

Assignment 2 Problem 5

In this question, we generalize *quickSelect1* to work on two input arrays. Let the resulting algorithm be called *quickSelect2Arrays(A,B,k)*. Arrays A and B are of size n and m , respectively, and $k \in \{0, 1, \dots, n + m - 1\}$. Algorithm *quickSelect2Arrays(A,B,k)* should return the item that would be in $C[k]$ if C was the array resulting from merging arrays A and B and C was sorted in non-decreasing order.

Your algorithm *quickSelect2Arrays(A,B,k)* must be in-place, i.e. only $O(1)$ additional space is allowed. Briefly and informally (one or two sentences) argue that the time complexity of your algorithm is the same as of *quickSelect1*, i.e. $O(v)$ in the average case where v is the total number of elements in A and B , i.e. $v = n + m$.

Solution:

The pseudocode for *quickSelect2Arrays(A,B,k)*:

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quickSelect2Arrays(A,B,k)
A,B: two arrays with length n,m respectively
k: the element of this position that we want in the merging arrays.
p ← choose-pivot(A,B)
i ← partition(A,B,p)
if i = k then
    if i < n then
        return A[i]
    else
        return B[i-n]
else if i > k then
    if i ≤ n then
        return quick-select1(A[0,1,...,i-1],k)
    else then
        return quickSelect2Arrays(A,B[0,1,...,i-n-1],k)
else if i < k then
    if i ≥ n-1 then
        return quick-select1(B[i-n+1,...,n-1],k-(i+1))
    else then
        return quickSelect2Arrays(A[i+1,...,n-1],B,k-(i+1))
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choose-pivot(A,B)

A,B: two arrays with length n,m respectively

if B empty then

return A.size()-1

else then

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    return A.size()+B.size()-1

partition(A,B,p)
A,B: array of size n,m respectively
p: integer such that  $0 \leq p \leq m+n-1$ 
if  $p < n$  then
    swap(A[p], B[m-1])
else then
    swap(B[p-n], B[m-1])
 $i \leftarrow -1$ ,  $j \leftarrow m+n-1$ ,  $v \leftarrow B[m-1]$ 
loop
    do  $i \leftarrow i+1$  while ( $i < n$  and  $A[i] < v$ ) or ( $i \geq n$  and  $B[i-n] < v$ )
    do  $j \leftarrow j-1$  while (( $j \geq i$ ) and (( $j < n$  and  $A[j] > v$ ) or ( $j \geq n$  and  $B[j-n] > v$ )))
    if  $i \geq j$  then break
    else if  $i < n$  and  $j < n$  swap( $A[i], A[j]$ )
    else if  $i < n$  and  $j \geq n$  swap( $A[i], A[j-n]$ )
    else if  $i \geq n$  and  $j < n$  swap( $B[i-n], A[j]$ )
    else if  $i \geq n$  and  $j \geq n$  swap( $B[i-n], B[j-n]$ )
end loop
if  $i < n$ 
    swap( $B[m-1], A[i]$ )
else
    swap( $B[m-1], B[i-n]$ )
return i

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The previous algorithm is just seems A and B are a array that been merged together but without creating a new array to ensure it is in-place. We achieve it by let the index number i to be $i-A.size()$ if i exceed the size of A. Since we are assuming they are a single array, and do everything same with quick-select1 except the index(with a constant time conversion). Therefore, the time complexity of the algorithm is the same as of quickSelect1(ie. $O(n)$)).