

Statistics (N = 193)

Full mark = 44. Maximum = 35. Median = 11. Advance to Final = 13 marks or above.

Section A

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4	A	<p>There are total 9 depths since $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 9 = 45$.</p> <p>And the sum of all depths = $1 \times 1 + 2 \times 2 + \dots + 9 \times 9 = 285 \neq 72$, so (ii) is incorrect.</p> <p>The nodes at the bottom (ie. with depth 9) must be leaves. If the number of leaves is 9, then all the nodes with depth less than 9 have at least one child. According to the property of this tree, there are exactly one node at the next depth, so every node has at most 2 children, T will be a binary tree if the number of leaves is 9, so (i) is correct.</p> <p>To obtain the max. no. of leaves, all nodes with depth (i + 1) should connect to a single node with depth i, in this case, the total no. of leaves = $0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + 7 + 9$ (all the nodes at the bottom must be leaves) = 37, so (iii) is incorrect.</p>
5	B	<p>All the n statements are contradictory, so at least n – 1 people are lying. Suppose all the n people are lying, in this case, P_n's statement is correct, which violates our assumption. So, only n – 1 people are lying, which means P_{n-1} tells the truth.</p>
6	D	<p>The possible outputs are -2, -1, 0, 1 and 2</p>
7	A	<p>Consider only the worst case, the time complexity of merge sort is $O(n \lg n)$ while the three other sorting algorithm will give a time complexity of $O(n^2)$.</p>
8	D	<p>We may only perform binary search on a sorted array or something with monotone.</p>
9	D	<p>Since i is always less than n and i is not zero, so $i \% n$ will never be zero, so the program will always output "Prime" if n is valid.</p>
10		<p>Cancelled</p>
11	B	<p>Let F_n be the nth Fibonacci number, $\text{tri}[i][j]$ is actually equal to F_{i-j+1} when $j \neq 0$ and equal to 1 when $j = 0$.</p> <p>So $\text{tri}[7][1] = F_7 = 13$</p>
12	B	<p>Similar to Q.11</p> <p>$\text{tri}[13][7] = F_7 = 13$</p>
13	A	<p>When $n = 31$, i & (n – i) will always equal to zero for $0 \leq i \leq n$. Actually, this is true for any n where $n = 2^k - 1$ where k is any positive integer.</p>
14	C	<p>7 is a special number since $7 = 111_{(2)}$, and therefore,</p> $0 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7$ $= 7 + 6 + 5 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1 + 0$ $= (0 \text{ xor } 7) + (1 \text{ xor } 7) + (2 \text{ xor } 7) + (3 \text{ xor } 7) + (4 \text{ xor } 7) + (5 \text{ xor } 7) + (6 \text{ xor } 7) + (7 \text{ xor } 7).$ <p>Similarly, $8 + 9 + \dots + 15 = (8 \text{ xor } 7) + (9 \text{ xor } 7) + \dots + (15 \text{ xor } 7)$.</p> <p>And so $(0 \text{ xor } 7) + (1 \text{ xor } 7) + \dots + (100 \text{ xor } 7)$</p> $= 0 + 1 + \dots + 95 + (96 \text{ xor } 7) + (97 \text{ xor } 7) + (98 \text{ xor } 7) + (99 \text{ xor } 7) + (100 \text{ xor } 7)$ $= 95 \times 96 \div 2 + 103 + 102 + 101 + 100 + 99$ $= 5065$
15	D	<p>One way to think is that the computer's memory is a very large array.</p>

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- 16 C Due to the last in first out property of a stack, the array will be reversed if it is pushed into and then popped from a stack. And if the array is pushed into and popped from a queue, it will have no effects on the array. So, if only one of P and Q is a stack, then the array will be reversed.
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- 17 B Let's calculate the no. of stars printed for each procedure.
 For a, the no. of stars printed = $2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 11 = 65$.
 For b, the while loop will only run once, and the no. of stars printed = $(20 - 3) / 2 = 8$.
 For c, when $i = 1$, there are $4 \times 4 = 16$ stars. When $i = 2$, if $(j, k) = (3, 4), (4, 3)$ or $(4, 4)$ there will be no stars, so there are totally $4 \times 4 - 3 = 13$ stars. When $i = 3$, if $(j, k) = (2, 4), (3, 3), (3, 4), (4, 2), (4, 3)$ or $(4, 4)$, there will be no stars, so there are totally $4 \times 4 - 6 = 10$ stars. When $i = 4$, there will be star only if $(j, k) = (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 1)$ or $(4, 1)$, so there are 8 stars. Procedure c will print $16 + 13 + 10 + 8 = 47$ stars.
 For d, all pair of (j, k) will produce exactly 2 stars (i is from 1 to 6), so it will print $7 + 6 + 5 + 4 + 3 = 25$ stars.
 So procedure b will print the least no. of stars and procedure a will print the most no. of stars
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- 18 A See Q.17
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- 19 B $x[j]$ is the no. of prime factors of j , the prime factors of 30 is 2, 3 and 5, the prime factor of 37 is 37, the prime factors of 60 is 2, 3 and 5, the prime factor of 999 is 3 and 37.
 Therefore $x[30] + x[37] + x[60] + x[999] = 3 + 1 + 3 + 2 = 9$
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- 20 B After first two sorts, $a[0] \leq a[1] \leq a[2] \leq a[3]$ and $a[6] \leq a[7] \leq a[8] \leq a[9] \leq a[10]$
 After the third sort, $a[0] \leq a[1] \leq a[8] \leq a[9] \leq a[10]$ and $a[2] \leq a[3] \leq a[4] \leq a[5] \leq a[6] \leq a[7] \leq a[8] \leq a[9]$
 After the fourth sort, $a[0] \leq a[1] \leq a[8] \leq a[9] \leq a[14]$, $a[2] \leq a[3] \leq a[4] \leq a[5] \leq a[6] \leq a[7] \leq a[8] \leq a[9] \leq a[14]$ and $a[10] \leq a[11] \leq a[12] \leq a[13] \leq a[14]$.
 So $a[9] \geq a[0]$ and $a[14] \geq a[5]$.
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- 21 D This programme's output is the index of the first maximum element.
 For A, the output is 4, for B, the output is 3, for C, the output is 2, for D, the output is 6.
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22 D If (7, 7) is removed, one of the solutions looks like this:

AABCCDD

ABBECFD

GGHEEFF

IGHHJJK

IILLJJK

MMNLOPP

MNNOOP*

If (3, 6) is removed, one of the solutions looks like this:

AABCCDD

ABBECFD

GGHEEFF

GHHIJJK

LLIIJJK

LM*NOPP

MMNNOOP

If (2, 5) is removed, one of the solutions looks like this:

AABBCDD

EABCCDF

EEGGHFF

IIGJHHK

I*LJJJK

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23 C By using some simple algebra, we have $c + 2 \leq b \leq a + 1 \leq c + 4$.

When $b = c + 2$, we have $c + 2 \leq a + 1 \leq c + 4$, a can be $c + 1$, $c + 2$ or $c + 3$.

When $b = c + 3$, we have $c + 3 \leq a + 1 \leq c + 4$, a can be $c + 2$ or $c + 3$.

When $b = c + 4$, we have $c + 4 \leq a + 1 \leq c + 4$, a can only be $c + 3$.

So there are total 6 different pairs of (a, b) for every c .

Since $0 \leq c \leq 3$, there are 4 possible value of c , the total no. of group = $6 \times 4 = 24$.

24 A Skylake is the codename used by Intel for a processor microarchitecture which was launched in August 2015.

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- 25 B The best solution is to produce a number of villagers continuously until such amount and wait for 500 units of food. The best solution is explained below.

Time	No. of villagers	No. of food before	No. of food after
0	$3 + 4 = 7$	200	$200 - 200 = 0$
$0 + 8 = 8$	$7 + 1 = 8$	$0 + 7 \times 8 = 56$	$56 - 50 = 6$
$8 + 6 = 14$	$8 + 1 = 9$	$6 + 8 \times 6 = 54$	$54 - 50 = 4$
$14 + 6 = 20$	$9 + 1 = 10$	$4 + 9 \times 6 = 58$	$58 - 50 = 8$
$20 + 5 = 25$	$10 + 1 = 11$	$8 + 10 \times 5 = 58$	$58 - 50 = 8$
$25 + 45 = 70$	11	$8 + 11 \times 45 = 503$	$503 - 0 = 503$

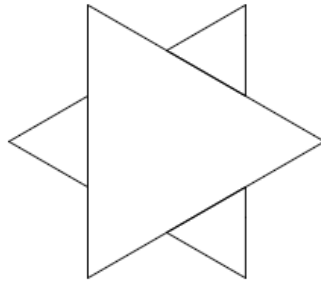
70 seconds is the fastest time.

Section B

Answer and Explanation			
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E	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>The program's output is the no. of 1s minus the no. of 0s of n in binary. $7 = 111_{(2)}$ and it is the minimum possible number to give the output 3.</p>		
F	<p style="text-align: center;">2008</p> <p>The program's output is the no. of 1s minus the no. of 0s of n in binary. 2016 is the maximum valid input and $2016 = 11111100000_{(2)}$, which have 11 bits, and we may deduce the answer has 7 bits of 1 and 4 bits of 0, and the answer turns out to be $11111011000_{(2)} = 2008$</p>		
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I1	<p style="text-align: center;">Primes and their powers (eg. 31, 32)</p> <p>Suppose $x = a * b$ ($a \leq b$), the programme will output a then $a * b$ which is incorrect. If x is a prime or a prime power, then</p>		
I2	<p style="text-align: center;">All other numbers (eg. 33, 34)</p> <p>See I1.</p>		
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Answer and Explanation

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The function `shape` will make the turtle draw something and return back to the original position and facing the original direction. `shape 90` will make the turtle draw a triangle like this: 