ICS 23 — Data Structures — Winter 2005 — Goodrich — First Midterm B

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1. (30 points). Please answer of the following short questions dealing with trees:
(a) Define external node of a tree.
(b) What does it mean that a tree is an unordered tree?
(c) If a tree has n nodes in total, and $n \geq 3$, what is the maximum number of children that

the root can have?

2. (30 points). Give a recursive, pseudo-code description of an algorithm for performing a postorder traversal of the subtree rooted at a node v in a binary tree T. You may not use a loop in your description.

- 3. (30 points). Using the definition of Big-oh, show that each of the following is true.
- (a) $3n^2 + 2n + 5$ is $O(n^2)$.

(b) $2n \log n + 2n + 10$ is $O(n \log n)$.

(c) $22 \log n + 10$ is $O(\log n)$.

- 4. (30 points). This problem deals with linked lists.
- (a) Describe a recursive algorithm for adding up the values stored at the nodes in a singly linked list L given a reference, f, to its first node (the **next** pointer for the last node is null, and if f is null, then the list is empty). You may not use a loop for this question.

(b) Describe an algorithm for solving the above problem using an iterator x for the elements stored in L. You must use a loop for this question.

5. (30 points). Consider the following algorithm, which takes as input an array A of n integers (indexed from 0 to n-1):

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\begin{array}{l} i \leftarrow 1 \\ p \leftarrow 1 \\ \textbf{while} \ i \leq n \ \textbf{do} \ \{ \\ p \leftarrow p \cdot A[i-1] \\ i \leftarrow 2 \cdot i \\ \} \end{array}
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Print "The product of the integers in A is " p

(a) Use the Big-oh notation to characterize the asymptotic running time of this algorithm, as a function of n (you may assume that the array A is already in memory; hence, you don't have to count the time to read in A).

(b) For which values of n is this a correct algorithm for multiplying all the integers in A?