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DEGREES OF MSci, MEng, BEng, BSc, MA and MA (Social Sciences)

Algorithms and Data Structures 2

(Answer all questions.)

This examination paper is worth a total of 50 marks

The use of a calculator is not permitted in this examination

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1. A binary search tree is a binary tree T such that each node of T stores an item e. Items stored in the left subtree of T rooted at a node v are less than the item in node v, and items stored in the right subtree of T rooted at a node v are greater than the item in node v. Below is java code for the `BNode` class, and below that code for the `BSTree` class which together implement a binary search tree suitable for storing a set of integers.

```
public class BNode {
    private int   item;
    private BNode left;
    private BNode right;

    public BNode(int e, BNode left,BNode right){
       this.item  = e;
       this.left  = left;
       this.right = right;
    }

    public int   getItem(){return item;}
    public BNode getLeft(){return left;}
    public BNode getRight(){return right;}
    public void  setLeft(BNode nd){left = nd;}
    public void  setRight(BNode nd){right = nd;}
}


public class BSTree {
    private BNode root;

    public BSTree(){root = null;}

    public BNode root(){return root;}
    public boolean isEmpty(){return root == null;}

    public void insert(int e){
       if (isEmpty()) {root = new BNode(e,null,null);}
       else insert(e,root);
    }

    private static void insert(int e,BNode nd){...}

    public boolean isPresent(int e){return root != null && isPresent(e,root);}

    private static boolean isPresent(int e,BNode nd){...}

}
```

(a) Write Java code for the method `insert(int e,BNode nd)` in class `BSTree`, where the method inserts the integer `e` into the tree rooted at node `nd`.

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(b) Write Java code for the method `isPresent(int e,Bnode nd)`, where the method delivers true if and only if `e` is in the tree rooted at node `nd`.

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(c) Assume that the following items are inserted into an empty `BSTree` in the following order: 30, 40, 24, 58, 48, 26, 11, 24, 13, 36.

- Draw the tree.
- What is the height of the tree?
- Write out the preorder, inorder and postorder traversals of the tree.

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(d) How might we modify the `BNode` class such that our binary search tree can represent a multiset? In your answer consider insertion and deletion of entries. Note, Java code is not expected.

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2. An organisation has a data set of 1 million customers. The information the organisation holds on customers includes their height in centimetres (cm). The organisation wants to sort that data using height as a key, where height is an integer in the range 100cm to 220cm. This might be done using a pigeonhole sort or a radix sort.

(a) What is a pigeonhole sort? What is its complexity? Why might it be suitable for this task? Assuming Java is being used, what data structures might you use?

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(b) What is radix sort? What is its complexity? Why might it be suitable for this task?

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3. The toy program below, `Test2017`, takes as argument on the command line an integer (`n`). Two ArrayLists, `C` and `P`, are then created and both are filled with the integers `0` to `n-1`. Finally, the contents of `C` are removed from `P`.

```
import java.util.*;

public class Test2017 {

   public static void main(String[] args) {
    int n = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
    ArrayList<Integer> C = new ArrayList<Integer>();
    ArrayList<Integer> P = new ArrayList<Integer>();
    for (int i=0;i<n;i++){
            C.add(i);
            P.add(i);
            }
    for (int i : C) P.remove((Integer)i);
    }
}
```

(a) What is the complexity of `Test2017`? Explain your answer.

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(b) We are using a "for-each" loop to remove values from `P`. What are the consequences of that on space and run time?

[2]

(c) When creating the ArrayLists we might have specified their size. What effect might that have on run time? Explain your answer.

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4. In Java, we might represent a set of integers using (i) a BitSet, (ii) a HashSet, (iii) a TreeSet or (iv) a LinkedList.

(a) What is the complexity of adding an element to the set when it is represented as a BitSet, a HashSet, a TreeSet or a LinkedList? Explain your answers.

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(b) What is the complexity of removing an element from the set, for each of the four possible representations? Explain your answers.

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(c) Given two sets S1 and S2 with the same representation, what will be the complexity of the set intersection operation for each of the four possible representations? Explain your answers.

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