Analysis of Algorithms: Results of Exam 1

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The histogram shows the distribution of grades, *not* including the bonus.

Problem 10

A *ternary heap* is like a binary heap, but instead of two children, nodes have three children.

(a) How would you represent a ternary heap by an array? What are the expressions for determining the parent and children of a given element?

The following expressions determine the parent and children of element i:

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\begin{aligned}
\text{PARENT}(i) &= \left\lfloor \frac{i+1}{3} \right\rfloor \\
\text{LEFT-CHILD}(i) &= 3i - 1 \\
\text{MIDDLE-CHILD}(i) &= 3i \\
\text{RIGHT-CHILD}(i) &= 3i + 1
\end{aligned}
$$

(b) What is the height of a ternary heap of n elements in terms of n?

The height h of a heap is *approximately* equal to $\log_3 n$. The exact height is

$$h = \lceil \log_3(2n + 1) - 1 \rceil$$

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