

Algorithmique

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Première partie

Cours 1 - 28/09

1 Organisation

Mail Tatiana : `starikovskaya@di.ens.fr` Homeworks are 30% of the final grade, final (theory from lecture) Textbooks :

- *Introduction to Algorithms* - Cormen, Leiserson, Rivest, Stein
- *Algorithms on strings, trees, and sequences* - Gusfield
- *Approximation Algorithms* - Vazirani
- *Parametrized Algorithms* - Cygan, Fomin, Kowalik, Lokshtanov, Marx, Pilipczuk, Pilipczuk, Saurabh

2 Introduction

Algorithm take Inputs and give an output.

Open Problem 1 (Mersenne Prime). *Find a new prime of form $2^n - 1$*

Algorithms do not depend on the language. Algorithms should be simple, fast to write and efficient. Word RAM model : Two Parts : one with a constant number of registers of w bits with direct access, and one with any number of registers, only with indirect access (pointers). Allows for elementary operations : basic arithmetic and bitwise operations on registers, conditionals, goto, copying registers, halt and malloc. To index the memory storing input of size n with n words, we need register length to verify $w \geq \log n$ Algorithms can always be rewritten using only elementary operations. Complexity :

- $Space(n)$ is the maximum number of memory words used for input of size n
- $Time(n)$ is the maximum number of elementary operations used for input of size n

Complexity Notations :

- $f \in \mathcal{O}(g)$ if $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, c \in \mathbb{R}_+, f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n), \forall n \geq n_0$
- $f \in \Omega(g)$ if $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, c \in \mathbb{R}_+, f(n) \geq c \cdot g(n), \forall n \geq n_0$
- $f \in \Theta(g)$ if $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+, c_1 \cdot g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 \cdot g(n), \forall n \geq n_0$

3 Data Structures

3.1 Introduction

Way to store elements of a data base that is created to answer frequently asked queries using pre-processing. We care about space used, construction, query and update time. Can be viewed as an algorithm, which analysed on basics. Containers are basic Data Structures, maintaining the following operations :

1. Random Access : given i , access e_i
2. Access first/last element
3. Insert an element anywhere
4. Delete any element

3.2 Array

An array is a pre-allocated contiguous memory area of a *fixed* size. It has random access in $\mathcal{O}(1)$, but doesn't allow insertion nor deletion.

Linear Search : given an integer x return 1 if $e_i = x$ else 0.

Algorithm 1 Linear Search in an Array.

Complexity : Time = $\mathcal{O}(n)$ | Space = $\mathcal{O}(n)$

Input x

3.3 Doubly Linked List

Memory area that does not have to be contiguous and consists of registers containing a value and two pointers to the previous and next elements. It has random access in $\mathcal{O}(n)$, access/insertion/deletion at head/tail in $\mathcal{O}(1)$.

3.4 Stack and Queue

Stack : Last-In-First-Out data structure, abstract data structure. Access/insertion/deletion to top in $\mathcal{O}(1)$.

Open Problem 2 (Optimum Stack Generation). *Given a finite alphabet Σ and $X \in \Sigma^n$. Find a shortest sequence of stack operations push, pop, emit that prints out X . You must start and finish with an empty stack. Current best solution is in $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(n^{2.8603})$.*

Queue : First-In-First-Out abstract data structure. Access to front, back in $\mathcal{O}(1)$, deletion and insertion at front and back in $\mathcal{O}(1)$.

Algorithm 2 Insertion in a Doubly Linked List
Complexity : $\mathcal{O}(1)$

```
Input  $L, x$ 
 $x.next \leftarrow L.head$ 
if  $L.head \neq NIL$  then
     $L.head.prev \leftarrow x$ 
end if
 $L.head \leftarrow x$ 
 $x.prev = Nil$ 
```

4 Approaches to algorithm design

Solve smaller sub-problems to solve a large one.

4.1 Dynamic Programming

Break the problem into many closely related sub-problems, memorize the result of the sub-problems to avoid repeated computation

Examples :

Algorithm 3 Recursive Fibonacci Numbers
Complexity : Exponential

```
RFibo( $n$ ) :
Input  $n$ 
if  $n \leq 1$  then
    return  $n$ 
end if
return  $RFibo(n-1) + RFibo(n-2)$ 
```

Algorithm 4 Dynamic Programming Fibonacci Numbers
Time = $\mathcal{O}(n)$ | Space = $\mathcal{O}(n)$

```
Input  $n$ 
 $Tab \leftarrow zeros(n)$   $\triangleright zeros(n)$  returns a  $n$ -array of zeros.
 $Tab[0] \leftarrow 0$ 
 $Tab[1] \leftarrow 1$ 
for  $i \leftarrow 2$  to  $n$  do
     $Tab[i] = Tab[i-1] + Tab[i-2]$ 
end for
return  $Tab[n]$ 
```

Levenshtein Distance between two strings can be computed in $\mathcal{O}(mn)$ instead of exponential time. Based on <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1412.0348.pdf>, this is the best one can do. RNA folding : retrieving the 3D shape of RNA based on their representation as strings. Currently, we know it is possible to find $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$, in $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(n^{2.8606})$ and if *SETH* is true, there is no $\mathcal{O}(n^{\omega-\epsilon})$. We know $\omega \in [2, 2.3703]$

Open Problem 3. *Is there a better Complexity for RNA folding? What is the true value of ω ?*

Knapsack problem : An optimization problem with brute-force complexity $\mathcal{O}(2^n)$.

4.2 Greedy Techniques

Problems solvable with the greedy technique form a subset of those solvable with DP. Problems must have the optimal substructure property. Principle : choosing the best at the moment.

Algorithm 5 Knapsack : Dynamic Programming

Time = $\mathcal{O}(nW)$ | Space = $\mathcal{O}(nW)$

Input W, w, v \triangleright Capacity, weight and values vectors.
 $KP = \text{zeros}(n, W)$
for $i \leftarrow 0$ to n **do**
 $KP[i, 0] = 0$
end for
for $w \leftarrow 0$ to W **do**
 $KP[0, w] = 0$
end for
for $i \leftarrow 0$ to n **do**
 for $w \leftarrow 0$ to W **do**
 if $w < w_i$ **then**
 $KP[i, w] \leftarrow KP[i - 1, w]$
 else
 $KP[i, w] = \max \begin{cases} KP[i - 1, w] \\ KP[i - 1, w - w_i] + v_i \end{cases}$
 end if
 end for
end for
return $KP[n, W]$

Example : The Fractional Knapsack Problem

Algorithm : Iteratively select the greatest value-per-weight ratio.

Théorème 4.2.1. *This algorithm returns the best solution, in time $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$*

By contradiction. Suppose we have $\frac{v_1}{w_1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{v_n}{w_n}$. Let $ALG = p = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$ be the output by the algorithm and $OPT = q = (q_1, \dots, q_n)$ be optimal.

Assume that $OPT \neq ALG$, let i be the smallest index such $p_i \neq q_i$. There is $p_i > q_i$ by construct. Thus, there exists $j > i$ such that $p_j < q_j$. We set $q' = (q'_1, \dots, q'_n) = (q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}, q_i + \varepsilon, q_{i+1}, \dots, q_j - \varepsilon, \dots, q_n)$

q' is a feasible solution : $\sum_{i=1}^n q'_i \cdot w_i = \sum_{i=1}^n q_i w_i \leq W$

Yet, $\sum_{i=1}^n q'_i \cdot v_i > \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \cdot v_i$, ce qui contredit la

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Deuxième partie

Devoir 1