

ASSIGNMENT NO. 02/2024

ASHESI UNIVERSITY

CS456 – ALGORITHM DESIGN & ANALYSIS



Coverage : Brute Force / Analysis / Proof
Techniques/Recurrence Relation

Total Points:	50 pts
Assigned :	Monday, 29 th January 2024
Due :	Friday, 9 th February 2024, 11:59pm.
Assignment Type:	Individual
Submit :	Latex for written work, Source files for code

- Q1.** Hypothesize a likely efficiency class of an algorithm based on the following empirical **observations of its basic operation's count**: Count is the time taken by the algorithm to finish/complete its execution, and size is input size.

size	1000	2000	3000	4000	5000	6000	7000	8000	9000	10000
count	11,966	24,303	39,992	53,010	67,272	78,692	91,274	113,063	129,799	140,538

[5 pts]

- Q2.** Consider the following recursive algorithm.

- What does this algorithm compute? Or what does it do?
- Set up a recurrence relation for the algorithm's basic operation count and solve it(find a closed form format for the recurrence relation).

ALGORITHM $Min1(A[0..n-1])$
 //Input: An array $A[0..n-1]$ of real numbers
if $n = 1$ **return** $A[0]$
else $temp \leftarrow Min1(A[0..n-2])$
 if $temp \leq A[n-1]$ **return** $temp$
 else return $A[n-1]$

[3, 3-recur, 4-solve – 10pts]

- Q3.** Consider another algorithm for solving the problem of Q2 above, which recursively divides an array into two halves: call $Min2(A[0..n-1])$ where $Min2$ is shown below.

ALGORITHM $Min2(A[l..r])$

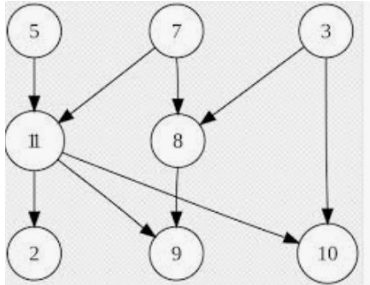
```
if  $l = r$  return  $A[l]$ 
else  $temp1 \leftarrow Min2(A[l..\lfloor (l+r)/2 \rfloor])$ 
       $temp2 \leftarrow Min2(A[\lfloor (l+r)/2 \rfloor + 1..r])$ 
      if  $temp1 \leq temp2$  return  $temp1$ 
      else return  $temp2$ 
```

- Set up a recurrence relation for the algorithm's basic operation count and solve it.
- Which of the algorithms *Mini* or *Min2* is faster? Can you suggest an algorithm for the problem they solve that would be more efficient than both of them?

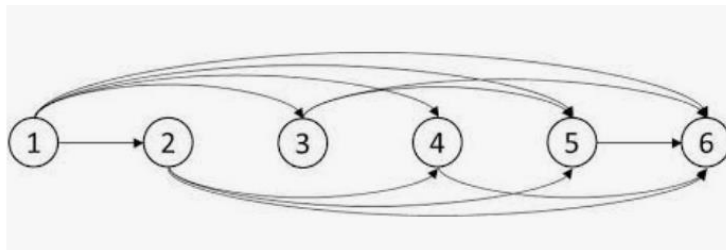
Q4. Topological Sort

[a-3 -recur, a-4-solv 3=b – 10 pts]

- Apply the DFS-based algorithm to solve the topological sorting problem for the following directed acyclic graph:



- Apply the source-removal algorithm to solve the topological sorting problem for the following directed acyclic graph:



[5, 5 – 10 pts]

Q5.

Programming Part

Magic squares A magic square of order n is an arrangement of the numbers from 1 to n^2 in an n -by- n matrix, with each number occurring exactly once, so that each row, each column, and each main diagonal has the same sum. For example, the magic square of size 3 is shown below.

2	7	6	→15
9	5	1	→15
4	3	8	→15
↙15	↓15	↓15	↓15
			↘15

- a. Prove that if a magic square of order n exists, the sum in question must be equal to $n(n^2 + 1)/2$. [3]
- b. Design an exhaustive-search algorithm for generating all magic squares of order n . [3]
- c. Go to the Internet or your library and find a better algorithm for generating magic squares. [1]
- d. Implement the two algorithms-*the exhaustive search* and the *one you have found*-and run an experiment to determine the largest value of n for which each of the algorithms is able to find a magic square of order n in less than one minute of your computer's time.

[4, 4]

[15 points]