

Algorithms and Data Structures

Conspectus

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1 Reviewing

Basically, I knew everything from "*Discrete Structures*", solving difference equations was simply an exercise, nothing to write down. Only new thing was *master theorem*.

Master Theorem: Let a, b, c be nonnegative constants. The solution to the recurrence

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} b, & \text{for } n = 1, \\ aT(n/c) + bn, & \text{for } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

for n a power of c is

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n), & \text{if } a < c, \\ O(n \log n), & \text{if } a = c, \\ O(n^{\log_c a}), & \text{if } a > c. \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{n}{2^i} \cdot \log_2 \frac{n}{2^i} \right) + 2 \cdot \log_2 2$$

2 Binary Search

Require: Sorted array $a[1..n]$, $a[1] < a[2] < \dots < a[n]$ and element x .

Ensure: $\begin{cases} m, & \text{if there is an } 1 \leq m \leq n \text{ with } a[m] = x \\ -1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

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1:  $l \leftarrow 0$ 
2:  $r \leftarrow n + 1$ 
3: while  $l + 1 < r$  do
4:    $m \leftarrow \lfloor \frac{l+r}{2} \rfloor$ 
5:   if  $a[m] = x$  then
6:     return  $m$ 
7:   end if
8:   if  $a[m] < x$  then
9:      $l \leftarrow m$ 
10:  else
11:     $r \leftarrow m$ 
12:  end if
13: end while
14: return  $-1$ 
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Algorithm 1: Binary Search

Binary Search finds desired element in $O(\log n)$ time. Input array must be sorted!

3 Sorting

Given input sequence $(a(1), \dots, a(n))$ or set $\{a(1), \dots, a(n)\}$ sorting algorithms output sequence $(a(\pi(1)), \dots, a(\pi(n)))$ or set $\{a(\pi(1)), \dots, a(\pi(n))\}$ which are sorted by certain order (ascending, descending, or custom). Sorting is done by comparisons.

3.1 Merge Sort

Given $(a(1), \dots, a(n)), (b(1), \dots, b(m))$ with $(a(1) \leq \dots \leq a(n)), (b(1) \leq \dots \leq b(m))$, **Merge Sort** outputs merged (sorted) sequence $(c(1), \dots, c(n+m))$ with $(c(1) \leq \dots \leq c(n+m))$.

$$\text{merge}((a(1), \dots, a(n)), (b(1), \dots, b(m))) = \begin{cases} a(1) \circ \text{merge}((a(2), \dots, a(n)), (b(1), \dots, b(m))), & a(1) \leq b(1) \\ b(1) \circ \text{merge}((a(1), \dots, a(n)), (b(2), \dots, b(m))), & a(1) > b(1) \end{cases}$$

This is done in $n + m - 1$ comparisons.

$$\text{sort}((a(1), \dots, a(n))) = \text{merge}(\text{sort}((a(1), \dots, a(n/2))), \text{sort}((a(n/2+1), \dots, a(n))))$$

$$S(1) = 0, S(n) < n/2 + n/2 + 2 \cdot S(n/2) = 2 \cdot S(n/2) + n \text{ Let } n = 2^k, k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

$$f(1) = a, f(n) = 2 \cdot f(n/2) + b \cdot n$$

After guessing the general formula: $f(n) = 2^x \cdot f(n/2^x) + x \cdot b \cdot n$

Stop recursion at $n/2^x = 1 \implies x = \log n$.

Conjecture: $f(n) = n \cdot f(1) + b \cdot n \cdot \log(n) = a \cdot n + b \cdot n \cdot \log(n)$

$$S(n) < n \cdot \log(n)$$

NO deterministic sorting algorithm can run faster than $O(n \cdot \log(n))$

3.2 Quicksort

Input: $(a(1), \dots, a(n))$ or set $\{a(1), \dots, a(n)\}$ (It is assumed that $a(i)$ are mutually distinct).

Random experiment: choose "splitter" $s \in \{a(1), \dots, a(n)\}$. We are dealing with uniform distribution, so all n splitters are equally likely.

$$A_{<} = \{a \in A \mid a < s\} \text{ and } A_{>} = \{a \in A \mid a > s\}$$

$$\text{sort}(A) = \text{sort}(A_{<}) \circ s \circ \text{sort}(A_{>})$$

$$\text{Expected runtime is } T(n) \leq n + (1/n) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n (T(i-1) + T(n-i))$$

4 Elementary Probability Theory

- $W = (S, p) \leftarrow$ probability space, describing a random experiment.
- $S \leftarrow$ set, finite or countable, sample space.
- $s \in S \leftarrow$ sample, possible outcome of the experiment.
- $p : S \rightarrow [0, 1] \leftarrow$ probability function.
- $\sum_{s \in S} p(s) = 1 \leftarrow p(s) : \text{probability that the outcome is } s.$
- $A \subseteq S \leftarrow$ event.
- $p(A) = \sum_{a \in A} p(s) \leftarrow$ probability of A .
- $a \in S \leftarrow$ elementary event.

$$A, B \subseteq S, p(A) \neq 0 \implies p(B \mid A) = \frac{p(B \cap A)}{p(A)} \text{ [Probability of } B \text{ given } A]$$

$$A, B \subseteq S \text{ independent iff } p(A \cap B) = p(A) \cdot p(B)$$

$A \subseteq S_1, B \subseteq S_2 \leftarrow$ events of the single experiments.

$e_1(A) = A \times S_2, e_2(B) = S_1 \times B \leftarrow$ embedding into $S_{(\text{Other events do not matter})}$.

Lemma 2:

Embedded events have the probability of the original events in the original space.

Lemma 3:

Embedded events from different probability spaces are independent.

Lemma 4:

$S_1 \times \cdots \times S_n$ is a probability space.

Lemma 5:

Embedded events $e_i(A_i) = S_1 \times \cdots \times S_{i-1} \times A_i \times S_{i+1} \times \cdots \times S_n \subseteq S$ have the probability of the original events A_i in the original space.

Lemma 6:

Embedded events $e_1(A_1), \dots, e_n(A_n)$ are mutually independent.

$X : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \leftarrow$ random variable.

Expected value of the random variable X is $E(X) = \sum_{a \in S} X(a) \cdot p(a)$

Lemma 7:

If $X, Y : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are random variables and $c \in \mathbb{R}$ is a constant, then:

- $E(c \cdot X) = c \cdot E(X)$
- $E(X + Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$

Lemma 8:

Let $X_i : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ be random variables. Then:

$$E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i)$$

Lemma 9:

$$E(X) = E(X_1) + E(X_2)$$