

Problem 1.

The algorithm is a modified version of merge sort with extra condition checking process which takes $O(1)$ during merge stage. The algorithm is as following

Problem1(A, K, L, results = T) :

if $\text{len}(A) \leq 1$:

 return A, results

split A into 2 about equal halves

mid = $\text{len}(A) // 2$

left-half = A[: mid]

right-half = A[mid :]

recursively sort both halves and collect pairs that satisfy
the conditions asked by the problem

left-half, L-T = Problem1(left-half, K, L, results)

right-half, R-T = Problem1(right-half, K, L, results)

updates results from returned vals.

results += L-T + R-T

return merge(left-half, right-half, K, L, results)

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merge (left, right, k, l, results):

 merged = []

 left-idx, right-idx = 0, 0

 while left-idx < len(left) and right-idx < len(right):

 if left[left-idx] < right[right-idx]:

 merged.append(left[left-idx])

 if satisfy(left[left-idx], right[right-idx], k, l):

 append the indices of the pair to results

 left-idx += 1

 else:

 merged.append(right[right-idx])

 if satisfy(right[right-idx], left[left-idx], k, l):

 append the indices of the pair to results

 right-idx += 1

append all remaining elements from both halves

 merge.extend(left[left-idx:])

 merge.extend(right[right-idx:])

return merged, results

satisfy (smaller-num, bigger-num, k, l):

 m = (smaller-num + l - 1) // l * l ← smaller number divisible by l

 upper-bd = m + k * l - 1 that's greater than smaller-num

 if smaller-num + 1 ≤ bigger-num ≤ upper-bd:

 return True

 return False

Time complexity:

Since it uses merge sort with two additional condition check of time $O(1)$,
the time complexity is $O(n \log n)$.

Space complexity:

The space complexity of merge sort is $O(n)$ and the extra array 'results'
is of length n . Then, total space complexity is $O(n) + O(n) = O(2n) = O(n)$.

Problem 2.

Search $(A, x, i=1, j=m)$:

if $i < 1$ or $i > n$ or $j < 1$ or $j > m$: # out of bound

return False

if $A[i, j] == x$, then return True.

if $x > A[i, j]$, search $(A, x, i+1, j)$

elif $x < A[i, j]$, search $(A, x, i, j-1)$

Time complexity:

Worst case is when the algorithm iterate all last column and all last rows,
which results in $\Omega(m+n)$

Space complexity:

Space complexity is $O(1)$ since there is no extra space used.

Problem 3

Similar to the algorithm given in problem 1. This is a modified version of merge sort. During the merge stage, only

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if left-half [left-idx] > right-half [right-idx]  
    count += 1
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Time complexity:

Since it uses merge sort with two additional condition check of time $O(1)$,
the time complexity is $O(n \log n)$.

Space complexity:

The space complexity of merge sort is $O(n)$. There is an additional variable stores counts. Then, total space complexity is $O(n) + O(1) = O(n)$.

Problem 4

1. Upper-bound is $\frac{n}{2}$ when for all individuals, there is exactly 1 empty seat between any pair of individuals. $\underline{\times \square \times \square}$

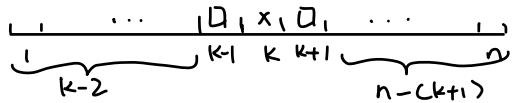
Lower-bound is $\frac{n}{3} + n \% 3$ when there are exactly 2 empty seats between any 2 individuals
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There are at least 1 empty seat and at most 2 empty seats between 2 people according to the statement of the Problem. In order to have the maximum number of individuals sit in n seats, there should be exactly 1 seat between each pair. Similarly, to have the minimum number of individuals, there should be exactly 2 seats between each pair. (And we can think (empty, occupied, empty) as a group of 3. that's disjoint from other groups)

2. For n available seat,

$$T(n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n (1 + T(k-2) + T(n-(k+1)))$$

where for $n \leq 0$, $T(n) = 0$



Supposed the position k is taken where k can be anywhere from 1 to n . Then, there is $\frac{1}{n}$ chance that k th position is picked. Then, $k-1$ and $k+1$ should be empty according to COVID policy. So, we only needs to consider the first $k-2$ and the last $(n-(k+1)) = n-k-1$ seats, which will be taken care of by recursion. Eventually, base cases will be approached.

Problem 5

$$E(T) \leq T(n) \quad \leftarrow \text{run time}$$

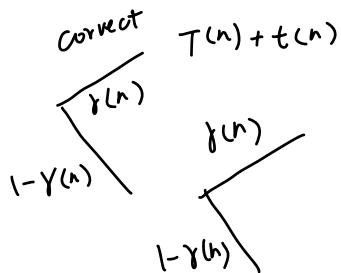
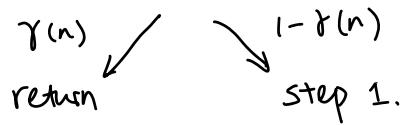
$$\Pr(\text{correct}) = \gamma(n)$$

$$\text{time to verify correctness} = t(n)$$

What's expected run time of obtaining a Las Vegas algqr that always gives correct answer

$$1. \text{ run the algorithm II.} \quad \leftarrow T(n)$$

$$2. \text{ Verify correctness} \quad \leftarrow t(n)$$



Let X be the number of times of step 1 and 2 need to be done. where

$$X \sim \text{Geometric}(\gamma(n))$$

$$\text{Then, } E(X) = \frac{1}{\gamma(n)}$$

$$\text{So, the expected run time is } E(X) \times (T(n) + t(n)) = \frac{1}{\gamma(n)} (T(n) + t(n)).$$

Problem b.

$$\Pr(H) = p \quad \Pr(T) = 1-p$$

$$\text{If toss the coin twice, } \Pr(HH) = p^2. \quad \Pr(TH) = \Pr(HT) = p(1-p), \quad \Pr(TT) = (1-p)^2$$

Then, if get both heads or both tails, retoss.

Else, if get TH then it is HEAD. If get HT, then it's TAIL.

$$\Pr(\text{HEAD}) = \Pr(TH \mid 2 \text{ tosses have different results}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{2p(1-p)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

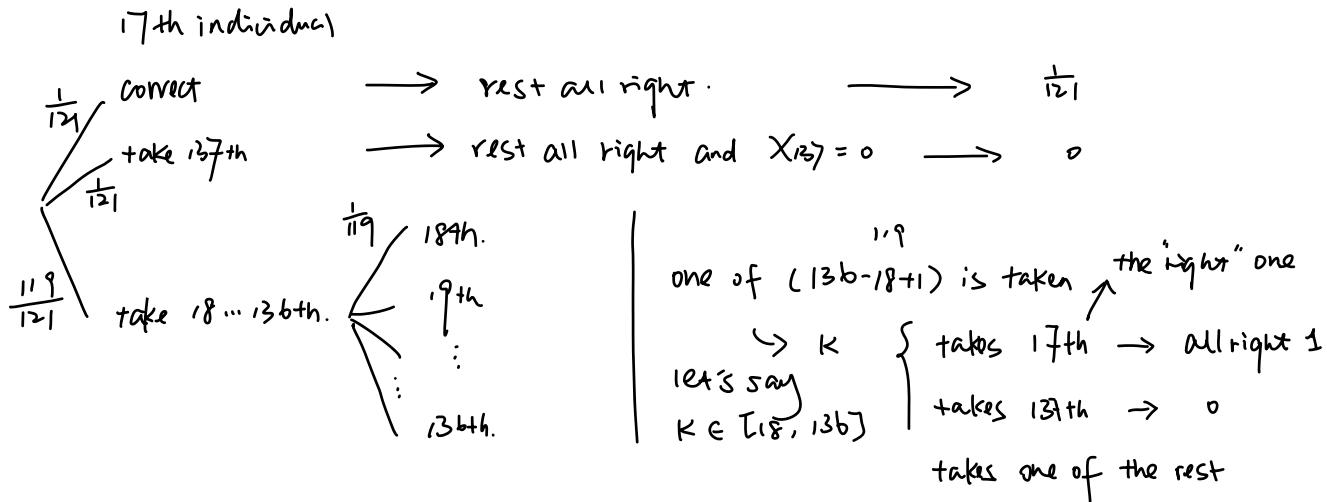
$$\Pr(\text{TAIL}) = \Pr(HT \mid 2 \text{ tosses have different results}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{2p(1-p)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Let X be the number of pairs of tosses where $X \sim \text{Geometric}(2p(1-p))$

$$\text{Then, } E(2X) = \frac{1}{2p(1-p)}$$

$$\text{Thus, the expected number of tosses is } 2 \times E(2X) = \frac{2}{2p(1-p)} = \frac{1}{p(1-p)}$$

Problem 7.



So, the scenarios can be generalized as below:

for i th individual where $i \in [17, 136]$

$$\Pr(i \text{ takes } 137\text{th seat}) = \frac{1}{137-i+1} = \frac{1}{138-i} \rightarrow 137\text{th can't take his seat}$$

$$\Pr(i \text{ takes the right seat}) = \frac{1}{138-i} \rightarrow 137\text{th can for sure get correct seat}.$$

* by "right", it means i takes someone else who took his seat or the correct seat for $i=17$.

$$\Pr(i \text{ takes } k\text{th seat where } k \in [i+1, 136]) = 1 - \frac{2}{138-i}$$

Let the probability that the k -th individual leads the 137th individual to sit on his assigned seat is P . Then,

$$P = \frac{1}{121} \times 1 + \frac{1}{121} \times 0 + \frac{121-2}{121} \times P$$

$$P = \frac{1}{121} + \frac{119}{121} \times P$$

$$\frac{2}{121} P = \frac{1}{121}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{2}$$

Problem 8: Randomized - QS expected runtime of each recursive call.

$$T(n) = n - 1 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{rank=1}^n T(rank - 1) + T(n - rank)$$

1. Since in RANDOMIZED-QUICKSORT, each pivot is selected at random and there are n elements, the probability that any particular element is chosen as the pivot is $\frac{1}{n}$.

2. $T(n) = n - 1 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (T(i) + T(n-i))$ \downarrow by symmetry
 $= n - 1 + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T(i)$



$$\mathbb{E}(T(n)) = \mathbb{E}\left(n - 1 + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T(i)\right)$$

$$\mathbb{E}(T(n)) = n - 1 + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathbb{E}(T(i))$$

$$\mathbb{E}(T(n)) = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{q=2}^{n-1} \mathbb{E}(T(q)) + \frac{2}{n} \times \mathbb{E}(T(0) + T(1)) + n - 1$$

For length 0 and 1, the list doesn't need to be sorted. So, the runtime is 1.

Then, $\mathbb{E}(T(n)) = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{q=2}^{n-1} \mathbb{E}(T(q)) + \left(\frac{4}{n} + n - 1\right)$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n} + n - 1}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{n^2} + 1 - \frac{1}{n} = 1$$

Then, $\frac{4}{n} + n - 1 = \Theta(n)$

Therefore, $\mathbb{E}(T(n)) = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{q=2}^{n-1} \mathbb{E}(T(q)) + \Theta(n)$

3. Show that .

$$\sum_{k=2}^{n-1} k \lg k \leq \frac{1}{2} n^2 \lg n - \frac{1}{8} n^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{LHS} &= \sum_{k=2}^{\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil - 1} k \log k + \sum_{k=\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}^{n-1} k \log k \\
&\leq \sum_{k=2}^{\frac{n}{2}} k \log k + \sum_{k=\frac{n}{2}+1}^{n-1} k \log k \\
&\leq \sum_{k=2}^{\frac{n}{2}} k \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \sum_{k=\frac{n}{2}+1}^n k \log(n) \\
&= \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \sum_{k=2}^{\frac{n}{2}} k + \log n \sum_{k=\frac{n}{2}+1}^n k \\
&= \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \frac{\frac{n}{2} \times (\frac{n}{2} + 1)}{2} + \log n \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{(\frac{n}{2})(\frac{n}{2} + 1)}{2} \right) \\
&= -\log 2 \times \frac{\frac{n}{2}(\frac{n}{2} + 1)}{2} + \log n \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{(\frac{n}{2})(\frac{n}{2} + 1)}{2} + \frac{n}{2}(\frac{n}{2} + 1) \right) \\
&= -\log 2 \times \frac{n(n+2)}{8} + \log n \times \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \times n \log n \times (n+1) - \frac{1}{8} \times n(n+2) \log 2 \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \times n \log n \times n - \frac{1}{8} \times n \times n \\
&= \frac{1}{2} n^2 \log n - \frac{1}{8} n^2
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\sum_{k=2}^{n-1} k \log k \leq \frac{1}{2} n^2 \log n - \frac{1}{8} n^2$

$$4. \text{ We know: } E(T(n)) = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{q=2}^{n-1} E(T(q)) + \Theta(n) \quad (8.1)$$

$$\sum_{k=2}^{n-1} k \log k \leq \frac{1}{2} n^2 \log n - \frac{1}{8} n^2 \quad (8.2)$$

Prove: $E(T(n)) = \Theta(n \log n)$

$$E(T(n)) = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{q=2}^{n-1} E(T(q)) + \Theta(n) \quad (8.1)$$

Suppose $E(T(n)) \leq K \cdot n \log n$

$$\text{Then, (8.1)} \rightarrow E(T(n)) \leq \frac{2}{n} \sum_{q=2}^{n-1} K \cdot q \log q + \Theta(n)$$

$$= \frac{2}{n} \times K \left(\sum_{q=2}^{n-1} q \log q \right) + \Theta(n)$$

$$\text{We know (8.2)} \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} k \log k \leq \frac{1}{2} n^2 \log n - \frac{1}{8} n^2$$

$$\text{Then, } E(T(n)) \leq \frac{2K}{n} \times \left(\frac{1}{2} n^2 \log n - \frac{1}{8} n^2 \right) + \Theta(n)$$

$$= K n \log n - \frac{Kn}{4} + \Theta(n)$$

$$\leq K n \log n$$

Therefore, $E(T(n)) = \Theta(n \log n)$

Problem 9

At the beginning, all n elements are candidates for max and min but at the end, we only keeps 1 max and 1 min, which via comparisons, $2n$ is reduced to 2.

Let set $A = B = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$. We want to have $A = \{\text{Max}\}$ and $B = \{\text{Min}\}$.

The upper bound is $2n-2$ since we want to reduce the $|A| + |B|$'s value from $2n$ to 2.

For the lower bound, we consider different cases when

comparing 2 elements, x and y .

1. If $x \in A, y \in A, x \in B, \text{ and } y \in B$, then

we can deduct 2 elements from set A and B .

For example, if $x > y$, then $x \notin B$ and $y \notin A$.

If $x = y$, it is also safe to make $x \notin B$ and $y \notin A$.

2. For all the other cases, only 1 element can be

deducted from A or B . For example, if $x \in A$,

$x \in B, y \in A$, and $y \notin B$. after comparison, if

$x > y$, $y \notin A$; else if $y \geq x$, $x \notin A$. The other

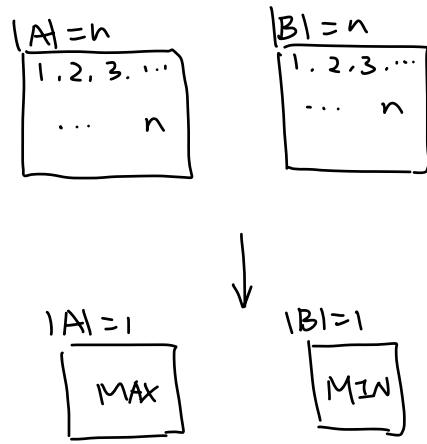
example is $x \in A$ and $y \in A$. When $x > y$, $y \notin A$.

Then, we count the number of cases for 1 since it helps speed up the process. Since there are at most $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ disjoint pairs.

$$\# \text{ comparisons} \geq n - 2 - \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$$

$$\# \text{ comparisons} \geq \lfloor \frac{4n-n}{2} \rfloor - 2$$

$$\# \text{ comparisons} \geq \lfloor \frac{3n}{2} \rfloor - 2$$



Problem 10

a) Suppose there are K elements smaller than weighted median x_k

Then, $\sum_{x_i < x_k} w_i = \frac{k}{n}$ and $\sum_{x_i > x_k} w_i = \frac{n-k-1}{n}$ if $w_i = \frac{1}{n}$ for $i=1, \dots, n$.

We have $\frac{k}{n} < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{n-k-1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow K < \frac{n}{2} \text{ and } 2n - 2k - 2 \leq n$$

$$\Rightarrow K < \frac{n}{2} \text{ and } K \geq \frac{n}{2} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n}{2} - 1 \leq K < \frac{n}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow K = \left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil - 1$$

Therefore, x_k is also the median of x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n

(b) 1. Sort the list in the increasing order based on the values using merge sort.

$$\rightarrow O(n \log n)$$

2. Declare a variable calculating the current weight sum S . $\rightarrow O(1)$

3. For x in range(n):

$$S += \text{weight}(x)$$

$$\text{if } S \geq \frac{1}{2}:$$

$$\text{return list}(x)$$

$\} O(n)$

$$\text{Runtime} = O(n \log n) + O(1) + O(n) = O(n \log n)$$

(c) This can be achieved by using the updated version of SELECT.

Let x_k be the median of x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n .

Then, compute the value of $\sum_{x_i < x_k} w_i$ and $\sum_{x_i > x_k} w_i$.

If one of them is greater than $\frac{1}{2}$,

recurse call on the sublist with the greater half or the smaller half depends on which one is greater than $\frac{1}{2}$. e.g. if $\sum_{x_i < x_k} w_i > \frac{1}{2}$, recurse on the smaller half.

else, stop and return x_k to be the weighted median.

Runtime remains to be $\Theta(n)$ with the modifications.

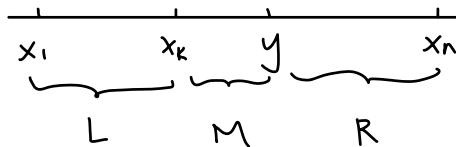
d) Let x_k be the weighted median. and $A = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i d(x_k, x_i)$

Prove by contradiction:

Supposed there exists $y \neq x_k$ where y minimizes $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i d(y, x_i) = B$.

WLOG, suppose $y > x_k$. Let $\{x | x < x_k\} \in L$,

$\{x | x_k \leq x \leq y\} \in M$ and $\{x | y < x < x_n\} \in R$.



$$B - A = \sum_{x_i \in L} w_i (y - x_k) + \sum_{x_i \in R} w_i (x_k - y) + \sum_{x_i \in M} ((y - x_i) - (x_i - x_k))$$

$$= y (\sum_{x_i \in L} w_i - \sum_{x_i \in R} w_i + \sum_{x_i \in M} w_i) + x (\underbrace{\sum_{x_i \in R} w_i - \sum_{x_i \in L} w_i + \sum_{x_i \in M} w_i}_{\downarrow 0}) - 2 \sum_{x_i \in M} w_i x_i$$

Since x_k is the weighted median, $\sum_{x_i \in L} w_i < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\sum_{x_i \in M \cup R} w_i \leq \frac{1}{2}$.

$$\sum_{x_i \in L} w_i - \sum_{x_i \in R} w_i + \sum_{x_i \in M} w_i \geq 2 \sum_{x_i \in M} w_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} B - A &\geq y \times 2 \sum_{x_i \in M} w_i - 2 \sum_{x_i \in M} w_i x_i \\ &= 2 \sum_{x_i \in M} w_i (y - x_i) \end{aligned}$$

Since $y > x_i$, $B - A > 0$. Then, $B > A$. Thus, the sum given by y is greater, which gives contradiction. Therefore, the weighted median is a best solution. ■

$$\begin{aligned} (e) \text{ The weighted distance is now } d(a, b) &= w_{ab} \cdot (|a_x - b_x| + |a_y - b_y|) \\ &= w_{ab} |a_x - b_x| + w_{ab} |a_y - b_y| \end{aligned}$$

Then, the sum will be $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i d(p, p_i)$ where $p = (p_x, p_y)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{i=1}^n w_i (|p_x - x_i| + |p_y - y_i|) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n w_i |p_x - x_i| + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i |p_y - y_i| \end{aligned}$$

In this way, we can treat the 2-dim distance as a sum of two 1-dim distances. As proved in the previous part, for 1-dim, the best solution is the weighted median. Thus, for 2-dim distance, the best solution is to have the x -coordinate value to be the weighted median of x_i and the y -coordinate value to be the weighted median of y_i .