Anonymous code:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Grade

Results:

#### **Basic question 1: Complexity**

What is the worst-case asymptotic time complexity (in the size n of arr) of the following function that searches for an element x in a sorted array arr?

```
// arr: sorted array of integers of length n
// x: an integer
bool contains(int[] arr, int x):
    int i = 1
    while i*2 < n and arr[i*2] < x:
        i = i*2
    while i < n and arr[i] < x:
        i = i+1
    return arr[i] == x</pre>
```

Write your answer in O-notation, and be as exact and simple as possible.

**Answer:** O(\_\_\_\_\_\_)

#### **Brief explanation:**

(Alternatively, you can add comments directly to the code above if you want.)

## **Basic question 2: Sorting**

As you know, the worst-case time complexity of *quicksort* is quadratic. Assuming a strategy of selecting the <u>middle element</u> (index rounded down), how can the elements 1,2,3,4,5 be arranged in an array to give the worst-case performance? To be more precise: Worst case means that one of the two recursive calls should always get an empty range of values.

**Recall**: The partitioning algorithm starts by swapping the pivot with the first element in the current sorting range.

Check the boxes  $\square$  for alternatives that are correct (may be more than one):

- $\square$  A: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
- $\square$  **B**: [2, 4, 1, 3, 5]
- $\Box$  **C**: [5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
- $\square$  **D**: [2, 5, 1, 3, 4]
- $\square$  **E**: [3, 5, 1, 2, 4]
- $\square$  **F**: [3, 4, 1, 2, 5]

#### **Brief explanation:**

For each of the correct answers above, state the order in which the elements are used as pivots (one line per box you checked, e.g. [5,3,4,2,1] would mean first 5 is used, then 3, then 4...).

# **Basic question 3: Lists, stacks, queues**

Assume you have the following circular-array-based implementation of a queue:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
A	X	С			S	Q	M

Dequeue one element, and then enqueue the same element. How does the array look like now?

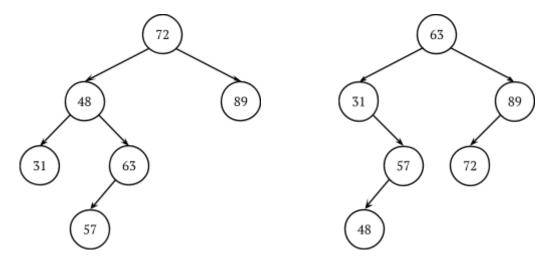
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Now enlarge the array by 50% (after the operation above), preserving the order of values in the queue. What does the queue look like after this?

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## Basic question 4: Red-black search trees

Exactly one of the following two trees can be painted as a valid red-black search tree:



- Cross out the tree that is not valid.
- Paint the black nodes in the valid tree.

*Note*: You are *not* allowed to use a red pen, so instead you should paint the black nodes. Leave the red nodes as they are, like this:

Red node: 17 Black node:

Alternatively, draw the valid tree below, with the black nodes painted and the red nodes hollow.

## **Basic question 5: Priority queues**

Exactly one of the following three integer arrays is a valid representation of a binary min-heap:

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
A:	2	5	4	6	5	6	8	9	8	7		
B:	3	6	4	7	5	5	8	8	6	9		
C:	1	2	3	4	7	7	3	4	5	6		

Which one is a binary min-heap?

Draw the heap as a tree:

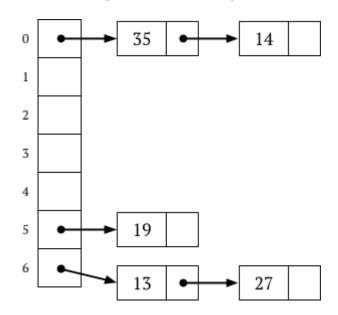
Remove the minimal value from the heap and show the resulting tree:

And finally, show how the final heap is represented as an array:

_	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

## Basic question 6: Hash tables

Here is a separate-chaining hash table of integers, where the containers are simple linked lists:



In which order can the elements have been inserted into the hash table? Check the box  $\square$  with the correct alternative (there is only one):

*Note*: assume that elements are always added at the front of the linked list.

Now, insert the elements in the same order into the following linear probing hash table:

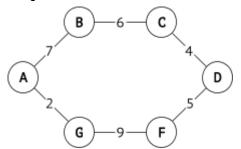
0	1	2	3	4	5	6

*Note*: this hash table has the same internal array size as the initial table.

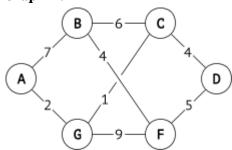
#### **Basic question 7: Graphs**

Here are two different weighted undirected graphs.

Graph 1:

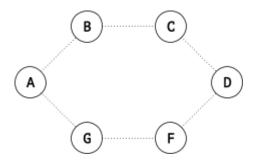


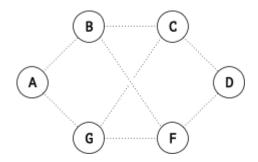
Graph 2:



Perform **Kruskal's algorithm** to construct a minimum spanning tree (MST) for each of the two graphs. Recall that Kruskal is the algorithm that doesn't have a starting vertex.

Draw the MSTs of both graphs by filling the dotted edges:

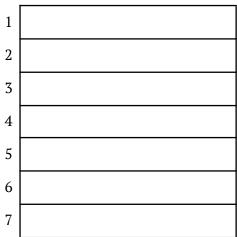




List the edges of the MSTs in the order they are produced by Kruskal's algorithm.

- Write the edges in the form AC, DF, ...
- Note that not all rows have to be used

Graph 1



Graph 2

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#### **Basic question 8: Mystery data structure**

The following code implements a common data structure.

```
class Mysterious:
          a : Mysterious
          b : Mysterious
          c : String
     def f(x, y):
          if y == null: return new Mysterious(null, null, x)
          else if x < y.c: y.b = f(x, y.b)
          else if x > y.c: y.a = f(x, y.a)
          return y
     def g(x, y):
          if y == null: return false
          else if x < y.c. return g(x, y.b)
          else if x > y.c: return g(x, y.a)
          else: return true
Which data structure is implemented?
Give the methods f and g names that are more descriptive (with respect to the data structure):
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