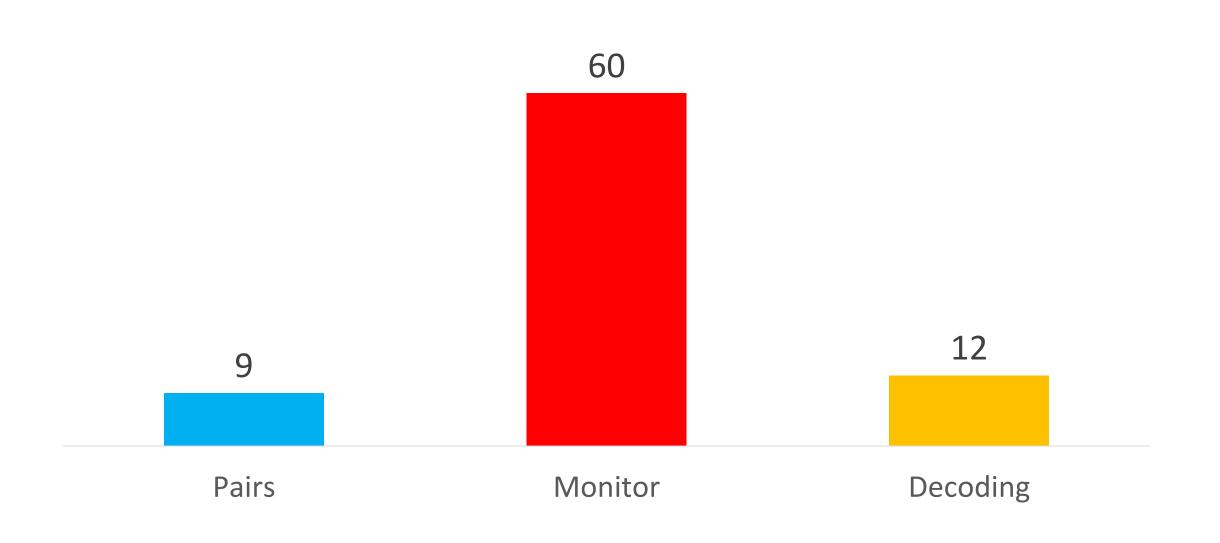
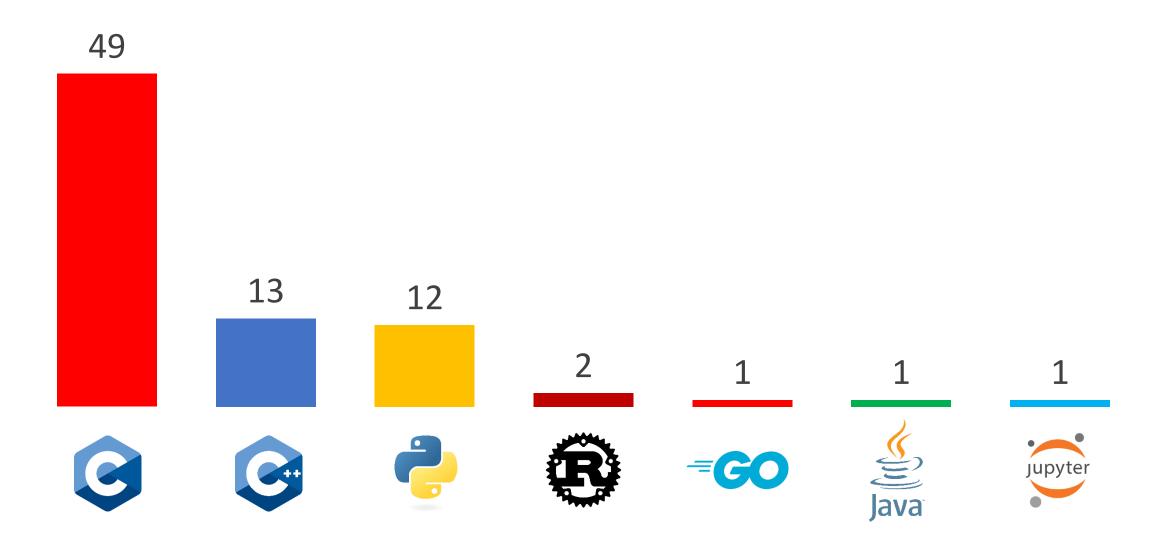
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#### 81 submissions!



## Programming languages distribution



#### Problem 1: Pairs (Conclusions)

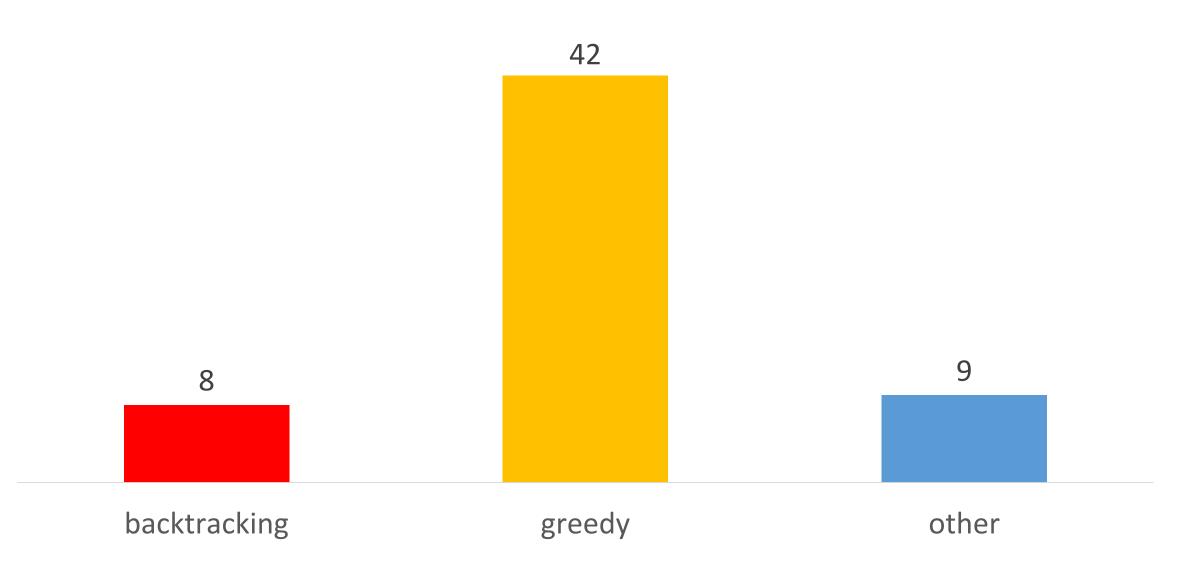
Commonly known as: *"Post's Correspondence Problem"* 

Cannot be solved algorithmically (it is *undecidable*)!

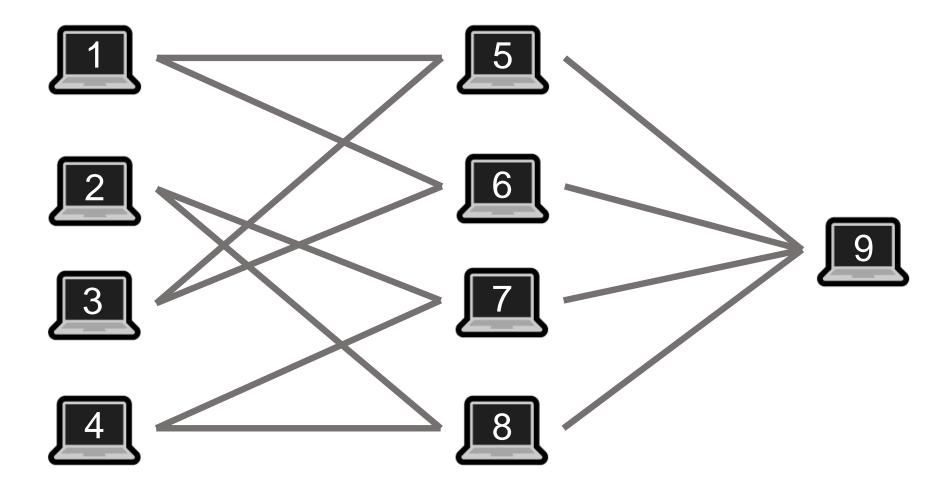
We can *prove* that no algorithm that solves it exists.

But can we write a solution that is "good enough"?

#### Problem 2: Monitor



## Problem 2: Monitor (greedy doesn't work)



## Problem 2: Monitor (Conclusions)

Commonly known as: "Mininimum Vertex Cover"

It's likely that it cannot be solved efficiently (it is *NP*-Hard)!

No proof of this fact is known, but it's a strong conjecture.

But can we write a solution that is "good enough"?

## Problem 3: Decoding (Conclusions)

Commonly known as: *"Unique Decodability"* 

Can be solved efficiently (it is in *P*)!

The Sardinas-Patterson algorithm is a provably correct, provably efficient solution

Takeaways

# We need a proper understanding of the *problem*, before working on the *algorithm*

# We need *a formal framework* that overcomes the limitations of our *intuition*