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SEMESTER 2 EXAMINATION - 2017/2018

School of Computer Science

COMP2003J Data Structures and Algorithms 2

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Time Allowed: 120 minutes

Instructions for Candidates

Answer any 2 questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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Instructions for Invigilators

No special instructions.

Question 1:

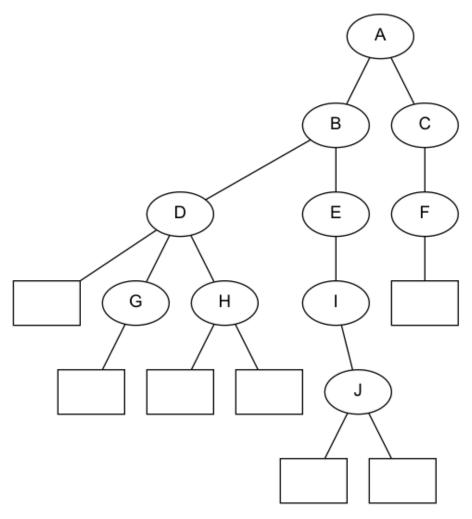


Figure 1

- (a) Study the tree in Figure 1 and answer the questions that follow.
 - (i) List the siblings of G.
 - (ii) What is the depth of D?
 - (iii) What is the degree of node J?
 - (iv) What is the height of the tree?
 - (v) List the descendants of D.
 - (vi) Is (D,H) an edge? Explain your answer.
 - (vii) Is (D,B,A,C) a path? Explain your answer.
 - (viii) List the nodes that are in the subtree that is rooted at E.

[8 marks]

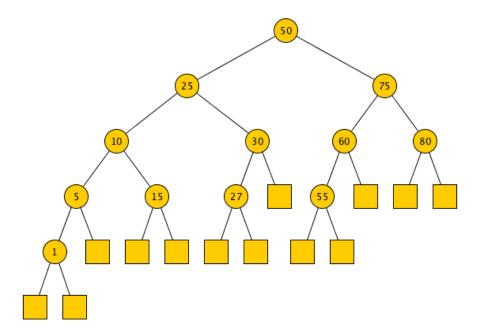


Figure 2

- (b) Assume that the tree in Figure 2 is an **AVL Tree**. Draw the state of the tree after performing the following operations. In your answer, you should show the tree's state after each step and mention any restructuring that is required.
 - (i) Remove 80
 - (ii) Remove 15
 - (iii) Insert 78
 - (iv) Insert 28
 - (iv) Remove 55

[12 marks]

(c) Describe how a value is inserted into a Splay Tree. Include in your answer a discussion of how the tree is restructured.

[10 marks]

(d) Assume that the tree in Figure 2 is a Splay Tree. If the next operation is to insert 4, draw trees to show all restructuring operations that will happen and state what restructuring operations these are.

[6 marks]

(e) Briefly explain the differences between a *tree*, a *binary tree*, a *proper binary tree* and a *binary search tree*.

[4 marks]

- (f) With regard to analysing the performance of an *AVL Tree*, discuss each of the following aspects:
 - (i) Space requirements.
 - (ii) Time complexity of the insert() and remove() functions.

[6 marks]

(g) In a proper binary tree implementation, what does it mean to "expand an external node"?

[4 marks]

[Total 50 marks]

Question 2:

(a) Give definitions of the following graph concepts: *parallel edges*, *directed graph*, *endpoints of an edge*, *path*, *self-loop*, *spanning forest*.

[10 marks]

- (b) One implementation of a *priority queue* ADT is to use a *heap*.
 - (i) Describe the priority queue ADT and the core operations it has.

[5 marks]

(ii) Draw the heap that would be obtained after each of the following operations (your answer should show 10 heap diagrams).

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insert(20), insert (12), insert(6), insert(16), insert(11), insert(18), remove(), remove(), insert(1), remove()
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[10 marks]

(iii) In a heap, what is the time complexity of a *downheap* operation? Explain your answer.

[3 marks]

(c) An array-based list is an appropriate way to implement a *Complete Binary Tree*. Explain in detail the advantages of using this type of implementation type compared to using a linked structure.

[6 marks]

(d)) This part	relates to	Huffman	Encoding.
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(i) What is Huffman Encoding used for?

[2 marks]

(ii) Using the string "huffman trees are great" as an example, describe in detail how a Huffman Tree is created.

[11 marks]

(iii) Using the tree you created in part (ii), what is the code that represents the string "tears"?

[3 marks]

[Total 50 marks]

Question 3:

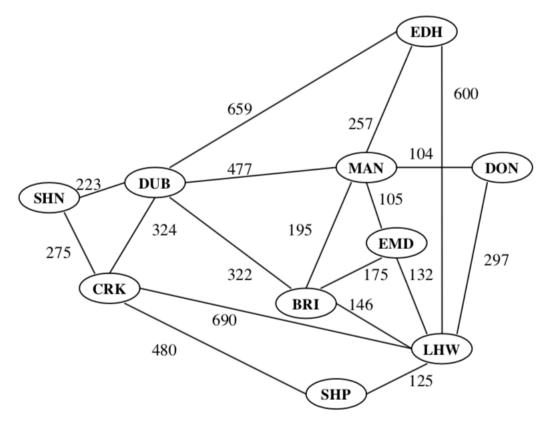


Figure 3

- (a) This part relates to *Minimum Spanning Trees*.
 - (i) What is a Minimum Spanning Tree? How is this different to a *shortest distance tree* such as the one Dijkstra's Algorithm produces?

[4 marks]

(ii) Using the graph in Figure 3 as an example, show how Kruskal's algorithm can be used to compute a Minimum Spanning Tree. In your answer, you must explain each step that you take.

[10 marks]

(b) This part relates to graph traversals.

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[10 marks]

(ii) Breadth First Search runs in O(n+m) time (where n is the number of vertices in a graph, and m is the number of edges). Explain why this is the case.

[6 marks]

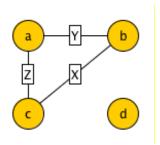


Figure 4

(c) Draw a diagram to show how the graph in Figure 4 can be represented using an adjacency list structure. In your answer, describe each object type and data structure used to explain its purpose and what data it stores.

[12 marks]

(d) When implementing a graph, using an *adjacency list* structure instead of an *edge list* structure results in better time complexity for the *incidentEdges(v)*, *areAdjacent(v,w)* and *removeVertex(v)* operations. Explain why this is the case.

[8 marks]

[Total 50 marks]