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Quiz 3
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You have 20 minutes.

Problem 1

Points: 2+2+2+2

Give the Θ -class of the **average**-case time complexity (in terms of the length of the list) of the following sorting algorithms:

1. bubblesort
2. quicksort
3. mergesort
4. a variant of mergesort that splits the list into 3 sublists instead of 2

Problem 2

Points: 3+3

Consider quicksort.

1. Why is it essential to choose a good pivot element?
2. Why is it difficult to choose a good pivot element?

Problem 3

Points: 3+3

Consider the following algorithm for sorting lists of natural numbers:

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fun foosort(l : List[ℕ]) : List[ℕ] =  
  if (l == []) {return []}  
  g := ge(l)                                ge(l) returns greatest element of l  
  count := Array[ℕ](g + 1)                 new array with elements count[0], ..., count[g]  
  for i from 0 to g  
    count[i] := 0  
  for i from 0 to length(l) - 1  
    count[l[i]] := count[l[i]] + 1  
  r := []  
  for i from 0 to g  
    for j from 1 to count[i]  
      r := prepend(i, r)  
  return reverse(r)
```

Regarding the efficiency of foosort, give its key

1. advantage
2. drawback