

Exam 3 Study Guide

Thursday, July 20, 2023, 9 AM - 10:50 AM
Building 15, 3rd floor, RF-Smart Lab, Room 3130

- ☞ If possible, arrive a few minutes early, login to a desktop and your Canvas (Duo app maybe needed).
- ☞ Cheats sheets: *upto five*, written/typed on both sides; feel free to include slides and diagrams. You can use the same cheat sheets for both the exams.
- ☞ Feel free to bring blank papers and pencils for scratch work.
- ☞ Feel free to use earplugs to avoid getting distracted.

1 Coding, 50 points, 1 hr 15 minutes, 9 AM - 10:15 AM + 5 minutes for uploading the Java file; cheats sheets are allowed

Exam 3 coding will be worth 50 points. You will be asked to complete 2 methods. There will be a third bonus method worth 15 points. Code outline and tests will be given to you, like HW problems. Like the HWs, you need to download the package, complete coding, test, and then upload your code to Canvas. Multiple submissions are allowed. Your latest submission will be graded.

Syllabus. Mainly binary trees but basic understanding of other data structures such as stacks, queues, heaps, BSTs may be needed for some of the methods. See the practice exam on GitHub to learn more. *On the test, if required, the related data structure classes will be included inside the IntelliJ project. However, you may also use the built-in Java data structures if you want to.*

Practice problems. Pull from GitHub. Download the package exam3 and start practicing. The problem is on maintaining a tree of student records. Complete the methods given to you. The method signatures should explain to you what to implement. Please try yourself before you Google for solutions.

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2 MCQs, 10 questions, 50 points, 30 minutes, 10:20 AM - 10:50 AM; cheats sheets are allowed; bonus problem(s) worth 10 points

- ☞ You may start the MCQ exam immediately after the coding exam submission; no need to wait till 10:20 AM. However, even if you start early, you still get 30 minutes to solve the MCQ exam.

Excluded slides. 1-Introduction, 2-OOD

2.1 Slides. 3-Analysis

Understand how to derive time complexity using Big-Oh notation. You may be given a small piece of code and asked to derive its time complexity. Understanding the examples on the slides should be sufficient.

2.2 Slides. 4-ArraysandLLs

Understand the difference between an array of primitives and an array of objects. Understand how linked lists work and the time complexity of various operations mentioned on the slides. Given a small piece of linked-list code, you may need to figure out what the code is doing. Reviewing the methods taught in the class should be enough. Understand how arraylists work in Java.

2.3 Slides. 5-StacksandQueues

Understand how stacks, queues, and dequeues work. Basic understanding of the operations and their time complexities should be sufficient. Ignore the applications for the test. You may be given a sequence of operations and asked the final state of the stack/queue/deque.

2.4 Slides. 6-Recursion

Given a small piece of recursive code, you should be able to trace it and figure out the output/return value.

2.5 Slides. 7-Trees

Understand the three traversal algorithms. Given a tree, you should be able to figure out its pre, in, and post-order traversal sequences. Practice using the trees on the slides and also from the tree HW to gain more experience. Tries are excluded from this test.

2.6 Slides. 8-BSTs

Understand the basic idea of binary search trees and the algorithms for searching, insertion, and deletion (3 cases). Use examples on the slides to understand the three operations. Insert a few items and delete a few to check your understanding. You may be asked questions on insertion and deletion.

Understand how to insert a new item into a RB-Tree and understand how the colors changes after insertion. You may be asked questions about the structure of the tree and node colors after inserting a new item.

2.7 Slides. 9-Hashing

Understand how separate chaining (including rehashing) and open addressing insertion works using examples. Make sure you can insert new items by hand for both the hashing techniques.

2.8 Slides. 10-Sets

Understand the set operations and the algorithms for executing the operations.

2.9 Slides. 11-PQsandHeaps

Understand how to insert and delete from a heap and the time complexities. Understand how heaps are represented using arrays. Study the examples on the slides. Try to insert a few items into the tree and execute a few removeMin() operations. After every operation, draw the array representation of the heap by hand.

2.10 Slides. 12-Graphs

Understand the uses of the algorithms: BFS, DFS, Prim's, Dijkstra. Given a graph, you should be able to execute the four graph algorithms by hand. Try to draw a few graphs by hand by randomly putting vertices and edges. Alternatively, you can modify the graphs on the slides by adding/deleting a few edges and vertices. Then, execute the algorithms on them.

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