

Tutorial 03: Sep 27

1. Heap Stacks

How would you implement a stack using a heap? Analyse the complexity of the push and pop operations.

2. Average Runtime

Suppose A is an array containing n distinct elements. In addition, assume each element is in between 1 and n , inclusive. Analyze this pseudo-code to determine a tight bound on the average number of question mark (?) that are printed, rather than a runtime. You may assume n is divisible by 2.

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mystery(A, n)
  count = 1
  for i = 1 to n-1
    if A[i] is divisible by A[0]
      count++
  for i = 1 to count
    print("?")
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3. Many Merges

Given a family k sorted arrays A_1, \dots, A_k , where the combination of the k arrays has n elements, give an $O(n \log k)$ time algorithm that produces a single sorted array containing all n elements. Hint: use a priority queue.