

Homework (Extra Credit)

Many of these questions are taken from the review problems for the midterm.

Algorithmic Complexity

1. a) For the following recursive function, find $f(5)$: **= 15**

```
int f(int n) {  
    if (n == 0)                f(0) = 0  
        return 0;              f(1) = 1  
    else                        f(2) = 3  
        return n + f(n - 1);    f(3) = 6  
                                f(4) = 10  
                                f(5) = 15  
}
```

b) For the function in Question a), find $f(0)$. **= 0**

c) For the function in Question a), suppose + is changed to * in the inductive case. Find $f(5)$. **= 0**

d) For the function in Question a), what happens with the function call $f(-1)$? **= Negative would give an error, beyond base condition**

2. Compute the following sum

$$1 + 1/2 + 1/4 + 1/8 + \dots = S_n = 2 - 1/2^{(n-1)} \approx 2$$

3. Rank the following time complexities starting from the least to the greatest: $O(n^2)$, $O(\log n)$, $O(\log \log n)$, $O(n)$, $O(n \log n)$ **= $O(\log \log n)$, $O(\log n)$, $O(n)$, $O(n \log n)$, $O(n^2)$**

4. Algorithm: What problem does this algorithm solve? Find the time complexity of the algorithm. **= The algorithm is a selection sort that sorts in ascending order at $O(n^2)$**

```
for i= 1 to n do  
    // find min element in A[i...n]  
    // and put it in the i'th position (i.e. at A[i])  
  
    min_index <-- i  
  
    //locate min  
    for j= i+1 to n do  
  
        if A[j] < A[min_index] then min_index <-- j  
  
    //put the min where it belongs  
    swap( A[i], A[min_index] )
```

5. Consider the following three algorithms for determining whether anyone in the room has the same birthday as you.

Algorithm 1: You say your birthday, and ask whether anyone in the room has the same birthday. If anyone does have the same birthday, they answer yes.

Algorithm 2: You tell the first person your birthday, and ask if they have the same birthday; if they say no, you tell the second person your birthday and ask whether they have the same birthday; etc, for each person in the room.

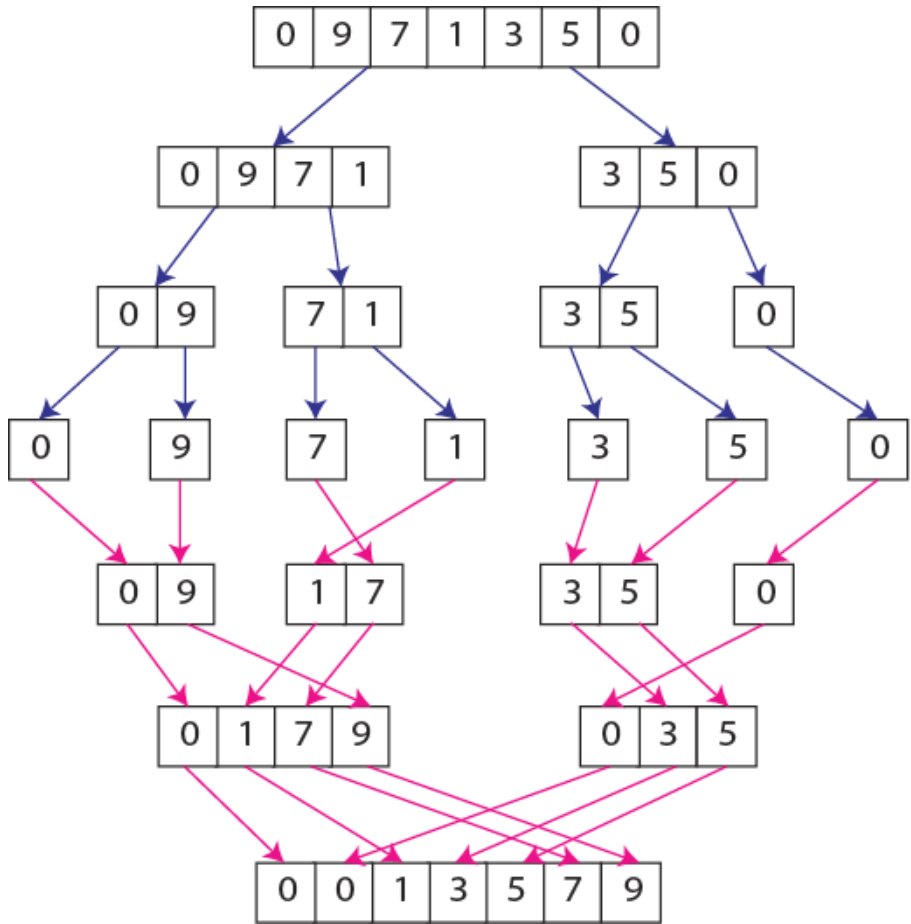
Algorithm 3: You only ask questions of person 1, who only asks questions of person 2, who only asks questions of person 3, etc. You tell person 1 your birthday, and ask if they have the same birthday; if they say no, you ask them to find out about person 2. Person 1 asks person 2 and tells you the answer. If it is no, you ask person 1 to find out about person 3. Person 1 asks person 2 to find out about person 3, etc.

Question 1: For each algorithm, what is the factor that can affect the number of questions asked (the "problem size")? = **The number of people at the party who need to be asked.**

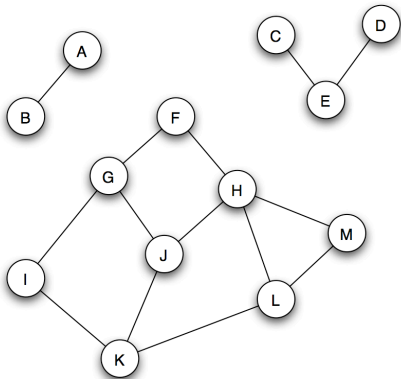
Question 2: In the worst case, how many questions will be asked for each of the three algorithms? = **1) 1 time, 2) n times, 3) $n(n + 1) / 2$ times**

Question 3: For each algorithm, say whether it is constant, linear, or quadratic in the problem size in the worst case. **1) constant, 2) linear, 3) quadratic**

6. Sort the following numbers [0, 9 7, 1, 3, 5 0] using merge sort. Draw a diagram to clearly illustrate how merge sort works.



7. Consider the following graph. Represent it using an adjacency matrix.



	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m
a	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
b	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
c	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
d	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
e	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
f	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
g	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
h	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
i	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
j	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
k	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
l	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
m	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0