

## Assignment 6

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### 1 Theory

1. Compute the depth of a B Tree built on  $n$  elements which has at most  $m$  children per node. 2
2. Eggs break when dropped from great enough height. Specifically, there must be a floor  $f$  in any sufficiently tall building such that an egg dropped from the  $f$ th floor breaks, but one dropped from the  $(f - 1)$ st floor will not. If the egg always breaks, then  $f = 1$ . If the egg never breaks, then  $f = n + 1$ . You seek to find the critical floor  $f$  using an  $n$ -story building. The only operation you can perform is to drop an egg off some floor and see what happens. You start out with 2 eggs, and seek to drop eggs as few times as possible. Broken eggs cannot be reused.  
Let  $E(n)$  be the minimum number of egg droppings that will always suffice. Show that  $E(n) = \Theta(\sqrt{n})$  4
3. Given an array of  $n$  real numbers, consider the problem of finding the maximum sum in any contiguous subvector of the input. For example, in the array  
 $\{31, -41, 59, 26, -53, 58, 97, -93, -23, 84\}$   
the maximum is achieved by summing the third through seventh elements, where  $59 + 26 + (-53) + 58 + 97 = 187$ . When all numbers are positive, the entire array is the answer, while when all numbers are negative, the empty array maximizes the total at 0. Give a  $\Theta(n)$ -time dynamic programming algorithm for this problem. 4
4. Suppose that we are given a weighted, directed graph  $G(V, E)$  in which edges that leave the source vertex  $s$  may have negative weights, all other edge weights are nonnegative, and there are no negative-weight cycles. Argue that Dijkstra's algorithm correctly finds shortest paths from  $s$  in this graph. 4
5. Suppose you are given an undirected graph  $G(V, E)$ , a source vertex  $s$  and destination vertex  $d$  as part of the input. Prove that finding the shortest path from  $s$  to  $d$  is as hard as finding the shortest path from  $s$  to all the other vertices in  $V$ . 2