

Introduction To Algorithms

HomeWork 4 Solutions

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1. Give an example where quicksort requires $O(n^2)$ steps.

Consider a list:

10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

We choose the last digit in the list as the pivot. Thus time complexity is given as:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + T(0) + \Theta(n)$$

By using substitution method, we could get:

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

If it is $\Theta(n^2)$, it is also a $O(n^2)$.

2. Problem 4-6 (Page 110) CLRS(3rd Edition).

a. Need to prove "if and only if", thus the proof will have to separate parts

Proof of 'Only if':

If A is a Monge array, by definition, we have:

$$A[i, j] + A[k, l] \leq A[i, l] + A[k, j] \quad \forall i, j, k, l$$

$$\text{where } 1 \leq i < k \leq n, 1 \leq j < l \leq m$$

Let $k = i + 1$, $l = j + 1$, we will have:

$$A[i, j] + A[i + 1, j + 1] \leq A[i, j + 1] + A[i + 1, j] \quad \forall i, j$$

$$\text{where } 1 \leq i < i + 1 \leq n, 1 \leq j < j + 1 \leq m$$

$$\text{where } 1 \leq i \leq n - 1, 1 \leq j \leq m - 1$$

‘Only if’ has been proved.

Proof of ‘if’:

Induction method will be used separately on rows and columns.

For rows: