Fall 2014

Due: 11:59 pm, Thursday, September 25

The goal of this machine problem is to extend the two-way linked list ADT from machine problem 2 to include five algorithms for sorting a list. Extend machine problem 2 to include a new command: sort.

The code must consist of the following files:

lab3.c – contains t	he main() function for testing	the sort algorithms. Use lab2.c as a
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template.

list.c - Extension of the two-way linked list ADT from lab2

soc_support.c — Use the same soc_support.c file from machine problem 2. No changes should be

required.

soc_support.h — The data structures for the specific format of the trace route records, and the

prototype definitions.

1 ist.h — The data structures and prototype definitions for the list ADT.

datatypes.h - Key definitions of the trace route structure and a procedure needed by the list

ADT

makefile – Compiler commands for all code files

Sorting the two-way linked list ADT

Create the prototype definition void list_sort(list_t *list_ptr, int sort_type) in your list.h file. For this function, sort_type can take one of the following values:

- 1. Insertion sort. We can use the other functions in list.c to implement a very simple sort function. To sort the list, use list_remove to take the first item from the list and list_insert_sorted to put the item into a second list that is sorted. When all the elements have been inserted into the sorted list, adjust the pointers in list_ptr to point to the newly sorted list. Note this is a simple variation of the priority queue sort Standish describes in Section 4.3 of the book.
- 2. Recursive Selection Sort. Implement the recursive version of the selection sort as defined by program 5.19 on page 152 in the book by Standish. Except, change the code so the sorted list is increasing. Update the algorithm so that it properly handles our two-way linked list (as opposed to the implementation for an array in program 5.19). The calculations of the sort algorithm should not change; just change the algorithm to work with pointers instead of indexes into an array. You will also need to implement Standish's FindMax algorithm defined in program 5.20 on page 152. The source code from Standish is available on Blackboard.
- 3. Iterative Selection Sort. Implement the iterative version of the selection sort as defined by program 5.35 on page 171 in the book by Standish. Read Section 5.4 for an explanation of how the recursive version of the program is transformed into the iterative version.
- 4. Merge Sort. Implement the recursive version of merge sort as defined by the program 6.19 on page 237 of the book by Standish. Note you will need to implement two support functions. The first is a function to partition a list into two half-lists (this is easy to implement as you just step through the linked list until half the list size and then break the list into two lists). This second function merges two lists that are sorted into a single list. Read the paragraph on page 237 that discusses how to merge two lists, and note that it is a simple process of using list_remove at the head of either the left or right list and list_insert at the tail of the merged list.

5. Quick Sort. The C standard library includes a highly optimized implementation of Quick Sort called qsort. However, it is designed to work with an array only. At the end of this PDF file is an example of how to set up the call to the qsort library function.

Be careful to design your algorithms so that you <u>do not</u> change their complexity class. We spent a great deal of time proving that the recursive selection sort algorithm is correct. Do not redesign the algorithm! The final two lines of the function list sort **must** be

```
list_ptr->ll_sorted_state = LIST_SORTED;
list_debug_validate(list_ptr);
```

Command line parameters

You program must accept an additional argument on the command line to specify the type of sort. The format is "./lab3 sorttype" where the argument is an integer. The sortype argument is used with the sort command. The parameter sorttype uses the numbering scheme defined in the above section. For example, ./lab3 4 uses the merge sort algorithm when sorting the unsorted list.

Measuring time to sort and scan

To measure the performance of a sorting algorithm use the built in C function clock to count the number of cycles used by the program. In lab3.c use:

```
#include <time.h>
clock_t start, end;
double elapse_time; /* time in milliseconds */

(when the "sort" command is found do)
int initialsize = list_entries(L);
start = clock();
list_sort(L, sort_type);
end = clock();
elapse_time = 1000.0 * ((double) (end - start)) / CLOCKS_PER_SEC;
assert(list_entries(L) == initialsize);
printf("%d\t%f\t%d\n", initialsize, elapse_time, sort_type);

where CLOCKS_PER_SEC and clock_t are defined in <time.h>.
```

Additional requirements for sort

Your final code must use the exact printf() statement given in the above example. You will collect output from multiple runs to plot performance curves, showing run time for various list sizes. Your program **must** verify that the size of the list after the completion of the call to list_sort matches the size before the list is sorted. Your program must not have any memory leaks or array boundary violations.

Suppress prints and unnecessary validation calls during performance evaluation and for final submission

The <code>soc_fill_record()</code> function generates an unreasonable number of prints when working with large input files. Once debugging is completed and you are preparing the final tests with large input files, comment out the call to <code>soc_fill_record()</code> that is found in the <code>soc_get_socket_id()</code> function. While this leaves the socket record with uninitialized values, when testing list with large sizes the record details are not needed. Skipping reading in socket record details reduces the memory requires to pipe in

the input data, allowing you to test large lists sizes on systems with limited memory (such as virtual machines). Also comment out the printf calls with the pushback command in your lab3.c file and in the soc_get_socket_id function. We don't need to see 250,000 prints about prompting and pushing. Change the malloc to a calloc with the pushback command in your lab3.c file so that valgrind does not report uninitialized values.

The list_debug_validate() function is **very** inefficient. **After** all your code works correctly, remove list_debug_validate() from **all** list_() functions except list_sort(), where it must remain as the last line called before the function returns.

Generating large inputs for testing

See the supplemental program **geninput.c** to create input for testing. The program takes two options on the command line. The first specifies the size of the list and the second specifies the type of list. There are three possible types:

- 1. List with elements in a random order.
- 2. List with elements already in ascending order.
- 3. List with elements in descending order.

To run, pipe the output of the geninput program into lab3. For example, for a merge sort trial on a list with 10,000 elements in random order use:

```
./geninput 10000 1 | ./lab3 4
```

The final code you submit **must** operate with **geninput.c**. In particular, you must have commented out the calls to the validation function (except the call in **list_sort**) and the call to fill in the details of a packet. Your program should be able to sort approximately 12,000 items (or more) in about one second for insertion or either selection sort. For merge sort or quick sort, your program should be able to sort approximately 250,000 items (or more) in about one second.

Final testing and PDF for the testing log

Test each of the five sorting algorithms and each of the three list types (random, ascending, descending) with at least **five** different list sizes. You **must** create graphs to illustrate your results. For the tests involving <u>random</u> list types, you **must** include in your graph the result for at least **one** list size that requires more than one second to sort as determined using the C function clock.

In your Test Log document, in addition to reporting your data using graphs, describe

- (a) For lists that are initially random, explain the differences in running time for the sorting algorithms. Do your iterative and recursive selection sort algorithms show dramatic differences in running times or are they similar? Why does the mergesort algorithm show a dramatic improvement in run time (if it is not dramatically faster than the other algorithms you have a bug)?
- (b) If a list is already in ascending or descending order, some sort algorithms are very fast while others still have to perform a similar number of comparisons as when the list is not sorted. Describe which algorithm(s) show extremely fast performance if the list is already sorted, and explain why.

You must submit your test log as a PDF file. Both Microsoft Word and LibreOffice have tools that convert the document to PDF format.

Your test script is a simple listing of the lab3 commands you used to generate the data for your test log. See the example script posted on Blackboard.

An optional experiment is to recompile your final code taking out the –Wall and –g options and adding the –O option (capital letter o, not zero) to all calls with gcc. The –O option turns on compiler optimizations and you should find your code runs substantially faster. While the run times are reduced and you can sort larger lists, has the complexity class for any of the sorting algorithms changed?

Hints

When converting Standish's selection sort algorithms from working with arrays to working with pointers, don't try to add array-like features to our two-way linked list. Instead rewrite Standish's code to use pointers. For example, change

```
void SelectionSort(InputArray A, int m, int n)
to
void SelectionSort(list_t *A, list_node_t *m, list_node_t *n)
```

The qsort library function requires the items to be stored in an array and you must write a comparison function. One simple approach is to store the pointers to our data_t blocks in array (but do not use arrays for any of the other sorting algorithms!). However, qsort then must dereference a pointer twice to compare data_t blocks. The first pointer indexes into the array, the second pointer is the address of the data_t memory block. Note the qsort function moves the pointers, not the data_t memory blocks.

```
int i, Asize = list_entries(list_ptr);
data_t ** QsortA = (data_t **) malloc(Asize*sizeof(data_t *));
for (i = 0; i < Asize; i++) {
    QsortA[i] = list_remove(list_ptr, LISTPOS_HEAD);
}
qsort(QsortA, Asize, sizeof(data_t *), my_compare);
for (i = 0; i < Asize; i++) {
    list_insert(list_ptr, QsortA[i], LISTPOS_TAIL);
}
free(QsortA);
/* Comparison function for qsort */
int my_compare(const void *p_a, const void *p_b)
{
    return comp_proc(*(data_t **) p_b, *(data_t **) p_a);
}</pre>
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See the ECE 223 Programming Guide for additional requirements that apply to all programming assignments. All code, a makefile, a test script, and a test log must be turned in to Blackboard.

Work must be completed by each individual student, and see the course syllabus for additional policies.