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#### Answers to Practice for the Final Examination

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The entire practice test is 565 points.

1. True or False. Write “O” if the answer is not known to science at this time. [5 points each]
  - (a) **F** Computers are so fast today that complexity theory is only of theoretical, but not practical, interest.
  - (b) **T** The inverse Ackermann function,  $\alpha(n)$ , grows so slowly that, from a practical (as opposed to theoretical) point of view, it might as well be constant.
  - (c) **O** If a problem is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete, there is no polynomial time algorithm which solves it.
  - (d) **F** Quicksort takes  $\Theta(n \log n)$  time on an array of size  $n$ .
  - (e) **T** Planar graphs are sparse.
  - (f) **T** Acyclic graphs are sparse.
  - (g) **F** Acyclic directed graphs are sparse.
2. Fill in the blanks. [5 points each blank.]
  - (a) If a planar graph  $\mathcal{G}$  has 20 edges, then the number of vertices of  $\mathcal{G}$  cannot be less than **9**.
  - (b) A directed acyclic graph with 5 vertices cannot have more than 10 arcs, and a directed acyclic graph with 6 vertices cannot have more than 15 arcs. A directed acyclic graph with 10 vertices cannot have more than **45** arcs.
  - (c) A directed acyclic graph with 20 arcs cannot have fewer than **7** vertices. (You must give the best possible answer, exactly. No partial credit.)
  - (d) The height of a binary tree with 50 nodes is at least **5**.
  - (e) In **perfect** hashing, there are no collisions.
  - (f) If separate chaining is used to resolve collisions in a hash table with  $n$  items and  $n$  places in the array and if the hash function is pseudo-random, then approximately **8%** of the places will have more than two items. Pick the best answer from among these choices: (0%, 1%, 2%, 4%, 8%, 16%, 32%)  
Hint: approximately 36.8% of the places will have no items.
  - (g)  $\Omega(n \log n)$ .
  - (h) **Radix**, or **bucket** sorting is not comparison-based.
  - (i) The infix expression  $(x + y) * z$  is equivalent to the prefix expression  $* + \mathbf{xyz}$  and the postfix expression  $\mathbf{xy} + \mathbf{z*}$ .

- (j) What is the **only** difference between the abstract data types *queue* and *stack*?

In a stack, only the most recently inserted item may be deleted (LIFO), while in a queue, only the least recently inserted item may be deleted (LIFO).

- (k) The items stored in a priority queue (that includes stacks, queues, and heaps) represent **unfulfilled obligations**.

- (l) Name a divide-and-conquer searching algorithm.

**Binary search.**

- (m) Name two divide-and-conquer sorting algorithms.

**Mergesort and quicksort.**

- (n) The following is pseudo-code for which sorting algorithm we've discussed?

**Selection sort.**

```
int x[n];
obtain values of x;
for(int i = n-1; i > 0; i--)
    Find the largest element of x[0], ... x[i] and swap it with x[i]
```

- (o) The following is pseudo-code for which sorting algorithm we've discussed?

**Bubblesort.**

```
int x[n];
obtain values of x;
bool finished = false;
for(int i = n-1; i > 0 and not finished; i--)
{
    finished = true;
    for(int j = 0; j < i; j++)
        if(x[j] > x[j+1])
        {
            swap(x[j], x[j+1]);
            finished = false;
        }
}
```

3. Give the asymptotic complexity, in terms of  $n$ , of each of the following code fragments. [10 points each]

- (a) 

```
for(int i = n; i > 1; i = i/2)
    cout << "hello world" << endl;
```

$\Theta(\log n)$

- (b) 

```
for(int i = 1; i < n; i++)
    for(int j = 1; j < i; j = 2*j)
        cout << "hello world" << endl;
```

$\Theta(n \log n)$

```
(c) for(int i = 1; i < n; i++)
    for(int j = i; j < n; j = 2*j)
        cout << "hello world" << endl;
```

$\Theta(n)$

```
(d) for(int i = 2; i < n; i = i*i)
    cout << "hello world" << endl;
```

$\Theta(\log \log n)$

4. [10 points] Name one problem which is known to be  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Solve the recurrences. Give asymptotic answers in terms of  $n$ , using either  $O$ ,  $\Omega$ , or  $\Theta$ , whichever is most appropriate. (10 points each)

- (a)  $F(n) = 2F(\frac{n}{2}) + n$   $\Theta(n \log n)$
- (b)  $F(n) \geq 4F(\frac{n}{2}) + n^2$   $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$
- (c)  $F(n) = F(n-1) + \frac{n}{4}$   $\Theta(n^2)$
- (d)  $F(n) \leq F(\frac{n}{2}) + F(\frac{n}{4}) + F(\frac{n}{5}) + n$   $\Theta(n)$
- (e)  $F(n) = F(n - \sqrt{n}) + n$   $\Theta(n^{3/2})$
- (f)  $F(n) = F(\log n) + 1$   $\Theta(\log^* n)$

6. [20 points] Use dynamic programming to compute the length of the longest common subsequence of the strings "011011001" and "1010011001."

		1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
1	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
0	0	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	4	4	4
1	0	1	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	5
1	0	1	2	3	3	3	4	5	5	5	5
0	0	1	2	3	4	4	4	5	6	6	6
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	5	5	6	7	7
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	6	6	7	8

The length of the longest common subsequence is 8.

7. [20 points] Use dynamic programming to compute the Levenshtein distance between the strings “abcd-abc” and “bdacbcd.”

		a	b	c	d	a	b	c
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
b	1	1	1	2	3	4	5	6
d	2	2	2	2	2	3	4	5
a	3	2	3	3	3	2	3	4
c	4	3	3	3	4	3	3	3
b	5	4	3	4	4	4	3	4
c	6	5	4	3	4	5	4	3
d	7	6	5	4	3	4	5	4

The Levenshtein distance between those two strings is 4.

8. [20 points] Design a dynamic programming to compute the maximum sum of any contiguous subsequence of a given sequence of numbers. For example, if the given sequence is 2, 1, -4, 6, -3, 7, -1, 2, -2, 1 that sum is  $6 + (-3) + 7 + (-1) + 2 = 11$ . (There is an  $O(n)$ -time algorithm.)

Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  be the sequence. We construct two arrays. Let  $A[i]$  be the largest sum of any contiguous subsequence of  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i$ , and let  $B[i]$  be the largest sum of any contiguous subsequence of  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i$  which includes  $x_i$ . Write  $X[i]$  for  $x_i$ .

```

A[0] = 0;
B[1] = X[1]
A[1] = max{0, B[1]}
for(i = 2 to n)
{
  B[i] = X[i] + max{0, B[i-1]}
  A[i] = max{A[i-1], B[i]}
}
write A[n]

```

9. Solve each of the following recurrences, giving the answer in terms of  $O$ ,  $\Theta$ , or  $\Omega$ , whichever is most appropriate [10 points each].

- (a)  $T(n) < T(n-2) + n^2$        $T(n) = O(n^3)$   
(b)  $F(n) \geq F(\sqrt{n}) + \lg n$        $F(n) = \Omega(\log n)$   
(c)  $G(n) \geq G(n-1) + n$        $G(n) = \Omega(n^2)$   
(d)  $F(n) = 4F(n/2) + n^2$        $F(n) = \Theta(n^2)$   
(e)  $H(n) \leq 2H(\sqrt{n}) + O(\log n)$        $H(n) = O(\log n \log \log n)$   
(f)  $K(n) = K(n - \sqrt{n}) + 1$        $K(n) = \Theta(\sqrt{n})$   
(g)  $F(n) = 4F(\frac{3n}{4}) + n^5$        $F(n) = \Theta(n^5)$

10. Find the asymptotic complexity, in terms of  $n$ , for each of these fragments, expressing the answers using  $O$ ,  $\Theta$ , or  $\Omega$ , whichever is most appropriate.

(a) 

```
for(i = 0; i < n; i = i+1);
cout << "Hi!" << endl;

```

 $\Theta(n)$

(b) 

```
for(i = 1; i < n; i = 2*i);
cout << "Hi!" << endl;

```

 $\Theta(\log n)$

(c) 

```
for(i = 2; i < n; i = i*i);
cout << "Hi!" << endl;

```

 $\Theta(\log \log n)$

(d) The following code models the first phase of heapsort.

```
for(int i = n; i > 0; i--)
  for(int j = i; 2*j <= n; j = 2*j)
    cout << "swap" << endl;

```

 $\Theta(n)$ 

(e) The following code models the second phase of heapsort.

```
for(int i = n; i > 0; i--)
{
  cout << "swap" << endl;
  for(int j = 1; 2*j <= i; j = 2*j)
    cout << "swap" << endl;
}

```

 $\Theta(n \log n)$ 

(f) The following code models insertion of  $n$  items into an AVL tree.

```
for(int i = 1; i < n; i++)
  for(int j = n; j > 0; j = j/2)
    cout << "check AVL property and possibly rotate" << endl;

```

 $\Theta(n \log n)$ 

11. Solve each of the following recurrences, expressing the answers using  $O$ ,  $\Theta$ , or  $\Omega$ , whichever is most appropriate. [10 points each]

(a)  $F(n) = F(n/2) + 1$   $F(n) = \Theta(\log n)$

(b)  $F(n) = F(n-1) + O(\log n)$

(c)  $F(n) = F\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 2F\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + n$   $F(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$

(d)  $F(n) = F\left(\frac{3n}{5}\right) + F\left(\frac{4n}{5}\right) + n^2$   $F(n) = \Theta(n^2 \log n)$

(e)  $F(n) = F(n-2) + n$   $F(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

12. Use Huffman's algorithm to construct an optimal prefix code for the alphabet  $\{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$  where the frequencies of the symbols are given by the following table.

A	2
B	8
C	9
D	3
E	7
F	5

13. [10 points] Write pseudo-code for binary search.

Assume that  $\{X[i]\}$  for  $0 \leq i < n$  is an ordered array. Let  $x$  be the sought value.

```

lo = 0
hi = n
while(lo+1 < hi)
{
    mid = (lo+hi)/2
    if(x < X[mid]) hi = mid
    else lo = mid
}
if(x = X[hi]) write "x is found in position hi"
else write "x is not in the array"

```

14. Find the asymptotic complexity, in terms of  $n$ , for each of these fragments, expressing the answers using  $O$ ,  $\Theta$ , or  $\Omega$ , whichever is most appropriate. [10 points each]

(a) 

```
for(int i = 1; i*i < n; i++)
    cout << "Hi!" << endl;
```

 $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$

(b) 

```
for(int i = n; i > 1; i = sqrt(i));
    cout << "Hi!" << endl;
```

 $\Theta(\log \log n)$

Find the asymptotic time complexity, in terms of  $n$ , for each of these functions, expressing the answers using  $O$ ,  $\Theta$ , or  $\Omega$ , whichever is most appropriate. [10 points each]

(a) 

```
int f(int n)
{
    if (n < 2) return 1;
    else return f(n-1)+f(n-1);
}
```

 $\Theta(2^n)$

(b) 

```
void hello(int n)
{
```

```

if(n >= 1)
{
    for(int i = 1; i < n; i++)
        cout << "Hello!" << endl;
    hello(n/2);
    hello(n/2);
}
}
 $\Theta(n \log n)$ 

```

15. [20 points] Define the Collatz function as follows:

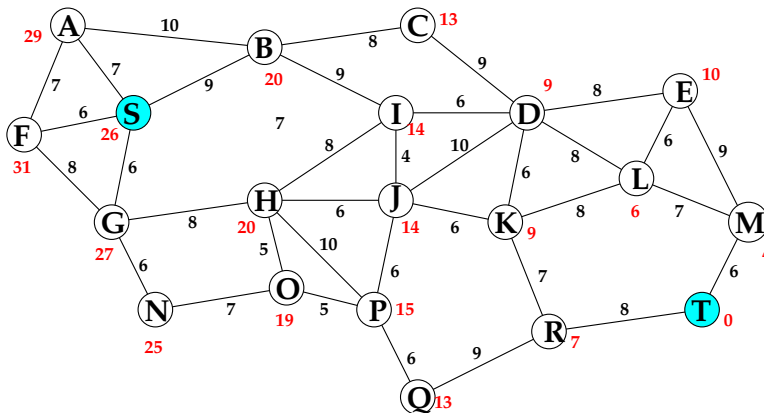
```

int collatz(int n)
{
    assert(n > 0);
    if(n == 1) return 0;
    else if (n%2) return collatz(3*n+1); // n is odd, greater than 1
    else return collatz(n/2); // n is even
}

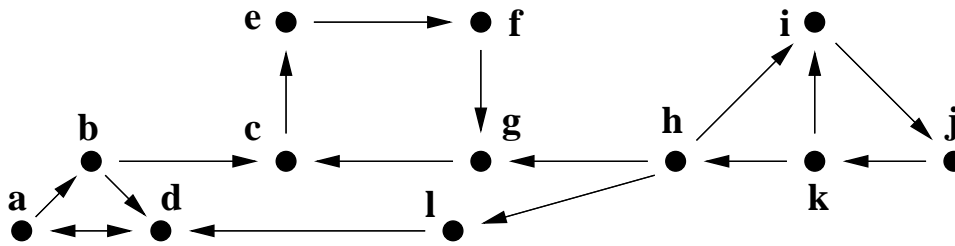
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Write pseudo-code for a memoization algorithm which prints collatz(n) for all n from 1 to 1000.

16. [20 points] Give pseudocode for a recursive algorithm which computes the median of the union of two sorted lists in logarithmic time.
17. [20 points] Describe a randomized algorithm which finds the  $k^{\text{th}}$  smallest element of an unsorted list of  $n$  distinct numbers, for a given  $k \leq n$ , in  $O(n)$  expected time. (By “distinct,” I mean that no two numbers in the list are equal.)
18. [20 points] Walk through the  $A^*$  algorithm for the following weighted graph to find the shortest path from S to T. Edge weights are shown in black, and the values of the heuristic are shown in red.



19. [20 points] Circle the strong components of the directed graph.



20. [20 points] Give pseudocode for the Bellman-Ford algorithm.
21. [20 points] Give pseudocode for the Floyd-Warshall algorithm.

```

for(int i = 0; i < n; i++)
  for(int j = 0; j < n; j++)
    dist[i,j] = infinity;
for(int i = 0; i < n; i++)
  dist[i,i] = 0;
for(int j = 0; j < n; j++)
  for(int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    for(int k = 0; i < n; i++)
      {
        temp = dist[i,j]+dist[j,k];
        if(temp < dist[i,k])
          {
            dist[i,k] = temp;
            back[i,k] = i;
          }
      }
}

```

22. [20 points] Show the minimum spanning tree of the following weighted graph.

