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Duration of Exam:	2½ hours	Percent of Semester Marks:	65
Lecturer:	P. Healy	Paper marked out of:	100

Instructions to Candidates:

- There are two sections to the paper: Short Questions and Long Questions
- The mark distribution is 20 marks for Short Questions and 80 marks for the Long Questions
- Answer all questions in all sections
- Also, **please ensure** that marks posted on the class web page for all in-semester assessments coincide with your expectation

Section 1. Short Questions (5 × 4 marks).

- Please put your answers to these questions in the answer book provided to you, labelling your answers L1, L2, etc.

1. *Dijkstra's Algorithm* requires _____ edge costs.
2. *Dijkstra's Algorithm* runs in time _____.
3. If a divide-and-conquer algorithm is of the form $T(1) = b$
 $T(n) = aT(\frac{n}{c}) + bn$
then the worst-case running time of the algorithm when $a < c$ is, in Big-Oh notation, _____.
4. Computing $S = \sum_{i=0}^n i^2$ can be done in running time, in Big-Oh notation, _____. Note this question is not about the value of S ; rather, it is about the time taken to compute S .
5. For *open hashing* it is advisable that λ , the load factor, be no larger than _____.

Section 2. Long Questions (80 marks).

- Please put your answers to these questions in the answer book provided to you
- Label your answers 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4 in your answer books

1. (a) Evaluate the sum (10 marks.)

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{i}{4^i}$$

- (b) Prove the following formula (10 marks.)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^3 = (\sum_{i=0}^n i)^2$$

2. (a) Give the recurrence relation for the *mergesort* algorithm. (4 marks.)

- (b) Solve the general recurrence relation (10 marks.)

$$T(1) = b$$

$$T(n) = aT(\frac{n}{c}) + bn$$

- (c) As a special case of the above, or by any other means, solve the recurrence relation for the *mergesort* algorithm. (6 marks.)

3. (a) Show the result of inserting 3, 1, 4, 6, 9, 2, 5, 7 into an initially empty binary search tree. (8 marks.)

- (b) Show the result of deleting the root. (4 marks.)

- (c) Now repeat the insertions of the first part using an AVL tree this time. (8 marks.)

4. Given a graph $G = (V, E)$, where $n = |V|$ and $m = |E|$ (20 marks.)

- (a) Show that every spanning tree of G has $n - 1$ edges. (8 marks.)

- (b) Use the previous result to show that there are $m - n + 1$ different cycles in G . (6 marks.)

- (c) A graph $G = (V, E)$ is called d -regular if every vertex has degree d . Figure 1 below illustrates a 4-regular graph. Does there exist a 3-regular graph G on 5 vertices? Either give an example or prove that one cannot exist. (6 marks.)



(a) A 4-regular graph.



(b) A graph with cutvertices.

Figure 1: Some example graphs.