

CS3230 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

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1. Introduction

1.1. Adversary Argument

- There are two different cases resulting in different outcomes but cannot be differentiated.

1.2. Minimum Step Problems

- No. of comparisons to find largest element: $n - 1$
 - Second largest element: $n - 1 + \lg n - 1$
- No. of comparisons in sorting algorithm: $n \lg n$
- No. of edges checked to tell connectivity: $\binom{n}{2}$

2. Asymptotic Analysis

2.1. Asymptotic Notations

Notation	Definition	$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$
$f(n) = O(g(n))$	$\exists c > 0, n_0 > 0$ s.t. $\forall n \geq n_0, 0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n)$	$< \infty$
$f(n) = o(g(n))$	$\forall c > 0, \exists n_0 > 0$ s.t. $\forall n \geq n_0, 0 \leq f(n) < cg(n)$	$= 0$
$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$	$\exists c > 0, n_0 > 0$ s.t. $\forall n \geq n_0, c \leq cg(n) \leq f(n)$	> 0
$f(n) = \omega(g(n))$	$\forall c > 0, \exists n_0 > 0$ s.t. $\forall n \geq n_0, 0 \leq cg(n) < f(n)$	$= \infty$
$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$	$\exists c_1, c_2 > 0, n_0 > 0$ s.t. $\forall n \geq n_0, c_1 g(n) \leq f(n) \leq c_2 g(n)$	$(0, \infty)$

2.2. Useful Facts

- $\forall k, d > 0, (\lg n)^k = o(n^d)$
- $\forall d > 0, u > 1, n^d = o(u^n)$
- Stirling's Formula: $n! \approx \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \sqrt{2\pi n}$
 - $\lg(n!) = \Theta(n \lg n)$
 - $\lg \lg n + \lg \lg \frac{n}{2} + \lg \lg \frac{n}{4} + \dots + 1 = \lg(\lg n!) = \lg n \lg \lg n$
- Harmonic Series: $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} = \Theta(\lg n)$
- Decision Tree with n variables (e.g. sorting):
 - $h = \Omega(\lg(n!)) = \Omega(n \lg n)$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^n = \frac{1}{e}$

3. Iteration, Recursion and Divide and Conquer

3.1. Correctness of Iterative Algorithm (Loop Invariant)

- Initialisation: The invariant is true before the first iteration of the loop.
- Maintenance: If the invariant is true before an iteration, it remains true before the next iteration.
- Termination: When the algorithm terminates, the invariant provides a useful property for showing correctness.

3.2. Correctness of Recursive Algorithm (Strong Induction)

- Prove base cases.
- Assuming the algorithm works for smaller cases, show that it works correctly.

3.3. Solve a Recurrence

- Recursion Tree: Draw the recursion tree and count total number of operations.
- Master Method for $T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + \theta(f(n))$:

Condition	Solution
$f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$ for some $\epsilon > 0$	$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$
$f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n)$ for some $k \geq 0$	$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{k+1} n)$
$f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$ for some $\epsilon > 0$ $af\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) \leq cf(n)$ for some $c < 1$	$T(n) = \Omega(f(n))$

- Substitution Method:
 - Guess the form of the solution.
 - Verify by induction.

Example: Solve $T(n) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n$.

- Guess $T(n) = O(n^2)$. Assume $T(1) = q$.
- We are to show that $\exists c_1, c_2 > 0, n_0 > 0$ s.t. $\forall n \geq n_0, 0 \leq T(n) \leq c_1 n^2 - c_2 n$.
- Set $c_1 = q + 1, c_2 = 1, n_0 = 1$.
- Base case: $T(1) = q \leq (q + 1) - 1$.
- Recursive case:

$$T(n) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n \leq 4\left(c_1 \cdot \frac{n^2}{4} - c_2 \cdot \frac{n}{2}\right) + n = n^2 - n = c_1 n^2 - c_2 n$$

4. Average Case Analysis and Randomised Algorithms

4.1. MergeSort vs QuickSort

- MergeSort is more efficient theoretically, but QuickSort is preferred empirically.
 - MergeSort requires extra memory.
 - Cache misses.

- Colin McDiarmid Theorem: Probability that the runtime of Randomised QuickSort exceeds average by $x\% = n^{-\frac{x}{100} \ln \ln n}$.

4.2. Geometric Distribution

- Suppose $X \sim Geo(p)$, then $E(X) = \frac{1}{p}$.

5. Hashing

5.1. Universal Hashing

- Suppose \mathcal{H} is a set of hash functions mapping U to $[M]$. We say \mathcal{H} is universal if:

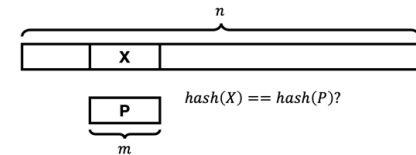
$$\forall x \neq y, \frac{|\{h \in \mathcal{H} : h(x) = h(y)\}|}{|\mathcal{H}|} \leq \frac{1}{M}$$

That is, if we choose h randomly from \mathcal{H} , then for any $x \neq y$, the probability of them having the same hash value is smaller than or equal to $\frac{1}{M}$.

- Indicator Variable: $X = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if event } A \text{ occurs} \\ 0, & \text{if event } A \text{ does not occur} \end{cases}$
 - For n elements, the expected number of collisions between any pair of them is: $\binom{n}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{M}$

5.2. Karp-Rabin Algorithm

- Faster string equality:
 - Total runtime for pattern matching $= |hash_p| + (n - m + 1)(hash_x + O(1))$



- Rolling hash – Division Hash:

- Choose p to be a random prime number in the range $\{1, \dots, K\}$.
- Define, for any integer $x, h_p(x) = x \bmod p$.

- Useful fact: Number of prime numbers in $\{1, \dots, K\} > K / \ln K$.

- Hence, if $0 \leq x < y < 2^b$, then

$$\Pr(h_p(x) == h_p(y)) < \frac{b \ln K}{K}$$

- Set $K = 200mn \ln(200mn)$. Then the probability of getting a false positive is $< 1\%$.

- Roll from $T[1, \dots, m]$ to $T[2, \dots, m + 1]$:

$$h_p(X') = (h_p(X) - T[1] \cdot h_p(2^{m-1})) \cdot 2 + T[m + 1] \pmod{p}$$

- Monte-Carlo Algorithm

1. Pick random prime p from $\{1, [200mn \ln 200mn]\}$.
2. Compute $h_p(P)$, $h_p(2^m)$ and $h_p(T[1, \dots, m])$.
3. Check if $h_p(P) == h_p(T[1, \dots, m])$.
4. Start rolling and check each substring equality.

- Runtime: $O(m + n)$
- Error probability: $< 1\%$

6. Amortized Analysis

6.1. Aggregate Method

- Average cost of n operations:

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t(i)}{n}$$

6.2. Accounting Method

- Basic idea: Save additional money for fast method, use the saved money for costly method.

6.3. Potential Method

$$c_i = t_i + \phi(i) - \phi(i - 1)$$

- c_i : Amortised cost of i -th operation
- t_i : True cost of i -th operation
- ϕ : Potential function associated with the algorithm/data structure
- $\phi(i)$: Potential at the end of i -th operation
- $c_i = t_i + \phi(i) - \phi(i - 1)$

7. Dynamic Programming

7.1. Knapsack Problem

Given W , the total weight that a knapsack can hold, and a set of items (w_i, v_i) where $i = 1, \dots, n$ with weight w_i and value v_i , what is the optimal strategy to get the highest value?

1. Initialise a table m of size $n \times W$.
2. **for** $i = 1, \dots, n$ **do**
 for $j = 0, \dots, W$ **do**
 if $j \geq W[i]$ **then**
 $m[i, j] \leftarrow \max(m[i - 1, j - W[i]] + v[i], m[i - 1, j])$
 else
 $m[i, j] = m[i - 1, j]$
3. **Return** $m[n, W]$.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	j
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4
2	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	6	6	6	
3	0	2	2	2	10	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	
4	0	2	3	3	10	12	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	
5	0	2	3	4	10	12	13	14	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	i

8. Greedy Algorithm

8.1. Correctness of Greedy Algorithm

Optimal Substructure

1. Suppose S is any optimal solution, and S contains item i .
2. Claim: $S - \{i\}$ is optimal for the subproblem with i removed and *necessary changes made* (e.g. n to $n - 1$).
3. Cut & Paste Proof: Assume instead T is the optimal solution to the subproblem, then $T + \{i\}$ would be optimal for the current problem, leading to contradiction.

Greedy-Choice Property

1. Suppose i is the element that is chosen greedily (e.g. max).
2. Claim: There exists an optimal solution that contains i .
3. Proof: Suppose there is an optimal solution that does not contain i . By replacing any item in the solution with i , the solution will become *more or as optimal* (elaboration), leading to contradiction.

Conclusion

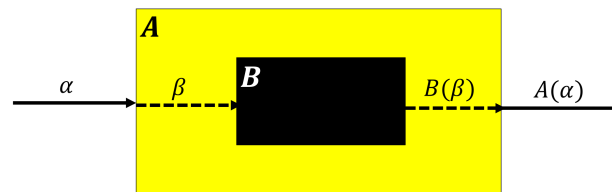
By Greedy-Choice Property, the *greedily chosen* (elaboration) element is in the optimal solution. By Optimal Substructure, this can be combined with solutions to remaining subproblems.

9. Reduction and Intractability

9.1. Reduction

- Polynomial-time Reduction: $A \leq_p B$ if there exists a $p(n)$ time reduction from A to B where $p(n) = O(n^c)$ for some constant c .
- Correctness of Reduction

1. Reduction runs in polynomial time.
2. If α is a YES-instance of A , then β is a YES-instance of B .
3. If β is a YES-instance of B , then α is a YES-instance of A .



9.2. NP-Completeness

Proof of NP

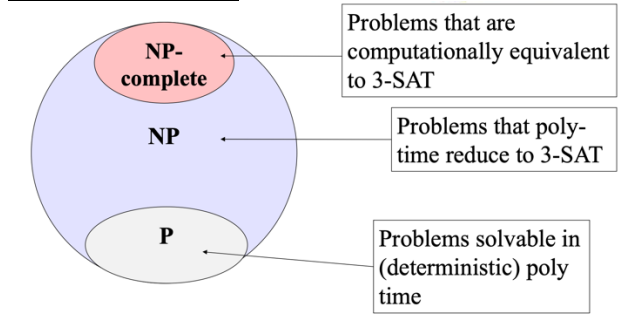
A YES-instance has a certificate that can be verified in polynomial time.

Proof of NP-hard

To show that a valid polynomial time reduction exists from another NP-hard problem A .

1. The reduction should run in polynomial time.
2. If the instance of the current problem X is a YES-instance, then the corresponding instance of A is also a YES-instance.
3. If the instance of A is a YES-instance, then the corresponding instance of X is also a YES instance.

9.3. Complexity Classes



Good luck!

Additional Thoughts

This module is quite with intuition.