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ASSIGNMENT 1 :

Assigned: 9/23/17 Due: 10/1/17 (submit via moodle)

Problem 1. (30 points)

Show the step-by-step process of the quicksort algorithm when the input sequence is [8, 9, 7, 2, 5, 4, 1, 3, 6, 4]. You should show the exchanges of elements, the pivots, and the modifications of the sequence. Pick the last element as the pivot always. (Note: use quicksort recursively. You do not need to show “merge” steps.)

Problem 2. (30 points)

Consider the “Sort.java” code. Find (1) the worst-case run-time of the code in big-O notation **assuming the length of A could change**. Then (2) prove the “correctness” of the code (i.e. prove that it will always sort the numbers).

Problem 3. (20 points)

Consider the pseudo-code below for both insertion sort and merge sort. Re-write the for-loop as a while loop in the merge sort pseudo-code. (You do not need to show the modified while-loop merge sort.) Then count how many lines need to execute to sort the array [3, 2, 1] for both algorithms. Show some work to receive full (and partial) credit. **Only count lines the computer thinks on.**

Note: for merge sort, do not count the function calls, splits or array creation. Just the number of lines **inside** the merge function. Also, assume no work needs to be done merging a size 1 and 0 array. (Example: sorting [2, 1] with insertion sort = 11 lines, merge = 14 lines.)

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TopDownMerge(A[], iBegin, iMiddle, iEnd, B[])
{
    i = iBegin,      Merge sort
    j = iMiddle;
    // while there are elements in the left or right runs...
    for (k = iBegin; k < iEnd; k++) {
        // If left run head exists and is <= existing right run head.
        if (i < iMiddle && (j >= iEnd || A[i] <= A[j])) {
            B[k] = A[i];
            i = i + 1;
        } else {
            B[k] = A[j];
            j = j + 1;
        }
    }
}

i ← 1
while i < length(A)
    x ← A[i]
    j ← i - 1
    while j >= 0 and A[j] > x
        A[j+1] ← A[j]
        j ← j - 1
    end while
    A[j+1] ← x[4]
    i ← i + 1
end while
```

Problem 4. (20 points)

Find the worst-case run-time of each of the situations below. Justify your answer.

- (1) Merge sort, but splitting into three arrays instead of two (i.e. each array is $N/3$ instead of $N/2$ size). You may assume the original size of the array is a power of 3.
- (2) Merge sort, except using insertion sort **immediately** instead of recursively calling merge sort. **(Thus no recursion ever happens.)**
- (3) The algorithm in “Problem4Sort.java”.
- (4) Some algorithm with a recursive property: $T(n) = 10 T(n/3) + O(n \lg n)$

Extra credit: Problem 5. (10 points)

This is a continuation of problem 3. Find an exact formula for the number of lines needed to be run in both the insertion sort and merge sort pseudo-code. This formula should be for arrays of size n that are in the reverse of sorted (e.g. [8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1] with $n = 8$). Give the ranges of n where merge sort performs better than insertion sort. For full points, you cannot use a recursively defined function for merge sort.