

CS101 Algorithms and Data Structures  
Fall 2023  
Homework 3

Due date: 23:59, October 29th, 2023

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**1. (6 points) Sorting practice**

Given an array:

1, 4, 7, 3, 5, 2, 8, 6

- (a) (2') Run Insertion Sort for this array. Write down the array **after each** outer iteration.

```
for(int k = 1; k < n; k++){  
    for(int j = k; j > 0; j--){  
        if( array[j - 1] > array[j] )  
            swap(array[j - 1], array[j]);  
        else  
            break;  
    }  
    print(array);  
}
```

**Solution:**

- (i) 1 4 7 3 5 2 8 6
- (ii) 1 4 7 3 5 2 8 6
- (iii) 1 3 4 7 5 2 8 6
- (iv) 1 3 4 5 7 2 8 6
- (v) 1 2 3 4 5 7 8 6
- (vi) 1 2 3 4 5 7 8 6
- (vii) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

- (b) (2') Run Flagged Bubble Sort for this array. Write down the array **after each** outer iteration.

```
for(int i = n-1; i > 0; i--){  
    int max_t = array[0];  
    bool sorted = true;  
    for(int j = 1; j <= i; j++){  
        if(array[j] < max_t){  
            array[j-1] = array[j];  
            sorted = false;  
        }  
        else{  
            array[j-1] = max_t;  
            max_t = array[j];  
        }  
    }  
    array[i] = max_t;
```

```
    print(array);  
    if(sorted) break;  
}
```

**Solution:**

(i) 1 4 3 5 2 7 6 8

(ii) 1 3 4 2 5 6 7 8

(iii) 1 3 2 4 5 6 7 8

(iv) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

(v) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

- (c) (2') Run Merge Sort for this array. Write down the array **after each** merge and underline the sub-array being merged.

**Solution:**(i) 1 4 7 3 5 2 8 6(ii) 1 4 3 7 2 5 6 8(iii) 1 3 4 7 2 5 6 8(iv) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

**2. (6 points) Which Sort?**

Given a sequence

$$A = \langle 5, 4, 8, 7, 6, 2, 1, 3, 7, 9 \rangle,$$

we have performed different sorting algorithms and printed the intermediate results. Note that the steps below are **not** necessarily consecutive steps in the algorithm, but they are guaranteed to be in the correct order.

For each group of steps, guess ( $\checkmark$ ) what the algorithm is. The algorithm might be one among the following choices:

- Insertion-sort, implemented in the way that avoids swapping elements
- Flagged Bubble-sort
- Merge-sort

(a) (2')

$$\langle 4, 5, 7, 8, 6, 2, 1, 3, 7, 9 \rangle,$$

$$\langle 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 1, 3, 7, 9 \rangle,$$

$$\langle 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 9 \rangle.$$

☒ **Insertion-sort**   ☐ Bubble-sort   ☐ Merge-sort

(b) (2')

$$\langle 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 2, 1, 3, 7, 9 \rangle,$$

$$\langle 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 1, 2, 3, 7, 9 \rangle,$$

$$\langle 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7, 8, 9 \rangle.$$

☐ Insertion-sort   ☐ Bubble-sort   ☒ **Merge-sort**

(c) (2')

$$\langle 4, 5, 7, 6, 8, 2, 1, 3, 7, 9 \rangle,$$

$$\langle 4, 5, 7, 6, 2, 1, 3, 7, 8, 9 \rangle,$$

$$\langle 4, 5, 6, 2, 1, 3, 7, 7, 8, 9 \rangle.$$

☐ Insertion-sort   ☒ **Bubble-sort**   ☐ Merge-sort

**3. (8 points) Multiple Choices**

Each question has **one or more** correct answer(s). Select all the correct answer(s). For each question, you will get 0 points if you select one or more wrong answers, but you will get 1 point if you select a non-empty subset of the correct answers.

Write your answers in the following table.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)

(a) (2') which of the sorts are in-place sorting algorithm?

- A. Insertion-sort**
- B. Bubble-sort**
- C. Merge-sort
- D. None of all

(b) (2') Which of the following situations are **true** for an array of  $n$  random numbers?

- A. The number of inversions in this array can be found by applying a recursive algorithm adapted from merge-sort in  $\Theta(n \log n)$  time.**
- B. If it has no more than  $n$  inversions, it can be sorted in  $O(n)$  time.**
- C. If it has exactly  $n(n-1)/2$  inversions, it can be sorted in  $O(n)$  time.**
- D. If the array is  $\langle 8, 6, 3, 7, 4 \rangle$ , there are 6 inversions.

(c) (2') Which of the following statements are true?

- A. For an array of length  $n$ , in the  $k$ -th iteration of insertion-sort, finding a correct position for a new element to be inserted at takes  $\Theta(k)$  time. If we use *binary-search* instead (which takes  $\Theta(\log k)$  time), it is possible to optimize the total running time to  $\Theta(n \log n)$ .**
- B. A sorting algorithm is stable if its worst-case time complexity is the same as its best-case time complexity.
- C. Merge-sort requires  $\Theta(\log n)$  extra space when sorting an array of  $n$  elements.
- D. Given 2 sorted lists of size  $m$  and  $n$  respectively, and we want to merge them to one sorted list by mergesort. Then in the worst case, we need  $m + n - 1$  comparisons.

(d) (2') Choose the situation where **insertion sort** is the most suitable among insertion sort, bubble sort and merge sort. Your choice should be the one that satisfies all the special constraints and is most efficient.

- A. Sorting an array of coordinates of points  $\langle (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n) \rangle$  on a 2d plane in ascending order of the  $x$  coordinate, while preserving the original order of the  $y$  coordinate for any pair of elements  $(x_i, y_i), (x_j, y_j)$  with  $x_i = x_j$ .
- B. Sorting an array that is *almost* sorted with only  $n/2$  inversions.
- C. Sorting an array on an embedded system with quite limited memory. You may only use  $\Theta(1)$  extra space, but a high time cost is acceptable.**
- D. Given a database with a large number of records. You need to sort the record with high efficiency.

**4. (12 points) SmallSum**

Given an array  $\langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle$ , Let

$$f_i = \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_j \mathbb{I}(a_j < a_i)$$

Then, we define SmallSum:

$$\text{SmallSum} = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i$$

For example, for array  $\langle 1, 3, 4, 2, 5 \rangle$ :

- for element 1:  $f_1 = 0$
- for element 3:  $f_2 = 1$
- for element 4:  $f_3 = 1 + 3 = 4$
- for element 2:  $f_4 = 1$
- for element 5:  $f_5 = 1 + 3 + 4 + 2 = 10$

So the SmallSum is  $0 + 1 + 4 + 1 + 10 = 16$ .

Most of you can come up with the  $\Theta(n^2)$  solution, but let's think it in another way.

(a) (1') For the example above, for an element  $a_k$ , how many times does it add to the sum?

- A.  $\sum_{i=1}^k \mathbb{I}(a_k < a_i)$
- B.  $\sum_{i=1}^k \mathbb{I}(a_k \geq a_i)$
- C.  $\sum_{i=k+1}^n \mathbb{I}(a_k < a_i)$
- D.  $\sum_{i=k+1}^n \mathbb{I}(a_k \geq a_i)$

(b) (8') Fill in the blanks in the code snippet below. (Hint: relate this algorithm to counting inversions.)

Consider alternating the Enhance Merge Sort algorithm to solve the problem.

The solution has 2 functions:

```
int split(int arr[], int left, int right)
{
    if (left == right)
        return 0;
    int mid = (left + right) / 2;
    int result = split(arr, left, mid) + split(arr, mid + 1, right);
    return result + merge(arr, left, mid, right);
}
```

The following function calculates the contribution of  $\langle a_{\text{left}}, \dots, a_{\text{mid}} \rangle$  to the sum.

```
int merge(int arr[], int left, int mid, int right)
{
    int length = right - left + 1;
    int *temp = new int[length];
    int i = 0;
    int p1 = left;
    int p2 = mid + 1;
    int result = 0;
    while (p1 <= mid && p2 <= right)
    {
        if (arr[p1] < arr[p2])
        {
            // Add arr[p1]'s contribution to final answer.
            result += arr[p1] * (right - p2 + 1);
            // move the elements of arr into temp.
            // (for the following three lines, you may not fill
            // all of them.)
            temp[i++] = arr[p1++];
        }
        else
        {
            // move the elements of arr into temp.
            // (for the following three lines, you may not fill
            // all of them.)
            temp[i++] = arr[p2++];
        }
    }
    while (p1 <= mid)
    {
        temp[i++] = arr[p1++];
    }
    while (p2 <= right)
    {
        temp[i++] = arr[p2++];
    }
    for (int j = 0; j < length; j++)
    {
        arr[left + j] = temp[j];
    }
    delete[] temp;
    return result;
}
```

- (c) (3') What's the time complexity of our algorithm? Please answer in the form of  $\Theta(\cdot)$  and prove your answer.

**Solution:**  $\Theta(n \log(n))$

**Proof:** It takes  $\log_2(n)$  times to split the array into single elements, which means there are  $\log_2(n)$  times merging. And each merging takes  $O(n)$  times to merge the array. So the time complexity is  $\Theta(n \log(n))$ .