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Divide and Conquer

1. Kleinberg, Jon. *Algorithm Design* (p. 248, q. 5) Hidden surface removal is a problem in computer graphics where you identify objects that are completely hidden behind other objects, so that your renderer can skip over them. This is a common graphical optimization.

In a clean geometric version of the problem, you are given n non-vertical, infinitely long lines in a plane labeled $L_1 \dots L_n$. You may assume that no three lines ever meet at the same point. We call L_i "uppermost" at a given x coordinate x_0 if its y coordinate at x_0 is greater than that of all other lines. We call L_i "visible" if it is uppermost for at least one x coordinate.

Give an algorithm that takes n lines as input and in $O(n \log n)$ time returns all the ones that are visible. (See the figure for an example.)

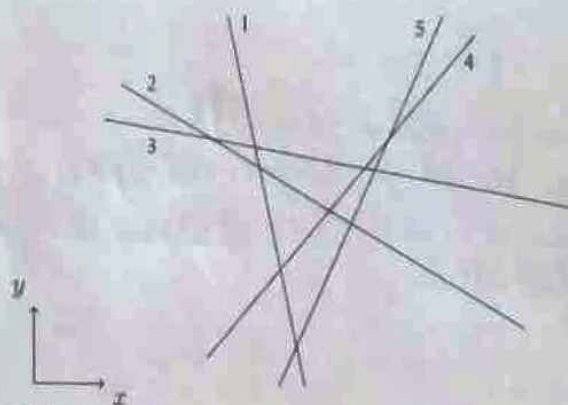


Figure 5.10 An instance of hidden surface removal with five lines (labeled 1-5 in the figure). All the lines except for 2 are visible.

Solution: Since ~~that no 3 lines~~ we meet at the same point we sort lines by slope and add them one by one.

Input:- n lines Output:- solution.

Sort n line based on slope, we have $l_1 \dots l_n$. Let $S = \{l_1, l_2\}$. Let T_1, T_2 denote the most recent added lines in S when adding a new line. For $i = 3 \dots n$, we compute intersection of

T_1, T_2 . $A(x_A, y_A)$ consider: $L_i: ax+by+c=0$, while $ax_A+by_A+c < 0$ as smaller than the y point on L_i with same x_A value. remove T_1 from S get new T_1, T_2 get new $A(x_A, y_A)$ add L_i to S . Sorting is $O(n \log n)$ if we do not enter while loop, which means we do not remove lines we just add lines one-by-one this is $O(n)$. If we enter while loop since each line can only be removed once, we have $O(n)$. \therefore It is $O(n \log n)$.

2. In class, we considered a divide and conquer algorithm for finding the closest pair of points in a plane. Recall that this algorithm runs in $O(n \log n)$ time. Let's consider two variations on this problem:
- (a) First consider the problem of searching for the closest pair of points in 3-dimensional space. Show how you could extend the single plane closest pairs algorithm to find closest pairs in 3D space. Your solution should still achieve $O(n \log n)$ run time.

Solution: We have p_x, p_y, p_z as sorted x, y, z values, $O(n \log n)$. We use a hyperplane $x = k$ divides space into Q (left half of p_x) and R (right half of p_x) then separates corresponding y, z values to assigned points in Q, R ($O(n)$) divides based on y, z , and do this recursively. We have $\min\{d(x_1^L, x_1^R), d(x_2^L, x_2^R)\}$. Then we use lemma in lecture, divide position around hyperplane check points ($O(n)$) then total complexity $O(n \log n)$.

- (b) Now consider the problem of searching for the closest pair of points on the surface of a sphere (distances measured by the shortest path across the surface). Explain how your algorithm from part a can be used to find the closest pair of points on the sphere as well.

Solution: We use the same algorithm, we consider points on sphere as on subset of larger 3D space. We modify our distance metric $d(x_0, x_1)$ to distance on sphere. Then we use the same algorithm.

- (c) Finally, one way to approximate the surface of a sphere is to take a plane and "wrap" at the edges, so a point at x coordinate 0 and y coordinate MAX is the same as x coordinate 0 and y coordinate MIN. Similarly, the left and right edges of the plane wrap around. Show how you could extend the single plane closest pairs algorithm to find closest pairs in this space.

Solution: We treat surface on sphere as a plane. Then we implement regular closest pair algorithm on this single plane. Then for checking the points in S subset of points within S of L , we also add points within S of edge of plane into set S . We padding the edge we use the other side of points. We copy the points at lower S -edge of plane and add to upper of plane. Then we not only check pairs across divides check pairs across edge. Then the following algorithm is the same.

3. Erickson, Jeff. *Algorithms* (p. 58, q. 25 d and e) Prove that the following algorithm computes $\text{gcd}(x, y)$ the greatest common divisor of x and y , and show its worst-case running time.

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BINARYGCD(x, y):
  if x = y:
    return x
  else if x and y are both even:
    return 2 * BINARYGCD(x/2, y/2)
  else if x is even:
    return BINARYGCD(x/2, y)
  else if y is even:
    return BINARYGCD(x, y/2)
  else if x > y:
    return BINARYGCD((x-y)/2, y)
  else:
    return BINARYGCD(x, (y-x)/2)

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Using Invariant. Consider k is the gcd of x and y . So if then $k \mid x$ and $k \mid y$.
 1) x & y both are even, then k is even and k is $x/2, y/2$.
 2) x is even y is odd, then k is odd then y is divisible by $x/2, y$.
 3) x is odd and y is even, same result.
 4) x & y are odd, $d = \frac{x-y}{2}$ and vice versa.

Solution:

1) Then we show correctness. Since the algorithm returns the correct result, and algorithm terminates in $\log[x]+1 + \log[y]+1$. Then the algorithm is correct.

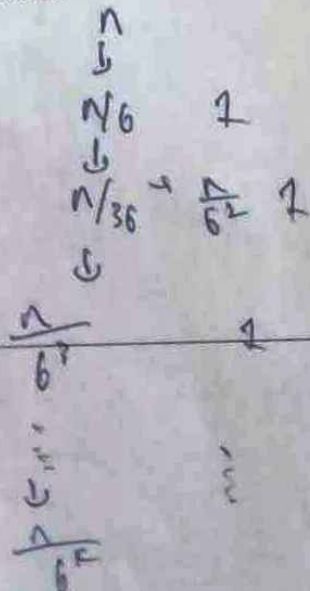
2) Worst case: Then recursion will stop when $x = y$ and when $x = y = 1$. The running time is $O(\log x + \log y)$.

4. Here we explore the structure of some different recursion trees than the previous homework.

(a) Asymptotically solve the following recurrence for $A(n)$ for $n \geq 1$.

$$A(n) = A(n/6) + 1 \quad \text{with base case} \quad A(1) = 1$$

Solution:



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$$A(n) \leq \sum_{i=0}^k 1 = k$$

$$k = \log_6 n$$

$$O(\log n)$$

- (b) Asymptotically solve the following recurrence for $B(n)$ for $n \geq 1$.

$$B(n) = B(n/6) + n \quad \text{with base case} \quad B(1) = 1$$

Solution:

$$B(n) = B\left(\frac{n}{6}\right) + n$$

$$= B\left(\frac{n}{6^2}\right) + 2n$$

$$\vdots$$

$$B\left(\frac{n}{6^k}\right) + kn$$

$$B(n) = n \cdot \sum_{i=0}^k \frac{1}{6^i}$$

$$\sim \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^{k+1}}{1 - \frac{1}{6}}$$

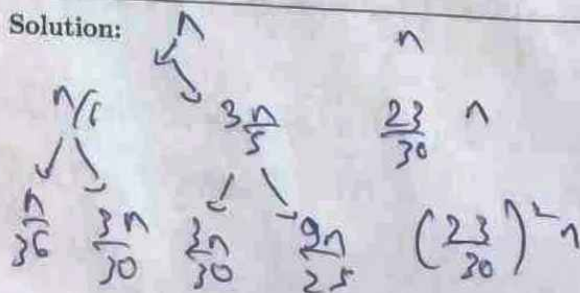
$$\sim \frac{1 - \frac{1}{6}}{1 - \frac{1}{6}}$$

$$\sim O(n)$$

- (c) Asymptotically solve the following recurrence for $C(n)$ for $n \geq 0$.

$$C(n) = C(n/6) + C(3n/5) + n \quad \text{with base case} \quad C(0) = 0$$

Solution:



$$C(n) \leq n \cdot \sum_{i=0}^k \left(\frac{23}{30}\right)^i$$

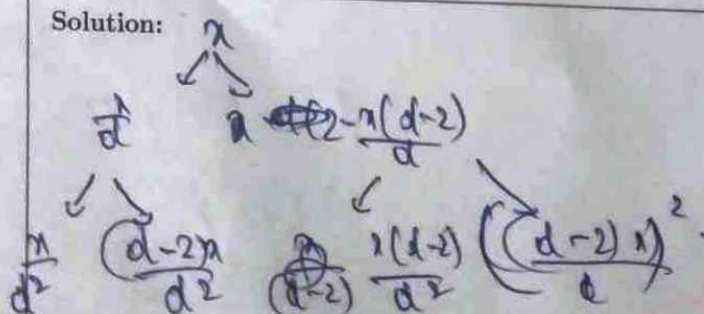
$$\leq n \cdot \frac{1 - \left(\frac{23}{30}\right)^{k+1}}{1 - \left(\frac{23}{30}\right)}$$

$$O(n)$$

- (d) Let $d > 3$ be some arbitrary constant. Then solve the following recurrence for $D(x)$ where $x \geq 0$.

$$D(x) = D\left(\frac{x}{d}\right) + D\left(\frac{(d-2)x}{d}\right) + x \quad \text{with base case} \quad D(0) = 0$$

Solution:



$$x \cdot \sum_{i=0}^k \left(\frac{d-2}{d}\right)^i$$

$$\sim \frac{1 - \left(\frac{d-2}{d}\right)^{k+1}}{1 - \frac{d-2}{d}}$$

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