

A. [6.0 Points] Use substitution (Iterative) method to give tight asymptotic bound for the following recurrence relation:

$$T(n) = 7 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + c (n^2), \quad \text{for } n > 1 \text{ and } T(1) = 1$$

Iter 1 :  $7 T(n/2) + C(n^2)$

Iter 2 :  $7^2 T(n/2^2) + 7 C(n/2)^2 + C(n^2)$

Iter 3 :  $7^3 T(n/2^3) + 7^2 C(n/2^2)^2 + 7 C(n/2)^2 + C(n^2)$

Iter K :  $7^k T(n/2^k) + 7^{k-1} C(n/2^{k-1})^2 + 7^{k-2} C(n/2^{k-2})^2 + C(n^2)$

$7^k T(n/2^k) \rightarrow$  highest order

$T(n) = O(7^{\log(n)}) \rightarrow O(n^{\log(7)})$

B. [11 Points] Describe  $O(n \lg m)$ -time complexity Alg, for merging  $m$  sorted lists of objects into one sorted list, such that  $n$  represents the total number of objects in all the input lists.

function MergeSortedLists(lists):

    Create a min-heap (priority queue)

    for  $i$  from 1 to  $m$ :

        if lists[ $i$ ] is not empty:

            Insert (lists[ $i$ ][0],  $i$ ) into the heap # Store element and list index

result = []

while the heap is not empty:

    (value, listIndex) = ExtractMin from the heap

    Append value to result

    Advance the pointer for lists[listIndex]

    if lists[listIndex] is not empty:

        Insert (lists[listIndex][nextPointer], listIndex) into the heap

return result

C. [3.0 Marks] Analyze Huffman algorithm to find its time complexity.

Build min-heap  $\rightarrow O(n)$

Loop:

1.  $N$  for each operation

2. Extract from heap  $\rightarrow O(\log n)$

Alg. Take  $O(n \log n)$

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D. [8.0 Marks] Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a simple graph with  $n$  vertices and the weight of every edge of  $G$  is equal to one. Compute in detail the weight of MST of  $G$ ?

The weight of the Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) of a graph  $G=(V,E)$  with  $n$  vertices and all edge weights equal to 1 is  $n-1$ , provided the graph is connected. This is because an MST contains  $n-1$  edges, and each edge has weight 1. If the graph is disconnected, an MST does not exist

E. [11.0 Marks] If  $S$  is an unsorted array of  $k$  integers (any element of  $M$  could be either positive or negative integer), design  $O(k \lg k)$  worst-case time algorithm that searches two numbers  $x, y \in M, x \neq y$ , such that  $|x + y|$  is the minimum among all pairs in  $M$ .

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function FindMinAbsSumPair(M):
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    Sort array M in non-decreasing order #  $O(k \lg k)$ 
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    i = 0
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    j = len(M) - 1
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    minAbsSum =  $\infty$ 
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    resultPair = (None, None)
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    while i < j:
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        s = M[i] + M[j]
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        if |s| < minAbsSum:
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            minAbsSum = |s|
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            resultPair = (M[i], M[j])
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        if s < 0:
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            i = i + 1
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        else if s > 0:
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            j = j - 1
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        else:
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            break # |s| = 0 is the smallest possible value
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    return resultPair
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F. [11 Points] Discuss how you can compute `in_degree` and `out_degree` of the nodes of a graph given when it is represented by adjacency list.

Definition:

Out-degree of a node: The number of edges leaving the node.

In-degree of a node: The number of edges arriving at the node.

Compute:

Out-degree of node  $u$ : The size of `adj[u]`,  $O(1)$ .

In-degree of node  $v$ : Count how many times  $v$  appears in the adjacency lists of all nodes,  $O(m)$ .

Time Complexity is  $O(n + m)$

$n$  is the number of nodes

$m$  is the number of edges