

Theory I Algorithm Design and Analysis

(9 – Randomized algorithms)

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Randomized algorithms



- Classes of randomized algorithms
- Randomized Quicksort
- Randomized primality test
- Cryptography





• Las Vegas algorithms

always correct; expected running time ("probably fast")

Example: randomized Quicksort

• Monte Carlo algorithms (mostly correct): probably correct; guaranteed running time

Example: randomized primality test



2. Quicksort

Unsorted range *A*[*I*, *r*] in array *A*

$$A[l \dots r-1] \qquad p$$

$$A[l \dots m-1] \qquad p \qquad A[m+1\dots r]$$
Quicksort
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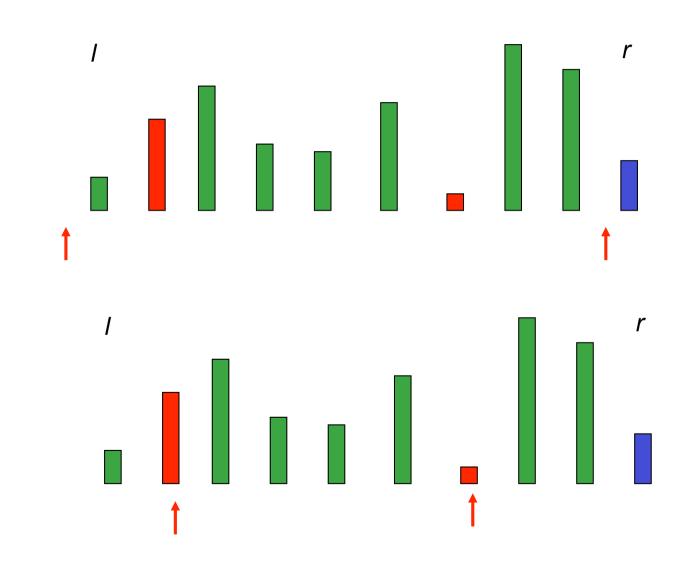
Algorithm: Quicksort

Input: unsorted range [*l*, *r*] in array *A* Output: sorted range [*l*, *r*] in array *A* 1 if r > l2 then choose pivot element p = A[r]3 m = divide(A, l, r) /* Divide *A* according to *p*: $A[l],...,A[m - 1] \le p \le A[m + 1],...,A[r]$ */

4 Quicksort(*A*, *I*, *m* - 1) Quicksort (*A*, *m* + 1, *r*)

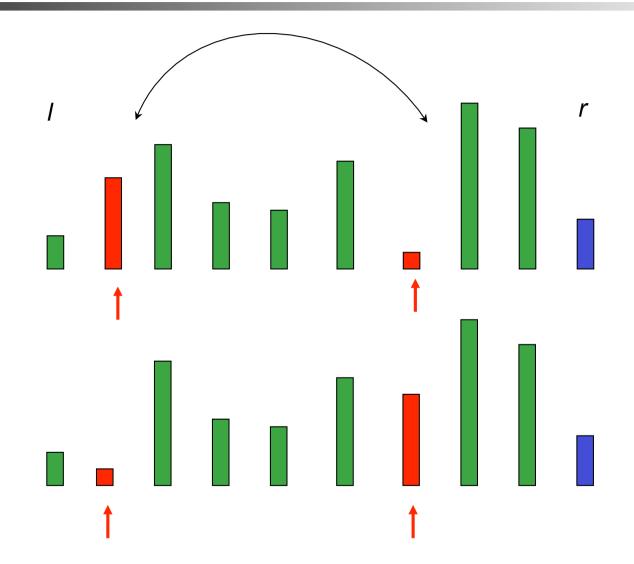


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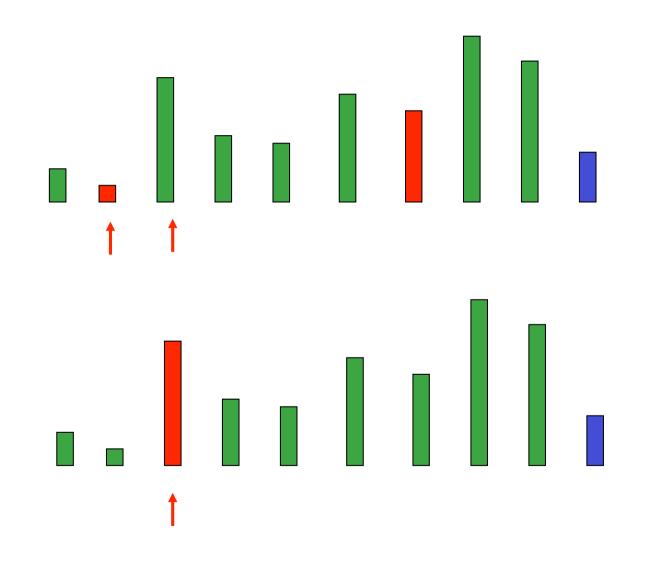


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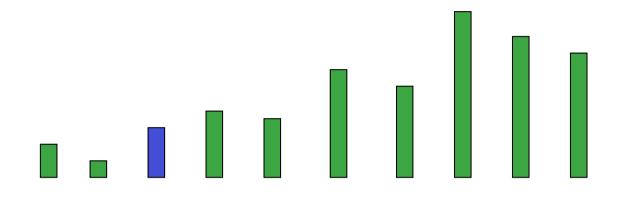




The divide step







divide(A, I, r):

- returns the index of the pivot element in A
- can be done in time O(r l)





n elements:

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



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Algorithm: Quicksort
Input: unsorted range [I, r] in array A
Output: sorted range [I, r] in array A
1
   if r > l
2
         then randomly choose a pivot element p = A[i] in range [I, r]
3
              swap A[i] and A[r]
              m = divide(A, I, r)
4
              /* Divide A according to p:
           A[1],...,A[m-1] \le p \le A[m+1],...,A[r]
            */
              Quicksort(A, I, m - 1)
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              Quicksort(A, m + 1, r)
6
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Analysis 1



n elements; let S_i be the *i*-th smallest element

 S_1 is chosen as pivot with probability 1/*n*: Sub-problems of sizes 0 and *n*-1

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 S_k is chosen as pivot with probability 1/n: Sub-problems of sizes k-1 and n-k

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 S_n is chosen as pivot with probability 1/n: Sub-problems of sizes n-1 and 0



Expected running time:

Analysis 1

$$T(n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (T(k) + T(n - k - 1)) + \Theta(n)$$

= $\frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} T(k) + \Theta(n)$
= $O(n \lg n)$

4. Primality test



Definition:

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An integer p \ge 2 is prime iff (a \mid p \rightarrow a = 1 \text{ or } a = p).
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Algorithm: deterministic primality test (naive) Input: integer $n \ge 2$ Output: answer to the question: Is *n* prime? if n = 2 then return true if *n* even then return false for i = 1 to $\sqrt{n/2}$ do if 2i + 1 divides *n* then return false return true

Complexity: $\Theta(\sqrt{n/2})$

Primality test



Goal:

Randomized method

- Polynomial time complexity (in the length of the input)
- If answer is "not prime", then *n* is not prime
- If answer is "prime", then the probability that n is not prime is at most p>0

k iterations: probability that n is not prime is at most p^k

Primality test



Observation:

Each odd prime number p divides $2^{p-1} - 1$.

Examples: p = 17, $2^{16} - 1 = 65535 = 17 * 3855$ p = 23, $2^{22} - 1 = 4194303 = 23 * 182361$

Simple primality test:

- 1 Calculate $z = 2^{n-1} \mod n$
- 2 if z = 1
- 3 then *n* is possibly prime
- 4 else *n* is definitely not prime

Advantage: This only takes polynomial time



Definition:

n is called **pseudoprime** to base 2, if *n* is not prime and $2^{n-1} \mod n = 1$.

Example: *n* = 11 * 31 = 341

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



Theorem: (Fermat's little theorem) If *p* prime and 0 < a < p, then $a^{p-1} \mod p = 1$.

Definition:

n is pseudoprime to base *a*, if *n* not prime and $a^{n-1} \mod n = 1$.

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



Algorithm: Randomized primality test 1

- 1 Randomly choose $a \in [2, n-1]$
- 2 Calculate $a^{n-1} \mod n$
- 3 **if** $a^{n-1} \mod n = 1$
- 4 **then** *n* is possibly prime
- 5 **else** *n* is definitely not prime

 $Prob(n \text{ is not prim, but } a^{n-1} \mod n = 1)$?

Carmichael numbers



Problem: Carmichael numbers

Definition: An integer *n* is called **Carmichael number** if $a^{n-1} \mod n = 1$ for all *a* with GCD(*a*, *n*) = 1. (GCD = greatest common divisor)

Example:

Smallest Carmichael number: 561 = 3 * 11 * 17



Theorem:

If *p* prime and 0 < a < p, then the only solutions to the equation $a^2 \mod p = 1$ are a = 1 and a = p - 1.

Definition:

a is called non-trivial square root of 1 mod *n*, if $a^2 \mod n = 1$ and $a \neq 1, n - 1$.

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



Idea:

During the computation of a^{n-1} (0 < a < n randomly chosen), test whether there is a non-trivial square root mod *n*.

Method for the computation of *a*^{*n*}:

Case 1: [*n* is even] $a^n = a^{n/2} * a^{n/2}$

Case 2: [*n* is odd] $a^n = a^{(n-1)/2} * a^{(n-1)/2} *$



Example:

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

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

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

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

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

Complexity: O(log²aⁿ log n)



boolean isProbablyPrime;

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power(int a, int p, int n) {
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/* computes $a^p \mod n$ and checks during the
 computation whether there is an x with
 $x^2 \mod n = 1$ and $x \neq 1$, n-1 */

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if (p == 0) return 1;
x = power(a, p/2, n)
result = (x * x) % n;
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/* check whether x<sup>2</sup> mod n = 1 and x ≠ 1, n-1 */
if (result == 1 && x != 1 && x != n -1 )
    isProbablyPrime = false;

if (p % 2 == 1)
    result = (a * result) % n;
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return result;
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}

Complexity: $O(\log^2 n \log p)$



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primalityTest(int n) {
    /* carries out the randomized primality test for
       a randomly selected a */
    a = random(2, n-1);
    isProbablyPrime = true;
    result = power(a, n-1, n);
    if (result != 1 || !isProbablyPrime)
        return false;
    else
        return true;
}
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Theorem:

If *n* is not prime, there are at most

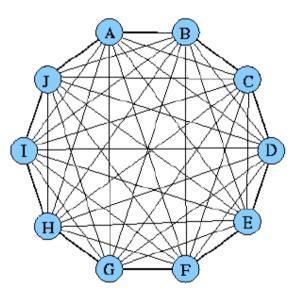
$\frac{n-9}{4}$

integers 0 < a < n, for which the algorithm primalityTest fails.



Traditional encryption of messages with secret keys Disadvantages:

- 1. The key *k* has to be exchanged between A and B before the transmission of the message.
- 2. For messages between *n* parties n(n-1)/2 keys are required.



Advantage:

Encryption and decryption can be computed very efficiently.

Duties of security providers



Guarantee...

- confidential transmission
- integrity of data
- authenticity of the sender
- reliable transmission



Diffie and Hellman (1976)

Idea: Each participant A has two keys:

- 1. a public key P_A accessible to every other participant
- 2. a private (or: secret) key S_A only known to A.

Public-key cryptosystems



D = set of all legal messages, e.g. the set of all bit strings of finite length

$$P_A, S_A: D \xrightarrow{_{1-1}} D$$

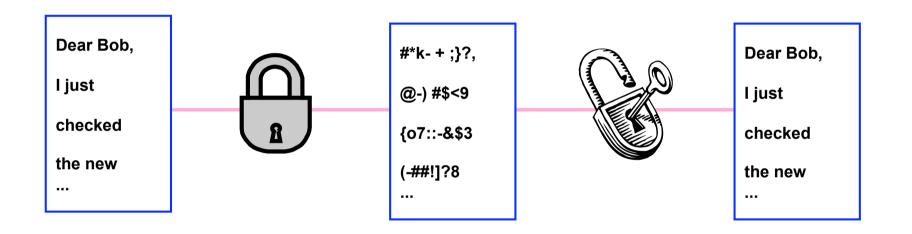
Three conditions:

- 1. P_A and S_A can be computed efficiently
- 2. $S_A(P_A(M)) = M$ and $P_A(S_A(M)) = M$ (P_A , S_A are inverse functions)
- 3. S_A cannot be computed from P_A (without unreasonable effort)

Encryption in a public-key system



A sends a message M to B.





- 1. **A** accesses **B**'s public key P_B (from a public directory or directly from *B*).
- 2. **A** computes the encrypted message $C = P_B(M)$ and sends C to **B**.
- 3. After **B** has received message **C**, **B** decrypts the message with his own private key $S_B: M = S_B(C)$



A sends a digitally signed message M' to **B**:

1. **A** computes the digital signature σ for M' with her own private key:

 $\sigma = S_A(M')$

- 2. **A** sends the pair (M', σ) to **B**.
- 3. After receiving (M', σ), **B** verifies the digital signature:

 $P_{A}(\sigma) = M'$

 σ can by verified by anybody via the public P_A .





R. Rivest, A. Shamir, L. Adleman

Generating the public and private keys:

- 1. Randomly select two primes p and q of similar size, each with *I*+1 bits (*I* ≥ 500).
- 2. Let $n = p \cdot q$
- 3. Let *e* be an integer that does not divide $(p 1) \cdot (q 1)$.
- 4. Calculate $d = e^{-1} \mod (p 1)(q 1)$

i.e.:

$$d \cdot e \equiv 1 \mod (p - 1)(q - 1)$$





5. Publish P = (e, n) as public key

6. Keep S = (d, n) as private key

Divide message (represented in binary) in blocks of size 2·*I*. Interpret each block *M* as a binary number: $0 \le M < 2^{2 \cdot I}$

 $P(M) = M^e \mod n$ $S(C) = C^d \mod n$