CSE 373 Final Review List
OPEN BOOK, OPEN NOTES
Comprehensive Exam with Emphasis on the 2nd Half Material

1. Complexity
   • Be able to analyze and compare the time complexities of various algorithms using Big-O notation.

2. Lists, Stacks, and Queues
   • Be able to work with these structures, using abstract operations or implementing new operations as needed.

3. Recursion
   • Be able to trace how a given recursive procedure, function, or definition works on given input(s).
   • Be able to write a recursive procedure or function to accomplish some task, particularly involving the structures studied since the midterm: heaps, priority queues, disjoint sets, and graphs.

4. Trees
   • Be able to write recursive or iterative functions that operate on general trees, plain binary trees, binary search trees, or B-trees with a given node structure.
   • Be able to answer questions on balancing techniques.

5. Hashing
   • Be able to show how open addressing works with various collision-handling schemes (linear probing, quadratic probing, double hashing, rehashing or some given scheme) on given data.
   • Be able to use hashing as a utility in the solution of other problems.
   • Be able to analyze the complexity of given hashing schemes or algorithms that use them.

6. Priority Queues
   • Be able to apply the basic operations Insert and DeleteMin to a binary heap.
   • Be able to build a heap (either min or max) using the BuildHeap approach.
   • Be able to write or analyze functions that work with binary heaps.
   • Be able to show how Heapsort works on a small example.
7. Disjoint Sets

- Be able to use the union-find (up-tree) data structure in problems that deal with disjoint sets.
- Be able to answer questions about the various union and find variations and their complexity.

8. Graphs and Digraphs

- Be able to write functions that work with any of the the variations: directed graphs, undirected graphs, weighted and unweighted graphs.
- Be able to use the two different representations we covered: adjacency matrices and adjacency lists.
- Be able to show how the following algorithms work on given data:
  - breadth-first and depth-first search
  - topological sort
  - unweighted shortest path
  - Dijkstra’s algorithm for weighted shortest path
  - Kruskal’s algorithm for finding the minimal spanning tree of a weighted graph
  - the backtracking tree search algorithm for subgraph isomorphism
  - the branch-and-bound search for finding least-error mappings

9. General

- Know the purpose of and potential uses of each data structure we have covered plus the complexities of the operations on each structure. Be able to answer questions about which structure is most suitable for a given task.