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Answer **ALL QUESTIONS**. All the notations are standard and no query or doubts will be entertained. If any data/statement is missing, identify it in your answer script. Marks are indicated at the end of each question.

1. Consider the recurrence  $T(n) = T(n/2) + T(n/4) + n$ . Use the substitution method to give a tight upper bound on the solution to the recurrence using  $O$ -notation. [2]
2. For each of the following algorithms, (i) give a recurrence that describes its worst-case running time and (ii) its worst-case running time using  $\Theta$ -notation: (a) Binary search, (b) Insertion Sort, (c) Merge Sort, (d) Randomized quicksort and (e) Strassen's algorithm. [5]
3. Consider the following sorting methods: Insertion Sort, Merge Sort, and Quick Sort. What is the running time using  $O$ -notation for each method
  - (a) When all the the array values are equal?
  - (b) When the values are in order?
  - (c) When the values are in reverse order?

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Explain your answers.

4. a) Describe a case where quicksort will result in quadratic behavior.
- b) Here is an array which has just been partitioned by the first step of Quicksort (sorting from smallest to largest):

18 15 17 19 20 23 22 21 24

Which of these elements could be a possible pivot?

- c) Consider the following array for sorting (sorting from smallest to largest)

10 8 13 14 6 12 5 7 11 9

- (i) Draw the array after the FIRST iteration of the large loop in an Insertion sort.
- (ii) Draw the array after TWO recursive calls of Mergesort are completed, and before the final merge step has occurred.
- (iii) Draw the array after applying Quicksort's partition function and using 10 for the pivot. Clearly describe the working of the partition function with this example.

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5.

- a) Is the sequence  $\langle 20, 15, 18, 7, 9, 5, 12, 3, 6, 2 \rangle$  is a max-heap? *Explain.*
- b) Where in a max-heap can the smallest element reside, assuming all elements are distinct? Include both the location in the array and the location in the implicit tree structure.
- c) Suppose that instead of using Build-Heap to build a max-heap in place, the Insert operation is used  $n$  times. Starting with an empty heap, for each element, use Insert to insert it into the heap. After each insertion, the heap still has the max-heap property, so after  $n$  Insert operations, it is a max-heap on the  $n$  elements.
  - (i) Argue that this heap construction runs in  $O(n \log n)$  time.
  - (ii) Argue that in the worst case, this heap construction runs in  $\Omega(n \log n)$  time.
- d) If bucket sort is implemented by using heapsort to sort the individual buckets, instead of by using insertion sort as in the normal algorithm, then what are the worst-case and Average case running time of bucket sort? Justify your answer.

[7]

6.

**TRUE OR FALSE?** If the statement is correct, briefly state why. If the statement is wrong, explain why.

[9]

- i. The sum of the smallest  $\sqrt{n}$  elements in an unsorted array of  $n$  distinct numbers can be found in  $O(n)$  time.
- ii. The information-theoretic (decision-tree) lower bound on comparison sorting can be used to prove that the number of comparisons needed to build a heap of  $n$  elements is  $\Omega(n \lg n)$  in the worst case.
- iii. If bucket sort is implemented by using heapsort to sort the individual buckets, instead of by using insertion sort as in the normal algorithm, then the worst-case running time of bucket sort is reduced to  $\Theta(n \lg n)$ .
- iv. Radix sort works correctly even if insertion sort is used as its auxiliary sort instead of counting sort.
- v. An adversary can present an input of  $n$  distinct numbers to RANDOMIZED-SELECT that will force it to run in  $\Omega(n^2)$  time.
- vi. Sorting 6 elements with a comparison sort requires at least 10 comparisons in the worst case.

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