

## Overview

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## Problems

### Q1. Expected Runtime Analysis.

Give the best-case, worst-case, and expected running time for the infamous Bogosort algorithm in terms of the size  $n$  of the array. You can assume that the shuffle function takes  $O(n)$  time and produces each permutation equally likely. You can also assume that the array contains no duplicates.

```
bogosort(A):
    shuffle(A);
    if (A is sorted) {
        return A;
    } else {
        bogosort(A);
    }
```

### Q2. Average-case Analysis.

Let  $A$  be an array containing each of the numbers  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  exactly once, in some order. Analyze this algorithm to determine a tight bound on the average number of ?s that are printed. You may assume  $n$  is divisible by 2.

```
mystery(A, n):
    count = 1;
    for (i from 1 to n-1) {
        if (A[i] is divisible by A[0]) { count++; }
    }
    for (i = 1 to count) {
        print('?');
    }
```

### Q3. Probabilistic Counting.

With a normal  $b$ -bit counter, we can only count up to  $2^b - 1$ . But with *probabilistic counting* we can count to larger values at the cost of precision.

We let a counter reading of  $i$  represent a count of  $v_i$ , for  $0 \leq i \leq 2^b - 1$ . Initially the counter reads 0, indicating the count of  $v_0 = 0$ .

The operation *increment* works on a probabilistic counter with reading  $i$  in a randomized way:

1. If  $i < 2^b - 1$ , increase counter reading with probability

$$\frac{1}{v_{i+1} - v_i},$$

and leave the counter unchanged otherwise.

2. If  $i = 2^b - 1$ , report overflow.

Note that if we select  $v_i = 1$ , then the counter is an ordinary deterministic counter. More interesting situations arise if  $v_i = 100i$ ,  $v_i = 2^i$ , or  $v_i = i$ -th Fibonacci number. For instance, if  $v_i = 2^i$  then a reading of  $i = 101_2 = 5_{10}$  represents a count of “approximately  $2^5 = 32$ ”.

Assuming that an overflow does not occur, show that the expected value represented by the counter after  $n$  *increment* operations is  $n$ .

### Q4. Partition and quick-select.

Consider the following variation of the `partition` routine from class, which we’ll call `partition++`:

1. Take the pivot-index  $n - 1$  (so the pivot-value is  $v = A[n - 1]$ ).
  2. Rearrange  $A$  as explained in class (so that everything less than  $v$  is to its left and everything greater than  $v$  is to its right) and compute the pivot index  $i$ .
  3. If  $i \neq 0$ , then further rearrange the left part of  $A$  such that  $A[i - 1]$  is the predecessor of  $v$  (i.e.,  $A[i - 1]$  and  $A[i]$  would be consecutive in sorted order).
- (a) Explain how `partition++` can be implemented with  $\Theta(n)$  key comparisons.
- (b) For parts (b)-(d), consider running `quick-select(A, 0)` using `partition++`. If  $i = n - 1$  in the first round, what is the run-time in terms of  $n$ ?
- (c) If  $i > 0$ , what is the run time in terms of  $i$  and/or  $n$ ?
- (d) Show that the average-case run time (considering all possibilities for the initial pivot index  $i$ ) is in  $\Theta(n^2)$ .