

CSCI 6470 Quiz #3 Questions (Answers)

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There are 4 questions and 60 points in total. Good luck!

1. (15 points) Consider the following recursive algorithm **Work**.

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function Work(L, i, j); // L is a list, i and j are two indexes;
    if (i < j )
        swap(L[i], L[j]);
        Work(L, i+1, j-1);
    return;                // if such a statement is preferred.
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- (1) What does algorithm **Work** do? **reverse a list** 5 points
- (2) If $T(n)$ is the worse case time complexity for **Work** on input of size n , express n in terms quantities i and j only: $n = j - i + 1$ 3 points
- (3) Formulate $T(n)$ in a recursive form, including the base case(s):

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} a & \text{base case(s) when } n = 0, 1 \\ T(n-2) + b & \text{recursive cases when } n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

2. (15 points) This question concerns the time complexity $T(n)$ of **Quick Sort** based on various scenarios of the selected pivot. Give a recursive formulation for $T(n)$, for $n > 1$,

- (1) On worst case pivot $T(n) = T(n-1) + bn$ 5 points
- (2) On ideal case pivot $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + bn$ 5 points
- (3) On averaged case pivot $T(n) = (n-1) + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T(i)$ 5 points

3. (15 points) Let list $[30, 70, 50, 20, 80, 40, 60]$ be an input to the randomized Quick Sort.
- (1) If the pivot selected by the randomized algorithm is $[60]$, then Partition function on this list should return $[30, 50, 20, 40, 60, 70, 80]$ as result; 5 points
 - (2) If the algorithm is re-run on the same list $[30, 70, 50, 20, 80, 40, 60]$ with pivot $[20]$, will the number of comparisons “used by Partition only” be the same as in (1)? Y 3 points
 - (3) Element 50, 2 points if selected as the pivot, yields the ideal situation. Then Partition on the same list with this pivot should return $[30, 20, 40, 50, 80, 60, 70]$ as result 5 points
4. (15 points) This question concerns Selection algorithm. On the input (A, n, k) , the algorithm finds the k^{th} smallest element in set A containing n elements. Specifically, it first finds a pivot x and then uses x to partition set A into two subsets A_1 and A_2 so that the k^{th} smallest element is recursively found from either of the subsets.
- (1) To find pivot x , the algorithm recursively calls $\text{Selection}(M, \frac{n}{5}, \frac{n}{10})$, where M 2 points
 is the collection of medians in groups 1 points and x is the median of M 1 points
 .
 - (2) If $\text{rank}(x) = r > k$, recursive call $\text{Selection}(A_1, r - 1, k)$ is executed; 2 points
 if $r < k$, call $\text{Selection}(A_2, n - r, k - r)$ is executed instead; 3 points (2 for $k - r$)
 - (3) Selection algorithm has its time complexity $T(n)$ formulated in recursive form as

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + T\left(\frac{7n}{10}\right) + bn$$

where $\frac{n}{5}$ is size of M 1 points and $\frac{7n}{10}$ is size upper bound for A_1 and A_2 3 points
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If the algorithm uses groups of 3 elements instead of 5, the formulation for $T(n)$ would be

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + T\left(\frac{2n}{3}\right) + dn, \text{ for some } d > 0 \quad 2 \text{ points}$$

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