Data Structures and Algorithm Analysis (CSC317)

Randomized Algorithms (part 3)

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Prelims:

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This is for analysis, not that we presort!

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- Consider Z_i ; Z_j with indices i<j

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Example:
A=[8 1 6 4 0 3 9 5]; zi=3; zj=9
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When will two elements be compared?

Only if one of them (3 or 9) is chosen as a pivot, since in Partition, each element compared only with pivot. They will then never be compared again, since pivot is not in the subsequent recursions to Partition

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When will two elements *not* be compared?

If pivot=5, then none of [8 6 9] will be compared to [1 4 0 3], so zi and zj not compared. Not in this call of partition, or any other call, since these sets will then be separated

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Consider i<j and set $Z_{ij} = z_i, z_{i+1}, ..., z_j$

Not necessarily in order in array A

- This set will remain together in calls to Partition, unless one of them is a pivot
- Because otherwise pivot will be smaller than i or larger than j, so these will remain together

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- If i or j chosen first as pivot within this set, they'll be compared
- Otherwise, another element will be chosen as pivot, and they will be separated
- Since (j-i+1) elements in this set, the prob of any element as pivot:

$$\overline{j-i+1}$$

Pr { zi compared to zj } =

Pr { zi or zj chosen first as pivot in Zij } =

(since mutually exclusive)

=

Pr { zi first element chosen from Zij } +
Pr { zj first element chosen from Zij }

$$\frac{1}{j-i+1} + \frac{1}{j-i+1} = \frac{2}{j-i+1}$$

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 (Change of var: k = j-i)

 $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-i} \frac{2}{k+1} < \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-i} \frac{2}{k} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} O(\log n) = O(n\log n)$

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- 1st, 2nd, 3rd, smallest or largest; median ...
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- 3. **if** min>A[i]
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O(n) on average with randomized algorithm

Amazing that (at least on average) similar to finding just minimum!

Randomized-Select(A,p,r,i)

1 if p==r // base case

2 return A[p]



3 q=Randomized-Partition(A,p,r)

4 k=q-p+1 // number elements from left up to pivot

5 **if** i==k // pivot is the ith smallest!

- 6 **return** A[q]
- 7 **elseif** i<k
- 8 **return** Randomized-Select(A,p,q-1,i) // ith smallest left
- 9 **else return** Randomized-Select(A,q+1,r,i-k) //on right

Randomized-Select(A,p,r,i)

Example:



 $A = [4 \ 1 \ 6 \ 5 \ 3]$

i=3

(find 2nd smallest; 3rd smallest element On the board...)



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Answer: Only one recursion (left or right); not two



Analysis

Worst case:
$$T(n) = T(n-1) + \Theta(n)$$

= $\Theta(n^2)$
always partition around largest remaining

element, and recursion on array size n-1

Worse than a good sorting scheme!



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Master theorem....
$$n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_{10/9} 1} = n^0 = 1$$
$$f(n) = \Theta(n)$$
$$T(n) = \Theta(n)$$

Average case solution also good! $\Theta(n)$

We won't prove, but similar to Quicksort....