

Algorithms and Data Structures Exam

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- Write your name and matriculation number on this page and sign the document.
- Your **signature** confirms that you have answered all exam questions yourself without any help, and that you have notified exam supervision of any interference.
- You are allowed to use a summary of five handwritten, single-sided A4 pages.
- No electronic devices are allowed.
- Write legibly and only use a pen (ink or ball point). Do not use red! Do not use a pencil!
- You may write your answers in **English or German** language.
- Only **one solution per task** is considered! Make sure to strike out alternative solutions, otherwise the one yielding the minimal number of points is considered.
- **Detailed steps** might help you to get more points in case your final result is incorrect.
- The keywords **Show...**, **Prove...**, **Explain...** or **Argue...** indicate that you need to prove or explain your answer carefully and in sufficient detail.
- The keywords **Give...**, **State...** or **Describe...** indicate that you need to provide an answer solving the task at hand but without proof or deep explanation (except when stated otherwise).
- You may use information given in a **Hint** without further explanation.
- Read each task thoroughly and make sure you understand what is expected from you.
- Raise your hand if you have a question regarding the formulation of a task or if you need additional sheets of paper.
- A total of **45 points** is sufficient to pass and a total of **90 points** is sufficient for the best grade.
- Write your name on **all sheets**!

Task	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Maximum	22	12	12	15	15	12	12	20	120
Points									

Task 1: Short Questions

(22 Points)

(a) The goal is to store the keys $k_1 = 12$, $k_2 = 15$, and $k_3 = 8$ in a hash table of size m = 7 using the variant of *Cuckoo Hashing* described in the lecture. The two hash functions are defined as:

$$h_1(x) = 2 \cdot x + 1 \mod m, \quad h_2(x) = x + 3 \mod m.$$

Fill in the left table with the state of the hash table after inserting k_1 and k_2 . In the right table, show the final state after inserting k_3 . (4 Points)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	0	1	2	3	4	5	6

- (b) Let $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function with f(0) = -1 and f(1) = 1. Describe an algorithm that finds a root of f with a precision of 1/n in $O(\log n)$ time. The algorithm should return a number x such that f has a root in the interval (x - 1/n, x + 1/n). Assume that evaluating f(x)takes constant time. Justify the correctness of your algorithm. (6 Points)
- (c) Assume there is a priority queue H with the following operation runtimes:
 - create, insert, getMin, and decreaseKey: O(1)
 - deleteMin: $O(\log n)$ (where n is the number of elements in the data structure)

What is the asymptotic runtime of Dijkstra's Algorithm (as a function of the number of edges m and the number of vertices n) when using H as the underlying priority queue? Justify your answer. (5 Points)

(d) Prove or disprove the following statement: Heapsort is stable. (7 Points)

Hint: Assume Heapsort uses the array-based binary heap implementation from the lecture. A sorting algorithm is considered stable if the initial relative order of equal elements is preserved. For example, if the initial array consists of the key-value pairs [(3, a), (1, r), (1, b)], then [(1, r), (1, b), (3, a)] is a stable sorting, but [(1, b), (1, r), (3, a)] is not.

Task 2: Landau-Notation

- (a) Consider the following five functions in terms of $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Provide a sorted order of these functions with respect to Big-O notation, such that for two consecutive functions f and g in this order, $f(n) \in O(g(n))$. You do not need to justify your answer. (4 Points)
 - $a(n) = 3 \cdot n^2 \cdot \log_2(n) + 4$
 - $b(n) = 2^{2\log_2(n)}$
 - $c(n) = \frac{a(n)}{\sqrt{n+1}}$
 - $d(n) = \log_2(n!)$

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$$e(n) = \sqrt{n^5}$$

(b) Prove or disprove the following statement using the definition of Big-O notation:

$$10 \cdot n^9 \in \Omega(n^{10})$$

(4 Points)

(c) Prove or disprove the following statement using either the definition of Big-O notation or the limit-based characterization:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n} \left(2 \cdot (i+1)\right) \in o(n^3)$$
(4 Points)

Task 3: Topological Sort

(12 Points)

(a) Provide a topological sorting of the following graph.

(3 Points)



(b) How many topological orderings are there for the given graph? (3 Points)



(c) Let G = (V, E) and G' = (V, E') be two Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAGs) with the same vertex set V, where G is a subgraph of G' (i.e., $E \subseteq E'$). In which graph are there more possible topological orderings? Justify your answer. (6 Points)

Task 4: Rabin-Karp with DigitSums

In this task, we work with a modified version of the Rabin-Karp algorithm. Let $x = x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots x_r$ represent the decimal representation (base 10) of x. The digit sum of x is defined as:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{r} x_i$$

For example: 1927 = 1 + 9 + 2 + 7 = 19. The hash function used is:

$$h(x) = x \mod M$$

If the hash value of the pattern matches the hash value of a substring, a TestPosition function is used to verify the actual match.

(a) Let the search text be T = 12518230051251 (length n = 14) and the pattern be P = 251 (length m = 3). The hash function used is:

$$h(x) = x \mod 5$$

Provide the hash value h(T[s, s+1, s+2]) for all $s \in \{0, 1, \dots, 11\}$. (9 Points)

- (b) How many times does the TestPosition function need to be called for the above example? (2 Points)
- (c) Provide a method to compute h(T[s + 1, s + 2, ..., s + m]) in constant time, given that the hash value of the previous substring h(T[s, s + 1, ..., s + m 1]) is already known. (4 Points) Hint: Assume that addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and modulo operations all take constant time.

	Hashvalues:	
s	$\big T[s,s\!+\!1,s\!+\!2]$	h(T[s,s+1,s+2])
0		
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		
11		

Task 5: Longest Common Substring

Given two strings A and B of length n over the alphabet $\{0, 1\}$. We want to compute the length of the longest common substring of A and B. A substring is defined as a contiguous sequence of characters in A or B.

(a) Provide an algorithm that solves this problem in $O(n^2)$ time and justify its runtime. (15 Points)

Alternative: You may provide an $O(n^3)$ algorithm instead, but you will receive a maximum of 5 points.

Hint: There exists a solution using bottom-up dynamic programming. Keep track of the maximum length of a common substring ending at indices i and j in A and B, respectively.

Task 6: Shortest Paths

Consider the following directed graph with n = 5 nodes as shown in the diagram.



- (a) Does this graph contain a negative cycle? If yes, mark the edges of one such cycle (circle or highlight the edges). (2 Points)
- (b) Run the Bellman-Ford Algorithm on this graph starting from node S. After each iteration of the outer loop, fill in the currently computed distances from S in the provided table. (10 Points) Important: In the inner loop of the Bellman-Ford Algorithm, iterate over the edges in ascending order of their weights, i.e., in the order -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.

Solutiontable:

	$\delta(S,S)$	$\delta(S,A)$	$\delta(S,B)$	$\delta(S,C)$	$\delta(S,D)$
Initial	0	∞	∞	∞	∞
i = 1					
i=2					
i = 3					
i = 4					

Task 7: MysteryAlgorithm

Let G = (V, E) be an undirected graph with *n* nodes. Consider the following algorithm Mystery given in pseudocode, which takes as input *G* and a node $s \in V$.

 $\label{eq:linear_states} \hline \begin{array}{c} \hline \textbf{Algorithm 1 Mystery}(G,s) \\ \hline D \leftarrow \text{neues Dictionary} \\ D[s] \leftarrow 0 \\ \textbf{for jeden Knoten } u \in V \setminus \{s\} \ \textbf{do} \\ D[u] \leftarrow -1 \\ u \leftarrow s; \ i \leftarrow 1 \\ \textbf{while Solange es eine Kante } \{u,v\} \in E \ \text{gibt, so dass } D[v] = -1 \ \text{ist } \textbf{do} \\ v \leftarrow \text{beliebiger Nachbar von } u \ \text{mit } D[v] = -1 \\ D[v] \leftarrow D[u] + i \\ u \leftarrow v; \ i \leftarrow i + 1 \end{array}$

- (a) What is the maximum number of iterations the while-loop can run as a function of n? (6 Points)
- (b) What is the maximum possible value in D after executing Mystery(G, s), asymptotically in terms of n? (6 Points)

Task 8: Minimum Spanning Trees

Let G = (V, E) be a connected, undirected graph given via adjacency lists. Assume that G contains exactly one cycle.

(a) Describe an algorithm with runtime O(|V|) that outputs the cycle in G. The output should have the form:

$$v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_k, v_1$$

where v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_k are pairwise distinct nodes and each edge $\{v_i, v_{i+1}\}$ belongs to E for $i = 1, \ldots, k-1$, and $\{v_1, v_k\}$ belongs to E. Justify the runtime. (8 Points)

- (b) Let G = (V, E, w) be a connected, weighted graph and C a cycle in G. Let $e \in C$ be the heaviest edge in the cycle, i.e., $w(e) \ge w(e')$ for all edges $e' \in C$. Prove that there exists a minimum spanning tree (MST) of G that does not contain e. (8 Points)
- (c) Describe an algorithm with runtime O(|V|) that computes a minimum spanning tree of G. (4 Points)

Hint: You may use the results of (a) and (b) even if you did not solve them. If helpful, assume an adjacency matrix (with edge weights as entries) is also provided.