

1. (a) What are the differences and similarities between macro and subroutine( or function ). ( 15 points )  
(b) List features of subroutine( or function ). ( 5 points )
2. (a) Is it possible that a variable may have no identifier associated with it? Explain your assertion. (10 points)  
(b) Explain how a recursive procedure call can be done. (10 points)
3. (a) Given a two-hundred digits positive integer, design an algorithm to determine whether the number is prime or not using a 32 bits computer. ( 15 points )  
(b) Estimate how many years your algorithm may take to finish the job in worst case, if there is a PC that can perform 1 million arithmetic operations of 200 digits numbers in 1 second. ( 5 points )
4. (a) Explain the differences and similarities between I/O buffer and cache. ( 10 points )  
(b) Would it be better to use cache as I/O buffer? Argue your assertion. ( 5 points )
5. (a) Define the following terms:  
linked list, queue, stack and binary tree. ( 10 points )  
(b) Describe how to merge 2 unsorted one-way circular linked lists in  $O(1)$  time bound. ( 8 points )  
(c) Describe how to delete an element with index  $k$  from a unsorted array of size  $n$  in  $O(1)$  time bound. ( 7 points )