

Homework 8

OPTIONAL PROBLEMS

Due never, do now

“I understand why marriages break up over golf. I can’t even talk about my own handicap because it’s too upsetting.” -*Shia Labeouf*

1 Written Problems

Problem 8.1

Moar Treaps

Prove (by strong induction) that any given collection $(k_1, p_1), \dots, (k_n, p_n)$ of key-priority pairs, where all keys are distinct and all priorities are distinct, there is a unique treap T with n nodes, where each node contains a different key-priority pair. “Unique” means that there is only one way to arrange the treap for a given set of inputs.

Note: Strong induction works the same way as regular induction, except instead of assuming $P(k)$ and showing $P(k+1)$, you assume $P(i)$ for all $i \leq k$, and show that $P(k+1)$ follows from that.

Problem 8.2

Sorting Nodes by Depth

Given a binary search tree, design an algorithm which creates a linked list of all the nodes at each depth. For example, if you have a tree with depth D , you’ll have D linked lists. Your function should take in the root of the BST (which has pointers to any child nodes it may have), and return a list of linked lists.

Problem 8.3

Rotated Array

Given a sorted array of n integers that has been rotated an unknown number of times, give an $O(\log n)$ algorithm that finds an element in the array. You may assume that the array was originally sorted in increasing order and there are no duplicates.

Problem 8.4**Rotated Array Episode II**

It is given that in the array described above, the smallest integer has a value of 1, and the array contains only numerically consecutive integers. Write pseudocode to find how many times the original array was rotated.