

Practice

Time Complexity

| $f(n)$ | $g(n)$ | $O/\Omega/\Theta$ |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| $n - 100$ | $n - 200$ | Θ |
| $n^{1/2}$ | $n^{2/3}$ | O |
| $100n + \log n$ | $n + (\log n)^2$ | $\Theta(a)$ |
| $\log 2n$ | $\log 3n$ | $\Theta(b)$ |
| $10 \log n$ | $\log n^2$ | $\Theta(c)$ |
| $n^{1/2}$ | $5^{\log_2 n}$ | $O(d)$ |
| 2^n | 2^{n+1} | $\Theta(e)$ |

(a): n dominates $(\log n)^c \rightarrow n + (\log n)^2 = \Theta(n)$

(b): $\log ab = \log a + \log b$

(c): $\log a^b = b \log a$

(d): $5 = 2^{2x}$ where $x > 0 \rightarrow 5^{\log_2 n} = (2^{2x})^{\log_2 n} = (2^{\log_2 n})^{2x} = \Omega(n^{1/2})$

(e): $2^{n+1} = 2 \times 2^n$

Fibonacci 1

$$F_n = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 1, & \text{if } n = 1 \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Prove: $F_n = \Omega(\sqrt{2}^n)$.

By trial and error: It appears that $F(n) \geq 2^{n/2}$ for all $n \geq 7$

To prove: For all positive integers $n \geq 7 \rightarrow F_n \geq 2^{n/2}$

By induction on n . Base case: $n = 7$

Step, assume: Indeed, true that for all $i = 7, 8, \dots, k \rightarrow F_i \geq 2^{i/2}$

To prove: $F_{k+1} \geq 2^{(k+1)/2}$

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$$\text{LHS: } F_{k+1} = F_k + F_{k-1} \geq 2^{k/2} + 2^{(k-1)/2}$$

$$\text{Suffices to prove: } 2^{k/2} + 2^{(k-1)/2} \geq 2^{(k+1)/2}$$

$$2^{1/2} + 1 \geq 2^{2/2} \text{ (by dividing the above by } 2^{(k-1)/2} \text{)}$$

$$\text{It is indeed true that } 2^{1/2} + 1 \geq 2^{2/2} = 2$$

Multiplication

Figure 1.1 Multiplication à la Français.

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function multiply(x, y)
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Input: Two n -bit integers x and y , where $y \geq 0$

Output: Their product

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if  $y = 0$ : return 0
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 $z = \text{multiply}(x, \lfloor y/2 \rfloor)$ 
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if  $y$  is even:
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    return  $2z$ 
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else:
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    return  $x + 2z$ 
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Suppose instead of both x and y being n -bit, x is n -bit and y is m -bit. What is the worst-case time efficiency of *multiply*?

Proposed: $O(nm)$

Time Efficiency:

- # recursive calls x time/call
- # worst case recursive calls = $O(m)$
- Worst case time/call =
 - $2z$ is at worst $O(n + m) \rightarrow$ because very last addition is $2z = xy - x$
 - x is n bits
 - So, addition's time: $O(\max\{n, n + m\}) = O(\max\{n, m\})$

So, final answer: $O(m \times \max\{n, m\})$

Fibonacci 2

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Let F_n be the n^{th} Fibonacci number, Prove $F_n = O(2^n)$.

- Somewhere, we have shown: $F_n = \Omega(\sqrt{2}^n)$
- But here, seek to show: There exists positive real $F_n \leq c \cdot 2^n$, for all n in N
- Natural proof strategy for “there exists” – construction (i.e., propose some concrete c , and show that it works)
- Try some small values for n , and see what c would work
 - $n = 0, F_0 = 0, 2^0 = 1 \rightarrow c = 1 \text{ works}$
 - $n = 1, F_1 = 1, 2^1 = 2 \rightarrow c = 1 \text{ works}$
 - $n = 2, F_2 = 1, 2^2 = 4 \rightarrow c = 1 \text{ works}$
 - $n = 3, F_3 = 2, 2^3 = 8 \rightarrow c = 1 \text{ works}$
 - $n = 4, F_4 = 3, 2^4 = 16 \rightarrow c = 1 \text{ works}$
- Appears that $c = 1$ works. Adopt it and check if proof goes through. Now, proof by induction with $c = 1$
- Base case, $n = 1, F_1 = 1, 2^1, 1 \leq 2 \rightarrow \text{True}$
- Step: Seek to show $F_n \leq 2^n$ given that $F_k \leq 2^k$ for all $k = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$
- $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} \leq 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-2}$ by induction assumption
- $F_n = 2^{n-2} (2 + 1) = 3 \times 2^{n-2} \leq 2^n = 2^2 \times 2^{n-2} = 4 \times 2^{n-2} \rightarrow \text{Done}$

Fibonacci 3

Let F_n be the n^{th} Fibonacci number, Prove $F_n \neq O(n^2)$.

- Recall from logic: not (there exists an egg-laying mammal) = for all mammals m , m is not egg-laying
- Here, $f = O(g)$: There exists positive real c , for all natural n , $f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$
- So here, need to prove: Given any positive real c , it is true that there exists n such that $F_n > c \cdot n^2$
- By contradiction: Suppose that there exists positive real c , such that, for all natural n , $F_n \leq c \cdot n^2$
- Then: $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} \leq c(n-1)^2 + c(n-2)^2 = c(n^2 - 2n + 1 + n^2 - 4n + 4) = c(2n^2 - 6n + 5) \leq cn^2$
- $2n^2 - 6n + 5 \leq n^2$

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- $2 - \frac{1}{n^2}(6n - 5) \leq 1$
- This is true only if $\frac{1}{n^2}(6n - 5)$ is “large” compared to $2n^2$
- What is large? We need $\frac{1}{n^2}(6n - 5) \geq 1 \rightarrow \text{true for } n = 1$
- Try $n = 2$: $\frac{1}{4}(12 - 5) = \frac{7}{4} \geq 1$
- Try $n = 3$: $\frac{1}{8}(18 - 5) = \frac{13}{8} \geq 1$
- Try $n = 4$: $\frac{1}{16}(24 - 5) = \frac{19}{16} \geq 1$
- Try $n = 5$: $\frac{1}{25}(30 - 5) = 1$
- Try $n = 6$: $\frac{1}{36}(36 - 5) < 1$
- Try $n = 7$: $\frac{1}{49}(42 - 5) < 1$
- Prove by induction: $6n - 5 < n^2$ for all natural $n > 5$
- Base case $n = 6$: See above
- Step: $6(n - 1) - 5 \leq (n - 1)^2 \rightarrow \text{from induction assumption}$
- $6n - 5 - 6 < n^2 - 2n + 1$
- $6n - 5 \leq n^2 - (2n - 7) \leq n^2 \text{ whenever } 2n - 7 \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{which it is for } n \geq 6$
- So far: We have shown that indeed, for $n \geq 6$, $F_n < cn^2 \rightarrow \text{Done}$

Selection Sort

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SELECTIONSORT(A[1, ..., n])
  foreach i from 1 to n do
    m ← i - 1 + INDEXOFMIN(A[i, ..., n])
    if i ≠ m then swap A[i], A[m]

INDEXOFMIN(B[1, ..., m])
  min ← B[1], idx ← 1
  foreach j from 2 to m do
    if B[j] < min then
      min ← B[j], idx ← j
  return idx
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What is a meaningful characterization of the time efficiency of *SELECTIONSORT*?

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- Suppose we invoke $INDEXOFMIN(A[5, \dots, 13])$. In $INDEXOFMIN: B[1, \dots, 9]$.
Suppose now, min is at index 3 in $B[1, \dots, 9]$. This \rightarrow index of a min in $A[5, \dots, 13]$ is at index $(5 - 1) + 3 = 7$
- Suppose on input: $A[1, \dots, 5] = [13, -23, 45, -23, 1]$. Then A evolves in $SELECTIONSORT$ as follows:
 - $i = 1, m = 2, [-23, 13, 45, -23, 1]$
 - $i = 2, m = 4, [-23, -23, 45, 13, 1]$
 - $i = 3, m = 4, [-23, -23, 13, 45, 1]$
- For time efficiency: Need to make meaningful assumption(s)
- Customary Assumptions: (1) n is unbounded, (ii) each $A[i]$ is bounded
- What should we count? Suppose we all agree that counting # swaps is a meaningful measure for time efficiency
- Then: $Worst\ case\ \#\ swaps = n - 1 = \Theta(n)$
- Now, let's say we want to get a bit more fine-grained. Incorporate (worst case) time for each swap x # swaps
- So now, time efficiency: $(n - 1) + (n - 2) + \dots + 1 = \Theta(n^2)$

Modular Simplification

1. Is $6^6 \equiv 5^3 \pmod{31}$?

$$6 \times 6 = 36 \equiv 5 \pmod{31}$$

$$\text{So: } (6^2)^3 \equiv (5)^3 \pmod{31}$$

2. $2^{125} \equiv ? \pmod{127}$

$$2^7 = 128 = 127 + 1$$

$$\text{So: } 128 \pmod{127} = 1$$

$$\text{Now: } 125/7 = 17 + 6/7$$

$$\text{So: } 2^{125} = 2^{17 \times 7 + 6} = 2^{17 \times 7} \times 2^6$$

$$\text{So: } 2^{125} \equiv 2^{17 \times 7} \times 2^6 \equiv (2^7)^{17} \times 2^6 \equiv 1^{17} \times 2^6 \equiv 64 \pmod{127}$$

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3. Is $4^{1536} - 9^{4824}$ divisible by 35?

$$4^{1536} \equiv 9^{4824} \pmod{35}$$

Trick: Keep exponentiating until numbers start to repeat.

Suppose we repeatedly exponentiate 4:

$$4$$

$$\rightarrow 16$$

$$\rightarrow 64 \equiv 29 \pmod{35}$$

$$\rightarrow 116 = 35 \times 3 + 11 \equiv 11 \pmod{35}$$

$$\rightarrow 9 \pmod{35}$$

$$\rightarrow 36 \equiv 1 \pmod{35}$$

So: $4^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{35}$. And $1536 = 6 \times 256$. So $4^{1536} \equiv 1 \pmod{35}$

Now check whether 1536 is divisible by 4. Indeed: $1536 = 4 \times 384$

Repeat with 9. Repeated exponentiation of 9:

$$9$$

$$\rightarrow 81 \equiv 11 \pmod{35}$$

$$\rightarrow 99 \equiv 29 \pmod{35}$$

$$\rightarrow 261 = 7 \times 35 + 16 \equiv 16 \pmod{35}$$

$$\rightarrow 144 \equiv 4 \times 35 + 4 \equiv 4 \pmod{35}$$

$$\rightarrow 36 \equiv 1 \pmod{35}$$

So: $9^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{35}$

Now: $9^{4824} = 9^{804 \times 6} \equiv 1 \pmod{35}$.

\therefore It is divisible by 35.

4. $2^{2^{2006}} \pmod{3} = ?$

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$$2^{2^{2006}} = (2^2)^{2^{2005}} = 4^{2^{2005}} \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

5. Is $5^{30000} - 6^{123456}$ a multiple of 31?

31 is prime. And $5^{30000} = (5^{30})^{1000} \equiv 1 \pmod{31}$.

Compare with $6^{123456} = 6^{123450} \times 6^6$:

$$1 \times 6^6 \equiv 5^3 \equiv 125 \equiv 31 \times 4 + 1 \pmod{31} \equiv 1 \pmod{31}$$

\therefore It is a multiple of 31.

Show that if a has a multiplicative inverse modulo N , then this inverse is unique (modulo N).

Let's assume $a \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}$.

Suppose $b, c \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}$ are both multiplicative inverses of a modulo N . Then:

$$ab \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$$

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$$ab \cdot b \equiv ac \cdot b \pmod{N} \quad (1)$$

(1): Substitution Rule:

$$x \equiv x', y \equiv y' \pmod{N}$$

$$xy \equiv x'y' \pmod{N}$$

Then:

$$(ab) \cdot b \equiv (ab) \cdot c \pmod{N} \quad (2)$$

(2): Commutativity

$$1 \cdot b \equiv 1 \cdot c \pmod{N}$$

$$b \equiv c \pmod{N}$$

$$b = c$$

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Suppose $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Show that $(p+1)/4$ is an integer.

$$p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

$$p = 4k + 3 \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

So: $p + 1 = 4k + 4$, which is divisible by 4.

We say that x is a square root of y modulo a prime p if $y \equiv x^2 \pmod{p}$. Show that if (i) $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and (ii) y has a square root modulo p , then $y^{(p+1)/4}$ is such a square root.

Let x be the square root of y modulo p . Then: $y \equiv x^2 \pmod{p}$.

$$\text{Write } p = 4k + 3. \text{ Then, } \left(y^{\frac{p+1}{4}}\right)^2 = y^{2(p+1)/4} = y^{2(4k+3+1)/4} = y^{2k+2}$$

Keep in mind: $(p+1)/4 = k+1$.

Try plugging in x in the last expression:

$$\text{Is } y^{2k+2} = x^{4k+4} \equiv x^2 \pmod{p} ?$$

So, we're asking: Is $x^{4k+4} - x^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$?

$$x^{4k+4} - x^2 = (x^{2k+2} - x)(x^{2k+2} + x)$$

So at least one of: $x^{2k+2} - x$ or $x^{2k+2} + x$ must be $\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$.

- $\frac{(p+1)}{4} = \frac{(4k+3+1)}{4} = k+1$
- $2 \cdot \frac{(p+1)}{4} = 2k+2$
- $p-1 = 4k+2$

We know: There exists $x \in \{1, \dots, p-1\}$ such that $y \equiv x^2 \pmod{p}$.

We seek to prove: $\left(y^{\frac{(p+1)}{4}}\right)^2 \equiv y \pmod{p}$. Sufficient condition for that to be true:

$$\left(y^{\frac{(p+1)}{4}}\right)^2 \cdot y^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \rightarrow \text{is okay, because } y \text{ is invertible modulo } p$$

$$\Rightarrow (y^{2k+2}) \cdot y^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow y^{2k+1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

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$$\Rightarrow (x^2)^{2k+1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{4k+2} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{True (Fermat's little theorem)}$$

Proving Recurrence 1

Suppose $x \in \mathbb{Z}^+, y \in \mathbb{Z}_0^+$. Prove recurrence correctness.

$$x^y = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } y = 0 \\ (x^2)^{\lfloor y/2 \rfloor}, & \text{if } y \text{ is even} \\ x \cdot (x^2)^{\lfloor y/2 \rfloor}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Case Analysis:

1. If $y = 0$, then $x^y = x^0$. So, the recurrence is correct for the case where $y = 0$
2. If $y \neq 0, y \text{ is even}$: then $\lfloor y/2 \rfloor = y/2$. So $x^y = x^{2 \times y/2} = (x^2)^{y/2} = (x^2)^{\lfloor y/2 \rfloor}$
3. If $y \neq 0, y \text{ is odd}$: then $\lfloor y/2 \rfloor = (y-1)/2$. So now:

$$x^y = x^{(2 \times (y-1)/2) + 1} = x^{(2 \times \lfloor y/2 \rfloor) + 1} = x \cdot x^{2 \times \lfloor y/2 \rfloor}$$

Proving Recurrence 2

Let $\langle q, r \rangle$ be the quotient and remainder of x/y and $\langle q', r' \rangle$ be the quotient and remainder of $(\lfloor x/2 \rfloor)/y$. Prove recurrence correctness.

$$\langle q, r \rangle = \begin{cases} \langle 0, 0 \rangle, & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \langle 2q', 2r' \rangle, & \text{if } x \text{ even and } 2r' < y \\ \langle 2q', 2r' + 1 \rangle, & \text{if } x \text{ odd and } 2r' + 1 < y \\ \langle 2q' + 1, 2r' - y \rangle, & \text{if } x \text{ even and } 2r' \geq y \\ \langle 2q' + 1, 2r' + 1 - y \rangle, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

To be absolutely clear, what are the quotient and remainder of x/y ?

We call q the quotient, and r the remainder if and only if q and r are non-negative integers that satisfy:

$$x = q \cdot y + r, \text{ where } r \in \{0, 1, \dots, y-1\}$$

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Proof by case analysis:

1. If $x = 0$, then $x = 0 = 0 \cdot y + 0$. So, recurrence is correct for this case.
2. If x is even and $2r' < y$: then $\lfloor x/2 \rfloor = x/2$. So:

$$\lfloor x/2 \rfloor = x/2 = q' \cdot y + r'$$

$$x = (2q') \cdot y + 2r'$$

$$q = 2q', r = 2r'$$

Where we infer the last line from the facts that: (i) equation is of the form from definition for quotient and remainder, (ii) $r' \geq 0 \rightarrow 2r' \geq 0$, and (iii) we are given $2r' \leq y - 1$.

3. If x is odd and $2r' + 1 < y$: $\lfloor x/2 \rfloor = (x - 1)/2$

$$\lfloor x/2 \rfloor = (x - 1)/2 = q' \cdot y + r'$$

$$x - 1 = (2q') \cdot y + 2r'$$

$$x = (2q') \cdot y + (2r' + 1)$$

4. x is even, $2r' \geq y$: $\lfloor x/2 \rfloor = x/2$. So:

$$\lfloor x/2 \rfloor = x/2 = q' \cdot y + r'$$

$$x = (2q') \cdot y + 2r'$$

This is of the form of the definition of quotient and remainder, except that we need to confirm that $2r'$ indeed lies between 0 and $y - 1$. Which it does not necessarily. Actually, we are given that $2r' \geq y$ and therefore not between 0 and $y - 1$. Now we observe:

$$x = (2q') \cdot y + 2r'$$

$$x = (2q' + 1) \cdot y + (2r' - y)$$

Now only question that remains: is it the case that $2r' - y \in \{0, 1, \dots, y - 1\}$?

- Is $2r' - y \geq 0$? Yes, because $2r' \geq y$
- Is $2r' - y \leq y - 1$? Yes, because:

$$r' \leq y - 1$$

$$2r' \leq 2y - 2$$

$$2r' - y \leq y - 2 \leq y - 1$$

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5. x odd, $2r' + 1 \geq y$:

$$\lfloor x/2 \rfloor = (x - 1)/2 = q' \cdot y + r'$$

$$x = (2q') \cdot y + (2r' + 1)$$

$$x = (2q' + 1) \cdot y + (2r' + 1 - y)$$

Now:

- $2r' + 1 - y \geq 0$ because $2r' + 1 \geq y$.
- $2r' + 1 - y \leq y - 1$ because:

$$r' \leq y - 1$$

$$2r' + 1 \leq 2y - 1$$

$$2r' + 1 - y \leq y - 1$$

Proving Recurrence 3

Prove that *BinSearch* is correct.

BinSearch($A[1, \dots, n]$, lo , hi , i)

1. **if** $lo \leq hi$ **then**
2. $mid \leftarrow \lfloor (lo + hi)/2 \rfloor$
3. **if** $A[mid] = i$ **then return true**
4. **if** $A[mid] < i$ **then return** *BinSearch*(A , $mid + 1$, hi , i)
5. **else return** *BinSearch*(A , lo , $mid - 1$, i)
6. **else return false**

Above is recursive version of binary search. Iterative version:

BinSearch($A[1, \dots, n]$, lo , hi , i)

1. **while** $lo \leq hi$ **do**
2. $mid \leftarrow \lfloor (lo + hi)/2 \rfloor$
3. **if** $A[mid] = i$ **then return true**
4. **if** $A[mid] < i$ **then** $lo \leftarrow mid + 1$

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5. **else** $hi \leftarrow mid - 1$
6. **else return false**

Typically, for iterative algorithms, towards correctness, we articulate a *loop invariant*:

Let $lo^{(in)}$ and $hi^{(in)}$ be the values of lo and hi respectively on input. Just before we successfully enter an iteration of the **while** loop of Line (1), it is true that:

$$i \in A[lo^{(in)}, \dots, hi^{(in)}] \rightarrow i \in A[lo, \dots, hi]$$

Going back to the recursive version, what is a correctness property?

Given $A[1, \dots, n]$ an array that is sorted, non-decreasing, lo, hi are each $\in \{1, \dots, n\}$ on input, $BinSearch(A, lo, hi, i)$ returns:

- $True \rightarrow (lo \leq hi) \text{ and } (i \in A[lo, \dots, hi])$
- $False \rightarrow \text{either } (lo > hi) \text{ or } (i \text{ is not } \in A[lo, \dots, hi])$

Proof by case analysis:

Case 1: $lo > hi$ on input: then **if** condition of Line (1) evaluates to **false**, and we correctly return **false** in Line (6). Then, this is either from (a) Line (6) without making any recursive calls, or (b) as the return value from a recursive call from one of Lines (4) or (5).

For (b), we first observe that $lo \leq hi$ because the only recursive calls are within the **if** block of Line (1). So, all that remains to be proven is that indeed: $i \notin A[lo, \dots, hi]$.

We prove that by induction on $hi - lo + 1$. Base case: $hi - lo + 1 = 1$. We claim we return **false** within the first recursive invocation. That is, we claim: (i) $mid + 1 > hi$ and $lo > mid - 1$, (ii) $mid = lo = hi$, and (iii) $i \neq A[mid]$.

(ii) easy to prove:

$$hi - lo + 1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow lo = hi$$

$$\Rightarrow mid = \left\lfloor \frac{(lo + hi)}{2} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{(lo + lo)}{2} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{(2 \cdot lo)}{2} \right\rfloor = \frac{2 \cdot lo}{2} = lo = hi$$

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(iii) is **true**, because then we would have returned **true** in Line (3).

To prove (i): we simply exploit: $mid = hi = lo$

$$mid = hi \Rightarrow mid + 1 > hi$$

$$mid = lo \Rightarrow mid - 1 < lo$$

So, the algorithm is correct if it returns **false**, and $hi - lo + 1 = 1$.

For the step, we know that on input $lo < hi$. So, we returned **false** in some recursive call. So, all we have to prove to appeal to induction assumption: $hi - (mid + 1) < hi - lo$ and $(mid - 1) - lo < hi - lo$.

Proving Master Theorem

Give a closed form solution for the following recurrence. Assume: $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is non-decreasing, $a > 0, b > 1, d \geq 0$.

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & \text{if } n \leq 1 \\ a \cdot f\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + \Theta(n^d), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Proposed approach: Inductive “rewriting” of the function f . But first: adopt concrete functions wherever we have $\Theta(\cdot)$, $O(\cdot)$ or $\Omega(\cdot)$. In this case: adopt 1 for $\Theta(1)$, and n^d for $\Theta(n^d)$. Now onto the rewriting:

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= a \cdot f\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + n^d \\ &= a \cdot \left(a \cdot f\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right) + \left(\frac{n}{b}\right)^d \right) + n^d \\ &= a^2 \cdot f\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right) + a \cdot \left(\frac{n}{b}\right)^d + n^d \\ &= a^2 \left(a \cdot f\left(\frac{n}{b^3}\right) + \left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right)^d \right) + a \cdot \left(\frac{n}{b}\right)^d + n^d \\ &= a^3 \cdot f\left(\frac{n}{b^3}\right) + a^2 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right)^d + a \cdot \left(\frac{n}{b}\right)^d + n^d \\ &= a^3 \cdot f\left(\frac{n}{b^3}\right) + n^d \left(\left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^1 + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^0 \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= a^4 \cdot f\left(\frac{n}{b^4}\right) + n^d \left(\left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^1 + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^0 \right) \\
 &\dots \\
 &= a^{\log_b n} \cdot f(1) + n^d \cdot \left(\left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{(\log_b n)-1} + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{(\log_b n)-2} + \dots + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^0 \right) \\
 &= a^{\log_b n} + n^d \cdot \left(\left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{(\log_b n)-1} + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{(\log_b n)-2} + \dots + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^0 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

To figure out the power of a in that last term:

Power of a is the same as the power of b inside the $f\left(\frac{n}{b^x}\right)$. In other words, we're asking: what is the power of b , i.e., x for which $\frac{n}{b^x} = 1$? Answer: $\frac{n}{b^x} = 1 \Leftrightarrow n = b^x \Leftrightarrow x = \log_b n$.

Our next step: Simplify/figure out:

$$S = \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{(\log_b n)-1} + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{(\log_b n)-2} + \dots + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^0$$

Suppose:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= r^{q-1} + r^{q-2} + \dots + r^0 \\
 \Rightarrow r \cdot T &= r^q + r^{q-1} + \dots + r
 \end{aligned}$$

Now subtract one from the other:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow T - r \cdot T &= r^0 - r^q \\
 \Rightarrow (1 - r) \cdot T &= 1 - r^q \\
 \Rightarrow T &= \frac{1 - r^q}{1 - r}, \text{ provided } r \neq 1
 \end{aligned}$$

When $r = 1$, how do we figure out what T is? Answer: then, T is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= 1^{q-1} + 1^{q-2} + \dots + 1^0 \\
 &= 1 + 1 + \dots + 1 \rightarrow q \text{ instances of } 1 \\
 &= q
 \end{aligned}$$

So, going back to our S :

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$$S = \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{(\log_b n)-1} + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{(\log_b n)-2} + \dots + \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^0$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{\log_b n}}{1 - \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)}, \text{ provided } \frac{a}{b^d} \neq 1$$

And:

$$S = \log_b n, \text{ when } \frac{a}{b^d} = 1$$

When is $\frac{a}{b^d} = 1$? Answer: $d = \log_b a$.

So, going back to our $f(n)$: first, the case that $d = \log_b a$.

But even before that: rewrite $a^{\log_b n} = n^{\log_b a}$. Because:

$$x = a^{\log_b n} \Leftrightarrow \log_b x = \log_b a \cdot \log_b n \Leftrightarrow x = n^{\log_b a}$$

$$f(n) = n^{\log_b a} + n^d \cdot S$$

So, when $d = \log_b a$, $S = \log_b n$. So, in this case:

$$f(n) = n^d + n^d \cdot \log_b n$$

$$= \Theta(n^d \cdot \log n)$$

Onto the other two cases: $d \neq \log_b a$.

$$f(n) = n^{\log_b a} + \dots + n^d \cdot S$$

Before we continue: a closer look at $\left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{\log_b n}$:

$$\left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{\log_b n} = \frac{a^{\log_b n}}{(b^d)^{\log_b n}}$$

$$= \frac{n^{\log_b a}}{(b^{\log_b n})^d}$$

$$= \frac{n^{\log_b a}}{n^d}$$

So: when $d \neq \log_b a$

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$$S = \frac{1 - \frac{n^{\log_b a}}{n^d}}{1 - \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)}$$

So, going back to $f(n)$:

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= n^{\log_b a} + n^d \cdot S \\ &= n^{\log_b a} + \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)} \cdot (n^d - n^{\log_b a}) \\ &= c \cdot n^{\log_b a} + c' \cdot n^d, \text{ for positive constants } c, c' \end{aligned}$$

So, if $d > \log_b a$: $f(n) = \Theta(n^d)$

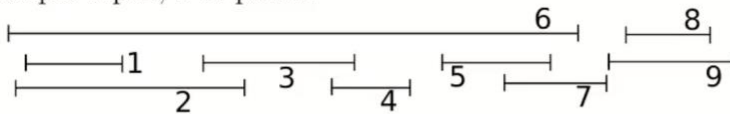
And if $d < \log_b a$: $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$

Proving Greediness

Given as input n meeting requests, $\langle s_1, f_1 \rangle, \langle s_2, f_2 \rangle, \dots, \langle s_n, f_n \rangle$, where each $s_i, f_i \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ is a start- and finish-time and $s_i < f_i$. We want a subset of those requests that is of maximum size that are pairwise conflict-free.

Two requests $\langle s_i, f_i \rangle, \langle s_j, f_j \rangle$ are in conflict if $s_i \leq f_j$, and $s_j \leq f_i$, or vice versa.

Example input, 9 requests:



Request 5 is in conflict with each Request 6 and 7. But is conflict-free with Request 2.

An optimal (maximum-sized) conflict-free set: $\{1, 3, 5, 9\}$. Another: $\{1, 4, 7, 8\}$.

Prove: this problem possesses a greedy choice.

Candidate greedy choice: request with earliest finish time.

Proof strategy: “cut and paste.”

For this problem, we prove two claims in order:

Claim 1: Suppose for some input of n requests, $O = \{o_1, \dots, o_k\}$ is an optimal (maximum-sized) set of requests which are pairwise conflict-free ordered in increasing finish time. Suppose our

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greedy algorithm outputs $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_l\}$, ordered in increasing finish time. Then, it is true that: for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, l, f(g_i) \leq f(o_i)$.

Proof. Note: it must be the case that $l \leq k$. And therefore, $k = l$, i.e., greedy is optimal.

Proof by induction on i . Base case: $i = 1$. In our greedy algorithm, we first pick exactly a meeting that finishes earliest amongst all requests. Therefore, immaterial of what o_1 is, $f(g_1) \leq f(o_1)$.

Induction assumption: for $i = j - 1$, it is true that $f(g_i) \leq f(o_i)$.

Step: to prove that $f(g_j) \leq f(o_j)$. We observe:

- $f(o_{j-1}) \leq s(o_j)$ – because the set O is conflict-free requests, ordered in increasing finish, and therefore, start times.
- $f(g_{j-1}) \leq f(o_{j-1})$ – induction assumption.
- Therefore, $f(g_{j-1}) \leq s(o_j)$. Therefore $f(g_j) \leq f(o_j)$ – because after we greedily choose g_{j-1} and eliminate all requests that are in conflict, o_j still remains. And our greedy choice is exactly to pick a request that remains that finishes earliest, and we happened to pick g_j .

Claim 2: Given sets O, G as in Claim 1, o_{l+1} cannot exist in O .

Proof. By Claim 1, $f(g_l) \leq f(o_l)$. And because the O set is all conflict-free, $f(o_l) \leq s(o_{l+1})$. Therefore, $f(g_l) \leq s(o_{l+1})$. So, o_{l+1} not in conflict with g_l , and so was available to be chosen after g_l was chosen and all conflicts were eliminated.

Contradiction to the assumption that greedy algorithm terminates only when no more requests available to choose from.

Graph Algorithm 1

Given an undirected graph $G = \langle V, E \rangle$ encoded as an adjacency list, define an array $\text{snd}[\cdot]$ as: for each $u \in V$, $\text{snd}[u]$ is the sum of the degrees of the neighbours of u .

Devise an algorithm that given input G , computes and outputs an array snd .

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SNDStraightForward($G = \langle V, E \rangle$)

1. $snd \leftarrow$ new array of $|V|$ entries
2. **foreach** $u \in V$ **do** $snd[u] \leftarrow 0$
3. **foreach** $u \in V$ **do**
4. **foreach** $v \in Adj[u]$ **do**
5. $degree_v \leftarrow 0$
6. **foreach** $w \in Adj[v]$ **do** $degree_v \leftarrow degree_v + 1$
7. $snd[u] \leftarrow snd[u] + degree_v$
8. **return** snd

Time efficiency of *SNDStraightForward*: $O(|V| \cdot (|E|)^2)$

Perhaps a better (more efficiency) approach:

- Visit each vertex as though it is someone's neighbor.
- Measure its degree.
- Walk its adj list again and inform each neighbor of the degree so they can update their snd .

SNDLinearTime($G = \langle V, E \rangle$)

1. $snd \leftarrow$ new array of $|V|$ entries
2. **foreach** $u \in V$ **do** $snd[u] \leftarrow 0$
3. $deg \leftarrow$ new array of $|V|$ entries
4. **foreach** $u \in V$ **do** $deg[u] \leftarrow 0$
5. **foreach** $u \in V$ **do**
5. $deg[u] \leftarrow 0$
6. **foreach** $v \in Adj[u]$ **do** $deg[u] \leftarrow deg[u] + 1$
7. **foreach** $v \in Adj[u]$ **do** $snd[v] \leftarrow snd[v] + deg[u]$
8. **return** snd

Time efficiency:

- We visit each vertex once – Line (4) *foreach* loop.
- We visit each edge four times – Line (6) and Line (7), we walk each adj list twice.
- So total time: $O(|V| + |E|)$.

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Graph Algorithm 2

Given an undirected graph G as an adjacency list and an edge e in it, devise a linear-time algorithm to determine whether there is a cycle in G that contains e .

“Go-to” linear time algorithms for graphs: DFS and BFS.

Idea:

- DFS, check if back edge results in DFS tree.
- In fact, edit the explore routine as follows:
 - Keep track of parent in DFS tree.
 - Every time we hit a vertex, check if edge to root of DFS tree, and root is not parent in DFS tree.
 - If yes, immediately output **true**.

$HasCycle(G = \langle V, E \rangle, e = \langle u, v \rangle)$

1. **foreach** $u \in V$ **do**

2. $visited(u) \leftarrow false$

3. $\pi(u) \leftarrow NIL$

4. **return** $ExploreModified(\langle V, E \rangle, u, u)$

$ExploreModified(\langle V, E \rangle, \langle u, v \rangle, x)$

1. $visited(x) \leftarrow true$

2. **foreach** $y \in Adj[x]$ **do**

3. **if** $visited(y) = false$ **then**

4. **if** $(x \neq u)$ or $(x = u \text{ and } y = v)$ **then**

5. $\pi(y) \leftarrow x$

6. $ret \leftarrow ExploreModified(\langle V, E \rangle, \langle u, v \rangle, y)$

7. **if** $ret = true$ **then**

8. **return** $true$

9. **else**

10. **if** $y = r$ and $\pi(x) \neq u$ **then**

11. **return** $true$

12. **return** $false$