Assignment-1 Solution

Q1(a) Pseudo-code

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{\bf MergeAndInv}~({\bf A},\!{\bf i},\!{\bf j},\!{\bf k})
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B=A
p{=}i,\,q{=}j{+}1,\,r{=}i,\,s{=}0
// (1)
while (r \le k) do
// (2)
     if (p \le j) and (q \le k) and (A[p] \le A[q]):
         \{B[r]=A[p], p=p+1, r=r+1, s=s+(q-j-1), continue\}
     if (p \le j) and (q \le k) and (A[p] > A[q]):
         \{B[r]=A[q], q=q+1, r=r+1, continue\}
     if (p \le j) and (q > k):
         \{B[r]=A[p], p=p+1, r=r+1, s=s+(k-j), continue\}
     if (p>j) and (q\leqk):
         \{B[r]=A[q], q=q+1, r=r+1, continue\}
// (3)
\mathbf{for}\ r=1\ \mathrm{to}\ k\ \mathbf{do}
     A[r]=B[r]
\mathbf{return} \ \mathbf{s}
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SortAndInv(A,i,j)

$$\label{eq:continuous_section} \begin{split} \mathbf{if} \ & (i \!<\! j) \\ & k \!=\! i + (j \!-\! i) / / 2 \\ & x \!=\! SortAndInv(A,i,k) \\ & y \!=\! SortAndInv(A,k\!+\!1,j) \\ & z \!=\! MergeAndInv(A,\,i,\,k,\,j) \\ & \mathbf{return} \ (x \!+\! y \!+\! z) \end{split}$$

else return 0

Inversions(A)

$$B=A$$

return SortAndInv(B, 1, len(A))

Q1(b) Correctness.

Specification of MergeAndInv (A,i,j,k)

Input: sorted segments A[i,j] and A[j+1,k]

output: Returns
$$\sum_{t=i}^{j} Less_{i,j,k}(A[t])$$

where $Less_{i,j,k}(x)$ is the no. of elements in A[j+1,k] strictly less than x.

That is,
$$Less_{i,j,k}(x) = |\{y \mid y \in A[j+1,k], y < x\}|$$

Also merges segments A[i, j] and A[j + 1, k] into sorted A[i, k]

Invariant for while loop has two parts.

(i)
$$s = \sum_{t=i}^{p-1} Less_{i,j,k}(A[t])$$

(ii)
$$p \le j \to A[j+1], ..., A[q-1] < A[p]$$

Initialization: (i) and (ii) hold at (1) trivially as ranges [i, p-1] and [j+1, q-1] are empty.

Maintenance: We show that if (i), (ii) and $r \leq k$ hold at (2) then (i), (ii) hold at (3).

Let p_0, q_0, s_0 be the value of p, q at (2). We consider each of the four cases in the while loop.

1.

(i)
$$A[j+1], ..., A[q_0-1] < A[p_0]$$
, by (ii) at (2).
 $A[p_0] \le A[q_0]$ and $A[j+1,k]$ is sorted
 $\Rightarrow A[p_0] \le A[u]$ for all $u > q_0 - 1$ in $[j+1,k]$

$$\Rightarrow Less(A[p_0]) = q - 1 - (j+1) + 1 = q - j - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow s_0 + (q - j - 1) = \sum_{t=i}^{p_0} Less(A[t]) \text{ [using (i) at (2)]}$$
At (3), $s = s_0 + (q - j - 1)$ and $p = p_0 + 1$

$$\Rightarrow \text{ (i) holds at (3)}$$

(ii) If $p_0 + 1 \le j$, then $A[p_0 + 1] \ge A[p_0]$ (because A[i, j] is sorted) $\Rightarrow A[j+1], ..., A[q-1] < A[p_0+1]$ \Rightarrow (ii) holds at (3)

2.

(i) p, s are unchanged, so (i) continues to hold at (3).

(ii)
$$A[q_0] < A[p_0] \Rightarrow A[j+1], ..., A[q_0] < A[p_0]$$
 (using (ii) at (2)) At (3), $q = q_0 + 1$, (ii) also holds at (3)

3.

(i)

By (ii) at (2), $A[j+1], ..., A[q_k] < A[p_0]$ $\Rightarrow Less(A[p_0]) = k - (j+1) + 1 = k - j$ $\Rightarrow s_0 + (k - j) = \sum_{t=i}^{p_0} Less(A[t])$ At (3), $s = s_0 + (k - j)$ and $p = p_0 + 1$,

At (3),
$$s = s_0 + (k - j)$$
 and $p = p_0 + 1$, \Rightarrow (i) holds at (3).

(ii) For (ii), the reasoning is the same as in case 1.

4.

- (i) As p is unchanged, (i) holds at (3)
- (ii) As p > j, (ii) holds at (3) trivially.

Correctness (of MergeAndInv (A,i,j,k))

At the end of while loop, we have (i), (ii) and r > k

 $r > k \rightarrow p = j + 1$ (proved in the correctness of merge sort)

By (i),
$$s = \sum_{t=i}^{j} Less_{i,j,k}(A[t])$$
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As the program MergeAndInv (A,i,j,k) returns this s,

the Specification about returned value follows.

Sorting part of the specification has already been proved in mergesort.

Specification of SortAndInv(A,i,j)

Input: Arbitrary array segment A[i,j]

output: Returns numbers of inversions within A[i,j].

Also sorts A[i, j]

Correctness:

The claim about sorting was proved in lecture.

We prove the claim about inversion by induction on j - i + 1.

Base-Case: $j - i + 1 \le 1$

 $\Rightarrow j \leq i$ and the function returns 0.

(As the array segment is empty or has just one element, number of inversions is indeed 0)

Induction-Step:

By induction hypothesis,

SortAndInv(A,i,k)=number of inversions within A[i,k].

SortAndInv(A,k+1,j)=number of inversions within A[k+1,j].

By specification of MergeAndInv,

MergeAndInv (A,i,k,j)=
$$\sum_{t=i}^{k} Less_{i,k,j}(A[t])$$

The claim follows by observation that the number of inversions within A[i,j]

= number of inversions within A[i, k]

+ number of inversions within A[k+1, j]

$$+\sum_{t=i}^{k} Less_{i,k,j}(A[t]).$$

(The observation can be proved by considering number of inversions for each element in A[i,j])

Specification of Inversions(A)

Returns the number of inversions in A. Does not modify A. Correctness immediately follows from the specification of SortAndInv.