# Algoritmi in podatkovne strukture – 2 First Midterm (2016/17)

This test must be taken individually. Any and all literature may be used while taking this test. Answer diligently *all* questions.

Bonus points might be awarded if you at least partially correctly answer each question.

Duration of the test: 60 minutes.

We wish you a lot of success – veliko uspeha!

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## 1. naloga:

*Dictionary – basics*. Suppose we have the following numbers sorted in increasing order: 1, 4, 19, 19, 19, 24, 39, 40, 42, 46, 50, 53, 56, 58, 59, 61, 66, 69, 74, 77, 79 in 90.

#### VPRAŠANJA:

- A) Draw a binary search tree that has the minimal height and contains all the above elements.
- B) (i) Write down an algorithm, which from n different sorted numbers in an array A constructs a binary search tree with the minimal height. Show that your tree has the minimal height. (ii) What is the time complexity of your algorithm? Elaborate.
- C) Propose a data structure (or structures), which will be the least time consuming for the following operations: (i) first we insert n elements (Insert); and (ii) then we do  $n^2$  queries (Find). How much time does your structure (or structures) spend for all operations? Elaborate.

HINT: The better your solution, the more points you will earn.

**2. naloga:** *Dictionary – more advanced.* Peter Zmeda is doing his homework and he has got the following numbers in a random order: 69, 74, 58, 4, 61, 90, 19, 46, 1, 19, 40, 59, 39, 56, 19, 50, 42 in 53. Since he will be inserting numbers in a skip list, he also needs random values 0 and 1:

 $\frac{1\,0}{1\,0\,0\,0\,0\,0\,1\,1}$ 

## VPRAŠANJA:

- A) How does Peter's skip list look like after inserting all numbers? Consider that the height of an element is the number of successive ones plus 1: for example, the first inserted element, which is 69, will have the height 2, since one is followed by zero (underlined first 0 and 1 above). When inserting the next number, which is 74, use the next one and zero and so on.
- B) Let us define the function Left(x) over a dictionary, that returns the biggest element in a dictionary which is smaller then x. Peter should implement this new function. Help him.
  - (i) Describe how does this new function work<sup>1</sup>. (ii) What is the time complexity of your algorithm? Justify your answer. (iii) Is it possible to improve

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Pseudocode or algorithm will earn you more points.

(modify) a skip list in order to speed up the search of the left element? Justify your answer.

- C) Peter's teacher has a lot of ideas, and then Peter has to implement them. This time he proposed to implement a dictionary with a hash function instead of using a skip list, because he read somewhere that a hash function is more efficient. (i) How should now Peter implement the function Left (x)? (ii) What is the time complexity of the implementation? Justify your answer. (iii) Is it now possible to do anything so that the implementation is faster? Justify your answer.
- **3. naloga:** Suppose that we have the universal set  $\{1, 2, ..., 16\}$  of numbers, and that every number represents a separate independent set.

## VPRAŠANJA:

- A) Simulate the following operations over the set of sets: Union (1, 7), Union (2, 9), Union (3, 9), Union (15, 10), Union (16, 1), Union (12, 12) and Union (13, 7). Write down the resulting sets.
- B) And then again Peter's teacher. This time he wants Peter to implement a data structure, which should support apart from operations Union and Find discussed on the lectures in the context of disjoint sets, also the operation List(x) which returns all elements of the set to which x belong. (i) Describe this new data structure. (ii) What is the time complexity of all tree functions? Justify your answer.
- C) In the disjoint set data structure, each element is a member of exactly one set. Suppose we allow the element to be a member of at most two sets. (i) Describe the corresponding data structure which supports efficient operations Union() in Find(). (ii) Describe both operations and justify their correctness, time, and space complexity. (iii) Do you notice any conceptual issue of an element being a member of more than one set? How would you deal with it?

HINT: What exactly does Find() return?

**4. naloga:** Priority queues, select, and rank

VPRAŠANJA:

A) Assume 18 random numbers from eq. (??). (i) Insert the first 10 numbers into lazy binomial heap  $H_1$ . Draw the obtained  $H_1$  and write down the number of performed operations after each action, and the overall number of operations. (ii) Insert the remaining 8 numbers into another lazy binomial heap  $H_2$  and write down the number of performed operations respectfully. (iii) Call function  $\texttt{DelMin}(H_2)$ , draw the obtained  $H_2$  and write down the number of performed operations. (iv) Merge two binomial heaps  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , draw the resulting data structure, and write down the number of performed operations.

HINT: For every moment, you need to know what is the smallest element in the heap.

- B) When searching for the median element we divided the input list into groups of 5 elements. (i) Could we divide it to groups of 7 elements would the algorithm still work? (ii) What if we divided the input list to groups of eleven would the algorithm still work? Elaborate.
- C) Rank slightly differently. Peter Puzzle already has  $n_1$  elements stored in a sorted array. Afterwards he obtains  $n_2$  new elements which he stores into a hash table. Finally he needs to compute the Rank (x) request. (i) Describe the procedure and the data structure for efficiently completing his task. (ii) Justify the correctness of your solution. (iii) Evaluate the time and space complexity of your solution.

HINT: Your approach will most likely depend on parameters  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .