

Problem 1-1 Restaurant Location

Drunken Donuts, a new wine-and-donuts restaurant chain, wants to build restaurants on many street corners with the goal of maximizing total profit.

The street network is described as an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, where the potential restaurant sites are the vertices in the graph. Each vertex u has a nonnegative integer value p_u , which describes the potential **profit** of site u . Two restaurants cannot be built on adjacent vertices (to avoid self-competition). Design an algorithm that outputs the chosen set $U \subseteq V$ of sites that maximize the total profit $\sum_{u \in U} p_u$.

- 1 Consider the following greedy strategy. Choose the highest profit vertex u_0 in the tree (breaking ties according to some order on vertex names) and put it into U . Remove u_0 from further consideration, along with all of its neighbors in G . Repeat until no further vertices remain. Give a counterexample to show that this algorithm does not always give a restaurant placement with the maximum profit.

Solution: Consider the counter example $(1, 1, 1, 2)$ with the 2 connected to the ones. The strategy would output 2, when the maximum profit is 3.

- 2 Give an efficient algorithm to determine a placement with maximum profit.

Solution: Pick any vertex, denote it as u_0 , traverse the tree with DFS and sort the vertices based on their completion times into an array N . Children nodes appear before their parents. For each vertex, create two functions, $A(v)$ and $B(v)$ which represent the maximum profit at the subtree rooted at v including and excluding v .

For a leaf node v

$$A(v) = p_v, \text{ and } B(v) = 0$$

For non-leaf nodes

$$A(v) = p_v + \sum_{u \in v.\text{children}} B(u)$$

$$B(v) = \sum_{u \in v.\text{children}} \max(B(u), A(u))$$

For each node in N , compute $A(v_i)$ and $B(v_i)$. The final node corresponds to the root of the subtree, at which point the maximum strategy is $\max(A(v_n), B(v_n))$.

Correctness: Consider the proof via induction.

In the base case with one node v , we know that the maximum value is p_v which for a leaf node is $\max(A(v), B(v)) = \max(p_v, 0) = p_v$.

Inductive hypothesis: consider the situation where we have $n + 1$ nodes. There are two combinations to consider, including and excluding the additional node u . The

maximum profit must be one of the two combinations. N guarantees that children nodes are processed before their parents, so the $A(v)$ and $B(v)$ are accurate.

Timing: The algorithm runs in $O(V)$ time. Trees have $\leq V - 1$ edges. Therefore, traversing G and sorting the nodes by their reverse finishing times takes $O(V)$ time. The time it takes to find $A(v)$ and $B(v)$ is also bounded by the $O(V)$ number of edges from each vertex. Therefore, the entire algorithm runs in $O(V)$.

Median Finding Algorithms

There are a few approaches to finding the median of a list. One approach is to sort the elements of the list and then compute the position of the median. That approach takes $\Theta(n \log n)$ time.

Another approach inspired by quicksort is to find a pivot, and recurse on a subarray based on the rank of the pivot. The corresponding pseudocode is presented below.

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1  SELECT(S, i):
2      Pick x in S cleverly
3      Compute k = rank(x)
4      B = Set of elements in S, such that elements < x
5      C = Set of elements in S, such that elements > x
6      if k == i:
7          return x
8      else if k > i:
9          return SELECT(B, i)
10     else if k < i:
11         return SELECT(C, i - k)
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The intuition here is if we can eliminate either B or C cleverly, and prove that the subarray we recurse on is always a fraction of the previous array, the algorithm will run in $\Theta(n)$ time.

Without a clever strategy, if we're selecting the $n - 1$ element and $k = 1$ every time, then we're eliminating only one element on every iteration. There would be n iterations, each taking $\Theta(n)$ time to partition the subarray. Therefore, the algorithm would run in $\Theta(n^2)$.

Clever Partitioning

1. Arrange S into columns of size 5 ($\lceil n/5 \rceil$ columns).
2. Sort each column in linear time (top down)
3. Find the medians of medians as x .

Half of the $\lceil n/5 \rceil$ groups contribute at least 3 elements $> x$ except for 1 trailing group which could contain fewer than 5 elements and 1 group containing x . Therefore, there are at least $3(\lceil n/10 \rceil - 2)$ elements $> x$ and at least $3(\lceil n/10 \rceil - 2)$ elements $< x$.

The recurrence can now be written as

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & \text{for } n \leq 140 \\ T(\lceil n/5 \rceil) + T(\frac{7n}{10} + 6) + \Theta(n), & \text{for } n > 140 \end{cases}$$

Proof

Let's prove that $T(n) < cn$ via induction. The base case is when $n \leq 140$, in which case, $T(n) < cn$ for some arbitrarily large c .

Let's now consider the case when $n > 140$. First, we can substitute the base case into our equation. Then we can add an additional c term.

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\leq c\lceil n/5 \rceil + c\left(\frac{7n}{10} + 6\right) + an \\ &\leq \frac{cn}{5} + c + \frac{7nc}{10} + 6c + an \\ &= cn + \left(-\frac{cn}{10} + 7c + an\right) \end{aligned}$$

It's important to now check for when $(-\frac{cn}{10} + 7c + an) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \left(-\frac{cn}{10} + 7c + an\right) &\leq 0 \\ \frac{cn}{10} &\geq 7c + an \\ c &\geq \frac{70c}{n} + 10a \end{aligned}$$

The expression is always true for $n \geq 140$ and $c \geq 20a$.

Code

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1 import math
2 import random
3
4 const = 20
5 sub_size = 5
6 def SELECT(S, i):
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7  if len(S) < const:
8      return sorted(S)[i] # assuming rank is zero indexed
9  num_medians = int(math.ceil(len(S) / sub_size))
10 medians = []
11 for curr_index in range(0, len(S), sub_size):
12     sub = S[curr_index : min(curr_index + sub_size, len(S))]
13     mid_index = int(math.floor(len(sub) / 2))
14     medians.append(sorted(sub)[mid_index])
15
16 median = SELECT(medians, int(math.floor(len(medians) / 2)))
17 B = []
18 C = []
19 for element in S:
20     if element < median:
21         B.append(element)
22     elif element > median:
23         C.append(element)
24 if len(B) == i:
25     return median
26 elif len(B) > i:
27     return SELECT(B, i)
28 else:
29     return SELECT(C, i - len(B) - 1)
30
31 arr = range(40)
32 random.shuffle(arr)
33 print(arr)
34 print(SELECT(arr, 15))
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