

2-2 The Efficiency of Algorithms¹

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The key points include:

- Correctness of the rotating caliper algorithm for the convex polygon diameter problem.
- Lower bound proof of comparison-based sorting.
- Depth-first and breadth-first traversal of trees.

The Convex Polygon Diameter Problem

Solution

Theorem 1 *For a convex polygon, a pair of vertices determine the diameter.*

Proof

Definition 1 (Line of Support)

Definition 2 (Antipodal)

Fact 1 *Not all vertex pairs are antipodal.*

Proof

Theorem 2 (Yaglom) *The diameter of a convex polygon is the greatest distance between parallel lines of support.*

Proof

Lower Bound for Comparison-based Sorting (UD Problem 6.13)

Prove a lower bound of $O(n \log n)$ on the time complexity of any comparison-based sorting algorithm.

Algorithm 1 Calculate the sum of contents of nodes of a tree T at each depth.

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1: procedure SUM-AT-DEPTH( $r$ )           ▷  $r$ : root of the tree  $T$ 
2:    $r.depth \leftarrow 0$ 
3:    $Q \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
4:   ENQUEUE( $Q, r$ )
5:   while  $Q \neq \emptyset$  do
6:      $u \leftarrow$  DEQUEUE( $Q$ )
7:      $sumAtDepth[u.depth] += u.content$ 
8:     for all child vertex  $v$  of  $u$  do
9:        $v.depth \leftarrow u.depth + 1$ 
10:    ENQUEUE( $Q, v$ )

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Understanding the Problem

Solution

Comments

BFS on Tree (UD Problem 4.3)

Write algorithms that solve the following problems by performing *breadth-first traversals* of the given trees. You may assume the availability of a queue Q . The operations on Q include adding an item to the rear, retrieving and removing an item from the front, and testing Q for emptiness.

- (a) Given a tree T whose nodes contain integers, print a list consisting of the sum of contents of nodes at depth 0, the sum of contents of nodes at depth 1, etc.
- (b) Given a tree T , find the depth K with the maximal number of nodes in T . If there are several such K s, return their maximum.

Solution

Tree Traversal (UD Problem 4.2)

- (a) Write an algorithm which, given a tree T , calculates the sum of the depths of all the nodes of T .
- (b) Write an algorithm which, given a tree T and a positive integer K , calculates the number of nodes in T at depth K .
- (c) Write an algorithm which, given a tree T , checks whether it has any leaf at an even depth.

Algorithm 2 Count the number of nodes of a tree T at each depth.

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1: procedure NODES-AT-DEPTH( $r$ )           ▷  $r$ : root of the tree  $T$ 
2:    $r.depth \leftarrow 0$ 
3:    $Q \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
4:   ENQUEUE( $Q, r$ )
5:   while  $Q \neq \emptyset$  do
6:      $u \leftarrow$  DEQUEUE( $Q$ )
7:      $nodesAtDepth[u.depth] += 1$ 
8:     for all child vertex  $v$  of  $u$  do
9:        $v.depth \leftarrow u.depth + 1$ 
10:    ENQUEUE( $Q, v$ )

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Algorithm 3 Calculate the sum of depths of all nodes of a tree T .

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1: procedure SUM-OF-DEPTH()
2:   return SUM-OF-DEPTH( $T, 0$ )

3: procedure SUM-OF-DEPTH( $r, depth$ )           ▷  $r$ : root of a tree
4:   if  $T$  is a leaf then
5:     return  $depth$ 
6:   else
7:     for all child vertex  $v$  of  $r$  do
8:        $depth \leftarrow depth + \text{SUM-OF-DEPTH}(v, depth + 1)$ 
9:   return  $depth$ 

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Solution

References