

NTU CSIE 2016 Fall Algorithm 1st Miterm Solutions

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1 Problem 3

We showed an $O(n)$ -time algorithm for finding the k -th largest number in an array of n distinct numbers via an initial division of the input into groups of five numbers. What would the time complexity of the algorithm be if the initial group size is (1) three, (2) seven, and (3) $\lceil \log_2 n \rceil$? Justify your answers.

1. group size = 3

(a) $T(n) = T(\frac{1}{3}n) + \max(|X_{>}|, |X_{<}|) + O(n) = T(\frac{1}{3}n) + T(\frac{2}{3}n) + O(n)$ (1 points)

(b) $T(n) = T(\frac{1}{3}n) + T(\frac{2}{3}n) + O(n) \neq O(n)$ (4 points)

2. group size = 7

(a) $T(n) = T(\frac{1}{7}n) + \max(|X_{>}|, |X_{<}|) + O(n) = T(\frac{1}{7}n) + T(\frac{5}{7}n) + O(n)$ (1 points)

(b) $T(n) = T(\frac{1}{7}n) + T(\frac{5}{7}n) + O(n) = O(n)$ (4 points)

3. group size = $\lceil \log_2 n \rceil$

(a) $T(n) = T(\frac{n}{\lceil \log_2 n \rceil}) + \max(|X_{>}|, |X_{<}|) + O(n) = T(\frac{n}{\lceil \log_2 n \rceil}) + T((1 - \frac{(\lceil \log_2 n \rceil + 1)/2}{2 \times \lceil \log_2 n \rceil})n) + O(n) \leq T(\frac{n}{\lceil \log_2 n \rceil}) + T((1 - \frac{\lceil \log_2 n \rceil}{4 \times \lceil \log_2 n \rceil})n) + O(n) = T(\frac{n}{\lceil \log_2 n \rceil}) + T(\frac{3}{4}n) + O(n)$ (5 points)

(b) $T(\frac{n}{\lceil \log_2 n \rceil}) + T(\frac{3}{4}n) + O(n) = O(n)$ if $\lceil \log_2 n \rceil > 4$ (5 points)

Please refer slides *algo2016fall05* p.31~34 for the proof of part(a) and p.23~30 for the proof of part(b).

2 Problem 4

Prove or disprove the recurrence relation

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n \leq 2 \\ \sqrt{n} \cdot T(\sqrt{n}) + n, & \text{if } n \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

implies $T(n) = O(n \log \log n)$.

By definition, we have

$$\begin{cases} T(n) = \sqrt{n} \cdot T(\sqrt{n}) + n \\ T(\sqrt{n}) = \sqrt[4]{n} \cdot T(\sqrt[4]{n}) + \sqrt{n} \\ \dots \\ T(\sqrt[k]{n}) = 1, \text{ where } k = \lceil \log \log n \rceil \end{cases} \quad (10 \text{ points})$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} T(\sqrt[k-1]{n}) = 2 + \sqrt[k-1]{n} \leq 2 \times \sqrt[k-1]{n} \\ T(\sqrt[k-2]{n}) = \sqrt[k-1]{n} \cdot T(\sqrt[k-1]{n}) + \sqrt[k-2]{n} \leq 3 \times \sqrt[k-2]{n} \\ \dots \\ T(n) = \sqrt{n} \cdot T(\sqrt{n}) + n \leq (k+1) \times n = O(n \log \log n) \end{cases} \quad (10 \text{ points})$$

3 Problem 5

Define $h_i = \log_2 n - \log_2 t_i$ s.t. the time of i^{th} operation is $h_i O(1)$.

Define potential function

$$\Phi_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \\ \sum_{x=0}^i [\log_2 t_x - \log_2 i] & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq n \end{cases}$$

In other words, $\Phi_i - \Phi_{i-1} = \log_2 t_i - \log_2 i$ for $i > 0$.

Let $\hat{h}_i = h_i + \Phi_i - \Phi_{i-1}$ be the amortised cost of i^{th} operations. The total cost:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n h_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{h}_i + \Phi_0 - \Phi_n$$

By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_0 - \Phi_n &= - \sum_{x=0}^n (\log_2 t_x - \log_2 i) \\ &= - \left(\sum_{x=0}^n \log_2 t_x - \sum_{x=0}^n \log_2 i \right) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{h}_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n [h_i + \Phi_i - \Phi_{i-1}] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log_2 n - \log_2 i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log_2 \frac{n}{i} \\ &= O(n) \quad \text{Please refer slides } algo2016fall03 \text{ p.53~55 for elaboration of the last equation} \end{aligned}$$

By using the potential method, the amount of the time of the n operations is

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n h_i\right) O(1) = O(n)$$

4 Problem 6

Let $h(x) = \max\{f(x), g(x)\}$

we choose $c_1 = 1$ and $c_2 = 1$ to satisfy the inequality:

$$c_1 h(x) \leq h(x) \leq c_2 h(x)$$

And note that $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ should be non-negative for x large enough. So,

$$c_1 h(x) \leq h(x) \leq f(x) + g(x) \leq 2h(x) \leq 2c_2 h(x) \quad \text{for } x \text{ large enough}$$

For the inequality above, $f(x) + g(x) = \Theta(\max\{f(x), g(x)\})$ holds.