

Algorithms and Datastructures

Lecture 6

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Quicksort Average Case

Uniform input distribution

Assumption: for the input array A all orderings (permutations) of its elements are equally likely to occur.

 not always realistic, because arrays may more likely be partially sorted already

Illustration

- Assumptions:
- ▶ Count only PARTITION time
 - ▶ Partitioning array of length n has exactly cost n

$n = 3$:

Permutation	Time
1,2,3	3+2
1,3,2	3
2,1,3	3+2
2,3,1	3+2
3,1,2	3
3,2,1	3+2
Total	26

$$\text{Average} = 26/6 = 4.33$$

$n = 4$:

Permutation	Sum of times
,,*,4	$4 \cdot 6 + 26$
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,,*,3	$4 \cdot 6 + 2 \cdot 6$
,,*,2	$4 \cdot 6 + 2 \cdot 6$
Total	172

$$\text{Average} = 172/24 = 7.16$$

Randomized-Quicksort

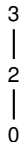
- In PARTITION: first exchange $A[r]$ with a *randomly selected* element from $A[p \dots r]$.

Expected Runtime

Average (expected) runtime for a *specific input* is the (probability-weighted) average taken over all possible executions for the input.

Example: possible recursion trees for input: (1, 2, 3):

1 or 3 is randomly selected:




Time: 5
Probability: 2/3

2 is randomly selected:



Time: 3
Probability: 1/3

 Expected time = $(2/3) \cdot 5 + (1/3) \cdot 3 = 4.33$

The same for every input of length 3!

Results

Expected runtime of RANDOMIZED-QUICKSORT for any input of size n

- = Average runtime of QUICKSORT for inputs of size n under the uniform input distribution assumption
- = $O(n \lg n)$

Intuition

- ▶ The uniform input distribution assumption can be made true by an initial (randomized) “shuffling” of the input



- ▶ After such an initial shuffling, further randomization in the PARTITION steps will make no difference
- ▶ RANDOMIZED-QUICKSORT is doing the shuffling on an “as needed” basis during the execution of the algorithm

Sorting: $n \lg n$ vs. n

Reminder: all sorting algorithms considered so far only perform comparison operations on the elements of the input array.

Goal

Show that any sorting algorithm that only uses comparisons must have worst-case runtime $\Omega(n \lg n)$.

Simplifying assumptions:

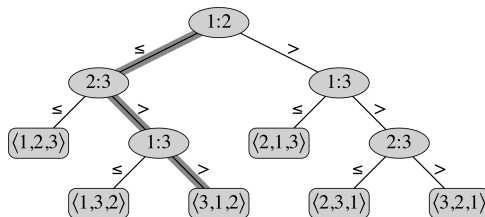
- ▶ Only use comparisons of the form $i \leq j$
- ▶ Only consider inputs with all elements distinct

Strategy: obtain lower bound by lower-bounding the number of required comparison operations

Consider a binary tree where

- ▶ inner nodes $(i:j)$ represent comparisons of elements $A[i]$ and $A[j]$ of the input array A
- ▶ the sub-trees of node $(i:j)$ contain the comparisons that will be made when $A[i] \leq A[j]$, respectively $A[i] > A[j]$.
- ▶ leaves: arrays containing the indices in the input array of the elements in the sorted output array

Decision tree for INSERTIONSORT for inputs of size 3:



Marked path: comparisons made for input (6, 8, 5).

Proving the bound

The decision tree for inputs of size n of a comparison-based sorting algorithm

- ▶ must contain at least one leaf node for each of the $n!$ permutations of $1, 2, \dots, n$.
- ▶ has height at least $\lg(n!)$.

Using that

- ▶ the height of the decision tree is a lower bound for the worst-case complexity of the algorithm
- ▶ $\lg(n!) = \Omega(n \lg n)$ (Stirling's approximation)

this shows that every comparison-based sorting algorithm has $\Omega(n \lg n)$ worst-case complexity.

Stirling's approximation: $\sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n e^{1/(12n+1)} < n! < \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n e^{1/(12n)}$

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Complexity: Runtime depends on n and k : $O(n + k)$.

📖 If $k = O(n)$, then $T(n) = O(n)$.

📖 Special case I: arrays of length n contain the numbers $1, \dots, n$

📖 Special case II: all input arrays only contain values from a finite set $1, \dots, k$, where k does not depend on n (Example: birthdates of living people – longer inputs will just contain more repetitions of the same dates)

Why linear?

- ▶ The $\Omega(n \lg n)$ lower bound for comparison-based sorting also applied for input arrays containing exactly the numbers $1, \dots, n$.
- ▶ COUNTING SORT uses assignment operations

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1   $k = \max_{i=0, \dots, n-1} A[i]$   
6   $C[A[j]] = C[A[j]] + 1$   
11  $C[A[j]] = C[A[j]] - 1$ 
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that use the actual values of the input array entries.

Data Structures

- A Stack is LIFO, Queue is FIFO
- B Stack is FIFO, Queue is LIFO
- C Stack and Queue are LIFO
- D Stack and Queue are FIFO
- E This is all gibberish!

Data Structures (DS): definitions of objects/classes that

- ▶ specify how data is stored/organized
- ▶ provide methods to query and modify the data

Abstract Data Types (ADT): specifications of

- ▶ what kind of data must be stored
- ▶ what operations must be supported

	Algorithmics	OO-Programming
abstract	Abstract Data Type	Interface
implementation	Data Structure	Class
instance	(Data)	Object

Algorithms ...

- ▶ can be *designed* and verified for *correctness* in terms of the ADTs they use
- ▶ need to be analyzed and optimized for *complexity* by considering the DSs that implement the ADTs

Dictionary of Algorithms and Data Structures at National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST):

`http://xlinux.nist.gov/dads//HTML/abstractDataType.html`

Includes *axiomatic semantics* for ADT operations.

Many ADTs/DSs can be seen as **dynamic sets**:

Data stored is a

- ▶ set of objects, where each object may be required to
- ▶ have a designated **key** attribute, and
- ▶ the keys may further be required to come from an **ordered set**

Specific ADTs are defined in terms of specific operations for modifying and querying the set.

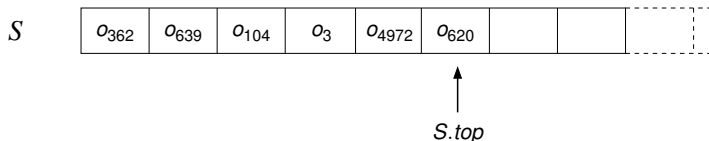
Data: set of objects

Operations:

Name	Specification
Boolean <i>isEmpty()</i>	returns <i>true</i> if the set is empty, otherwise <i>false</i>
void <i>push(Object o)</i>	adds <i>o</i> to the set
Object <i>pop()</i>	returns the object <i>o</i> that was most recently added (pushed) to the stack (if stack non-empty), and removes <i>o</i> from the stack


Objects are returned by LIFO policy: last-in-first-out.

Data stored in an array of objects with a designated index top :



Operations:

Name	Implementation
boolean <i>isEmpty()</i>	returns <i>true</i> if $S.top = 0$
void <i>push(Object o)</i>	assigns $S[S.top + 1] = o$, increments $S.top$ by 1
object <i>pop()</i>	returns $S[S.top]$ decrements $S.top$ by 1

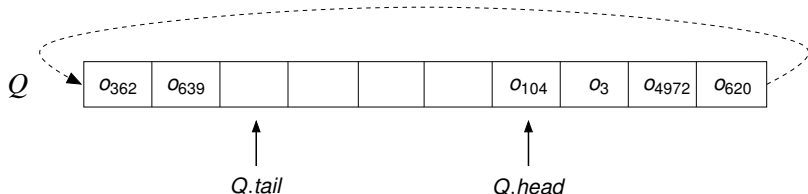
 all operations take time $\Theta(1)$ (regardless of the size of S)

Data: set of objects

Operations:


Name	Specification
Boolean <i>isEmpty()</i>	returns <i>true</i> if the set is empty, otherwise <i>false</i>
void <i>enqueue(Object o)</i>	adds <i>o</i> to the set
Object <i>dequeue()</i>	returns the object <i>o</i> that was least recently added (enqueued) to the queue (if queue non-empty), and removes <i>o</i> from the queue

Objects are returned by FIFO policy: first-in-first-out.



Operations:

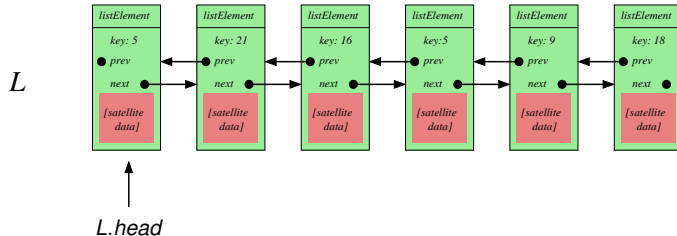
Name	Implementation
Boolean <i>isEmpty()</i>	returns <i>true</i> if $Q.head = Q.tail$
void <i>enqueue(Object o)</i>	assigns $Q[Q.tail] = o$, increments $Q.tail$ (wraps at end)
Object <i>dequeue()</i>	returns $Q[Q.head]$ increments $Q.head$ (wraps at end)

 all operations take time $\Theta(1)$ (regardless of the size of Q)

Data: set of objects with designated *key* attribute

Operations:

Name	Specification
Object <i>search</i> (Key <i>k</i>)	returns an object <i>o</i> with $o.key = k$ if such an object exists in the set
void <i>insert</i> (Object <i>o</i>)	adds <i>o</i> to the set
void <i>delete</i> (Object <i>o</i>)	deletes <i>o</i> from the set (<i>o</i> an element of the set)



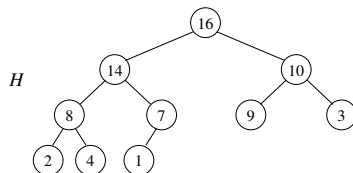
Operations:

Name	Implementation	Complexity
Object <i>search</i> (Key k)	starting at $L.head$, follows the <i>next</i> pointers until list element o with key k is found; returns o	$\Theta(n)$
void <i>insert</i> (Object o)	adds o at the start of the list (o becomes $L.head$)	$O(1)$
void <i>delete</i> (Object o)	redirects pointers of $o.prev$ and $o.next$	$O(1)$

Data: set of objects with designated *key* attribute from an *ordered* set of keys.

Operations:

Name	Specification
<code>void insert(Object o)</code>	adds <i>o</i> to the set
<code>Object maximum()</code>	returns the object with the largest key
<code>Object extract-max()</code>	removes and returns the object with the largest key
<code>void increase-key(o,k)</code>	increases <i>o.key</i> to new value <i>k</i> (assumed to be larger than current <i>o.key</i>)



(Implemented as an array!)

Operations:

Name	Implementation	Complexity
<code>void insert(Object o)</code>	add o at $H[H.heap-size + 1]$; swap o with its parent until max-heap property holds	$O(\lg n)$
<code>Object maximum()</code>	return $H[1]$	$O(1)$
<code>Object extract-max()</code>	return $H[1]$; move $H[H.heap-size]$ to $H[1]$, decrement heap-size, call HEAPIFY(1)	$O(\lg n)$
<code>void increase-key(o, k)</code>	set $o.key = k$; swap o with its parent until max-heap property holds	$O(\lg n)$