

Announcements

Quiz 2 Wed. in class

HW3 will be posted soon, due Sun @ 11:59 pm

Strong suggestion: read the textbook!

Algorithms (cont.)

Recall:

Def: An algorithm is a finite sequence of precise steps

Properties:

- Input
- Output
- Definiteness: Steps are precisely-defined
- Correctness: Always gives the right answer
- Finiteness: Finite # steps for any input
- Effectiveness: You can actually do each step
- Generality: Works for all possible inputs

Ex: finding max. elt. in a finite sequence

procedure $\text{max}(a_1, \dots, a_n : \text{integers})$

$m := a_1$

for $i := 2$ to n

if $m < a_i$ then $m := a_i$ ← set m equal to a_i

return m

Check properties:

- Input ✓
- Output ✓
- Definiteness: Yes, because we're only incrementing, assigning value, and checking conditions
- Correctness: Yes, always returns max. elt.
- Finiteness: Yes, goes through the list once and terminates
- Effectiveness: Yes, because we're only incrementing, assigning value, and checking conditions
- Generality: Yes, works for all finite lists of integers

Searching algorithms:

General problem: locate an elt. x in a list of distinct elts. a_1, \dots, a_n , or determine it's not in the list

Linear search algorithm

(Use when list is unordered)

Input: integer x

list of integers: a_1, \dots, a_n

Output: Location of x in list (or 0 if not found)

Algorithm:

Set $i := 1$

while ($i \leq n$ and $x \neq a_i$)

$i := i + 1$

location := $\begin{cases} i, & \text{if } i \leq n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

return location

Binary search algorithm

(Use when list is ordered)

Input: integer x

list of integers: a_1, \dots, a_n w/ $a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_n$

Output: Location of x in list (or 0 if not found)

Algorithm:

Let $i := 1$ (endpoints of search interval)

Let $j := n$

While $i < j$

Let $m := \lfloor \frac{i+j}{2} \rfloor$

if $x > a_m$

$i := m+1$

else

$j := m$

location := $\begin{cases} i, & \text{if } x = a_i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

return location

Sorting algorithms:

General problem: Sort a list in increasing order

Many different algorithms

Bubble sort algorithm:

Input: list of integers a_1, \dots, a_n

Output: list of integers which is the original list in inc. order

Algorithm:

for $i := 1$ to $n-1$

 for $j := 1$ to $n-i$

 if $a_j > a_{j+1}$

 Swap a_j and a_{j+1}

 return a_1, \dots, a_n

Class activity: perform bubble sort on the list

3, 2, 4, 1, 5

Insertion sort algorithm (if time):

Input: list of integers a_1, \dots, a_n

Output: list of integers which is the original list in inc. order

Algorithm:

for $j := 2$ to n

 Let $i := 1$

 While $a_j > a_i$ (finding the spot for a_j)

$i := i + 1$

 Let $m := a_j$ (insert a_j into spot n)

 for $k := 0$ to $j - i - 1$

$a_{j-k} := a_{j-k-1}$ (shift other elts. to make room)

$a_i := m$

return a_1, \dots, a_n

Class activity: perform insertion sort on the list

3, 2, 4, 1, 5