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Insertion / Search

Let S denote the sorted array and U denote the unsorted array of maximum size \sqrt{n} .

Let there be sequence of n operations, out of which m are INSERT and $n - m$ are SEARCH operations, in any arbitrary order.

Worst case Analysis

Since the cost of any arbitrary operation in the worst case can be at most $n + \sqrt{n} \cdot \log \sqrt{n}$ (corresponds to the extreme INSERT case when the sorted array S has size $n - \sqrt{n}$ elements and the unsorted array U has size $\sqrt{n} - 1$ elements). Hence the total cost of sequence of n operations = $n(n + \sqrt{n} \cdot \log \sqrt{n}) = \theta(n^2)$. Hence, each operation has worst case cost of $\theta(n)$.

Amortized Analysis

Aggregate Method

We notice that INSERT always happens on the unsorted array U first (which is $\theta(1)$) and a subsequent sort on U followed by merge with the sorted array S is required iff U is full after insertion, i.e., if the INSERT operation is $(k\sqrt{n})^{th}$ operation, $k = 1, 2, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor$ and there can be only $\left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor$ such operations, with actual cost $\sqrt{n} \cdot \log \sqrt{n}$ for sorting U and then $k \cdot \sqrt{n}$ for merging with S , a total of $\theta(\sqrt{n} \cdot \log \sqrt{n} + k \cdot \sqrt{n})$ for the $(k\sqrt{n})^{th}$ operation.

Also, SEARCH always happens first on the sorted array S (binary search, can at most take $\theta(\lg n)$ time) and if not found then it proceeds to unsorted array U (linear search, (can at most take $\theta(\sqrt{n})$ time)), hence the total time per SEARCH is at most $\theta(\lg n) + \theta(\sqrt{n}) = \theta(\sqrt{n})$.

Hence the actual cost of all m INSERT operations

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left(m - \left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor\right) \cdot \theta(1) + \sum_{k=1}^{\left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor} \theta(\sqrt{n} \cdot \log \sqrt{n} + k \cdot \sqrt{n}) \\
&= \theta\left(m - \left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor\right) + \theta(m \cdot \log \sqrt{n}) + \theta\left(\sqrt{n} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{\left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor} k\right) \\
&= \theta\left(m - \left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor + m \cdot \log \sqrt{n}\right) + \theta\left(\sqrt{n} \cdot \frac{\left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor \cdot \left(\left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor + 1\right)}{2}\right) \\
&= \theta\left(\frac{m^2}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = \theta\left(m \frac{n}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = \theta(m\sqrt{n}), \text{ since } m \text{ can be at most } \theta(n).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence amortized cost per INSERT operation = $\theta(\sqrt{n})$.

Similarly, actual cost of $n-m$ SEARCH operations will be at most $(n-m)\theta(\sqrt{n})$, amortized cost per operation being $\theta(\sqrt{n})$.

Accounting Method

We notice that there can be at most $\left\lfloor \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor$ INSERT operations that can take at most $\theta(\sqrt{n} \cdot \log \sqrt{n} + n) = \theta(\sqrt{n} \cdot (\sqrt{n} + \log \sqrt{n}))$ time.

Let's charge every INSERT operation by $(\sqrt{n} + \log \sqrt{n} + 1)$ \$, of which 1\$ is actually required per INSERT and the rest stored on the element in U for the future operations.

After \sqrt{n} such INSERT operations when U is full, we already have $\sqrt{n} \cdot (\sqrt{n} + \log \sqrt{n}) = (n + \sqrt{n} \cdot \log \sqrt{n})$ \$ charge stored on the elements of U , $\sqrt{n} \cdot \log \sqrt{n}$ \$ will be spent in sorting U and \sqrt{n} \$ is to be spent in merging U with S , the rest (i.e., $(n - \sqrt{n})$ \$) is to be stored on the elements on S , precisely $(\sqrt{n} - 1)$ \$ on each element of S . But in future there can be at most $\sqrt{n} - 1$ merge operations, hence each element can provide its cost for merging.

Similarly charge \sqrt{n} \$ for each SEARCH operation.

Potential Method

Intuitively we can see that the potential should increase as the size of U increases, in order to accommodate the cost for future sorting/merging. Let's define the potential as $\phi = |U| \left(\lg |U| + \frac{|S|}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$, where $|U|$ and $|S|$ denote the number of elements in U and S respectively.

Let's start with $|S| = s = (k-1)\sqrt{n}$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, \sqrt{n}$, immediately before the i^{th} operation.

If initially $|U| = u < \sqrt{n} - 1$ and the i^{th} operation is INSERT, we have

$$\phi_{i-1} = u \left(\lg u + \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right).$$

$$\phi_i = (u+1) \left(\lg(u+1) + \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right), \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \phi_i - \phi_{i-1} &= (u+1)\lg(u+1) - u\lg u + \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} = u.\lg \left(1 + \frac{1}{u}\right) + \lg(u+1) + \frac{(k-1)\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}} \\ &= u.\theta(1) + \theta(\lg u) + \theta(k) = \theta(u + \lg u + k) = \theta(\sqrt{n}), \text{ since } 1 \leq k \leq \sqrt{n} \text{ and } \\ &0 \leq u < \sqrt{n} - 1. \end{aligned}$$

But actual cost of INSERT here $= \theta(1)$. Hence, $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \phi_i - \phi_{i-1} = \theta(\sqrt{n})$.

Similarly, if initially $|U| = u = \sqrt{n} - 1$, we shall have $u = 0$ and $s = k\sqrt{n}$ after INSERT. Since we have

$$\phi_{i-1} = u \left(\lg u + \frac{(k-1)\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}} \right) = (\sqrt{n} - 1) (\lg(\sqrt{n} - 1 + k - 1)) = \theta(\sqrt{n} \lg \sqrt{n}) + (k-1)\sqrt{n} \text{ and}$$

$$\phi_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_i - \phi_{i-1} = -\theta(\sqrt{n} \lg \sqrt{n}) - (k-1)\sqrt{n}$$

But actual cost of INSERT here $= \theta(\sqrt{n} \lg \sqrt{n}) + k\sqrt{n}$. Hence, $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \phi_i - \phi_{i-1} = \theta(\sqrt{n})$.