

CS 521: Data Structures and Algorithms I

Extra Credit

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1. (4-6) Solution:

(a) **Base Case:** A 2×2 Monge Array:

$$\begin{aligned}A[i, j] + A[i + 1, j + 1] &\leq A[i, j + 1] + A[i + 1, j] \\A[1, 1] + A[2, 2] &\leq A[1, 2] + A[2, 1]\end{aligned}$$

Inductive Step (Rows): A $m \times 2$ array, $m \geq 2$:

If $m = 2$, $i + 1 = m = 2$, $i = 1$, and the base case holds:

$$\begin{aligned}A[i, j] + A[i + 1, j + 1] &\leq A[i, j + 1] + A[i + 1, j] \\A[i, 1] + A[m, 2] &\leq A[i, 2] + A[m, 1] \\A[1, 1] + A[2, 2] &\leq A[1, 2] + A[2, 1]\end{aligned}$$

Then, adding a new row so that $i = m$ and $i + 1 = m + 1$:

$$\begin{aligned}A[i, j] + A[i + 1, j + 1] &\leq A[i, j + 1] + A[i + 1, j] \\A[m, 1] + A[m + 1, 2] &\leq A[m, 2] + A[m + 1, 1]\end{aligned}$$

The equalities can be transformed:

$$\begin{aligned}A[i, 1] + A[m, 2] &\leq A[i, 2] + A[m, 1] \Rightarrow A[i, 1] - A[i, 2] \leq A[m, 1] - A[m, 2] \\A[m, 1] + A[m + 1, 2] &\leq A[m, 2] + A[m + 1, 1] \Rightarrow A[m, 1] - A[m, 2] \leq A[m + 1, 1] - A[m + 1, 2]\end{aligned}$$

Combining these:

$$A[i, 1] - A[i, 2] \leq A[m, 1] - A[m, 2] \leq A[m + 1, 1] - A[m + 1, 2]$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}A[i, 1] - A[i, 2] &\leq A[m + 1, 1] - A[m + 1, 2] \\A[i, 1] + A[m + 1, 2] &\leq A[m + 1, 1] + A[i, 2]\end{aligned}$$

Inductive Step (Columns): A $2 \times n$ array, $n \geq 2$:

If $n = 2$, $j + 1 = n = 2$, $j = 1$, and the base case holds:

$$A[1, j] + A[2, n] \leq A[2, j] + A[1, n]$$

Then, adding a new column so that $j = n$ and $j + 1 = n + 1$:

$$A[1, n] + A[2, n + 1] \leq A[2, n] + A[1, n + 1]$$

The equalities can be transformed and combined as in the first step, therefore:

$$A[1, j] + A[2, n + 1] \leq A[1, n + 1] + A[2, j]$$

Inductive Assumption: A $m \times n$ array, $m < 2$, $n < 2$:

$$A[m, n] + A[m + 1, n + 1] \leq A[m, n + 1] + A[m + 1, n]$$

- (b) Using the inductive assumption above, it reveals that the bolded sub-array is invalid:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 37 & \mathbf{23} & \mathbf{22} & 32 \\ 21 & \mathbf{6} & \mathbf{7} & 10 \\ 53 & 34 & 30 & 31 \\ 32 & 13 & 9 & 6 \\ 43 & 21 & 15 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, one element within it must be changed. By assigning the following variables to this subarray:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

The goal will be to satisfy

$$a + d \leq b + c$$

The following inequalities can be generated based on each element's local Monge array dependencies:

$$37 + 6 \leq a + 21 \Rightarrow 22 \leq a$$

$$b + 10 \leq 7 + 32 \Rightarrow b \leq 29$$

$$37 + c \leq 23 + 21 \Rightarrow c \leq 7$$

$$21 + 34 \leq c + 53 \Rightarrow 2 \leq c$$

$$c + 30 \leq 7 + 34 \Rightarrow c \leq 11$$

$$6 + 30 \leq d + 34 \Rightarrow 2 \leq d$$

$$d + 31 \leq 10 + 30 \Rightarrow d \leq 9$$

$$22 + 10 \leq 32 + d \Rightarrow 0 \leq d$$

Which can be reduced to the following external dependencies:

$$22 \leq a$$

$$b \leq 29$$

$$2 \leq c \leq 7$$

$$2 \leq d \leq 9$$

The inequalities which show how the variable must be changed within the bolded sub-array are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
a + 7 &\leq 22 + 6 \Rightarrow a \leq 21 \\
23 + 7 &\leq b + 6 \Rightarrow 24 \leq b \\
23 + 7 &\leq 22 + c \Rightarrow 8 \leq c \\
23 + d &\leq 22 + 6 \Rightarrow d \leq 5
\end{aligned}$$

It is clear that a and c cannot be modified to hold all dependencies. The resulting inequalities show the possible ranges for b and d :

$$\begin{aligned}
24 &\leq b \leq 29 \\
2 &\leq d \leq 5
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore making $d = 5$ results in the following Monge array:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 37 & 23 & 22 & 32 \\ 21 & 6 & \mathbf{5} & 10 \\ 53 & 34 & 30 & 31 \\ 32 & 13 & 9 & 6 \\ 43 & 21 & 15 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (c) Take an array A such that $f(i) > f(i + 1)$; for example, where the minimum of the i -th row is found at $A[i, j]$ and the minimum of the $i + 1$ -th row is found at $A[i + 1, j - 1]$. This means that the sum

$$A[i, j] + A[i + 1, j - 1]$$

is the lowest possible pair of values for the i -th and $i + 1$ -th rows. However, for the sub-array containing these values to be Monge, the following must be true:

$$A[i, j - 1] + A[i + 1, j] \leq A[i, j] + A[i + 1, j - 1]$$

Which requires that there exist another pair of values less than the pair of minimums. Therefore, $f(1) \leq f(2) \leq \dots \leq f(m)$ for any $m \times n$ Monge array.

- (d) For a square $n \times n$ Monge array A , the left-most minimum for each odd-numbered row (given the leftmost minimum of the preceding even-numbered row) can be in only one of two locations: if the leftmost minimum of the preceding even-numbered row is at $A[i, j]$, the leftmost minimum of the following odd-numbered row must be at $A[i + 1, j]$ or $A[i + 1, j + 1]$ to satisfy the condition that $f(i) \leq f(i + 1)$. Since there are $n/2$ odd-numbered rows to search, this results in a complexity of $O(2 * (n/2)) = O(n)$. However, for a non-square $n \times m$ Monge array, there can be at most m additional elements between $f(1)$ and $f(m)$, therefore the complexity is at most $O(n + m)$.

2. (7-5) **Solution:**

- (a) When partitioning n elements at position i , the number of elements before and after the partition are $i-1$ and $n-i$, respectively. This results in $(i-1)(n-1)$ possible three-element subsets which will include pivot element at i . The total number of possible three-element subsets from a set of n elements is simply $\binom{n}{3}$. Therefore, the probability that any given three-element subset will contain the pivot element is the ratio of subsets containing the pivot element to the number of possible subsets, or:

$$\frac{(i-1)(n-i)}{\binom{n}{3}} = \frac{(i-1)(n-i)}{\frac{n!}{3!(n-3)!}} = \frac{(i-1)(n-i)}{\frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}}$$

- (b) We can assume that i is even, therefore let $i = \frac{n}{2}$. The resulting probability is:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(\frac{n}{2}-1)(n-\frac{n}{2})}{\frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}} &= \frac{6(\frac{n^2}{2} - \frac{n^2}{4} - n + \frac{n}{2})}{(n-1)(n^2-2n)} \\ &= \frac{6(\frac{n^2}{4} - \frac{n}{2})}{(n-1)(n^2-2n)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{6}{4}(n^2-2n)}{(n-1)(n^2-2n)} \\ &= \frac{3}{2(n-1)} \end{aligned}$$

The ratio of this probability to the probability of the ordinary implementation, $\frac{1}{n}$, is simply:

$$\frac{\frac{3}{2(n-1)}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{3n}{2n-2}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, this becomes $\frac{3}{2}$, or a $1.5\times$ improvement.

- (c) The probability of getting a ‘good’ split with the ordinary implementation is $\frac{1}{3}$... not sure how to approximate the sum by an integral.
- (d) In the best-case scenario, the recursion tree of QUICKSORT will be perfectly divided, with height $\lg n$ and n leaves, resulting in a $\Omega(n \lg n)$ running time, so the median-of-three method cannot improve upon this scenario.