

Assignment 2

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1. From problem 6 in Homework 1, we know that the number of internal nodes of a binary heap of size n is $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$, and the number of leaf nodes is $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$. Therefore we conclude that:

- The number of leaves in a heap of size n is $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$.
- If we remove all leaves from a heap of size n , the remaining heap has size $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$.

We remove all leaves once. We get a heap of size $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$. The leaf nodes of the new heap are the nodes at height 1 of the original heap. **The number of them is $\lceil \frac{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}{2} \rceil$.**

2. After removing leaves h times, the size becomes

$$n^{(h)} = \underbrace{\lfloor \cdots \lfloor \lfloor n/2 \rfloor / 2 \rfloor \cdots / 2 \rfloor}_{h \text{ floors}}$$

We first prove that for any given n the following identity holds:

$$\left\lfloor \frac{\lfloor \frac{n}{2^{h-1}} \rfloor}{2} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2^h} \right\rfloor$$

Proof. Consider any integer n in its binary form. When we divide n by 2^{h-1} , we are effectively right-shifting the binary representation of n by $h-1$ bits. The floor operation simply removes any fractional part that may arise from this division. Now, when we take the result and divide it by 2 again (which is equivalent to right-shifting by one more bit), we are effectively right-shifting the original binary representation of n by a total of h bits. The floor operation again removes any fractional part. Therefore, the two sides of the equation represent the same operation on the binary representation of n , leading to the same result.

Hence, we have:

$$\left\lfloor \frac{\lfloor \frac{n}{2^{h-1}} \rfloor}{2} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2^h} \right\rfloor$$

□

Using this identity, we can simplify $n^{(h)}$ as follows:

$$n^{(h)} = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2^h} \right\rfloor$$

Therefore, the number of nodes at height h is $\left\lceil \frac{\lfloor \frac{n}{2^h} \rfloor}{2} \right\rceil$.

We then prove that $\left\lceil \frac{\lfloor \frac{n}{2^h} \rfloor}{2} \right\rceil \leq \left\lceil \frac{n}{2^{h+1}} \right\rceil$:

Proof. Since $\lfloor x \rfloor \leq x$ for any real number x , we have

$$\frac{\lfloor \frac{n}{2^h} \rfloor}{2} \leq \frac{\frac{n}{2^h}}{2} = \frac{n}{2^{h+1}}$$

Taking the ceiling of both sides, we get

$$\left\lceil \frac{\lfloor \frac{n}{2^h} \rfloor}{2} \right\rceil \leq \left\lceil \frac{n}{2^{h+1}} \right\rceil$$

□

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3. function ITERATIVE-MAX-HEAPIFY(A, i)
4     // A is a max-heap, 1-indexed.
5     // i is the index to heapify.
6     // No output since A is modified in place.
7     j ← i
8     while true do
9         L ← 2*j
10        R ← 2*j + 1
11
12        largest ← j
13        if L ≤ A.heap_size and A[L] > A[largest] then
14            largest ← L
15        fi
16        if R ≤ A.heap_size and A[R] > A[largest] then
17            largest ← R
18        fi
19
20        if largest = j then
21            return
22        fi
23
24        swap A[j], A[largest]
25        j ← largest
26    end
27 end

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Listing 1: Iterative Max-Heapify

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4. function DELETE(A, i)
5     // A is a max-heap, 1-indexed.
6     // i is the index to delete.
7     // No output since A is modified in place.
8     require 1 ≤ i ≤ A.heap_size
9
10    if i = A.heap_size then
11        A.heap_size ← A.heap_size - 1
12        return
13    fi

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12 swap A[i], A[A.heap_size]
13 A.heap_size ← A.heap_size - 1
14 if i > 1 and A[i] > A[PARENT(i)] then
15     // Bubble up
16     HEAP-INCREASE-KEY(A, i, A[i])
17 else
18     // Sift down
19     MAX-HEAPIFY(A, i)
20 fi
21 end

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Listing 2: Delete

- **Why it works:** Swapping the target with the last element removes the target after shrinking the heap. Only position i can violate the heap property. If the new key at i exceeds its parent, raising it with HEAP-INCREASE-KEY restores order on the path to the root, otherwise MAX-HEAPIFY restores order on the path to leaves.
- **Runtime:** Both HEAP-INCREASE-KEY and MAX-HEAPIFY take $O(\log n)$ time. Since either one of them is called in DELETE, the runtime of DELETE is $O(\log n)$.

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5 function MULTIMERGE(A)
6     // Input: A, an array of k sorted arrays in ascending order, each of length
7     //         n/k.
8     // Output: B, the sorted merge of all arrays in A.
9     k ← A.length
10    n ← k * A[1].length
11
12    H ← empty array of size k as min-heap
13    for i ← 1 to k do
14        // Insert the first element of each array into the heap.
15        MIN-HEAP-INSERT(H, A[i][1], k)
16    end
17
18    B ← new array of length n
19    p ← 1
20    while H.heap_size > 0 do
21        u ← MIN-HEAP-EXTRACT-MIN(H)
22        B[p] ← u
23        p ← p + 1
24
25        // Insert the next element if necessary.
26        if u.id_in_arr < A[u.arr_id].length then
27            next_element ← A[u.array_index][u.index_in_array + 1]
28            MIN-HEAP-INSERT(H, next_element, k)
29        end
30    end
31    return B

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Listing 3: Multimerge

6. *Proof.* Notice that

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n) &= T(n-1) + n \\
&= T(n-2) + (n-1) + n \\
&= T(n-3) + (n-2) + (n-1) + n \\
&\vdots \\
&= T(1) + 2 + 3 + \cdots + (n-1) + n \\
&= T(0) + 1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots + (n-1) + n \\
&= T(0) + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \in \Theta(n^2)
\end{aligned}$$

□

7. We substitute $T(n) = T(2^k)$ with $S(k)$. Then the recurrence becomes

$$S(k) = 2S(k-1) + 2^k \cdot k, \quad S(0) = 1.$$

Divide both sides by 2^k :

$$\frac{S(k)}{2^k} = \frac{S(k-1)}{2^{k-1}} + k.$$

Let $P(k) = \frac{S(k)}{2^k}$. Then we have

$$P(k) = P(k-1) + k, \quad P(0) = 1.$$

From the result of Problem 6, we know that

$$\begin{aligned}
P(k) &= P(0) + \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \\
&= 1 + \frac{k(k+1)}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$S(k) = 2^k \cdot P(k) = 2^{k-1} (k^2 + k + 2).$$

Substitute back to n :

$$T(n) = \frac{n}{2} (\log^2 n + \log n + 2).$$