

Assignment 2 - Quadtree and WSPD

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Assume A and B are two adjacent squares in a quadtree whose size are different by factor of 4 and B is bigger than A . If we split B into 4 smaller squares, one of them will become adjacent to A with size differing by 2. Because of the number of triangles after triangulating a subdivision is $O(1)$ when using factor of 2 as a balanced condition. Thus, the number of triangles can increase at most $4O(1)$ when splitting B .

Therefore, the number of triangles is still $O(1)$ when using the factor of 4 as a balanced condition.

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This classification problem will be solved by a randomized incremental algorithm, by first shuffling the points randomly and initially choosing two points of different classes (P_1 and P_2). The line that passes through both of them will be our initial separating line l .

As the question is whether there is a line l with the points of P_1 above or on it, and the points of P_2 below or on it, we can assume that the correct position of points from P_1 is above l , and the correct position of points from P_2 is below l .

For each of the next points, we check whether it is in the correct position or not. If not, we modify the line l . The detailed algorithms is as follows.

Algorithm:

FindSeparatingLine(S):

1. Given: Set S of m points of class P_1 and n point of class P_2
2. Output: Separating line (it contains 2 points of different classes) if any or "Not Found"
3. Initialize empty array Z
4. $S \leftarrow \text{RandomPermutation}(S)$
5. Initialize l our initial separating line to be the line between 2 different random points of P_1 and P_2
6. For every other point $p \in S$:
 - (a) insert p to Z
 - (b) If p is in the proper position
 - i. continue
 - (c) Else
 - i. $l \leftarrow$ create a new line between p and the point of different class in l
 - ii. loop on every point in the other class, connect p to the new point if that point is not in the correct position
 - iii. loop on every point in Z , if there is a point that not in the proper position, return "Not Found"
7. return l

Correctness

We prove the algorithm by induction.

Based on our selection, the classifier l always contains 1 point from P_1 and 1 point from P_2 .

If the dataset contains only one point in P_1 and one point in P_2 , then the algorithm pick the line l passing these points to be the classifier, and this is the correct one.

Assume that after processing point i , the algorithm has already had the correct solution. Let p^* be the next point, p_i is the point of the same class and p'_i is the point of the different class (P_1 or P_2) which are currently on l . When we insert p^* , the new classifier should group it to the correct group.

If p^* is in the correct order already (the point of P_1 should be above or on l , and the point of P_2 should be below or on l), then the classifier l is correct and the algorithm does not do anything.

If p^* is not in the correct order, which means it is on the “outer” space of the group of p_i , the line l should be modified to group p^* to the proper position. Our algorithm decides to rotate the line l so that it contains p^* . This is a proper position for p^* because every point can be on l , and p_i is also in that group because l was rotated to the “outer” direction. Since the old $l = p_i p'_i$ was the correct classifier, this guarantees that the new line $l = p^* p'_i$ correctly classifies the class of p^* .

After correcting the position of p^* , there can be a case that some points of the opposite class are wrong positioned, as being shown in figure 1. The algorithm has to perform a loop on the opposite class to correct those points. After this correction, all points of the opposite class are in the right place. The line l can be changed to $p^* p''_i$ where p''_i is the point that better classifies the opposite class.

If after that, there are still points outside of their correct positions, which means there are (again) some points in the class of p^* that are in wrong places, then we know that there are no agreements in this case. Thus, there are no line classifiers available for this setting. The algorithm indeed returns false.

If all of the points are correctly positioned, then l is obviously the correct classifier. So, if the previous step is correct, then the current step is also correct. This implies that our incremental approach is correct.

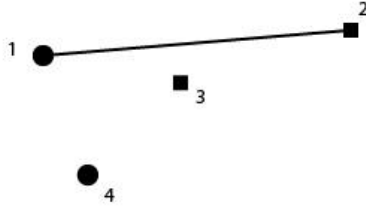


Figure 1: Example of 2-round modification. Circles: P_1 , Squares: P_2 . Initially, p_3 is in the correct order, but after checking p_4 , we rotate the line to $p_4 p_2$ so that p_1 is above the line. So p_3 is not correct. Then we have to loop on P_2 to put p_3 back to the proper position. The final result is $p_4 p_3$.

Running Time

In order to shuffle all points of P , the algorithm takes $O(n + m)$.

The 2-round check has to traverse the previous processed points for checking correctness, this process takes $O(i)$ where i is the number of points which have

been processed. Hence, the expected running time is :

$$O(n+m) + \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} (Pr[p_i \in \text{ProperPosition}] * O(1) + Pr[p_i \notin \text{ProperPosition}] * O(i))$$

We know that $Pr[p_i \in \text{ProperPosition}] \leq 1$ and $Pr[p_i \notin \text{ProperPosition}]$ is never greater than the probability of selecting 2 points from i points. Thus, we have :

$$Pr[p_i \notin \text{ProperPosition}] \leq 2/i$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} T(n+m) &= O(n+m) + \sum_{i=1}^{n+m} (O(1) + O(2/i)O(i)) \\ &= O(n+m) \end{aligned}$$

(b)

The worst case is when the algorithm has to determine l every time processing a new point. Then, the running time will become $O(n^2)$.

Let's consider the case that we perform shuffling on P_2 which only takes $O(n)$. The algorithm takes $O(m)$ to find the first separating line between all points in P_1 and one point of P_2 . Then, for iterating the other points of P_2 , the running time when the algorithm has to find a better separating line changes slightly to $O(m+i)$, where i is the number of processed points in P_2 so far. Hence, the expected running time is :

$$\begin{aligned} T(n+m) &= O(n) + O(m) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n Pr[p_i \in \text{ProperPosition}] * O(1) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n Pr[p_i \notin \text{ProperPosition}] * O(m+i) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
T(n+m) &= O(n) + O(m) + \sum_{i=1}^n (O(1) + O(2/i)O(m+i)) \\
&= O(m) + 3O(n) + O(m) \sum_{i=1}^n 1/i \\
&= O(m) + 3O(n) + O(m)O(\ln n) \\
&= O(m) + 3O(n) + O(m)O(\log n) \\
&= O(m \log n)
\end{aligned}$$

We can conclude that if we shuffle only some subset of data, in this case only P_2 , the algorithm would perform worse.