

# Foundations of Algorithms

## Homework 4

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1. **(project)** Write a function `max2` to compute the maximum of two numbers. It should use *no* comparisons. Assume that other mathematical operations such as  $\sqrt{x}$ ,  $x^2$ ,  $|x|$ , etc. do not use any comparisons.
2. **(project)** Implement the functional select algorithm called `fSelect`. It should take two parameters: a list and an index. It should return the specified element of the list.
3. **(project)** Implement an imperative select algorithm called `iSelect`. It should take two parameters: an array and an index. It should return the specified element of the array. The implementation should avoid allocating memory by calling `iSelectHelper` that takes an array and an index as well as low and high slice parameters that indicate the region under consideration. Further, the in-place partition algorithm from quick sort should be used.
4.
  - (a) CLRS 22.1-1
  - (b) CLRS 22.1-8
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  - (a) CLRS 22.2-2
  - (b) Show that using a single bit to store each vertex color suffices by arguing that the BFS procedure would produce the same result if line 18 were removed.
  - (c) CLRS 22.2-5
6. CLRS 22.3-7