

# Solution for Problem Set 1

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## 1 Problem 1

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**Algorithm 1** SELECTION-SORT( $A$ )

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1: for  $i = 1 \rightarrow A.length - 1$  do
2:    $mini = i$ 
3:   for  $j = i + 1 \rightarrow A.length$  do
4:     if  $A[j] < A[mini]$  then
5:        $mini = j$ 
6:     end if
7:   end for
8:    $swap(A[i], A[mini])$ 
9: end for
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(b) **Best case:** the array  $A$  has been sorted, so array elements  $A[i]$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$ ) needs comparing  $n - i$  times while no swaping. Then the running time is  $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (n - i) = \Theta(n^2)$ .

**Worst case:**  $A$  is reverse ordered. In addition to the same comparion times as the best case, this algorithm needs swaping  $n - 1$  times, so the running time is  $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (n - i) + (n - 1)$ , which is still  $\Theta(n^2)$ .

(c) **Loop invariant:** Every time the program reaches line 1, the subarray  $A[1, \dots, i - 1]$  consisting of  $i - 1$  smallest elements from the origin array  $A$  is sorted.

**Initialization:** When  $i = 1$ , the subarray  $A[1, \dots, i - 1]$  is empty, and so we can say that it contains 0 smallest element from  $A$  and it is sorted, which indicates that the loop invariant holds before the first loop iteration.

**Maintenance:** Line 2 to 8 choose the smallest element from subarray  $A[i, \dots, n - 1]$ , then swap it and  $A[i]$ . Therefore,  $A[i]$  would be the  $i^{th}$  smallest element from the origin array  $A$  after the  $i^{th}$  loop. As a result,  $A[1, \dots, i - 1]$  consists of  $i - 1$  smallest elements from  $A$  in sorted order.

**Termination:** The condition causing the *for* loop to terminate is that  $i > A.length - 1$ , at which time we have  $i = n$ . In the last loop, we swap the smaller element in  $A[n - 1, n]$  and  $A[n - 1]$ , thus the subarray  $A[1, \dots, n - 1]$  consists of

$n - 1$  smallest elements from  $A$  in sorted order and  $A[n]$  is the biggest element. We conclude the whole array  $A$  is sorted. Hence the algorithm is correct.

## 2 Problem 2

(a) In each iteration, **PolyEval** needs to do addition and multiplication both one time. So the runtime is  $2n = \Theta(n)$ .

(b) **Loop invariant:** Every time the program reaches line 2, we have  $y = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1-i} c_{i+1+j} x^j$

**Initialization:** Before the first loop, we have  $i = n$ . Calculating  $y = \sum_{j=0}^{-1} c_{n+1+j} x^j = 0$ , we have the same value of  $y$  as line 1.

**Maintenance:** Since  $c_0, \dots, c_n$  and  $x$  are fixed, the loop invariant is only related with  $i$ , and we can write it as  $f(i)$ . Before each loop, we have  $y = f(i)$ . We want to prove that after each loop  $y = f(i - 1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= c_i + x * f(i) \\
 &= c_i + x * \sum_{j=0}^{n-1-i} c_{i+1+j} x^j \\
 &= c_j + \sum_{j=0}^{n-i-i} c_{i+1+j} x^{j+1} \\
 &= c_j * x^0 + \sum_{j=1}^{n-i} c_{i+j} x^j \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} c_{i+j} x^j \\
 &= f(i - 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Termination:** In the last loop,  $i = 0$ . As a result, when the program terminates,  $y = f(0 - 1) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j x^j$ , which is equal to  $P(x)$ . Hence the algorithm is correct.

## 3 Problem 3

(a) For  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$ , we know that  $f(n) > 0, g(n) > 0$ . And we can easily find  $n_0 \geq 0$ , s.t. for all  $n \geq n_0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(n), g(n) \leq \max\{f(n), g(n)\} &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(f(n) + g(n)) \leq \max\{f(n), g(n)\} \\
 \max\{f(n), g(n)\} &\leq f(n) + g(n)
 \end{aligned}$$

so there are  $c_1 = 1/2$  and  $c_2 = 1$ , s.t.  $0 \leq c_1(f(n) + g(n)) \leq \max\{f(n), g(n)\} \leq c_2(f(n) + g(n))$ , i.e.  $\Theta(f(n) + g(n)) = \max\{f(n), g(n)\}$ .

(b) Use binomial theorem, we have  $(n+a)^b = C_b^0 n^0 a^b + C_b^1 n^1 a^{b-1} + \dots + C_b^b n^b a^0$ . We can easily find  $n_0 \geq 0$ , s.t. for all  $n \geq n_0$ , we have  $n^b \leq C_b^0 n^0 a^b + C_b^1 n^1 a^{b-1} + \dots + C_b^b n^b a^0 \leq (C_b^0 a^b + C_b^1 a^{b-1} + \dots + C_b^b a^0) n^b$ , i.e.  $0 \leq \frac{(n+a)^b}{C_b^0 a^b + C_b^1 a^{b-1} + \dots + C_b^b a^0} \leq n^b \leq (n+a)^b$ . Therefore,  $(n+a)^b = \Theta(n^b)$ .

(c)  $\Theta$

## 4 Problem 4

$$\begin{aligned}
1 &< n^{1/\lg n} < \lg(\lg^* n) < \lg^*(\lg n) < \lg^* n < 2^{\lg^* n} \\
&< \ln \ln n < \sqrt{\lg n} < \ln n < \lg^2 n < 2^{\sqrt{2 \lg n}} < (\sqrt{2})^{\lg n} \\
&< 2^{\lg n} = n < n \lg n = \lg(n!) < 4^{\lg n} = n^2 \\
&< n^3 < (\lg n)^{\lg n} = n^{\lg \lg n} < (3/2)^n < 2^n < n \cdot 2^n \\
&< e^n < (\lg n)! < n! < (n+1)! < 2^{2^n} < 2^{2^{n+1}}
\end{aligned}$$

## 5 Problem 5

Suppose we have two stacks  $A$  and  $B$ . When do **enqueue** operation, we **push** an element  $n$  into  $A$ . When we do **dequeue** operation, we **pop**  $n$  from  $B$ . The elements in  $B$  is from  $A$ . If  $A$  is full or  $B$  is empty, we **pop** elements in  $A$  and **mathtt{push}** them to  $B$ .

The following pseudocode doesn't consider overflow and underflow.

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### Algorithm 2 enqueue(x)

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1: if  $A.top == n$  then
2:   repeat
3:      $a = POP(A)$ 
4:      $PUSH(B, a)$ 
5:   until  $B.top == n$  or  $STACK - EMPTY(A)$ 
6: end if
7:  $PUSH(A, x)$ 

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### Algorithm 3 dequeue

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1: if  $STACK - EMPTY(B)$  then
2:   repeat
3:      $a = POP(A)$ 
4:      $PUSH(B, a)$ 
5:   until  $B.top == n$  or  $STACK - EMPTY(A)$ 
6: end if
7:  $POP(B)$ 

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**best-case:** the running time for both **dequeue** and **enqueue** is  $\Theta(1)$ .

**worst-case:** If  $A$  is full and  $B$  is empty, the running time is both  $\Theta(n)$ .

## 6 Problem 6

Use two stacks  $A$  and  $B$ , the former to store real elements and the latter to store minimum element. When we do *push*, first *PUSH* it to  $A$ , and then compare it with the top element  $b$  of  $B$ . If it is smaller than  $b$ , *PUSH* it to  $B$  as well. Otherwise, *PUSH*  $b$  to  $B$  again. So the top element of  $B$  is always the minimum of  $A$ . When we do *pop*, *POP* both two stacks and return the result from  $A$ . When we do *min*, return the top element of  $B$ .

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**Algorithm 4**  $\text{push}(x)$ 

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1: PUSH( $x, A$ )
2: if not STACK – EMPTY( $B$ ) then
3:    $b = \text{POP}(B)$ 
4:   PUSH( $b, B$ )
5:   if  $x < b$  then
6:     PUSH( $x, B$ )
7:   else
8:     PUSH( $b, B$ )
9:   end if
10: else
11:   PUSH( $x, B$ )
12: end if
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**Algorithm 5**  $\text{pop}()$ 

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1:  $a = \text{POP}(A)$ 
2: POP( $B$ )
3: return  $a$ 
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**Algorithm 6**  $\text{min}()$ 

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1:  $b = \text{POP}(B)$ 
2: PUSH( $b, B$ )
3: return  $b$ 
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We design the MINISTACK data structure with two stacks, each of their space complexity is  $O(n)$ . So the total space complexity is  $O(n)$ .

## 7 Problem 7

Use a queue  $A$ . When doing *remove* operation, we first choose a random number  $x$ , which means we will remove the  $x^{th}$  element in  $A$ . Then we do *DEQUEUE*

for  $x - 1$  times and *ENQUEUE* them all. After that, we do *DEQUEUE* once more and return the value.

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**Algorithm 7** add( $x$ )

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1: *ENQUEUE*( $A, x$ )

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**Algorithm 8** remove

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1:  $x = \text{random}(N)$   
2: **while**  $x > 1$  **do**  
3:      $a = \text{DEQUEUE}(A)$   
4:     *ENQUEUE*( $A, a$ )  
5:      $x = x - 1$   
6: **end while**  
7:  $a = \text{DEQUEUE}(A)$   
8: return  $a$

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It is obvious that the time complexity of *add* is  $O(1)$ . When we do *remove* each time, we need to do *DEQUEUE* for  $x$  times and *ENQUEUE* for  $x - 1$  times while  $1 \leq x \leq N$  is a constant. Then the time complexity of *remove* is  $O(1)$  as well.

## 8 Problem 8

We scan the input expression from left to right. If we come across an operand, output it directly. Otherwise, push the operator we meet to a stack  $A$ . After scanning the whole expression, pop the elements in  $A$  and output them.

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**Algorithm 9** InToPost( $E$ )

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1: **for**  $i = 1 \rightarrow E.length$  **do**  
2:     **if**  $E[i]$  is an operand **then**  
3:         output  $E[i]$   
4:     **else**  
5:         *PUSH*( $A, E[i]$ )  
6:     **end if**  
7: **end for**  
8: **repeat**  
9:      $a = \text{POP}(A)$   
10:     output  $a$   
11: **until**  $STACK - EMPTY(A)$

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Considering the worst case (all elements are operators), the algorithm has to scan the whole expression and do  $n$  times' *PUSH* and  $n$  times' *POP*. Total operations number is  $3n$ , so the time complexity is  $O(n)$ .