

Quiz 1 (for Section 2)

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Quiz Instructions

Question 1

1 pts

Let $A[1 \dots n]$ be an array with n distinct integers. Let A' be the sorted array of A in ascending order. We pick a number x from A uniformly at random. What is the probability for event $\{x \geq A'[n/3] \text{ and } x < A'[n/2]\}$?

- ☐ 2/3
- ☒ 1/6
- ☐ 1/2
- ☐ 5/6

Question 2

1 pts

We have 4 vertices of a square parallel to the x-axis and y-axis in 2D plane. What shape do the four dual lines make in the dual plane?

- ☐ must be a rectangle but not necessarily a square
- ☐ must be a square
- ☐ none of the others
- ☒ must be a parallelogram but not necessarily a rectangle

Question 3

1 pts

Suppose S is an array with n distinct integers. Similar to the selection algorithm, we partition S into $n/21$ subarrays, each of which contains 21 numbers. Let x be the median of medians of the $n/21$ subarrays. How many numbers in S are guaranteed to be less than x ?

- ☐ $5n/21$
- ☐ $13n/42$
- ☒ $11n/42$
- ☐ $2n/7$

Question 4

1 pts

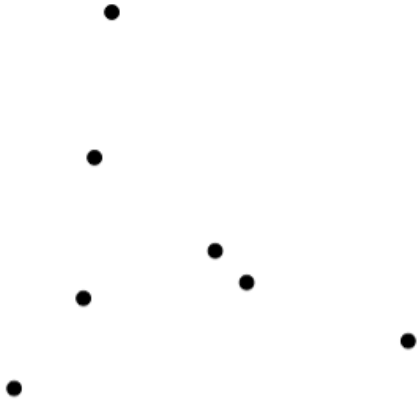
$$n^{\sum_{k=1}^n 1/k} = \Omega((\log n)^{\log^2 n})$$

- ☐ True.
- ☒ False.

Question 5

1 pts

Consider running the Graham-Scan algorithm on the instance given below. How many pop operations will be executed?



- ☒ 4
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☐ 5

Question 6

1 pts

For any two positive functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ over integers, we always have either $f = \Omega(g)$ or $g = \Omega(f)$.

- ☐ True.
- ☒ False.

Question 7

1 pts

Suppose you are given the following two algorithms: Algorithm A solves problems of size n by dividing them into 8 subproblems of size $n/4$ recursively solving each subproblem, and then combining the solutions in constant time; Algorithm B solves problems by dividing them into 2 subproblems of size $n/2$, recursively solving each subproblem, and then combining the solutions in linear time. Which of these algorithms has a faster running time?

- ☒ B
- ☐ They have the same asymptotic running time
- ☐ A

Question 8

1 pts

You are given two sorted arrays $A[1 \dots n]$ and $B[1 \dots n]$ both in ascending order; all $2n$ numbers in them are distinct. How fast can you find the median of these $2n$ numbers?

- ☐ $\Theta(\log \log n)$
- ☐ $\Theta(n)$
- ☐ $\Theta(n \log n)$
- ☒ $\Theta(\log n)$

Question 9

1 pts

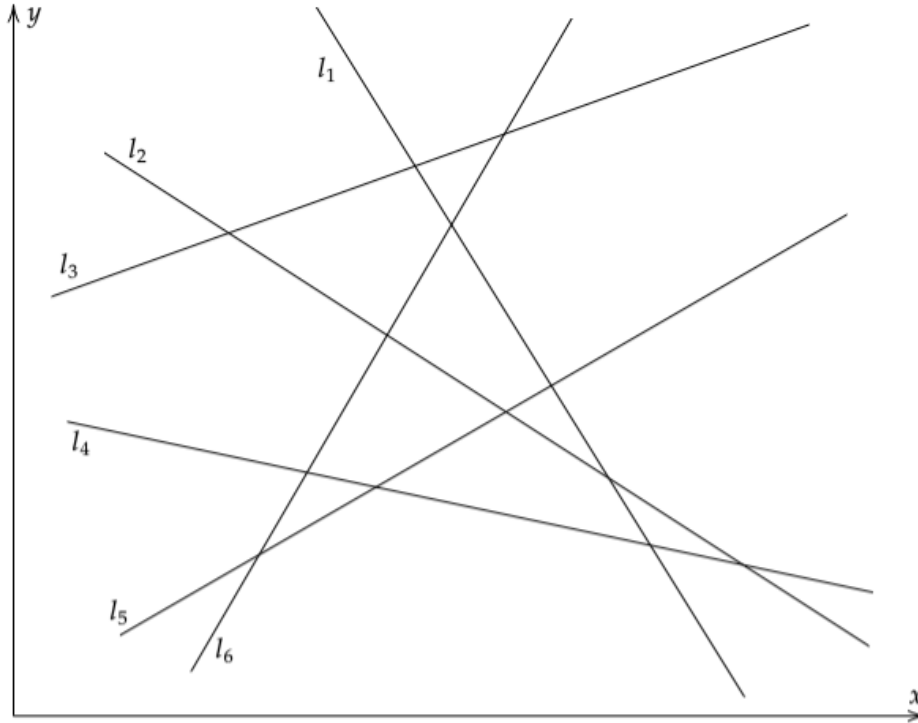
Which of the following is the asymptotic solution of recurrence $T(n) = n + T(n/3) + T(n/4) + T(n/5)$?

- ☐ $n \cdot \log n$
- ☐ n^3
- ☒ n
- ☐ n^2

Question 10

1 pts

Consider the dual points of the lines given below: how many vertices will be on the convex hull of these dual points?



- ☐ 6
- ☐ 4
- ☒ 5
- ☐ 3

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1. (1 pts.) Since x is drawn uniformly at random, we have $P(\{x \leq A'[n/3] \text{ and } x > A'[n/2]\})$ is equal to $(n/2 - n/3)/n = 1/6$.
2. (1 pts.) Let $(a, b), (a, d), (c, b), (c, d)$ be 4 vertices of a rectangle. Their duals are $y = ax - b, y = ax - d, y = cx - b, y = cx - d$. The first and third lines meet at $(0, -b)$ and the other two meet at $(0, -d)$. From each point, there are two lines with slopes a and c which generate a parallelogram.
3. (1 pts.) We have at least $n/42$ medians is less than x if x is the median of medians of the $n/21$ subarrays. For the corresponding $n/42$ subarrays, we have at least 11 numbers (including median itself) in each subarray that are less than x . So we have $11/42$ numbers in S are guaranteed to be less than x .
4. (1 pts.) First, we observe that $\sum_{k=1}^n 1/k = \Theta(\log n)$. So the left hand side is $n^{c \log n}$ for some constant c . On the other hands, the right hand side is

$$(\log n)^{\log^2 n} = (\log n)^{(\log n) \cdot (\log n)} \quad (1)$$

$$= ((\log n)^{\log n})^{\log n} = (n^{\log \log n})^{\log n} \quad (2)$$

Since the exponents of two sides have the same order, if we compare the bases of them, we can figure out that n is much smaller than $n^{\log \log n}$ so it is false.

5. (1 pts.) Since there are 4 points inside the convex hull, it means there will be 4 pop operations.
6. (1 pts.) Counterexample: Define $f(n) = n$ if n is even and $f(n) = 1$ otherwise. And $g(n) = n$ if n is odd and $g(n) = 1$ otherwise. Then, either $f = \Omega(g(n))$ or $g = \Omega(f(n))$ is not true.
7. (1 pts.)
 - Algorithm A time complexity: $T(n) = 8T(\frac{n}{4}) + \Theta(1) = \Theta(n^{\log_4 8}) = \Theta(n^{1.5})$
 - Algorithm B time complexity: $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + \Theta(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$

Thus, algorithm B has a faster running time.

8. (1 pts.) This is the Q5 of Assignment 03.
9. (1 pts.) $c_1 = 1/3, c_2 = 1/4$ and $c_3 = 1/5$, we have $T(n) = \Theta(n)$ if $c_1 + c_2 + c_3 < 1$. This generalize the conclusion introduced in class but it is straightforward.
10. (1 pts.) There are two lines $\{l_1, l_3, l_6\}$ in the upper envelop and therefore $\{l_1^*, l_3^*, l_6^*\}$ form the lower hull of the dual points; there are four lines $\{l_6, l_5, l_4, l_1\}$ in the lower envelop and therefore $\{l_6^*, l_5^*, l_4^*, l_1^*\}$ form the upper hull of the dual points. Notice that l_1^* and l_6^* appear in both, so the convex hull of dual points consists of 5 vertices: $\{l_6^*, l_5^*, l_4^*, l_3^*, l_1^*\}$.