Practice final for EECS 380, 2001: Profs Markov and Brehob

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Total pages: **5**
Exam duration: **1hr 50min**.
Write your name and uniqname on every sheet, including the cover.

Maximum score: 100 points + 15 extra. Extra credit points do not affect the curve.
To be eligible for extra credit, you need to earn at least *70 regular points*.

All complexity estimates are for runtime (not for memory), unless specified otherwise.

1. 30 points. **Algorithmic Complexity**

   Each line in the table corresponds to an algorithm or an algorithmic problem. Write **P** for problems and **A** for algorithms. A *problem* gives input and output, but an *algorithm* additionally entails a particular method of achieving this output. Fancy data structures (e.g., heaps, BSTs and hash-tables) often imply specific algorithms. Simple containers (e.g., arrays and linked lists) are typically used to store input or output and may *restrict* possible algorithms.

   For each algorithm, write its Theta-complexities.
   For each problem, write Theta-complexities of a **best possible algorithm** that solves the problem. There can be multiple correct answers, especially, if there is a trade-off between average-case and worst-case performance.
   No explanation necessary.

   You can assume that `operator<` and `operator==` for values stored in *containers* run in *O(1)* time. You cannot make any additional assumptions about algorithms/problems unless instructed by Prof. Brehob or Prof. Markov.

   Each line is worth **2 points**. Each wrong or missing answer on a line costs **-1 point**.
   Minimum per line **= 0 points**.

	Algorithm or Problem:	?	Best-case Theta()	Avg-case Theta()	Worst-case Theta()
1.	Find a given value in an unsorted *N-by-N* matrix.	**P**	*1*	N^2	N^2
2.	Binary search over *N* elements	**A**	*1*	*log N*	*log N*
3.	Find the largest element in an unsorted array with *N* elements				
4.	Print all values appearing at least twice in a sorted stack of size *N*				
5.	Insert a new element into a sorted singly-linked list with *N* elements so that the list remains sorted				
6.	Given two unsorted arrays of *N* and *N/10* elements, say whether they have at least one common element			don't bother	
7.	Shaker sort of a doubly-linked list with *N* elements, using "early termination".				
8.	Duplicate a queue of *N* elements				
9.	One invocation of the `partition()` function used in the `quicksort` algorithm. Assume in-place partitioning of a complete array with *N* elements using a given pivot				
10.	Given a pointer to an element in a singly-linked list with *N* elements, remove that element from the list				
11.	Sort *N* 8-bit characters stored in an array.				
12.	Remove the middle element from an unsorted array of *N* elements				
13.	Compute *N!* for a given *N* using a straightforward recursive algorithm				
14.	Find the combination of *N* decimal digits that opens a bank safe. The safe opens when you enter the right combination, and you can try as many combinations as you wish. No other feedback is available				
15.	Print all diagonal values of a given *N-by-N* matrix				

2. 10 points. **STL**

   Fill in the blanks
   a. "STL" stands for _____
   b. A *range* can be defined by two _____
   c. STL's `sort()` and `binary_search()` functions take an optional _____ function-object
   d. One can use class _____ from STL as an implementation of Abstract Symbol Table.
   e. *Iterators* of linked list classes in STL **do not** allow _____ access.

3. 20 points. **Fancy containers (heaps, generic trees, search trees, hash-tables, etc)**

a. **10 points**. Follow instructions from Question 1.

	Algorithm or Problem:	Best-case Theta()	Avg-case Theta()	Worst-case Theta()
1.	Print all values stored at nodes of a given tree with *N* nodes			
2.	Convert a binary heap of *N* elements into a sorted array	don't bother		
3.	Test whether a given array with *N* values is in a binary-heap order			
4.	One search in a BST of *N* elements. Assume that the tree is perfectly balanced and the search results in a miss			
5.	One successful look-up in a hash table with *N* elements and *load ratio** *1.0*. The hash-table uses separate chaining with singly-linked lists. Assume that hash-function can be computed in *O(1)* time. Note: elements contained in the hash-table may be *poorly dispersed*.			

* The *load ratio* of a hash-table with *N* elements and *M* buckets is *N/M*.

b. **5 points**. Consider `struct Key { char p1, p2, p3 };`
and the following hash-functions (modulo hash-table size).

1. `unsigned f1(struct Key& s) { return s.p1+5*s.p2; }`
2. `unsigned f2(struct Key& s) { return 10*s.p1+100*s.p2+1000*s.p3; }`
3. `unsigned f3(struct Key& s) { return 11*s.p1+101*s.p2+1001*s.p3; }`

Assume a hash-table of size 1250 with linear probing.
Mark each hash-function as **good** or **bad**. Use space below to explain.

c. **5 points**. Fill in the blanks.
Markov section only

In BSTs, _____ and _____ *rotations* have time complexity *Theta(____)*. They are explicitly used in _____ insertion and _____ algorithms. Two BSTs can be *joined* using a _____ algorithm, which applies _____ _____ to one of the trees. The worst-case complexity of such a *join* algorithm is *Theta(_____)*, but the best case can be faster when _____.

Brehob section only
Each node in a *2-3-4* tree has ____, ____ or ____ keys in it. _____ trees are an implemention of *2-3-4* trees. Insertion into a *2-3-4* tree has worst-case complexity *Theta(____)* and search has worst-case complexity *Theta(____)*.

4. 20 points. **Algorithm design: Recursion / Divide and Conquer / Dynamic Programming**

   Implement the following C++ function

   ```
   void makeBalancedBST(unsigned *begin, unsigned numElem);
   ```

   which takes an **unsorted** array and makes a balanced BST out of it, stored left to right so that children of element *k* be *2*k* and *2*k+1*. You must achieve worst-case complexity $O(numElem \log^2(numElem))$ and explain how you did it. **15 points for the case when numElem is a power of two minus one (say, 3, 7 or 15), 5 additional points for the general case**. Use a separate page.

5. 20 points. **Questions related to HWKs and Projects**
   a. 5 points. Provide a dictionary produced by the **Huffman algorithm** applied to this input: AAABAABCCDCC. **No explanation necessary**.

   b. 5 points. Heapify the digits of your student ID. Start with the digits in the original order and **show the process step by step**.

   c. 10 points. You are given a function that takes *N* planar points and returns all points on the boundary of the convex hull listed clockwise. Provide an algorithm (in pseudocode or valid C++) that sorts *N* doubles using that function **and** spends *O(N)* time outside that function.

6. **Extra credit**: 15 points. **``Comments not available''.**

In this question you are given a printout of a C++ function, with coke spilled over the comments (=> you can't read the comments). You need to explain what the function does, illustrate by several representative examples, give worst-case/best-case Theta() for runtime and substantiate these complexity estimates.

```
int L2(const char * A, const char * B)
// COMMENTS NOT AVAILABLE
{
    int m=strlen(A), n=strlen(B), i, j;
    int L[m+1][n+1]; // g++ extension to C++
    for (i = m; i >= 0; i--)
      for (j = n; j >= 0; j--)
      {
         if (A[i] == '\0' || B[j] == '\0') { L[i][j] = 0; }
         else if (A[i] == B[j]) L[i][j] = 1 + L[i+1][j+1];
         else L[i][j] = max(L[i+1][j], L[i][j+1]);
      }
    j=L[0][0];
    return j;
}
```

Source code courtesy of Prof. David Epstein.