
CS29003 ALGORITHMS LABORATORY
(Divdede and Conquer – Solution)
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1 Unimodal Search

The approach will be similar to Binary Search

Notice that by the definition of unimodal arrays, for each $1 \leq i < n$ either $A[i] < A[i + 1]$ or $A[i] > A[i + 1]$. The main idea is to distinguish these two cases:

1. By the definition of unimodal arrays, if $A[i] < A[i + 1]$, then the maximum element of $A[1..n]$ occurs in $A[i + 1..n]$.
2. In a similar way, if $A[i] > A[i + 1]$, then the maximum element of $A[1..n]$ occurs in $A[1..i]$.

This leads to the following divide and conquer solution (note its resemblance to binary search):

Algorithm 1 Algorithm for problem 1

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1: a, b = 1, n
2: while a < b do
3:   mid =  $\lfloor (a + b) / 2 \rfloor$ 
4:   if  $A[\text{mid}] < A[\text{mid} + 1]$  then
5:     a = mid + 1
6:   end if
7:   if  $A[\text{mid}] > A[\text{mid} + 1]$  then
8:     b = mid
9:   end if
10:  return A[a]
11: end while
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The divide and conquer approach leads to a running time of $T(n) = T(n/2) + \theta(1) = \theta(\lg n)$.

2 Convex Polygon

Notice that the x-coordinates of the vertices form a unimodal array and we can use part 1 to find the vertex with the maximum x-coordinate in $\theta(\lg n)$ time.

After finding the vertex $V[\text{max}]$ with the maximum x-coordinate, notice that the y-coordinates in $V[\text{max}]$, $V[\text{max} + 1]$, \dots , $V[n - 1]$, $V[n]$, $V[1]$ form a unimodal array and the maximum y-coordinate of $V[1..n]$ lies in this array. Again part 1 can be used to find the vertex with the maximum y-coordinate. The total running time is $\theta(\lg n)$.

3 Median Of Sorted Arrays

This method works by first getting medians of the two sorted arrays and then comparing them.

Time Complexity: $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$

Algorithm 2 Algorithm for Problem 3

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1: Calculate the medians m1 and m2 of the input arrays arr1[] and ar2[] respectively
2: if m1 == m2 then
3:   return m1 (or m2)
4: end if
5: if m1 > m2 then
6:   From first element of arr1 to m1 (arr1[0..n/2])
7:   From m2 to last element of ar2 (arr2[n/2..n-1])
8: end if
9: if m2 > m1 then
10:  From m1 to last element of ar1 (arr1[n/2..n-1])
11:  From first element of ar2 to m2 (arr2[0..n/2])
12: end if
13: Repeat the above process until size of both the subarrays becomes 2
14: if size of the two arrays is 2 then
15:   Median = (max(ar1[0], ar2[0]) + min(ar1[1], ar2[1]))/2
16: end if
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4 A bag of rice

We can see that bag will be full for starting $(l + 1)$ days because rice taken out is less than rice being filled. After that, each day rice in the bag will be decreased by 1 more kilogram and on $(l + 1 + i)$ th day $(C - (i)(i + 1) / 2)$ kilogram rice will remain before eating rice. Now we need to find a minimal day $(l + 1 + K)$, in which even after filling the bag by l kilograms we have rice less than l in bag i.e. on $(l + 1 + K - 1)$ th day bag becomes empty so our goal is to find minimum K such that, $C - K(K + 1) / 2 \leq l$

We can solve above equation using binary search and then $(l + K)$ will be our answer. Total time complexity of solution will be $\mathcal{O}(\log C)$

Algorithm 3 Algorithm for Problem 4

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1: Func getCumulateSum(n)  $\leftarrow$  return  $(n*(n+1)/2)$ 
2: if  $C \leq l$  then
3:   return C
4: end if
5: int lo = 0; int hi = C; int mid;
6: while lo < hi do
7:   mid = (lo + hi) / 2;
8:   if getCumulateSum(mid)  $\geq (C - l)$  then
9:     hi = mid;
10:  else
11:    lo = mid + 1;
12:  end if
13: end while
14: return (l + lo);
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