

Data Structures and Algorithms

Coursework Assignment 1

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1 DictionaryMaker

1.1 The 'formDictionary' algorithm

This algorithm assumes that the language it is written in has a sorted dictionary or map data structure (such Java's `TreeMap` or Cs's `SortedDictionary`). For languages that do not support such structures an additional sorting operations must be performed.

Furthermore, time complexity for operations such as *add*, *remove* or *contain* might be language-specific. While this report was written with the intention of being language-ambiguous, its main purpose is to analyse algorithms written in Java. For this reason its necessary for this section to reference a Java-specific data structure (*TreeMap*) to describe time complexity of *formDictionary*.

Algorithm 1 `formDictionary(doc,n)` **return** $(dict, m)$

Require: list of strings **doc** of length n

Ensure: $dict$, Dictionary of string keys and integer values of size m .

```
1:  $dict$   $\triangleright$  empty dictionary with string keys and integer values.
2: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do
3:    $temp \leftarrow doc_i$ 
4:   if  $dict$  contains  $temp$  then
5:      $dict$  put ( $key \leftarrow temp$ ,  $value \leftarrow value + 1$ )
6:   else
7:      $dict$  put ( $key \leftarrow temp$ ,  $value \leftarrow 1$ )
8:   end if
9: end for
10: return  $(dict, m)$ 
```

1.2 Algorithm analysis for 'formDictionary' algorithm

Fundamental operation: (Line 3) **If** $dict$ **contains** $temp$

Contain operations for `TreeMaps` are $O(\log(m))$.

1.2.1 Worst case

The worst case for this algorithm is when every word in **doc** is unique, thereby making **m = n** and **contains** operation on line 3 equal to **O(log(n))**.

$$t(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(n) = n \log(n)$$
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Which gives us linearithmic running time and **O(n log(n))** as the order of the algorithm.

1.2.2 Best case

The best case for this algorithm is for **doc** to contain repetitions of the same word, thereby making **m = 1** and **contains** operation on line 3 equal to **O(1)**.

$$t(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n 1 = n$$

From here we can categorise the run-time function as linear and give **O(n)** as the order of the algorithm.

2 Trie

2.1 The 'add' algorithm

Algorithm 2 add(**key**, *n*, **root**) **return** *boolean*

Require: lower case alphabetical character array **key** of length *n*.

Require: reference to TrieNode **root** (root of a Trie structure)

Ensure: *boolean*, true if operation successful, false if key already in Trie.

```
1: curr ← root           ▷ saving a reference to the root node in this Trie.
2: for i ← 1 to n do
3:   charIndex ← keyi - 98           ▷ should give range between 1-26
4:   if curr.children equals null then
5:     curr.children := ▷ initialise space for references to other TrieNodes
6:   end if
7:   if curr.childrencharIndex equals null then
8:     curr.childrencharIndex :=           ▷ initialise TrieNode
9:   end if
10:  curr ← curr.childrencharIndex
11: end for
12: if curr.isWord equals false then
13:   curr.isWord ← true
14: else return false
15: end if
16: return true
```

2.2 Algorithm analysis for 'add' algorithm

Fundamental operation: (Line 8) $curr.children_{charIndex} :=$

Fundamental operation is constant time.

2.2.1 Worst case

None of the characters present in **key** are present in the Trie in the same order. This case would require n fundamental operations.

$$t(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n 1 = n$$

Which gives us $O(n)$ as the order of the algorithm and linear running time.

2.3 The 'contains' algorithm

Algorithm 3 contains(**key**, n , **root**) **return** *boolean*

Require: lower case ASCII character array **key** of length n .

Require: reference to a TrieNode **root** (root of a Trie structure)

Ensure: *boolean*, true if the word passed in is in the Trie as a whole word, not just prefix. Otherwise, false.

```
1:  $curr \leftarrow root$   $\triangleright$  saving a reference to the root node in this Trie.
2: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do
3:    $charIndex \leftarrow key_i - 98$   $\triangleright$  should give range between 1-26
4:   if  $curr.children$  equals null then
5:     return false
6:   end if
7:   if  $curr.children_{charIndex}$  equals null then
8:     return false
9:   end if
10:   $curr \leftarrow curr.children_{charIndex}$ 
11: end for
12: if  $curr.isWord$  equals false then
13:   return false
14: end if
15: return true
```

2.4 Algorithm analysis for 'contains' algorithm

Fundamental operation: (Line 7) **If** $curr.children$ **equals** *null*

Fundamental operation is constant time.

2.4.1 Worst case

In the worst case the series of characters passed in as a character array are present in the Trie. This case would require n fundamental operations.

$$t(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n 1 = n$$

Which gives us $O(n)$ as the order of the algorithm and linear running time.

2.5 The 'getSubTrie' algorithm

Algorithm 4 getSubTrie(prefix, n , root) return ($subTrie, m$)

Require: lower case ASCII character array **key** of length n .

Require: reference to TrieNode **root** (root of a Trie structure).

Ensure: $subTrie$, Trie data structure of size m .

```

1:  $curr \leftarrow root$   $\triangleright$  saving a reference to the root node in this Trie.
2: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do
3:    $charIndex \leftarrow key_i - 98$   $\triangleright$  should give range between 1-26
4:   if  $curr.children$  equals  $null$  then
5:     return  $null$ 
6:   end if
7:   if  $curr.children_{charIndex}$  equals  $null$  then
8:     return  $null$ 
9:   end if
10:   $curr \leftarrow curr.children_{charIndex}$ 
11: end for
12:  $subTrie :=$   $\triangleright$  initialising an empty Trie
13:  $subTrie.root \leftarrow curr$   $\triangleright$  setting the root node in subTrie
14: return  $subTrie$ 

```

2.6 The 'outputBreadthFirstSearch' algorithm

Algorithm 5 outputBreadthFirstSearch(**root**,**q**) **return** (*str*,*n*)

Require: reference to TrieNode **root** (root of a Trie structure). Every TrieNode can hold a fixed array of 26 references to other TrieNodes called **children**

Ensure: *str*, string of lower-case alphabetical characters of size *n* (*n* equals to the size of the Trie).

```
1: q                                ▷ empty queue structure that can hold TrieNodes
2: add root to q (enqueue)
3: str :=                             ▷ declaring a new empty string
4: TrieNode                          ▷ declaring a new TrieNode
5: while q is not empty do
6:   TrieNode ← dequeue q
7:   if TrieNode.children is not null then
8:     for i ← 1 to 26 do
9:       if TrieNode.childreni is not null then
10:        str add ASCII char equal to i + 98
11:        add child to q (enqueue)
12:      end if
13:    end for
14:  end if
15: end while
16: return (str,n)
```

2.7 The 'outputDepthFirstSearch' algorithm

The Trie function 'outputDepthFirstSearch' is not described here because it simply calls on a recursive function 'getDepthFirstString' of its root TrieNode.

Algorithm 6 getDepthFirstString() **return** (*str*,*n*)

Require: this TrieNode's fixed-sized array of 26 references to other TrieNodes, **children**.

Ensure: *str*, string of lower-case alphabetical characters of size *n* (*n* equals to the amount of offspring TrieNodes).

```
1: str :=                             ▷ declare a new string
2: if children is null then return (str,0)    ▷ return an empty string
3: end if
4: for i ← 1 to 26 do
5:   if childreni is not null then
6:     str add ASCII char equal to i + 98
7:     str add childreni.getDepthFirstString()    ▷ recursive call
8:   end if
9: end for
10: return (str,n)
```

2.8 The 'findAllWords' algorithm

The Trie function 'findAllWords' is not described here because it simply calls on a recursive function 'findWords' of its root TrieNode.

Algorithm 7 findWords(**strList**, n ,**str**, m) **return void**

Require: **strList**, list of n complete word strings found so far.

Require: str , string of lower-case alphabetical characters of size m .

Require: this TrieNode's fixed-sized array of 26 references to other TrieNodes, **children**.

Require: **isWord**, a boolean indicating whether this node is marks a complete word.

Ensure: **strList** populated with words found.

```
1:  $str :=$  ▷ declare a new string
2: if  $children$  is null then
3:   for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to 26 do
4:     if  $children_i$  is not null then
5:        $temp \leftarrow str$  add ASCII char equal to  $i + 98$ 
6:       if  $children_i$  isWord then
7:          $strList$  add  $temp$ 
8:       end if
9:        $children_i.findWords(strList, temp)$ 
10:    end if
11:  end for
12: end if
13:
```
