

# CSCI 3104 PS1a

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TOTAL POINTS

**8 / 10**

## QUESTION 1

**1 3 / 3**

✓ **+ 3 pts** Correct

+ **2 pts** Something wrong about maintenance step.

Please check solution, you need to clarify that LI is true before/after each iteration of loop.

+ **1 pts** only one component is correct

+ **1 pts** Generally in right direction, but incorrect.

+ **1 pts** No one-sentence description for each one.

+ **2 pts** Your Maintenance section is not correct

+ **2 pts** Termination part is not clear

+ **0 pts** Not try or totally incorrect

+ **0 pts** Click here to replace this description.

## QUESTION 2

6 pts

**2.1 2 / 2**

✓ **+ 2 pts** Correct

+ **2 pts** See the solution to phrase the LI better.

Specifically give a context to 'i'. For ex - you can start with "At the beginning of ith iteration..".

+ **1.5 pts** In the right direction but a Loop Invariant is stated differently. See solutions.

+ **0 pts** Not attempted

+ **0 pts** (Non-scored rubric item) - Good work on attempting the complete proof. But you were good when you stated the Loop Invariant. We are not looking at that portion of your solution now.

+ **0 pts** Incorrect answer please check the solutions provided.

+ **2 pts** Please also mention that at the start of the ith iteration ret has the maximum the subarray A[0, 1, ....., i-1]

+ **2 pts** Please mention when (start or end of the iteration) does the variable ret contains the greatest

element and in which subarray.

+ **2 pts** There is no variable max, variable ret stores the maximum value.

+ **1 pts** The Loop invariant representation is not right. Please check the solution.

+ **2 pts** See the solution to see how Loop Invariant's are written

+ **1 pts** ret holds the maximum value and not it's index.

**2.2 0 / 2**

+ **2 pts** Correct

✓ **+ 0 pts** Incorrect

+ **2 pts** Technically correct, but does not define loop invariant precisely

+ **0.5 pts** The loop invariant should reflect the logic through which the algorithm works. Your answer is technically true, but it does not serve as a real loop invariant in terms of the solution to the problem.

+ **0.5 pts** Partially correct. ret = -1 condition not specified correctly when n is not in the array.

+ **0.5 pts** Partially correct. index value of n condition not specified correctly

ret is equal to the index of n if the value has been found. ret = i, is incorrect, as the value of i changes through the loop iterations

**2.3 2 / 2**

✓ **+ 2 pts** Correct

+ **0 pts** Not attempted

+ **1 pts** Need more explanation

+ **2 pts** Phrase it better. Please see the solution provided.

+ **0 pts** Incorrect answer. Please read and understand the concept again

+ **0 pts** variable 'sum' is the sum of  $A[0 \dots i-1]$ , not  $A[0 \dots i]$ , before the start of each iteration. Please read again and understand the subarray concept.

+ **0 pts** Can be written more clearly

+ **0 pts** The sum is equal to the sum of the elements in the subarray  $A[0:i-1]$ , not just the elements in the subarray.

+ **0 pts** Please write maintenance step properly.

+ **1 pts** Answer seems to be in the right direction, but it is not clear and enough.

### QUESTION 3

3 1 / 1

+ **0 pts** Incomplete or Incorrect Base case and Inductive Hypothesis, or Empty Solution submitted. Please check the solution for reference.

✓ + **1 pts** **Correct and Great Work !!!**

+ **0.5 pts** Missing or Incorrect Base Case. Please Check Solution File.

+ **0.5 pts** Missing or Incorrect Inductive Hypothesis. Please Check Solution File for reference.

+ **1 pts** In the right direction. But please compare your solution with the actual solution file so that you do perfect the next time.

+ **1 pts** In the right direction. Missing what LHS and RHS are, but proved both the sides to be equal. Please check solution file for your reference and do better the next time.

+ **1 pts** In the right direction. Please check the corrected question and solution file for reference so that you do perfect the next time.

+ **0.5 pts** In the right direction. But please compare your solution with the actual solution file so that you do perfect the next time.

+ **0.5 pts** In the right direction, but incorrect question assumed and hence tried to prove the wrong statement.

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*Advice 1:* For every problem in this class, you must justify your answer: show how you arrived at it and why it is correct. If there are assumptions you need to make along the way, state those clearly.

*Advice 2:* Verbal reasoning is typically insufficient for full credit. Instead, write a logical argument, in the style of a mathematical proof.

**Instructions for submitting your solution:**

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- You should submit your work through **Gradescope** only.
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1. (3 pts) *What are the three components of a loop invariant proof? Write a one-sentence description for each one.*

a ) Initialization: LI is true prior to execution of the loop

b ) Maintenance : Suppose LI holds true before the beginning of the loop, it remains true after the body executes.

c ) Termination: The LI is true after the loop terminates

2. (6 pts total) *Identify the loop invariant in the following algorithms.*

(a) FindMaxElement(A) : //suppose array A is not empty  
    ret = A[0]  
    for i = 1 to length(A)-1 {  
        if A[i] > ret{  
            ret = A[i]  
        }  
    }  
    return ret

The loop invariant variable is ret. Since the sub array has the only element that has been seen initially, it must be the max element. Thus before every iteration ret will always have the max value from A[0:i-1]

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(b) FindElement(A, n) : //suppose no duplicates in array A and array A is not empty
    ret = -1 //index -1 implies the element haven't been found yet
    for i = 0 to length(A)-1 {
        if A[i] == n{
            ret = i
        }
    }
    return ret
```

The loop invariant variable is ret has multiple properties such that ret will always be equal to -1 or i before the start of every iteration.

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(c) SumArray(A) : //suppose array A is not empty
    sum = 0
    for i = 0 to length(A)-1 {
        sum += A[i]
    }
    return sum
```

The loop invariant variable is sum. Since since the array has not been traversed nothing has been added therefore  $\text{sum} = 0$ . Therefore sum will always have the summation of elements after every iteration from  $A[0:i-1]$

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3. (1 pt) If  $r$  is a real number not equal to 1, then for every  $n \geq 0$ ,

$$\sum_{i=0}^n r^i = \frac{(1 - r^{n+1})}{(1 - r)}.$$

Provide the first two steps of a proof by induction i.e. base case and the inductive hypothesis. You will be asked to complete this proof later in **PS1b**.

Base Case, let  $n = 0$

$$\sum_{i=0}^0 r^i = \frac{(1 - r^{0+1})}{(1 - r)} 1 = \frac{(1 - r)}{(1 - r)} 1 = 1$$

Inductive Hypothesis

Assume,

$$\sum_{i=0}^k r^i = \frac{(1 - r^{k+1})}{(1 - r)}.$$

show  $n = k + 1$  holds

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k+1} r^i = \frac{(1 - r^{(k+1)+1})}{(1 - r)}.$$