

# CS5010 Algorithm Assignment 1

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## Q1 ConvexMax

A convex polygon is defined as a polygon where all its internal angles are less than 180 degrees and no edges cross each other. You can assume the vertex with the smallest x-coordinate (assuming origin at bottom left) is the first coordinate and other vertices are numbered in a counter-clockwise direction. Figure 1 shows an example of such a polygon where V[1] is the first polygon. For simplicity, you can also assume all polygon vertices have distinct x and y co-ordinates. Given such a polygon, write an efficient algorithm to find:

(a) The polygon vertex with the maximum x-coordinate. Also provide the running time of the algorithm in the tightest bound possible. (15+5)

(b) The polygon vertex with the maximum y-coordinate. Also provide the running time of the algorithm in the tightest bound possible. (15+5)

*Answer:*

(a)

- Since Every vertex of the Convex has distinguished X-index and Y-index, in order to find the maximum x-coordinate, brute force method has a  $O(n)$  complexity.
- Form all x-coordinate into a list (assuming each vertex is list contains 2 elements, x and y):

```
x_cor = [i[0] for i in vertex]
```

If the `x_cor` is an ordinary array, finding the biggest number in `x_cor` has a  $O(n)$  complexity.

However, this is a convex polygon, every internal angles are less than 180. `x_cor[0]` is supposed be the min element, no matter how it spin, as long as `x_cor[0]` is the smallest element, this is a bitonic sequence.

- A bitonic sequence means it is increasing then decreasing, or firstly decreasing then increasing.
- So we can find the maximum in following algorithm in Python:

```
def findMaximum(arr, left, right):  
    if left == right:  
        return arr[left]  
  
    if right == left + 1 and arr[left] >= arr[right]:  
        return arr[left];  
  
    if right == left + 1 and arr[left] < arr[right]:  
        return arr[right]
```

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mid = (left + right)//2    #left + (right - left)

if arr[mid] > arr[mid + 1] and arr[mid] > arr[mid - 1]:
    return arr[mid]
if arr[mid] > arr[mid + 1] and arr[mid] < arr[mid - 1]:
    return findMaximum(arr, left, mid-1)
else:
    return findMaximum(arr, mid + 1, right)

```

- **The Time Complexity is  $O(\log n)$**

(b)

- We can still use the algorithm we applied from the previous problem. Except for the biggest point, any other point is increasing first then decreasing.

Form all y-coordinate into a list:

```
y_cor = [i[1] for i in vertex]
```

Make  $y\_cor[n] = y\_cor[0]$  which makes the array a loop (Not to say how to implement, just assume the array is a loop). Then we have Four kinds of situations since we do not know any rule about the first node's y-coordinate.

- Loop is up and up, which means  $y\_cor[0] < y\_cor[1]$  and  $y\_cor[0] < y\_cor[n-1]$ . Here  $y\_cor[0]$  is the minimum.
- Loop is down and down, which means  $y\_cor[0] > y\_cor[1]$  and  $y\_cor[0] > y\_cor[n-1]$ . Here  $y\_cor[0]$  is the maximum.
- Loop is up and down, which means  $y\_cor[0] < y\_cor[1]$  and  $y\_cor[0] > y\_cor[n-1]$ . Here  $y\_cor$  goes up from  $y\_cor[0]$  to Maximum and then goes down to Minimum and go up to  $y\_cor[0]$ .
- Loop is down and up, which means  $y\_cor[0] > y\_cor[1]$  and  $y\_cor[0] < y\_cor[n-1]$ . Here  $y\_cor$  goes down from  $y\_cor[0]$  to Minimum and then goes up to Maximum and go down to  $y\_cor[0]$ .

The first two situation are bitonic sequence, which can be treated the same as before, has a time complexity of  $O(\log n)$

Then we check the last two situation which are alike in some way.

Assume the Maximum has a index **m**, the Minimum has a index **n**, currently we are on index **i**.

- If  $y\_cor[i-1] < y\_cor[i] < y\_cor[i+1]$  and  $y\_cor[i] > y\_cor[0]$ , then  $i < m$ .
- If  $y\_cor[i-1] < y\_cor[i] > y\_cor[i+1]$ , then  $i = m$ .
- If  $y\_cor[i-1] > y\_cor[i] > y\_cor[i+1]$ , then  $m < i < n$ .
- If  $y\_cor[i-1] > y\_cor[i] < y\_cor[i+1]$  then  $i = n$ .

- If  $y\_cor[i-1] < y\_cor[i] < y\_cor[i+1]$  and  $y\_cor[i] < y\_cor[0]$ , then  $i > n$ .

The above search would enable us to cut the sequence with 2 or 3 comparisons each time.

Thus, we will have an algorithm with  $O(\log n)$  time complexity.

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## Q2 FastProduct

You are given two binary strings representing two integers X and Y. Provide an efficient algorithm to multiply these two integers and return the product of the integers.

Please make sure the running time of your algorithm is faster than  $\Theta(n^2)$ . Also provide the running time of your algorithm in the tightest bound possible.

Answer:

- As standard procedure, the product of two binary number has a time complexity of  $O(n^2)$ .
- Now we use the Divide and Conquer, we divide the given numbers into two parts, left and right.

Say we have X and Y, so we now have:

$$X = X_l * 2^{n/2} + X_r$$

$$Y = Y_l * 2^{n/2} + Y_r$$

- The product of X and Y now is:

$$XY = (X_l * 2^{n/2} + X_r) * (Y_l * 2^{n/2} + Y_r)$$

$$= 2^n X_l Y_l + 2^{n/2}(X_l Y_r + X_r Y_l) + X_r Y_r$$

In the meantime,

$$X_l Y_r + X_r Y_l = (X_l + X_r)(Y_l + Y_r) - X_l Y_l - X_r Y_r$$

So we have,

$$XY = 2^n X_l Y_l + 2^{n/2}[(X_l + X_r)(Y_l + Y_r) - X_l Y_l - X_r Y_r] + X_r Y_r$$

- With above trick, the recurrence becomes

$$T(n) = 3T(n/2) + O(n)$$

- According to the Master Method, we have

$$T(n) = O(n^{3/2})$$

## Q3 Recurrence Relation

Find the tightest possible asymptotic bounds for  $T(n)$  in each of the following recurrence relations:

**(a)  $T(n) = 2 * T(n/3) + n \log_2(n)$**

**(b)  $T(n) = 3 * T(n/5) + \log_2^2(n)$**

*Answer:*

(a)

- $a = 2, b = 3$ , according to Master Method:

$$C = \log_3^2$$

$$f(n) = n \log_2(n)$$

Then we compare the  $n^C$  and  $f(n)$ , then to determine the  $T(n)$

- $n^C = n^{\log_3^2}$
- So  $n^{\log_3^2} < n$ , and  $\log_2(n) > 0$  when  $n > 1$ , so

$$n^C < n < n \log_2(n)$$

- $T(n) = \Theta(n \log_2(n))$

(b)

- Repeat the procedures we did in part a.

$$C = \log_5^3$$

$$f(n) = \log_2 n * \log_2 n$$

- $n^C = n^{\log_5^3}$
- So we compare  $n^{\log_5^3}$  and  $\log_2 n * \log_2 n$ , in order to simplify the computation, we get

$$\log_5^3 = 0.682$$

$$\text{sqrt}(0.682) = 0.826$$

So we compare  $n^{0.826}$  and  $\log_2 n$ .

- Compute the gradients of both number, then we get

$$(n^{0.826})' = 0.826 * n^{-0.176}$$

$$(\log n)' = \ln 2 * n^{-1} < C * n^{-0.176}$$

- So we have  $n^{\log_5^3} > \log_2^2$

- $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_5 3})$