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SEMESTER 2 EXAMINATION - 2018/2019	

School of Computer Science

COMP2014J Data Structures and Algorithms II (Software Engineering)

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Time Allowed: 120 minutes

Instructions for Candidates

Answer any 2 questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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Instructions for Invigilators

No special instructions.

Question 1:

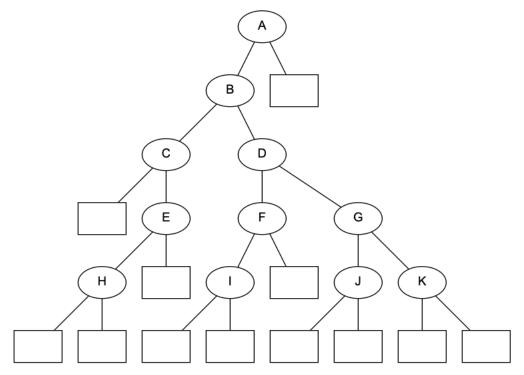
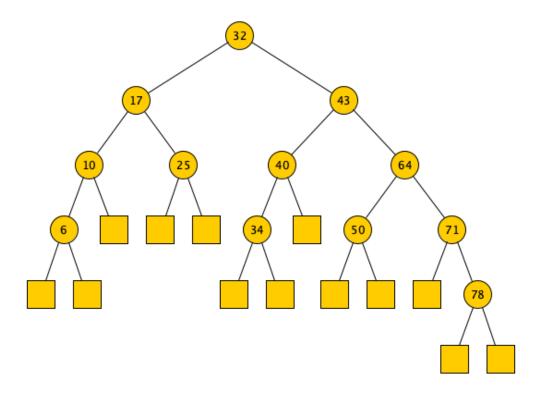


Figure 1

- (a) Study the tree in Figure 1 and answer the questions that follow.
 - (i) List the siblings of node H.
 - (ii) What is the depth of node E?
 - (iii) What is the degree of node F?
 - (iv) What is the height of the tree?
 - (v) List the descendants of node D.
 - (vi) Is (H,E) an edge? Explain your answer.
 - (viii) List the nodes that are in the subtree that is rooted at C.
 - (ix) Which of the following phrases is the best description for this tree: *binary search tree*, *proper binary tree*, *complete binary tree*. Explain your answer.

[8 marks]



Semester Two

Figure 2

- (b) Assume that the tree in Figure 2 is an **AVL Tree**. Draw the state of the tree after performing the following operations. In your answer, you should show the tree's state after each step and mention any restructuring that is required.
 - (i) Remove 25
 - (ii) Insert 35
 - (iii) Remove 50
 - (iv) Insert 3
 - (v) Remove 10

[12 marks]

- (c) With regard to analysing the performance of a **Binary Search Tree**, discuss each of the following:
 - (i) Space requirements.
 - (ii) Time complexity of the insert() and remove() functions.
 - (iii) The effect that a balanced tree has on the time complexity of the insert() and remove() functions.

[10 marks]

(d) Assume that the tree in Figure 2 is a Splay Tree. If the next operation is to remove 78, draw trees to show all restructuring operations that will happen and state what restructuring operations these are.

[6 marks]

A Splay Tree is said to be balanced in the amortised sense. Briefly describe what is (e) meant by this.

[4 marks]

- Answer the following questions relating to the traversal of binary trees. (f)
 - (i) List the values found during a *postorder* traversal of the tree in Figure 2.
 - (ii) List the values found during an *preorder* traversal of the tree in Figure 2.
 - The following are two traversals of a binary tree. Draw the tree¹. (iii)

Preorder: H, C, A, F, G, D, E, B

C, H, A, G, F, B, E, D Inorder:

[10 marks]

[Total 50 marks]

¹ In the original exam paper there was an error in this question that made it impossible to solve. This has been

corrected in this version.

Question 2:

(a) Give definitions of the following graph concepts: *incident edges, adjacent vertices, degree of a vertex, paths,* and *cycles.*

[10 marks]

- (b) One implementation of a *priority queue* ADT is to use a *heap*.
 - (i) Heaps make use of two key properties: the *order property* and the *structural completeness property*. Give definitions for each of these properties.

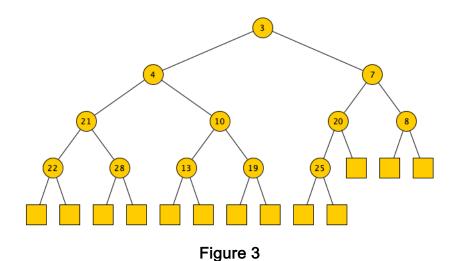
[4 marks]

(ii) Describe the steps by which items are removed from a heap. Illustrate your answer by removing an item from the heap in Figure 3.

[6 marks]

(iii) Describe the steps by which items are inserted into a heap. Illustrate your answer by inserting an item with priority 9 into the heap in Figure 3.

[6 marks]



- (c) An array-based list is an appropriate way to implement a *Complete Binary Tree*.
 - (i) Explain in detail the advantages of using this type of implementation type compared to using a linked structure.

[6 marks]

(ii) Why is an array-based list not suitable to represent an AVL tree?

[4 marks]

(d) Huffman Encoding is a technique for text compression that uses a Huffman Tree. Using the string "go go gophers" as an example, describe in detail how a Huffman Tree is created and how it can be used to generate a code to represent the string.

[14 marks]

[Total 50 marks]

Question 3:

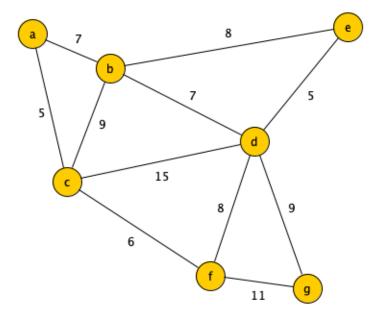


Figure 4

(a) Using the graph in Figure 4 as an example, show how Kruskal's algorithm can be used to compute a *Minimum Spanning Tree*. In your answer, you must explain each step that you take.

[12 marks]

(b) Using the graph in Figure 4 as an example, show how Dijkstra's algorithm can be used to compute a *shortest distance tree* beginning at the vertex containing "g". In your answer, you must explain each step that you take.

[12 marks]

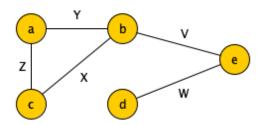


Figure 5

(c) Draw a diagram to show how the graph in Figure 5 can be represented using an *adjacency matrix* structure. In your answer, describe each object type and data structure used to explain its purpose and what data it stores.

[12 marks]

- (d) There are three main implementation strategies for the Graph ADT: *edge list*, *adjacency list*, and *adjacency matrix*. Compare the performance of each implementation strategy for each of the following headings. In each case, briefly explain the reason for any difference in performance.
 - (i) Space (memory) usage.
 - (ii) incidentEdges(v) method.
 - (iii) areAdjacent(v,w) method.
 - (iv) removeVertex(v) method.
 - (v) removeEdge(e) method.

[14 marks]

[Total 50 marks]