

# Homework #4

## Question #7

Function FindMalfunctioning Fuse (fuses)

Start = 0

End = length(fuses) - 1

while Start <= End

MID = (START + END) / 2

IF fuses[MID] is healthy

START = MID + 1

ELSE

END = MID - 1

RETURN START

END FUNCTION

### Algorithm description

- 1) Start in the middle: Begin by checking the fuse in the middle of the sequence. If this fuse is healthy, it implies that the malfunctioning fuse must be in the second half of the sequence. If it's not healthy, the problem lies in the first half.
- 2) Halve the problem: Depending on where the problem is suspected to be, halve the sequence of fuses to be checked next.
- 3) Iterate checking: Repeat the process of checking the middle fuse of the current subset and halving the subset accordingly, until you find the broken fuse.

### Time complexity analysis

- The algorithm divides the problem space in half with each iteration

• If  $n$  is the number of fuses, the algorithm takes  $\log_2(n)$  steps in the worst case to find the malfunctioning fuse.

• Therefore, the time complexity of the algorithm is  $O(\log n)$

## question # 2



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Function findBrightestPixel (grid):

left = 0

right = width of grid - 1

top = 0

bottom = height of grid - 1

while left < right and top < bottom:

midcol = (left + right) / 2

midrow = (top + bottom) / 2

brightestPixel = getBrightestPixel (midrow, midcol, grid)

if isBrightestAmongNeighbors (brightestPixel, grid):  
return brightestPixel

if brightness of top neighbor > brightestPixel:

bottom = midrow - 1

else if brightness of bottom neighbor > brightestPixel:

top = midrow + 1

else if brightness of left neighbor > brightestPixel:

right = midcol - 1

else if brightness of right neighbor > brightestPixel:

left = midcol + 1

return None

Function getBrightestPixel (row, col, grid):

brightest = grid [row] [col]

if row > 0:

brightest = max (brightest, grid [row-1] [col])

if row < len (grid) - 1:

brightest = max (brightest, grid [row+1] [col])

if col > 0:

brightest = max (brightest, grid [row] [col-1])

if col < len (grid [0]) - 1:

brightest = max (brightest, grid [row] [col+1])

return brightest



Function isBrightestAmongNeighbors (brightestPixel, grid):

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row = pixel.row

column = pixel.column

if row > 0 and grid[row-1][column] >= pixel.brightness:  
return false

if row < len(grid) - 1 and grid[row+1][column] >= pixel.brightness

if column > 0 and grid[row][column-1] >= pixel.brightness:  
return false

if column < len(grid[0]) - 1 and grid[row][column+1] >= pixel.brightness  
return false

return true.

### Algorithm

1. Initialize: Start with the entire grid as the search space

2. Find midpoint: In each iteration find the midpoint row and column of the current search space

3. Check neighbors: Compare the brightness of the midpoint pixel with its immediate neighbors (top, bottom, left, and right). If the midpoint pixel is brighter than all its neighbors return it as the brightest pixel.

4. Narrow down search space: If the midpoint pixel is not the brightest, determine which neighbor is brighter. The search space can be reduced to the quadrant that includes the brighter neighbor indicates the presence of the brightest pixel in that direction.

5. Repeat: Repeat steps 2 to 4 for the new smaller search space until the brightest pixel is found

6. Terminate: The algorithm when the brightest pixel is found or when the search cannot be reduced further



## Time complexity analysis

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The time complexity of this algorithm can be analyzed as follows

Each iteration approximately halves the search space (either the number of rows or column is halved).

If the grid has dimensions  $n \times m$  the number of iterations required to reduce the search space to a single element is  $O(\log n + \log m)$

Thus the overall time complexity is  $O(\log n + \log m)$



## ques 4109 #3

Function findMaxTotalArea(f, n):

maxArea = 0

currentArea = 0

start = 0

end = 0

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For i = 0 to n

currentArea += f(i)

If currentArea < 0:

currentArea = 0

start = i + 1

If currentArea > maxArea:

maxArea = currentArea

end = i

return start, end

### Algorithm Explanation

1. **Initialization:** The variable 'maxArea' and 'currentArea' are initialized to 0. 'start' and 'end' are used to keep track of the the intervals boundaries.
2. **Iterate through the function value:** The algorithm iterates from 0 to n adding the value of  $f(i)$  to 'currentArea' at each step. This process accumulates the total area under the function  $f(x)$  for current subinterval.
3. **Reset on Negative Area:** If 'currentArea' becomes negative it's reset to 0 and the 'start' index is moved to  $i+1$ . This step essentially discards the current subinterval, as it decreases the overall area.
4. **Update maximum Area:** If 'currentArea' is greater than 'maxArea' it means the current subinterval has a larger total area than any previously considered intervals. Thus, 'maxArea' is updated to this larger value, and the 'end' index is set to  $i$ .
5. **Return values:** The function returns 'start' and 'end' which define boundaries of the subinterval that yields the maximum total area under  $f(x)$ .



## Time Complexity Analysis:

- The function consists of a single loop that iterates over the interval  $[0, n]$ . Each iteration involves a constant amount of work: evaluating  $f(i)$ , updating
- The time complexity of evaluating  $f(i)$  depends on the function itself. If we assume that  $f(i)$  can be computed in constant time then the complexity of each iteration is  $O(1)$
- Therefore the overall time complexity of the 'Find maximum/area' function is  $O(n)$  where  $n$  is the length of the interval  $[0, n]$



## Question 24

Function FindMinimumLatencyPath (graph):

Initialize minLatency to infinity

Initialize minPath to an empty list

For each pair of nodes (source, destination) in graph:

Initialize path to an empty list

Call DFS (graph, source, destination, 0, path, minPath, minLatency)

return minPath, minLatency

Function DFS (graph, current, destination, currentLatency, path, minPath, minLatency):

Add current node to path

If current node is destination:

If currentLatency < minLatency:

update minLatency

Copy path to minPath

Else:

For each neighbor of current node:

If neighbor is not in path:

newLatency = currentLatency + latency (current, neighbor)

DFS (graph, neighbor, destination, newLatency, path, minPath, minLatency)

Remove current node from path

1- Find minimum Latency Path (FindMinimumLatencyPath): This function finds the lowest latency path for all pairs of nodes in the network graph. The DFS algorithm is called for each pair.

2- DFS: This function explores all paths starting from the current node until it reaches the destination. At each step, the total latency of the current path is calculated. If the destination is reached and this path's latency is less than the lowest found so far, this path is recorded.

3- Result: The algorithm returns the path the lowest latency and its latency for all node pair.

## Time Complexity

Considering  $N$  as the number of nodes and  $E$  as number of edges in a graph we can say that DFS has a time complexity of  $O(N)$  for each node as in the worst case it may need to visit all nodes. However, since this algorithm runs DFS for every pair of nodes the total time complexity becomes  $O(N^2 \times N) = O(N^3)$

This represents a significant computational load depending on the density and the number of nodes in graph.

$$\underline{O(N^3)}$$



## Question #5

Function `findResourceExtremes(tubes):`

If tubes has only one element:

Return (tubes[0], tubes[0]) as both max and min

Else

mid = length of tubes / 2

(leftMax, leftMin) = findResourceExtremes(tubes[0:mid])  $T(\frac{n}{2})$

(rightMax, rightMin) = findResourceExtremes(tubes[mid:end])  $T(\frac{n}{2})$

maxTubes = max(leftMax, rightMax, key=lambda tube: tube.resources)

minTubes = min(leftMin, rightMin, key=lambda tube: tube.resources)

return (maxTubes, minTubes)

### Algorithm Explanation

- The algorithm works by recursively splitting the tube list and finding the max and min in each half.
- These max and min tubes are then compared against each other to find the overall max and min.
- The base case is when the tube list has only one tube in which case that tube is both the max and the min.
- The key idea is to reduce the number of comparisons made, making algorithm efficient for large lists of tubes.

### Time complexity analysis

- 1) Base case: When  $n = 1$  the function simply returns the tube as both the maximum and minimum so  $T(1) = O(1)$ .
- 2) Divide Step: The list of tubes is divided into two halves each of size approximately  $\frac{n}{2}$ .
- 3) Recursive calls: Two recursive calls are made, one for each half. Therefore, the work done by these calls can be represented as  $2T(\frac{n}{2})$ .
- 4) Combine step: After getting the results from the recursive calls (leftMax, leftMin, rightMax, rightMin) the algorithm finds the overall maximum and minimum. This step involves constant time comparisons so it is  $O(1)$ .



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

use master Theorem

$$O(n^{\log_2 2}) \quad T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 2 + \epsilon})$$

$$a = 2$$

$$T(n)$$

$$O(n^{\log_2 2} \log n) \quad T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 2})$$

$$b = 2$$

$$T(n) = O(n)$$

$$O(T(n))$$

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 2 + \epsilon})$$

we use 7. case

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