

Exam 3 (Review)

1. **Recursion** – Be prepared to explain any of the following in simple terms:
 - a. What are the parts that make up a recursive algorithm? What role does each of these play in solving a large complex problem?
 - b. What is the difference between an iterative and a recursive solution?

2. **Recursion (code)** – Be able to identify the following for a recursive function, such as the one shown below:
 - a. How many recursive calls are made to the function counter() in the example below?
 - b. What is the output?
 - c. Look at each statement in the function definition and note what each statement's significance is in recursion (you can disregard the "cout" statements, but everything else is needed here.)
 - d. (Hint: your answers from #1 should connect to your answers in part c of this problem)

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

void counter(int num) {
    if (num == 0)
        cout << num << " ";
    else {
        cout << num << " ";
        counter(num - 5);
    }
}
```

```
int main() {
    counter(45);
    return 0;
}
```

3. **Sorting** – Review the following sorting algorithms we covered in class and lab:
 - a. bubble sort
 - b. selection sort

*Each one of these has multiple iterations of a specific task (we can call this a subtask) in order to sort a list of values. Make sure you are able to explain what the subtask accomplishes given a list of values.

For example, what does 1 iteration of selection sort achieve given a list of values?

4. **Search (and complexity)** – review the following search algorithms

- a. Sequential Search
- b. Binary Search

*What are the restrictions (if any) for using these?

*How many steps does it take in the worst case to give an answer if I provide you with a list of 1,000 numbers? 2,000?

*Is one always better than the other? We mentioned in class that one of these can be much much faster than the other – does this mean it is the superior choice in all situations? Be prepared to explain your reasoning.

5. **Trees** - What is the difference between a linked list and a tree-based data structure? How are they similar?

6. **Trees** – Review the tree based data structures that we introduced in class (there were only two so far)

7. **Binary Search Tree (code)** – See the list of values below. Be prepared to complete any of the following with both plain language explanations and code:

{14 8 -10 -20 3 -5 -12 6 -7 -16}

*Draw the resulting Binary Search Tree, and identify things such as the number of leaf nodes, the level of any given node (for example, the level of -5) and the height and size of the tree.

* Given a search value (for example, zero) be prepared to explain in specific steps how to determine whether or not the value is present in the tree (remember that we start with a root node, which can only see its children!)

*If the value is not present, explain the steps needed to insert the node

*You can assume that any code task you are given for your binary search tree will contain Nodes with a format like the one shown below:

```
class Node {
public:
    int key;
    Node *left;
    Node *right;

    Node(int inKey) {
        key = inKey;
        left = right = nullptr;
    }
};
```