

# Interval Scheduling Demo

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*Interval Request Scheduling* – Greedy Algorithm

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[3]: import random

# random pair (s, f) where s and f are integers between
# 0 and 99, inclusive
def random_request():
    return tuple(sorted(random.sample(range(0, 100), 2)))

# make n random requests and return them all
def make_requests(n):
    requests = []
    for i in range(n):
        requests.append(random_request())
    #return requests
    return [random_request() for i in range(n)]
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[2]: random_request()
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[2]: (12, 72)
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random_request()
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[4]: make_requests(10)
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[4]: [(25, 71),
      (27, 75),
      (33, 94),
      (31, 66),
      (22, 98),
      (24, 76),
      (15, 54),
      (89, 91),
      (0, 99),
      (4, 31)]
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[12]: def plot_requests(requests):
        # sort the requests
        # plot one per line
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sorted_requests = sorted(requests, key=lambda x : x[1])

for r in sorted_requests:
    # r is one tuple (start, end)
    print(" "*(r[0]) + "-"*(r[1]-r[0]))

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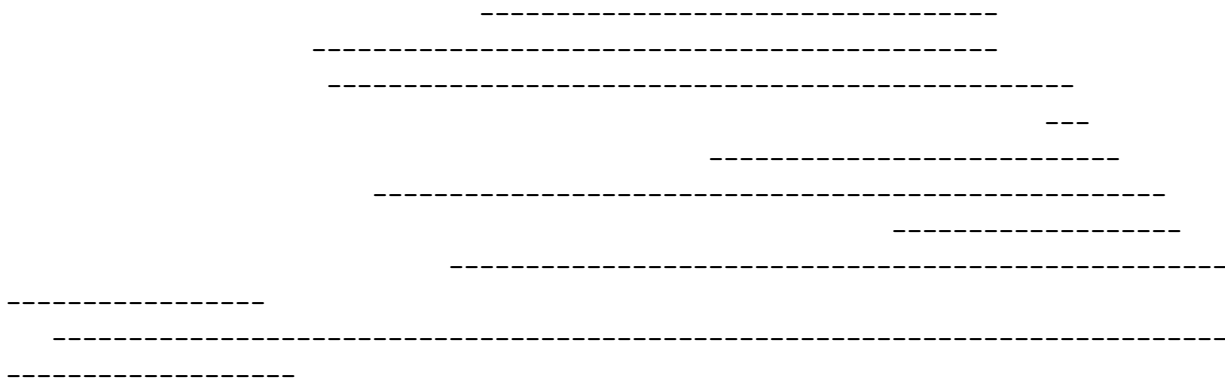
[13]: R = make_requests(10)
print(R)
plot_requests(R)

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[(21, 70), (46, 73), (3, 99), (58, 77), (68, 71), (31, 65), (65, 82), (24, 76),
(20, 65), (29, 80)]

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[41]: def greedy_solution(requests):
sorted_requests = sorted(requests, key=lambda x: x[1])
# O(n * log(n))
solution = []

# remove the thing at index 0 from sorted_requests
# AND append to solution, in one line
solution.append(sorted_requests.pop(0))

while len(sorted_requests) > 0:
    request = sorted_requests.pop(0)

    # if the start time of request is > the end
    # time of the latest meeting I've accepted:
    if request[0] >= solution[-1][1]:
        solution.append(request)

return solution

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[47]: requests = make_requests(100)

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[48]: greedy_sol = greedy_solution(requests)

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[49]: len(greedy_sol)
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[49]: 10
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[50]: print(greedy_sol)
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[(2, 10), (17, 24), (31, 32), (39, 40), (43, 44), (53, 67), (67, 69), (70, 80),  
(81, 87), (90, 95)]
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[51]: plot_requests(greedy_sol)
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[52]: len(greedy_sol)
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[52]: 10
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