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### Homework 2

#### Problem 1

##### Algorithm:

1. Sort the first  $k$  elements with merge sort
2. Perform insertion sort on previous  $k - 1$  elements based on binary search  $k - 1$ , because, once the first  $k$  elements are sorted, the first element must be in the correct spot.

We ignore one more element per each iteration.

##### Proof of Correctness by Contradiction:

Assume  $\exists a \in A$ , where  $A$  is the  $k$ -sorted array post-sort, s.t.  $a$  is not sorted.

Case 1:  $a$  is within range of the previous  $k - 1$  elements

Either merge sort or insertion sort must have failed.

This is a contradiction, as merge sort and insertion sort do not fail.

Case 2:  $a$  is not within  $k$  elements of where it started

This is a contradiction, as this means that  $a$  was not  $k$ -sorted to begin

Therefore,  $a$  cannot exist, and the algorithm must work  $\square$

##### Running-Time Analysis:

Merge sorting the first  $k$  elements will take  $k \log k$  time

Binary search-based insertion sort for  $n - k$  elements will take

$(n - k) \log(k - 1)$  time

In total, the running time is  $k \log k + n \log k - k \log(k - 1)$

Therefore, the running time is  $O(n \log k)$ , as  $n \geq k$

#### Problem 2

Suppose we have a  $k$ -sorted array  $A$

For every element  $a \in A$  there are  $k$  possible placements in  $n$  total bins

So the number of possibilities is  $\prod_{i=0}^n k = k^n$

If we take the logarithm of this (because of the decision tree), we get:

$$\log(k^n) = n \log(k)$$

So it's  $\Omega(n \log(k))$

#### Problem 3

#### Problem 4

##### Proof by Induction:

Base:  $\exists$  only one column

The row is sorted by definition and default, as it's length is 1

So, if we sort vertically, nothing can change.

Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume that for some number of sorted columns  $\leq n$ , we can maintain horizontal sort after vertically sorting.

Inductive Step:

Add a new column (the  $n + 1^{th}$ ), keeping the rows sorted

Sort the new column; compare the new element at position  $i$  to the element that was previously there.

Case 1: Element is the same

Nothing has changed; the row must still be sorted.

Case 2: Position  $i$  now holds a greater value

Because the rows up to column  $n$  are still sorted, and

the value in position  $i$  has only increased, the row must be sorted

Case 3: Position  $i$  now holds a smaller value,  $x$

$x$  originated elsewhere in the column

$x$  must belong at position  $i$ , proven by contradiction:

Assume  $x$  is less than the value in the column next to it, same row

If try to resort  $x$  by moving it up in the column, two cases emerge:

Case 1:  $x$  is always less than the value in the before it

This is a contradiction, as  $x$  doesn't belong in this column, since the rows were originally sorted

Case 2: We find a new place for  $x$

We must have displaced another element,  $y$  s.t.  $y < x$

But, because  $y$  is less than everything below it,

as we've already sorted the column,

we have a new out-of-place element

Therefore, we have a contradiction  $\square$

Problem 5

Problem 6