Homework 4

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1. Divide and Conquer.

Step 1: Split A to A_0 and A_1 . O(n)

Step 2: get the smallest distance δ_0 from A_0 . $T(\frac{n}{2}-1)$

Step 3: get the smallest distance δ_1 from A_1 . $T(n-\frac{n}{2})$

Step 4: get the smallest distance δ from A. T(n)

Therefore, we get the formula as follow:

$$T_{AVG} = O(n) + T(\frac{n}{2}) + T(\frac{n}{2}) + T(n)$$

Then, we guess the time complexity is $O(n^2)$ and check.

$$T_{AVG} = O(n) + T(\frac{n}{2}) + T(\frac{n}{2}) + T(n)$$

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

$$\leq a \cdot n + 2 \cdot a \cdot (\frac{n}{2})^2 + a \cdot n^2$$

 $\leq c \cdot n^2$ when c>>a.

2. Compute the worst-case complexity of naiveKaratsuba.

Since the time complexity of Karatsuba is $O(n^{log_23})$, we get the following formula:

$$T(2) = T(1)^{log_2 3}$$
 (multiply 2 bit strings)

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$$T(n-1) = T(n-2)^{\log_2 3}$$

$$T(n) = T(n-1)^{\log_2 3}$$
 (multiply n bit strings)

As a result, to get the T(n), it will do recursive n times, so the time complexity is $n^{(\log_2 3)^n} = n^{(1.59)^n}.$

3. Compute the worst-case complexity of betterKaratsuba.

Step 1: divide every n bit string as two
$$\frac{n}{2}$$
 bit strings. $O(n)$

Step 2: run betterKaratsuba on each strings.
$$2 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2})$$

Step 3: run Karatsuba on the results of betterKaratsuba. $O(n^{\log_2 3})$

Therefore, we get the time complexity as follow:

$$T_{WORST} = O(n) + 2 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2}) \cdot O(n)$$

$$= a \cdot n + 2 \cdot a \cdot (\frac{n}{2})^{\log_2 3} \cdot a \cdot n^{\log_2 3}$$

$$\leq O(n^3)$$

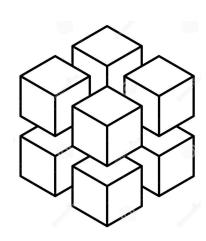
4. Design an algorithm that runs in time $O(n^3)$ and finds the closest pair of airplanes.

(Using divide and conquer algorithm)

Step 1: See the sky as a huge cube.

Step 2: Keep dividing the cube in half until the cube size is 1 (do it recursively)

Step 3: Each cube is able to contain two airplanes. Therefore,



check each cube. If there are two airplanes in a cube, check their distance. If not, combine the nearby cube and check again.

Step 4: Finally, when all smeller cubes combine as a huge cube, all distances between airplanes are checked.

- 5. Design an algorithm that runs in time O(nm) and that finds the smallest difference of all the distinct pairs in A.
 - Given 1: a 2-D array A of n strings which only contain alphabet $\{a, b\}$.

$$(length of A[i] \leq m)$$

$$A = \{ \quad \text{``abbabbbaaaabbbba''} \qquad (A[0])$$

$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

$$\text{``aaaaaabbbbb''} \qquad \} \qquad (A[n])$$

Given 2: a formula to denote the difference between every two strings.

$$d(\alpha, \beta) = |\#_a(\alpha) - \#_a(\beta)|^2 + |\#_b(\alpha) - \#_b(\alpha)|^2$$

Since we know how to denote the difference by the given formula, we can run a for loop to compute the difference between every two strings. The pseudo-code is as follow:

$$d(\alpha,\beta)$$
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Count how many 'a' in A[x]; $// \#_a(\alpha)$

Count how many 'b' in A[x]; $// \#_b(\alpha)$

Count how many 'a' in A[x+1]; $// \#_a(\beta)$

Count how many 'b' in A[x+1]; $// \#_b(\beta)$

Return
$$|\#_a(\alpha) - \#_a(\beta)|^2 + |\#_b(\alpha) - \#_b(\alpha)|^2$$