CS 240 Midterm Review

Question 1

True or False?

- a) If $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = e^{42}$ then $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$
- b) If $f(n) \in O(g(n))$ then $\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 0$
- c) If a rotation in an AVL tree is performed after an insertion, the height of the AVL tree is guaranteed to return to what it was before the insertion.
- d) We may have to do $\Omega(\log(n))$ rotations after insertion into an AVL tree
- e) The height of a binary search tree with n nodes is in O(n).
- f) All binary heaps satisfy the AVL tree property
- g) There may be undiscovered comparison based sorting algorithms that are asymptotically faster than heapsort
- h) A skip list with *n* keys and height *h* will use $\Theta(nh)$ space.
- i) The most searched for item will eventually move to the front of the list if we use the transpose heuristic

Question 2

Order Notation

- a) Show that $3n^2 8n + 2 \in \Theta(n^2)$ from first principles
- b) Prove from first principles that $\frac{1}{2}n 22 \in o(n \log(n))$
- c) Prove that $f(n) \in o(g(n)) \Leftrightarrow g(n) \in \omega(f(n))$

Question 3

Algorithm Analysis

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a) i = 2
  x = 0
  while i < n:
    for j = 1,...,n:
      for k = 1,...,j:
        x = x + 1
      i = i * i</pre>
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b) def isSorted(A, n = A.size): #find average runtime
for i = 0,...,n-2:
    if A[i] > A[i+1]: return False
    return True
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Question 4

Binary Heaps

a) Insert 9 into the following max-heap and then delete-max



b) Describe an algorithm for merging 2 binary heaps. That is, given 2 heaps A and B, return a new heap C containing all of the elements of A and B.

Question 5

Lower Bounds

Hex thinks that he has invented a comparison based implementation of the priority queue ADT which supports insert and delete-max in $O(\log(\log(n)))$ time. Explain why this cannot possibly be correct.

Question 6

Expected vs Average

Under what circumstances can we conclude that the randomized version of an algorithm has the same expected runtime as the average runtime of the original algorithm?

Question 7

Consider the following AVL tree



Suppose we are trying to insert a key into this tree

- a) What value of x would cause a left rotation?
- b) What value of x would cause a right rotation?
- c) What value of x would cause a double left rotation?
- d) What value of x would cause a double right rotation?

Question 8

Skip Lists

- a) Show that even for skip lists which have the expected number of keys at each level, it is possible that for some key, $\Omega(n)$ comparisons will be required during search. Do this by giving an example of such a skip list and key, and explain how this can generalize to arbitrarily large n.
- b) Insert the numbers 12, 11, 13, 10, 20 into an empty skip-list using the coin flips HHTHTHTHHHT. Then delete 13.

Question 9

Move to Front Heuristic

You are given a dictionary implemented with an array and the MTF heuristic. Suppose you have a sequence of n search queries where at most \sqrt{n} unique items were searched for. What is the best and worst case runtime to perform all searches?