
Tutorial 2

Sorting Algorithms: Probabilistic Analysis

Outline

- Bubble Sort
 - Quick Sort
 - Counting Sort
 - Comparison of sorting algorithms
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1. Bubble Sort

- Theorem: The average number of comparisons done by bubble sort is $\theta(n^2)$
 - Proof by inversion
 - Facts
 - Each comparison remove at least one inversion
 - All the inversions must be eliminated during the process of sorting

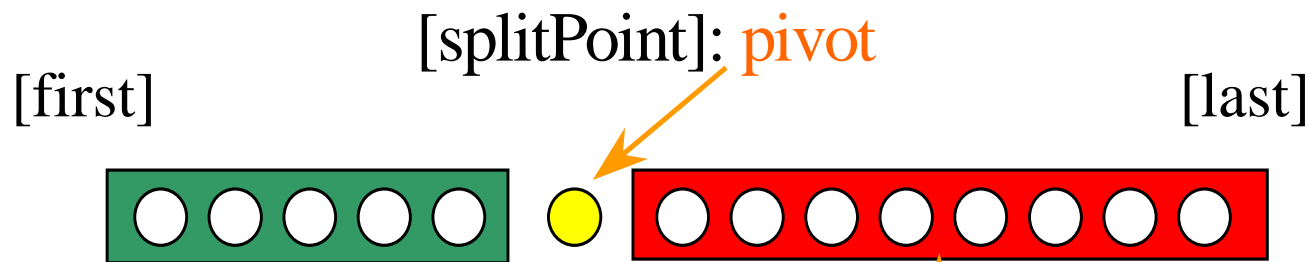
- (1) $\Omega(n^2)$
 - Assume n numbers, $1, 2, \dots, n$
 - For k ($1 \leq k \leq n$), consider the expected number of inversions of k
 - $K=n$, expected inversions $\geq \frac{1}{n}[(n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 1 + 0] = \frac{n(n-1)}{2n}$
 - $K=n-1$, expected inversions $\geq \frac{1}{n}[(n-2) + \dots + 1 + 0 + 0] = \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2n}$
 - $K=i$, expected inversions $\geq \frac{i(i-1)}{2n}$
 - The expected number of inversions $\geq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i(i-1)}{2n}$
 - Which is $\Omega(n^2)$
- (2) $O(n^2)$ – easy to proof
- According to (1)(2), the average number of comparisons is $\theta(n^2)$.

- A more simple solution
- Computing the average number of inversions in inputs of size n ($n > 1$):
 - For any i, j , ($1 \leq j \leq i \leq n$), either (x_i, x_j) or (x_j, x_i) is an inversion, thus the probability of inversion is $1/2$.
 - The number of transpose pairs (x_i, x_j) on n distinct integers is $n(n-1)/2$.
 - So, the average number of inversions in all possible inputs is $n(n-1)/4$.
- The average behavior of any sorting algorithm that remove at most one inversion per key comparison must in $\Omega(n^2)$

2. Quick Sort

Quicksort: the Strategy

- Dividing the array to be sorted into two parts: “small” and “large”, which will be sorted recursively.



for any element in this segment, the key is *less than pivot*.

small

To be sorted recursively

large

for any element in this segment, the key is *not less than pivot*.

QuickSort: the algorithm

- Input: Array E and indexes $first$, and $last$, such that elements $E[i]$ are defined for $first \leq i \leq last$.
- Output: $E[first], \dots, E[last]$ is a sorted rearrangement of the same elements.

- The procedure:

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void quickSort(Element[ ] E, int first, int last)
    if (first < last)
        Element pivotElement = E[first];
        Key pivot = pivotElement.key;
        int splitPoint = partition(E, pivot, first, last);
        E[splitPoint] = pivotElement;
        quickSort(E, first, splitPoint-1);
        quickSort(E, splitPoint+1, last);
    return
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The splitting point is chosen arbitrarily, as the first element in the array segment here.

How to select pivot?

- ❑ Fixed strategy
- ❑ Random strategy

The fixed strategy (divide and conquer)

- Input: A, n
 - Divide
 - Select a item from a fixed position
 - Partition: q, n-q-1
 - Conquer:
 - QuickSort(A,first,q-1)
 - QuickSort(A,q+1,last)
 - Combine
 - $T(n)=T(q)+T(n-q-1)+\Theta(n)$
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The fixed strategy

■ Worst case

- Partition: 0, $n-1$
- Input is sorted or inverse sorted
- $T(n) = T(0) + T(n-1) + \Theta(n) = T(n-1) + \Theta(n)$
- $T(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$

■ Best Case

- Partition: $n/2$, $n/2$
- $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n)$
- $T(n) \in \Theta(n \lg n)$

- Average case? $\Theta(n \lg n)$
- What about partition: $n/5, 4n/5$?
 $T(n) = T(n/5) + T(4n/5) + \Theta(n)$
Use the recursion tree for analysis, we have
 $T(n) \in \Theta(n \lg n)$
- What about partition: $0.001n, 0.999n$?
 $\Theta(n \lg n)$
- What about partition: $n/k, ((k-1)n)/k$? $\Theta(n \lg n)$

Randomized Strategy

- Randomized QuickSort
- Input: Array E and indexes $first$, and $last$, such that elements $E[i]$ are defined for $first \leq i \leq last$.
- Output: $E[first], \dots, E[last]$ is a sorted rearrangement of the same elements.
- The procedure:
void Random_quickSort(Element[] E , **int** $first$, **int** $last$)
 if ($first < last$)
 Element $pivotElement = E[Random(first, last)]$;
 Key $pivot = pivotElement.key$;
 int $splitPoint = partition(E, pivot, first, last)$;
 $E[splitPoint] = pivotElement$;
 Random_quickSort(E , $first$, $splitPoint - 1$);
 Random_quickSort(E , $splitPoint + 1$, $last$);
 return

What is the expected number of comparisons?

- Input A, n
- Elements of A can be denoted as z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n ($z_1 < z_2 < \dots < z_n$) (assume distinct)
- Let random variables

$$X_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } z_i \text{ is compared to } z_j \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- The total comparison

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n X_{ij}$$

- The expectation of X?

$$E[X] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n X_{ij}\right] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n [X_{ij}] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \Pr\{z_i \text{ is compared to } z_j\}$$

$\Pr\{z_i \text{ is compared to } z_j\} = ?$

- When two items are compared?
 - For example $A=\{1,3,2,5,4,6\}$, if $\text{pivot}=4$, then A is separated into $L=\{1,2,3\}$, $R=\{5,6\}$
 - 4 is compared to all elements in L and R
 - Elements in L is never compared to elements in R
- Depends on the chosen of pivot
 - Consider $Z_{ij}=\{z_i, z_{i+1}, \dots, z_j\}$
 - If z_x ($i < x < j$) is chosen as a pivot first, then z_i and z_j will not be compared
 - So, z_i is compared to z_j if and only if z_i (or z_j) is chosen as a pivot before any other item in Z_{ij}

As probability of each item is chosen in Z_{ij} is equal

$$\Pr\{z_i \text{ is compared to } z_j\} = \Pr\{z_i \text{ is first pivot chosen from } Z_{ij}\}$$

$$+ \Pr\{z_j \text{ is first pivot chosen from } Z_{ij}\} = \frac{2}{j-i+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \Pr\{z_i \text{ is compared to } z_j\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \frac{2}{j-i+1} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-i} \frac{2}{k+1} \\ &< \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2}{k} \\ &\approx 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (\ln(n) + \gamma) \quad (\text{Harmonic Series, book P22, equation 1.11}) \\ &= O(n \lg n) \end{aligned}$$

So the expected running time of randomized QuickSort is $O(n \lg n)$

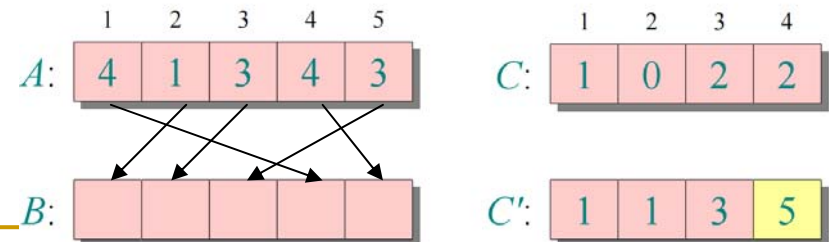
3. Counting Sort

Algorithm Description [CLRS P168]

- **Input:** $A[1 \dots n]$, where $A[j] \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$.
- **Output:** $B[1 \dots n]$, sorted.
- **Auxiliary storage:** $C[1 \dots k]$.

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for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $k$ 
  do  $C[i] \leftarrow 0$ 
for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
  do  $C[A[j]] \leftarrow C[A[j]] + 1$    $\triangleright C[i] = |\{\text{key} = i\}|$ 
for  $i \leftarrow 2$  to  $k$ 
  do  $C[i] \leftarrow C[i] + C[i-1]$    $\triangleright C[i] = |\{\text{key} \leq i\}|$ 
for  $j \leftarrow n$  downto 1
  do  $B[C[A[j]]] \leftarrow A[j]$ 
      $C[A[j]] \leftarrow C[A[j]] - 1$ 
  
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Analysis on Counting Sort

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \Theta(k) & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for } i \leftarrow 1 \text{ to } k \\ \text{do } C[i] \leftarrow 0 \end{array} \right. & \\
 \Theta(n) & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for } j \leftarrow 1 \text{ to } n \\ \text{do } C[A[j]] \leftarrow C[A[j]] + 1 \end{array} \right. & \\
 \Theta(k) & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for } i \leftarrow 2 \text{ to } k \\ \text{do } C[i] \leftarrow C[i] + C[i-1] \end{array} \right. & \\
 \Theta(n) & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for } j \leftarrow n \text{ downto } 1 \\ \text{do } B[C[A[j]]] \leftarrow A[j] \\ \quad C[A[j]] \leftarrow C[A[j]] - 1 \end{array} \right. &
 \end{array}$$

 $\Theta(n + k)$

- Running time: $\Theta(n+k)$
- Extra Space: k
- K maybe large, for integers in 32-bit machine, $k=2^{32}-1$
- It is efficient when $k = \theta(n)$

Comparison of sorting algorithms

Algorithm	Best Case	Worst Case	Average	Space usage	Stable (Ex.P216 4.51)
Insertion Sort	n	$n^2/2$	$\Theta(n^2)$	In place	Yes
Quick Sort	$n \lg n$	$n^2/2$	$\Theta(n \lg n)$	$\lg n$	No
Mergesort	$n \lg n/2$	$n \lg n$	$\Theta(n \lg n)$	n	Yes
Heapsort	$2n \lg n /$ $n \lg n(\text{Accel.})$	$2n \lg n /$ $n \lg n(\text{Accel.})$	$\Theta(n \lg n)$	In place	No
Selection Sort	$n^2/2$	$n^2/2$	$\Theta(n^2)$	In place	No
Bubble Sort	n	$n^2/2$	$\Theta(n^2)$	In place	Yes
Shell Sort	—	—	—	In place	No
Count Sort	$n+k$	$n+k$	$\Theta(n+k)$	k	Yes