

Task	Algorithm	Analysis
Computing $a^b \bmod k$	<pre> 1 pow1(a,b,k) 2 s=1 3 for i=1 to b 4 s=(s*a) mod k 5 return s </pre>	<p>Number of operations is $O(b)$ Size of input is $\lfloor \log_2 b \rfloor + 1$ $2^{\log_2 b} = b$ Time complexity is $O(2^n)$</p>
Computing $a^b \bmod k$	<pre> 1 pow2(a,b,k) 2 d=a 3 e=b 4 s=1 5 while e>0 6 if e is odd 7 s=(s*d) mod k 8 d=d^2 mod k 9 e=⌊e/2⌋ 10 return s </pre>	<p>Number of operations is proportional to the number of times $e=b$ can be halved before $e=0$ - ie at most $\lfloor \log_2 b \rfloor$ Number of operations is $O(\log b)$ Size of input is $\lfloor \log_2 b \rfloor + 1$ Time complexity is $O(n)$</p> <p>Notes: Optimization - if d becomes 1, it will remain 1; $1^2 \bmod k = 1$ hence s will not change; $s < k$ and $s \cdot 1 = s$</p> <p>Understanding - consider b in binary representation $b = \sum_{h=0}^{n-1} b_h \cdot 2^h$ $a^b = \prod_{h=0}^{n-1} a^{(b_h \cdot 2^h)} \bmod k$ e holds a^{2^h} on entry to the h^{th} iteration of the loop (from $h=0$ to $h=n-1$)</p>
Reminder	$(a \cdot b) \bmod k = (a \bmod k \cdot b \bmod k) \bmod k$ $a^b \bmod k = (a \bmod k)^b \bmod k$	
Determine whether array A of length n contains t	<pre> 1 LinearSearch(A,n,t) 2 for i=0 to n-1 3 if A[i]=t 4 return 'Found' 5 return 'Not Found' </pre>	<p>Worst case: t is not in A, $3n+1$ operations Size of input is proportional to n Time complexity is $O(n)$</p>
Determine whether sorted array A of length n contains t	<pre> 1 BinarySearch(A,n,t) 2 beginp = 0 3 endp = n 4 ptr = ⌊n/2⌋ 5 while (endp > beginp) 6 if A[ptr] = t 7 return 'Found' 8 if A[ptr] < t 9 beginp = ptr + 1 10 if A[ptr] > t 11 endp = ptr 12 ptr = ⌊(beginp + endp) / 2⌋ 13 return 'Not Found' </pre>	<p>Worst case: t is not in A, $6 \log n + 3$ operations Number of iterations of the loop is the logarithm (base 2) of the length of the list - the length of the list considered is roughly halved on each iteration - number of times a list can be halved \log_2 length of the list Time complexity is $O(\log n)$</p>
Given an array W of L words and an array D of n words, report which elements of W are not in D	<pre> 1 SpellCheck(W,L,D,n) 2 for i=0 to L-1 3 if BinarySearch(D,n,W[i]) != 'Found' 4 print W[i] + 'Misspelled?' </pre>	<p>For an input of L words and a dictionary of size n, SpellCheck runs in worst case $O(L \log n)$ time</p>

TaskAlgorithm

Find the highest
common factor
of a and b

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1 // Assume  $a \geq b$ 
2 hcf( $a, b$ )
3   if  $b = 0$ 
4     return  $a$ 
5    $r = a \bmod b$ 
6   return hcf( $b, r$ )

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Correctness

Let $r = a \bmod b$

$\text{hcf}(a, b) = \text{hcf}(b, r)$, because

1) all factors of a and b are
also factors of b and r

2) all factors of b and r are
also factors of a and b

As a and b and b and r
have the same factors, they must
have the same highest common factor

As $r = a \bmod b$, $\exists q$, such that
 $a = bq + r$, so
 $r = a - bq$

Proof of 1: suppose x is a factor
of a and b , then $\exists y$ and z
such that $a = xy$, $b = xz$
hence $r = xy - xzq$
 $r = x(y - zq)$
 $\therefore x$ is a factor of r (and also
 b and r)

Proof of 2: suppose l is a factor
of b and r , then $\exists m$ and n
such that $b = lm$ and $r = ln$
 $a = lmq + ln$
 $a = l(mq + n)$
 $\therefore l$ is a factor of a (and also
 a and b)

Termination

Let b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n be the second
arguments of successive calls to hcf
From the i^{th} call to hcf with arguments
 a_i and b_i , the $(i+1)^{\text{th}}$ call to
hcf is made with arguments
 $a_{i+1} = b_i$
 $b_{i+1} = a_i \bmod b_i$
clearly $b_{i+1} < b_i$ and as $a_i \geq b_i$,
 $b_{i+1} < a_i$

The $(i+2)^{\text{th}}$ call to hcf has arguments
 $a_{i+2} = b_{i+1} = a_i \bmod b_i < b_i \leq a_i$
 $b_{i+2} = a_{i+1} \bmod b_{i+1} < b_{i+1} < b_i$

The second argument decreases
with each call and cannot go
below 0 (as it's the result of a
modulo operation). It must
therefore for some call equal
0 at which point no successive
calls are made

Run time

Claim - $a_{i+2} \leq a_i/2$

Proof:

case 1 - $a_{i+1} \leq a_i/2$

$a_{i+2} \leq a_{i+1}$ so $a_{i+2} \leq a_i/2$

case 2 - $a_{i+1} > a_i/2$

$a_{i+2} = a_i \bmod a_{i+1}$

as $a_{i+1} > a_i/2$, $a_i \bmod a_{i+1} < a_i/2$

Conclusion, a is halved
at least every other
call to hcf.

a can only be halved
 $\lfloor \log_2 a \rfloor + 1$ times.

Number of calls is
at most $\max(2, 2\lceil \log_2 a \rceil)$

Each call requires a
constant number of
operations, $O(1)$.

Running time is

$O(\log a)$

ie linear in the size of input
 $(\log a + \log b)$

Task

Algorithm

Analysis

Sorting a list, L

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1 QuickSort(L)
2   if  $|L| \leq 1$ 
3     return L
4   remove first element, pivot, from L
5    $L_{\leq}$  = elements of L  $\leq$  pivot
6    $L_{>}$  = elements of L  $>$  pivot
7    $L_L$  = QuickSort( $L_{\leq}$ )
8    $L_r$  = QuickSort( $L_{>}$ )
9   return  $L_L + [\text{pivot}] + L_r$ 
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Worst case:

For each recursive call one of L_{\leq} or $L_{>}$ is an empty list. $|L|$ recursive calls are made, the argument is one element shorter each call.

(Calculating L_{\leq} and $L_{>}$ requires $O(|L|)$ steps)

Let $n = |L|$, total work is order $n + n-1 + \dots + 1 = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$O(\frac{1}{2} n(n+1)) = O(n^2)$

Worst case time complexity: $O(n^2)$

Merging 2 sorted lists, L_1 and L_2

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1 Merge( $L_1, L_2$ )
2   if  $L_1 = []$  return  $L_2$ 
3   if  $L_2 = []$  return  $L_1$ 
4    $x_1 = L_1[0]$ 
5    $x_2 = L_2[0]$ 
6    $L'_1 = L_1[1:|L_1|-1]$ 
7    $L'_2 = L_2[1:|L_2|-1]$ 
8   if  $x_1 \leq x_2$ 
9     return  $[x_1] + \text{Merge}(L'_1, L_2)$ 
10  return  $[x_2] + \text{Merge}(L_1, L'_2)$ 
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Worst case (same as best and average):

When $\text{Merge}(L_1, L_2)$ is called, 1 recursive call is made in which $|L_1| + |L_2|$ decreases by 1. A constant number of operations is executed for each recursive call. Let $n = |L_1| + |L_2|$

Worst/average/best case time complexity: $O(n)$

Sorting a list, L

```
1 MergeSort(L)
2   if  $|L| \leq 1$ 
3     return L
4   Split L into roughly equal halves  $L_L$  and  $L_r$ 
5   return Merge(MergeSort( $L_L$ ), MergeSort( $L_r$ ))
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Worst case (same as best and average):

Each call gives rise to 2 other calls to MergeSort at one greater depth of recursion - each depth of recursion there are twice as many recursive calls

Maximum depth of recursion is the maximum number of times the list can be halved $= \lceil \log_2 n \rceil$

The number of calls is

$2^{\lceil \log_2 n \rceil} \leq 2n$ (a better bound is $n-1$)

Time taken to merge is $O(n)$

suggesting complexity bound $O(n^2)$ but this is not the case.

- Total lengths of lists processed at each level of recursion is $|L| = n$ so total amount of work done at each level of recursion is linear in the size of the input

Number of times L can be halved: $O(\log n)$

So maximum depth of recursion: $O(\log n)$

Worst/average/best case time complexity: $O(n \log n)$