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Problem 1.

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Problem 3.

Let's consider this problem in a high and theoretical point of view. We know that we have a priority queue that supports insert and delete-min in $O(\log(n))$ worst-case execution time. This means that :

- $\exists \alpha$ such that the real execution time of insert is always less than $\alpha \log(n)$
- $\exists \beta$ such that the real execution time of delete-min is always less than $\beta \log(n)$

The main idea is that if we begin with an initially empty tree, there will always be more insert than delete-min. Therefore we can design a potential function that makes the amortized cost of insert a little bit higher (but in the same asymptotic class) and makes the amortized cost of delete-min constant.

Let's call n the total number of nodes in the tree. We are now able to define our potential function $\Phi(n)$: for $n > 0$, $\Phi(n) = \beta n \log(n)$; $\Phi(0) = 0$ (by continuity)

Let's compute the sum of the real cost and the potential variation of the two operations insert and delete-min. First for delete-min, the tree has initially n nodes and we insert a new one.

$$realcost + \Delta\Phi \leq \alpha \log(n) + \beta((n+1)\log(n+1) - n\log(n))$$

Let's compute separately $\Delta\Phi/\beta$:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\Phi/\beta &= n\log(n+1) - n\log(n) + \log(n+1) \\ &= n\log\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right) + \log(n+1) \\ &= n\log(1 + 1/n) + \log(n+1) \\ &= n[1/n + o(1/n)] + \log(n+1) \\ &= \log(n+1) + 1 + o(1) \\ &= O(\log(n)) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $realcost + \Delta\Phi \leq O(\log(n))$, the amortized cost of insert is less than $\log(n)$.

Let's do the same for the delete-min operation :

$$\begin{aligned} realcost + \Delta\Phi &\leq \beta \log(n) + \beta(n\log(n) - (n+1)\log(n+1)) \\ realcost + \Delta\Phi &\leq \beta \log(n) + \beta(n\log(n) - (n+1)\log(n)) \\ realcost + \Delta\Phi &\leq \beta \log(n) - \beta(\log(n)) \\ realcost + \Delta\Phi &\leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the amortized time of delete-min operation is $O(1)$.

Problem 4.

1.

After 15 pushes followed by 7 pops the stack will be in the following state :

S_0 8
 S_1 7
 S_2 6 5
 S_3 4 3 2 1

2.

The worst case scenario for pop is for any given integer k when S_0 contains one element and for i from 1 to k S_i is half full. In that state a pop will empty S_0 which will then take elements from S_1 emptying it in the process. S_1 will then take elements from S_2 emptying it in the process. This so empties every S_i until the last one resulting in a number of operation equal to the number of elements in the stack. We can also realize that the resulting state is the worst case scenario for a push operation.

The worst case for push is for any given integer k when for i from 0 to k S_i is completely full. In that state pushing an element in the stack will overload S_0 which will then push its elements on S_1 overloading it in the process. S_1 will then push its elements on S_2 overloading it in the process. This so overload every S_i until the last one resulting in a number of operation equal to the number of elements in the stack. We can also realize that the resulting state is the worst case scenario for a pop operation.

The worst case scenario for pop and push are both in linear $O(n)$ time.

3.

Let k be any integer and $n = 2^k - 1$.

Initial state : Empty stack

Operation sequence :

1. n pushes
2. n times a push followed by a pop
3. n pops

The second part of the proposed sequence of operations consist of n worst case pushes and n worst case pops. That makes $O(n^2)$ basic operations. We can then conclude that the two operations can't be achieved in constant amortized time.