

Overview of Randomized algorithm
(Example: Hire and Fire Problem)

Hire assistant (n) →

{ best ← 0 // candidate 0 is a least qualified dummy candidate

for i ← 1 to n

do interview candidate i

if candidate i is better than candidate best

then best ← i

hire candidate i

}

- Cost $O(nc_i + mC_h)$
- Worst Case :- hire all n candidates
- Probabilistic analysis :-

* Use knowledge of or make assumption about the distribution of inputs

- Randomized algorithm :- use when input distribution is not known or cannot be modeled computationally
- Enforce random order if required.

Probabilistic Analysis -

For the hiring problem, we can assume that candidates come in random order

- * Assign a rank (i) , a unique integer in the range 1 to n to each candidate
- * The order list $\langle \text{rank}(1), \text{rank}(2), \dots, \text{rank}(n) \rangle$ is a permutation of the candidate numbers $\langle 1, 2, \dots, n \rangle$
- * Determine the no. of candidates who will be hired on an average assuming that the permutation of their ranks is (uniformly distributed)

Randomized - Hire assistant (n)

Randomly permute the list of candidate

best $\leftarrow 0$ // dummy variable

for $i \leftarrow 1$ to n

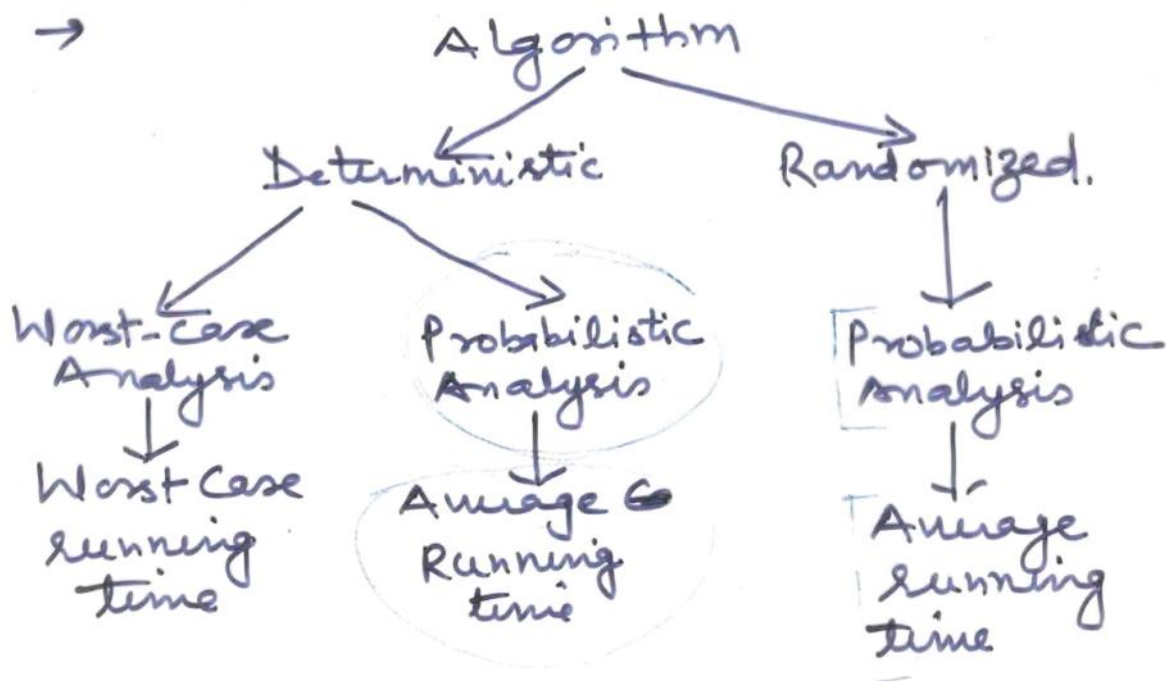
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order statistics

— i^{th} order statistics:

i^{th} smallest element of a set of n elements

— Minimum —: first order statistics

— Maximum —: n^{th} order statistics

— Median —: "half-way point" of the set

* Unique —: When n is odd occur at
 $i = (n+1)/2$

* Two medians when n is ~~odd~~ even

— lower median, at $i = n/2$

— upper median, at $i = n/2 + 1$

Note: for consistency, "median" will refer to the lower median

Selection Problem —:

Input —: A set A of n distinct numbers and a number i , with
 $1 \leq i \leq n$

Output —: The element $x \in A$ that is larger than exactly $i-1$ other elements of A .

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~~Total number of comparisons is $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$~~
~~* $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$~~

* ~~Example~~

~~$\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ (if a fixed comparison)~~
 ~~$\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$~~

→ General selection problem -:
(selection in expected linear time)

→ Modeled after randomized Quicksort

— Exploits the abilities of Randomized-Partition (RP)

>> RP returns the index k in the sorted order of a randomly chosen element (pivot)

- If the order statistics, we are interested in i , equals k , then DONE
- Else reduce the problem size using it's other ability

>> RP rearranges the ~~order~~ other elements around the random pivot

- if $i < k$, selection can be narrowed down to $A[1..k-1]$
- Else select the $(i-k)$ th element from $A[k+1..n]$

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— { Randomized-Select } —

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

if $p = r$
then return $A[p]$

$q \leftarrow$ Randomized-Partition (A, p, r)

$k \leftarrow q - p + 1$

if $i = k$
then return $A[q]$

else if $i < k$

then return Randomized-select ($A, p, q-1, i$)

else return

Randomized-select ($A, q+1, r, i-k$)

Analysis:—

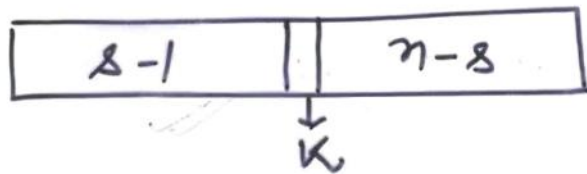
Worst Case: $\Theta(n^2)$ ✓

Average Case: $\Theta(n)$ ✓

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Selection:-

→ In order to find the k th order statistics in a region of size n , use Randomized partition to split the region into two subarray.



if $k = s$, the pivot is the key that's looked for.

- if $k \leq s-1$, look for the k th element in the left subarray
- otherwise look for the $(k-s)$ th one in the right subarray.

Analysis:

Let $T(n)$ be the expected running time $T(n)$.

for each i , $0 \leq i \leq n-1$

size of left subarray is equal to i with the probability $\frac{1}{n}$

→ Assume that the larger interval is taken, for some $\alpha > 0$, $T(n)$ is at most

$$\alpha n + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n-1, k \neq \lfloor n/2 \rfloor} T(\max(k, n-k))$$

at most
 \Rightarrow

$$\alpha n + \frac{2}{n} \left(\sum_{k=\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}^{n-1} T(k) \right)$$

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$$c_p \leq c_k \quad \forall k$$

→ Assume that there is $c > 0$ such that $T(k) \leq ck \quad \forall k < n$.

Then the sum $\sum_{k=\lceil n/2 \rceil}^{n-1} T(k)$ is at

most $\sum_{k=\lceil n/2 \rceil}^{n-1} ck$. This is at most.

$$\sum_{k=2}^{n-1} ck - \sum_{k=1}^{\lceil n/2 \rceil - 1} ck.$$

$$= \frac{cn(n-1)}{2} - c(\lceil n/2 \rceil - 1)\lceil n/2 \rceil$$

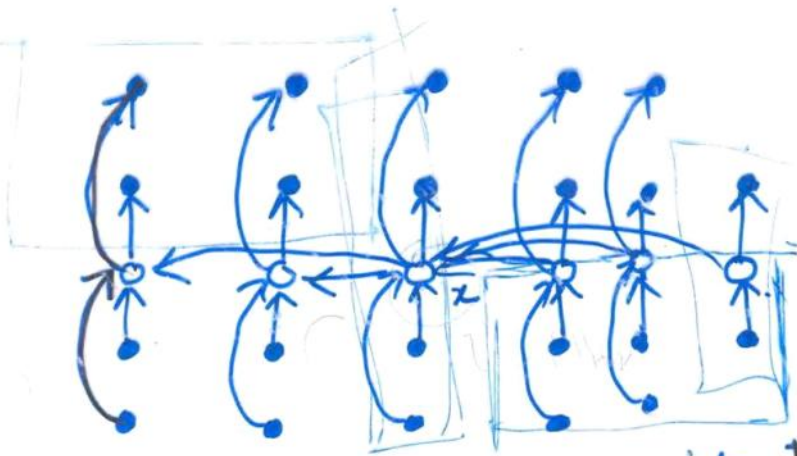
$$\leq \frac{cn(n-1)}{2} - \frac{c}{2} \left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right) \frac{n}{2}$$

$$= cn \left(\frac{3n}{8} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \checkmark$$

if c is \checkmark \checkmark

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Selection in worst case linear time



arrow =
Larger ↕
Smaller

- Step 1 Divide n elements into $\lceil n/5 \rceil$ group of 5 elements
- Step 2 Find the median of each group.
- Step 3 Use select ~~rec~~ recursively to find the median x of the above $\lceil n/5 \rceil$ medians
- Step 4 Partition n elements around x into S_1, S_2 and S_3
- Step 5 if $|S_1| > i$, search i th smallest element in S_1 recursively
else if $|S_1| + |S_2| > i$, then return x (the i th smallest element)
Else search $(i - (|S_1| + |S_2|))$ th in S_3

Example

Find the 11th smallest element in the array

$$A = \{12, 34, 0, 3, 22, 4, 17, 32, 3, 8, 43, 82, 25, 27, 34, 2, 19, 12, 5, 18, 20, 33, 16, 33, 21, 30, 3, 47\}$$

1. Divide the array into groups of 5 elements

12	4	43	2	20	30
34	17	82	19	33	3
0	32	25	12	16	47
3	3	27	5	33	
22	28	34	18	21	

2. Sort the groups and find their medians

0	4	25	2	20	3
3	3	27	5	16	30
<u>12</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>47</u>
34	32	43	19	33	
22	28	82	18	33	

3. Find the median of the medians

$$12, 12, \underline{17}, 21, 34, 30$$

4. Partition the array around the median of medians (17)

First partition: $\{12, 0, 3, 4, 3, 2, 12, 5, 16, 3\}$

pivot = 17 (position of pivot = 11)

Second partition

$\{34, 22, 32, 28, 43, 82, 25, 27, 34, 19, 18,$

$20, 33, 33, 21, 30, 47\}$

→ To find 6th smallest element, recurse our search in first partition. (10+1)

Step 1, 2, 4 take $O(n)$ ✓

Step 3 takes $T(\lceil n/5 \rceil)$ ✓

Step 5:-

* At least half of the medians in step 2 are $\geq x$. Thus at least $\frac{1}{2} \lceil n/5 \rceil - 2$ groups ~~each~~ contribute 3 elements which are $\geq x$ i.e.

$$3 \left(\lceil \frac{1}{2} \lceil n/5 \rceil \rceil - 2 \right) \geq \frac{3n}{10} - 6$$

* Similarly the number of elements $\leq x$ is also at least $(\frac{3n}{10}) - 6$

* Thus, $|S_1|$ is at most $(\frac{7n}{10}) + 6$, similarly for $|S_3|$

* Thus select in step 5 is called recursively on at most $(\frac{7n}{10}) + 6$ elements

→ Recurrence is

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n < \text{some value} \\ T(\lceil n/5 \rceil) + T(\frac{7n}{10} + 6) + O(n) & \text{if } n \geq \text{the value} \end{cases}$$

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solution

- suppose $T(n) \leq cn$ for some c
- $T(n) \leq c\lceil n/5 \rceil + c(7n/10 + 6) + 9n$
 $\leq \frac{cn}{5} + c + \frac{7}{10}cn + 6c + 9n$
 $= \frac{9}{10}cn + 9n + 7c$
 $= cn + (-cn/10 + 9n + 7c)$
- which is at most cn
 $\iff -\frac{cn}{10} + 9n + 7c < 0 \checkmark$
- $\implies c \geq 109 \left(\frac{n}{n-70} \right)$ when $n > 70$
- so select $n = 140$, and then
 $c \geq 209 \checkmark$
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