

# SWE-1202 Data Structures and Algorithms

## Test 3

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### Instructions

- Attempt all questions individually. It will help you!
- Copying will be heavily penalised

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This test has 13 questions, for a total of 100 points

### Part I : Multiple Choice Questions

Question 1: Iterators ..... 2 points

- (a) (1mark(s)) An iterator is:
- A. a loop control variable    B. an element in a collection.    C. an interface    D. an object that allows access to each element in a collection individually.    E. a five syllable word
- (b) (1mark(s)) The only method in the Iterable interface is:
- A. remove    B. iterator    C. hasNext    D. destroy    E. create

Question 2: Searching and Sorting ..... 1 points

- (a) (1mark(s)) In a binary search, \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. it is assumed that the search pool is large.    ~~B. it is assumed that the search pool is ordered.~~    C. it is assumed that all of the elements are Strings.    D. it is assumed that the search pool is ordered    E. it is assumed that the search pool is small.

Question 3: General Trees ..... 7 points

- (a) (1mark(s)) A user has designed an interface for a binary tree abstract data type (ADT). Which method below requires knowledge of the purpose and organisation of the binary tree in order to design an implementation? A. find    B. add    C. isEmpty    D. size    E. contains
- (b) (1mark(s)) A tree in which every node can have at most  $n$  children is referred to as a \_\_\_\_ tree.    A. binary    B. graph    C. general    D.  $n$ -ary    E. ternary

child C. all of the above D. replacing it with its inorder successor  
E. neither a, b, nor c

(e) (1mark(s)) Adding an element to a binary search tree requires that the element must A. none of the above B. have a positive value C. have a value that is in between the smallest and the largest value already in the binary search tree D. be an int E. be Comparable

(f) (1mark(s)) The balance factor of a node in an AVL tree is \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. the height of its right subtree minus the height of its left subtree  
B. the depth of the node from the root C. always positive D. the number of nodes below it E. the number of nodes above it

Question 5: Heaps and Priority Queues..... 5 points

(a) (1mark(s)) When the removeMin operation removes the minimum element from a minheap, that element is initially replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. the smaller of the left or the right child B. left child C. the element in the last node that was added D. none of these is correct  
E. right child

(b) (1mark(s)) Maintaining a heap as a complete binary tree means that  
A. the tree is degenerate B. None of these C. the tree is unbalanced D. leaf nodes are created at the lowest level in left- to right order E. every leaf node is at the same level

(c) (1mark(s)) A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ is a collection that is ordered using two ordering rules A. priority queue B. None of these C. interface D. exception E. stack

(d) (1mark(s)) A priority queue can be implemented using A. a list of queues or a minheap B. a list of queues, a minheap or C. a stack D. a list of queues E. a minheap

(e) (1mark(s)) In a maxheap, the largest element in the structure is always \_\_\_\_\_  
A. an internal node B. a leaf C. the right child of the root D. the left child of the root E. the root

Question 6: Graphs ..... 5 points

(a) (1mark(s)) A graph in which every edge is connected to every other edge is said to be \_\_\_\_\_. A. connected B. full C. sparse D. complete  
E. balanced



(b) (1mark(s)) A connected graph has which of the following properties?

- A. For any pair of vertices, there is a path between them.    B. Every vertex is adjacent to every other vertex.    C. No vertex is adjacent to every other vertex.    D. For any pair of vertices, there is an edge between them.    E. There exists a vertex that is adjacent to every other vertex.

(c) (1mark(s)) A depth-first traversal of a graph uses which of the following data structures?    A. stack    B. array    C. queue    D. None of these    E. binary search tree

(d) (1mark(s)) A spanning tree of a graph is a tree that always has which of the following properties?

- A. It includes all of the edges and some of the vertices of the graph.  
B. It includes some of the edges and all of the vertices of the graph.  
C. It includes some of the edges and some of the vertices of the graph.  
D. It includes all of the edges and all of the vertices of the graph.  
E. None of these

(e) (1mark(s))  $A(n)$  — is a two-dimensional array that can be used to represent a graph.    A. graph node    B. None of these    C. adjacency list    D. digraph list    E. adjacency matrix

### Part II : True & False Questions

Question 7: Recursion ..... 3 points

(a) (1mark(s)) — All recursive methods must have a base case.

(b) (1mark(s)) — Recursive solutions to problems should be used whenever possible.

(c) (1mark(s)) — The Towers of Hanoi puzzle cannot be solved iteratively.

Question 8: Lists ..... 5 points

(a) (1mark(s)) — A linked list is a conceptual notion of organizing things in a linear list

(b) (1mark(s)) — An array is an example of an indexed list

(c) (1mark(s)) — The primary difference between the OrderedList ADT and the UnorderedList ADT is in how elements are removed from the list

- (d) (1mark(s)) \_\_\_\_ Using a circular array for an array-based implementation of a list would improve the performance of the operation to remove an element from the middle of a list
- (e) (1mark(s)) \_\_\_\_ The operation to remove an element from an array implementation of a list collection is  $O(n)$ .

Question 9: Binary Search Trees.....3 points

- (a) (1mark(s)) \_\_\_\_ An AVL tree is often implemented so that a node contains a reference to its parent node.
- (b) (1mark(s)) \_\_\_\_ An ordered set of elements can be maintained using a linked list or a binary search tree. It is generally faster to locate an element in a binary search tree than it is to locate an element in a linked list.
- (c) (1mark(s)) \_\_\_\_ A Red/Black tree is often implemented so that a node contains a reference to its parent node.

Question 10: Graphs.....3 points

- (a) (1mark(s)) \_\_\_\_ In order to create a topological ordering of vertices in a directed graph, the graph cannot have a cycle.
- (b) (1mark(s)) \_\_\_\_ A graph is a special kind of tree.
- (c) (1mark(s)) \_\_\_\_ A cycle is a path that starts and ends on the same vertex.



## Section B : Structured Questions

Question 11: Queues ..... 20 points

- (a) (5mark(s)) List the five basic operations on a queue.
- (b) (2mark(s)) What is wrong with implementing a queue by using an array, where index 0 represents the front of the queue?
- (c) (3mark(s)) Explain how a queue can be implemented using an array, where the *enqueue* and the *dequeue* operations are both constant time operations (for simplicity, assume that you will never need to expand the capacity of the array).
- (d) (4mark(s)) Write an *enqueue* method for a queue implemented as a circular array. You may assume that you have access to a method called *expandCapacity* that will double the size of the array if necessary. The class has instance variables *front* and *rear*, which represent the indices of the *front* and *rear* of the queue. It also has an integer variable called *count* that represents the number of elements in the queue, as well as an array of generic *T* types called *queue* that represents the queue.
- (e) (3mark(s)) The size of a queue using a linked list implementation is essentially unlimited. Is it possible to have an essentially unlimited size of a queue if an array-based implementation is used? Explain.
- (f) (1mark(s)) Give an example of a real-life situation that can be modeled with a queue.
- (g) (2mark(s)) What is gained by writing an interface to a QueueADT, as opposed to simply writing a Queue class, to solve a problem.

Question 12: Lists and General or Binary Search Trees ..... 20 points

- (a) (3mark(s)) What are the differences between an ordered list, an unordered list, and an indexed list?
- (b) (2mark(s)) An academic researcher wants to use this class to create Student objects and arrange them in a list in descending order according to the value of their courseAverage member. What is the most appropriate list collection type to use?
- (c) (3mark(s)) Explain the implementation of a level-order traversal of a tree.

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$$a_n = a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} \text{ for } n \geq 2, \text{ where } a_0 = a_1 + 2a_0$$

- (d) (2mark(s)) Explain how to add an element to a binary search tree.
- (e) (3mark(s)) Draw a binary search tree that results from inserting the following elements:  $\{12, 16, 9, 1, 15, 13\}$
- (f) (3mark(s)) Do the find and add operations on a binary search tree always require at most  $O(\log^2 n)$  comparisons? If so, why? If not, why not?
- (g) (2mark(s)) In an AVL tree, each node keeps track of its own balance factor. What value(s) of the balance factor will trigger a rebalancing?
- (h) (2mark(s)) If a node in an AVL tree requires rebalancing, what other nodes in the tree may also require rebalancing?

Question 13: Heaps, Priority Queues and Graphs ..... 20 points

- (a) (2mark(s)) What properties does a heap share with a binary tree?
- (b) (3mark(s)) Explain how an element is added to a maxheap.
- (c) (3mark(s)) Explain how heap sort works.
- (d) (4mark(s)) What is the complexity of heap sort? How is it calculated?
- (e) (1mark(s)) Where is the largest element in a minheap found?
- (f) (7mark(s)) Use Prim's Algorithm to compute and draw the Minimum Spanning Tree for the undirected Graph  $G = (V, E)$  where  
 $V = \{A, B, C, D, E, F, G\}$ ,  $E = \{(A, B, 12), (A, D, 1), (A, F, 11), (F, B, 6), (D, B, 9), (B, E, 4), (B, G, 3), (G, E, 7), (E, C, 2), (G, C, 5)\}$   
 and an edge is represented by using vertices and a non-negative weight.

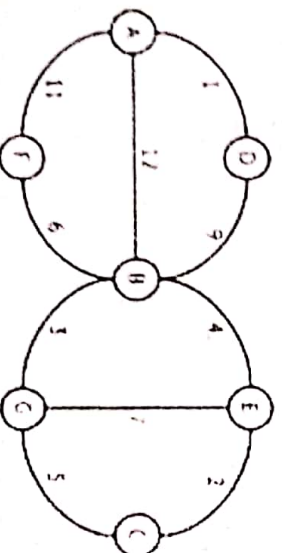


Figure 1: The Graph whose minimum spanning Tree you must compute

**Note: You must show your working and next time there shall be no diagram for you!**