CS 362, HW 9

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1. Consider the following problem.

INPUT: Positive integers r_1, \ldots, r_n and c_1, \ldots, c_n .

OUTPUT: An n by n matrix A with 0/1 entries such that for all i the sum of the ith row in A is r_i and the sum of the ith column in A is c_i , if such a matrix exists.

Think of the problem this way. You want to put pawns on an n by n chessboard so that the ith row has r_i pawns and the ith column has c_i pawns. Consider the following greedy algorithm that constructs A row by row. Assume that the first i - 1 rows have been constructed. Let a_j be the number of 1s in the jth column in the first i - 1 rows. Now the r_i columns with maximum $c_j - a_j$ are assigned 1s in row i, and the rest of the columns are assigned 0's. That is, the columns that still needs the most 1's are given 1's. Formally prove that this algorithm is correct using an exchange argument.

- 2. Suppose we can insert or delete an element into a hash table in O(1) time. In order to ensure that our hash table is always big enough, without wasting a lot of memory, we will use the following global rebuilding rules:
 - After an insertion, if the table is more than 3/4 full, we allocate a new table twice as big as our current table, insert everything into the new table, and then free the old table.
 - After a deletion, if the table is less than 1/4 full, we allocate a new table half as big as our current table, insert everything into the new table, and then free the old table.

Show that for any sequence of insertions and deletions, the amortized time per operation is still O(1). Hint: Do not use potential functions.

3. Suppose we are maintaining a data structure under a series of operations. Let f(n) denote the actual running time of the nth operation. For each of the following functions f, determine the resulting amortized cost of a single operation.

- (a) f(n) = n if n is a power of 2, and f(n) = 1 otherwise.
- (b) $f(n) = n^2$ if n is a power of 2, and f(n) = 1 otherwise.
- 4. Describe and analyze a data structure to support the following operations on an array A[1...n] as quickly as possible. Initially, A[i] = 0 for all i.
 - SetToOne(i) Given an index i such that A[i] = 0, set A[i] to 1.
 - GetValue(i) Given an index *i*, return *A*[*i*]
 - GetClosestRightZero(i) Given an index i, return the smallest index $j \ge i$ such that A[j] = 0, or report that no such index exists.

The first two operations should run in worst-case constant time, and the amortized cost of the third operation should be as small as possible.