

ICLeafAI

Assessment on Basic Data Structures

Duration: 30 Minutes

Passing Score: 70% (14 out of 20 points)

Question Types: Multiple Choice (1 point each), Essay (5 points each)

Section 1: Multiple Choice Questions (1 point each)

Question 1:

What data structure uses a Last In First Out (LIFO) method?

- A) Queue
- B) Stack
- C) Array
- D) Linked List

Question 2:

Which of the following is NOT a linear data structure?

- A) Array
- B) Stack
- C) Graph
- D) Queue

Question 3:

In a linked list, which pointer is used to reference the next node?

- A) Previous Pointer
- B) Next Pointer
- C) Head Pointer
- D) Tail Pointer

Question 4:

What is the time complexity of accessing an element in a hash table on average?

- A) O(1)
- B) O(n)
- C) O(log n)
- D) O(n^2)

Question 5:

Which of the following data structures would you use to implement a priority queue?

- A) Stack
- B) Queue
- C) Heap
- D) Array

Question 6:

Which operation in a binary search tree (BST) has a time complexity of $O(\log n)$ for balanced trees?

- A) Insertion
- B) Deletion
- C) Search
- D) All of the above

Question 7:

In which of the following scenarios would you prefer using a linked list over an array?

- A) When you need fast access to elements by index
- B) When the size of the data structure is fixed
- C) When you need dynamic memory allocation and frequent insertions/deletions
- D) When the data structure is small and can fit in cache

Question 8:

Which of the following operations is NOT typically associated with a queue?

- A) Enqueue
- B) Dequeue
- C) Peek
- D) Pop

Section 2: Essay Questions (5 points each)

Question 9:

Explain the differences between stacks and queues in terms of their structure, operations, and use cases. Provide at least two real-world examples for each data structure.

Question 10:

Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of using linked lists compared to arrays. Include aspects such as memory usage, performance for various operations, and practical applications.

Scoring Criteria:

- Multiple Choice Section: 1 point for each correct answer (Total: 8 points)
- Essay Section: Grading will be based on clarity, depth of understanding, and relevance of examples provided (Total: 10 points for each essay, 20 points total).

Total Points Possible: 28 points

Minimum Needed to Pass: 14 points (70%)

Instructions:

- Answer all multiple-choice questions first, then move on to the essay questions.

- For essay questions, be sure to structure your answers clearly, using paragraphs and bullet points where appropriate.
- Manage your time effectively to ensure you can complete all questions.

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