

EXAMINATIONS – 2016
TRIMESTER 1

COMP 261
ALGORITHMS
and
DATA STRUCTURES

Time Allowed: TWO HOURS

CLOSED BOOK

Permitted materials: Only silent non-programmable calculators or silent programmable calculators with their memories cleared are permitted in this examination.

Instructions: Attempt ALL Questions.

Answer in the appropriate boxes if possible — if you write your answer elsewhere, make it clear where your answer can be found.

The exam will be marked out of 120 marks.

Non-electronic foreign to English language dictionaries are permitted.

Alphabetic order: A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Questions	Marks
1. MST	[5]
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Question 1. MST**[5 marks]**

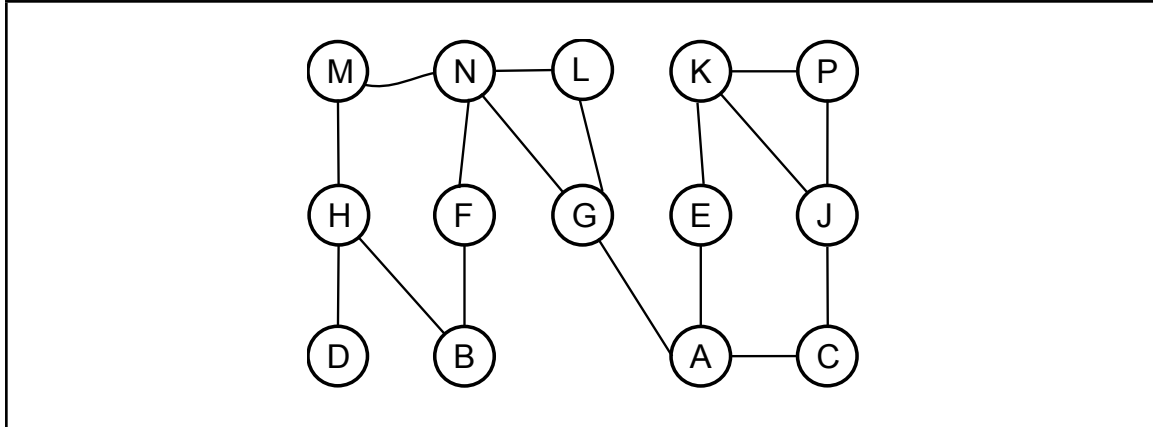
(a) [2 marks] Give an example of a smallest graph such that Kruskal's algorithm and Prim's algorithm will add edges to the MST in a different order (but the final trees may be the same). Show the order in which the trees are constructed.

(b) [3 marks] Give an example of a smallest graph such that the two MSTs resulting from the two algorithms are different. Show the order in which the trees are constructed.

Question 2. Articulation Points

[20 marks]

(a) [4 marks] Circle the articulation points in the following graph.



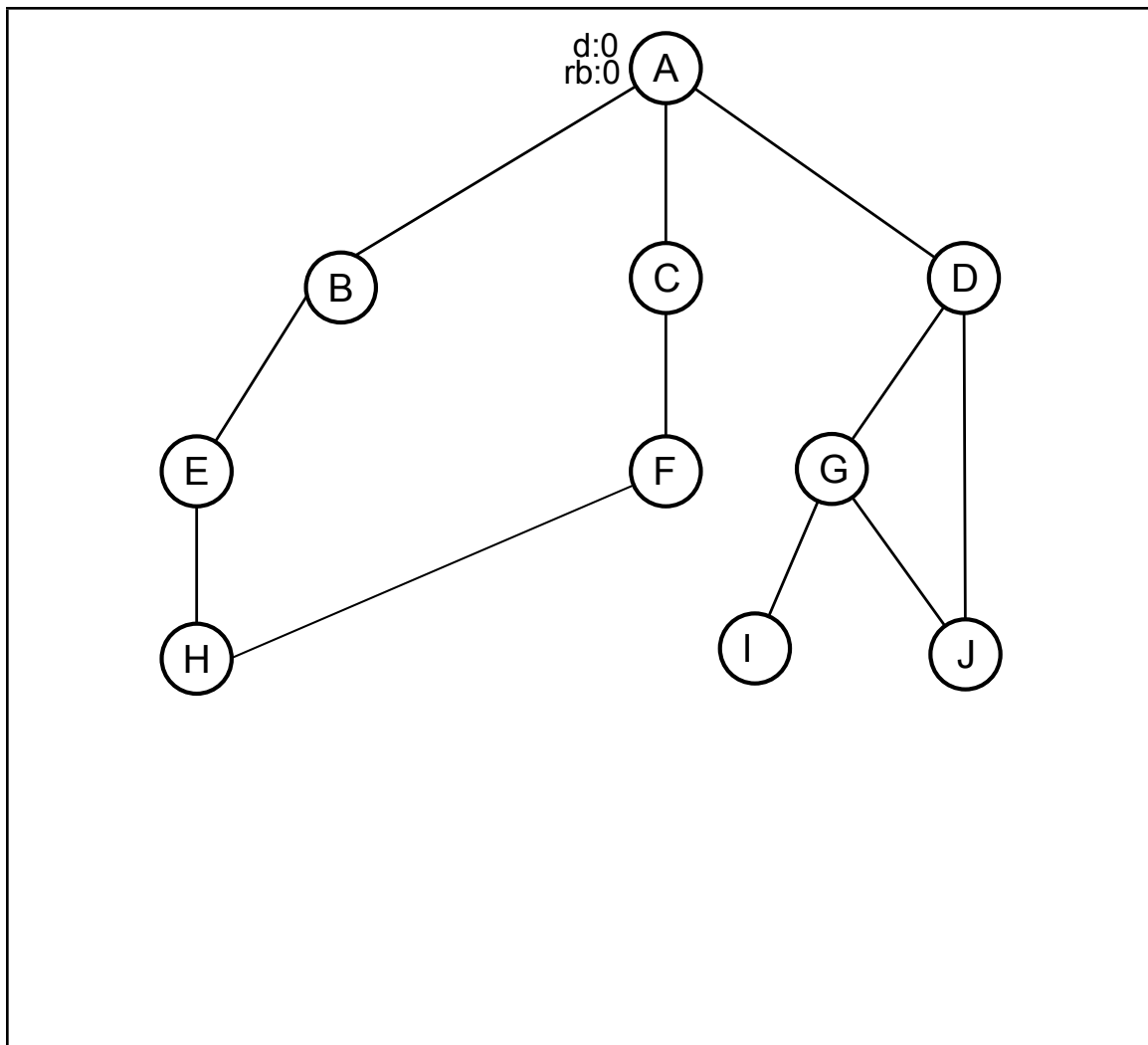
(b) [6 marks] Give two examples of applications or problems where the Articulation Points algorithm would be useful that are not covered by assignment 2 (i.e. identifying critical intersections in a city).

(Question 2 continued)

(c) [10 marks] Show how the recursive depth-first-search articulation points algorithm would find the articulation points in the following graph, assuming that the search starts with node A and considers neighbours of nodes in alphabetical order. Mark on the graph

- the depth ("d:") and the reach-back ("rb:") of each node (node A is done for you),
- the return values from each recursive call,
- the nodes that are articulation points, indicating why they were marked.

The algorithm is given on the facing page for your reference.



(Question 2 continued)

FindArticulationPoints (graph, start):

```

for each node: node.depth  $\leftarrow \infty$ , articulationPoints  $\leftarrow \{ \}$ 
start.depth  $\leftarrow 0$ , numSubtrees  $\leftarrow 0$ 
for each neighbour of start
    if neighbour.depth =  $\infty$  then
        RecursiveArtPts( neighbour, 1, start )
        numSubtrees ++
if numSubtrees > 1 then add start to articulationPoints

```

RecursiveArtPts(node, depth, fromNode):

```

node.depth  $\leftarrow$  depth, reachBack  $\leftarrow$  depth,
for each neighbour of node other than fromNode
    if neighbour.depth <  $\infty$  then
        reachBack  $\leftarrow$  min(neighbour.depth, reachBack)
    else
        childReach  $\leftarrow$  RecursiveArtPts(neighbour, depth +1, node)
        reachBack  $\leftarrow$  min(childReach, reachBack )
        if childReach  $\geq$  depth then add node to articulationPoints
return reachBack

```

Question 3. Parsing

[20 marks]

(a) [10 marks] Consider the following grammar, where terminals are always enclosed in quotation marks and nonterminals are always in capitals. Assume each nonterminal and terminal is separated with a space to form separate tokens for simplicity:

```
FOO ::= BAR FEND
FEND ::= "start" BAZ | BAZ "end" | "mid" BAZ
BAR ::= [d-z0-9]+ | BAZ
BAZ ::= a*b*c+
```

In the following list put a tick next to sentences that belong to the language defined by this grammar and a cross next to sentences that don't:

- i. abc start c
- ii. ccc ccc end
- iii. ac start aaabbb
- iv. dddd09 mid c
- v. d mid ab

(Question 3 continued)

(b) [10 marks] Write a parser that returns `true` or `false` and follows the grammar below. Assume each nonterminal and terminal is separated with a space to form separate tokens for simplicity:

QUERY ::= "SELECT" "*" ["FROM" NAME] ["WHERE" NAME "=" DATA] ";"
NAME ::= [A-Za-z]⁺
DATA ::= [A-Za-z0-9]*

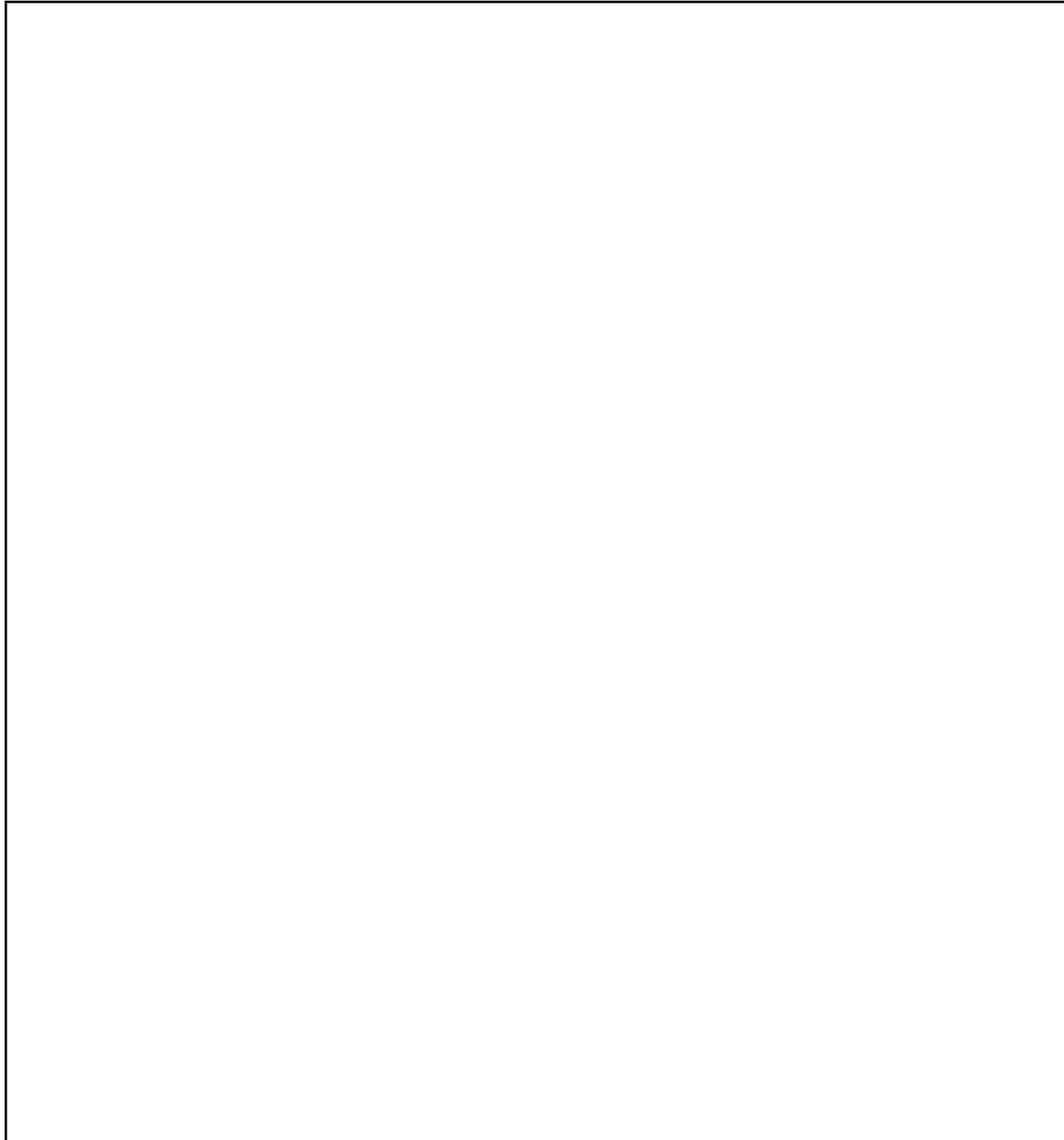
```
public boolean parseQuery(Scanner s) {
```

Question 4. Tries and String Search

[25 marks]

(a) [4 marks] Draw the Trie containing the following set of strings.
(Note: label the links of the Trie, not the nodes.)

baby	bottle	but	butt	button	body
bait	busy	bus	apple	aps	



(Question 4 continued)

(b) [6 marks] Give an example of a problem where using a Trie would be a more efficient implementation of a set of strings than a HashSet, and explain why the Trie would be more efficient.

(Question 4 continued)

(c) [8 marks] Show the table that the following KMP table building algorithm would construct given the string "fgrkffgfgren":

```

computeKMPTable(string)
  initialise table to an array of integers, same length as string
  table[0] ← -1
  table[1] ← 0;
  pos ← 2;
  j ← 0;
  while pos < string.length
    if string[pos-1] = string[j]
      table[pos] ← j+1
      pos++
      j++
    else if j > 0
      j ← table[j]
    else
      table[pos] ← 0
      pos++
  return table

```

string:	f	g	r	k	f	f	g	f	g	r	e	n
table:												
index:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

(Question 4 continued)

(d) [4 marks] Explain, using an example, how the table built in part (c) would help you find the string in a large body of text? What string would you be searching for?

(e) [3 marks] What improvement over the brute force algorithm would KMP be able to make because of this table?

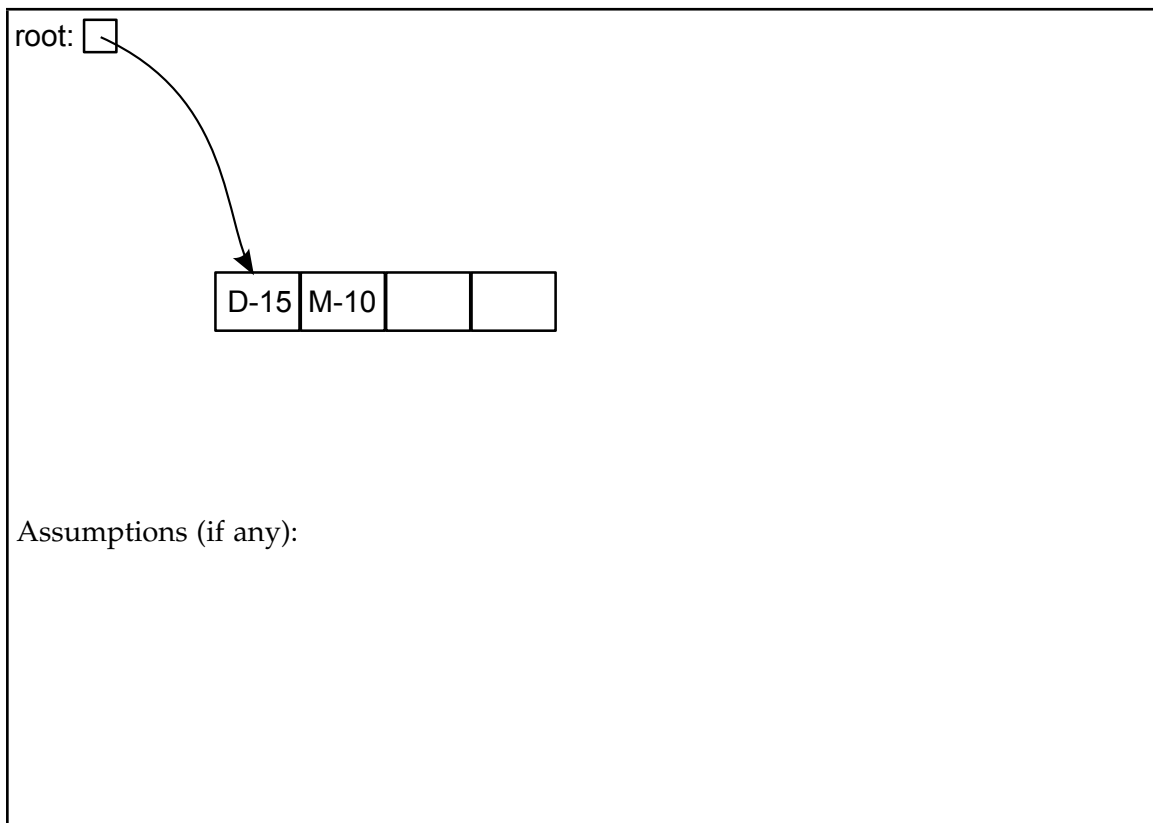
Question 5. B+ Trees**[15 marks]**

The following two subquestions concern a B+ tree that has internal nodes holding up to 3 keys, and leaf nodes holding up to 4 key-value pairs. The keys are letters; the values are numbers.

(a) [5 marks] Show how the B+ tree below would be changed if the following key-value pairs were added to it:

H-5 F-7 K-22 N-12

State any assumptions you make.



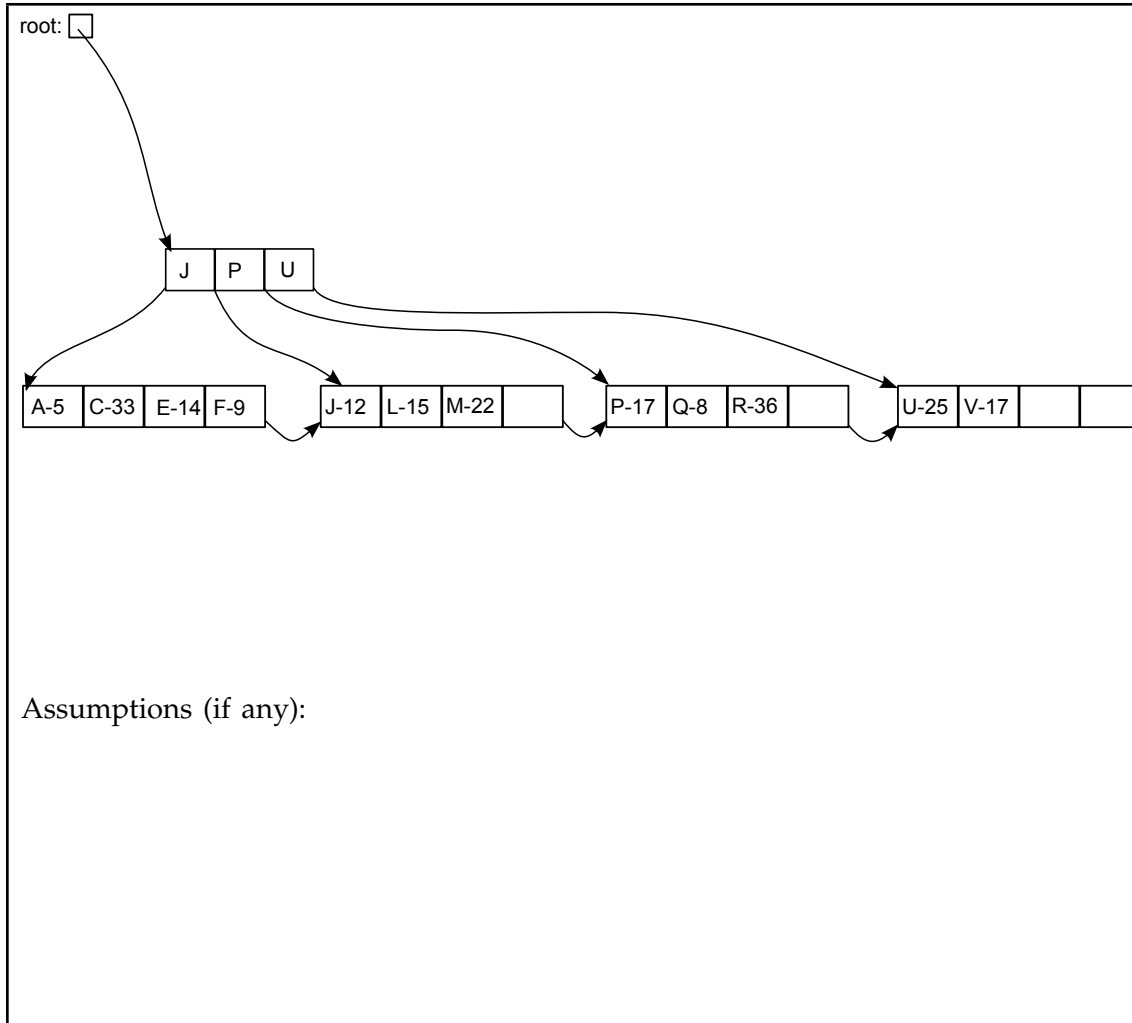
Alphabet: A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

(Question 5 continued)

(b) [5 marks] Show how the B+ tree below would be changed if the following key-value pair was added to it:

D-1

State any assumptions you make.



(Question 5 continued)

(c) [5 marks] Suppose the internal nodes of a B+ tree have at most 6 children (*i.e.*, 5 keys), and the leaves contain at most 4 key-value pairs. The maximum number of key-value pairs that can be in a tree is 4×6^h where the height of the tree is h . What is the minimum number of key-value pairs that can be in tree of height h ? Assume that $h \geq 1$. Show your working! Note: the height of a tree is the number of edges (= number of internal nodes) on a longest path from the root to a leaf.

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Question 6. Compression

[15 marks]

(a) [5 marks] Construct a trie that can be used to encode the following sentence using Huffman Encoding. (Note: label the links of the Trie, not the nodes.)

WHERE WHERE DID WHY WHAT WHEN GO



(Question 6 continued)

(b) [5 marks] Show the resulting encoding and state how many bits will be required to store the message from part (a):

WHERE WHERE DID WHY WHAT WHEN GO

(Question 6 continued)

(c) [5 marks] What is the key idea of the Lempel-Ziv 77 compression algorithm? Please explain using an example.

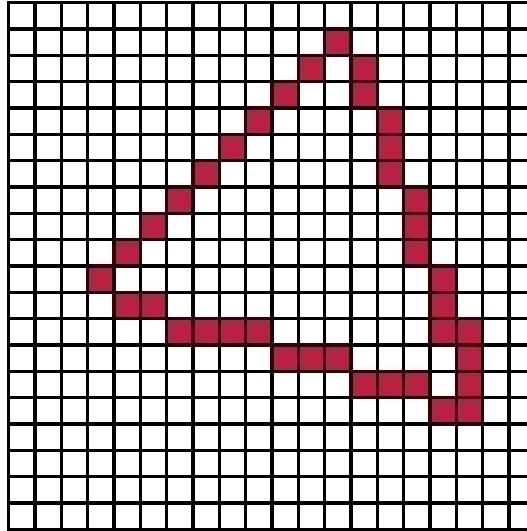
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Question 7. Flood fill

[20 marks]

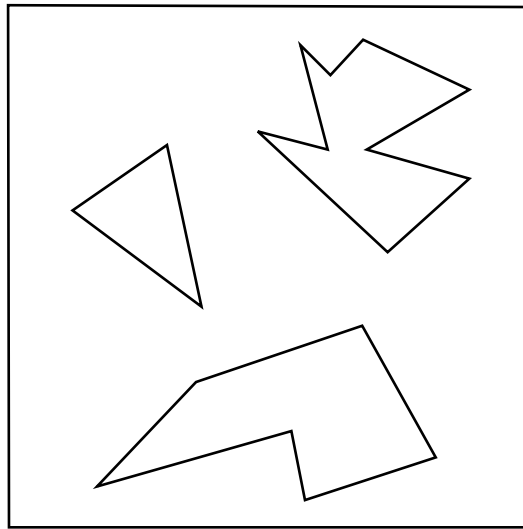
(a) [10 marks] You are given a black and white image as a matrix. The matrix is filled with boolean values (0 - white, 1 - black) that correspond to a drawing of triangle edges. Outline an algorithm (pseudo code) to fill the triangle with ones.



(Question 7 continued)

(b) [10 marks] You are given an image as before, but now with more than one shape which can be arbitrary polygons. You are given the location (row and column) of a point inside a shape S . Outline an algorithm (pseudo code) to fill S (and only S).

Hint: A matrix can be viewed as a graph, where each cell is connected to 4 neighbours.



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