# COMP 3011 Assignment 3

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### 1.

The probability of a classroom does not enter by a student is 1 - 1/n.

For each classroom  $i \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ , we can define a indicator random variable,

 $X_i = I\{\text{classroom } i \text{ is empty after all } m \text{ students have gone to the classrooms}\}$ 

Therefore,

 $E[X_i] = Pr\{\text{classroom } i \text{ is empty after all } m \text{ students have gone to the classrooms}\} = (1-1/n)^m$ 

Then, let X be the number of empty classrooms after all student m has gone to the classroom. By linear of expectation,  $E[\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} E[X_i] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1 - 1/n)^m = n(1 - 1/n)^m$ .

# 2.

If k=4 and the initial of the counter is 0, in this case, if we decrement the counter, it would do 4 flips and the counter will turn from 0000 to 1111. Then, if we increment the counter, it would do another 4 flips and turn from 1111 to 0000. By performing such sequences of increment and decrement for n/2 times (n/2 increments + n/2 decrements), the total amortized cost will be 4n.

Similarly, for k-bits binary counter starting from 0, a decrement costs k flips, following up by a increment also costs k flips. Therefore, when performing such sequences of increment and decrement, the amortized cost per operation could be  $\Theta(k)$ .

#### 3.

- (a) l is the left boundary of the Z-box. The idea is to maintain an interval [l, r] with max r so that [l, r] is the prefix substring (substring which is also prefix).
- (b) Pseudocode of Algorithm

**Input:** A string R and a string S.

**Output:** The longest suffix of S which is equal to a prefix of R.

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let string T = R + "$" + S
lenT = length of string T
Z = array of length lenT, with all elements initialized as 0
left = 0, right = 0
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for k = 1 to lenT:
    if k > right do
        lt = rt = k
        while rt < lenT and T[right] == T[right-left]:</pre>
            right = right + 1
        Z[k] = right - left
        right = right - 1
    else
        // Operation inside the box
        k1 = k - left
        // if the value does not stretched till right bound then just copy it
        if Z[k1] < right-k+1 do</pre>
            Z[k] = Z[k1]
        else
            // Otherwise try to see if there are more matches
            left = k
            while right < lenT and T[right] == T[right-left] do</pre>
                right = right + 1
            Z[k] = right - left
            right = right - 1
    // Check whether it is a suffix
    if k + Z[k] == lenT:
        return R[0:Z[k]], which is the prefix of R equal to longest suffix of S
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return NULL, at which there is no suffix of S equal to prefix of R

The time complexity of the above algorithm using Z-Box algorithm is O(|R| + |S|), where |R| and |S| are the lengths of string R and S respectively.

#### 4.

Let  $\langle p_1, p_2, ..., p_n \rangle$  be the points in P sorted in order of ascending x-coordinates then ascending of y-coordinates.

Then, we need to create a list R containing all possible combinations for a pair of points. We can do this by looping each point linearly and combine them with other points (i.e.  $R\{(p_1, p_2), (p_1, p_3), ..., (p_1, p_n), (p_2, p_3), ..., (p_{n-1}, p_n)\}$ ) so that the pairs of points in R are still in ascending order.

After that, for each pair of points  $(p_a, p_c)$  in R, we consider them as 2 diagonally opposite points of a square to calculate the other two points,  $p_b$  and  $p_d$  where  $x_{pb} < x_{pd}$  or  $y_{pb} < y_{pd}$  if  $x_{pb} = x_{pd}$ , and store them in a pair  $(p_b, p_d)$ . At this stage, we can do binary search in

R to check whether  $(p_b, p_d)$  exists in R. If it exists, then put the result in a list S as a set  $\{p_a, p_b, p_c, p_d\}$  if this set does not exist in S. Otherwise, continue the loop.

Finally, output S which contains all sets of points that can form a square. Based on the above method, the problem can be solved in  $O(|P|^2 \cdot log|P|)$ .

#### Steps:

- 1. Sort the points in P in order of ascending x-coordinates then ascending of y-coordinates.
- 2. Let  $R = \{(p_1, p_2), (p_1, p_3), ..., (p_1, p_n), (p_2, p_3), ..., (p_{n-1}, p_n)\}$ , storing all possible combination of pair of points.
- 3. For each pair of points in R, take them as 2 diagonally opposite points  $(p_a, p_c)$  of a square to calculate  $(p_b, p_d)$ .

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centerX = (Xa+Xc)/2; centerY = (Ya+Yc)/2; // Center point
halfX = (Xa-Xc)/2; halfY = (Ya-Yc)/2; // Half-diagonal

Xb = centerX-halfY; Yb = centerY+halfX; // Pb
Xd = centerX+halfY; Yd = centerY-halfX; // Pd
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Then, perform binary search in R to find  $(p_b, p_d)$ . If found, put  $\{p_a, p_b, p_c, p_d\}$  in a list S if not in S. Otherwise, continue the loop.

## 4. Output S.

To analyze the running time, sorting takes O(nlogn) time. Step 2 takes  $O(n^2)$  time while Step 3 takes  $O(n^2logn)$  Other operations take O(1) time.

Therefore, by summing up the cost of every line, the time complexity of this algorithm is  $O(n^2 log n)$ , where n = |P|.