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Submission Window: 1h 10 minutes  
Submission Deadline: Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 12:40 (BST)

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## Module Specific Information

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You are advised (but not required) to spend the first ten minutes of the examination reading the questions and planning how you will answer those you have selected.

Answer ALL questions in Section A and at least THREE questions from Section B.

Section A is worth a total of 40 marks.

Section B is worth a total of 60 marks.

Each question in Section B is worth 20 marks.

In Section B, only the THREE questions with the HIGHEST MARKS will count towards the FINAL MARK for the EXAM.

## Section A

Answer ALL questions from this section.

### Question 1

Consider this array representation of a min-heap:

| index | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|-------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| value | 2 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 4 |

1. Draw the tree representation of this heap. [2 marks]
2. Perform the following operations in the given order, drawing the updated representation after each operation:
  - (a) Insert the number 5 [2 marks]
  - (b) Insert the number 1 [2 marks]
  - (c) Insert the number 0 [2 marks]
  - (d) Pop the minimum off the heap [2 marks]

**[TOTAL 10]**

### Question 2

Write a method that finds the middle of a doubly linked list. The DList class which contains the method has attributes `first` and `last` containing the first and last nodes of the list, respectively.

If the list has an odd number of nodes, the middle is a unique node, and the function should return that node's data.

If the list has an even number of nodes, the middle consists of two nodes, and the function should return the average of their values.

Complete either the Java or C++ version below.

- Java version:

```
public class DList{
    public class ListNode{
        public int data;
        public ListNode next;
        public ListNode previous;
    }
}
```

```
public ListNode first, last;

public int middle(){
    // TO DO
}
}
```

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- C++ version:
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```
class DList{
public:
    class ListNode{
    public:
        int data;
        ListNode *next;
        ListNode *previous;
    };

    ListNode *first, *last;

    int middle(){
        // TO DO
    }
};
```

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[10 marks]  
[TOTAL 10]

### Question 3

For each of the following, state its best case and worst case execution time growth rates using the **Big 'O'** notation and give an informal justification for your answer:

- *Linear search* for a value in a linked list of values.
- *Binary search* for a value in an ordered array of values.
- *Bubblesort* for an array of values.

[10 marks]  
[TOTAL 10]

## Question 4

The following sets of *vertices*  $V$  and *edges*  $E$  represent a *directed graph*:

$$V = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 \}$$

$$E = \{ (1, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (3, 5), (4, 7), (5, 4), (5, 6), (6, 7), (7, 1) \}$$

Draw the graph represented by  $V$  and  $E$  above and give its associated *adjacency list* and *adjacency matrix*. In addition, state, with justification, which of these two methods would be the “better” way to represent the graph.

**[10 marks]**

**[TOTAL 10]**

## Section B

Answer THREE questions from this section.

### Question 5

#### 1. Binary Search

Consider the following array:

| index | 0  | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
|-------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| value | 11 | 13 | 17 | 23 | 29 | 31 | 37 | 41 | 43 | 47 | 53 | 59 | 61 | 67 | 71 |

Suppose you try to find the value 45 in this array using binary search. For each iteration of the algorithm, give the values of the first, middle, and last indices, and a (short) explanation of the changes.

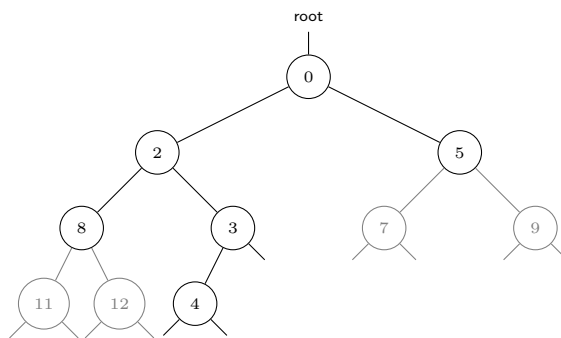
**[10 marks]**

#### 2. Searching in a heap

Unlike binary search trees, heaps do not lend themselves to binary search. We can still try to improve on blind exhaustive search, though.

Each node in a heap holds the smallest value in the subtree below it. Therefore, if the value in a node is bigger than what we are searching for, we can ignore the entire subtree below that node.

For example, while searching the value 4 in this min-heap:



when the search encounters the values 5 and 8, it knows that all values below those nodes will be too large, so it can ignore the gray parts of the heap.

Write a search function which uses this idea. It should return the index where the value was found (or -1, if it is not in the heap). Complete either the Java or C++ version below. You will probably need a recursive auxiliary function.

- Java version:

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```
public class HeapSearch{
    public static int search(int[] heap, int findMe){
        // TO DO
    }
}
```

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- C++ version:

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```
int heapSearch(vector<int> &heap, int findMe){
    // TO DO
}
```

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[10 marks]  
[TOTAL 20]

## Question 6

1. Consider the following array:

|       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|-------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| index | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| value | 6 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 1 |

We want to sort this array using Bubble Sort. Write down the contents of the array after each iteration of the main loop.

[10 marks]

2. Come up with an algorithm for sorting arrays (or C++ vectors) of **boolean** values.

This specialised algorithm should have time complexity  $O(n)$ . Note that this is better than what is possible in the general case; think about how you can use the limited data domain (only two different values!) to achieve this.

- Java version:

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```
public class BitSort{
    public static void sort(boolean[] values){
        // TO DO
    }
}
```

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- C++ version:

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```
void bitSort(vector<bool> &values){  
    // TO DO  
}
```

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[10 marks]  
[TOTAL 20]

## Question 7

- (a) Define what is meant by a *Binary Search Tree* (BST). Give an algorithm in pseudo code to *insert* a value into a BST.

Using your insertion pseudo code create a BST by inserting the following list of integers:

17, 21, 10, 12, 2, 61, 50, 78

one number at a time, in the order given, into an initially empty BST. Illustrate the result of each insertion by drawing the BST after each insertion, i.e. 8 BST diagrams in total.

[10 marks]

- (b) Give a pseudo code algorithm to *delete* a specified value from a BST, such that the resultant tree is still a BST.

Illustrate your answer by stating the steps involved to remove the number 17 from the BST you have constructed in Part (a), and by drawing the resultant BST.

[10 marks]  
[TOTAL 20]

## Question 8

You are given the following graph:

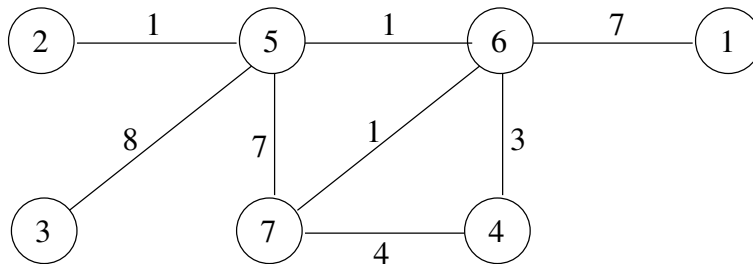


Figure 1: A 7 node graph

- (a) Give a brief overview of E.W. Dijkstra's Single Source Shortest Path algorithm. This should include its purpose, input, output, approach and complexity.
- (b) Apply Dijkstra's *Single Source Shortest Path* algorithm to the graph given in Figure 1. Use *node 1* as the source. Give the algorithm's output for the graph, including the paths.

[6 marks]

[14 marks]

[TOTAL 20]

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