

Final Practice - CS136 (SOLUTION)

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Conceptual Questions

1. Give three advantages of using modularization and describe each.
2. Which of the following statement(s) are true?
 - a. Clients may require functions from modules.
 - b. Clients provide implementation to modules.
 - c. Modules provide functions to clients.
3. Which of the following statement(s) are true?
 - a. .o files represent source files that are compiled into machine code.
 - b. Only one module is permitted in a program.
 - c. We can combine multiple machine code files to build a program.
 - d. A program must have exactly one function called main.
4. Discuss declaration vs. definition in C.
5. Describe the `extern` keyword.
6. True or **False**: A module `my_module.c` will not compile if you do not include `my_module.h`.
7. Consider the below module, label each identifier (`x`, `score`, `score_update`, `main`, `run_game`, `MAX_SCORE`) with their scopes (Local, Program, Module scope):

```
// main.c
extern int score;
const int MAX_SCORE = 100;

void run_game(void);

int main(void) {
    run_game();
    printf("Score: %d", score);
}
```

```
// module.c
int score = 0;
static int direction = 0;

static void score_update(int n)
{
    score += n;
}

void run_game(void) {
    int x = 0;
    // ...
}
```

- (a) x - local
 - (b) score - program
 - (c) score_update - module
 - (d) main - program
 - (e) run_game - program
 - (f) MAX_SCORE - program
8. Describe an Opaque structure.
9. What constant(s) does the module `limits.h` provide?
10. What constant(s) does the module `stdlib.h` provide?
11. Compare Interface vs. implementation.
12. Why is the actual data structure & implementation hidden from the client in an ADT?
13. Is this a valid array definition: `char a[5] = "array";`?
14. Is this a valid array definition: `char a[5] = {0};`?
15. Is this a valid array definition: `int a[3] = {0, 1, 2, 3};`?
16. Given definition `char a[5] = {0};` what does `strlen(a)` return?

17. True or **False**: Given algorithm A has worst case complexity $O(n^2)$, and algorithm B has worst case complexity $O(n \log n)$, then A runs faster than B in all instances (assume of size n).
18. State the correct order for the running time: $100000 + 0.0001n + 0.001 \log n$.

19. Insertion Sort, Selection Sort, and Quicksort, which is more efficient?

- a. Insertion Sort
- b. Selection Sort
- c. Quicksort
- d. **They all have the same efficiency**

20. True/**False**: C has a String type that's built-in.

21. True/**False**: The length returned by `strlen` includes the null-terminator.

22. True/**False**: The character '0' is the null terminator.

23. State the result of the below `strcmp` calls:

- a. `strcmp("", "x");`
- b. `strcmp("2", "1");`
- c. `strcmp("abcd", "abc");`

24. What's the result of the length:

```
char arr[5] = {'a', 'x', '0', 'x'};
printf("%d\n", strlen(arr));
```

25. What's the output of the following code:

```
char s1[] = "str";
char s2[] = "str";

if (s1 == s2) {
    printf("equal");
}
else {
    printf("not equal");
}
```

26. Describe string literals.

27. Consider this code, write out the output produced, or up to the point of error occurrence if you think there's an error, and describe what's the error (e.g. heap-overflow):

```
int i = 0;
const char* s = "abc\0aaa\0bbb";
while (i < strlen(s)) {
    printf("%c", s[i]);
    i++;
}
for (int j = 1; j <= 3; ++j) {
    printf("%c", s[i + j]);
}
```

28. Why this is an issue:

```
void dumb_string_op(const char* a, const char* b) {
    strcpy(a, b);
}
```

29. In the following code snippet, which line will error occur at runtime in EdX?

```
int main(void) {
    int *j = malloc(sizeof(int)); // line 1
    free(j); // line 2
    *j = 43; // line 3
    return 0; // line 4
}
```

Options:

- a. Line 1
 - b. Line 2
 - c. **Line 3**
 - d. Line 4
30. In the following code snippet, which line will error occur at runtime in EdX?

```
int main(void) {
    int *j = malloc(sizeof(int)); // line 1
    int *k = j; // line 2
    free(k); // line 3
    *j = 43; // line 4
    return 0; // line 5
}
```

Options:

- a. Line 1
- b. Line 2
- c. Line 3
- d. **Line 4**

e. Line 5

31. Why is it a good practice to set a pointer to NULL after freeing it?

32. What occurs when the malloc function is unable to allocate the requested amount of memory?

Options:

- a. Program end with non 0 exit code
- b. malloc allocate the maximum # bytes that's affordable
- c. malloc returns NULL
- d. Undefined behavior

33. What is a dangling pointer, and provide an example.

34. Compare stack and heap data/memory.

35. List two advantages of using heap memory.

36. Is there anything wrong with the below function that destroys the linked list?

```
struct Node {
    const void* val;
    struct Node* next;
};

struct List {
    struct Node* front;
};

void destroy_linked_list(struct List* lst) {
    struct Node* cur = lst->front;
    while (cur) {
        free(cur);
        cur = cur->next;
    }
}
```

37. Will the below code result in a dangling pointer? **NO**

```

void bruhdanglingptr(int n) {
    char *a = malloc(n * sizeof(char));
    char *b = malloc(n * sizeof(char));
    b = a;
}

```

38. Will the below code result in a dangling pointer? **NO**

```

void bruhdanglingptr(int n) {
    char *a = malloc(n * sizeof(char));
    a = malloc(2 * n * sizeof(char));
}

```

39. Will the below code result in a dangling pointer? **YES**

```

void bruhdanglingptr(int n) {
    char *a = malloc(n * sizeof(char));
    char *c = realloc(a, 2 * n * sizeof(char));
}

```

40. Will the below code for sure result in a memory leak? **YES**

```

void bruhmemleak(int n) {
    char *a = malloc(n * sizeof(char));
    char *b = malloc(n * sizeof(char));
    b = a;
}

```

41. Will the below code for sure result in a memory leak? **NO**

```

void bruhmemleak(int n) {
    char *a = malloc(n * sizeof(char));
    char *c = realloc(a, 2 * n * sizeof(char));
}

```

42. Is it true that the worst case complexity of pushing to a stack ADT seen in class is $O(n)$? **TRUE**

43. Is it true that if a program runs $O(1)$ amortized, then its worst case complexity cannot be worse than $O(n)$? **FALSE**

44. Is it true that amortized analysis is only applicable to data structures and cannot be used for analyzing algorithms? **FALSE**

45. Is it true that the amortized cost of an operation is always equal to the worst case cost of that operation? **FALSE**

46. Is it true that the amortized runtime/cost of an operation is always better than the worst case cost/runtime of that operation? **FALSE**

47. Beside each print statement, write the corresponding output (address), if there's an error, describe why. See the code here: <https://pastebin.com/qeqgGQz4>. **RUN IT YOURSELF LOL**

Complexity Analysis

1. What's the runtime worst case running time in terms of parameter n for the following function:

```
bool is_prime(int n) {
    if (n <= 1) {
        return false;
    } else if (n == 2) {
        return true;
    }
    for (int i = 3; i * i <= n; i += 2) {
        if (n % i == 0) {
            return false;
        }
    }
    return true;
}
```

Options:

- a. $O(n)$
- b. $O(\log n)$
- c. $O(\sqrt{n})$ ✓
- d. $O(n^2)$

2. What's the worst case time complexity/efficiency of this code:

```
void subset_sums(int i, int n, int val, int a[]) {
    if (i == n) {
        printf("%d\n", val);
        return;
    }

    subset_sums(i + 1, n, val, a);
    if (i % 2 == 1) {
        subset_sums(i + 1, n, val + a[i], a);
    }
}
```

Options:

- a. $O(n^2)$
- b. $O(n)$
- c. $O(n!)$
- d. $O(2^n)$ ✓

3. What's the worst case time complexity/efficiency of this code:

```
int cringe_search() {
    int lo = 0, hi = 1000000, ans = -1;
    while (lo <= hi) {
        int mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        if (mid % 2 == 1) {
            ans = mid;
            hi = mid - 1;
        } else {
            lo = mid + 1;
        }
    }
    return ans;
}
```

Options:

- a. $O(\log n)$
- b. $O(n)$
- c. $O(1)$ ✓
- d. $O(n^2)$

4. What's the worst case complexity of the following pseudocode:

```
p = 1
s = 0
for i = 1 to n do
    p = p * 2
    for j = 1 to p do
        s = s + 1
```

Options:

- a. $O(2^n)$ ✓
- b. $O(n \log n)$
- c. $O(n2^n)$
- d. $O(n^2)$

You may find geometric series summation formula useful:

$$s_n = ar^0 + ar^1 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} ar^k = \sum_{k=1}^n ar^{k-1} = \begin{cases} a \frac{1-r^n}{1-r} & \text{if } r \neq 1 \\ an & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

5. What's the runtime worst case running time in terms of parameter n :

```
int fibonacci(int n) {
    if (n <= 1) {
        return n;
    }

    int a = 0, b = 1;
    for (int i = 2; i <= n; i++) {
        int temp = a + b;
        a = b;
        b = temp;
    }
    return b;
}
```

Options:

- $O(n)$ ✓
- $O(1)$
- $O(\sqrt{n})$
- $O(n^2)$

6. What's the runtime worst case running time in terms of parameter n :

```
void f(int n) {
    int a = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        for (int j = n; j > i; j /= 2) {
            a = a + 1;
        }
    }
}
```

Options:

- $O(n)$
- $O(n \log n)$ ✓
- $O(n\sqrt{n})$
- $O(n^2)$

7. Give the exact number of iterations performed, i.e., what's the value printed:

```
void f(int n) {
    int value = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        for (int j = 0; j < i; j++) {
            value += 1;
        }
    }
    printf("%d\n", value);
}
```

Options:

- $n(n+1)$
- $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ ✓
- n^2
- n

8. What's the worst case complexity of the function `dumb_binary_search`:

```
int binary_search(int arr[], int lo, int hi, int target) {
    while (lo <= hi) {
        int mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        if (arr[mid] == target) {
            return mid;
        } else if (arr[mid] < target) {
            lo = mid + 1;
        }
        else {
            hi = mid - 1;
        }
    }
    return -1;
}

int dumb_binary_search(int arr[], int n, int target) {
    int lo = 0, hi = n - 1;
    while (lo <= hi) {
        int mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        if (arr[mid] == target) {
            return mid;
        } else if (arr[mid] < target) {
            lo = mid + 1;
        }
        else {
            int result = binary_search(arr, lo, mid - 1, target
);
            if (result != -1) {
                return -1;
            }
            hi = mid - 1;
        }
    }
    return -1;
}
```

Options:

- $O(\log n)$
- $O((\log n)^2)$ ✓
- $O(n \log n)$
- $O(\log(n^2))$

9. What's the worst case complexity of the function `weird` (be exact):

```
void weird(int n, int m) {
    for (int i = 2; i <= n; i++) {
        for (int j = 1; j < i % m; j++) {
            printf("*");
        }
    }
}
```

Options:

- $O(n^2)$
- $O(n)$
- $O(m)$
- $O(nm)$ ✓

10. What is the worst case complexity of the following function `weird2`?

```
void weird2(int n, int m) {
    for (int i = 2; i <= n; i++) {
        for (int j = 1; j < i % 1000000; j++) {
            printf("*");
        }
    }
}
```

Options:

- $O(n)$ ✓
- $O(n^2)$
- $O(n \log n)$
- $O(\log n)$

11. What's the worst case complexity of the function `weird_recurrence2`? **Hint: Geometric Series Sum**

```
void weird_recurrence2(int n) {
    if (n == 0) return;
    weird_recurrence(n / 2);

    int s = 0;

    for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i) {
        for (int j = i + 1; j < n; ++j) {
            s++;
        }
    }

    printf("%d\n", s);
}
```

Options:

- $O(n^2 \log n)$
- $O(n^3)$
- $O(n^2)$ ✓
- $O(n \log n)$

12. What's the worst case complexity of the function `a_string_function`?

```
void a_string_function(char* s) {
    const char* dummy = "abc";
    char *res = "";

    for (int i = 0; i < strlen(s); ++i) {
        if (strcmp(dummy, s)) {
            strcat(res, s);
        }
    }
    printf("gg %s", res);
}
```

Options:

- $O(n^2)$
- $O(n^3)$ ✓
- $O(n^4)$
- $O(n^5)$

13. What's the worst case complexity of the function `a_string_function2`?

```
void a_string_function2(char* s, char* s2, char*res) {
    const char* tmp = "sheeeesh";

    for (int i = 0; i < strlen(s); ++i) {
        for (int j = 0; j < strlen(tmp); j *= 2) {
            strcpy(res, s2);
        }
    }
    printf("%s", res);
}
```

Options:

- $O(nm^2)$
- $O(nm \log n)$
- $O(n^2m^2)$
- $O(n^2m)$ ✓
- $O(n^2m \log n)$

14. What's the worst case complexity of the function `two_ptr`?

```
int two_ptr(int nums[], int k, int n) {
    int ans = n * (n + 1) / 2, max = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        if (nums[i] > max) {
            max = nums[i];
        }
    }

    int cnt[100005] = {0};

    for (int i = 0, j = 0; j < n; ++j) {
        cnt[nums[j]]++;
        while (i <= j && cnt[max] >= k) {
            cnt[nums[i]]--;
            i++;
        }
        ans -= (j - i + 1);
    }
    return ans;
}
```

Options:

- $O(n^2)$
- $O(n)$ ✓
- $O(n \log n)$
- $O(n\sqrt{n})$

15. What's the worst case complexity of the function `nxt_greater`, assuming a stack ADT implemented with dynamic array is available.

```
void nxt_greater(int nums[], int n) {
    struct stack* stk = stack_create();
    for (int i = n - 1; i >= 0; --i) {
        while (!stack_empty(stk) && stack_top(stk) <= nums[i])
            stack_pop(stk);
        if (stack_empty(stk))
            printf("%d has no next greater element\n", nums[i]);
        else
            printf("%d has next greater element - %d \n", nums[i], stack_top(stk));
        stack_push(stk, nums[i]);
    }
}
```

Options:

- $O(n)$ ✓
- $O(n^2)$
- $O(n \log n)$

Programming Questions

1.

```
int pow(int b, int p) {
    if (p == 0) { // base case
        return 1;
    }
    int half = pow(b, p / 2); //  $b^k$ 
    if (p % 2 == 0) { //  $b^{2k} = (b^k)^2$ 
        return half * half; //  $b^{2k} = (b^k)^2$ 
    } else { //  $b^{(2k+1)} = b^{2k} * b$ 
        return half * half * b;
    }
}
```

2.

```
void special_sort(int A[], int n) {
    const int max = 1000;
    int cnt[1001] = {0};
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        cnt[A[i]]++;
    }
    int idx = 0;
    for (int i = 1; i <= max; i++) {
        for (int j = 0; j < cnt[i]; j++) {
            A[idx] = i;
            idx++;
        }
    }
}
```

<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/counting-sort/>

3.

```
struct stack;
// malloc a stack in heap memory
struct stack *create();
// check if stack is empty
bool empty(const struct stack *stk);
// push element to top of stack
void push(void *item, struct stack *stk);
// get the top element of the stack
const void *top(const struct stack *stk);
// remove the top element of the stack
void *pop(struct stack *stk);
// free the resources used by stack
void destroy(struct stack *s);

bool balanced(char* s, int n) {
    struct stack* stk = create();
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        if (s[i] == ')') {
            if (!empty(stk) && top(stk) == '(') {
                pop(stk);
            } else {
                return false;
            }
        } else if (s[i] == ']') {
            if (!empty(stk) && top(stk) == '[') {
                pop(stk);
            } else {
                return false;
            }
        } else if (s[i] == '}') {
            if (!empty(stk) && top(stk) == '{') {
                pop(stk);
            } else {
                return false;
            }
        } else if (s[i] == '(' || s[i] == '[' || s[i] == '{') {
            push(s[i], stk);
        }
    }
    bool empty = empty(stk);
    destroy(stk);
    return empty;
}
```

4.

```
char most_frequent(const char* s, int n) {
    int cnt[128] = {0};
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        cnt[s[i]]++;
    }
    char res = '\0';
    int max_cnt = 0;
    for (int c = 0; c < 128; c++) {
        if (cnt[c] > max_cnt) {
            max_cnt = cnt[c];
            res = (char) c;
        }
    }
    return res;
}
```

5.

```

struct Node {
    const void* val;
    Node* nxt;
};

struct List {
    Node* front;
};

struct hashtable {
    int size;
    int bucket_length;
    int (*hash_func)(const void *);
    int (*key_cmp)(const void *, const void *);
    void (*key_print)(const void *);
    struct List **buckets;
};

struct hashtable *table_create(int M, int (*hash_func)(const void
*), int (*key_cmp)(const void *, const void *), void (*key_print
)(const void *)) {
    struct hashtable *ht = malloc(sizeof (struct hashtable));
    ht->size = 0;
    ht->bucket_length = M;
    ht->hash_func = hash_func;
    ht->key_cmp = key_cmp;
    ht->key_print = key_print;
    ht->buckets = malloc(sizeof (struct List *) * M);
    for (int i = 0; i < M; i++) {
        ht->buckets[i] = malloc(sizeof (struct List));
        ht->buckets[i]->front = NULL;
    }
    return ht;
}

void list_insert(const void* val, struct List* bucket) {
    assert(val);
    assert(bucket);
    struct Node* n = malloc(sizeof (struct Node));
    n->nxt = NULL;
    n->val = val;
    if (bucket->front == NULL) {
        bucket->front = n;
    } else {
        n->nxt = bucket->front;
        bucket->front = n;
    }
}

bool table_insert(const void* x, struct hashtable* ht) {
    assert(x);
    assert(ht);
    int hsh = ht->hash_func(x);
    struct Node* p = ht->buckets[hsh]->front;
    while (p) {
        if (ht->key_cmp(x, p->val) == 0) {

```

```

        return false;
    }
    p = p->nxt;
}

list_insert(x, ht->buckets[hsh]);
ht->size++;

return true;
}

bool table_search(const void* x, struct hashtable* ht) {
    assert(x);
    assert(ht);
    int hsh = ht->hash_func(x);
    struct List* l = ht->buckets[hsh];
    struct Node* ptr = l->front;
    while (ptr) {
        if (ht->key_cmp(x, ptr->val) == 0) {
            return true;
        }
        ptr = ptr->nxt;
    }
    return false;
}

bool table_remove(const void* x, struct hashtable* ht) {
    int hsh = ht->hash_func(x);
    struct List* l = ht->buckets[hsh];
    if (ht->key_cmp(l->front->val, x) == 0) { // remove from head
        struct Node* tmp = l->front;
        l->front = l->front->nxt;
        ht->size--;
        free(tmp); // must free
    }
    struct Node* ptr = l->front;
    struct Node* prev = NULL;
    while (ptr) {
        if (ht->key_cmp(x, ptr->val) == 0) {
            prev->nxt = ptr->nxt;
            free(ptr);
            ht->size--;
            return true;
        }
        prev = ptr;
        ptr = ptr->nxt;
    }
    return false;
}

void table_print(struct hashtable* ht) {
    for (int i = 0; i < ht->bucket_length; i++) {
        struct List* lst = ht->buckets[i];
        if (lst->front == NULL) {
            printf("EMPTY Bucket\n");
            continue;
        }
        struct Node* p =

```

```
lst->front;
    while (p) {
        ht->key_print(p->val);
        p = p->nxt;
    }
    printf("\n");
}
```

6.

```
struct Node {
    int val;
    struct Node* left;
    struct Node* right;
    struct Node* parent;
};

struct Node* find_lca(struct Node* n1, struct Node* n2) {
    struct Node* p1 = n1;
    struct Node* p2 = n2;
    int dep1 = 0, dep2 = 0;
    while (p1->parent != NULL) {
        p1 = p1->parent;
        dep1++;
    }
    while (p2->parent != NULL) {
        p2 = p2->parent;
        dep2++;
    }
    if (p1 != p2) { // not on same tree
        return NULL;
    }
    p1 = n1;
    p2 = n2;
    while (dep1 > dep2) {
        p1 = p1->parent;
        dep1--;
    }
    while (dep2 > dep1) {
        p2 = p2->parent;
        dep2--;
    }
    while (p1 != p2) {
        p1 = p1->parent;
        p2 = p2->parent;
    }
    return p1;
}
```

7. Assume we have a variant of the binary tree, called a d -ary tree, where each node have exactly d children except the leaf nodes. Write a function `find_val` that returns the value of the k th ($1 \leq k \leq n$) element from the left in the j th level (root is level 1). The runtime should be $O(n)$ where n is the total number of elements. (**Challenge: Solve in $O(h)$ where h is the height of the d -ary tree**)

```

struct DaryTreeNode {
    int value;
    struct DaryTreeNode** children; // Array of pointers to
        children
    int numChildren;                // Actual number of
        children
};

/**
 * @param root The root of the d-ary tree.
 * @param j The depth of the element to find.
 * @param k The position of the element to find.
 */
int find_kth(struct DaryTreeNode* root, int j, int k) {
    int answer = 0;
    int index = 0;
    find_kth_helper(root, j, k, 0, &index, &answer);
    return answer;
}

void find_kth_util(struct DaryTreeNode* node, int j, int k, int
    current_depth, int* index, int* answer) {
    if (*index == k) return;

    if (current_depth == j) {
        (*index)++;
        if (k == *index) {
            *answer = node->val;
        }
        return;
    }

    for (int i = 0; i < node->d; i++) {
        find_kth_helper(node->children[i], j, k, current_depth + 1,
            index, answer);
    }
}

```

8.

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char* substr(char* s, int i, int j) {
    char* ans = malloc((j - i + 1) * sizeof(char));

    for (int t = i; t < j; t++) {
        ans[t - i] = s[i];
    }
    ans[j - i] = '\0';

    return ans;
}
```


9. <https://pastebin.com/u3jjQcFQ>