Exercises – Algorithms for Genome Rearrangement

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Exercise 1 (2 Points)

Given the signed permutation

$$\pi = (\ +3 \ +5 \ +4 \ +6 \ +2 \ +1 \ +7 \ -8 \ +9)$$

- (a) How many components does the graph $BP(\pi)$ has, and of which type?
- (b) What is the reversal distance?
- (c) Find a sequence of reversals that transform all unoriented components into oriented components.

Exercise 2 (2 Points)

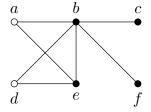
Consider the following breakpoint graph.



- (a) What is the reversal distance for this breakpoint graph?
- (b) Find a permutation π that has this breakpoint graph.

Exercise 3 (2 Points)

Suppose that a given permutation has the following overlap graph:



- (a) What is the vertex with maximum score? Apply the reversal defined by this vertex, update the overlap graph, and repeat the process until the permutation is sorted.
- (b) Can you find a breakpoint graph that corresponds to the overlap graph in the figure?

Exercise 4 (2 Points)

The number of possible (unsigned) permutations over $\{1, 2, ..., n\}$ is n!. Obviously, there exist bijective mappings between the numbers 1, 2, ..., n! and permutations over $\{1, 2, ..., n\}$. Find such a mapping that is computable in both directions in polynomial time. Tip: Google is your friend.

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Factoradic numbers:
(i_k i_{k-1} \dots i_2 i_1 i_0) represents the integer i_k k! + i_{k-1} (k-1)! + \dots + i_2 2! + i_1 1! + i_0 0!.
Now, a permutation \pi is represented by an array A of size n where position A[i] the
number of indices i' > i with values \pi[i'] smaller than \pi[i]:
1\ 2\ 3\ 4 - 0\ 0\ 0\ 0
1\ 2\ 4\ 3\ -\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0
1\ 3\ 2\ 4 - 0\ 1\ 0\ 0
1\ 3\ 4\ 2\ -\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 0
1\ 4\ 2\ 3\ -\ 0\ 2\ 0\ 0
1\ 4\ 3\ 2\ -\ 0\ 2\ 1\ 0
2\ 1\ 3\ 4-1\ 0\ 0\ 0
2\ 1\ 4\ 3\ -\ 1\ 0\ 1\ 0
2\ 3\ 1\ 4\ -\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 0
2\; 3\; 4\; 1\; -\; 1\; 1\; 1\; 0
2\ 4\ 1\ 3\ -\ 1\ 2\ 0\ 0
2\ 4\ 3\ 1-1\ 2\ 1\ 0
3\ 1\ 2\ 4 - 2\ 0\ 0\ 0
The entries in the ith last column range from 0 to i-1. All rows are different.
Interpreted as factoradic numbers, we get a unique mapping.
Quadratic-time calculations are simple. Linear-time calculations are more difficult,
one direction is shown in the following, the other direction is more complicated.
See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Permutation (Numbering permutations):
    function permutation(k, s) {
      var int factorial:= 1;
      for j = 2 to length(s) {
         factorial := factorial* (j-1);
         swap(s[j - ((k / factorial) mod j)], s[j]);
      return s;
    }
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Exercise 5 (3 Points)

After a *cycle merge* reversal, that is, a reversal defined by black edges in two different cycles, the two cycles are merged into one. Prove that this new cycle is always oriented.