

CS6033 Lecture 6

Slides/Notes

**Divide and Conquer: Randomized QuickSort,
Randomized QuickSelect, Comparison-Based
Sorting Lower Bound, Linear-Time Sorting, Closest
Pair in 2D (Notes, Ch 7, Secs. 9.2, 8.1 – 8.3, Notes)**

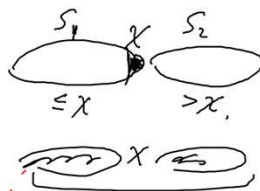
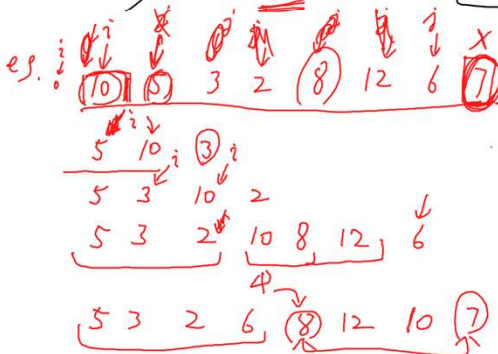
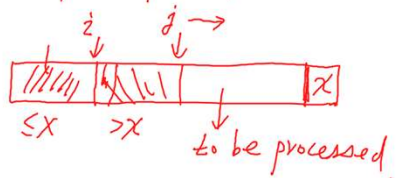
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Randomized QuickSort:

1. Randomly pick one item x as the pivot (each of the n items has the same probability of $\frac{1}{n}$ to be picked).
2. Use x to partition the items into 2 sets: S_1 and S_2 .
3. Recursively sort S_1 , recursively sort S_2 .

In-place partition.



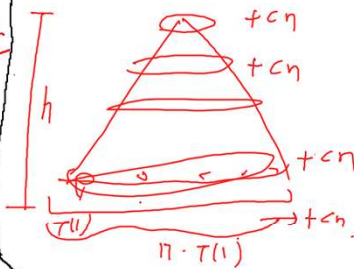
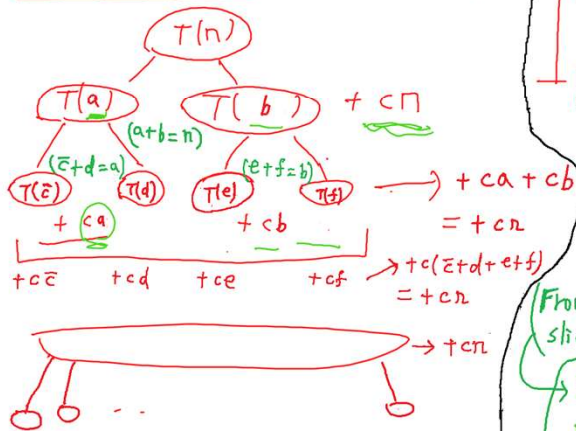
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$T(n) = T(|S_1|) + T(|S_2|) + cn$. But $|S_1|, |S_2|$ may differ at different recursions.

⇒ NOT easy to get a definite recurrence.

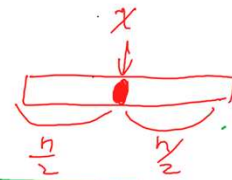
Recursion Tree



Each level cost = cn

$$T(n) = O(n \cdot h)$$

Expected length of any path from root to leaf?



$$n \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \log_2 n$$

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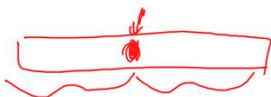
$$E(h) = O(\log n)$$

$$E(T(n)) = O(n \cdot E(h)) = O(n \log n)$$

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(MO):

"Good Event": pivot x is right in the middle.



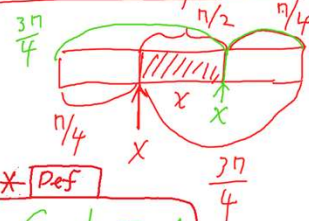
$$Pr[\text{good event}] = p = \frac{1}{n}$$

Bernoulli Trial

Expected # trials to get a good event: $\frac{1}{p} = n$

Bad!!

Another Attempt (M1):



$$Pr[x \in \text{middle}] = \frac{n/2}{n} = \frac{1}{2} = p$$

Expected # Trials to have $x \in \text{middle}$: $\frac{1}{p} = 2$

Subproblem size $\leq \frac{3n}{4}$

$$n \cdot \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^k = 1 \Rightarrow k = \log_{4/3} n$$

After k good events, the subproblem size = 1.

In a root to leaf path, there can be $\leq k$ good events.

Expected # Trials to get k heads/good events = $\frac{k}{p} = 2k$

Expected length root \rightarrow leaf = $E(h) = 2k = O(\log n)$ (go to previous slide bottom part)

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* A good exercise for solving a recurrence by recursion trees

Assume: Each good event always splits current set S into 2 subsets of sizes $\frac{1}{4}|S|, \frac{3}{4}|S|$.

$$T(n) = b \cdot cn + T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right)$$

(Note: This assumption is NOT true)

b trials to get a good event.

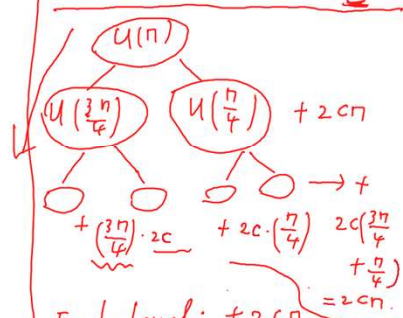
$$E[T(n)] = E[b \cdot cn] + E\left[T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)\right] + E\left[T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right)\right]$$

$$E[b \cdot cn] = E[b] \cdot cn, \quad E[b] = \text{expected \# trials to get a good event} = \frac{1}{p} = 2.$$

Define: $E[T(n)] = U(n)$, $E\left[T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)\right] = U\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)$, $E\left[T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right)\right] = U\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right)$

$U(n)$: expected run-time for problem of size n .

$$U(n) = U\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right) + U\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 2cn$$



Each level: $+2cn$.
Root-to-leaf path:
Each time we go down to a child, subproblem size is $\leq \frac{3}{4} \times$ (original size)

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$$n \cdot \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^k = 1 \Rightarrow k = \log_{\frac{4}{3}} n$$

Length of any root-to-leaf path

$$\leq k = O(\log n)$$



$$h \leq k = O(\log n)$$

$$U(n) = h \cdot (2cn)$$

$$\leq k \cdot 2cn$$

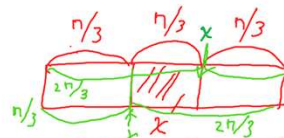
$$= 2cn \log_{\frac{4}{3}} n$$

$$= O(n \log n) \quad \times$$

(M2)

Another way:

Define Good event:



$$X \in \text{Good event} : \Pr[X \in \text{Good event}] = \Pr[X \in \text{shaded}] = p = \frac{n/3}{n} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Expected # trials to get a good event $= \frac{1}{p} = 3$

In any root-to-leaf path,

there can be at most k good events

$$\text{where } n \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^k = 1, \quad k = \log_{\frac{3}{2}} n$$

Expected # trials to get k good events

$$= E[h] = \frac{k}{p} = 3 \log_{\frac{3}{2}} n, \quad E[T(n)] = (cn) \cdot E[h] = cn \cdot 3 \log_{\frac{3}{2}} n = 3cn \log_{\frac{3}{2}} n = O(n \log n) \quad \times$$

$$\text{cf. } \frac{2cn \log_{\frac{4}{3}} n}{\log_{\frac{3}{2}} n}$$

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Question:

$$\log_{\frac{4}{3}} n = O(\log n) \text{ Why?}$$

Ans:

$$\log_a n = \frac{\log n}{\log a}$$

(const > 1)

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\log a} \right) \log n$$

$$= \text{const} \cdot \log n$$

$$= O(\log n)$$

Randomized Quick Select.

Given n unsorted items and an integer $k \in [1, n]$, find the k -th smallest item among the n items.

Alg: 1. Randomly pick an item x as the pivot.

(each item has the same prob $\frac{1}{n}$ to be picked)

2. Use x to partition the n items.

3. Recurse on either S_1 or S_2 .

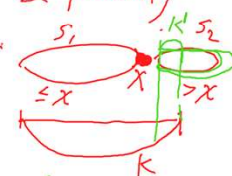
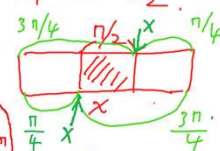
Analysis: Define Good Event:

$$x \in [2, 1]$$

$T(n)$: Running time

$$T(n) \leq (cn) \cdot b + T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right)$$

trials to get a good event



$k' = k - |S_1| - 1$
Use k' when recursing on S_2

(cf. Randomized QuickSort: Not easy to get a definite recurrence.)

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$$T(n) \leq b \cdot cn + T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right)$$

$$E[T(n)] \leq E[b] \cdot cn + E\left[T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right)\right]$$

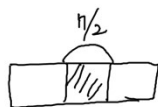
Define: $U(n) = E[T(n)]$

expected running time for problem size n .

$E[b] =$ expected # trials to get a good event

$$\text{where } \frac{1}{p} = 2.$$

$$p = \Pr\{x \in [1, n]\} = \frac{n/2}{n} = \frac{1}{2}$$



$$U(n) \leq 2cn + U\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right)$$

$$U(n) \leq U\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right) + 2cn$$

$$\leq \left[U\left(\frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{3n}{4}\right) + 2c\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right) \right] + 2cn$$

$$= U\left(\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 n\right) + 2cn\left(1 + \frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$\leq \left[U\left(\frac{3}{4} \cdot \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 n\right) + 2c\left(\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 n\right) \right] + 2cn\left(1 + \frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$= U\left(\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 n\right) + 2cn\left(1 + \frac{3}{4} + \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2\right)$$

$$\leq \dots \leq U\left(\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^i n\right) + 2cn\left(1 + \frac{3}{4} + \dots + \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{i-1}\right)$$

$$\leq \text{const} + 2cn \left(\frac{1}{1 - 3/4} \right) = \text{const} + 2cn \cdot \frac{1}{1/4}$$

$$= \text{const} + 8cn = O(n)$$

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Comparison-Based Sorting Lower Bound

* Lower Bound: In the worst-case, any algorithm needs to use t time to solve the problem then that problem has a run-time lower bound of t .

* Comparison-Based ^{Sorting} Lower Bound:

Only comparisons are allowed to operate on the keys.

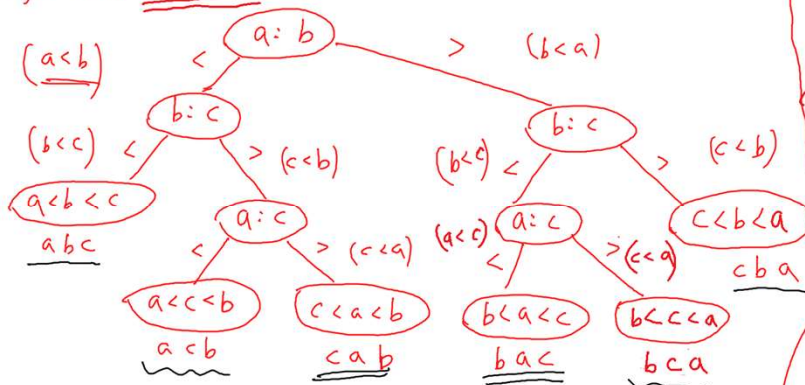
Decision Tree Model.

Eg. sort items a, b, c .
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Decision Tree

Eg. sort distinct keys a, b, c



Leaves are all sorting outcomes.

leaves = # permutations of n distinct items
= $n!$

Internal nodes: comparisons

Running time of any sorting alg: length of some root-to-leaf path



Worst-case run time = length of longest such path
= tree height $\geq \log(\# \text{ leaves})$

$$= \log(n!)$$

$$= \Theta(n \log n)$$

Lower bound is $\Omega(n \log n)$

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Linear-Time Sorting:

(NOT comparison-based.)

Integer Sorting: (counting sort
bucket sort)

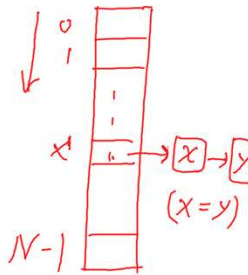
n integers.

Find the min item.
max item.

$N = \text{max} - \text{min}$.

Each item x : $x' \leftarrow x - \text{min}$
($x' \geq 0$)

Use a bucket of N slots.



Put each item x
into slot x' .

In cn time, place all
items to the slots.

From slot 0 to slot $N-1$
read out items from non-empty slots
 \Rightarrow items are sorted. $O(n+N)$ time.

Using chained lists: bucket sort

counters counting sort.

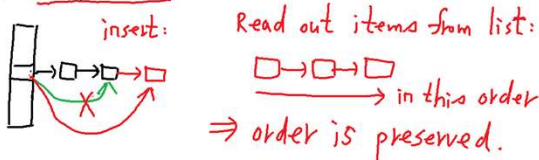
(*Def: stable sorting

For any two items a, b that compare as equal their
relative order (eg. a is before b) is preserved after sorting)

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* We can make bucket sorting stable:

For each list, maintain a pointer to the
last item in the list, so that we
can insert an item to the end of list
in $O(1)$ time.



Radix Sort: n items, each has d digits.

Each digit has N possible values (eg. base 10, $N=10$)

Alg: Perform stable sorting on 1 digit in each pass,
from the least to the most significant digit.

eg.

| | | |
|-----|-------------------|-------------------|
| 845 | 342 | 837 |
| 837 | \Rightarrow 845 | \Rightarrow 342 |
| 348 | 837 | 845 |
| 457 | 457 | 348 |
| 342 | 348 | 457 |

stable sorted stable sorted

\Rightarrow 342
348
457
837
845
stable sorted.

Done

* Each pass:

$O(n+N)$ time
(via stable bucket
sorting)

Total: d passes
 $\Rightarrow O(d(n+N))$ time
($= O(dn)$ if $N = \text{const}$)

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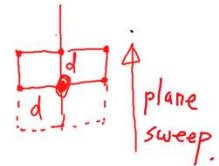
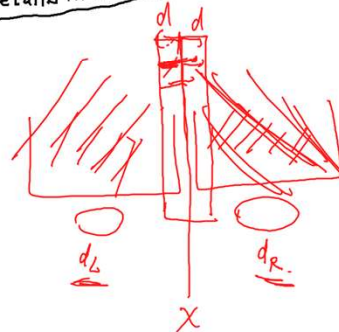
* A nice example of
divide-and-conquer algorithm:

Closest Pair Problem in 2D

(Handout: textbook 3rd ed. Sec. 33.4)

Given a set of n points in 2D,
find a pair of points in the set
whose Euclidean distance is the
smallest
(such pair is called the closest pair,
and their distance is called the
closest-pair distance)

Sketch of
ideas
(details in handout)



$$d \leftarrow \min\{d_L, d_R\}$$

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + c_1$$

$$T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

* Handout: Closest Pair --- "CLRS-3rd-Ed-Closest-Pair.pdf"