



# SOUTH EASTERN KENYA UNIVERSITY

## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018

### FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND BACHELOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#### SCI 311: ANALYSIS AND DESIGN OF ALGORITHMS

**DATE: 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2017**

**TIME: 1.30 -3.30 PM**

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

a) Answer ALL questions from section A(Compulsory)

b) Answer ANY TWO questions from section B

#### SECTION A (30 MARKS )

##### *Compulsory*

1.

a. For each of the following functions, indicate how much the functions' values will change if its argument is increased fourfold.

i.  $\log_2 n$

ii.  $\sqrt{n}$

iii.  $n^2$

(6 Marks)

b. Explain the basic asymptotic efficiency classes.

(6 Marks)

c. Prove that  $\frac{n^2(n-1)}{2} \in \theta(n^3)$

(6 Marks)

d. Given a sequence of numbers, design an algorithm to find the maximum number.

(6 Marks)

e. Use Algorithm 1 to answer the questions that follow:

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Algorithm 1: BubbleSort(A)
for Phase k = 1, 2, ..., n
for Position j = 1, 2, ..., n - 1
if A[j] > A[j + 1]
Swap the entries A[j] and A[j + 1]
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i. Prove the correctness of Algorithm 1 by 'loop invariants'. (4 Marks)

ii. Show that the number of inverted pairs is exactly equal to the number of swaps when we perform BubbleSort. (2 Marks)

## SECTION B (40 MARKS)

*Attempt ANY TWO questions from this section*

- 2.
- Using an appropriate example, explain brute-force method? (4 Marks)
  - Explain sequential search algorithm with an example. Analyze its efficiency. (6 Marks)
  - Write the merge sort algorithm and discuss its efficiency. (4 Marks)
  - Sort the list E, X, A, M, P, L, E in alphabetical order using merge sort (6 Marks)
- 3.
- Consider the Algorithm II. Use it to answer questions that follow.  
Algorithm II  

```
(A[0.. n -1, 0.. n- 1])
  for i →0 to n-2 do
    for j← i+1 to n-1 do
      if A[i, j] + A[j, i]
        return false
    end for
  end for
  return true
end algorithm
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    - State the function of the algorithm (1 Mark)
    - Identify the basic operation (1 Mark)
    - Infer the number of times the basic operation identified above is executed (2 Marks)
    - Analyze the efficiency of the algorithm (4 Marks)
    - Suggest an improvement to the algorithm (2 Marks)
  - Write depth first search algorithm. (07 Marks)
    - Briefly explain how breadth first search can be used to check correctness of a graph and also to find the number of components in a graph. (03 Marks)
- 4.
- Write the quick sort algorithm. (4 Marks)
  - Using the algorithm in (a) above, sort the data set 5, 3, 1, 9, 8, 2,4,7. (6 Marks)
  - Write an algorithm to find the height of binary tree. (4 Marks)
  - Outline an exhaustive search algorithm to solve a travelling salesman problem. (6 Marks)