

# ET6501701

## Homework #1

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**Due Date: March 20, 2024.**

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Please note that **NO late homework** will be accepted.

1. Prove that any sorting network on  $n$  inputs has depth at least  $\lg n$ .
2. Prove that the number of comparators in any sorting network is  $\Omega(n \lg n)$ .
3. Applying the following keys to the shuffling-based Batcher's odd-even merge network, answer the following questions:
  - (a) Keys: A E Q S U Y E I N O S T.
  - (b) Keys: 1 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0.
4. Considering the sorting network  $\text{SORTER}[n]$ , answer the following questions:
  - (a) How many comparators are there in  $\text{SORTER}[n]$ ?
  - (b) Show that the depth of  $\text{SORTER}[n]$  is exactly  $(\lg n)(\lg n + 1)/2$ .
5. Give sorting networks for four, five, and six elements. Use as few comparators as possible.
6. The conversion of a Gray codeword into its binary equivalent can be carried out as in the following operations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 b_{n-1} &= g_{n-1} \\
 b_i &= b_{i+1} \oplus g_i \quad \text{where } 0 \leq i \leq n-2
 \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Represent each  $b_i$  as a function of input  $g$  only, where  $g = (g_{n-1} \cdots g_1 g_0)$ .
- (b) Realize (a) with possible binary trees for each  $b_i$ . What is the time and space complexity of (a)?
- (c) Write each  $b_i$  as a prefix-sum expression.
- (d) Implement (c) with the Ladner-Fischer parallel-prefix network. Compare the time and space complexity with (a).
- (e) Implement (c) with the Brent-Kung parallel-prefix network. Compare the time and space complexity with (a) and (d).