

DSA – Seminar 4

1. Sort Algorithms

A. BucketSort

- We are given a sequence S, formed of n pairs (key, value), keys are integer numbers from an interval $\in [0, N-1]$
- We have to sort S based on the keys.

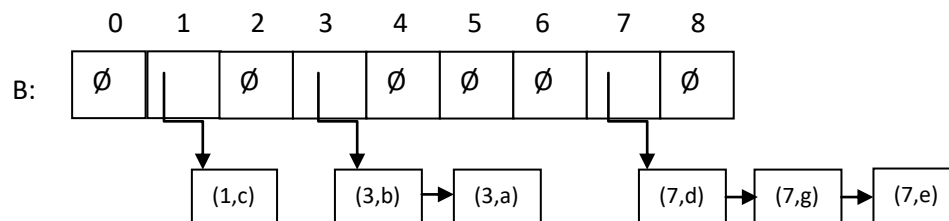
For example:

S: (7, d) (1, c) (3, b) (7, g) (3, a) (7, e) \Rightarrow

(1, c) (3, b) (3, a) (7, d) (7, g) (7, e) $N = 9$

Idea:

- Use an auxiliary array, B, of dimension N, in which each element is a sequence.
- Each pair will be placed in B in the position corresponding to the key (B[k]) – and will be deleted from S.
- We parse B (from 0 to N-1) and move the pairs from each sequence from each position of B to the end of S.



Assume that the sequence is already implemented, and it has the following operations:

- empty(sequence): boolean
- first(sequence): element
- removeFirst(sequence)
- insertLast(sequence, element)
- Obs: element in our case will be a pair (k, v)

Subalgorithm BucketSort(S, N) **is:**

//define array B of dimension N

While \neg empty (S) **execute:**

$(k, v) \leftarrow$ first (S)

 removeFirst (S)

 insertLast (B[k], (k,v))

end-while

for $i \leftarrow 0, N-1$, **execute:**

While \neg empty (B[i]) **execute:**

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        (k, v) ← first (B[i])
        removeFirst (B[i])
        insertLast (S, (k,v))
    end-while
end-for
end-subalgorithm
Complexity:  $\Theta(N + n)$ 

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Observations:

- Keys must be natural numbers (we are using them as indexes)
- In our implementation, the relative order of the pairs that have the same key will not change -> we call such sorting algorithms *stable*.

B. Lexicographic Sort

d-tuple (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)

$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d) < (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_d) \Leftrightarrow x_1 < y_1 \vee (x_1 = y_1 \wedge ((x_2, \dots, x_d) < (y_2, \dots, y_d)))$

- We compare the first dimension, if they are equal then the 2nd and so on...

We are given a sequence S of tuples. We have to sort S in a lexicographic order.

We will use:

- R_i – a relation that can compare 2 tuples considering the i^{th} dimension.
- *stableSort*(S, r) – a stable sorting algorithm that uses a relation to compare the elements.

The lexicographic sorting algorithms will execute *StableSort* d times (once for every dimension).

Subalgorithm *LexicographicSort*(S, R, d) **is:**

For $i \leftarrow d, 1, -1$, **execute:**

stableSort(S, R_i)

end-for

end-subalgorithm

Complexity: $\Theta(d * T(n))$

where $T(n)$ – complexity of the *stableSort* algorithm

Ex. (7, 4, 6) (5, 1, 5) (2, 4, 6) (2, 1, 4) (3, 2, 4)

Sort based on dimension 3: (2, 1, 4) (3, 2, 4) (5, 1, 5) (7, 4, 6) (2, 4, 6)

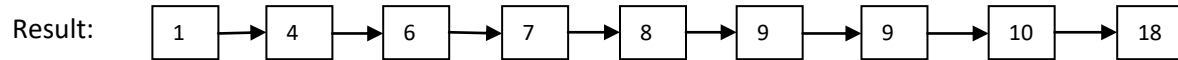
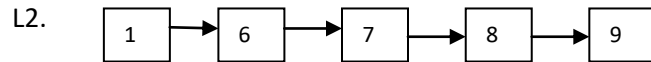
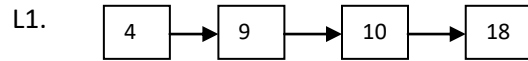
Sort based on dimension 2: (2, 1, 4) (5, 1, 5) (3, 2, 4) (7, 4, 6) (2, 4, 6)

Sort based on dimension 1: (2, 1, 4) (2, 4, 6) (3, 2, 4) (5, 1, 5) (7, 4, 6)

C. Radix Sort

- A variant of the lexicographic sort, which uses as a stable sorting algorithm *Bucketsort* → every element of the tuples has to be a natural number from some interval $[0, N-1]$.
- Complexity: $\Theta(d * (n + N))$

2. Write a subalgorithm to merge two sorted singly-linked lists. Analyze the complexity of the operation.



Representation:

Node:

info: TComp

next: \uparrow Node

List:

head: \uparrow Node

//possibly a relation, but then we have to make sure that the two lists contain the same relation.

- a. We do not destroy the two existing lists: the result is a third list (we have to copy the existing nodes).

subalgorithm merge (L1, L2 LR) is:

currentL1 \leftarrow L1.head

currentL2 \leftarrow L2.head

headLR \leftarrow NIL //the first node of the result

tailLR \leftarrow NIL //the last node, needed because we add nodes to the end

while currentL1 \neq NIL **and** currentL2 \neq NIL **execute**

allocate(newNode)

[newNode].next \leftarrow NIL

if [currentL1].info < [currentL2].info **then**

[newNode].info \leftarrow [currentL1].info

currentL1 \leftarrow [currentL1].next

else

[newNode].info \leftarrow [currentL2].info

currentL2 \leftarrow [currentL2].next

end-if

if headLR = NIL **then**

headLR \leftarrow newNode

tailLR \leftarrow newNode

else

[tailLR].next \leftarrow newNode

tailLR \leftarrow newNode

end-if

end-while

//one of the currentNodes is NIL, we will keep the other one in a

//separate variable, to write the following while loop only once

if currentL1 \neq NIL **then**

remainingNode \leftarrow currentL1

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else
    remainingNode ← currentL2
end-if
while remainingNode ≠ NIL execute
    allocate (newNode)
    [newNode].next ← NIL
    [newNode].info ← [remainingNode].info
    remainingNode ← [remainingNode].next
    if headLR = NIL then
        headLR ← newNode
        tailLR ← newNode
    else
        [tailLR].next ← newNode
        tailLR ← newNode
    end-if
end-while
LR.head ← headLR
end-subalgorithm

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Complexity: $\Theta(n + m)$

n – length of $L1$

m – length of $L2$

- b. We do not keep the two existing lists, the result will contain the existing nodes (but the links are changed)

subalgorithm merge ($L1$, $L2$, LR) is:

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currentL1 ← L1.head
currentL2 ← L2.head
headLR ← NIL //the first node
tailLR ← NIL //the last node, needed because we add nodes to the end

while currentL1 ≠ NIL and currentL2 ≠ NIL execute
    //chosenNode will be the actual node we take from a list
    if [currentL1].info < [currentL2].info then
        chosenNode ← currentL1
        currentL1 ← [currentL1].next
    else
        chosenNode ← currentL2
        currentL2 ← [currentL2].next
    end-if
    [chosenNode].next ← NIL
    if headLR = NIL then
        headLR ← chosenNode
        tailLR ← chosenNode
    else
        [tailLR].next ← chosenNode
        tailLR ← chosenNode
    end-if
end-while
if currentL1 ≠ NIL then
    remainingNode ← currentL1
else
    remainingNode ← currentL2

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end-if
    //no need for loop, just attach every remaining node (starting from
    //remainingNode) to the beginning/end of list. Since this is the last
    //instruction, the value of tailLR does not need to be updated.
if headLR = NIL then
    headLR  $\leftarrow$  remainingNode
else
    [tailLR].next  $\leftarrow$  remainingNode
end-if
LR.head  $\leftarrow$  headLR
L1.head  $\leftarrow$  NIL //make sure you have no nodes left in the lists
L2.head  $\leftarrow$  NIL
end-subalgorithm

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Complexity: $\Theta(n + m)$

n – length of L1

m – length of L2