

COSC-211 lecture-07

Binary Search

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Lecture-07: Data Structures: BINARY SEARCH

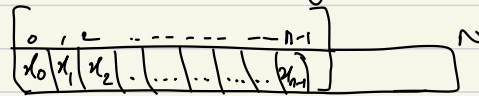
- Simple SSet
- Binary Search
- Reasoning about Recursion

Last time: Simple SSet interface/ADT

- store collection of distinct items that can be compared with $<$ (in code: compareTo method)

Array Implementation: $S = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}\}, x_0 < \dots < x_{n-1}$

- store elements in array contents



(1) Finding y ?

Binary Search: (idea)

- make method to search for y between indices i and k , ($i < k$).
- compare y to the element x_j , where $j = \frac{i+k}{2}$.
 - If $y = x_j$, we're good.
 - If $y < x_j$, look to the left $\equiv (i, j)$
 - If $y > x_j$, look to the right $\equiv (j, k)$

eg. contents:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	3	5	7	11	13	17	19	

 search(12, 0, 8)

search(12, 0, 8) $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{i} j = \frac{0+8}{2} = 4, \text{ look at } x_4 = 11 \\ x_4 = 11 < 12 \\ \Rightarrow \text{look right} \end{array} \right.$

search(12, 4, 8) $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{ii} j = \frac{4+8}{2} = 6, \text{ look at } x_6 = 17 \\ x_6 = 17 > 12 \\ \Rightarrow \text{look left} \end{array} \right.$

search(12, 4, 6) $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{iii} j = \frac{4+6}{2} = 5, \text{ look at } x_5 = 13 \\ x_5 = 13 > 12 \\ \Rightarrow \text{look left} \end{array} \right.$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{iv} \text{ search}(12, 4, 5) \\ \text{return } 5 \end{array} \right. \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{because } 12 \leq x_5, 12 \leq 13 \end{array} \right.$

See the code by Professor

Goal: Classify running time of `getIndex` with range n as function of n

Denote running time (worst case) = $T(n)$

Question: What is $T(1)$?

→ $O(1)$ (assuming `compareTo` is $O(1)$)

Question: What is $T(2)$?

→ $O(1)$ as well

Question: What is $T(n)$?

$$2^{T(n)} = n \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} T(n) = O(1) + T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \\ T(n) = O(1) + O(1) + T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) \dots \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\text{recurrence relations}}$$

⊕ Two Math Bits

- (1) logarithm function
- (2) induction

(1) $\log n$ (base 2)

$$\boxed{y = \log_2 x} \text{ iff } \boxed{2^y = x}$$

Properties

- (1) $\log(xy) = \log x + \log y$
- (2) $\log 2 = 1$
- (3) $\log\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log x - \log y$
- (4) $\log(x^a) = a \log x$
- (5) for every constant $a > 0$,
 $\log(n) = O(n^a)$

⇒ claim: $T(n) = O(\log n)$

IP: $\exists C > 0, N$ such that $T(n) \leq C \log(n) \quad \forall n \geq N$

(2) Induction: $P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots, P_n$ all must hold true.

⇒ we just have to prove P_1 and then assume P_k is true, then we should prove that P_{k+1} using P_k & P_1 .

⇒ Whenever P_1, P_2, \dots, P_{n-1} are true, then P_n is true

Base Case: starting at $n = N = 2$, $P(1)$ & $P(2)$

$$T(2) = O(1) \quad (\text{analyzing code})$$

$$\Rightarrow T(2) \leq C_1 = O_1 \cdot \log 2$$

Induction: Show $T(n) \leq C \log(n)$ assuming $T(n') \leq C \log(n') \quad \forall n' < n$ ^{So, $P(2)$ is true!}

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \underbrace{O(1)}_{C_2} = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + C_2 = C \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + C_2$$

$$T(n) = C[\log n - \log 2] + C_2 = C \log n + [C_2 - C] = C \log n + C_3 \Rightarrow \boxed{\log(C' \cdot n)}$$

Hence Proved!!