

# CSCI 3104: Algorithms

## Midterm Exam 1 (Fall 2014)

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### Instructions

1. This is a closed-book exam.
2. Keep one empty seat between you and your neighbor.
3. The total exam time is 45 minutes, from 11:05am to 11:50am.
4. Write down your name, student ID, email address, and sign the Honor Code Pledge.

### Theorems

1. **Euclid's rule:** If  $x$  and  $y$  are positive integers with  $x \geq y$ , then  $\gcd(x, y) = \gcd(x \bmod y, y)$ .
2. **Fermat's little theorem:** If  $p$  is prime, then for every  $1 \leq a < p$ ,  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .
3. **Master theorem:** If  $T(n) = aT(\lceil n/b \rceil) + O(n^d)$  for some constants  $a > 0$ ,  $b > 1$ , and  $d \geq 0$ , then

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^d) & \text{if } d > \log_b a \\ O(n^d \log n) & \text{if } d = \log_b a \\ O(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } d < \log_b a. \end{cases}$$

1. In each of the following situations, determine whether  $f = O(g)$ , or  $f = \Omega(g)$ , or both (in which case  $f = \Theta(g)$ ). Briefly explain why.

(a)  $f(n) = 8n \log(8n)$   $g(n) = 3n^3 + 2n^2 - 100$

(b)  $f(n) = \log(10n + 5)$   $g(n) = \log(n^7)$

(c)  $f(n) = 100n^7 + 10n^5 - n^3$   $g(n) = 2^{n+1} + 2n^2$

(d)  $f(n) = 10n^{1/2} + (\frac{7}{3})^n$   $g(n) = 8n^8 + 4 \log n$

2. Provide a brief answer for each of the following questions.

- (a) In the RSA public-key scheme, what information can an eavesdropper obtain? How can the eavesdropper determine the original message that was sent?
- (b) Given an undirected graph  $G$  and a starting vertex  $S$ , can we find all vertices in the graph using the **explore**( $G, S$ ) algorithm discussed in class? Explain why.
- (c) If an algorithm solves a problem of size  $n$  by dividing it into nine subproblems of size  $n/3$ , recursively solving each subproblem, and then combining the solutions in  $O(n^2)$  time, what is the time complexity of this algorithm?
- (d) Show the key steps of using the mergesort algorithm to sort the following array of values into ascending order: [139, 72, 89, 254, 35, 331, 158, 40]

3. Given the following directed graph,

- (a) Using the adjacency list representation, how many linked lists are needed to represent this graph? Draw the linked list for vertex 3.
- (b) Draw the DFS search forest, breaking ties by examining smaller-valued vertex first.
- (c) Draw the corresponding meta-graph. Is the meta-graph a directed acyclic graph (DAG)?
- (d) Show the result of topological sort (linearization) of the meta-graph.

