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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF
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FOR THE DEGREE

IN

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/COMPUTER SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: BCS 225/BIT 225

**COURSE TITLE: DATA STRUCTURES AND
ALGORITHMS**

DATE: Monday 25/04/2022

TIME: 8:00a.m-10:00a.m

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Questions ONE and ANY OTHER TWO.

TIME: 2 HOURS

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QUESTION ONE (30MARKS)-compulsory

- a) Define the following terms as applied to Data Structures and Algorithms (3mks)
- i) Postfix expression
 - ii) Data Abstraction
 - iii) Linked List
- b) Explain the process of inserting a new item in a binary search tree (3mks)
- c) Using a binary tree, what is the postfix expression of $A-D+B*C/E*F$ (3mks)
- d) Name two collision resolution techniques used in hashing (2mks)
- e) What is the number of nodes in a strictly binary tree having 9 leaves? (2mks)
- f) List any three fundamental rules of recursion (3mks)
- d) Write down the heap sort algorithm/ to sort the following data using heap sort method, show the procedure step by step
- 2, 6, 7, 5, 10, 9, 2, 4** (4mks)
- g) Draw a graph to illustrate different big O notation. Explain each graph (4mks)
- h) Construct a binary search tree using the following data (3mks)
- 50 70 25 90 30 55 25 15 25
- i) Explain how one will delete node 30 in h) above (3mks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Write a code to show how a bubble sort works (4mks)
- b) Calculate the time complexity of the code above (2mks)
- c) The following array was passed into the code written in above,
- ```
int a []= {56,89,23,2,67,80, 89};
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- What will be the output? Show all steps for maximum marks (4mks)
- d) If the int a in c) above was passed into a selection sort algorithm, show the steps that will be used to sort. Which one will run faster? Explain. (4mks)
- e) Explain how a selection sort works on an array using a diagram (2mks)
- f) Write an algorithm to find the max element from array by using recursion (4mks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Name two non linear data structures (2mks)
- b) Write a recursive function to add the first ten integers from 1 to 10 (6mks)
- c) Represent the following expression as binary tree and write prefix and postfix form of the expression  $(A+B+C*D)-(A/B-CD+E)$  (4mks)
- d) Using a stack, calculate the value of the following postfix expression  $23*45/-$  (2mks)
- e) Consider the following equation  $B- 4/5+6/7 /88-94*2+8$

- i. Draw a tree for the equation (2mks)
- ii. What is the prefix of the equation? (2mks)
- iii. What is the postfix of the equation (2mks)

#### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Define the term height of a tree using an example (2mks)
- b) Convert the following infix expression into postfix expression using stack and show each step used.  $((A+B)/(C+D)S(E/F))+(G+H)/K$  (6mks)
- c) Write a function to add a node at the start of an empty linked list (3mks)
- d) Write a function to delete a node from circular queue (3mks)
- e) Make a BTS for the following sequence of numbers (6mks)  
**45,32,90,34,68,72,15,24,30,66,11,50,10**

#### QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) State two reason why implementation of stack using array is advised (2mks)
- b) Define a queue as applied to Data Structures (2mks)
- c) A queue operates on the principle of First in First out. (2mks)
  - i. Write a code to add an item to the queue using java (2mks)
  - ii. Write a code to remove an item from the queue (2mks)
  - iii. Write a code to look up an item from the queue (2mks)
  - iv. Calculate the time complexity of i,ii,iii above (3mks)
- d) Name two recursive algorithms used in sorting (2mks)
- e) Consider the following data elements.

12, 28, 45, 17, 25, 3, 7, 9, 12

Using Heap Sort and an array, sort the elements in:

- i) Ascending order (2mks)
- ii) Descending order (3mks)