Computer Science 221

Sample Solutions to: Practice Questions - Set 5

- 1. a) Use one stack (say Stack 1) to contain the data, and the other stack is a work stack (Stack 2). To enqueue: just push onto Stack 1 (this is O(1)). To dequeue: pop all elements from Stack 1 (this is O(n)) and push all except the last one (the one to be dequeued) onto Stack 2 (this is O(n)), and finally pop all from Stack 2 (this is O(n)) and push them onto Stack 1 (again, O(n)). Overall, this is O(n).
- b) To reverse a queue: rename Stack 1 to Stack 2. Then, pop all from Stack 2 and push them all onto Stack 1. For example:

Stack 1: 1, 2, 3

Stack 2:

becomes ...

Stack 2: 1, 2, 3

Stack 1:

becomes ...

Stack 1: 3, 2, 1

Stack 2

This is done in O(n) steps.

2. Divide the rectangle into 4 rectangles of size 3 cm by 4 cm. Recall that we have 5 points. There are 4 "quadrants" in the big rectangle. By the pigeonhole principle, one of the 3 cm by 4 cm rectangles must contain 2 points. The 2 points within this rectangle are within (hypotenuse) 5 cm of each other.

3.

- a) $\Theta(n^2)$ for Insertion Sort
- b) Input:

01010101...

There are n/2 such "01" pairs.

or

111...1 00...0

Each of these 2 strings contains n/2 entries.

- c) $\Theta(n^2)$ for QuickSort
- d) Input:

000...

There are n such entries.

or

111...

There are n such entries.

- 4. Suppose that it is *not* possible that a box has at least 12 balls, but that we do have 100 balls. Then, we have 9 boxes * 11 balls/box (maximum). This is 99 balls in all. But this contradicts the statement about there being 100 balls. Therefore, at least one box must have at least 12 balls.
- 5. For the maximum height, choose either end of the longest path as the root. For the minimum height, choose the vertex at the half-way point of the path.
- 6. i) paths?
 - a) yes
 - b) yes
 - c) no (there's no d to b edge)
 - d) no
 - ii) simple paths?
 - a) no (b repeats)
 - b) no
 - c) no
 - d) no
 - iii) cycles?
 - a) no
 - b) yes
 - c) no
 - d) no

7.



