

1. Which of the following statement(s) is TRUE?

- (i) A hash function takes a message of arbitrary length and generates a fixed length code.
 - (ii) A hash function takes a message of fixed length and generates a code of variable length.
 - (iii) A hash function may give the same hash value for distinct messages.
- A. None of the above options are correct.
 - B. ii and iii only
 - C. i only
 - D. **[Correct Answer]** i and iii only
 - E. **[Your Answer]** ii only

2. What is the best definition of a collision in a hash table?

- A. Two entries are identical except for their keys.
- B. None of the other options are correct.
- C. **[Correct Answer]** **[Your Answer]** Two entries with different keys have the same exact hash value.
- D. Two entries with the exact same key have different hash values.
- E. Two entries with different data have the exact same key.

3. The CS department wants to maintain a database of up to 1800 UINs of students who have taken CS 225 so that it can be determined very quickly whether or not a given student has taken the course. Efficient use of memory and speed of response are equally important. Which of the following data structures would be most appropriate for this task?

- A. A hash table using probing with capacity 1800
- B. A sorted linked list
- C. **[Correct Answer]** A hash table using probing with capacity 4500
- D. **[Your Answer]** A sorted array with 1800 entries
- E. A hash table using probing with capacity 1000

4. Given a hash table T with load factor 80 and it has 25 slots, the number of elements that can be stored in hash table is:

- A. 4000
- B. None of the other options are correct.
- C. 6.4
- D. 3.2
- E. **[Correct Answer]** **[Your Answer]** 2000

5. Suppose a hash table has size 10, and that the search keys are strings consisting of 3 lower case letters. We want to hash 7 unknown values from this keyspace. In the hash function, when we refer to the alphabet positions of the letters, we mean: $a = 1$, $b = 2$, ..., $z = 26$ and $h(k) = (\{\text{product of the alphabet positions of } k\text{'s letters}\}) \bmod 10$

Which of these ideal hash function characteristics are violated by this hash function?

- (i) A good hash function is deterministic.
 - (ii) A good hash function distributes the keys uniformly over the array.
 - (iii) A good hash function is computed in constant time.
- A. Only (i) is violated.
 - B. None of these characteristics are violated.
 - C. Only (iii) is violated.
 - D. **[Your Answer]** At least two of (i), (ii) and (iii) are violated.
 - E. **[Correct Answer]** (ii) is violated.