

## Assignment 1

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**NOTE:** Unless explicitly specified, solution to each question should be accompanied with a brief correctness proof (for recursive solutions)/ invariants (for the tail-recursive solutions), and timing analysis. These arguments should be written as comments in the program file itself. A single solution file should be submitted containing all the attempts.

**Problem 1: Lists and Sorting (150 Marks).**

- Implement tail-recursive reversal of a list.
- Implement tail-recursive merge function.
- Implement tail-recursive Fibonacci function.
- Implement tail-recursive insertion sort.
- Implement recursive quick sort.
- Implement recursive binary search given a list, the element and the low and high indices of the list.

**Problem 2: Primality Testing (50 marks)**

Develop a recursive functional implementation for primality testing based on the following computational theory.

**Fermat's little theorem:** If  $n$  is a prime and  $a < n$  is any positive integer, then  $a^n \equiv a \pmod n$  (congruent modulo  $n$ : Two numbers are said to be congruent modulo  $n$  if they both have the same remainder when divided by  $n$ ).

If  $n$  is not a prime, then, in general, most of the numbers  $a < n$  will not satisfy the above relation. Thus, given a number  $n$ , we can pick a random number  $a < n$  and then compute the remainder  $a^n \pmod n$ . If this is not equal to  $a$ ,  $n$  is certainly not a prime. Otherwise, chances are good that  $n$  is a prime. We can assume that the probability that  $n$  is a prime is 0.5. We can keep repeating the above experiment and stop if either (i) at any stage we find that  $n$  is not a prime, or (ii) we find that the probability that  $n$  is not a prime has decreased to an acceptable level.

With the above information, implement a recursive `prime n q` where  $n$  is the number whose primality is to be tested and  $q$  is the number of times the Fermat's test is to be applied. Note, no proof of correctness or timing analysis needs to be provided for this question.

**Problem 3: Higher order functions (50 marks)**

- Implement Newton's method for computing root of an arbitrary function  $f$  as a higher-order function. It should accept a function  $f$ , a parameter `guess` and an accuracy factor  $\epsilon$  as input and evaluate the root as the output.

- Implement a recursive higher-order double summation function to compute:

$$\sum_{i=a}^b \sum_{j=c}^d f(i, j)$$