CS5463 Fundamentals of Software

Homework 3

Due 10/30/20 before 11:59pm (Central Time)

1. Arrays and Heaps (6 points)

(1) (3 points) Suppose you wanted to create an algorithm to find the number of elements $\geq k$ in an array, A, of n distinct elements.

Specifically, describe efficient algorithms to solve this problem when A is the following data structures.

- (a) Unsorted array
- (b) Sorted array
- (c) Max-heap
- (2) (3 points) Analyze the runtime of your three algorithms from the previous part:
 - (a) Unsorted array
 - (b) Sorted array
 - (c) Max-heap

2. Huffman Encoding (2 points)

- (1) Show the process by which a Huffman tree would be built for the following string of character: (i.e., redraw the tree after each new node is created). "cannercancanacanra"
- (2) Using your tree, find the encoding that would result for the above string.

3. Red-Black Trees (2 points)

- (1) Company X has created a new variant on red-black trees which also uses blue as a color for the nodes. They call these "red-black-blue trees". Below are the new rules for these trees:
 - Every node is red, blue, or black.
 - The root is black.
 - Every leaf (NIL) is black.
 - If a node is red, then both its children are black.
 - If a node is blue, then both its children are red or black.
 - For each node, all simple paths from the node to descendant leaves contain the same number of black nodes.
 - (a) (2 points) In class we found that the height, h, of a red-black tree is $\leq 2\log_2(n+1)$ (where n is the number of keys). Find and prove that a similar bound on height of the red-black-blue trees.

(Hint: You can use the same approach as we did to show

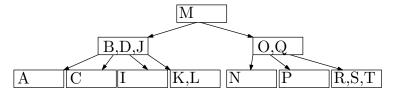
$$h \le 2\log_2(n+1)).$$

(b) (0 points - just for fun) Adding an additional color didn't seem to improve our bound on h (i.e., 3 colors allows the tree to become more unbalanced than with 2 colors). What benefit might we get from the extra color?

4. B-trees (4 points)

(1) (2 points) Show the results of inserting the keys

in order into the B-tree shown below. Assume this B-tree has minimum degree k=2. Draw only the configurations of the tree just before some node(s) must split, and also draw the final configuration.



(2) (2 points) Suppose you have a B-tree of height h and minimum degree k. What is the largest number of keys that can be stored in such a B-tree? Prove that your answer is correct.

(**Hint:** Your answer should depend on k and h. This is similar to theorem we proved in the B-tree notes).

5. Hash Table Probabilities (3 points)

- (1) (1 point) Suppose 2 keys are inserted into an empty hash table with m slots. Assuming simple uniform hashing, what is the probability of:
 - (a) exactly 0 collisions occurring
 - (b) exactly 1 collisions occurring
- (2) (2 points) Suppose 3 keys are inserted into an empty hash table with m slots. Assuming simple uniform hashing, what is the probability of:
 - (a) exactly 0 collisions occurring
 - (b) exactly 1 collisions occurring
 - (c) exactly 2 collisions occurring

6. Hash Table (7 points)

(1) Consider inserting the keys 2, 21, 3, 58, 11, 42, 34 into a hash table of length m = 10 with the hash function $h(k) = k \mod 10$.

- (a) (2 points) Illustrate the result of inserting these keys using linear probing to resolve collisions.
- (b) (2 points) Illustrate the result of inserting these keys using chaining to resolve collisions.
- (2) Consider inserting the keys 8, 5, 14 into a hash table of length m = 8 with the hash function h(k) = |m(kA |kA|)| where A = 0.625.
 - (a) (2 points) Illustrate the result of inserting these keys.
 - (b) (1 point) Now compute the hash function of the key 14 using the alternative algorithm described below.

You can assume we have a word size w = 4. Since $m = 8 = 2^3$, p = 3. Since $A = 0.625 = 10/2^4 = 10/2^w$, s = 10.

Alternative Algorithm: Compute ks and convert it to a binary number. This number will consist of $\leq 2w$ bits. Look at the rightmost w bits. Of those bits, convert the leftmost p bits back to an integer. This integer is your hash table slot.