
- Describe how your firstIndexOf() method in BinarySearchDeluxe.java
- finds the first index of a key that is equal to the search key.

基本上跟一般的 binary search 一樣,不過在找到相同的 key 時,會視為找到比 較大的並更新一個名為 lastid(最後找到的 id)的變數,如此一來會繼續往左(小) 找,直到 first index == last index ,回傳 lastid,這個時後 first index 會剛好停留 在第一個(id 最小)的目標值

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public static <Key> int firstIndexOf(Key[] a, Key key, Comparator<Key> comparator) {
int idf = 0;
int ide = a.length - 1;
int mid;
int cmp;
int lastid = -1;
while (idf <= ide) {
   mid = idf + (ide - idf) / 2;
   cmp = comparator.compare(key, a[mid]);
   if (cmp < 0) ide = mid - 1;
   else if (cmp > 0) idf = mid + 1;
    else {
        ide = mid - 1;
        lastid = mid;
return lastid;
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- Identify which sorting algorithm (if any) that your program uses in the
- Autocomplete constructor and instance methods. Choose from the following

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options:

none, selection sort, insertion sort, mergesort, quicksort, heapsort

If you are using an optimized implementation, such as Arrays.sort(),

* select the principal algorithm.

因為題目要求 n log n worst case 所以選用 merge sort

Autocomplete(): merge sort

allMatches(): merge sort

numberOfMatches(): none (不須知道順序)

- * How many compares (in the worst case) does each of the operations in the
- * Autocomplete data type make, as a function of both the number of terms n
- * and the number of matching terms m? Use Big Theta notation to simplify
- * your answers.

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- * Recall that with Big Theta notation, you should discard both the
- * leading coefficients and lower-order terms, e.g., Theta(m^2 + m log n).

Autocomplete(): Theta(n log n) #merge sort //要把所有 term 先排序一次

allMatches(): Theta(m log m +log n) # binary search + merge sort // 先找到目標集合,在把集合中的 term 排序

numberOfMatches(): Theta(log n)# binary search // 找到目標集合,自然會知道集合大小(lasted-firstid +1)