

Fundamental Algorithms

HWS

Problem 1.

1.(a)

Multiway-Merge ($A_i, \dots, A_j, n_i, \dots, n_j$)
{

$R \equiv (B_r, m_r)$ is a set of arrays produced
in the main loop.

if $(j - i + 1 == 2)$:
 return Merge (A_i, n_i, A_j, n_j)

else:

$y = 1$
 $x = i$
 while $(x \leq j - 1)$ {

$(B_y, m_y) \equiv \text{Merge} (A_x, n_x, A_{x+1}, n_{x+1})$

$$x = x + 2$$

$$y = y + 1$$

}

if $(x == j)$:

$$(B_y, m_y) = (A_j, n_j)$$

return Multiway-Merge $(B_1, m_1, \dots, B_y, m_y)$

}

- We have Arrays A_0, \dots, A_{k-1}
- We merge 2 arrays at a time in one pass and reduce the number of arrays to merge by half. We take into consideration the odd and even number of arrays cases.
- We recursively perform this procedure on the new set of arrays.
- Finally, we merge the last two Arrays.
- We will have $\log_2 k$ such calls to merge.

Main () {

... .. (n_1, n_2, ..., n_k)

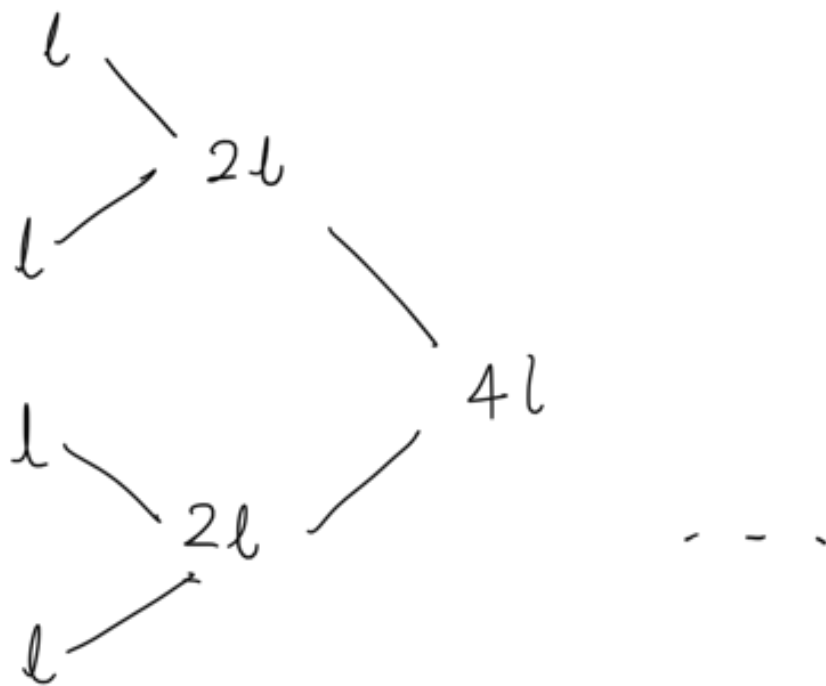
Initialize Arrays $(A_0, n_0), (A_1, n_1), \dots, (A_{k-1}, n_{k-1})$
Where array A_i has size n_i .

$A_{\text{final}} = \text{MultiWay-Merge}(A_0, \dots, A_{k-1}, n_0, \dots, n_{k-1})$
return A_{final}
}

1. (b)

length of $A_i = l$
 $n = kl$

We represent a tree for the merge procedure calls.



The first set of merge calls will be $\Theta(l + l)$
i.e. $\Theta(2l)$.

There will be $\frac{k}{2}$ such calls.

\therefore The first call to Multiway merge will be of time complexity,

$$\frac{k}{2} \theta(2l) \equiv \theta(kl)$$

Using the definition of the theta notation,

$$c_1 2l \leq \theta(2l) \leq c_2 2l$$

Multiplying by $k/2$,

$$c_1 kl \leq \frac{k}{2} \theta(2l) \leq c_2 kl \\ \equiv \theta(kl)$$

The 2nd set of calls to the merge procedure will be $\theta(2l + 2l) \equiv \theta(4l)$ each. At each step, the breadth of the tree is reduced by half, there will be $\frac{k}{4}$ such calls,

\therefore The 2nd call to the multiway merge procedure will be $\frac{k}{4} \cdot \theta(4l) \equiv \theta(kl)$ as we

have seen before.

• At each call to the multiway merge procedure, the number of arrays to be merged is halved, at the i^{th} call to the merge procedure, we will have b arrays to be merged. and.

each array will have the size $2^i l$.

- For the corresponding tree representing calls, there will be $(\log_2 k)$ height.

$$\therefore T(k) = [\Theta(kl) + \Theta(kl) \dots] \Theta(\log_2 k) \text{ times}$$

$$\therefore T(k) = \Theta(kl \log k)$$

For the recurrence relation for our multiway merge implementation,

$$T(k) = T(k/2) + \Theta(kl)$$

$$T(k/2) = T(k/4) + \Theta(kl)$$

↑
term does
not change with k
and will always be
 $\Theta(kl)$

$$T(k/4) = T(k/8) + \Theta(kl)$$

⋮

$$T(2) = T(1) + \Theta(kl) \left(\log_2 k - 1 \right)$$

Merge two lists of size $\frac{kl}{2}$

$$T(1) = O(1)$$

already merged single list.

Adding both sides for all equations,

$$T(k) = \Theta(kl \log k)$$

Problem 1 (c).

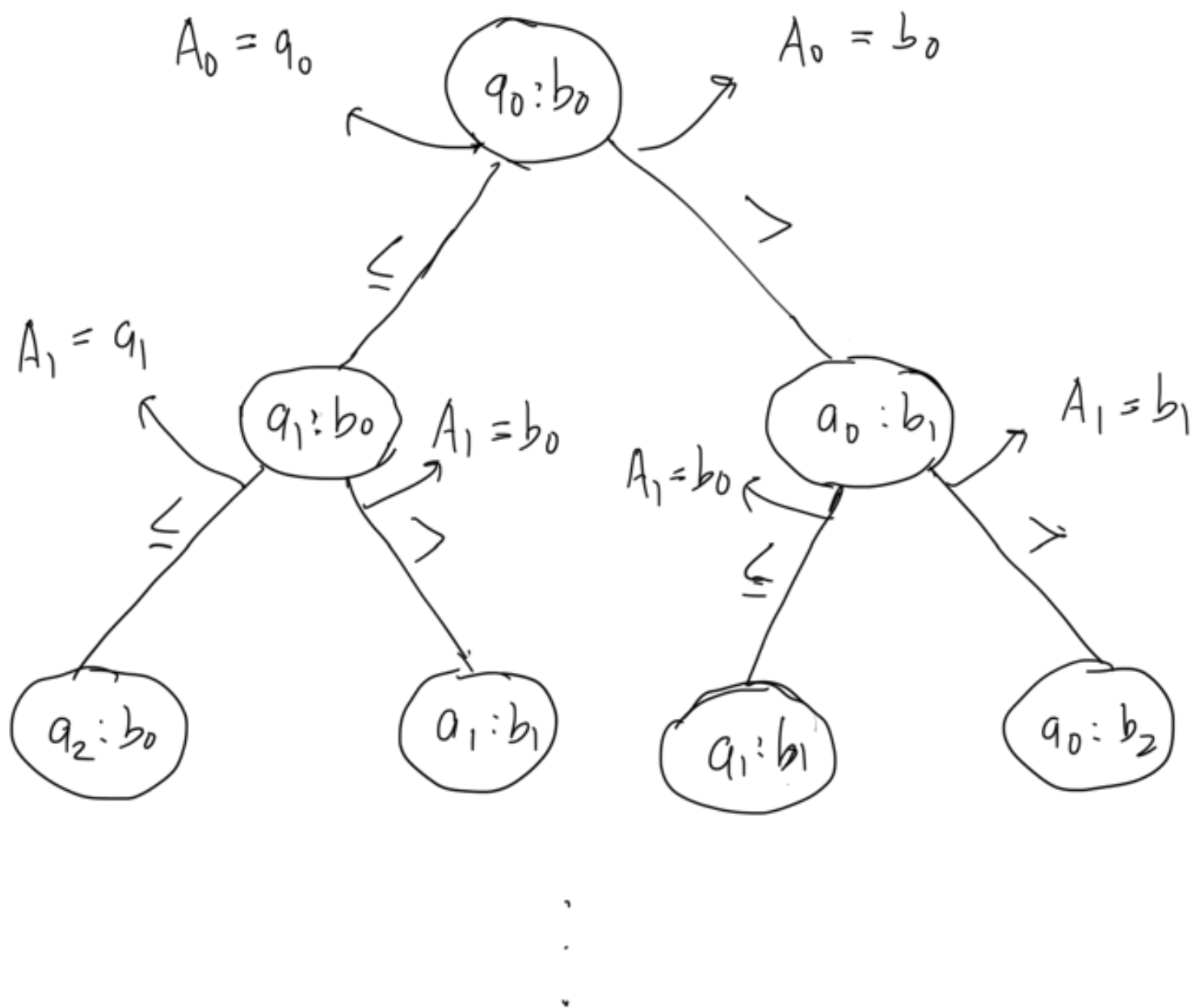
We have two sorted arrays of size $n/2$ which constitute the final array A .

$$A_0 : [a_0, \dots, a_{n/2}]$$

$$A_1 : [b_0, \dots, b_{n/2}]$$

- In the merge procedure, we have one iterator for A_0 and one for A_1 , we compare the first two elements a_0 and b_0 , and select the least of the two elements for our final array and move the iterator forward for that element.
- The comparisons done in the merge procedure can

- be represented in the form of a decision tree.
- Consider the decision tree,



- At every level of the decision tree, we will select a corresponding element for the final array A .
- Every branch of the decision tree will correspond to the running of the Merge procedure for some $q_0, \dots, q_{n/2}$ and $b_0, \dots, b_{n/2}$ which are sorted sub sets of A .
- The number of ways in which we can choose $n/2$ elements from the array A of n elements,

$$13 \quad {}^nC_{n/2}$$

- For each such resulting A_0, A_1 , our decision tree will yield a unique branch in the process of building up to A .
- Therefore the number of leaves in our decision tree will be ${}^nC_{n/2}$.

- For every unique combination of A_0, A_1 , the order of comparisons in the merge procedure must be unique.

- Suppose the order of comparisons for two different combinations is the same.

$$A_0^1: a_1^1, \text{ --- } a_{n/2}^1$$

$$A_1^1: b_1^1, \text{ --- } b_{n/2}^1$$

$$A_0^2: a_1^2, \text{ --- } a_{n/2}^2$$

$$A_1^2: b_1^2, \text{ --- } b_{n/2}^2$$

In the selection of C_k , let us compare a_i and b_j .

$$\text{if } a_i^1 < b_j^1 \text{ then } C_k = a_i^1$$

$$\text{This implies, } a_i^2 < b_j^2 \text{ and } C_k = a_i^2$$

next we compare a_{i+1}^1 and b_j^1 , based on our assumption, the comparisons in order are the same,

$$a_{i+1}^1 = a_{i+1}^2$$

$b'_{i+1} = b^2_{i+1}$, for the selection of element c_{k+1} for the sorting order to be preserved.

This will be valid for any k, i and j .

This would mean that A'_0, A'_1 and A^2_0, A^2_1 are equivalent and are the result of the same grouping on A . This completes our proof by contradiction.

Every branch in the decision tree will correspond to a unique order of comparisons and thus a unique A_0, A_1 derived from A .

A -size = n

$$N(\text{leaves}) = {}^nC_{n/2}$$

Using Stirling's approximation,

$$n! = \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)\right)$$

$$N(\text{leaves}) = \frac{n!}{\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)! \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)!} = \frac{n!}{\left(\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)!\right)^2}$$

— n

$$\approx \frac{\sqrt{2\pi n} \cdot \frac{n}{e^n}}{\left(\sqrt{2\pi \frac{n}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2} \right)^{n/2} \cdot \frac{1}{e^{n/2}} \right)^2}$$

$$\approx \frac{\sqrt{2\pi n} \cdot \frac{n^n}{e^n} \cdot 2^n}{2\pi \frac{n}{2} \cdot \frac{n^n}{e^n}}$$

$$N(\text{leaves}) \approx \left(\frac{2}{\pi n} \right)^{1/2} \cdot 2^n$$

Following from Sterlings approximation,

$$N(\text{comparisons}) \equiv \text{Height of decision tree}$$

$$\equiv \log_2 \left(2^n \cdot \left(\frac{2}{\pi n} \right)^{1/2} \right)$$

$$N(\text{comparisons}) \geq n - \frac{1}{2} \log(\pi n/2)$$

$$\log\left(\frac{\pi n}{2}\right) = \sigma(n)$$

This will act as a lower bound for the number of comparisons.

1. (d).

$$A = [a_1, \dots, a_{n/2}]$$

$$B = [b_1, \dots, b_{n/2}]$$

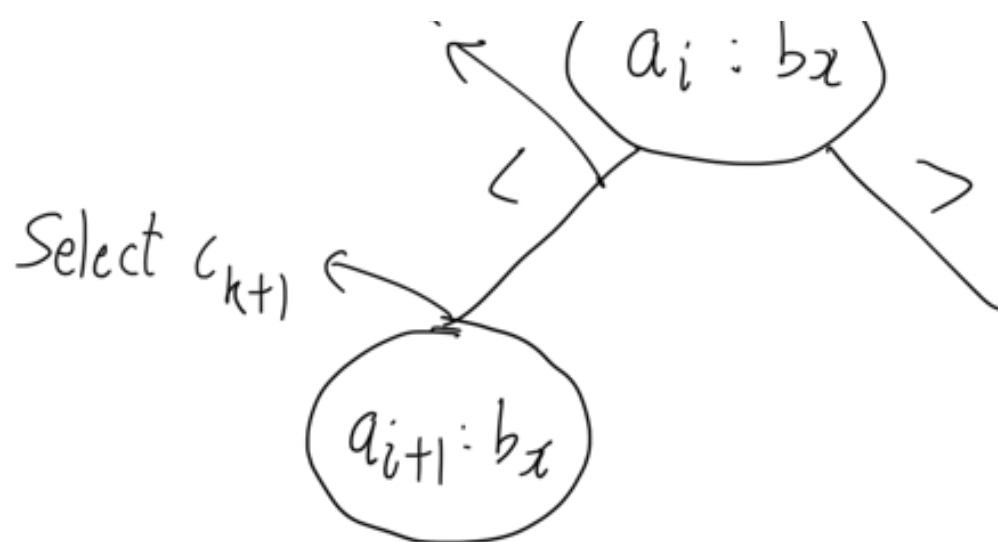
- We have seen that every node in the decision tree will give us a corresponding element for the final array.

let two consecutive elements in final array C be c_k and c_{k+1} .

- Mapping to our sub arrays, let c_k correspond to a_i and b_j correspond to c_{k+1} .

- For our level k where we select c_k , let the decision node be the following, with the comparison with some arbitrary b_x

Select $c_k = a_i$



We know that c_{k+1} is selected from B as it corresponds to b_j .

\therefore At the decision node where we select for c_{k+1} , we must select an element from B which is b_x . Hence, b_x equals b_j .

We have compared a_i and b_x in the previous node.

\therefore Our path will compare a_i and b_j for some a_i and b_j such that a_i and b_j are consecutive in C with $a_i < b_j$.

Consider the arrangements of A and B in C .

- For the case where we have alternating a 's and b 's such that $a_i < b_j$, as we traverse the decision tree and select an element at a time, we will have $(n-1)$ comparisons.
- If a_i is selected at some level k , b_j is selected at level $(k+1)$ on comparison with a_{i+1} . a_{i+1} is selected next on comparison with b_{j+1} .
- The process follows as k is going from 1 to $(n-1)$.
- If Array A has consecutive elements in C which are between two elements in B . These elements

- will be compared to the same element in B as we move the iterator over A. If the rest of the configuration remains as discussed before, A will be exhausted first and the last few elements of B will be compared with infinity.
- Importantly, each comparison in the decision tree yields an element in the array C and C has n elements.
 - After $(n-1)$ comparisons in the decision tree, we obtain $(n-1)$ corresponding elements for C. The positioning of the last element is trivial given the size.

$$\therefore N(\text{comparisons}) = (n-1)$$

1.(e).

We assume that for the multi way merge procedure for k sorted lists, time taken is $O(n \log \log k)$

Consider the sorting problem as follows, we divide the array of n elements into n/k arrays of k elements each.

We then sort each of the arrays consisting

of k elements and merge the sorted n/k lists.

For our sorting procedure, we get,

$$T(n) = \frac{n}{k} T(k) + O(n \log \log \frac{n}{k})$$

For some sufficiently small k , the complexity analysis with respect to n becomes,

$$T(n) = O(n \log \log n)$$

But we know that for comparison sorting,

$$T(n) = \Omega(n \log n)$$

But as $n \log n \geq n \log \log n$, therefore our complexity analysis breaks down. Hence our assumption is false.

$$T(n) \geq C_1 n \log n \quad \forall n > n_0$$

$$T(n) \leq C_2 n \log \log n \quad \forall n > n_0^*$$

These are mutually inconsistent statements.

Hence, the claim of merging k lists with time complexity $O(n \log \log k)$ is disproved.

Problem 2.

2. a)

1. We use the recursive partition based $\text{Select}(A, i)$ procedure to select the i^{th} smallest element in $O(n)$ time. $i = \lceil n/2 \rceil$ and we find the median first.

2. We used the procedure to count the number of occurrences of every unique element in our Array A . We can use an array C which stores the counts of elements in A . We consider the number of elements in A (n). The maximum M of those will define the range of $C[1, \dots, M]$, if $M \gg n$, we could use a Hash map C instead of an array. The procedure to develop the mapping will require one pass over array A and will be linear in n .

3. We use the 3-way Partition function to Partition around the median as pivot.

4. For the elements on the left of the pivot elements. We construct a max heap

from the unique ones. We find unique elements in linear time.

5. For the elements on the right of the pivot elements, we construct a min heap.
6. We maintain the record of the median, the range of positions which the median occupies and the size of A .

2.(b).

3-Way-Partition (A, p, r)

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$x = A[r]$

$i = p - 1$

$k = p - 1$

for j from p to $r - 1$:

if $A[j] < x$:

$i = i + 1$

$k = k + 1$

exchange ($A[j], A[i]$)

exchange ($A[i], A[k]$)

if $A[j] == x$:

$k = k + 1$

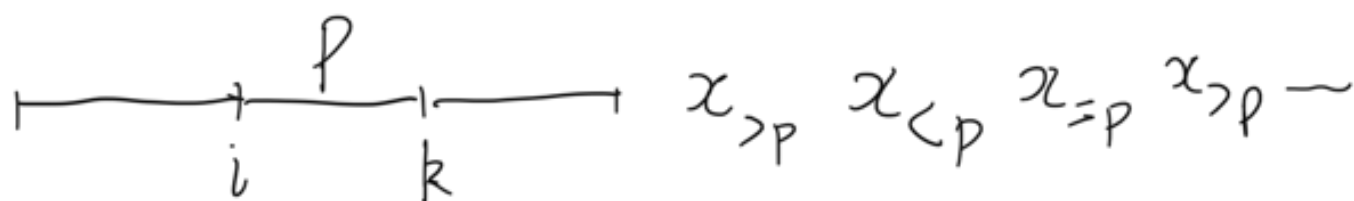
exchange ($A[j], A[k]$)

exchange ($A[k+1], A[r]$)

return $i+1, k+1$

}

- We have two iterators i and k which mark the boundary between elements smaller than the pivot elements and the pivot elements, the pivot elements and the elements larger than the pivot elements.



- If we encounter an element less than the pivot, as we iterate through the array ($A[j]$), we increment i , increment k , swap $A[j]$ and $A[i]$, then swap $A[j]$ and $A[k]$.
- Hence, when we encounter $x_{<p}$, i will move to the first pivot element and k will move to the first element greater than the pivot.

to the first element ahead of the pivot elements, let that be l_1 , we swap $x_{cp}(A[j])$ and $p_1(A[i])$.

- p_1 will now be in $A[j]$, we then swap $A[k](l_1)$ and $A[j](p_1)$, in order to put p_1 in the correct position with the pivot elements P . x_{cp} is at a position where it is behind the pivot elements and elements like x_{sp} are ahead of the pivot elements.
- if we encounter an element equal to the pivot, increment k and swap that element with $A[k]$.
- Elements from p to i (Inclusive) will be less than the pivot. Elements from $(k+1)$ to r will be greater than the pivot. $(i+1)$ to k will contain the pivot elements. Hence we return $(i+1)$ and $(k+1)$.
- We do this over one pass over $A(p, -, r)$
This is linear in the size of A .

$$T(r-p+1) \equiv \Theta(r-p+1)$$

$$T(n) = \Theta(n)$$

2.(c)

- For the analysis of time complexity with respect to n , the max size of an element is a constant.
- We will assume that the range of elements in our array is proportional to the number of elements in our array A as we prepare an array to store the counts in linear time. Else we could use the dictionary data structure based on Hash Tables or binary search trees.

Build ($A[1, \dots, n]$)

- { # Initializations
 - $M = \text{Max_Size}$
 - $\text{Count}[1, \dots, M]$, elements initialized to 0. Where $M \equiv \text{order of } n$
 - L - array from $(1, \dots, n/2)$ for left heap
 - R - array from $(1, \dots, n/2)$ for right heap.
 - $\text{Placed}[1, \dots, M]$ array of booleans used for unique element identification.

1. median = Select ($A, i = \lceil n/2 \rceil$)

$O(n)$ time

2. $I, J = 3_Way_Partition(A, 1, n, pivot = median)$

3. for i from 1 to n :

$count[AC[i]] = count[AC[i]] + 1$

$O(n)$ time for this loop, as array indexing is constant time due to pointer arithmetic.

4. # find unique elements for max heap on the left.
 $k = 0$

for i from 1 to $I-1$:

if $placed[AC[i]] == False$:

$placed[AC[i]] = True$

$k = k + 1$

$L[k] = AC[i]$

5. # find unique elements for min heap on the right.

$j = 0$

for i from J to n :

if $placed[AC[j]] == False$:

$placed[AC[j]] = True$

$j = j + 1$

$$j = j + 1$$

$$R[j] = A[i]$$

$$6. \quad H_1 = \text{Build_Max_Heap}(L[1, \dots, j])$$

$$H_2 = \text{Build_Min_Heap}(R[1, \dots, k])$$

$$\text{start} = 1$$

$$\text{end} = j - 1$$

}

- Each of the steps in the algorithm is linear in n . The same would be the case if count was based on a hash table based dictionary. We would iterate over the keys to find the unique elements.
- The Build Heap procedures we know are linear in n . We have seen the partition procedure used to be linear in n , so is the select procedure for finding the median.
- We maintain variables median, count, start, end, H_1 , H_2 for other procedures.

For Build($A[1, \dots, n]$)

- $T(1) = O(1)$

$$\Rightarrow 1(n) = O(n)$$

$$\# \text{ if } f(n) = O(n) \rightarrow f(n) \leq C_1 n \quad \forall n > n_0$$

$$g(n) = O(n) \rightarrow g(n) \leq C_2 n \quad \forall n > n_*$$

let $n_* > n_0$

$$\therefore f(n) + g(n) \leq C_1 n + C_2 n \quad \forall n > n_*$$

$$\therefore f(n) + g(n) = O(n)$$

2-d

Insert (x)

{

if $x == \text{median}$:

count[median] = count[median] + 1

$n = n + 1$

end = end + 1

if ($x < \text{median}$):

if (count[x] == 0):

Insert-Max-Heap (R, x)

$$\text{count}[x] = \text{count}[x] + 1$$

$$n = n + 1$$

$$\text{if } \left(\text{start} \leq \left\lfloor n/2 \right\rfloor \text{ and } \text{end} \geq \left\lceil \text{end}/2 \right\rceil \right):$$

for else case which corresponds to
new median

else :

$$\text{new_median} = \text{Extract_Max}(H_1)$$

$$\text{end} = \text{start} - 1$$

$$\text{start} = \text{end} - \text{count}[\text{new_median}] + 1$$

$$\text{Insert_Min_Heap}(H_2, \text{Median})$$

$$\text{median} = \text{new_median}$$

$$\text{if } (x > \text{median}):$$

$$\text{if } (\text{count}[x] == 0):$$

$$\text{Insert_Min_Heap}(x)$$

$$\text{count}[x] = \text{count}[x] + 1$$

$$n = n + 1$$

if $(\text{start} \leq \lceil n/2 \rceil \text{ and } \text{end} \geq \lceil n/2 \rceil)$:

else :

$$\text{new_median} = \text{Extract_Min}(H_1)$$

$$\text{start} = \text{end} + 1$$

$$\text{end} = \text{start} + \text{count}[\text{new_median}] - 1$$

$$\text{Insert_Max_Heap}(H_1, \text{median})$$

$$\text{median} = \text{new_median}$$

}

- We have a current median, its start and end positions.
- After every insertion, n becomes $(n+1)$, we check if our current median occupies $\lceil (n+1)/2 \rceil$
- If an element smaller than the median is inserted, the original median element might shift right, and the new median will be the one just less than that, as extracted

- from the max heap for the left sub array.
- Our condition checks for that and finds the beginning and the end the new median.
 - Our old median is now greater than the new median and will be inserted in the heap on the right.
 - Similarly for $x > \text{median}$.

Extractions and Insertions in the heap have $O(\log n)$ time, rest of the individual operations taking constant time, for our Insert procedure,

$$T(n) = O(\log n)$$

2.e

Median ()

{
 return median

}

We have always maintained the correct median during our Build and Insert procedures.

Problem 3.

3(a)

- Given that all elements are integer numbers from 1 to 10^6 .
- We use the counting procedure to count the number of instances for each element.
- We then use the cumulative count to find the range.
- In the build procedure, we find the median along with developing the Count array. This is done in one pass over A.
- In the insert procedure, we increment the count, we run a loop over all unique elements in order to update the cumulative counts. We then update the median as suitable.
- Complexity analysis is relative to the size of the Array n, 10^6 here is independent and can be treated as a constant. As $A[1 \dots n]$ grows arbitrarily large, the number of distinct elements is still 1 to 10^6 .

We use an array $[1 \dots 10^6]$ for the counts. We store the median after building and after every insertion.

3.(b)

Build ($A[1, \dots, n]$)

{ median is stored in the variable median.
Count $[1, \dots, 10^6]$ initialized to 0.
C_count $[1, \dots, 10^6]$ initialized to 0.

for i from 1 to n :

$$\text{Count}[A[i]] = \text{Count}[A[i]] + 1$$

$$\text{C_count}[1] = \text{Count}[1]$$

for j from 2 to 10^6 :

$$\text{C_count}[j] = \text{C_count}[j-1] + \text{Count}[j]$$

$$\text{let } \text{C_count}[0] = 0$$

for k from 1 to 10^6 :

$$\text{if } (\text{C_count}[k-1] + 1 \leq \lceil n/2 \rceil$$

and

$$(\text{count}[k] \geq \lceil n/2 \rceil) :$$

median = k

break

}

Insert (x)

{

$$\text{count}[x] = \text{count}[x] + 1$$

for i from x to 10^6 :

$$\text{count}[i] = \text{count}[i] + 1$$

$n = n + 1$

for i from 1 to 10^6 :

if $(\text{count}[i-1] \leq \lceil n/2 \rceil$ and

$\text{count}[i] \geq \lceil n/2 \rceil) :$

median = i

break

3.(c)

Median () {

return median

}

