

CSc 345 Project 2 Report

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TOTAL POINTS

23 / 27

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- 3.5 pts 6 runtimes

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QUESTION 2

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QUESTION 3

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 - 2 pts 3 runtimes
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I use a queue to store the starting and ending indices of all subarrays. Every time, pop 2 subarrays and merge them, and push the new starting and ending indices of the merged subarray to the queue. If we use a stack instead of queue, the process is that we always merge the first 2 subarrays and put the new subarray to be the new top of stack. which is slower than using queue.

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The time of SortMerge is related to the number of sorted subarrays. Suppose the number of sorted subarrays is K , the running time is $n(K/2 + K/4 + \dots + 1) = n \log K$. When $K=n$, it is the worst case and the time is $O(n \log n)$. When $K=1$, it is best case and the time is $O(n)$. The worst case happens when the array is in descending order. The best case happens when the array is in ascending order.

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This algorithm is better than regular mergesort. The running time of regular mergesort is always $O(n \log n)$, which is worse than SortMerge when the array is in ascending order.

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(2) ↵

- process: The best runtime is $O(1)$, when the patient was sent to the ER. The worst runtime is $O(\log N)$, when the patient was inserted into the queue. The expected runtime is $O(\log N)$. ↵
- seeNext: The best/worst/expected runtime is $O(\log N)$. No matter in which case, we need to delete the Max in queue that cost $O(\log N)$ time. ↵
- handle emergency: The best/worst/expected runtime is $O(\log N)$. The time of update function and remove function are both $O(\log N)$. The best case is only the update is called and the runtime is $O(\log N)$. The worst case is the remove and update functions are called and the runtime is $O(\log N + \log N) = O(\log N)$. So, the expected time is $O(\log N)$. ↵
- walk out: The best/worst/expected runtime is $O(\log N)$. The time of remove function is $O(\log N)$ and we always and only call the remove function once. ↵

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