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Fundamental Algorithms

Problem 1 (10 Points)

A binary tree is full if all of its vertices have either zero or two children. Let B_n denote the number of full binary trees with n vertices.

- 1. By drawing out all full binary trees with 3, 5, or 7 vertices, determine the exact values of B_3 , B_5 , and B_7 . Why have we left out even numbers of vertices, like B_4 ?
- 2. For general n, derive a recurrence relation for B_n .

Solution

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The figure shows all the full binary trees with 3, 5 or 7 nodes. The the number of trees are 1, 2 and 5 respectively.

There are no even number of nodes because, a tree with even number of nodes cannot be a full tree.



2. For general n, derive a recurrence relation for B_n .

$$B_{n} = \begin{cases} 2\left(B_{n-2} + B_{n-4}B_{3} + \ldots + B_{\left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil}B_{\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor - 1}\right) & \text{if } n = 4k + 1\\ 2\left(B_{n-2} + B_{n-4}B_{3} + \ldots + B_{\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor}B_{\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor}\right) - B_{\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor}B_{\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor} & \text{if } n = 4k + 3\end{cases}$$

Problem 2 (10 Points)

Review all the sort algorithms taken in the class. Compare their complexities. If possible, try to explain them with day-to-day examples.

Prove that the lower bound for sorting is $n \lg n$

Solution

Sort	Average	Best	Worst	Remarks
Bubble sort	n^2	n^2	n^2	
Selection sort	n^2	n^2	n^2	
Insertion sort	n^2	n	n^2	In best case, insert requires constant time
Merge sort	$n \lg n$	$n \lg n$	$n \lg n$	
Heap sort	$n \lg n$	$n \lg n$	$n \lg n$	
Quick sort	$n \lg n$	$n \lg n$	n^2	

Proof:

For an input of size n, the decision tree has n! leaves. Which leaves the tree with a height $h \ge \lg(n!)$

$$h \geq \lg(n!)$$

$$\geq \lg\left(\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{n}{2}(\lg(n) - 1)$$

$$\geq \left(\frac{n}{4}\right)\lg n$$

Problem 3

Stacks and Queues.

- 1. Write pseudo code for push(x), pop(), add(x), delete().
- 2. How can one simulate a queue with two stacks! (no counting)

What is a circular queue?

Solution

1. Stack

#define STACKSIZE 1000

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unsigned int stack[STACKSIZE];
int top;
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void push(int data)

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{
           if (top < STACKSIZE)
                   stack[top++] = data;
           else
                   printf("Stack Full");
  }
  int pop()
  {
           if(top != 0)
                   return stack[--top];
           else
                   print("Stack Empty");
          return -1;
  }
2. Simulate Queue with Stacks
  stack Stack1, Stack2;
  void add(int data)
  {
          Stack1.push(data);
  }
  int del()
  {
          while possible to pop from Stack1
           {
                   Stack2.push(Stack1.pop());
           }
           return Stack2.pop();
           while possible to pop from Stack2
           {
                   Stack1.push(Stack2.pop());
           }
  }
```

3. Circular Queue

A circular queue is a queue which has a maximum capacity at a given point of time. It acts as if its head and tail are connected.

It is usually implemented with a normal array. Once the head/tail reaches the end of the array, the count starts again from the beginning.

Problem 4

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Design the functions insert(data), search(data) and delete(data) in a binary search tree – RECURSIVELY.
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Compare the complexity with the iterative implementations.

Solution

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1. insert(data)
node * insert(node * tree, int data)
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        if(tree == NULL)
                return newnode(data);
        if (data < tree->data)
                tree->left = insert(tree->left, data);
        if (data > tree->data)
                tree->right = insert(tree->right, data);
        if (data == tree->data)
                tree->count++;
        return tree;
}
  2. search(data) is exactly like insert(data) - so, left as exercise.
  3. delte(data)
void delete(node * tree, node * vater, int data)
{
        if (tree == NULL)
                return; // nothing to delete
        if(data < tree->data)
        { // happens to be in the left tree
                delete(tree->left, tree, data);
        }
        if(data > tree->data)
        { // let's delete it from the right subtree.
                delete(tree->right, tree, data);
        }
        // now we are on the tree NODE to be deleted.
        if(tree == vater) // happens to be the root node.
                if(isleaf(tree)) // the only node in the tree
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{
                free(tree);
                return ;
        }
else
{
        if(isleaf(tree))
        {
                if(vater->left == tree)
                        vater->left = NULL;
                else // if (vater->right == tree)
                        vater->right = NULL;
                return;
        }
        // if tree has only one child, we can replace tree by it's kid.
        if((onlykid = single_kid(tree)) != NULL)
        {
                if(vater->left == tree)
                        vater->left = onlykid;
                else // if (vater->right == tree)
                        vater->right = onlykid;
                return;
        }
}
// not a leaf, nor the father of only one child -
// hence replace tree with leftmost child of right child or
// rightmost child of left child
// random == 1 --> left child's rightmost child and
// random == 2 --> right child's leftmost child
random = replace(tree, vater); // does the random replacement.
if(random == 1)
        delete(tree->left, tree, data);
else // (random == 2)
        delete(tree->right, tree, data);
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The number of recursive calls is the same as the number of iterations in the iterative loops. Hence the complexities of both the methods are the same. And it is $O(\lg n)$, where n is the number of nodes in the tree.

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