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SEMESTER 1 EXAMINATION 2016-2017

EE2008 / IM1001 – DATA STRUCTURES AND ALGORITHMS

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Time Allowed: 2½ hours

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper contains 4 questions and comprises 3 pages.
 2. Answer ALL questions.
 3. All questions carry equal marks.
 4. This is a closed-book examination.
 5. Unless specifically stated, all symbols have their usual meanings.
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1. (a) Determine the asymptotic upper bound for the number of times the statement “ $r = r + 1$ ” is executed in each of the following algorithms.

(i)

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for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
  for  $j = 1$  to  $i$ 
    for  $k = 1$  to  $i$ 
       $r = r + 1$ 
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(ii)

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 $i = n$ 
while (  $i \geq 1$  ) {
   $r = r + 1$ 
   $i = i / 2$ 
}
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(9 Marks)

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- (b) Use Mathematical Induction to prove that the following formula is true.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}, \text{ where } n \geq 1.$$

(8 Marks)

- (c) For each of the following sums, determine its order of growth using the $O(g(n))$ notation with the simplest possible function $g(n)$.

(i) $\sum_{i=1}^n (i + k^2)$, where k is a constant

(ii) $1 + 2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^n$

(8 Marks)

2. (a) Suppose that a stack which contains a set of integers is implemented using an array. Write an algorithm that returns the number of positive integers in the stack. Ensure that the stack holds the original set of data upon completion of the algorithm. You may use additional stacks in your algorithm.

(8 Marks)

- (b) An unique integer is stored in each node of a doubly-linked list which has a reference, *start*, that points to the first node of the list. Write an algorithm to delete the node with the largest integer from the list.

(7 Marks)

- (c) Design a recursive algorithm which finds the node with the largest value in a singly-linked list.

(10 Marks)

3. (a) Write an algorithm which finds a node with value x in a binary search tree. Given a binary search tree of height L in which level i ($0 \leq i < L$) of the binary tree has 2^i nodes, analyze the worst case time complexity of the designed algorithm for such a binary search tree.

(8 Marks)

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- (b) (i) Write an algorithm which computes the sum of values of all the leaves in a binary tree.
- (ii) Analyze the worst case and best case time complexities of the designed algorithm.
- (10 Marks)
- (c) Write a recursive algorithm which counts the number of elements larger than value x but smaller than y ($x < y$) in an array.
- (7 Marks)
4. (a) Write an algorithm which counts the number of vertices having the same value x of a connected graph. You may directly use / call the depth-first-search or breadth-first-search method without giving details of these two graph search methods.
- (8 Marks)
- (b) Write an algorithm which sorts the array so that for a given value x , all the elements smaller than or equal to x will be put in the left part of the array and all the elements greater than x will be put in the right part of the array although the resultant array may not be in non-decreasing order.
- (10 Marks)
- (c) Can Prim's algorithm find a minimal spanning tree for a given weighted connected graph of which weights may not all be positive? Justify your answer.
- (7 Marks)

END OF PAPER

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- 1. Please do not turn over the question paper until you are told to do so. Disciplinary action may be taken against you if you do so.**
2. You are not allowed to leave the examination hall unless accompanied by an invigilator. You may raise your hand if you need to communicate with the invigilator.
3. Please write your Matriculation Number on the front of the answer book.
4. Please indicate clearly in the answer book (at the appropriate place) if you are continuing the answer to a question elsewhere in the book.