

03 – Randomization



Randomization

- **Types** of randomized algorithms
- Randomized **Quicksort**
- Randomized **primality test**
- **Cryptography**
- Verifying **matrix multiplication**

1. Types of randomized algorithms

- **Las Vegas algorithms**

Always correct; expected running time

Example: randomized Quicksort

- **Monte Carlo algorithms** (mostly correct)

Probably correct; guaranteed running time

Example: randomized primality test

2. Quicksort

Input: List S of n distinct elements over a totally ordered universe.

Output: The elements of S in (ascending) sorted order.

Idea of Quicksort: Identify a splitter $v \in S$.

Determine set S_l of elements of S that are $< v$.

Determine set S_r of elements of S that are $> v$.

Sort S_l , S_r recursively.

Output sorted sequence of S_l , followed by v ,

followed by sorted sequence S_r .

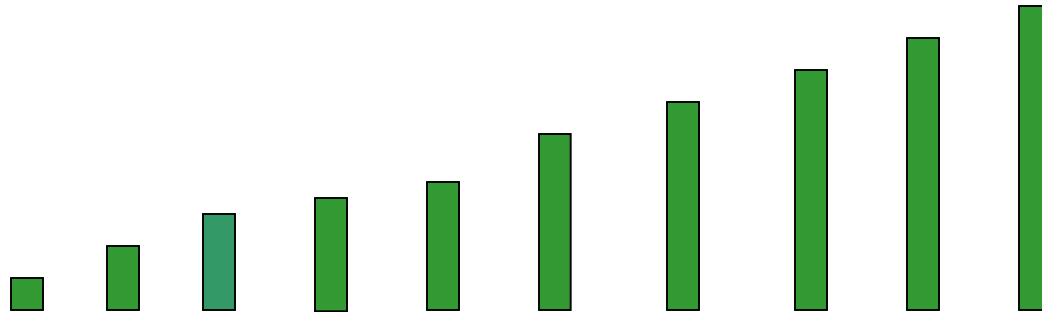
Quicksort



```

function Quick (S: sequence): sequence;
{returns the sorted sequence S}
begin
  if #S ≤ 1 then Quick:=S;
  else { choose splitter element v in S;
        partition S into Sl with elements < v,
        and Sr with elements > v;
        Quick:= Quick(Sl) | v | Quick(Sr) }
end;
  
```

Worst-case input



n elements

Running time: $(n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 2 + 1 = n(n-1)/2$

Choice of the splitter element

Suppose that a splitter v with $|S_l| \leq n/2$ and $|S_r| \leq n/2$ can be found in cn step.

Then $T(n) \leq 2 T(n/2) + an$, for some $a \geq c$, and $T(n) \leq an \log n$.

$T(k)$ = worst-case number of steps to sort k elements

Problem: Find splitter v with above property.

But: Running time of $O(n \log n)$ can be maintained if S_l, S_r have roughly equal size, i.e. $\frac{1}{4} |S| \leq |S_l|, |S_r| \leq \frac{3}{4} |S|$.

Thus randomly chosen splitter is „good“ with probability $\geq \frac{1}{2}$.

Randomized Quicksort



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function RandQuick (S: sequence): sequence;
{returns the sorted sequence S}
begin
  if #S ≤ 1 then Quick:=S;
  else { choose splitter element v in S uniformly at random;
        partition S into Sl with elements < v,
        and Sr with elements > v;
        RandQuick:= RandQuick(Sl) | v | RandQuick(Sr) }
end;

```


Analysis 1

n elements; let s_i be the i -th smallest element

With probability $1/n$, s_1 is the splitter element:
subproblems of sizes 0 and $n-1$

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With probability $1/n$, s_k is the splitter element:
subproblems of sizes $k-1$ and $n-k$

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With probability $1/n$, s_n is the splitter element:
subproblems of sizes $n-1$ and 0

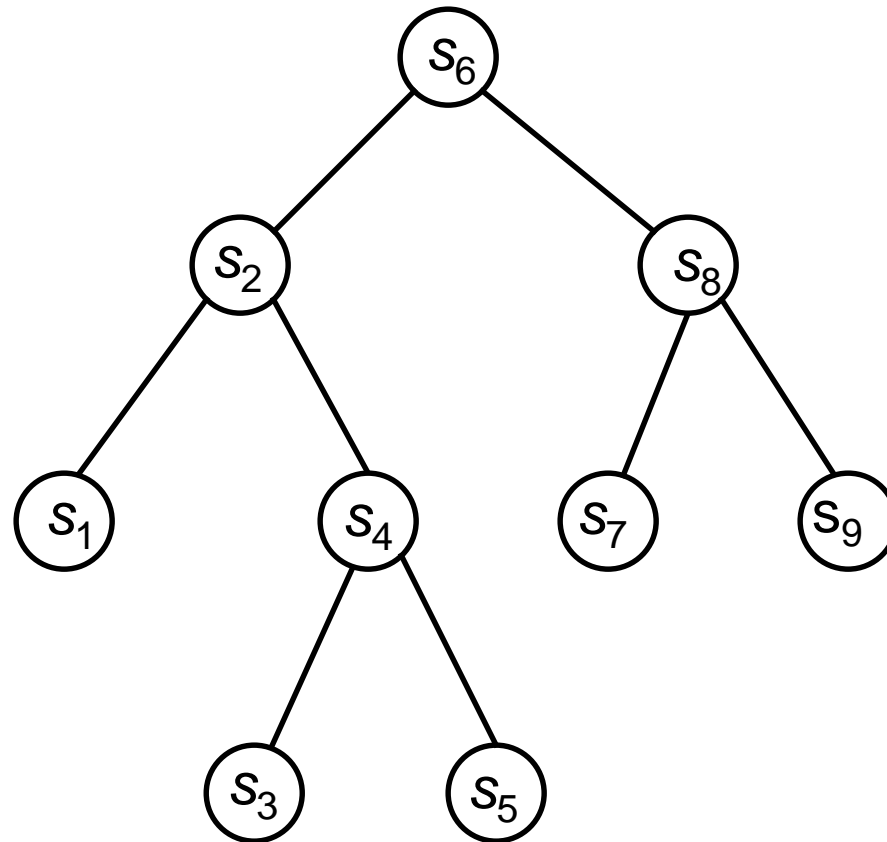
Expected running time:

$$T(n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n (T(k-1) + T(n-k)) + \Theta(n)$$

$$= \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n T(k-1) + \Theta(n)$$

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

Analysis 2: Representation of QS as a tree



Analysis 2: expected #comparisons

Running time is linear in the number of element comparisons.

$$X_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s_i \text{ is compared to } s_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j>i} X_{ij}\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j>i} E[X_{ij}]$$

p_{ij} = probability that s_i is compared to s_j

$$E[X_{ij}] = 1 \cdot p_{ij} + 0 \cdot (1 - p_{ij}) = p_{ij}$$

Computing p_{ij}

- s_i is compared to s_j iff s_i or s_j are chosen as pivot element before any s_l , $i < l < j$.
 $\{s_i \dots s_l \dots s_j\}$
- Any element s_i, \dots, s_j is chosen as pivot element with the same probability. Hence $p_{ij} = 2 / (j-i+1)$

Expected number of comparisons:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j>i} p_{ij} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j>i} \frac{2}{j-i+1} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=2}^{n-i+1} \frac{2}{k} \\ &\leq 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \\ &= 2n \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$H_n = \sum_{k=1}^n 1/k \approx \ln n$$

3. Primality test

Definition:

A natural number $p \geq 2$ is **prime** iff $a \mid p$ implies that $a = 1$ or $a = p$.

We consider primality tests for numbers $n \geq 2$.

Algorithm: **Deterministic primality test** (naive approach)

Input: Natural number $n \geq 2$

Output: Answer to the question „Is n prime?“

```
if  $n = 2$  then return true;
if  $n$  even then return false;
for  $i = 1$  to  $\lfloor \sqrt{n}/2 \rfloor$  do
    if  $2i + 1$  divides  $n$ 
        then return false;
return true;
```

Running time: $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$

Primality test

Goal:

Randomized algorithm

- Polynomial running time.
- If it returns “not prime”, then n is not prime.
- If it returns “prime”, then with probability at most p , $p > 0$, n is composite.

After k iterations: If algorithm always returns “prime”, then with probability at most p^k , n is composite.

Simple primality test

Fact: For any odd prime number p : $2^{p-1} \bmod p = 1$.

Examples: $p = 17$, $2^{16} - 1 = 65535 = 17 * 3855$

$p = 23$, $2^{22} - 1 = 4194303 = 23 * 182361$

Simple primality test:

- 1 Compute $z = 2^{n-1} \bmod n$;
- 2 **if** $z = 1$
- 3 **then** n is possibly prime
- 4 **else** n is composite

Advantage: polynomial running time.

Simple primality test

Definition:

A natural number $n \geq 2$ is a **base-2 pseudoprime** if n is composite and
$$2^{n-1} \bmod n = 1.$$

Example: $n = 11 * 31 = 341$

$$2^{340} \bmod 341 = 1$$

Randomized primality test

Theorem: (Fermat's little theorem)

If p is prime and $0 < a < p$, then

$$a^{p-1} \bmod p = 1.$$

Example: $n = 341$, $a = 3$: $3^{340} \bmod 341 = 56 \neq 1$

Algorithm: Randomized primality test

- 1 Choose a in the range $[2, n-1]$ uniformly at random;
- 2 Compute $a^{n-1} \bmod n$;
- 3 **if** $a^{n-1} \bmod n = 1$
- 4 **then** n is probably prime
- 5 **else** n is composite

Prob(n is composite but $a^{n-1} \bmod n = 1$) ?

Problem: Carmichael numbers

Definition:

A natural number $n \geq 2$ is a **base- a pseudoprime** if n is composite and

$$a^{n-1} \bmod n = 1.$$

Definition: A number $n \geq 2$ is a **Carmichael number** if n is composite and for any a with $\text{GCD}(a, n) = 1$ we have

$$a^{n-1} \bmod n = 1.$$

Example:

Smallest Carmichael number: $561 = 3 * 11 * 17$

Randomized primality test

Theorem: If p is prime and $0 < a < p$, then the equation

$$a^2 \bmod p = 1$$

has exactly the two solutions $a = 1$ and $a = p - 1$.

Definition: A number a is a **non-trivial square root mod n** if

$$a^2 \bmod n = 1 \text{ and } a \neq 1, n - 1.$$

Example: $n = 35$ $6^2 \bmod 35 = 1$

Idea: While computing a^{n-1} , where $0 < a < n$ is chosen uniformly at random, check if a non-trivial square root mod n exists.

Fast exponentiation

Method for computing a^n :

Case 1: [n is even]

$$a^n = a^{n/2} * a^{n/2}$$

Case 2: [n is odd]

$$a^n = a^{(n-1)/2} * a^{(n-1)/2} * a$$

Running time: $O(\log^2 a^n \log n)$

Fast exponentiation

Example:

$$a^{62} = (a^{31})^2$$

$$a^{31} = (a^{15})^2 * a$$

$$a^{15} = (a^7)^2 * a$$

$$a^7 = (a^3)^2 * a$$

$$a^3 = (a)^2 * a$$

Fast exponentiation

`boolean` isProbablyPrime;

```
function power(int a, int p, int n){
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    /* computes  $a^p \bmod n$  and checks if a number  $x$  with  $x^2 \bmod n = 1$   
    and  $x \neq 1, n-1$  occurs during the computation */
```

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    if  $p = 0$  then return 1;
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     $x :=$  power( $a, p \text{ div } 2, n$ );
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    result :=  $x * x \bmod n$ ;
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```
    /* check if  $x^2 \bmod n = 1$  and  $x \neq 1, n-1$  */
```

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    if result = 1 and  $x \neq 1$  and  $x \neq n - 1$  then isProbablyPrime := false;
```

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    if  $p \bmod 2 = 1$  then result :=  $a * \text{result} \bmod n$ ;
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    return result;
```

```
}
```

Running time: $O(\log p \cdot \log n \cdot \log (\max\{a, n\}))$

Miller Rabin primality test

```
primeTest(int n) {  
    /* executes the randomized primality test for a chosen at random */  
  
    a := random(2, n-1);  
  
    isProbablyPrime: = true;  
  
    result := power(a, n-1, n);  
  
    if result ≠ 1 or !isProbablyPrime then  
        return false;  
    else return true;  
  
}
```

Miller Rabin primality test

Theorem:

If n is composite, then there are at most

$$\frac{n-9}{4}$$

numbers $0 < a < n$ for which the algorithm `primeTest` fails.

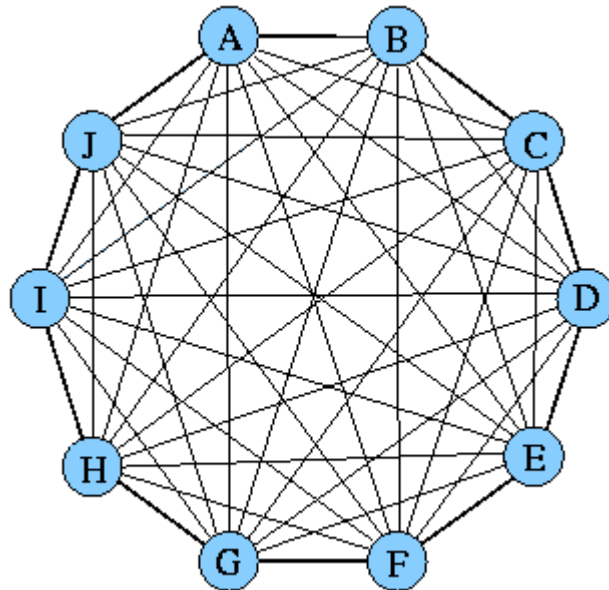
Public-Key Cryptosystems

Secret key cryptosystems

Traditional encryption of messages

Disadvantages:

1. Prior to transmission of the message, the key k has to be exchanged between the parties A und B.
2. For encryption of messages between n parties, $n(n-1)/2$ keys are required.



Secret key encryption systems

Advantage:

Encryption and decryption are fast.

Public-key cryptosystems

Diffie and Hellman (1976)

Idea: Each participant A holds **two** keys:

1. A **public** key P_A , accessible to all other participants.
2. A **secret** key S_A that is kept secret.

Public-key cryptosystems

D = Set of all valid messages,
e.g. set of all bitstrings of finite length

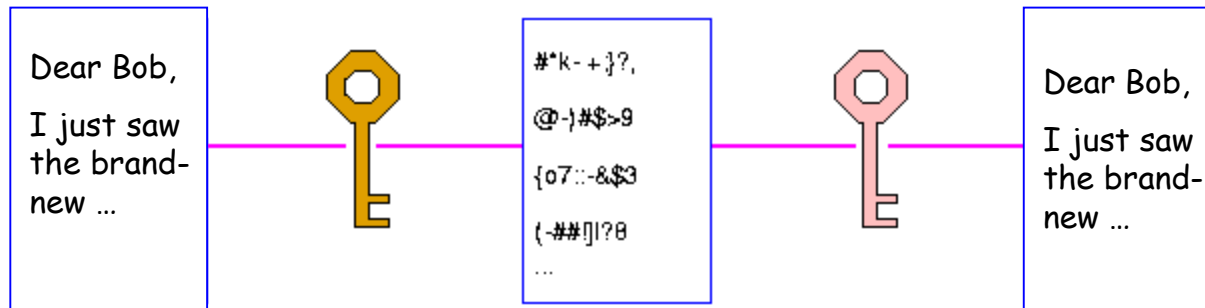
$$P_A(\cdot), S_A(\cdot): D \xrightarrow{1-1} D$$

Three constraints:

1. $P_A()$, $S_A()$ efficiently computable
2. $S_A(P_A(M)) = M$ and $P_A(S_A(M)) = M$
3. $S_A()$ is not computable from $P_A()$ (with realistic effort)

Encryption in a public-key system

A sends a message M to B :



Encryption in a public key system

1. A receives B 's public key P_B from a public directory or directly from B .
2. A computes the ciphertext $C = P_B(M)$ and sends it to B .
3. After receiving message C , B decrypts the message using his secret key S_B : $M = S_B(C)$

Generating a digital signature

A sends a digitally signed message M' to B:

1. A computes the digital signature σ for M' using her secret key:

$$\sigma = S_A(M')$$

2. A sends the pair (M', σ) to B.

3. After receiving (M', σ) , B checks the digital signature:

$$P_A(\sigma) = M'$$

Anybody is able to check σ using P_A (e.g. for bank checks).

RSA cryptosystem

R. Rivest, A. Shamir, L. Adleman

Generating the public and secret keys:

1. Select at random two large primes p and q of $l+1$ bits ($l > 2000$).
2. Compute $n = pq$.
3. Select a natural number e is that is relatively prime to $(p-1)(q-1)$.
4. Compute $d = e^{-1}$
 $d * e \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$

RSA cryptosystem

5. Publish $P = (e, n)$ as public key.
6. Keep $S = (d, n)$ as secret key.

Split the (binary coded) message into blocks of length $2l$.
Interpret each block M as a binary number: $0 \leq M < 2^{2l}$

$$P(M) = M^e \text{ mod } n \quad S(C) = C^d \text{ mod } n$$

Recovering a message

To show: $S_A(P_A(M)) = P_A(S_A(M)) = M^{ed} \bmod n = M$, for any $0 \leq M < 2^{2l}$.

Theorem: (Fermat's little theorem)

If p is prime, then for any integer a that is not divisible by p ,

$$a^{p-1} \bmod p = 1.$$

Since $d \cdot e \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$ there holds $ed = 1 + k(p-1)(q-1)$, for some integer k .

Suppose that $M \bmod p \neq 0$. Then by Fermat's little theorem,

$$M^{p-1} \bmod p = 1 \text{ and thus } M^{k(p-1)(q-1)} \bmod p = 1.$$

Hence $M^{ed} \bmod p = M^{1+k(p-1)(q-1)} \bmod p = M \bmod p$, and $M^{ed} - M = l_1 p$, for some integer l_1 .

If $M \bmod p = 0$, then again $M^{ed} - M = l_2 p$, for some integer l_2 .

Recovering a message

In any case, for any M , $M^{ed} - M = l \cdot p$, for some integer l .

Similarly, for any M , $M^{ed} - M = l' \cdot q$, for some integer l' .

Since p and q are prime numbers, $M^{ed} - M = l^* pq$, for some integer l^* .

We conclude that, for any M , there holds $M^{ed} \bmod n = M$.

Multiplicative inverse

Theorem: (GCD recursion theorem)

For any numbers a and b with $b > 0$:

$$\text{GCD}(a,b) = \text{GCD}(b, a \bmod b).$$

Algorithm: Euclid

Input: Two integers a and b with $b \geq 0$

Output: $\text{GCD}(a,b)$

if $b = 0$

then return a

else return $\text{Euclid}(b, a \bmod b)$

Multiplicative inverse

Algorithm: extended-Euclid

Input: Two integers a and b with $b \geq 0$

Output: $\text{GCD}(a,b)$ and two integers x and y with
 $xa + yb = \text{GCD}(a,b)$

if $b = 0$ **then return** $(a, 1, 0)$;

$(d, x', y') := \text{extended-Euclid}(b, a \bmod b)$;

$x := y'$; $y := x' - \lfloor a/b \rfloor y'$;

return (d, x, y) ;

Application: $a = (p-1)(q-1)$, $b = e$

The algorithm returns numbers x and y with

$$x(p-1)(q-1) + ye = \text{GCD}((p-1)(q-1), e) = 1$$

5. Verifying matrix multiplication

Problem: Three $n \times n$ matrices A , B and C . Verify whether or not $AB=C$.

Simple solution: Multiply A , B and compare to C .

$O(n^3)$ multiplications/operations, can be reduced to roughly $O(n^{2.37})$.

Goal: Design fast verification algorithm that may err with a certain probability.

Verifying matrix multiplication

Algorithm: Choose $\vec{r} = (r_1, \dots, r_n) \in \{0,1\}^n$ uniformly at random.
Compute $AB\vec{r}$ by first computing $B\vec{r}$ and then $A(B\vec{r})$.
Then compute $C\vec{r}$.
If $A(B\vec{r}) \neq C\vec{r}$, then return $AB \neq C$. Otherwise return $AB = C$.

Running time: $O(n^2)$

Theorem: If $AB \neq C$ and if \vec{r} is chosen uniformly at random from $\{0,1\}^n$, then $\Pr[AB\vec{r} = C\vec{r}] \leq \frac{1}{2}$.

We next prove this theorem.

Law of Total Probability: Let Ω be a probability space and A_1, \dots, A_n be mutually disjoint events. Let B be an event with $B \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$. Then

$$\Pr[B] = \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[B \cap A_i] = \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr[B | A_i] \Pr[A_i].$$

By assumption $AB \neq C$. Hence $D := AB - C \neq 0$ and the matrix D contains at least one non-zero entry $d_{ij} \neq 0$.

On the other hand, $AB\vec{r} = C\vec{r}$ translates to $D\vec{r} = 0$.

Let $P = D\vec{r} = (p_1, \dots, p_n)^T$.

There holds $p_i = \sum_{k=1}^n d_{ik} r_k = d_{ij} r_j + y$, for some constant y .

Analysis

Hence

$$\Pr[P = 0]$$

$$\leq \Pr[p_i = 0] = \Pr[p_i = 0 \mid y = 0] \cdot \Pr[y = 0] + \Pr[p_i = 0 \mid y \neq 0] \cdot \Pr[y \neq 0].$$

There holds:

$$\Pr[p_i = 0 \mid y = 0] = \Pr[r_i = 0] = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Pr[p_i = 0 \mid y \neq 0] = \Pr[r_i = 1 \wedge d_{ij} = -y] \leq \Pr[r_i = 1] = \frac{1}{2}.$$

We conclude

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[P = 0] &\leq \Pr[p_i = 0] \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \Pr[y = 0] + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \Pr[y \neq 0] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \Pr[y = 0] + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (1 - \Pr[y = 0]) = \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Analysis

Repeating the algorithm k times reduces the error probability to $1/2^k$, using a running time of $O(kn^2)$.

For $k=100$, the error probability is upper bounded by $1/2^k$, while the running time is still $O(n^2)$.