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Course: CSI 227 Algorithms

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Midterm Exam

Marks: 90

Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

There are FOUR questions. Answer ALL questions.

1. a) Analyze both *best* and *worst* case time-complexities of the algorithm of Figure 1.

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n = length[A];  m = length[B];  i = 1;  sum = 0;
while (i <= n) do {
    print A[ i ];
    for (j ← n; j >= 1; j = j / 3) do {
        if (A[ i ] + A[ j ] < 100) then
            break;
        for (k ← 1; k <= n; k = k + 2) do
            print A[ k ];
    }
    i = i + 1;
}
for ( i ← 1; i < m; i++) do {
    if (B[ i ] > 50) then
        return -1;
    else
        sum += B[ i ] * B[ i ];
}
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Figure 1: Algorithm for Q. 1(a) and Q. 1(b)

- b) Show both *best* and *worst* case examples of the arrays *A* and *B* with  $n=6$  and  $m=7$  for the algorithm of Figure 1.

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- c) Prove that  $8n^3 + 7n^2 + 5 = O(n^3)$ , but  $8n^3 + 7n^2 + 5 \neq O(n)$ .

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2. a) Propose a divide-and-conquer algorithm to find the *number of even numbers* in an array of  $n$  integers.

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If the recurrence equation for the time-complexity of the algorithm is

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + O(1) \quad \text{with } T(1) = O(1)$$

then using the recursion tree method, determine a good asymptotic upper bound of the algorithm.

- b) Consider a *modified version* of the Merge sort algorithm as follows: if the array size is less than or equal to 2, then it sorts the array at constant time. Otherwise, it divides the array of size  $n$  into 3 subarrays, each with a size of  $n/4$ . This division takes  $O(\log n)$  time. Then the algorithm sorts the subarrays recursively, and then merges their solutions at time  $O(n)$ . Write a recurrence relation for the running-time  $T(n)$  of this algorithm.

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- c) Using the substitution method, find upper bound on the following recurrence.

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$$T(n) = 2T(n/4) + O(n) \quad \text{with } T(1) = O(1)$$

3. a) Write the principles of *Greedy* method and *Divide-and-Conquer* method for solving a problem. **2 + 3**
- b) Provide an example where the greedy strategy fails for the 0/1 knapsack problem. **4**  
Explain why the greedy strategy fails for the 0/1 knapsack problem, but works for the fractional knapsack problem.
- c) Provide separate examples with exactly 4 activities where the greedy algorithm outputs sub-optimal solution if a greedy choice is made by: **3 + 3**
- i) earliest start time, and
- ii) shortest interval.
- d) Suppose that you have got a set of the following activities, with the given start and end times for the Activity Selection problem: **5**  
 $\{ [1, 6), [2, 5), [9, 15), [6, 9), [11, 15), [3, 6) \}$   
 Find *two optimal solutions* of the problem.

4. a) i) Write a Dynamic Programming algorithm for the classical *Coin Change problem*. **5 + 5**
- ii) *Happy coins* are used by the people of the *Happyland*. Assume that only the following coins are available at this land: \$1, \$7, \$11, and \$15.  
  
By using the Dynamic Programming method, find the minimum number of coins that add up to a given amount of money of \$20.
- b) Solve the following instance of the knapsack problem with knapsack capacity 7 for **7 + 3**
- i) 0/1 knapsack problem
- ii) fractional knapsack problem

Item	Weight	Value
1	3	150
2	3	180
3	2	170
4	3	120
5	3	210