

I. Adjacency Lists / Matrices

A) Write code to find whether or not that element in a matrix where the elements in each row and column are in a non-decreasing order

Example:

{ 2, 14, 26, 37, 43, 51, }

{ 4, 16, 28, 38, 44, 54, }

{ 6, 18, 30, 39, 45, 57, }

{ 8, 20, 32, 40, 46, 60, }

{ 10, 22, 34, 41, 47, 63, }

{ 12, 24, 36, 42, 48, 66, }

```
public static boolean contains(int val, int[][] a) {
    int len = a.length;
    int row = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < len; i++) {
        if (val == a[0][i]) {
            row = i;
            return true;
        }
        if (val > a[0][i])
            row = i;
    }
    boolean found = false;
    for (int j = 0; j < len; j++) {
        if (val == a[j][row]) {
            return true;
        }
    }
    return found;
}
```

B) Spiral Matrix: Write code that traverses and prints out a matrix in a spiral form

Input:

1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16

Output:

1 2 3 4 8 12 16 15 14 13 9 5 6 7 11 10

See explanation here: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/print-a-given-matrix-in-spiral-form/>

II. Trie

A) Advantages of a Trie

- Can insert and find strings in $O(L)$ time where L represent the length of a single word.
- Print words in alphabetical order
- Account for probable use of space

See more: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/advantages-trie-data-structure/>

B) Dis-advantages of a Trie

A lot of extra memory is required to faithfully implement a trie and can have slower retrieval depending where all the memory is stored.

See more: <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/32835635/disadvantages-of-tries>

C) Use cases for a Trie

1. Auto complete – see what words come after the few letters that have already been typed
2. See some examples here: <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/29933907/what-are-some-other-possible-use-cases-of-a-trie-data-structure-other-than-t9-sp>

D) Given a trie, and knowing that each word is denoted by an “isLeaf() == true,” count the total number words present in a trie denoted by an alphabet of size 26, the children of each node are represented by a simple array.

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final static alphabetLength = 26;

static class TrieNode
{
    TrieNode[] children = new TrieNode[alphabetLength];
    boolean isLeaf;

    TrieNode(){
        isLeaf = false;
        for (int i = 0; i < alphabetLength; i++)
            children[i] = null;
    }
};
```

See the recursive solution here: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/counting-number-words-trie/>

III. B-Tree

A) List Properties of B-Tree

- 1) All leaves are at same level.
- 2) A B-Tree is defined by the term minimum degree ‘t’. The value of t depends upon disk block size.
- 3) Every node except root must contain at least t-1 keys. Root may contain minimum 1 key.
- 4) All nodes (including root) may contain at most $2t - 1$ keys.
- 5) Number of children of a node is equal to the number of keys in it plus 1.
- 6) All keys of a node are sorted in increasing order. The child between two keys k_1 and k_2 contains all keys in range from k_1 and k_2 .
- 7) B-Tree grows and shrinks from root which is unlike Binary Search Tree. Binary Search Trees grow downward and also shrink from downward.
- 8) Like other balanced Binary Search Trees, time complexity to search, insert and delete is $O(\log n)$

IV. Graph

A) Given a list of edges in a graph or "Forest," write code to find the distinct amount of "trees" or separate nodes (e.g. other metaphors, islands in an ocean, trees in a forest, disconnected components)

Input : edges[] = {0, 1}, {0, 2}, {3, 4}

Output : 2

Explanation : There are 2 trees

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0    3
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1  2   4
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See solution here: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/count-number-trees-forest/>

V. Dijkstra - Proofs

A) Does this algorithm work for negatives - why or why not?

See a good explanation here: <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/13159337/why-doesnt-dijkstras-algorithm-work-for-negative-weight-edges>

B) Does the shortest path change when weights of all edges are multiplied by 10?

See part 2 here: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/interesting-shortest-path-questions-set-1/>

C) Given a directed weighted graph and the shortest path from vertex 's' to 't' => D(s,y),

If the weight of every edge is increased by 10 units, does the shortest path remain same in the modified graph?

See part 23 here: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/interesting-shortest-path-questions-set-1/>