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## Graduate Algorithms: Test-I

Max: 50 points  
Duration: 80 min

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no explanations necessary

Q1 [2 x 5 + 3 x 2 = 11 points] Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sorted arrays of  $2n+1$  elements each. Let  $m_a$  and  $m_b$  be the median elements of  $A$  and  $B$  respectively. Consider the case when  $m_a < m_b$ . Since  $C = A \cup B$  has even number of elements let  $m$  denote the smaller median of  $C$  (assume that  $A$  and  $B$  do not contain any common element). Give tight bounds (upper or lower, as suitable) on the following; use appropriate signs from " $=$ ", " $\leq$ ", " $<$ ", " $\geq$ ", " $>$ " (no need to include trivial bounds like " $> 0$ ", " $\leq 4n+2$ ").

(a) The rank of  $m$  in  $C$ :  $2n+1$

(b) For any element  $x$  in  $A[1 \dots n]$ , the rank of  $x$  in  $C$ :  $\text{rank}(x) \leq (4n+2) - 2(n+1) = 2n$

(c) For any element  $x$  in  $A[n+2 \dots 2n+1]$ , the rank of  $x$  in  $C$ :  $\text{rank}(x) > n+1$

(d) For any element  $x$  in  $B[1 \dots n]$ , the rank of  $x$  in  $C$ :  $\text{rank}(x) \leq 4n+2 - (n+1) = 3n+1$

(e) For any element  $x$  in  $B[n+2 \dots 2n+1]$ , the rank of  $x$  in  $C$ :  $\text{rank}(x) > 2n+2$

(f) For each of the subarrays, specify if  $m$  can/cannot/must belong to that subarray.

cannot      can      can  
 $A[1 \dots n]$ ,    $A[n+1]$ ,    $A[n+2 \dots 2n+1]$

(g) For each of the subarrays, specify if  $m$  can/cannot/must belong to that subarray.

can      cannot      cannot  
 $B[1 \dots n]$ ,    $B[n+1]$ ,    $B[n+2 \dots 2n+1]$

Q2 [3 points] Given an array  $A[1 \dots n]$  of distinct positive integers and an integer  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , give a recursive expression to compute  $\text{Solve}(i)$  which is defined as the length of the longest increasing subsequence of  $A[1 \dots i]$  that ends with  $A[i]$ .

$$\text{Solve}(i) = 1 + \max \{ \text{Solve}(j) : j < i \text{ and } A[j] < A[i] \}$$

Q3 [3 points] Denote the  $n \times n$  Vandermonde matrix by  $V_n$ . Write the sum of all the elements of the  $k$ -th row of  $(V_n)^{-1}$ .  
Ans: 0

Q4 [3 points] Let  $\text{DFT}(A, k, n)$  denote the recursive algorithm we studied in class for evaluation a polynomial of degree  $n-1$  at all the  $k$   $k$ -th roots of unity. Does the same (unmodified) algorithm work for  $k = 8$  and  $n = 8$ ? If "yes", write all calls to  $\text{DFT}(\text{poly}(x), k=?, n=?)$  that are made (I am only interested in the values of  $k$  and  $n$  in the recursive calls). If "no", briefly explain why in the space provided.

No. Since  $\text{DFT}(A, 7, n)$  is evaluation of a polynomial at 7 7-th roots of unity and it calls  $\text{Odd}(w^{2i})$  for  $i=0$  to 6 which are actually evaluations of the Odd polynomial at 7 different values. So we are not recursively solving a smaller problem.

- \* no marks for only yes/no answers
- \* 1 for saying no but not giving any useful answer (e.g., stating whatever is said in the question is not adding any useful information) ROUGH
- \* 2 if reason is roughly "book says so"
- \* 3/3 if any reasonable explanation is given
- \* padding requires modification of the algorithm and is incorrect: 0
- \* correctly saying "no" but wrong reason: 0
- \* if answer is almost correct but has glaring mistake: 1.5-2

Q5 [5 points] Let  $H(n)$  denote the number of min-heaps that can be created using the elements  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2^n - 1\}$ . Note that  $H(1) = 1$  since there is only min-heap possible using  $\{1\}$ . Give a recursive expression to compute  $H(n)$ .

$H(n) = \{(2^{\{n\}}) - 2 \text{ choose } (2^{\{n-1\}}) - 1\} \times H(n-1) \times H(n-1)$

If  $H(2^{\{n-1\}} - 1)$  is used instead of  $H(n-1)$ , give full marks (even though it is incorrect)

Given an array  $A$  of positive distinct integers, a subsequence  $\langle a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots \rangle$  (where,  $i_1 < i_2 < i_3 \dots$ ) of  $A$  is said to be oscillating if the first pair is increasing  $a_{i_1} < a_{i_2}$ , the second pair is decreasing  $a_{i_2} > a_{i_3}$ , the third pair is increasing, the fourth pair is decreasing, and so on. For example, given a sequence 9, 16, 5, 12, 1, 7, 3, 6, 8, 4, one of the oscillating subsequences is 9, 12, 1, 7, 3, 8, 4 — observe that the first, third, etc. pairs (9, 16), (5, 12) are increasing, and the second, fourth, etc. pairs (16, 5), (12, 1) are decreasing. Subsequences with only one element are considered (trivially) oscillating.

For  $i < j$ , let  $inclosat(i, j)$  denote the length of the longest osc. subseq. present in the subarray  $A[i \dots j]$  such that the first pair of the subsequence is an increasing pair ("increasing pair" is explained above) and  $A[i]$  is the first element of the subsequence.  $declosat(i, j)$  is defined similarly except that the first pair is decreasing.

Q6 [5+5=10 points] Give recursive expressions to compute  $inclosat$  and  $declosat$ . Do not write pseudocode/algorithm to compute those values. Cross-check with the help of an example to avoid errors. You are allowed to compute  $inclosat$  recursively using  $inclosat$  and  $declosat$  values of smaller subarrays (and similarly for  $declosat$ ).

Write "I don't know" if you cannot answer this question and you will get 2/10.

$inclosat(i, j) = 1 + \max \{ declosat(A[k \dots j]) : i < k \leq j, A[i] < A[k] \}$

$declosat(i, j) = 1 + \max \{ inclosat(A[k \dots j]) : i < k \leq j, A[k] < A[i] \}$

2+3+5=10

Q7 [2+5+3=10 points] Let  $T(i, j)$  denote the time-complexity to compute both  $inclosat(i, j)$  and  $declosat(i, j)$ . Give a recursive expression for computing  $T(i, j)$ .

Write "I don't know" if you cannot answer this question and you will get 2/10.

Base case(s) (could be multiple):  $T(i, i+1) = 1$  for  $i=1 \dots n-1$

Recursive expression:  $T(i, j) = T(i+1, j) + T(i+2, j) + \dots + T(j-1, j)$

Solution of recurrence  $T(1, n)$  = (show derivation)  $T(i, j) - T(i+1, j) = T(i+1, j) + c$   
 $T(i, j) = 2T(i+1, j) + c = \dots$  (some steps)  $= 2^{\{j-i\}} * c$

If there is no derivation for the solution, give 2-3 partial marks.

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Q8 [5 points] Explain an algorithm to compute the longest oscillating subsequence of  $A$  using all the  $inclosat(i, j)$  and  $declosat(i, j)$  values, for all  $i < j$ . You are allowed to use sentinels if necessary. Explain the time complexity assuming inc dec values are already computed.

Approach A: Max  $\{ inclosat(i, n), declosat(i, n) \}$  for all  $i$  :  $O(n)$

Approach S: Set  $A[0] = 0$ . return  $inclosat(0, n)$  :  $O(1)$

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- \* If sentinels are used, it must be clearly mentioned that  $A[0]=\dots$
- \* Using flag/global variables : 0
- \* Not explaining time complexity - no penalty (only for this time)
- \* Using only  $inclosat/declosat$  and getting  $O(n)$  solution as above : 3.5
- \* Using sentinel and giving  $O(1)$  solution as above : 5
- \* Algorithm recursively computes LOS (and also uses  $inclosat/declosat$ ) : 3
- \* Algorithms that are computing LOS by looking at adjacent pairs are usually incorrect : 0
- \* Half-true/incorrect approach - 1.5 to 2