

Decision Trees, Adversary Argument, and Amortized Analysis

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Algorithm analysis

- ▶ Given a problem P
- ▶ Design algorithms A, A', \dots
- ▶ Input space \mathcal{X}_n : inputs of size n

$$T_A(n) \triangleq \max_{X \in \mathcal{X}_n} T_A(X)$$

$$T_P(n) \triangleq \min_{A \text{ solves } P} T_A(n) = \min_{A \text{ solves } P} \max_{X \in \mathcal{X}_n} T_A(X)$$

Algorithm analysis

Sorting:

$$n!$$

$$\implies n^2$$

$$\implies n \log n$$

$$n \log n \Leftarrow$$

$$n$$

Selection (median):

$$n^2$$

$$\implies n \log n$$

$$\implies 16n$$

$$\implies 2.95n$$

$$2n \Leftarrow$$

$$\frac{3n}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \log n \Leftarrow$$

$$n$$

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K -sorted (Problem 2.9)

1, 2, 4, 3; 7, 6, 8, 5; 10, 11, 9, 12; 15, 13, 16, 14

1-sorted?

2-sorted?

n -sorted?

1-sorted \rightarrow 2-sorted \rightarrow 4-sorted $\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow n$ -sorted

Quicksort (with median) stops after the $\log k$ recursions.

$$O(n \log k)$$

K -sorted (Problem 2.9)

$$\Omega(n \log k)$$

$$L = \binom{n}{n/k, \dots, n/k} = \frac{n!}{((\frac{n}{k})!)^k}$$

$$H \geq \log \left(\frac{n!}{((\frac{n}{k})!)^k} \right)$$

K -sorted (Problem 2.9)

Sorting the k -sorted array.

$$O(n \log \frac{n}{k})$$

$$L = ((\frac{n}{k})!)^k$$

$$H \geq \log((\frac{n}{k})!)^k = \Omega(n \log \frac{n}{k})$$

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Horse Racing

Example (Horse Racing)

- ▶ 25 horses
- ▶ Round: ≤ 5 horses race
- ▶ Goal: Find #1, #2, #3 fastest.

$$8 \implies 7 \quad (a_2, a_3, b_1, b_2, c_1)$$

$$(< 5) \implies (= 5) \quad (\#1) \implies (= 6) \quad (\#2)$$

Finding patterns in bit strings

Example (Finding patterns in bit strings)

- ▶ Bit string $A[1 \dots n]$
- ▶ Bit pattern 01
- ▶ Question: checking every bit?

n is odd: checking $A[2, 4, \dots, n-1]$

n is even: adversary argument

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Amortized analysis

*Amortized analysis is
an algorithm analysis technique for
analyzing a sequence of operations
irrespective of the input to show that
the average cost per operation is small, even though
a single operation within the sequence might be expensive.*

Methods for amortized analysis: the summation method

$$O_1, O_2, \dots, O_n$$

$$C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$$

$$(\sum_{i=1}^n c_i)/n$$

Summation method: array doubling revisited

On any sequence of n INSERT ops on an initially empty array.

$$\begin{array}{rcccccccccc} o_i : & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 \\ c_i : & 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 5 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 8 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$c_i = \begin{cases} (i-1) + 1 = i & \text{if } i-1 \text{ is an exact power of } 2 \\ 1 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \leq n + \sum_{j=0}^{\lceil \lg n \rceil - 1} 2^j = n + (2^{\lceil \lg n \rceil} - 1) \leq n + 2n = 3n$$

$$\forall i, \hat{c}_i = 3$$

Methods for amortized analysis: the accounting method

$$O_1, O_2, \dots, O_n$$

$$C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$$

$$A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$$

$$\hat{C}_i = C_i + A_i, A_i \geq 0.$$

$$\forall n, \sum_{i=1}^n C_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{C}_i \implies \forall n, \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \geq 0$$

Key way of thinking:

Put the accounting cost on specific objects.

Accounting method: array doubling revisited

$$\hat{c}_i = 3 \text{ vs. } \hat{c}_i = 2$$

$$\hat{c}_i = 3 = \underbrace{1}_{\text{insert}} + \underbrace{1}_{\text{move itself}} + \underbrace{1}_{\text{help move another}}$$

	\hat{c}_i	c_i (actual cost)	a_i (accounting cost)
INSERT (normal)	3	1	2
INSERT (expansion)	3	$1 + t$	$-t + 2$

Array merging (Problem 4.13): the summation method

CREATE (1); MERGE ($2m$)

$i \quad c_i$

1 1

2 $1 + 2$

3 1

4 $1 + 2 + 4$

5 1

6 $1 + 2$

7 1

8 $1 + 2 + 4$

$\vdots \quad \dots$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c_i = \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \log n \rfloor} \lfloor \frac{n}{2^j} \rfloor 2^j \leq n(\lfloor \log n \rfloor + 1)$$

$$\forall i, \hat{c}_i = 1 + \lfloor \log n \rfloor$$

Array merging (Problem 4.13): the accounting method

$$\hat{c}_i = 1 + \lfloor \log n \rfloor$$

What does it mean?

$$\forall n, \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \geq 0$$

Two stacks, one queue (Problem 4.14)

Algorithm 1 Simulating a queue using two stacks S_1, S_2 .

procedure ENQ(x)

$Push(S_1, x)$

procedure DEQ()

if $S_2 = \emptyset$ **then**

while $S_1 \neq \emptyset$ **do**

$Push(S_2, Pop(S_1))$

$Pop(S_2)$

Two stacks, one queue: the summation method

$$(\sum_{i=1}^n c_i)/n$$

The operation sequence is NOT known.

Two stacks, one queue: the accounting method

item:	Push into S_1	Pop from S_1	Push into S_2	Pop from S_2
	1	1	1	1

$$\hat{c}_{\text{ENQ}} = 3$$

$$\hat{c}_{\text{DEQ}} = 1$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \geq 0 \iff \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \#S_1 \times 2$$



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