

# Algorithms\* Lab 3

## 1 Review

Topics covered this week:

- recurrences
- heaps and heapsort

## 2 In lab exercises COLLABORATION LEVEL: 0

1. (CLRS 6.1-1) What are the minimum and maximum number of elements in a heap of height  $h$ ? Note: the height of a heap is the number of edges on the longest root-to-leaf path.
2. (CLRS 6.1-2) Show that an  $n$ -element heap has height  $\Theta(\lg n)$  (more precisely,  $\lceil \lg n \rceil$ ).
3. (CLRS 6.1-3) Where in a min-heap might the largest element reside, assuming that all elements are distinct?
4. (CLRS 6.1-5) Is an array that is in sorted order a min-heap?
5. (CLRS 6.1-7) Argue that the leaves are the nodes indexed by  $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 1, \dots, \lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 2, \dots, n$ .
6. What is the effect of calling  $\text{HEAPIFY}(A, i)$  for  $i > \text{size}[A]/2$ ?. Here  $i$  is the index of the node where  $\text{HEAPIFY}$  is called.
7. (CLRS 6.5-2) Illustrate the operation of  $\text{HEAP-INSERT}(A, 7)$  on the heap (note: this is a min-heap):

$$A = \{2, 5, 10, 6, 8, 100, 11, 9, 15, 9, 10, 200, 101\}$$

8. (CLRS 6.2-1) Illustrate the operation of  $\text{HEAPIFY}(A, 1)$  on

$$A = \{(20, 5, 10, 6, 8, 100, 11, 9, 15, 9, 10, 200, 101, 12)\}$$

9. (CLRS 6.3-1) Illustrate the operation of  $\text{BUILD-MAX-HEAP}$  on the array

$$A = \{5, 3, 17, 10, 84, 19, 6, 22, 9\}$$

10. (CLRS 6.4-1) Illustrate the operation of Heapsort on the array

$$A = \{5, 13, 2, 25, 7, 17, 20, 8, 4\}$$

11. (CLRS 6.4-3) What is the running time of Heapsort on an array of length  $n$  that is already sorted in increasing order? What about decreasing order?

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### 3 Homework COLLABORATION LEVEL : 1

- **Grading:** The assignment will be evaluated based not only on the final answer, but also on clarity, neatness and attention to details.
  - **Writing:** Please write each problem on a separate sheet of paper, and write your name on each sheet. The problems will be graded by different TAs.
1. Come up with an algorithm that finds the  $k$ th smallest element in a set of  $n$  distinct integers in  $O(n + k \lg n)$  time.
  2. (C-4.9) Suppose we are given a sequence  $S$  of  $n$  elements, each of which is colored red or blue. Assuming  $S$  is represented as an array, give an  $O(n)$  and in-place method for ordering  $S$  so that all blue elements are listed before all the red elements.
  3. (CLRS 6.5-9) Assume you have  $k$  sorted lists containing a total of  $n$  elements, and you want to merge them together in a single (sorted) list containing all  $n$  elements. For simplicity you may assume that the  $k$  lists contain the same number of elements.
    - (a) Approach 1: merge list 1 with list 2, then merge the result with list 3, then merge the result with list 4, and so on. What is the worst-case running time ?
    - (b) Approach 2: split the  $k$  lists into two halves, merge each one recursively, then use the standard 2-way merge procedure (from mergesort) to combine the two halves. What is the worst-case running time ?
    - (c) Give another approach (to merge the  $k$  lists) that uses a heap, and runs in  $O(n \lg k)$ -time.
  4. (CLRS 7-3) Professors Dewey, Cheatham, and Howe have proposed the following “elegant” sorting algorithm:

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STOOGESORT( $A, i, j$ )
if  $A[i] > A[j]$ 
    then exchange  $A[i] \leftrightarrow A[j]$ 
if  $i + 1 \geq j$ 
    then return
 $k \leftarrow \lfloor (j - i + 1) / 3 \rfloor$ 
STOOGESORT( $A, i, j - k$ )
STOOGESORT( $A, i + k, j$ )
STOOGESORT( $A, i, j - k$ )
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    - a. Argue that  $\text{STOOGESORT}(A, 1, \text{length}[A])$  correctly sorts the input array  $A[1..n]$ , where  $n = \text{length}[A]$ .

Hint: Argue that it sorts correctly any array of 1 or 2 elements. Then assume that it sorts correctly any array of  $2n/3$  elements, and argue that this implies that it sorts correctly any array of  $n$  elements (What is true after the first recursive call? After the second?)
    - b. Give a recurrence for the worst-case running time of  $\text{STOOGESORT}$  and a tight asymptotic ( $\Theta$ -notation) bound on the worst-case running time.