

# University of Waterloo

## CS240 Winter 2024

### Assignment 4 Post-Mortem

#### General

- Some students had incorrect file name. Please make sure to have correct file, including .pdf extension. Moreover, make sure that your submission contains correct contents as well.
- Some students submitted their hand-written work, which is totally fine as long as it is legible.

#### Question 1

- Some students took a similar approach to Solution 3 which is totally fine. However, one detail that must be addressed was an issue with an algorithm that does less than  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  comparisons. Simply stating that such number of comparison is required is not sufficient and received some deductions.
- For those students whose approach was similar to Solution 1, it is important to include ceiling so that the expression can become integer. Missing ceiling received deductions.

#### Question 2

- This question was nicely done overall.
- For part b), some submissions did not address some important details and received deductions.

#### Question 3

- This question was nicely done.
- For part a), some students had reversed linked list in terms of order of elements. It must be that newer elements are at front of linked list in each cell.

#### Question 4

- This question was nicely done.
- For part d), some students took complement approach and did not subtract final probability from 1. Such mistake received some deductions.

### Question 5

- Some students had "sliding window" approach. This approach does not work when there is negative number in the array. For example, if  $m = 11$  and  $A = [1, 9, 4, -2, 3]$ , sliding window approach will miss the correct answer. This approach received deductions.

### Question 6

- For part aii), some students did not use rounding box where its side length is not power of 2. Such mistake received some deductions.

### Question 7

- For part b), some students colored nodes corresponding to  $p_0$  and  $p_6$  as topmost inside nodes. They are boundary node and such mistake received some deductions.