

Algorithms and datastructures Exercises

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5.1 For each function $f(n)$ and time t in the following table, determine the largest size n of a problem that can be solved in time t , assuming that the algorithm to solve the problem takes $f(n)$ 1 nanosecond

	1s	1hour	1year	1 century
n	10^9	$6 \cdot 10^{10}$	$3.2 \cdot 10^{16}$	$3.2 \cdot 10^{18}$
$n \log_2 n$	$4 \cdot 10^7$	$10^9 \frac{1}{s} \cdot 3600s = n \cdot \log_2(n) \rightarrow n = 9.8 \cdot 10^{10}$	$6.4 \cdot 10^{14}$	$5.6 \cdot 10^{16}$
n^2	31622	$1.8 \cdot 10^6$	$1.7 \cdot 10^8$	$1.8 \cdot 10^9$
n^3	10^3	15326	316010	$1.4 \cdot 10^6$
2^n	30	41.7	54.8	61.5

5.2 Show that in a puzzle where two pieces is switched with n pieces in all wrong positions, it requires at minimum of $n/2$ switches to solve the puzzle

For a puzzle with no correct positions in advance, the lowest amounts of move will be in the scenario where every piece's correct position has to piece of its current position. Which therefore will result in $n/2$ amounts of moves is needed.

5.3 Create a puzzle with 4 pieces, and find a sequence of switches, but where not every switch moves at least one piece to its correct position

4	1
2	3

$$4 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 2, 1 \rightarrow 2$$

As seen here this method does not use the greedy method but it still use the same amount of moves.

5.4 Create an algorithm which can find cycles in a given puzzle

The algorithm takes a list, and creates a variable counter for the amount of cycles.

It then goes through every entry, if the entry is not -1 then it calls a recursive function with the entry index and list.

The list then check if the given entry is -1 if not then set the entry to -1 and then calls itself with the entries last index and the list.

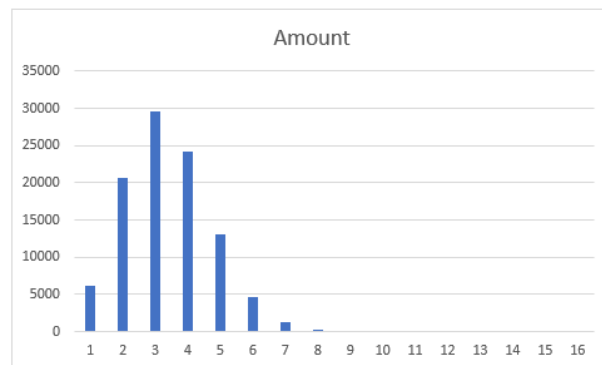
When the function returns it add 1 to the cycle.

Then it returns the amount of cycles

This algorithm will run at $O(2n)$ if the cycle is 1 and it then has to move every entry and go through the rest of the list.

5.5 Use the algorithm implementation to calculate statistic over the amount of cycles in a 16 long permutation

Cycles	Amount	Chance of occurrence
1	6249	6%
2	20716	21%
3	29600	30%
4	24131	24%
5	13038	13%
6	4721	5%
7	1252	1%
8	256	0%
9	29	0%
10	7	0%
11	1	0%
12	0	0%
13	0	0%
14	0	0%
15	0	0%
16	0	0%



Average	3.37675
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Figure 1: Statistic from puzzleSolve/data.csv