

## COMP3506/7505: Special Exercise Set 5

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**Problem 1.** Let  $A$  be an array of 6 integers as follows:  $(8, 3, 4, 1, 7, 10)$ . Suppose that we use counting sort to sort the array, knowing that all the integers are in the domain from 1 to 10. Recall that the algorithm (as described in the class) generates an array  $B$  where each element is either 0 or 1. Enumerate the elements of  $B$  by indicating which ones are 0.

**Problem 2.** Describe the output of each `pop()` operation in the following sequence of operations on an initially empty stack:

`push(56), push(6), push(83), pop(), push(15), pop(), pop()`.

**Problem 3.** Describe the output of each `de-queue()` operation in the following sequence of operations on an initially empty stack:

`en-queue(56), en-queue(6), en-queue(83), de-queue(), en-queue(15), de-queue(), de-queue()`.

**Problem 4.** Let  $A$  be an array of  $n$  integers already sorted in ascending order. Let  $B$  be array of  $m$  integers that are not sorted. We know that the set of integers in  $A$  is disjoint with the set of integers in  $B$ . Describe an algorithm to produce an array where all the  $n + m$  integers have been sorted in ascending order. Your algorithm should terminate in  $O(n + m \log m)$  time.

**Problem 5.** Consider a sequence of  $n$  brackets, where each bracket is either opening (namely “[”) or closing (“]”). The sequence is *legal* if, intuitively, every opening bracket finds its closing counterpart. For example, `[] []` is legal but `[] ]` is not. Formally, a legal sequence is such that, one can continuously remove two adjacent brackets `[]` until all the brackets have disappeared. Suppose that the sequence is stored in an array of length  $n$ , where each bracket is stored in a cell. Give an algorithm to check whether the sequence is legal in  $O(n)$  time.

**Problem 6.** Suppose that we want to support two operations on an initially empty multi-set  $S$ :

- `Insert( $e$ )`: which inserts an integer  $e$  into  $S$
- `Query( $e$ )`: which asks whether integer  $e$  belongs to  $S$ .

We will need to process a sequence of operations that consists of  $n$  insertions, then followed by  $n$  queries. These operations are given to us one by one, namely, the next operation is given only after the previous one has been processed. We do not know the value of  $n$ , until receiving the first query. Design an algorithm that can (i) answer all queries correctly, and (ii) process all the  $2n$  operations in  $O(n \log n)$  total time.