Data Structures and Algorithms

Practice-sheet

Topic: ith order statistic, Binary heap

- 1. Describe an O(n) time algorithm that given a set S of n distinct numbers and a positive number $k \le n$, determines the k numbers in S that are closest to the median of S.
- 2. Derive an alternate algorithm for finding k-majority element using median finding algorithm. What will be its time complexity?
- 3. Recall the algorithm for 2-majority element. Suppose elements in the given set are numbers. Extend this algorithm to compute k-majority element that uses O(nk) time. Try to improve it to $O(n \log k)$.
- 4. There are ℓ sets S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_ℓ storing distinct numbers. These sets are sorted. The total number of elements in $\cup_i S_i$ is n. Design an $O(n \log k)$ time algorithm to output elements of $\cup_i S_i$ in sorted order.
- 5. What can be the worst case time for searching in a binary heap of size n?
- 6. You are given a binary heap of size n. Design an $O(\log n)$ time algorithm to delete a key from it? You are given the index in the heap where the element to be deleted is stored.