

A COMPLEXITY ANALYSIS

Next, we analyze the time and space complexity of the eBUG algorithm. Its time complexity ranges between log-linear and quadratic, while its space complexity is linear.

Time Complexity. We first analyze the time complexity of the eBUG sampling (Algorithm 3), which mainly consists of two parts: the complexity of significance calculation and the complexity of maintaining the min-heap structure. Then, we provide the time complexity of the eBUG precomputation (Algorithm 4).

Given the input data size as n , and the target number of sampled points as m , eBUG requires a bottom-up cumulative elimination of $n - m$ points. Let k ($1 \leq k \leq n - m$) denote the number of points eliminated in each round. In each round, the eliminated points are logically removed through marking, requiring no adjustment to the heap structure, resulting in a time complexity of $O(1)$. When updating the significance of the left (or right) neighboring points, the total time complexity $\text{complexity}_{\text{Sig}}$ for calculating point significance across all rounds is a piecewise function of the algorithm parameter e , as shown below.

$$\text{complexity}_{\text{Sig}} = \begin{cases} 3(n - m), & \text{if } e = 0, \\ 2 \left(\sum_{k=1}^e (k + 3) + \sum_{e+1}^{n-m} (e + 3) \right), & \text{if } 1 \leq e < n - m, \\ 2 \sum_{k=1}^{n-m} (k + 3), & \text{if } e \geq n - m. \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 3(n - m), & \text{if } e = 0, \\ -e^2 + e + 2(n - m)(e + 3), & \text{if } 1 \leq e < n - m, \\ (n - m)^2 + 7(n - m), & \text{if } e \geq n - m. \end{cases}$$

The above result is because (1) When $e = 0$, each round only requires calculating the area of a triangle, involving computations for three points. (2) When $1 \leq e < n - m$, the range of k is divided into two parts: $[1, e]$ and $[e + 1, n - m]$. For the former, since $k \leq e$, each round involves computations for at most $k + 3$ points; for the latter, since $k > e$, each round involves computations for at most $e + 3$ points. (3) When $e \geq n - m$, the range of k is $[1, n - m]$, and since $k \leq e$, each round involves computations for at most $k + 3$ points. Finally, when $e \geq 1$, calculating the areal difference requires finding the intersection point and computing the polygon area, involving two traversal processes. Thus, the time complexity is multiplied by a constant factor of 2.

The other steps mainly involve reinserting the updated points into the min-heap and maintaining the heap structure, with this part of the total time complexity being $O((n - m) \log n)$. In summary, the time complexity of the eBUG algorithm for sampling m points from n points is $O((n - m) \cdot (\min(e, n - m) + \log n))$. It can be observed that the algorithm complexity is primarily determined by the algorithm parameter e , where smaller values of e keep the algorithm within the log-linear complexity range, while larger values of e cause the algorithm to degrade to quadratic complexity. Additionally, since the algorithm employs a bottom-up elimination strategy, the larger the number of sampled points m , the fewer the number of points that need to be eliminated (i.e., $n - m$), resulting in higher algorithm efficiency.

In the precomputation mode, it is equivalent to sampling $m = 2$ points, meaning eBUG eliminates $n - 2$ points from the bottom up until only the global start and end points remain. In this case, the

time complexity is $O(n \cdot (\min(e, n) + \log n))$, which simplifies to $O(n(e + \log n))$ when e is small, and degrades to $O(n^2)$ when e is large.

Space Complexity. During the online sampling or precomputation process of eBUG, for each point, we maintain information such as its significance and pointers to its two adjacent non-eliminated points. Therefore, the space complexity is $O(n)$. After the precomputation process is completed, the space complexity required to store the precomputed time series is also $O(n)$.