CS 61B Spring 2025

Graphs, Heaps

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1 Graph Conceptuals

(a) Answer the following questions as either **True** or **False** and provide a brief explanation:

1. If a graph with n vertices has $n-1$ edges, it **must** be a tree.

2. Every edge is looked at exactly twice in each full run of DFS on a connected, undirected graph.

3. In BFS, let $d(v)$ be the minimum number of edges between a vertex v and the start vertex. For any two vertices u, v in the fringe (recall that the fringe in BFS is a queue), $|d(u) - d(v)|$ is **always less than** 2.

(b) Given an undirected graph, provide an algorithm that returns true if a cycle exists in the graph, and false otherwise. Also, provide a Θ bound for the worst case runtime of your algorithm.

2 Fill in the Blanks

Fill in the following blanks related to min-heaps. Let `N` is the number of elements in the min-heap. For the entirety of this question, assume the elements in the min-heap are **distinct**.

1. **`removeMin`** has a best case runtime of _____ and a worst case runtime of _____.
2. **`insert`** has a best case runtime of _____ and a worst case runtime of _____.
3. A _____ or _____ traversal on a min-heap *may* output the elements in sorted order. Assume there are at least 3 elements in the min-heap.
4. The fourth smallest element in a min-heap with 1000 **distinct** elements can appear in _____ places in the heap. (Feel free to draw the heap in the space below.)
5. Given a min-heap with $2^N - 1$ **distinct** elements, for an element
   - to be on the second level it must be less than _____ element(s) and greater than _____ element(s).
   - to be on the bottommost level it must be less than _____ element(s) and greater than _____ element(s).

   Hint: A complete binary tree (with a full last-level) has $2^N - 1$ elements, with N being the number of levels. (Feel free to draw the heap in the space below.)

3 Heap Mystery

We are given the following array representing a min-heap where each letter represents a **unique** number. Assume the root of the min-heap is at index one, i.e. `A` is the root. Our task is to figure out the numeric ordering of the letters. Therefore, there is **no** significance of the alphabetical ordering. i.e. just because B precedes C in the alphabet, we do not know if B is less than or greater than C.

Array: [-, A, B, C, D, E, F, G]

Four unknown operations are then executed on the min-heap. An operation is either a `removeMin` or an `insert`. The resulting state of the min-heap is shown below.

Array: [-, A, E, B, D, X, F, G]

(a) Determine the operations executed and their appropriate order. The first operation has already been filled in for you!

Hint: Which elements are gone? Which elements are newly added? Which elements are removed and then added back?

1. `removeMin()`
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

(b) Fill in the following comparisons with either >, <, or ? if unknown. We recommend considering which elements were compared to reach the final array.

1. X _____ D
2. X _____ C
3. B _____ C
4. G _____ X