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INSTRUCTIONS

This homework assignment may be completed in groups of size 1-4. The solutions must be **typed** (using a computer.) Figures and graphs can be handdrawn. For algorithm descriptions we require a high-level English description AND an implementation description. If you find it necessary to also include a pseudocode to help understand your description then feel free to include it.

Please refer to the course page for requirements in writing up answers for algorithm questions.

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1. (25 points) Construct a divide and conquer recursive algorithm that takes as input a binary tree  $T$  and computes, for each pair of nodes  $x$  and  $y$  in  $T$ , the deepest node that is an ancestor of both  $x$  and  $y$ , and stores it in an array  $LCA[x, y]$ . The main idea is that if  $x$  is in the left sub-tree of the root, and  $y$  is in the right sub-tree, then the only common ancestor of  $x$  and  $y$  is the root. Otherwise, the least common ancestor is in the subtree that contains both  $x$  and  $y$ .

Each non-leaf in  $T$ ,  $x$ , has left-child  $x.left$ , and right child  $x.right$ , and each non-root has parent  $x.parent$ . (Child pointers at leaves and the parent pointer at the root return NULL). For any searches, use depth-first search procedure  $DFS$  that is linear-time in the size of the sub-tree and returns the list of nodes in the sub-tree.

(Give the recursive algorithm - 10 points, Give the recursion for runtime indicated by your algorithm in case of a complete binary tree - 5 points, Solve this recursion for runtime analysis - 10 points )

2. (25 points) Consider the following problem:

We are given an array of real numbers  $V[1..n]$ . We wish to find a subset of array positions,  $S \subseteq [1..n]$  that maximizes  $\sum_{i \in S} V[i]$  subject to no two consecutive array positions being in  $S$ . For example, say  $V = [10, 14, 12, 6, 13, 4]$ , the best solution is to take elements 1, 3, 5 to get a total of  $10 + 12 + 13 = 35$ . If instead, we try to take the 14 in position 2, we must exclude the 10 and 12 in positions 1 and 3, leaving us with the second best choice 2, 5 giving a total of  $14 + 13 = 27$ . Design a divide and conquer algorithm that is based on a case analysis, do we pick position  $n/2$  or not? Your algorithm should just find the best sum, not the set of positions.

(Note: your algorithm should run in  $O(n^2)$  time.)

3. (25 points) Your input list of length  $n$  consists of  $n-1$  consecutive non-negative integers in the range of 1 to  $n+1$  and one of the integers is missing in the list.

for example:

Input : ar: [1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8]

Assume that there are no duplicates in list. Suggest the most efficient divide and conquer algorithm to find the missing number in this list.

( Algorithm description - 10 points, runtime recursion - 5 points, recursion solution and algorithm efficiency - 10 points)

4. (25 points)

a) Consider the following recursive algorithm: We are given a binary tree  $T$ . In addition, at each node  $x$  except the root, we are given a positive real value  $d(x)$  called the distance between  $x$  and its parent, We want to find the distances between every two nodes  $x, y$  in the tree and store it in an array  $D[x, y]$ . Let  $L_x$  represent the left sub-tree rooted at  $x$  and  $R_x$  the right sub-tree. The algorithm to do so is as follows:

- (a) Distances( $root$ ){compute all distances between pairs of nodes in the sub-tree rooted at  $root$ . }
- (b) If  $root = NIL$  then halt.
- (c) ELSE do:
- (d) begin;{else}
- (e) Distances( $lc(root)$ );
- (f) Distances( $rc(root)$ );
- (g) For each  $I \in L_{root}$ ,  $D[I, root] := D[I, lc(root)] + d(lc(root))$ .
- (h) For each  $J \in R_{root}$ ,  $D[J, root] := D[J, rc(root)] + d(rc(root))$ .
- (i) For each  $I \in L_{root}$  do:
- (j)     For each  $J \in R_{root}$  do:
- (k)          $D[I, J] = D[I, root] + D[J, root]$ .
- (l) end;{else}

Consider the case when the tree is almost perfectly balanced, i.e, for every  $x$ ,  $|L(x)| - 1 \leq |R(x)| \leq |L(x)| + 1$ . Give a recurrence relation for the time the algorithm takes in this case, and solve it to get the order of the time. (Finding correct recursion- 10 points, solving it to get correct run time - 10 points)

b) Consider the recurrence :

$$T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n^3/\log(n)$$

What does the master theorem suggest as a solution to this problem ? (5 points)