

## **Q.1 (a) What is best-case, average-case, and worst-case time complexity analysis? (3 Marks)**

- **Best-Case Time Complexity**
  - It is the time taken by an algorithm for the **most favorable input**.
  - The algorithm finishes in the **minimum possible time**.
- **Average-Case Time Complexity**
  - It is the time taken for all possible inputs, calculated as the **expected time**.
  - It represents the **typical behavior** of the algorithm.
- **Worst-Case Time Complexity**
  - It is the time taken by the algorithm for the **most unfavorable input**.
  - Shows the **maximum time required**, which is useful for guaranteeing performance.

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## **Q.1 (b) Row-major and Column-major order representation of 2-D array (4 Marks)**

### *Row-Major Order \**

The entire **first row** is stored first, then the second row, and so on.

- Elements are stored **row by row** in contiguous memory locations.
- It is the **default representation** in languages like C/C++.
- **Formula to find address of element A[i][j]:**

$$\text{Loc}(A[i][j]) = \text{Base}(A) + [i \times \text{No. of columns} + j] \times \text{size}$$

### *Column-Major Order \**

The entire **first column** is stored first, then the second column, and so on.

- Elements are stored **column by column** in contiguous memory locations.
- It is used in languages like Fortran and MATLAB.
- **Formula to find address of element A[i][j]:**

$$\text{Loc}(A[i][j]) = \text{Base}(A) + [j \times \text{No. of rows} + i] \times \text{size}$$

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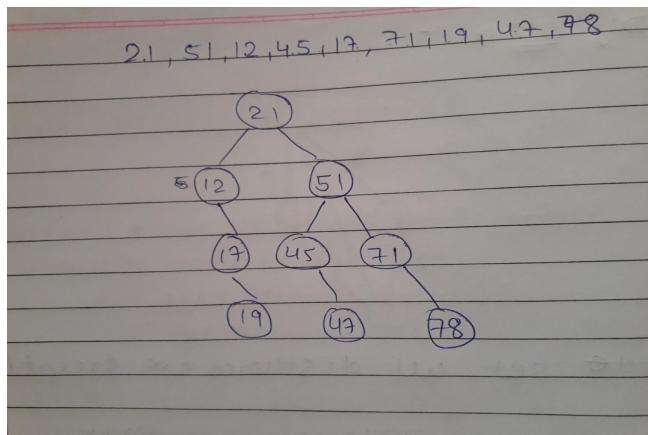
## **Q.1 (c) Construction of Binary Search Tree (BST) write preorder inorder and postorder of constructed bst.**

**Insert the elements in given order: 21, 51, 12, 45, 17, 71, 19, 47, 78**

### *Step-by-Step Insertion \**

**21** → root

- **51** > 21 → right of 21
- **12** < 21 → left of 21
- **45** < 51 → left of 51
- **17** > 12 → right of 12
- **71** > 51 → right of 51
- **19** > 17 → right of 17
- **47** > 45 → right of 45
- **78** > 71 → right of 71



*Tree Traversals*



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#### **1. Pre-order Traversal (Root → Left → Right):**

21, 12, 17, 19, 51, 45, 47, 71, 78

#### **2. In-order Traversal (Left → Root → Right):**

12, 17, 19, 21, 45, 47, 51, 71, 78 (This will always give ascending order for a BST )

#### **3. Post-order Traversal (Left → Right → Root):**

19, 17, 12, 47, 45, 78, 71, 51, 21

### **Q.2 (a) Define the following terms (3 Marks)**

#### **1. Full Binary Tree:** A binary tree in which every node has either **0 or 2 children**.

- No node in a full binary tree has only one child.

2. **Complete Binary Tree:** A binary tree where **all levels are completely filled**, except possibly the last level.
    - o In the last level, all nodes are filled **from left to right** without gaps.
  3. **Skewed Binary Tree:** A binary tree in which all nodes are arranged like a **linked list**.
    - o It can be **left-skewed** (all left children) or **right-skewed** (all right children).
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**Q.2 (b) Importance of asymptotic analysis + is O(nlogn2) faster than O(n2)? Justify your answer with help of example (4 Marks)**

*Importance of Asymptotic Analysis*

- It helps to evaluate the performance of an algorithm **independent of hardware**.
- It compares algorithms based on **growth rate** as input size increases.
- It focuses on **order of magnitude**, not exact execution time.
- Helps to choose the **most efficient algorithm** for large inputs.

*Is O(nlogn2) faster than O(n2)? – Yes*

- **Yes**, O(nlogn) is faster than O(n2) because it grows slower as n increases.
  - **Example for n=1000:**
    - o  $n\log n = 1000 \times 10 = 10,000$
    - o  $n^2 = (1000)^2 = 10,00,000$
  - As n becomes large, the difference in execution time becomes even bigger.
  - Hence, algorithms like **Merge Sort** ( $O(n\log n)$ ) are faster than **Bubble Sort** ( $O(n^2)$ ) for large input sizes.
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**Q.2 (c) Convert the following infix expression to postfix:**

Expression:

$$(a + b)^{((c * d) / (e - f))}$$

Symbol	Action	Stack	Postfix
(	PUSH	(	a
a	OUTPUT	(	a
+	PUSH	(+	a+
b	OUTPUT	(+	ab+
)	POP until (	-	ab+
^	PUSH	^	ab+^
(	PUSH	^ (	ab+^
(	PUSH	^ ( (	ab+^ (
c	OIP	^ ( (	ab+^ c
*	PUSH	^ ( ( *	ab+^ c *
d	OIP	^ ( ( *	ab+^ cd
)	POP	^ (	ab+^ cd *
/	PUSH	^ ( /	ab+^ cd *
(	PUSH	^ ( / (	ab+^ cd *
e	OIP	^ ( / (	ab+^ cd * e
-	PUSH	^ ( / -	ab+^ cd * e
f	OIP	^ ( / -	ab+^ cd * e f
)	POP	^ (	ab+^ cd * e f -
)	POP	^	ab+^ cd * e f - ^
)	POP	-	ab+^ cd * e f - ^
	POP		
final Postfix: ab+cd*ef-^			

## Q.2 (c) Algorithm to Convert Infix Expression to Postfix (7 Marks)

- The algorithm involves reading the expression from left to right.
  1. If an **operand** (A-Z, 0-9) is encountered, add it **directly to the output**.
  2. If an **operator** is encountered:
    - Pop operators from the stack to the output if they have **higher or equal precedence** than the current operator.
    - Push the current operator onto the stack.
  3. If an **opening parenthesis** '(' is found, push it onto the stack.
  4. If a **closing parenthesis** ')' is found, pop operators from the stack to the output until an **opening parenthesis** is encountered. Discard both parentheses.
  5. After scanning the entire expression, pop any **remaining operators** from the stack to the output.

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### **Q.3 (a) Illustrate how stack is used in recursion. (3 Marks)**

- Recursion uses the **system stack** to keep track of function calls.
  - Each time a recursive function is called, a new **activation record (stack frame)** is pushed onto the stack.
  - The stack frame stores **parameters, local variables, return address**, etc. for that specific function call.
  - When the function calls itself again, a new frame is created and **added on top** of the stack.
  - When a function finishes execution, its stack frame is **popped** from the stack.
  - Recursion continues until the **base condition** is reached, after which the stack unwinds backward, and values are returned.
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### **Q.3 (b) Describe Threaded Binary Tree with example. (4 Marks)**

*Definition \**

A **Threaded Binary Tree** is a binary tree where **NULL pointers** are replaced with pointers called **threads**.

- A thread points to the **inorder predecessor** or **inorder successor** of the node.

*Types*

- **Single Threaded:** Each node stores only one thread (either left or right).
- **Double Threaded:** Each node stores both left and right threads.

*Purpose*

- Threads help in **faster traversal** (e.g., inorder) without using an auxiliary stack or recursion.
  - It **improves memory utilization** by converting NULL links into useful references.
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### **Q.3 (c) C Program for Circular Queue Operations (Insert, Delete, Display) – 7 Marks**

```
#include <stdio.h>
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#define SIZE 5
```

```
int cq[SIZE];
int front = -1, rear = -1;
//INSERT
void insert(int item){
    if((rear+1)%SIZE==front){
        printf("queue is full\n");
        return;
    }if(front==-1)
        front=rear=0;
    else
        rear=(rear+1)%SIZE;
    cq[rear]=item;
    printf("inserted:%d\n", item);
}
//delete
void delete(){
    if(Front==-1){
        printf("queue empty");
        return;
    }
    printf("deleted: %d\n", cq[front]);
    if(front==rear)
        front=rear=-1;
    else
        front=(front+1)%SIZE;
}
//display
```

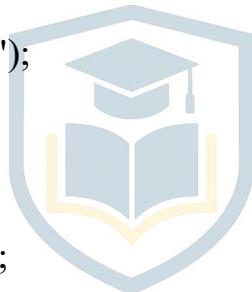


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void display(){
    if(front=-1){
        printf("queue empty\n");
        return;
    }
    int i=front;
    printf("queue:");
    while(1){
        printf("%d", cq[i]);
        if(i==rear) break;
        i=(i+1)%SIZE;
    }
    printf("\n");
}
int main(){
    insert(10);
    insert(20);
    insert(30);
    display();
    delete();
    display();
    return 0;
}

```



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## OR

**Q.3 (a) Write a recursive solution for Tower of Hanoi problem. (3 Marks)**  
*Recursive Logic*

- Tower of Hanoi is a classic **recursive problem**.

- The goal is to move n disks from **Source (A)** to **Destination (C)** using **Auxiliary (B)**.
- **Base Case:** If  $n=1$ , simply move the disk from  $A \rightarrow C$ .
- **Recursive Case:** 1. Move  $n-1$  disks from  $A \rightarrow B$  (Source to Auxiliary). 2. Move the nth disk from  $A \rightarrow C$  (Source to Destination). 3. Move  $n-1$  disks from  $B \rightarrow C$  (Auxiliary to Destination).
- Recursion divides the big problem into smaller subproblems.
- Total number of moves =  $2n-1$ .

### *C Code (Recursive Function)*

```
void TOH(int n, char A, char B, char C) {
    if(n == 1) {
        printf("Move disk 1 from %c to %c\n", A, C);
        return;
    }
    // Step 1: Move n-1 disks from A to B (using C as auxiliary)
    TOH(n-1, A, C, B);

    // Step 2: Move the nth disk from A to C
    printf("Move disk %d from %c to %c\n", n, A, C); [cite: 24]

    // Step 3: Move n-1 disks from B to C (using A as auxiliary)
    TOH(n-1, B, A, C); [cite: 24]
}
```

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### **Q.3 (b) Explain DFS traversal of a graph with example. (4 Marks)**

#### *Definition*

- **DFS (Depth First Search)** is a graph traversal method that explores **as far as possible along a branch** before backtracking.
- It uses a **stack** (or recursion) to keep track of unvisited nodes.

#### *Procedure*

1. Start from any node and **visit it first**.
2. Move to its **unvisited adjacent node** and continue deeper into that path.
3. If a node has **no unvisited neighbours**, backtrack to the previous node.
4. Continue the process until **all nodes are visited**.
5. DFS helps in **path finding, cycle detection, and topological sorting**.

### **Q.3 (c) Algorithm to sort a singly linked list in ascending order (by info field). (7 Marks)**

This algorithm uses a **Bubble Sort** approach to sort the list by swapping data fields.

1. **Start** with the head of the linked list.
2. Check for base cases: If the list is empty or has only one node, **return** (already sorted).
3. Use two pointers: **ptr1** to traverse the list (outer loop) and **ptr2** to point to the next node of ptr1 (inner loop).
4. Repeat the outer loop until ptr1 reaches the **second-last node**.
5. For each ptr1, start the inner loop with ptr2 and compare the data.
6. If ptr1's data is **greater** than ptr2's data ( $\text{ptr1} \rightarrow \text{info} > \text{ptr2} \rightarrow \text{info}$ ), then **swap the information fields** (info) of the two nodes.
7. Move ptr2 to the next node ( $\text{ptr2} = \text{ptr2} \rightarrow \text{next}$ ) and **continue comparing** within the inner loop.
8. Once the inner loop completes (meaning the largest unsorted element has bubbled to its correct position), move ptr1 to the next node ( $\text{ptr1} = \text{ptr1} \rightarrow \text{next}$ ).
9. Continue steps 4-8 until the **entire list becomes sorted**.
10. **Stop** – the linked list is now sorted in ascending order.

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### **Q.4 (a) Define the following terms: Field, Record, File (3 Marks)**

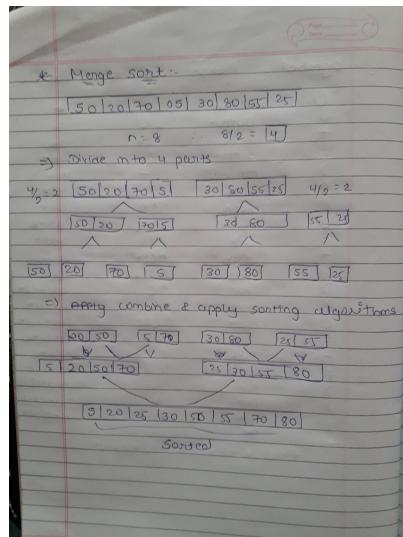
1. **Field**
  - A field is the **smallest unit of data** in a database.
  - It represents a **single attribute** such as Name, Age, or Roll No.
2. **Record**
  - A record is a **collection of related fields**.
  - It represents **one complete entry** (e.g., one student's full details).
3. **File**
  - A file is a **collection of related records**.
  - A student file may contain many student records.

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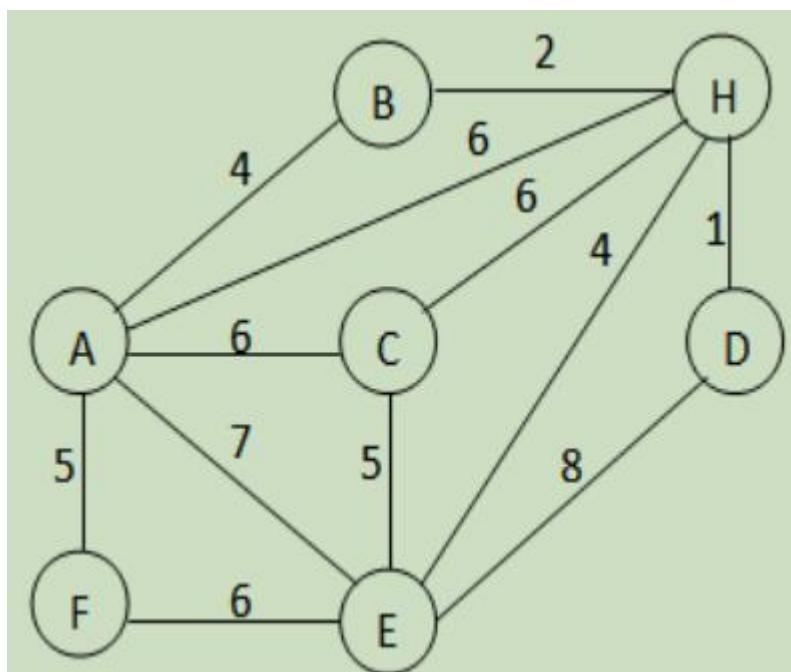
### **Q.4 (b) Sort the following data using Merge Sort (4 Marks)**

Data:

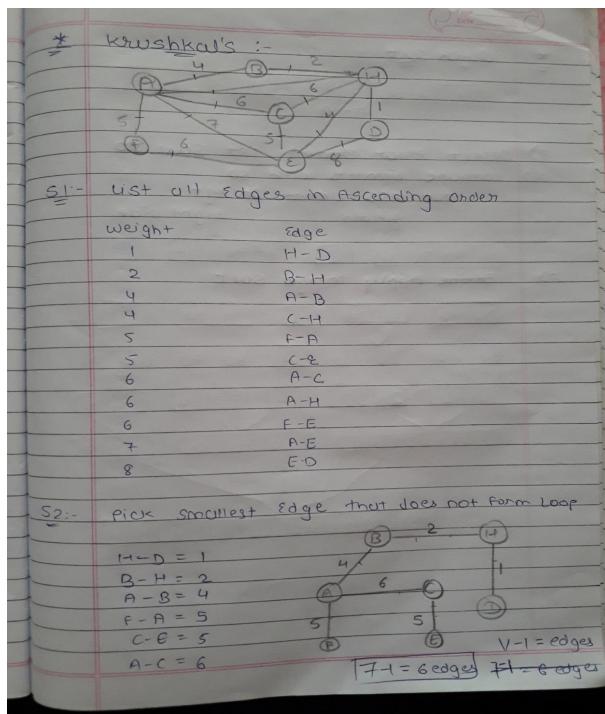
**50, 20, 70, 05, 30, 80, 55, 25**



**Q.4 (c) Find MST of the following graph using krushkal's algorithm (7 Marks)**



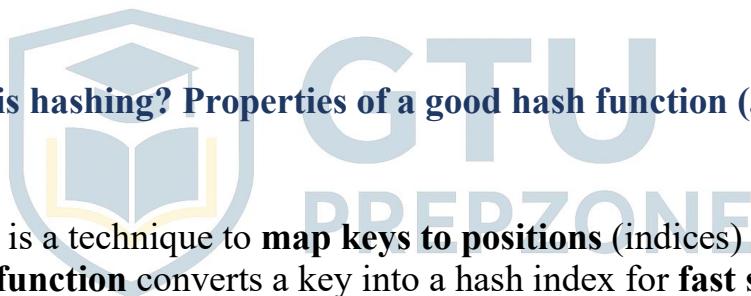
- Use to find shortest path from source to destination
- Each vertex must be visited only once.
- No loop should be formed.
- No. of edges in Kruskal's algorithm must be:  $|V| - 1 = \text{edges}$
- Eg: if there are 6 vertices in the graph so answer must consist of  $V-1$  edges means  $6-1=5$  edges.



OR

**Q.4 (a) What is hashing? Properties of a good hash function (3 Marks)**

*Hashing*



- Hashing is a technique to **map keys to positions** (indices) in a hash table.
- A **hash function** converts a key into a hash index for **fast searching**.

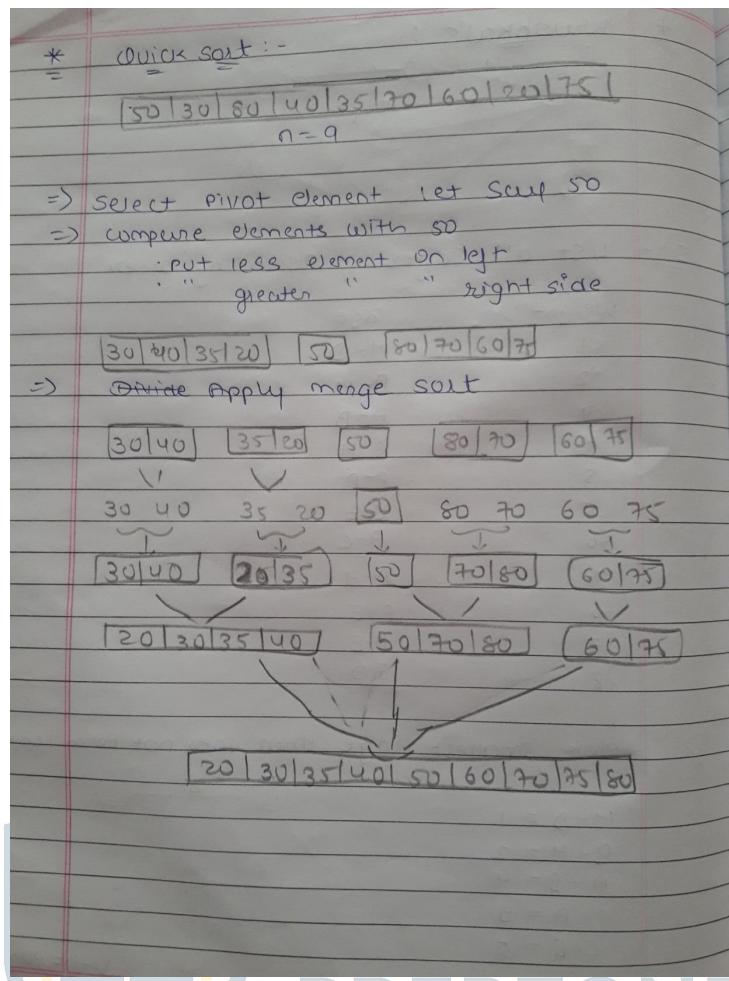
*Properties of a Good Hash Function*

- Should be **simple and fast** to compute.
- Should **distribute keys uniformly** across the hash table.
- Should **minimize collisions** (multiple keys mapping to the same index).
- Should use the **full range of table indices** effectively.

**Q.4 (b) sort the following data using Quick Sort (4 Marks)**

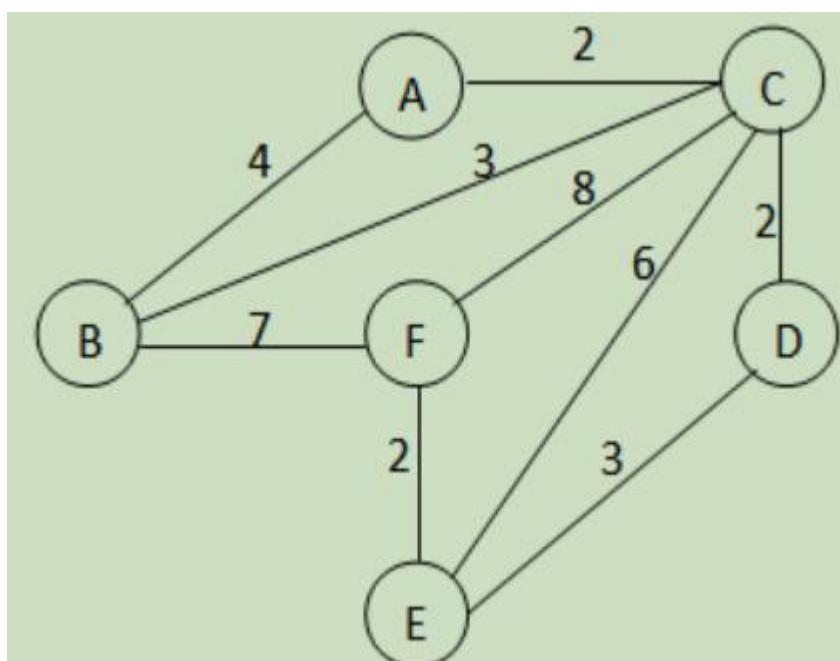
Data: **50, 30, 80, 40, 35, 70, 60, 20, 75**

Choose **first element as pivot = 50**



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#### Q.4 (c) Find shortest path from A to F using Dijkstra (7 Marks)



- Dijkstra algorithm is used to find shortest path between source to destination.
- Aim to choose path that contains minimum weight/cost.
- First step is to set all distance to infinite except source vertex which would be set to 0.
- Now compute cost from each vertex to find shortest path from source to destination.
- In this above graph we have to reach from source=A to destination= F with min cost.
- If we choose path from A to b and b to f it would take cost=4+7=11
- If we choose alternate path from A to C then C to D, D to E and then E to F it would cost= 2+2+3+2=9
- As we can see there is no other path which is less than 9 cost.
- So shortest path from A to F is= A--C--D--E--F=total cost=9.

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**Q.5 (a) Compare linear search and binary search in terms of their time complexity. (3 Marks)**

Feature	Linear Search	Binary Search
<b>Data Requirement</b>	Works on <b>unsorted</b> data.	Works only on <b>sorted</b> data.
<b>Search Mechanism</b>	Checks each element <b>one by one</b> from start to end.	Repeatedly <b>divides the list into two halves</b> .
<b>Best Case</b>	$O(1)$ (element found at first position).	$O(1)$ (middle element matches).
<b>Worst Case</b>	$O(n)$ (element at last or not present).	$O(\log n)$ (repeated halving).
<b>Average Case</b>	$O(n)$ .	$O(\log n)$ .
<b>Efficiency</b>	Simple but <b>slow</b> for large data.	<b>Faster</b> than linear search for large datasets.

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## **Q.5 (b) Write a C program for bubble sort**

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int a[50], n, i, j, temp;
    printf("Enter number of elements: ");
    scanf("%d", &n);
    printf("Enter elements: ");
    for(i = 0; i < n; i++)
        scanf("%d", &a[i]);

    // Bubble Sort
    for(i = 0; i < n-1; i++) { [cite: 33]
        for(j = 0; j < n-i-1; j++) { [cite: 33]
            if(a[j] > a[j+1]) { // Compare adjacent elements
                // Swap a[j] and a[j+1]
                temp = a[j];
                a[j] = a[j+1];
                a[j+1] = temp;
            }
        }
    }

    printf("Sorted List: ");
    for(i = 0; i < n; i++)
        printf("%d ", a[i]);

    return 0;
}
```

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## **Q.5 (c) What is hash collision? Explain collision resolution techniques. (7 Marks)**

### *Hash Collision*

A hash collision occurs when **two or more keys generate the same hash index** in the hash table.

- Since two values cannot be stored at the same index, we need collision resolution techniques.

## *Collision Resolution Techniques*

### 1. Open Addressing (Closed Hashing)

- If a collision occurs, the algorithm **searches for another empty position** in the table.
- **(a) Linear Probing:** Checks the **next index sequentially**:  $h(key), h(key)+1, h(key)+2, \dots$  Simple but creates **primary clustering**.
- **(b) Quadratic Probing:** Jumps by **quadratic distance**:  $h(key)+1^2, h(key)+2^2, h(key)+3^2, \dots$  Reduces clustering.
- **(c) Double Hashing:** Uses a second hash function:  $h_1(key) + i \times h_2(key)$ . Very effective and results in fewer clusters.

### 2. Rehashing

- When the table becomes too full, a **bigger table is created**.
- All keys are **reinserted** into the new, larger table using a new hash function.
- This reduces the frequency of collisions.

### 3. Coalesced Hashing

- It is a **combination** of open addressing and chaining.
- An **overflow area** is used to store collided elements.

OR

**Q.5 (a) Does a pivot selection method affect the time complexity of quick sort? Justify your answer. (3 Marks)**

- Yes, pivot selection **directly affects** the time complexity of Quick Sort.
- **Optimal Case:** If the pivot divides the array into **two equal halves**, Quick Sort works fastest.
- In the optimal case, the time complexity is  $O(n\log n)$ .
- **Worst Case:** If the pivot is chosen poorly (e.g., always the smallest or largest element), the partitions become **highly unbalanced**.
- In the worst case, the time complexity of Quick Sort becomes  $O(n^2)$ .
- Therefore, good pivot strategies like **median-of-3, random pivot**, or choosing the middle element are used to improve average performance.

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**Q.5 (b) Write a C program for selection sort**

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int a[50], n, i, j, min, temp;
```

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printf("Enter number of elements: ");
scanf("%d", &n);

printf("Enter elements: ");
for(i = 0; i < n; i++)
    scanf("%d", &a[i]);

// Selection Sort
for(i = 0; i < n-1; i++) {
    // Outer loop
    min = i; // Assume current element is the minimum
    for(j = i+1; j < n; j++) {
        // Inner loop to find the minimum element
        if(a[j] < a[min])
            min = j; // Update index of minimum element
    }

    // Swap the found minimum element with the element at position i
    temp = a[i];
    a[i] = a[min];
    a[min] = temp;
}

printf("Sorted List: ");
for(i = 0; i < n; i++)
    printf("%d ", a[i]);

return 0;
}

```

### **Q.5 (c) List various file organizations and explain one in detail. (7 Marks)**

#### **File Organizations (List)**

1. Sequential File Organization
2. Direct / Hash File Organization
3. Indexed Sequential File Organization (ISAM)
4. Heap (Unordered) File Organization
5. Clustered File Organization

## *Explain One in Detail – Sequential File Organization*

1. **Meaning:** Records are stored one after another in a **fixed order**, usually based on a key field.
  - o *Example:* Students sorted by roll number.
2. **Features:**
  - o Simple to create and maintain.
  - o Data is stored in sorted or unsorted sequence.
3. **Advantages:**
  - o Best suited for **batch processing**.
  - o **Fast for sequential access.**
  - o Easy to implement.
4. **Disadvantages:**
  - o **Slow for random access** (requires reading sequentially).
  - o Inserting and deleting a record requires **shifting multiple records**.
  - o Not suitable for large dynamic files.
5. **Applications:**
  - o Payroll systems
  - o Monthly billing
  - o Library book issue registers

