

**Instructions.**

- a. The exam is closed-book and closed-notes. You may not have your cell phone on your person.
- b. You may use algorithms done in the class as subroutines and cite their properties.
- c. Describe your algorithms completely and precisely in English, preferably using pseudo-code.
- d. Grading will be based also on the justification given and on the clarity of your arguments. Always argue correctness of your algorithms and analyze them.

**Problem 1.**

- a. Solve the recurrence relation  $T(n) = T(n-1) + n^c$ , where,  $c > 1$  is a constant. (3)  
 $T(n) = n^c + (n-1)^c + \dots + 1^c = \Theta(n^{c+1})$ .
- b. Solve the recurrence relation  $T(n) = T(\sqrt{n}) + 1$ . Assume  $T(1) = 1, T(2) = \Theta(1)$ . (3)

$$T(n) = T(n^{1/2}) + 1 = T(n^{1/2^2}) + 2 = \dots = T(n^{1/2^k}) + k$$

Setting,  $k = \log(\log(n))$ ,  $T(n^{\frac{1}{2^k}}) = T(n^{\frac{1}{\log n}}) = T(2^{\frac{\log n}{\log n}}) = T(2) = \Theta(1)$ . Hence,  $T(n) = \log \log n + \Theta(1)$ . (All logs are to base 2).

- c. Suppose  $A$  is an array with  $n$  elements that forms a min-heap, that is,  $A[\text{PARENT}(i)] \leq A[i]$ , for all  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n$ . Give an  $O(n)$  time procedure to convert  $A$  to a max-heap. (3)  
 Just use  $\text{Build-Max-Heap}(A, n)$  which runs in time  $\Theta(n)$ .
- d. Let  $\omega_n$  be the primitive  $n$ th root of unity. Let  $a = (a_0, \dots, a_{n-1})$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector of complex numbers. Let  $y_j = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k \omega_n^{kj}$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ . Simplify the following expression in terms of the  $a_j$ 's.

$$b_m = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} y_l \omega_n^{l(m+c)}, \quad m = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

where,  $c$  is a fixed constant in  $\{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ . (16)

$$\begin{aligned} b_m &= \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} y_l \omega_n^{l(m+c)} \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k \omega_n^{kl} \omega_n^{l(m+c)} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \omega_n^{l(k+(m+c))} \end{aligned}$$

Consider the inner summation, for a fixed value of  $k$ . If  $k = -(m + c)$ , the inner summation is  $n$ . If  $k \neq -(m + c)$ , then,  $k + m + c \in \{-(n - 1), \dots, (n - 1)\}$  except 0. Hence, the inner summation is 0. Thus, we have,

$$b_m = na_{-(m+c) \bmod n} = na_{n-m-c \bmod n}, \quad \text{for } m = 0, \dots, n - 1 .$$

**Problem 2.** Design a variant *New\_Partition* of the *Partition*( $A, p, r$ ) procedure that runs in time  $O(r - p + 1)$  and divides the input array  $A[p \dots r]$  into three subarrays  $A[p, \dots, q - 1]$ ,  $A[q, \dots, s - 1]$  and  $A[s, \dots, r]$ . Let *key* denote the value  $A[r]$  in the original array  $A$ . After *New\_Partition*( $A, p, r$ ), each element of  $A[p, \dots, q - 1]$  is strictly less than *key*, the elements  $A[q, \dots, s - 1]$  are identical in value to each other and to *key*, and each element of  $A[s, \dots, r]$  is strictly greater than *key*. *New\_Partition* returns the pair  $(q, s)$ , where,  $p \leq q < s \leq r$ .

- a. Describe clearly the invariant that your loop satisfies (use a figure if it helps), and show how you will process the next element of the array so that the loop invariant is maintained. (10)
- b. Based on the loop invariant, write pseudo-code for *New\_Partition*( $A, p, r$ ). (10)
- c Write pseudo-code for Quicksort using *New\_Partition*. (5)

**Solution Outline.** Let  $j$  be the running counter from  $p$  to  $r - 1$ . Invariant: Let  $A[p \dots i]$  be each  $< A[r]$ ,  $A[i + 1, \dots, k]$  be each equal to  $A[r]$  and  $A[k + 1, \dots, j - 1]$  be each  $> A[r]$ . The region  $A[j \dots r - 1]$  is unrestricted.

Initially, to maintain the invariant, let  $i = p - 1$ ,  $k = p - 1$ . Loop counter  $j$  runs from  $j = p \dots r - 1$  as a for loop.

1.  $A[j] > \text{key}$ . We do nothing, and  $j$  will be incremented in the for loop. Invariant is preserved.
2.  $A[j] = \text{key}$ : exchange  $A[k + 1]$  by  $A[j]$ . Increment  $k$ —as follows:  
 $\text{exchange } A[k + 1] \text{ with } A[j]; k = k + 1;$
3.  $A[j] < \text{key}$ . Now  $A[j]$  should be copied to position  $A[i + 1]$ . To make room at position  $i + 1$ ,  $A[i + 1]$  should be copied to position  $A[k + 1]$ ,  $A[k + 1]$  should be copied to  $A[j]$ , all simultaneously. Increment  $i$  and  $k$ . We can do this with the sequence  
 $\text{key} = A[j]; A[j] = A[k + 1]; A[k + 1] = A[i + 1]; A[i + 1] = \text{key}; i = i + 1, k = k + 1;$   
 Equivalently, we can exchange  $A[j]$  with  $A[k + 1]$ , then exchange  $A[k + 1]$  with  $A[i + 1]$ ; now increment  $i$  and  $k$ .

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NewPartition( $A, p, r$ )
1.   $pivot = A[r]$ 
2.   $i = p - 1; k = p - 1$ 
3.  for  $j = p$  to  $r - 1$ 
4.      if  $A[j] == pivot$  {
5.          exchange  $A[k + 1]$  with  $A[j]; k = k + 1$  }
6.      elseif  $A[j] < pivot$  {
7.          exchange  $A[j]$  with  $A[k + 1]$ 
8.          exchange  $A[k + 1]$  with  $A[i + 1]$ 
9.           $k = k + 1; i = i + 1$  }
10. }
11. exchange  $A[r]$  with  $A[k + 1]; k = k + 1$ 
12. return ( $i + 1, k + 1$ )

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Time complexity is obviously  $\Theta(r - p + 1)$ . For each index  $j = p \dots r$ ,  $\Theta(1)$  number of comparisons and operations are done. The quicksort pseudo code is as follows. Top-level call is  $QuickSort(A, 1, n)$ .

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QuickSort( $A, p, r$ ) // Sort  $A[p \dots r]$ 
1.  if  $p < r$  {
2.       $(q, s) = NewPartition(A, p, r)$ 
        //  $A[q, \dots, s - 1]$  are all equal to pivot and in correct sorted position in  $A$ .
3.       $QuickSort(A, p, q - 1)$ 
4.       $QuickSort(A, s, r)$ 
5.  }

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**Problem 3.** Given an array  $A[1, \dots, n]$  of integer numbers, give an algorithm to sort  $A$  in time  $O(n + M)$  where,

$$M = (\max_i A[i]) - (\min_i A[i]) .$$

Give an outline of the algorithm and then argue its time complexity. (18 + 7)

**Solution outline.**

1. Make a single pass over  $A[1 \dots n]$  and find  $k = \min_{i=1}^n A[i]$  and  $K = \max_{i=1}^n A[i]$ . This takes  $O(n)$  time
2. Create a new array  $C[k, \dots, K]$ , each array has two fields  $C[l].f$  (frequency) and  $C[l].s$  (cumulative frequency). We want  $C[l].f$  to be the number of occurrences of  $l$  in  $A[1 \dots n]$ .  $C[l].s$  is cumulative frequency  $= \sum_{r=k}^l C[r].f$ . Takes time  $O(M + 1)$ .
3. Initialize  $C[l].f$  to all 0s. Time is  $O(M)$ .
4. Count the number of times  $l$  occurs in  $A[1 \dots n]$ , for  $k \leq l \leq K$ , as follows. This is frequency count. This takes time  $O(n)$  time.

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for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  {
     $C[A[i]].f = C[A[i]].f + 1$  }

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5. Make a pass over the array  $C[k \dots K]$  to get cumulative frequencies  $C[l].s = \sum_{r=k}^l C[r].f$ . Takes time  $O(M + 1)$ .

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sum = 0
for l = k to K {
    C[l].s = sum + C[l].f
    sum = sum + C[l].s }

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6. Make an empty copy of  $A[1 \dots n]$  in  $B[1 \dots n]$ . Time  $O(n)$ .
7. Make a backwards pass over  $A$ , that is, for  $i = n$  down to 1. Index of  $A[i]$  is  $C[A[i]].cumul$ , and decrement  $C[A[i]].cumul$  by 1. Time:  $O(n)$

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for i = n downto 1 {
    posn = C[A[i]].s
    B[posn] = A[i]
}
C[A[i]].s = C[A[i]].s - 1 // reduce cumulative frequency of A[i] by 1

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Total time is  $O(n + M)$ .

**Problem 4.** You are given  $k$  sorted arrays with a total number of  $n$  elements across all the arrays. We wish to merge them into a single sorted array of  $kn$  elements. Describe an  $O(n \log k)$ -time algorithm for this problem. (25 points)

**Solution outline.** Keep a min-heap or min-priority queue  $H$ . Each entry is a pair  $(v, i)$ , where,  $v$  is the key value and  $i$  is array number between 1 and  $k$  from which this element has been picked. The  $i$ th array is  $A[i, 1] \dots A[i, N[i] + 1]$ . Assume  $N[i]$  is the number of items in the  $i$ th array and  $A[N[i] + 1] = \infty$ .

1. Initialize Heap.

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1. for i = 1 to k
2.     INSERT( $H, (A[i, 1], i)$ )
3.     create empty array  $B[1 \dots n]$ 
4. for i = 1 to k
5.      $N[i] = 2$  // current index of next smallest element in  $i$ th array

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The time taken is  $O(k \log k)$  for the for loop in lines 1-2.

2. Extract the smallest element from the heap. Let  $(v, i) = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(H)$ . Place  $v$  at the current end  $j$  of union array  $B$ . Insert next item from array  $i$  into Heap  $H$ .

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1. for j = 1 to n {
2.      $(v, i) = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(H)$ 
3.      $B[j] = v$ 
4.     INSERT( $H, A[i, N[i]]$ )
5.      $N[i] = N[i] + 1$ 
6. }

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The heap has  $k$  elements, the current min from each of the  $k$  arrays. The operation Extract-Min takes time  $O(\log k)$ . Insert also takes time  $O(\log k)$ . Total time of the loop is  $O(n \log k)$ .