



# United International University (UIU)

## Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering (CSE)

Mid Exam: Spring 2025

Course Code: CSE 2215, Course Title: Data Structures and Algorithms 1

Total Marks: 30

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Answer all questions.** Marks are indicated in the right side of each question.

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1. a) Show the simulation of **Descending Order Mergesort** and **Quicksort** on the provided data set :  
44, 3, 1, 10, 11, 13 [2+2= 4]

b) For each of the following data sets, determine how many times the condition of the while loop in the **Insertion Sort Algorithm** (for sorting in ascending order) will be evaluated. [2]

```
InsertionSort(A){  
    for( j = 2 to A.length){  
        key = A[j]  
        i = j - 1  
        while( i > 0 and A[i] > key){  
            A[i+1] = A[i]  
            i = i - 1  
        }  
        A[i+1] = key  
    }  
}
```

Data Set-I: 5, 15, 25, 35, 45  
Data Set-II: 50, 40, 30, 20, 10

c) Scenario 1: A teacher wants to sort class test marks (integers from 0 to 20) of 100 students in a section.

Scenario 2: A teacher wants to sort UIU student IDs ranging from 230000 to 239999.

For which scenario is **Counting Sort** suitable? Justify your answer. If it is not suitable, suggest a better alternative and explain why. [2]

2. a) Consider a memory system with column-wise memory allocation, where **C[50][100]** is a char array (each character occupies 1 byte of space in the memory). Assume that you are given the address of the last element of the array which is **5000**. Calculate the memory address of the base element **C[0][0]**. [2]

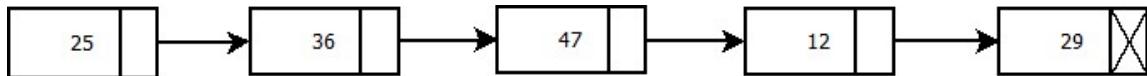
b) You are given two arrays **A = [7 12 18 21 -23]** and **B = [21 18 12 7 5 -23]**. In both cases you have to search for the key **K=5** in these arrays. You have two choices : using linear or binary search algorithms. Determine which algorithm works best on each of the arrays and simulate your search process for both arrays. [5]

3. a) Consider the following functions 'X' and 'Y'. Find the time complexity of the functions using asymptotic notation. [4]

```
1 void X(int i, int j, int num, int arr[]) {  
2     if(i == j) return;  
3     int mid = (i+j)/2;  
4     if(num <= arr[mid]) {  
5         return X(i, mid, num, arr);  
6     }  
7     else {  
8         return X(mid+1, j, num, arr);  
9     }  
10 }  
11  
12 void Y(int i, int j, int num, int arr[]) {  
13     if(i == j) return;  
14     int mid = (i+j)/2;  
15     Y(i, mid, num, arr);  
16     Y(mid+1, j, num, arr);  
17 }
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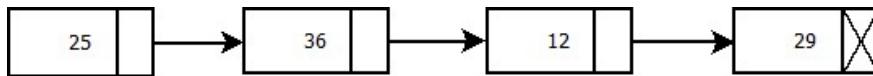
b) Prove the running time of  $f(n) = \frac{1}{3}n^3 - 2n^2$  is  $\theta(n^3)$ . [2]

4. a) Consider the following linked list:

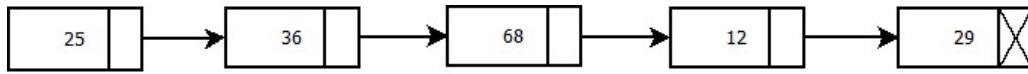


Suppose you want to delete the node with value 47 and insert a new node with value 68 in its place.

After deletion:



After insertion:



Write down the necessary code segments to perform these two operations. [4]

b) Consider a double linked list. You have the head node available. Write a code segment to print the data from all the odd valued elements in reverse order. [3]

c) To implement a circular single linked list, we take a global pointer that points to the Last node instead of the Head node. Explain why this is done. [2]