

CSC 225 SPRING 2012
ALGORITHMS AND DATA STRUCTURES I
MIDTERM EXAMINATION
UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

1. Student ID: _____
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3. DATE: 10 February 2012
DURATION: 50 MINUTES
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4. THIS QUESTION PAPER HAS EIGHT PAGES (INCLUDING THE COVER PAGE).
5. THIS QUESTION PAPER HAS FOUR QUESTIONS.
6. ALL ANSWERS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS EXAMINATION PAPER.
7. THIS IS A CLOSED BOOK EXAM. NO AIDS ARE ALLOWED.
8. KEEP YOUR ANSWERS SHORT AND PRECISE.

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Q2 (5)	
Q3 (5)	
Q4 (5)	
TOTAL (20) =	

1. The three parts of Question 1 test the basics of **asymptotic analysis**.

(a) State the definition of Big Oh. [1 Mark]

(b) Order the following functions by order of growth starting with the slowest. [2 Marks]

$5n$, $(\log n)^5$, n^5 , 5 , 5^n .

(c) Consider the following sum: $S(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log i$. Give a simple function $f(n)$ so that the sum $S(n)$ is in $\Theta(f(n))$. Briefly explain why. [2 marks]

2. The two parts of Question 2 test our knowledge about solving **recurrence equations**.

(a) Solve the following recurrence equation to get a closed-formula for $T(n)$. Assume the n is a power of two. [2.5 Marks]

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 5 \text{ if } n = 1 \\ &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 2n \text{ if } n \geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Using induction, prove that your closed formula from part (a) is correct. [2.5 Marks]

3. The three parts of Question 3 check if we understand **basic data structures** such as Priority Queues and Dictionaries.

(a) The priority queue ADT has many possible implementations, each with its own running time for the two operations, `insertItem` and `removeMin`. Complete the following table [1.5 Marks].

<i>Priority Queue Implementation</i>	<i>Time for insertItem</i>	<i>Time for removeMin</i>
Unsorted Array		
Sorted Array		
Heaps		

(b) Suppose you are given an input sequence $S = [16\ 4\ 22\ 18\ 6\ 32]$. Show how a heapsort algorithm runs on input S is built by constructing the heap at the end of each step of the algorithm. [2 Marks].

(c) Define the load factor α of a hash table with n keys and N slots. How is this related to the running time of an unsuccessful search when we use hashing with separate chaining [1.5 Marks]? Explain briefly.

4. Question 4 is based on **sorting algorithms**.

(a) The following table compares the time and space requirements of sorting algorithms on an input of size N . [2 Marks]

<i>Algorithm</i>	<i>Worst-Case Running Time</i>	<i>Minimum Extra Space Needed</i>
Selection Sort		
Quick Sort		
Merge Sort		
Heap Sort		

(b) Suppose that we are given an array A with n keys and k inversions. Here, an *inversion* is defined as a pair of entries that are out of order in the array. What is the running time of INSERTION SORT when it is used to sort A in Big Oh notation? Why? [1.5 Marks]

(b) Show how merge-sort algorithm works on the following input sequence using the merge-sort tree. [1.5 Marks]

$$S = [12 \ 86 \ 34 \ 62 \ 6 \ 55 \ 92 \ 47]$$