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Department of Computer Science and Engineering CSI 227: Algorithms, Mid Exam, Spring 2017

Total Marks: 90, Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

Answer any 6 out of 8 questions $(6 \times 15 = 90)$.

1. (a) Perform worst case runtime analysis of the following C functions and express in Θ notation. $[2 \times 5 = 10]$

- (b) Which of the sorting algorithms *Merge-Sort* and *Heapsort* is better in terms of extra space usage besides the provided input array? Explain very briefly. [2]
- (c) Write down the recursion for the length of a Longest Common Subsequence (LCS) of the two strings $A = \{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_m\}$ and $B = \{b_1, b_2, \ldots, b_n\}$. Modify it to obtain a new recursion of length for the LCS of 3 strings $A = \{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_m\}$, $B = \{b_1, b_2, \ldots, b_n\}$ and $C = \{c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_p\}$.
- 2. (a) Using recursion tree method find out a good asymptotic upper bound on the following recurrence: $T(n) = 3T(n/2) + n. \tag{12}$
 - (b) In a ternary heap H where the children of H[i] are $H[3^*i+1]$, $H[3^*i+2]$ and $H[3^*i+3]$ and the parent of H[i] is H[i/3], what would be the runtime complexity of HEAPIFY(H,i,heapsize)? [3]
- 3. (a) Given below is the pseudocode of Bubble-Sort algorithm to sort an input array in non-decreasing order.

 Perform runtime analysis to find the cost function in *best case* scenario and express the function in Big-Oh notation.

- (b) Suppose that for a problem X with size n, a divide-and-conquer algorithm solves it as follows: If the problem size is less than or equal to c, then it solves it at constant time. Otherwise, it divides the problem into b subproblems, each with a size of n/d. This division takes time $\theta(\log n)$. Then the algorithm solves the b number of subproblems recursively, and then combines their solution at time $\theta(n \log n)$. Design a recurrence relation for the running-time T(n) of this algorithm.
- (c) Both the algorithmic paradigms: Divide-and-Conquer and Dynamic Programming solve a problem by breaking it into smaller problem instances, and by solving them. What is the fundamental difference between these two paradigms? [2]
- 4. (a) "In order for radix sort to work correctly, the digit sorts (sorting values by some digit i) must be stable"
 justify this claim by providing appropriate examples.
 [5]
 - (b) Is it always possible to sort an array of positive integers belonging to any possible range using counting sort? Why does the $\Omega(nlgn)$ lower bound not apply to counting sort? [2+3]
 - (c) What does the Find-Maximum-Subarray algorithm return when all the array elements are negative? [2]
 - (d) AlgoCoins are used by the people of AlgoLand to make daily purchases. You are given an abundant supply of 23, 16, 9, and 1 AlgoCoins. You need to calculate the minimum number of AlgoCoins needed to make up a specific amount. Give an example where the greedy approach does not provide an optimal solution.
- 5. (a) Show that $5n^2 + 2n + 1 = \Theta(n^2)$ [5]
 - (b) Describe an algorithm that returns the second maximum element from a Max-Priority Queue data structure in time $O(\log n)$ or better. [Hint: How about temporarily deleting the maximum element from the priority queue?] [7.5]
 - (c) Why is the worst case running-time of the Max-Heapify algorithm $O(\log n)$? [2.5]
- 6. (a) Demonstrate the simulation of the Find-Minimum-Subarray algorithm on the following sequence of numbers: < -2, 3, -2, 4, 6, -5, 2, -4 >. Clearly demonstrate the recursion-tree of the execution of the algorithm. Besides each node of the tree, mention the following four values: solutions from the left and right children, minimum crossing sum, and the minimum subarray sum that is to be returned to the parent node. Note that, you are required to execute the Find-Minimum-Subarray algorithm, which is very much similar to the Find-Maximum-Subarray algorithm.
 - (b) While removing the maximum priority element from a *Max-Priority Queue* data structure, we replace the root (index 1) of the corresponding heap with the last element of the heap, decrement the heapsize by 1, and then execute the *Max-Heapify* algorithm on index 1. Why do we choose the last element instead of any other element?
- 7. (a) Design a max-heap with height 2 and having the maximum possible number of elements. All the node values need to be positive. Then replace the value at the root with -1, and execute the *Max-Heapify* algorithm on this node. Clearly demonstrate each step. [2+3]
 - (b) Use a dynamic programming algorithm to find the length of the LCS of the following strings: $X = \{a, b, c, d, d, c, b\}, Y = \{a, c, b, d, c, b\}.$ You must show all the steps of your simulation. [10]
- 8. (a) You are given a rod of length n which you must cut into pieces and sell to obtain the maximum profit, r_n . The price p_i of a rod of length i and the cost c_i of cutting a rod at length i is provided in the array p and c. When you calculate the profit of cutting and selling a rod at length i, you should consider the following things:

- i. The profit obtainable from the two parts
- ii. The cost of cutting the rod at length i

For example, if you have a rod of length 8 and you wish to cut it at length 1. Assume that the profit obtainable from the two parts are 4 Tk and 5 Tk respectively and the cost of cutting the rod at length 1 is 2 Tk. Then the total profit obtainable from cutting the rod at length 1 is Tk (4 + 5 - 2) = Tk 7. Modify **any one** of the pseudocodes below, using dynamic programming to calculate the highest profit obtainable from cutting the rod. What is the time complexity of this algorithm? [7+2]

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r[0 ... n] array initialized to -INF
MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX(P, n, r):
    if r[n] >= 0: return r[n]
    if n == 0: q = 0
    else:
        q = -INF
        for i = 1 to n:
            q = max(q, P[i] +
                MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX(P, n-i, r))
    r[n] = q
    return r[n]
                     (i)
r[0 ... n] array initialized to -INF
MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX (P, n, r):
    if r[n] >= 0: return r[n]
    if n == 1:
        return P[n]
    else:
        q = P[n]
        for i = 1 to n-1:
            soln = MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX(P, i, r) +
                MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX(P, n-i, r)
        if q < soln:</pre>
            q = soln
    r[n] = q
    return r[n]
                     (ii)
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- (b) When the *Merge-Sort* algorithm is run on a sequence of n items (n > 1), if the running-time of the algorithm is T(n), what are running-times of each of these three steps: divide, conquer and combine? [3]
- (c) Suppose that for a Heap data structure, the heap size is n, and you need to determine if the i'th node is a leaf or not. How can you check this in constant time? [3]