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Algorithms and Data Structures Winter Term 2019/2020 Exercise Sheet 11

Remark: This is a repetition exercise with a selection of previous topics based on your vote. Since next week will be the final lesson, there is no need to submit this exercise for feedback.

Exercise 1: Counting Bit Flips of a Binary Counter

Consider a counter represented as bit string. We increment (add 1 to) the counter n times. Show that the *amortized* number bit flips per increment operation is $\mathcal{O}(1)$. You may assume that your counter starts with 0 and has at least $\log_2 n$ bits.

- (a) Analyze the number of bit flips using the *aggregate method*. That is, count the total number of bit flips and divide it by the number of operations.
- (b) Analyze the number of bit flips using the *accounting method*. Specifically, show that by paying a constant amount of coins to an account per operation, and subtracting the true cost per operation from the account, the account still stays positive all the time.

Exercise 2: More Hashing

Let $h(s, j) := h_1(s) + j \cdot h_2(s) \mod 13$ and let $h_1(x) = 2x + 3 \mod 13$ and $h_2(x) = 2 + (x \mod 12)$.

- (a) Give an infinite key set (a subset of \mathbb{N}) that are mapped to the same table entry (for j = 0).
- (b) Insert the keys 3,11,23,5,24,8,21,10 into the hash table of size m = 11 using the double hashing probing technique for collision resolution. The hash table below should show the final state.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

Exercise 3: Frequent Numbers

You are given an Array A[0...n-1] of *n* integers and the goal is to determine frequent numbers which occur at least n/3 times in *A*. There can be at most three such numbers, if any exist at all.

- (a) Give an algorithm with runtime $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$ based on the divide and conquer principle that outputs the frequent numbers (if any exist).
- (b) Argue why your algorithm is correct, give a recurrence relation for the runtime and use it to prove the runtime.

Exercise 4: Analysing an Algorithm

Algorithm 1 algorithm(A)	\triangleright integer array $A[0 \dots n-1]$					
for $i \leftarrow 1$ to $n-1$ do						
for $j \leftarrow 0$ to $i-1$ do						
for $k \leftarrow 0$ to $n-1$ do						
$\mathbf{if} \ A[i] - A[j] = A[k] \mathbf{then}$						
return true						
return false						

(a) What does the above algorithm compute?

(b) Give the asymptotic running time of the above algorithm and a short explanation for that.

(c) Describe an algorithm that computes the same output but asymptotically faster.