
(0) Pringsheim's Theorem and Cauchy's Residue Theorem

## General lower bounds

Theorem 68: For $v>2$ there successful general strategy.
For $v \leq 1$ there is no such general strategy.
Q22 Present the proofs!



## Escape path

Q23 Give the precise definition Q24 Explain the proof for Theorem 69-71


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## Escape path: Besicovitch triangles!

Theorem 72: There are examples where a Zig-Zag path is better than the diameter!
Q25 Sketch the construction, give the precise result!
i)


## Alternative cost measure: List searching!

Q26 Present the idea and the definition! Proof Theorem 73!

(i) $s_{1} s_{2} s_{3} s_{4} s_{5} s_{6} s_{7}$

(ii) $s_{1} s_{2} s_{3} s_{4} s_{5} s_{6} s_{7}$

(iii) $s_{1} s_{2} s_{3} s_{4} s_{5} s_{6} s_{7}$

(iv) $f_{1} f_{2} f_{3} f_{4} f_{5} f_{6} f_{7}$

Theorem 73: For a set of sorted distances $F_{m}$ (i.e. $f_{1} \geq f_{2} \geq \cdots \geq f_{m}$ ) we have $\operatorname{maxTrav}\left(F_{m}\right):=\min _{i} i \cdot f_{i}$.

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Theorem 74/75: The hyperbolic traversal algorithm solves problem for any list $F_{m}$ with maximum traversal cost bounded by
$D \cdot\left(\max \operatorname{Trav}\left(F_{m}\right) \ln \left(\min \left(m, \max \operatorname{Trav}\left(F_{m}\right)\right)\right)\right.$ for some constant $D$.
There is a lower bound of $d \cdot C \ln \min (C, m)$ with $\max \operatorname{Trav}\left(F_{m}(C, A)\right) \leq C$ for some constant $d$ and arbitrarily large values $C$. Q27 Proof idea!



## Alternative cost measure: Certificate path!

Q28 Present the idea and the definition for polygons!


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Q29 Explain the extreme cases!


## Alternative cost measure: Certificate path!

Sketch the proof for online approximation!
Theorem 76: There is a spiral strategy for any unknown starting point $s$ in any unknown environment $P$ that approximates the certificate for $s$ and $P$ within a ratio of 3.31864 .

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\begin{equation*}
f(\gamma)=\frac{\frac{a}{\cos \beta} \cdot e^{\phi \cot \beta}}{a \cdot e^{(\phi-\gamma) \cot \beta}(1+\gamma)}=\frac{e^{\gamma \cot \beta}}{\cos \beta(1+\gamma)} \text { for } \gamma \in[0,2 \pi] \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
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