

Assignment 5

Due: Wed, Dec 5 @ 11.59pm

Directions:

- Your solutions must be typeset. LaTeX is recommended.
- You must upload your solutions as a PDF file on Canvas before the deadline.
- You don't have to include your solutions to the programming problems in the PDF file.

Problem 1

Suppose we perform a sequence of n operations on a data structure in which the i -th operation costs i if i is an exact power of 2, and 1 otherwise. What is the amortized cost per operation?

Problem 2

Show how to implement a queue with two stacks so that the amortized cost of each ENQUEUE and each DEQUEUE operation is $O(1)$. Assume each stack operation (PUSH and POP) costs 1. (Hint: use the piggy bank technique)

Problem 3

Consider the following variants of VERTEX-COVER problem:

- VERTEX-COVER: Does there exist a vertex cover of size $\leq k$?
- FIND-VERTEX-COVER: Find a vertex cover of size $\leq k$.
- OPT-VERTEX-COVER: Find a vertex cover of minimum size.

Show that VERTEX-COVER \equiv_p FIND-VERTEX-COVER \equiv_p OPT-VERTEX-COVER. (Hint: show how a problem can be solved if a poly-time solver to another problem was given to you)

Problem 4

The CLIQUE problem is defined as follows. Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ and integer k , determine whether there exists a subset of vertices $C \subseteq V$ such that $|C| \geq k$ and for any two nodes $u, v \in C$, the edge $(u, v) \in E$. Show that CLIQUE is NP-complete. You may assume that VERTEX-COVER is NP-complete.