

## Examples

Interval Scheduling: Given  $n$  requests with start  $s(i)$ , finish  $f(i)$   
 find largest set of pairwise compatible intervals  
 ↳ non-overlapping

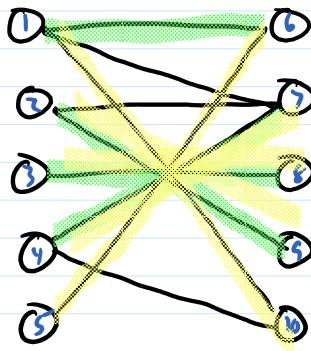
Weighted Interval Scheduling: add weight  $w_i$  to each request, find set of compatible intervals that maximizes total weight

Stable Matching: given two groups  $M, W$  of size  $n$  and preferences for each, find 1-1 onto fcn  
 $M \rightarrow W$  s.t. no pair wants to make a unilateral change

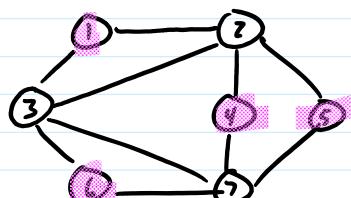
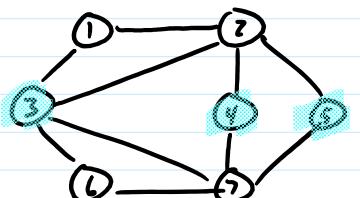
ordering of members of other group

machinists welders  
 no  $(m, w)$  not paired w/ each other who would rather be w/ each other than who they are paired with

Bipartite Matching: Given bipartite  $G$ , find maximum matching largest set of edges s.t. each vert has  $\leq 1$  edge  
 verts split into two part s.t. no edges within same part



Independent Set: Given graph  $G$ , find largest set of vertices s.t. no edges between vertices in the set



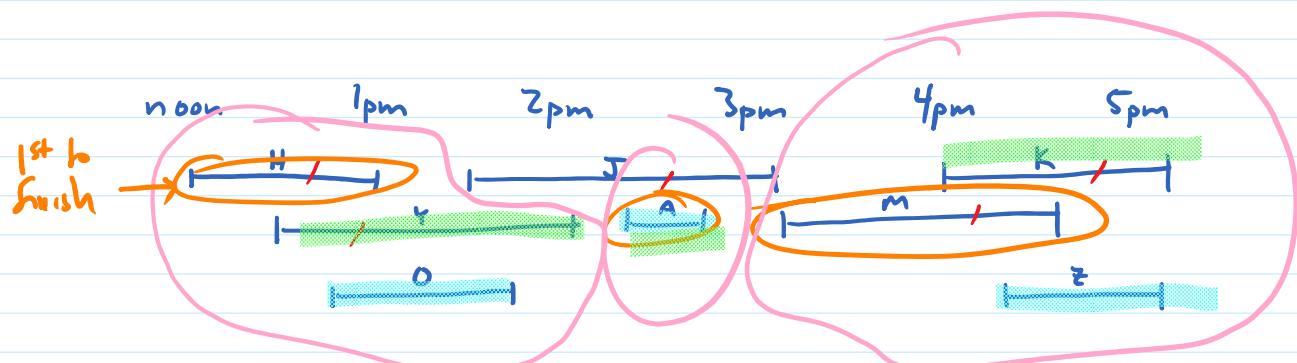
NP-complete

Competitive Facility Location: Given  $G$  with weighted verts, bound  $B$   
game between P1, P2 alternating choosing  
vert s.t. not adjacent do already chosen,  
is there a strategy for P2 to guarantee  
a total  $\geq B$ ?



I win 20 - 15

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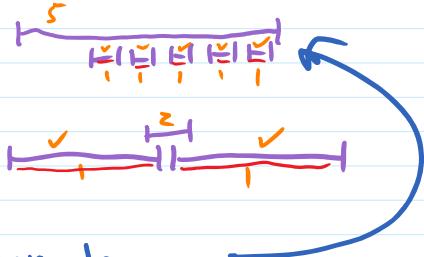


8 sessions - pick maximum number of compatible (nonoverlapping) sessions

## Interval Scheduling

Given intervals labelled  $1, \dots, n$  w/ interval  $i$ 's start, finish =  $s(i), f(i)$ ,  
find largest set of pairwise compatible intervals

Greedy: choose 1st to start? NO

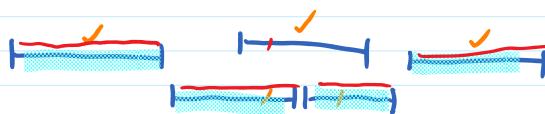


choose shortest? NO



choose last to finish NO - equiv to

choose fewest overlaps



choose 1st to finish YES



Precondition:  $R$  sorted by  $\uparrow$  finishing time

$R \leftarrow \{1, \dots, n\}$  indices of intervals compatible w/A

$A \leftarrow \emptyset$  our selected intervals

while  $R \neq \emptyset$

choose  $i \in R$  to minimize  $f(i)$

$A \leftarrow A \cup \{i\}$

remove from  $R$  all incompatible w/ $i$

$k \leftarrow k + 1$

return  $A$

while intervals left to choose from  
choose one that finishes first  
update selected  
throw out intervals overlapping selected

Let  $\Theta$  be opt sol =  $j_1, \dots, j_m$  in order of  $\uparrow$  finish  
so  $s(j_1) \leq f(j_1) \leq s(j_2) \leq f(j_2) \leq \dots \leq f(j_m)$

INVARIANT: after iteration  $k$  a)  $A$  is pairwise compatible and sorted by  $\uparrow$  finish time

b)  $f(j_k) \leq f(j_{k+1})$  or  $k=0$  on par with or  
c)  $|A|=k$  ahead of optimal soln  $\Theta$   
d)  $R$  is intervals & sat.  $s(\lambda) \geq f(\alpha_k)$  (or  $k=0$  and  $R=A$ )

Initialization trivial

Maintenance: Suppose that INV is true after  $k$  iterations and  $R \neq \emptyset$

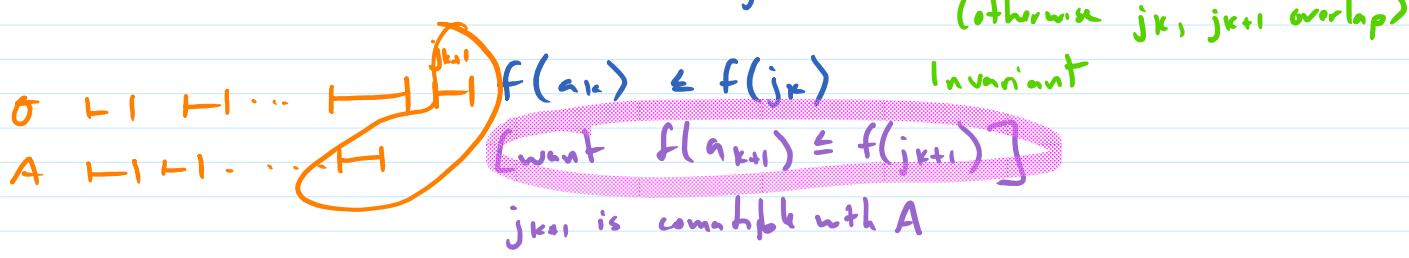
b)  $f(j_{k+1}) > f(j_k)$   $\Theta$  sorted

$s(j_{k+1}) \geq f(j_k)$   $\Theta$  is a solution

(otherwise  $j_k, j_{k+1}$  overlap)

$f(j_{k+1}) \leq f(j_k)$

Invariant



Termination:

Post-condition:

### Interval Scheduling

**Precondition:**  $f(1) \leq f(2) \leq \dots \leq f(n)$  intervals ordered by ↑ finish  
 $s(1) < f(1), \dots, s(n) < f(n)$  start of any interval is before its end

$k \leftarrow 0$   
 $R \leftarrow \{1, \dots, n\}$  indices of intervals compatible with A  
 $A \leftarrow \emptyset$  our selected intervals

while  $R \neq \emptyset$  while intervals left to choose from  
choose  $i \in R$  to minimize  $f(i)$  choose one that finishes first  
 $A \leftarrow A \cup \{i\}$  update selected  
remove from  $R$  those incompatible w/i throw out intervals overlapping selected  
 $k \leftarrow k+1$

return A

let  $\Theta$  be an opt sol =  $j_1, \dots, j_m$  in order of ↑ finish  
so  $s(j_1) < f(j_1) \leq s(j_2) \leq f(j_2) \leq \dots \leq f(j_m)$

**INVARIANT:** after iteration k  
a) A is pairwise compatible and sorted by ↑ finish time  
b)  $f(a_k) \leq f(j_k)$  or  $k=0$  on par with or ahead of optimal soln Θ  
c)  $|A| = k$   
d) R is intervals & s.t.  $s(l) \geq f(a_k)$  (or  $k=0$  and  $R=A$ )  
e)  $A, R \subseteq$  original R

Initialization: a)  $A = \emptyset$ , so vacuously true

b)  $k=0$

c)  $|A|=0$   $k=0$

d)  $k=0$  and  $R=A$

e)  $R=\text{original } R$ ,  $A=\emptyset \subseteq \text{original } R$

Maintenance: Suppose that INV is true after k iterations and  $R \neq \emptyset$

a)  $i \in R$

$f(i) > s(i) \geq f(a_k) > f(a_{k+1}) > \dots > f(a_n)$

i is compatible w/ each elt of  $A_{\text{old}}$

elts of  $A_{\text{old}}$  were pairwise compatible

choice of i

precondition, INV d, INV a

the above shows no overlap

INV a

$A_{\text{new}} = A_{\text{old}} \cup \{i\}$  is pairwise compatible above 2 lines (over all pairs and sorted by ↑ finish)

b)  $f(j_{k+1}) > f(j_k)$

$s(j_{k+1}) \geq f(j_k)$

Θ sorted



if  $s(j_{k+1}) < f(j_k)$  then  $j_k, j_{k+1}$  overlap and so  $\Theta$  is not a solution

$f(a_{k+1}) \leq f(j_{k+1})$

INV b

$f(a_1) \leq \dots \leq f(a_{k+1})$

INV a

$j_{k+1} + 1 \in R$

INV d (have  $s(j_{k+1}) \geq f(j_k) \geq f(a_k)$ )

$f(i) \leq f(j_{k+1} + 1)$

choice of i - if  $i \neq j_{k+1}$  then i is an interval with an even earlier start time

$$f(a_{k_{old}+1}) = f(i)$$

i is chosen as the nextelt of A

$$f(a_{k_{new}}) \leq f(j_{new})$$

substitution (also  $k_{new} = k_{old} + 1$ )

- c) every time through the loop, k goes up by 1 and one new element of A is added (we know this is new b/c by INV a, d + PRE we have  $f(a_1) < \dots < f(a_k) \leq s(i) < f(i)$ , so  $i \neq a_j$  for all j)

a)  $R_{old} = \{l \mid s(l) \geq f(a_{k_{old}})\}$  INV d

$$\begin{aligned} R_{new} &= R_{old} - \{l \mid l \in R_{old} \text{ and } s(l) < f(a_{k_{new}})\} \\ &= \{l \mid s(l) \geq f(a_{k_{old}}) \text{ and } s(l) \geq f(a_{k_{new}})\} \\ &= \{l \mid s(l) \geq f(a_{k_{new}})\} \quad s(l) \geq f(a_{k_{new}}) \rightarrow s(l) \geq f(a_{k_{old}}) \text{ b/c } f(a_{k_{new}}) > f(a_{k_{old}}) \end{aligned}$$

- c) We never add anything to R  
We only add to A things that are in a subset of the original R

Termination:  $|A| = k$  and  $A \subseteq$  original R, so loop must terminate at least when  $|A| = |\text{original R}|$

Post-condition: INV a shows that A is a valid solution

$$m = |\Theta| \geq |A| = k \quad \text{otherwise } \Theta \text{ isn't optimal}$$

$$R = \emptyset \quad \text{guard is false}$$

$$k = |A| \geq |\Theta| = m \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{otherwise } s(j_m) \geq f(j_{m-1}) \geq \dots \geq f(j_k) \geq f(a_k) \text{ by INV b} \\ &\text{so } j_m \in R \text{ by INV d} \\ &\text{which contradicts } R = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

$$|A| = |\Theta| \quad \text{each is both } \leq \text{ and } \geq \text{ the other}$$

$$\text{so } A \text{ is optimal} \quad \text{same size as any other optimal solution}$$