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Lecturer:	P. Healy	Paper marked out of:	100

#### Instructions to Candidates:

- There are three sections to the paper: Multiple Choice Questions, Short Questions and Long Questions
- The mark distribution is 40 marks for Multiple Choice Questions, 20 marks for Short Questions and 40 marks for the Long Questions
- Answer all questions in all sections

#### Section 1. Multiple Choice Answers (40 marks).

Use the machine-readable multiple-choice question grid that has been provided to answer these questions. Please completely mark in black exactly one circle on the grid for each answer. A penalty will be charged for wrong answers. Mark the **X** bubble for those questions you wish to skip.

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| 1. The number of nodes in a <i>complete</i> binary tree of height $h$ is | 2. How many nodes are on the bottom layer, $h$ , of a <i>perfect</i> binary tree? |
| (a) exactly $2^{h-1} - 1$  | (a) at least $2^h$  |
| (b) exactly $2^h - 1$  | (b) at most $2^h$   |
| (c) exactly $2^{h+1} - 1$  | (c) exactly $2^h$   |
| (d) None of the above  | (d) none of the above   |

- Let  $S_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n i^2$  and  $S_2 = (\sum_{i=1}^n i)^3$ . Which one of the following statements is true?
  - $S_1 = S_2$  for  $1 \leq n \leq 30$  only
  - $S_1 = S_2$  for  $1 \leq n \leq 100$  only
  - $S_1 = S_2$  for all  $n$
  - None of the above
- If  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  which of the following statements cannot be true?
  - $g(n) = O(f(n))$
  - $g(n) = \Theta(f(n))$
  - $f(n) = o(g(n))$
  - $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$
- On the first day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
A partridge in a pear tree.  
  
On the second day of Christmas,  
my true love sent to me  
Two Zetor tractors, and  
A partridge in a pear tree.  
  
On the third day of Christmas ...  
  
How many lines would be in such a “poem” if it ran for 365 days instead of the usual 12?
  - $\frac{365 \times 366}{2} + 2 * 365$
  - $\frac{367 \times 368}{2} - 3$
  - Neither of the above
  - Both of the above
- What is the time-complexity of the following piece of code in “Big-Oh” notation?
  - $O(n^2)$
  - $O(n)$
  - $O(\log n)$
  - $O(n \log n)$
- The worst-case performances of the heap operations `deleteMin()` and `insert()` are both  $O(\log n)$ . Given the two statements below, which of them are true?
  - Both statements are true
  - S1** is true, but **S2** is false
  - S1** is false, but **S2** is true
  - Both statements are false
- The experimentally found average case performance of `deleteMin()` is  $O(1)$ 
  - Both statements are true
  - S1** is true, but **S2** is false
  - S1** is false, but **S2** is true
  - Both statements are false
- The experimentally found average case performance of `insert()` is  $O(1)$ 
  - Both statements are true
  - S1** is true, but **S2** is false
  - S1** is false, but **S2** is true
  - Both statements are false
- Given the two statements below, which of them are true?
  - Both statements are true
  - S1** is true, but **S2** is false
  - S1** is false, but **S2** is true
  - Both statements are false
- In a strongly connected graph, every node connects to every other node by an edge
- If a graph is strongly connected then it cannot have a cut vertex (articulation point)
  - Both statements are true
  - S1** is true, but **S2** is false
  - S1** is false, but **S2** is true
  - Both statements are false
- Given the two statements below, which of them are true?
  - Both statements are true
  - S1** is true, but **S2** is false
  - S1** is false, but **S2** is true
  - Both statements are false
- If an  $n$ -vertex graph has  $n$  articulation points then the graph must have a cycle
- If the Depth-First Tree of a graph  $G$  has no back edges then  $G$  has no cycles
  - Both statements are true
  - S1** is true, but **S2** is false
  - S1** is false, but **S2** is true
  - Both statements are false
- Starting from vertex  $v_0$  in a graph, the time required by Depth-First Search to find a path (if one exists) to some vertex  $v^*$  is *less* than that required by Breadth-First Search
- The space required by Depth-First Search is *less* than that required by Breadth-First Search
  - Both statements are true
  - S1** is true, but **S2** is false
  - S1** is false, but **S2** is true
  - Both statements are false

## Section 2. Short Questions ( $5 \times 4$ marks).

- Please put your answers to these questions in the answer book provided to you, labelling your answers 2.1, 2.2, etc.

1. The *unweighted shortest path* problem can be solved in \_\_\_\_\_ time.
2. With  $O(n)$  calls to `percolate.down()`, a heap can be created in \_\_\_\_\_ time.
3. Give the recurrence relation for the *best-case* running time of `QuickSelect()`, the algorithm for finding the  $k^{\text{th}}$  largest element in an array: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Recursion is to algorithm implementation as \_\_\_\_\_ is to proof techniques. That is, what is the proof technique analogue of recursion?
5. Ordinarily the most appropriate way to represent a graph internally is with \_\_\_\_\_; however, if many queries are of the form “Is node  $u$  adjacent to node  $v$ ?” then the most appropriate representation may be \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 3. Long Questions (40 marks).

- Please put your answers to these questions in the answer book provided to you
- Label your answers 3.1, 3.2, and 3.3 in your answer books

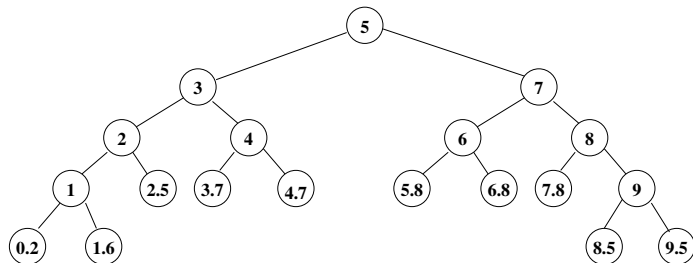


Figure 1: A Binary Search / AVL Tree

1. (10 marks.)  
Consider the tree shown in Figure 1.
  - (a) Assuming that the tree is a Binary Search Tree, delete the node numbered 5; (5 marks.)
  - (b) Assuming that the tree is an AVL tree, insert the number 8.8. (5 marks.)
2. (15 marks.)  
  - (a) In arguing that any sorting algorithm that relies on 2-way comparisons requires  $\Omega(n \log n)$  comparisons we claimed that a binary tree with  $L$  leaves had to have depth at least  $\lceil \log L \rceil$ . Use induction to show that the number of leaves,  $|L_d|$ , of a binary tree of depth  $d$  is at most  $|L_d| \leq 2^d$ . (7 marks.)

- (b) Draw the height-4 AVL tree that has the minimum number of nodes. That is, draw the worst, most skewed tree that has depth,  $d = 4$ . (3 marks.)
- (c) Give the recurrence relation for  $n_d$  the smallest number of nodes possible in an AVL tree of depth  $d$ . What are the initial conditions? (5 marks.)

## 3. (15 marks.)

The vertex connectivity problem that we have looked at in class has a wide variety of applications. The *vertex connectivity* problem is to determine the number of edge-disjoint paths that exist between pairs of nodes in  $G$ .

- (a) What is the vertex-connectivity of the graph shown in Figure 2 over? (4 marks.)
- (b) Give an *upper* bound,  $k_u$ , on the connectivity of a graph,  $G$  in terms of its nodes and edges; (4 marks.)
- (c) Prove that no graph can have higher connectivity than your bound  $k_u$  above. (7 marks.)

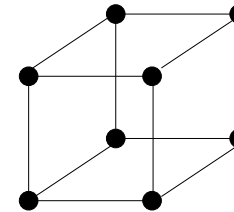


Figure 2: What is the vertex-connectivity of this graph?