



# CODING BLOCKS

## Hashtable and Heaps

1. Write an efficient function for extracting unique characters from a given string.
2. You are given with an array of integer contain number in no particular order. Write a program find the longest possible sequence of consecutive numbers using the numbers from the array. Best solution takes  $O(n)$  time. □E.g.

Input = [2,12,9,16,10,5,3,20,25,11,1,8,6]    Output=[8,9,10,11,12]

□Input = [15, 13, 23, 21, 19, 11, 16]    Output = [15, 16]

3. Given an array find the number which comes with maximum frequency. It must work in  $O(n)$  time complexity.
  - a. For a sorted array
  - b. For an unsorted array
4. You are given a linked list such that each node has a pointer to next node and an additional random pointer which could point to any node in the list or null. Duplicate the linked list in  $O(n)$  time.
5. Given an array find all pairs of elements whose difference is equal to a given number  $k$ . i.e. find number of possible combinations of  $i$  &  $j$ , s.t.  $a[i] - a[j] = k$
6. Merge  $k$  sorted arraylists into one(Using Heap).
7. You are given an array of  $n$  elements which is almost sorted i.e each element is at most  $k$  away from its target position. Sort the array in  $O(n \log k)$  time.

E.g input = [6, 2, 4, 11, 9, 8] is  $K$  sorted for  $K=3$

8. Write a class which implements following functions(Using Heap)
- a. `Insert(int nextElement)`: I can insert numbers into your object using this function. It should run in  $O(\log n)$  time, where  $n$  is the number of elements inserted so far.
  - b. `int median()` : returns the median of the numbers inserted so far. Must work in  $O(1)$
  - c. `void removeMedian()`: Removes one or both medians from the object.
9. Find  $k$  smallest elements in an array.