CS3000: Algorithms & Data — Summer 2024 — Laney Strange

APP 1

Due: May 8th, 2025 @ 11:30am via Gradescope

Name: Sample Solution

- APPs will be assigned towards the end of roughly two lectures each week. You'll put together a solution to a short problem that we'll all use in the following lecture. We'll have time set aside to do these in class, or you can work on your own.
- You may handwrite your solutions, or typeset them in LATEX or another system.
- APPs will be graded on completeness. They must be submitted by 11:30am (just before lecture) on the due date. They will not be accepted late, but we drop 3 of them (out of 8 total).
- Collaboration is strongly encouraged for APPs!

Problem 1.

Below is the pseucode for INSERTIONSORT as we saw today in class.

INSERTIONSORT(A, n)

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1 for i = 2 to n

2 key = A[i]

3 j = i - 1

4 while j > 0 and A[j] > key

5 A[j+1] = A[j]

6 j = j - 1

7 A[j+1] = key
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• Give an example of an array that would result in the worst-case run-time for Insertion Sort.

Solution:

Anything in reverse-sorted order, such as < 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4 >

• Give an example of an array that would result in the best-case run-time for Insertion Sort.

Solution:

Anything in sorted order, such as < 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 >

• In line 5, when we set A[j + 1] = A[j], what is keeping us from overwriting and therefore losing the value at A[j + 1]?

Solution:

Line 2 helps us with this, by saving the value in A[i] in *key*, and then line 3 sets j = i - 1, so that j + 1 = i.

• What is the best-case running time T(n) for Insertion Sort on an input of size n? Assume that each execution of the kth line takes c_k time where c_k is a constant.

Solution:

 $T(n) = c_1 n + c_2(n-1) + c_3(n-1) + c_4(n-1) + c_7(n-1)$ = $(c_1 + c_2 + c_3 + c_4 + c_7)n - (c_2 + c_3 + c_4 + c_7)$

• Give a tight bound on the best-case run-time.

Solution:

 $\Theta(n)$.