

CSE 3302/5307 Programming Language Concepts

Homework 9 - Fall 2025

Due Date: Oct. 20, 2025, 9:00PM Central Time

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Problem1 - 50%

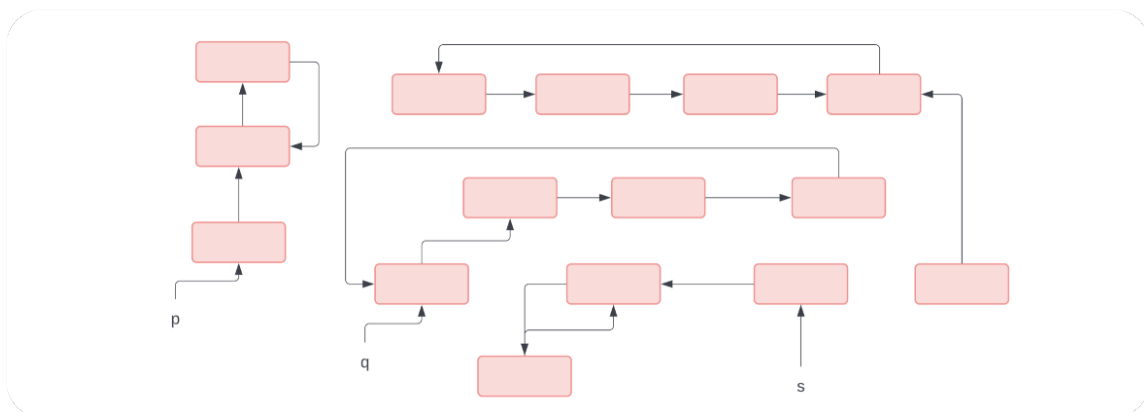


Figure 1: Heap Configuration

Consider the heap configuration shown for allocated memory words. The heap is in total 100B in this case and one memory word is 4B.

- Compute the amount of memory leaked for this configuration
- Mark the nodes that will be added to the free_list after reference counting
- Compute the amount of memory leaked after each of reference counting and mark and sweep
- How does mark and sweep detect the cycle although it is not in the reference graph?
- Mention a set of conditions under which reference counting could be viewed to be significantly better than mark and sweep

Problem2 - 20%

In Cheney's algorithm, the memory words in the from_space are mapped in a consistent and contiguous sense to the to_space. If that's the case, why is it necessary to store the forward addresses while mapping?

Problem3 - 30%

Here is a definition of the less-than-or-equal-to judgement for natural numbers:

Judgement Form: $\vdash \text{leq } n_1 \ n_2$

Rules:

$$\frac{n_2 \text{ nat}}{\vdash \text{leq } Z \ n_2} \quad (\text{Z-LEQ})$$

$$\frac{\vdash \text{leq } n_1 \ n_2}{\vdash \text{leq } (S \ n_1) \ (S \ n_2)} \quad (\text{S-LEQ})$$

a) Use the *leq* judgement to define a new judgement with the form

$$\vdash \text{ascend } l$$

that is valid whenever the elements of *l* are in ascending order (duplicates are allowed). For example, these judgements are valid:

$$\vdash \text{ascend } \text{cons}(Z, \text{cons}(Z, \text{cons}(S \ S \ S \ Z, \text{cons}(S \ S \ S \ S \ S \ S \ Z, \text{nil}))))$$

$$\vdash \text{ascend } \text{nil}$$

$$\vdash \text{ascend } \text{cons}(S \ S \ Z, \text{nil})$$

This judgement is not valid:

$$\vdash \text{ascend } \text{cons}(Z, \text{cons}(S \ S \ Z, \text{cons}(S \ Z, \text{nil})))$$

b) Consider the judgement $\vdash \text{dup } l_1 \ l_2$ and its rules:

$$\overline{\vdash \text{dup } \text{nil } \text{nil}} \quad (\text{NIL-DUP})$$

$$\frac{\vdash \text{dup } l_1 \ l_2}{\vdash \text{dup } \text{cons}(n, l_1) \ \text{cons}(n, \text{cons}(n, l_2))} \quad (\text{CONS-DUP})$$

Prove: If $\vdash \text{ascend } l_1$ and $\vdash \text{dup } l_1 \ l_2$ then $\vdash \text{ascend } l_2$.

