

## Question 1

i).

A recursive function is one that references themselves. A function that may call itself during its execution. This can lead to an infinite loop unless the recursive function is well defined. A well defined recursive function has a “base case,” and must “move towards” the base case (reduce). Basically the recursive function cannot be infinite.

```
L1 // curr should be size-1 for the first call
L2 int find1(int arrA[], int size, int curr)
L3 {
L4     if (size == 1) {
L5         return (curr);
L6     }
L7     else if ( arrA[curr] < arrA[size - 2] ) {
L8         return (find1 (arrA, size - 1, size - 2));
L9     }
L10    else {
L11        return (find1 (arrA, size - 1, curr));
L12    }
L13 }
L14
L15 int find2(int arrA[], int size)
L16 {
L17     int curr = 0;
L18     for (int i = 1; i < size; i++) {
L19         if (arrA[i] > arrA[curr]) {
L20             curr = i;
L21         }
L22     }
L23     return (curr);
L24 }
```

FOR find1()

Base case: At the base case the function will not call itself again.

The base case check is at line 4. The base case return is on line 5. When size is 1 the function will return a value and no more recursive calls are made.

Reduction: Every call of the function will reduce it towards the base case.

This happens at Line 8 and line 11 because size is reduced by 1 when the recursive function is called again. This means eventually size will equal 1, making line 4 true, ending the recursive function.

ii).

find1()

Line	Cost	numTimes	Cost*numTimes
L4	1	n	n
L5	1	1	1
L7	1	n - 1	n - 1
L8 or L11	1	n - 1	n - 1
		Total:	$f(n) = 3n - 1$

L4: Always checked. True n - 1 times and false 1 time.

L5: Only happens once.

L7: Always checked, besides the last function call when L4 is true.

L8 and L11: One of them will run because of the "else".

find2()

Line	Cost	numTimes	Cost*numTimes
L17	1	1	1
L18	1	n	n
L19	1	n - 1	n - 1
L20	1	n - 1	n - 1
L23	1	1	1
		Total:	$f(n) = 3n$

size = n.

L17: Happens once.

L18: True n - 1 times. Then false 1 time. So it runs n times.

L19: Checked n - 1 times.

L20: Worst case scenario, arrA[i] is always bigger than arrA[curr]. (sorted in ascending order).  
Therefore, L19 is always true, therefore L20 happens the same number of times as L19. So L20 runs n - 1 times.

L23: Happens once.

## Question 2

Imagine we split the range of elements given in arrA into two sub arrays (lower bound -> mid AND mid+1 -> upper bound). (This is done in the declarations made in the for loop in L20). We are going to populate a new array, arrC, one element of arrC at a time using the 2 sub-arrays of arrA. A counter declared as "k" in the code given will keep track of the population of arrC. The left-most unused (not already placed into arrC) element for the left sub-array of arrA is compared to the left-most unused element for the right sub-array of arrA - the element with the lower value is placed into arrC. A counter is incremented to keep track of the left-most unused element for each of the sub-arrays - "i++" in L22 and "j++" in L24.

First loop...

arrA

1	2	4	6	3	5	7	8
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

^ last of left sub-array

Compare the red values.

arrC

1							
---	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

The lower value goes into arrC. And the counter for its sub-array increments. (i++).

... after last loop ( i <= mid is no longer true so the loop is exited).

arrA

1	2	4	6	3	5	7	8
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

^ last of left sub-array

arrC

1	2	3	4	5	6		
---	---	---	---	---	---	--	--

When one of the sub-arrays reaches its end, L20 will return false. This sub-array has been fully used, so the rest of the other sub-array must be placed into arrC (this is because the rest of the values in the other sub-array will all be bigger than the values of the sub-array that is at its end). Either L27 will run or L29 will run.

The rest of the sub-array is placed into arrC. In this example L28 is true 2 times. and L29 happens twice.

arrA

1	2	4	6	3	5	7	8
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

^ last of left sub-array

arrC

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Finally, place the elements of arrC into arrA, overwriting the unsorted section of arrA with the sorted array that has been calculated and stored in arrC. (L30 and L31).

arrA

1	2	4	6	3	5	7	8
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

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### Question 3

a)

	<u>Count sort</u>	<u>Merge sort</u>	<u>Quick sort</u>
Recursive calls		9 998	9 002
Swaps		61 808	34 636
Comparisons		55 296	84 507
Time taken (ms)	1	5	4

```
Count sort...
Before the sort, run time = 70 clock ticks
Before the sort, run time = 71 clock ticks
Time taken to sort: 1 milliseconds
```

b)

	<u>Count sort</u>	<u>Merge sort</u>	<u>Quicksort</u>
<u>Advantages</u>	Fastest.	Works for general data.	Works for general data.
<u>Disadvantages</u>	Only works for integer data.	REQUIRES SPACE for the temporary array (arrC).  Slowest.	A bad pivot choice makes quicksort perform worse.
<u>Time taken (ms)</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>

## Merge sort

```
Merge sort...
Swaps = 61808
Comparisons = 55296
Recursive calls = 9998

Before the sort, run time = 64 clock ticks
Before the sort, run time = 69 clock ticks
Time taken to sort: 5 milliseconds
```

Recursive call counter increments in mergeSort() function. Line 398 and line 400.

```
389 //mergeSort to sort values in an integer array arrA[]
390 // lb = 0 and ub = size - 1 for the first call
391 void mergeSort(int arrA[], int lb, int ub) {
392
393     int mid;
394
395     if (lb < ub) {
396         mid = (int)((lb + ub) / 2);
397         mergeSort(arrA, lb, mid);
398         reCalls++;
399         mergeSort(arrA, mid + 1, ub);
400         reCalls++;
401         merge(arrA, lb, mid, ub);
402     }
403 }
404
```

Swap counter increments in write-back section of code in merge() function. Line 454.

```
449 //write back from arrC to arrA so correct values are in place for next merge
450 i = lb;
451 k = 0;
452 while (i <= ub) {
453     arrA[i] = arrC[k];
454     swaps++;
455     i++;
456     k++;
457 }
458
```

Comparisons counter increments in merge() function. Line 428.

```
419 while (i <= mid && j <= ub) {
420     if (arrA[i] <= arrA[j]) {
421         arrC[k] = arrA[i];
422         i++;
423     }
424     else {
425         arrC[k] = arrA[j];
426         j++;
427     }
428     comparisons++;
429     k++;
430 } //end while
```

## Quicksort

```
Quicksort...
Swaps = 34636
Comparisons = 84507
Recursive calls = 9002

Before the sort, run time = 70 clock ticks
Before the sort, run time = 74 clock ticks
Time taken to sort: 4 milliseconds
```

Recursive calls counter increments in quicksort() function. Line 286 and line 288.

```
275 //QUICKSORT
276
277 void quickSort(int arrA[], int startval, int endval) {
278
279     if ((endval - startval) < 1) {
280         return;
281     }
282     else {
283         int k = partition2(arrA, startval, endval);
284         //now sort the two sub-arrays
285         quickSort(arrA, startval, k - 1); //left partition
286         reCalls++;
287         quickSort(arrA, k + 1, endval); //right partition
288         reCalls++;
289     }
290 }
```

Swap counter increments in partition2() function. Line 367 and line 373.

Comparisons counter increments in partition2() function. Line 370.

```
275 //QUICKSORT
276
277 void quickSort(int arrA[], int startval, int endval) {
278
279     if ((endval - startval) < 1) {
280         return;
281     }
282     else {
283         int k = partition2(arrA, startval, endval);
284         //now sort the two sub-arrays
285         quickSort(arrA, startval, k - 1); //left partition
286         reCalls++;
287         quickSort(arrA, k + 1, endval); //right partition
288         reCalls++;
289     }
290 }
```

## Question 4

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