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There are 3 questions for a total of 10 points.

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1. Let  $X$  be a random variable denoting the number of people attending a conference. We know that  $\mathbf{E}[X] = 100$ . Everyone shakes hand with everyone else at the conference and let  $Y$  denote the total number of handshakes. We know that  $\mathbf{E}[Y] = 5000$ . Answer the following questions.

(a) (1  $\frac{1}{2}$  points) What is the variance of  $X$ ? Show calculations in the space below.

(a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) (1  $\frac{1}{2}$  points) Use Chebychev's inequality to give an upper bound on the probability that less than 80 people attend the conference?

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

2. (4 points) Consider executing the following algorithm on an array  $A[1..n]$  containing  $n$  distinct numbers  $\{N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n\}$  permuted randomly.

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FindMax( $A, n$ )
-  $Max \leftarrow A[1]$ 
- For  $i = 2$  to  $n$ 
  - If ( $A[i] > Max$ )  $Max \leftarrow A[i]$ 
- return( $Max$ )
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Let  $X$  be the random variable denoting the number of times the variable  $Max$  is updated within the for loop of the **FindMax** algorithm. What is  $\mathbf{E}[X]$  as a function of  $n$ ? Express your answer concisely using big-Theta notation. Show your calculations in the space below.

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Consider the following randomized quick-sort algorithm for sorting an array  $A$  containing distinct numbers:

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Randomized-Quick-Sort( $A$ )
- If ( $|A| = 1$ ) return( $A$ )
- Randomly pick an index  $i$  in the array  $A$ 
- Use  $A[i]$  as a pivot to partition  $A$  into  $A_L$  and  $A_R$ 
  // That is,  $A_L$  denotes the array of elements that are smaller than  $A[i]$ , and  $A_R$  denotes the
  // array of elements that are larger than  $A[i]$ . The relative ordering of elements in  $A_L$  (and  $A_R$ )
  // is the same as that in  $A$ 
-  $B_L \leftarrow \text{Randomized-Quick-Sort}(A_L)$ 
-  $B_R \leftarrow \text{Randomized-Quick-Sort}(A_R)$ 
- return( $B_L \parallel A[i] \parallel B_R$ )

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We will try to compute the expected number of pairwise comparisons performed by the algorithm during its execution. Note that comparisons are done during the pivoting operation.

- (a) ( $1 \frac{1}{2}$  points) For  $i < j$ , let  $X_{ij}$  denote the indicator random variable that is 1 if a comparison between  $A[i]$  and  $A[j]$  is done during the execution of the algorithm and 0 otherwise. What is the value of  $\mathbf{E}[X_{ij}]$  in terms of  $i$  and  $j$ ? You do not need to give reasons.

(a) \_\_\_\_\_

- (b) ( $1 \frac{1}{2}$  points) Let  $X = \sum_{i < j} X_{ij}$ . Note that  $X$  denotes the total number of pairwise comparisons. Use part (a) to give  $\mathbf{E}[X]$  as a function of  $n$ . Express your answer concisely using big-Theta notation. You do not need to show calculations.

(b) \_\_\_\_\_