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M.C.A

Advanced Data Structures

(For those who joined in July 2024 and June 2025 onwards)

Time : 3Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

PART - A (10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

Choose the correct answer :

- CO:1 1. Which of the following is a Date ADT operation?
K:1 (a) push() (b) pop()
(c) addDays() (d) enqueue()
- CO:1 2. A Map ADT stores data in the form of _____.
K:2 (a) Index-value pairs (b) Key-value pairs
(c) Node-pointer pairs (d) Row-column pairs
- CO:2 3. What does asymptotic analysis measure?
K:1 (a) Exact running time
(b) Memory usage only
(c) Growth rate of algorithm with input size
(d) Compiler efficiency
- CO:2 4. Recursion uses which data structure internally?
K:2 (a) Queue (b) Stack
(c) Array (d) Heap
- CO:3 5. The stopping condition in recursion is called _____.
K:1 (a) Break point (b) Exit loop
(c) Base case (d) Return value
- CO:3 6. Which linked list allows traversal in both directions?
K:2 (a) Singly linked list (b) Circular linked list
(c) Doubly linked list (d) Linear queue

- CO:4 7. Which data structure is commonly used to implement a priority
K:1 queue?
(a) Stack (b) Heap
(c) Linked List (d) Queue
- CO:4 8. The time complexity of heap insertion is _____.
K:2 (a) $O(1)$ (b) $O(\log n)$
(c) $O(n)$ (d) $O(n \log n)$
- CO:5 9. Breadth-First Search (BFS) uses _____.
K:1 (a) Stack (b) Queue
(c) Heap (d) Recursion only
- CO:5 10. Kruskal's algorithm is based on _____.
K:2 (a) Dynamic programming (b) Greedy method
(c) Divide and conquer (d) Backtracking

PART - B (5 X 5 = 25 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Answer should not exceed 250 words.

- CO:1 11. (a) Make use of Abstract Data Type (ADT) with an example.
K:3 **(OR)**
(b) Utilize the Map ADT traversal using keys and values.
- CO:2 12. (a) Analyze the difference between experimental analysis and
K:4 asymptotic analysis of algorithms.
(OR)
(b) Compare linear recursion with binary recursion.
- CO:3 13. (a) Apply stack operations to evaluate the postfix expression:
K:3 Expression: 5 2 3 * +
(OR)
(b) Build queue operations for the sequence:
Insert 10, 20, 30 → Delete one element.
- CO:4 14. (a) Analyze how collisions affect hash table performance and
K:4 how they are resolved?
(OR)
(b) Examine why priority queues are widely used in graph algorithms.

CO:5 15. (a) Apply merge sort to the list: 8, 3, 5, 2

K:3

(OR)

(b) Perform BFS traversal on the graph:

Edges: A-B, A-C, B-D, C-E

PART - C (5 X 8 = 40 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Answer should not exceed 600 words.

CO:1 16. (a) A college stores department names in a set and department-HOD pairs in a map.

K:3

Design an algorithm to:

- i) Check whether a department exists in the set.
- ii) Retrieve the HOD using the map.

Apply the algorithm for department "MCA" using suitable example data.

(OR)

(b) A 3×3 matrix represents marks of 3 students in 3 subjects.

Write an algorithm to:

- i) Find total marks of each student
- ii) Find average marks of each subject

Apply the algorithm using sample values and display the results in tabular form.

CO:2 17. (a) Write a recursive algorithm to compute the sum of elements in an array using:

K:3

- i) Linear recursion.
- ii) Binary recursion (divide array into two halves).

(OR)

(b) Two recursive algorithms process n elements:

Algorithm L: calls itself once with size $n-1$.

Algorithm B: calls itself twice with size $n/2$.

- i) Form recurrence relations for both.
- ii) Compute the number of recursive calls for $n = 8$.

CO:3 18. (a) A sequence of stack operations is given:

K:4 PUSH 10, PUSH 20, PUSH 30, POP, PUSH 40, POP, PUSH 50

- i) Trace the stack contents after each operation.
- ii) Identify the final top element and stack size.

(OR)

(b) From the Singly linked list: $5 \rightarrow 15 \rightarrow 25 \rightarrow 35 \rightarrow 45$

- i) Analyze the steps to delete the first node, a middle node (25) and the last node.
- ii) Show the updated list after each deletion.

CO:4 19. (a) Examine and evaluate how priority queues and dictionaries
K:5 can be combined to design an efficient task management system.

Discuss time complexity, memory usage and scalability.

(OR)

(b) Evaluate the advantages of using a priority queue over a normal queue in real-world applications such as task scheduling or hospital emergency systems.

Discuss efficiency, order of processing and practical suitability.

CO:5 20. (a) A weighted graph with vertices {A, B, C, D, E} has edges:

K:6 $AB=2, AC=3, BC=1, BD=4, CD=5, CE=6, DE=7.$

Construct the Minimum Spanning Tree using Kruskal's algorithm and compute total cost.

(OR)

(b) Develop an AVL tree by inserting

30, 20, 40, 10, 25, 35, 50, 5.

Show each rotation and justify balance factor calculations.