

**CS2223: Algorithms**  
**D-Term**  
**Midterm I**  
**\*50 Minutes\***

**Solution**

### Question 1

Assume the following functions:

$$N + 3\text{Log}N, \quad \text{LogLog } N, \quad N \text{Log}N, \quad \sqrt{N}, \quad 1/N^2, \quad N^2 + 100N$$

$$N^{0.5} + 10 \text{Log}N, \quad 1/\text{Log}N, \quad 2^{\text{Log}_2 N}$$

**Hint:**  $a^{\text{Log}_b N} = N^{\text{Log}_b a}$

**1.1) [5 Points]** Sort the functions in an ascending order according to their growth

$$1/N^2, \quad 1/\text{Log}N, \quad \text{LogLog } N, \quad \sqrt{N}, \quad N^{0.5} + 10 \text{Log}N, \\ 2^{\text{Log}_2 N}, \quad N + 3\text{Log}N, \quad N \text{Log}N, \quad N^2 + 100N$$

**1.2) [5 Points]** If multiple functions have the same theta order, then list them in groups

$$\text{We have } \theta(n) \Leftarrow \{2^{\text{Log}_2 N}, \quad N + 3\text{Log}N\}$$

$$\text{We have } \theta(n^{0.5}) \Leftarrow \{\sqrt{N}, \quad N^{0.5} + 10 \text{Log}N\}$$

**Question 2 [10 Points]**

Assume the following two recurrences

$$T(n) = T(n-2) + n$$

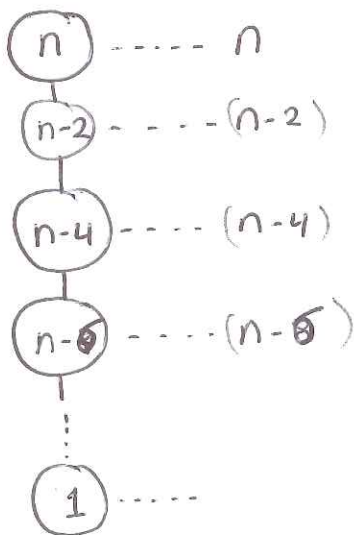
and

$$F(n) = 2 F(n/4) + n$$

2.1) [5 Points] Use either Master Theorem or Tree-Based Method to derive the Big-O complexity for  $T(n)$  &  $F(n)$

$F(n) \Rightarrow$  Use Master Theorem  $\Rightarrow a=2, b=4, \alpha=1, \beta = \log_4 2 < 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{F(n) = O(n)}$

$T(n) \Rightarrow$  Use Tree-Based



$$n + (n-2) + (n-4) + (n-6) + \dots + 6 + 4 + 2$$
  
The sum is grouped into four brackets, each labeled  $=n$ . An arrow points from the fourth bracket to the text  $n/2$  Times.

$\Downarrow$   
 $\boxed{T(n) = O(n^2)}$

2.2) [5 Points] Mark each of the following statements with True or False

(a)  $T(n) = \theta(F(n))$

False

(b)  $F(n) = O(T(n))$

True

(c)  $T(n) = O(n \log n)$

False

(d)  $F(n) + T(n) = \theta(F(n)^2)$

True

(e)  $T(n) + F(n) = \Omega(n \log n)$

True

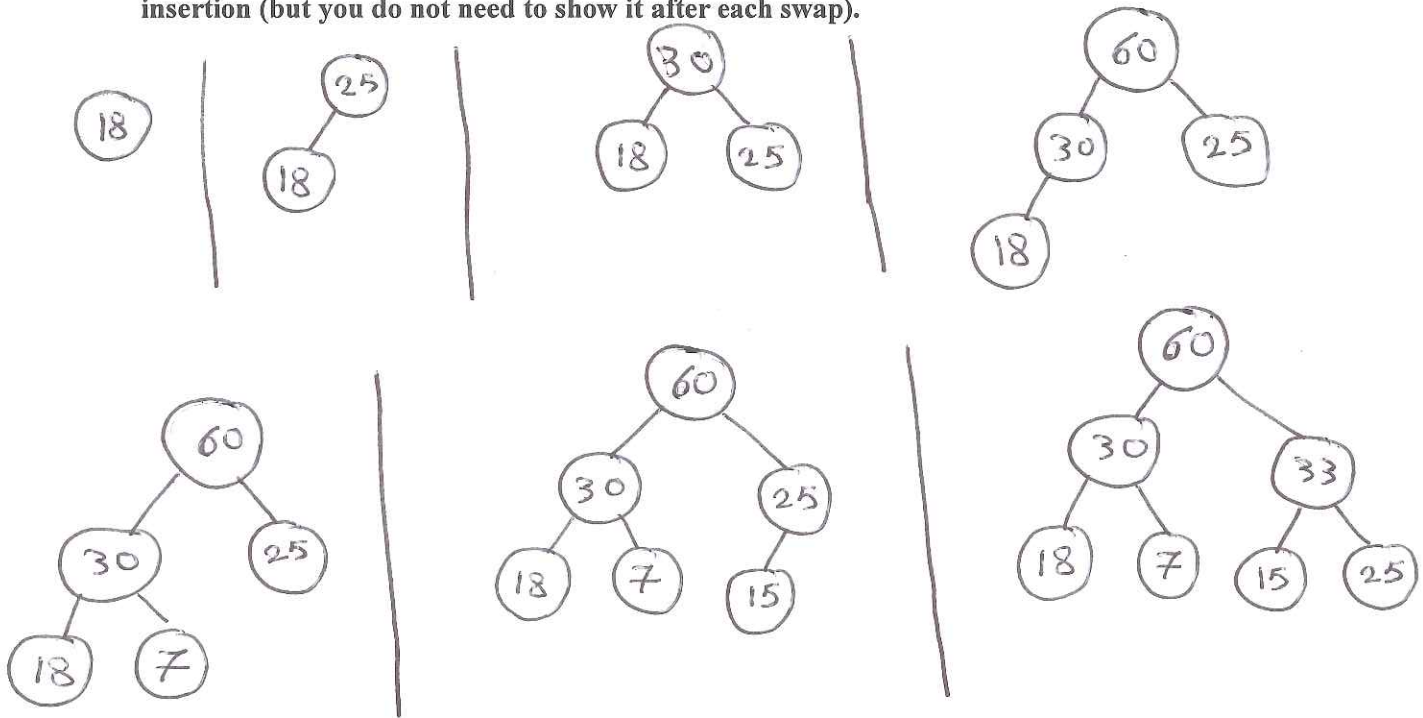
**Question 3 [10 Points]**

**3.1) [3 Points]** Complete the following sentence // Assume root is at level 1:

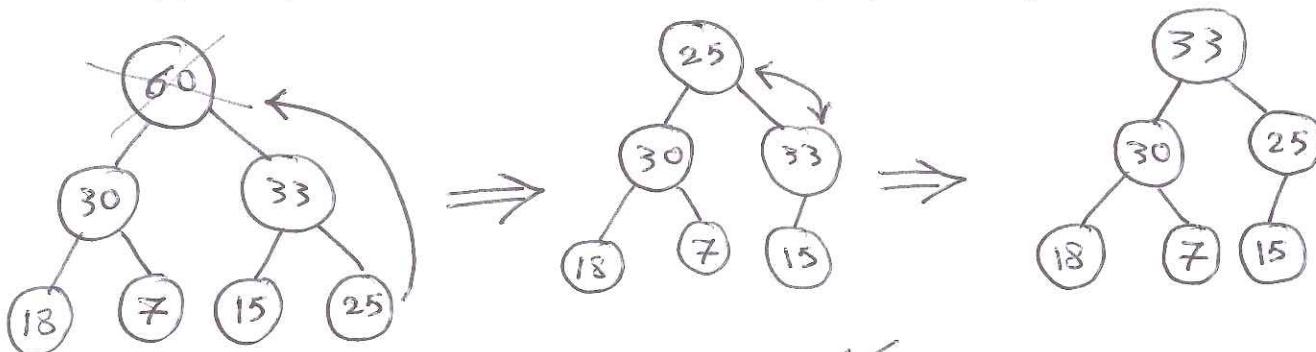
A MaxHeap tree containing 100 nodes will be of height .....7....., the number of nodes in the last level is .....37....., and the number of nodes in the 4<sup>th</sup> level is .....8.....

**3.2) [5 Points]** Assume the following sequence of values 18, 25, 30, 60, 7, 15, 33

**Build the MaxHeap tree corresponding the above sequence of insertions. Show the tree after each insertion (but you do not need to show it after each swap).**



**3.3) [2 Points]** Remove the root node from the final tree you produced in <sup>3.2</sup>~~4.1~~, and show the fixed tree.



"optional To show"

#### Question 4 [10 Points]

Assume we have  $K$  sorted arrays of total size  $N$  (That is, each array is sorted and the size of all arrays combined is  $N$ ).

4.1) [5 Points] A Naïve merging of these sorted arrays to get a final globally sorted array involves maintaining a pointer for the current minimum in each array and comparing them (Like in MergeSort). A tight complexity of this merging process will be:

(a)  $\Theta(NK)$



(b)  $\Theta(N^2K)$

(c)  $\Omega(N^2K^2)$

(d)  $O(N)$

The  $O(NK)$  is obtained By:

- Maintain a pointer at the beginning of each of the  $K$  lists
- Compare the positions from the  $K$  lists to find the smallest value. This value will be the next value in the globally sorted list.  $\rightarrow O(K)$
- Advance the pointer of the list you select from in Step 2 and repeat until all  $N$  values are consumed  $\rightarrow$  Repeat  $O(K)$  work  $N$  times  $\rightarrow O(NK)$

4.2) [5 Points] There is a more efficient algorithm for merging the arrays in  $O(N \log K)$ . Sketch a pseudocode for such algorithm.

--Instead of each time, we compare  $K$  values (one from each list) to find the smallest, we will use a MinHeap to organize the  $K$  values (the smallest from each list)

\*\* The initial building will need  $O(K \log K)$

--Then select the smallest from the MinHeap and add it to the globally sorted array

\*\* This needs  $O(\log K)$

-- Assume the selected value in Step 2 belongs to List  $J$ , then add the next value from List  $J$  to the MinHeap

\*\* This needs  $O(\log K)$

--Repeat Steps 2 and 3  $N$  times

Total Complexity =  $O(N \log K)$



### Question 5 [5 Points]

**Write the recurrent equation for the following function (no need to solve it)**

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Function F (Array A) //initial size of A = n
- Jump to the middle element to divide A into two halves
- scan the 1st half to get the min value (Say x)
- If (x is even)
    - Call F() on the 1st half
- Else
    - Call F() on the 2nd half
- End If
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$O(1)$

$$n/2 - 1$$

Only one of them is called  $\rightarrow T(n/2)$

All of the following answers are equivalent and correct

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + n/2 - 1$$

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + n/2$$

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + n/2 + O(1)$$

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + n/2 + c$$