

Peak Finding In Arrays

2D:

Definition:

Let A be a matrix of size $n \times m$.

Let $A_{i-1,j}$, $A_{i,j}$, $A_{i,j-1}$, $A_{i,j+1}$, and $A_{i+1,j}$, ($i < n, j < m$; $(A_{i-1,j}, A_{i,j}, A_{i,j-1}, A_{i,j+1}, A_{i+1,j}) \in A$) be any five elements in A such that A_i is in the middle, and the other four elements are its neighbors.

An item A_i is a peak iff $A_{i,j} \geq A_{i+1,j} \wedge A_{i,j} \geq A_{i,j+1} \wedge A_{i,j} \geq A_{i,j-1} \wedge A_{i,j} \geq A_{i-1,j}$.

Same applies with the elements that are on the edges of the matrix, except they will have less than four neighbors.

Algorithms' asymptotic complexity:

Greedy approach: Worst case, $T(n, m) = \Theta(n \times m)$, since it might need to go through the whole size of the matrix to find the peak.

Recursive approach:

A time it takes to find the largest item in the column is $T(n) = \Theta(n)$, since the algorithm needs to walk through each of the rows at a given column.

=> Time to run the algorithm one time is: $T(n, m) = T(n, m/2) + \Theta(n)$.

As we know from before, the one dimensional peak finding will run logarithmic time.

$$\Rightarrow T(n, m) = \sum_1^{\log_2(m)} \Theta(n) = \Theta(n \times \log_2(m)).$$