

Part I (Written component):

Due: **Friday, October 27 at 2:15 pm.**

Submission: Please hand in a paper copy of Part I at the beginning of class.

Total points: 15

For this assignment, you must complete:

(i) *all* of Problems 1a, 2a, and 2b, *and*

(ii) *one* of Problems 1b and 2c.

For extra credit, you may complete *both* of Problems 1b and 2c.

1.: See Problem 5, page 190 of the text.

1a. [3 points]

Give an efficient algorithm that results in an optimal solution to this problem (i.e., it places base stations such that all houses are covered, using as few base stations as possible).

1b. [5 points]

Prove, using the technique of promising partial solutions, that your algorithm produces an optimal solution.

2. See Problem 7, page 191 of the text.

2a. [4 points]

Give two decision rules that, if used in a greedy algorithm to “solve” this problem, would result in non-optimal solutions for at least some inputs. For each decision rule, give an example input for which the rule produces a non-optimal solution.

2b. [3 points]

Give a polynomial-time algorithm that solves this problem optimally (i.e., that produces a schedule with as small a completion time as possible).

2c. [5 points]

Prove, using the technique of promising partial solutions, that your algorithm produces an optimal solution.

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THIS ASSIGNMENT HAS NO PART II.