

## Homework Assignment #4

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1. Let two stacks be  $S_{rear}$  and  $S_{front}$  where  $S_{rear}$  is used for putting elements to the rear of queue  $Q$  and  $S_{front}$  is used for removing elements on the front of queue  $Q$ . To implement  $Put(x, Q)$ , we just push  $x$  to  $S_{rear}$  such that the tail of queue would be on top of  $S_{rear}$ . To implement  $Get(Q)$ , we pop element from  $S_{front}$ , if  $S_{front}$  is empty but  $S_{rear}$  is not empty, we first pop every element off  $S_{rear}$  and push them to  $S_{front}$  such that the front of queue would be on top of the  $S_{front}$ , then do the pop.

Pseudo code

**Function**  $Put(x, Q)$   
      $push(x, S_{rear})$

**Function**  $Get(Q)$   
     **if**  $S_{front}$  is not empty  
         **return**  $pop(S_{front})$   
     **else if**  $S_{rear}$  is not empty  
         **while**  $S_{rear}$  is not empty  
              $x = pop(S_{rear})$   
              $push(x, S_{front})$   
         **return**  $pop(S_{front})$   
     **else**  
         **print** "Empty Queue"

Amortized Analysis

We will use the number of basic push and pop to measure cost.

For each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , let  $a_i$  be the amortized cost of the  $i$ th operation,  $t_i$  be the actual cost for  $i$ th operation, and  $D_i$  be the data structure that results after applying the  $i$ th operation to data structure  $D_{i-1}$ . We start with  $D_0$ .

Let the number of elements in the stack  $S_{rear}$  be  $s$ . We define the potential function  $\Phi$  be  $2s$ . For the empty queue  $D_0$  with which we start, we have  $\Phi(D_0) = 0$ . Since the number of elements in the stack is never negative, the queue  $D_i$  that results after the  $i$ th operation has non-negative potential, thus,

$$\Phi(D_i) \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

$$= \Phi(D_0) \quad (2)$$

The total amortized cost of  $n$  operations with respect to  $\Phi$  therefore represents an upper bound on the actual cost.

Suppose the  $i$ th operation on a queue with  $s$  elements in the stack  $S_{rear}$  is  $Put$ , then the amortized cost is:

$$a_i = t_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) \quad (3)$$

$$= 1 + 2(s + 1) - 2s \quad (4)$$

$$= 1 + 2 \quad (5)$$

$$= 3 \quad (6)$$

$t_i$  is 1 because *Put* only took 1 basic push. Potential before the operation is  $2s$  and potential after the operation is  $2(s+1)$  since the size of the stack  $S_{rear}$  grows by 1. Thus the change of potential is 2.

If it is a *Get* operation, there are two cases to consider:

(a) stack  $S_{front}$  is not empty, then the amortized cost is:

$$a_i = t_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) \quad (7)$$

$$= 1 + 2s - 2s \quad (8)$$

$$= 1 + 0 \quad (9)$$

$$= 1 \quad (10)$$

Again, *Get* in this case only took 1 basic pop, so  $t_i$  is 1. The potential didn't change since the size of stack  $S_{rear}$  didn't change.

(b) stack  $S_{front}$  is empty, then the amortized cost is:

$$a_i = t_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) \quad (11)$$

$$= (s + s + 1) + 0 - 2s \quad (12)$$

$$= 2s + 1 - 2s \quad (13)$$

$$= 1 \quad (14)$$

In this case, *Get* operation took  $s$  basic pop and  $s$  basic push to remove all elements in  $S_{rear}$  into  $S_{front}$ , and 1 basic pop to get the element on the front of queue. Since after the operation,  $S_{rear}$  would be empty, thus the change of potential is  $-2s$ .

The amortized cost for each of the two operations is  $O(1)$ , and thus of total cost of a sequence of  $n$  operations is  $O(n)$ . Since we've already shown that the total amortized cost of  $n$  operations is an upper bound on the total actual cost. The worst-case cost of  $n$  operations is therefore  $O(n)$ .

2. We will use an unsorted array  $A$  to implement these two operations. Let  $n$  be the size of  $A$ . Initially,  $n = 0$ .

Pseudo code

**Function** *Insert*( $x, S$ )

$n := n + 1$

$A[n] := x$

**Function** *DeleteLargerHalf*( $S$ )

use the worst-case linear time selection algorithm to find the median of  $A$ .

partition the array  $A$  around the median.

remove the elements from the larger half of the partitioned array  $A$ .

$n := n - \lceil n/2 \rceil$  // reset the size of  $A$

*Insert* takes constant time while *DeleteLargerHalf* takes  $O(n)$  time since finding the median takes linear time, and so do partitioning the array and removing elements from the larger half.

Amortized Analysis

We will use the number of basic operations (operations that take constant amount of time) to measure the cost such that the run time would be  $\Theta$  of the number of basic operations. Since *Insert* takes

two basic operations (incrementing  $n$  and assigning  $x$  to  $A[n]$ ), its actual cost would be 2. Since *DeleteLargerHalf* takes  $O(n)$  time, let its actual cost be  $cn$  where  $c$  is some positive constant.

The following table shows the real time and amortized time for each operation.

operation	actual cost $t_i$	amortized cost $a_i$
<i>Insert</i>	2	$2+2c$
<i>DeleteLargerHalf</i>	$cn$	0

For *Insert*, we use 2 unit out of  $2+2c$  units to pay the actual cost and store the remaining  $2c$  units as credit for each inserted element. For *DeleteLargerHalf*, we use  $c$  unit of credit stored on each element to pay for the actual cost. This leaves  $c$  unit of credit on each element after finding the median and partitioning the array. When deleting the larger half, we redistribute the  $c$  unit of credit stored on each deleted element to the remaining elements. Thus, there are always  $2c$  unit of credit stored on each element so we can pay for future *DeleteLargerHalf* operations.

Since each element in the array has  $2c$  unit of credit on it, and the size of array is always non-negative, we have ensured that the amount of credit is always non-negative. Thus, for any sequence of  $n$  *Insert* and *DeleteLargerHalf* operations, the total amortized cost is an upper bound on the total actual cost.

- Let  $D_i$  be the heap with  $n_i$  elements after the  $i$ th operation. Since both *Extract* and *Insert* take  $O(\lg n)$  time, let  $k$  be some positive constant such that both operations take at most  $k \lg n$ , where  $n = \max(n_i, n_{i-1})$ . So now we can use  $k \lg n$  to measure the real time of each operation.

We define the potential function be:

$$\Phi(D_i) = \sum_{x \in D_i} (1 + k \cdot \text{depth}_i(x)) \quad (15)$$

$$= n_i + k \sum_{x \in D_i} \text{depth}_i(x) \quad (16)$$

where  $\text{depth}_i(x)$  is the depth (the number of edges from the root to the node) of element  $x$  in  $D_i$ .

Initially, the heap is empty, so  $\Phi(D_0) = 0$ . And since  $k$  is postive and  $\text{depth}_i(x)$  is non-negative, we always have  $\Phi(D_i) \geq 0$ .

Suppose the  $i$ th operation is *Extract*, the change of potential is:

$$\Delta\Phi = \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) \quad (17)$$

$$= (n_i + k \sum_{x \in D_i} \text{depth}_i(x)) - (n_{i-1} + k \sum_{x \in D_{i-1}} \text{depth}_{i-1}(x)) \quad (18)$$

$$= (n_i - n_{i-1}) + k \left( \sum_{x \in D_i} \text{depth}_i(x) - \sum_{x \in D_{i-1}} \text{depth}_{i-1}(x) \right) \quad (19)$$

$$= -1 + k(-\lg n_{i-1}) \quad (20)$$

$$= -1 - k \lg n_{i-1} \quad (21)$$

since the size of heap after *Extract* drops by 1 and the sum of depth of all elements in  $D_i$  drops by the depth of the last element in  $D_{i-1}$ , which is  $\lg n_{i-1}$ , so the potential decreases by  $(1 + k \lg n_{i-1})$ .

So, the amortized time for *Extract* is:

$$a_i = t_i + \Delta\Phi \quad (22)$$

$$\leq k \lg n_{i-1} + (-1 - k \lg n_{i-1}) \quad (23)$$

$$\leq k \lg n_{i-1} - 1 - k \lg n_{i-1} \quad (24)$$

$$\leq -1 \quad (25)$$

$$= O(1) \quad (26)$$

since the actual time takes for *Extract* is at most  $k \lg n_{i-1}$  because  $n_{i-1} > n_i$ , thus the amortized time is  $O(1)$ .

Suppose the  $i$ th operation is *Insert*, the change of potential is:

$$\Delta\Phi = \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) \quad (27)$$

$$= (n_i + k \sum_{x \in D_i} \text{depth}_i(x)) - (n_{i-1} + k \sum_{x \in D_{i-1}} \text{depth}_{i-1}(x)) \quad (28)$$

$$= (n_i - n_{i-1}) + k \left( \sum_{x \in D_i} \text{depth}_i(x) - \sum_{x \in D_{i-1}} \text{depth}_{i-1}(x) \right) \quad (29)$$

$$= 1 + k \lg n_i \quad (30)$$

since the size of heap after *Insert* increases by 1 and the sum of depth of all elements in  $D_i$  increases by the depth of the last element in  $D_i$ , which is  $\lg n_i$ , so the potential increases by  $(1 + k \lg n_i)$ .

So, the amortized time for *Insert* is:

$$a_i = t_i + \Delta\Phi \quad (31)$$

$$\leq k \lg n_i + (1 + k \lg n_i) \quad (32)$$

$$\leq 1 + 2k \lg n_i \quad (33)$$

$$= O(\lg n) \quad (34)$$

since the actual time takes for *Insert* is at most  $k \lg n_i$  because  $n_i > n_{i-1}$ , thus the amortized time is  $O(\lg n)$ .