

University of Nevada, Las Vegas Computer Science 477/677 Fall 2024

Answers to Assignment 3:

This assignment will not be graded. Answers will be posted on Tuesday September 23, 2024.

1. Here is a prefix code for the alphabet {E,H,L,O,R,W}.

D	00
E	10
H	110
L	010
O	011
R	1110
W	1111

Why is it called a prefix code?

Because no code string is a prefix of any other, making decoding unambiguous.

Decode the string

110100100100111111011111001000

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3. Solve the following recurrences using the anti-derivative method.

(a) $F(n) = F(n - 1) + n^2$

$$\frac{F(n) - F(n - 1)}{1} = n^2 \quad F(n) = \Theta(n^3)$$

$$F'(n) = n^2$$

$$F(n) = \Theta(n^3)$$

(b) $F(n) = F(n - \log n) + \log n$

$$\frac{F(n) - (F(n) - \log n)}{\log n} = \frac{\log n}{\log n}$$

$$F'(n) = 1$$

$$F(n) = \Theta(n)$$

4. Solve the following recurrences using the master theorem.

(a) $F(n) = 2F(n/2) + n$

$$A = 2, B = 2, C = 1$$

$$F(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$$

(b) $F(n) = F(n/2) + 1$

$$A = 1, B = 2, C = 0$$

$$F(n) = \Theta(\log n)$$

(c) $F(n) = 4F(n/2) + n$

$$A = 4, B = 2, C = 1, \log_B A = 2 > C$$

$$F(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

(d) $F(n) = 4F(n/2) + n^2$

$A = 4, B = 2, C = 2, \log_B A = 2 = C$

$F(n) = \Theta(n^2 \log n)$

(e) $F(n) = 4F(n/2) + n^3$

$A = 4, B = 2, C = 3, \log_B A = 2 < C$

$F(n) = \Theta(n^3)$

5. Solve the following recurrences.

(a) $F(n) = 2F(n - 1) + 1$

$F(n) = \Theta(2^n)$

(b) $F(n) = F(\sqrt{n}) + 1$ Hint: use substitution.

Let $m = \log n$, and $F(n) = G(\log n) = G(m)$. Thus, $F(\sqrt{n}) = G(\log \sqrt{n}) = G(\frac{\log n}{2}) = G(\frac{m}{2})$

Substituting, we have the recurrence

$G(m) = G(m/2) + 1$

By the Master theorem we have $G(m) = \Theta(\log m)$ Thus $F(n) = \Theta(\log \log n)$.

(c) $F(n) = F(\log n) + 1$ You may have a hard time finding this on the internet.

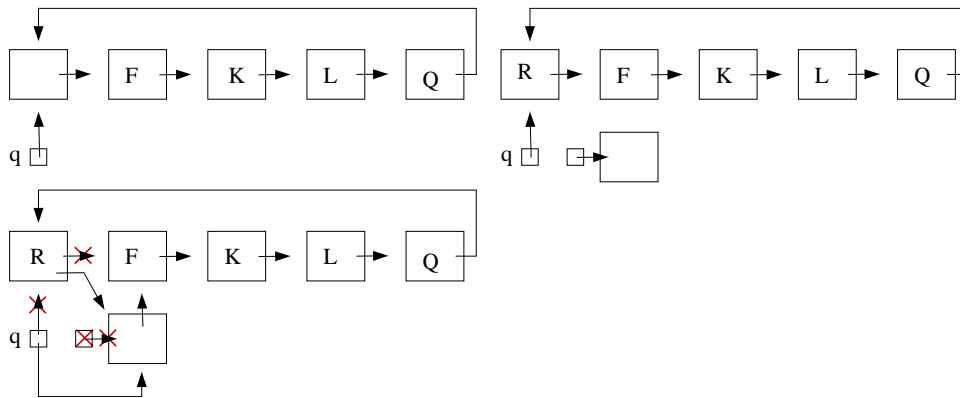
$F(n) = \Theta(\log^* n)$

6. Find the value of each expression.

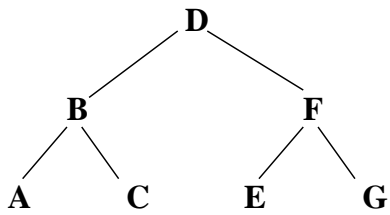
(a) $\log_4 \sqrt{2} = \frac{1}{4}$

(b) $4^{\log_9 27} = 4^{\frac{3}{2}} = 8$

7. Illustrate a circular queue whose items are F, K, L, Q in that order. Then, illustrate the steps of inserting item R .



8. Given the following binary tree:



Write the nodes in inorder, preorder, postorder, and level order.

- (a) Inorder: ABCDEFG
 - (b) Preorder: DBACFEG
 - (c) Postorder: ACBEGFD
 - (d) Level order: DBFACEG
9. Suppose a stack of integers is implemented as a linked list, as in the handout:

```
struct stacknode;
typedef stacknode*stack;
struct stacknode
{
    int item;
    stack link;
}
```

Write C++ code for the operators push and pop.

```
void push(stack&s,int newitem)
{
    stack x = new stacknode;
    x->item = newitem;
    x->link = s;
    s = x;
}

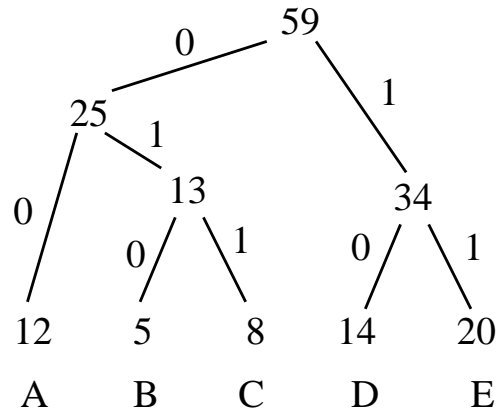
int pop(stack&s)
// input condition: s is not empty
{
    int rslt = s->item;
    s = s->link;
    return rslt;
// memory leak is ignored
}
```

10. Assume that A is an array declared as follows: `int A[N]`; Finish writing C++ code for determining whether a given number x is an entry of A , assuming that A is sorted in increasing order.

```
bool findinA(int x)
{
    int lo = 0; // x is not A[i] for any i < lo
    int hi = N; // x is not A[i] for any i >= N
    bool rslt = false;
    while (lo <= hi and not rslt)
    {
        int mid = (lo+hi)/2;
        if(A[mid] < x) hi = mid;
        else if(A[mid] > x) lo = mid+1;
        else rslt = true;
    }
    return rslt;
}
```

11. Use Huffman's algorithm to find an optimal prefix code for the alphabet $\{A, B, C, D, E\}$ with the following frequencies.

A	12	00
B	5	010
C	8	011
D	14	10
E	20	11



12. Given the list E U W R B Q P X H L Z G, walk through two sorting algorithms for that list, polyphase mergesort and heapsort.

Polyphase mergesort
 EUW R BQ PX HLZ G
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 R PX G
 ERUW GHLZ
 BPQX
 BEPQRUWX
 GHLZ
 BEGHLQPQRUWXZ

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
E	U	W	R	B	Q	P	X	H	L	Z	G	
E	U	W	R	Z	Q	P	X	H	L	B	G	bubbledown B
E	U	W	X	Z	Q	P	R	H	L	B	G	bubbledown R
E	Z	W	X	U	Q	P	R	H	L	B	G	bubbledown U
Z	E	W	X	U	Q	P	R	H	L	B	G	bubbledown E
Z	X	W	E	U	Q	P	R	H	L	B	G	bubbledown E
Z	X	W	R	U	Q	P	E	H	L	B	G	b E heapify completed
G	X	W	R	U	Q	P	E	H	L	B	Z	swap Z G
X	G	W	R	U	Q	P	E	H	L	B	Z	bubbledown G
X	U	W	R	G	Q	P	E	H	L	B	Z	bubbledown G
X	U	W	R	L	Q	P	E	H	G	B	Z	b G heap order restored
B	U	W	R	L	Q	P	E	H	G	X	Z	swap X B
W	U	B	R	L	Q	P	E	H	G	X	Z	bubbledown B
W	U	Q	R	L	B	P	E	H	G	X	Z	b B heap order restored
G	U	Q	R	L	B	P	E	H	W	X	Z	swap W G
U	G	Q	R	L	B	P	E	H	W	X	Z	bubbledown G
U	R	Q	G	L	B	P	E	H	W	X	Z	bubbledown G
U	R	Q	H	L	B	P	E	G	W	X	Z	b G heap order restored
G	R	Q	H	L	B	P	E	U	W	X	Z	swap U G
R	G	Q	H	L	B	P	E	U	W	X	Z	bubbledown G
R	L	Q	H	G	B	P	E	U	W	X	Z	b G heap order restored
E	L	Q	H	G	B	P	R	U	W	X	Z	swap R E
Q	L	E	H	G	B	P	R	U	W	X	Z	bubbledown E
Q	L	P	H	G	B	E	R	U	W	X	Z	b E heap order restored
E	L	P	H	G	B	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	swap Q E
P	L	E	H	G	B	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	b E heap order restored
B	L	E	H	G	P	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	swap P B
L	B	E	H	G	P	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	bubbledown B
L	H	E	B	G	P	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	b B heap order restored
G	H	E	B	L	P	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	swap L G
H	G	E	B	L	P	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	b G heap order restored
B	G	E	H	L	P	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	swap H B
G	B	E	H	L	P	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	b B heap order restored
E	B	G	H	L	P	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	swap G E
B	E	G	H	L	P	Q	R	U	W	X	Z	swap E B