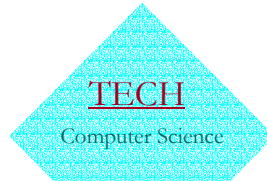


## CS520 Advanced Analysis of Algorithms and Complexity

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## What is a Computer Algorithm?

- A computer algorithm is
  - a detailed step-by-step method for
  - solving a problem
  - by using a computer.

## Problem-Solving (Science and Engineering)

- Analysis
  - How does it work?
  - Breaking a system down to known components
  - How the components relate to each other
  - Breaking a process down to known functions
- Synthesis
  - Building tools and toys!
  - What components are needed
  - How the components should be put together
  - Composing functions to form a process

## Problem Solving Using Computers

- Problem:
- Strategy:
- Algorithm:
  - Input:
  - Output:
  - Step:
- Analysis:
  - Correctness:
  - Time & Space:
  - Optimality:
- Implementation:
- Verification:

## Example: Search in an unordered array

- Problem:
  - Let  $E$  be an array containing  $n$  entries,  $E[0], \dots, E[n-1]$ , in no particular order.
  - Find an index of a specified key  $K$ , if  $K$  is in the array;
  - return  $-1$  as the answer if  $K$  is not in the array.
- Strategy:
  - Compare  $K$  to each entry in turn until a match is found or the array is exhausted.
  - If  $K$  is not in the array, the algorithm returns  $-1$  as its answer.

## Example: Sequential Search, Unordered

- Algorithm (and data structure)
  - Input:  $E, n, K$ , where  $E$  is an array with  $n$  entries (indexed  $0, \dots, n-1$ ), and  $K$  is the item sought. For simplicity, we assume that  $K$  and the entries of  $E$  are integers, as is  $n$ .
  - Output: Returns ans, the location of  $K$  in  $E$  ( $-1$  if  $K$  is not found.)

### Algorithm: Step (Specification)

- `int seqSearch(int[] E, int n, int K)`
- 1. `int ans, index;`
- 2. `ans = -1; // Assume failure.`
- 3. `for (index = 0; index < n; index++)`
- 4.     `if (K == E[index])`
- 5.         `ans = index; // Success!`
- 6.     `break; // Done!`
- 7. `return ans;`

### Analysis of the Algorithm

- How shall we measure the amount of work done by an algorithm?
- Basic Operation:
  - **Comparison of x with an array entry**
- Worst-Case Analysis:
  - **Let  $W(n)$  be a function.  $W(n)$  is the maximum number of basic operations performed by the algorithm on any input size  $n$ .**
  - **For our example, clearly  $W(n) = n$ .**
  - **The worst cases occur when  $K$  appears only in the last position in the array and when  $K$  is not in the array at all.**

### More Analysis of the Algorithm

- Average-Behavior Analysis:
  - **Let  $q$  be the probability that  $K$  is in the array**
  - **$A(n) = n(1 - \frac{1}{2}q) + \frac{1}{2}q$**
- Optimality:
  - **The Best possible solution?**
  - **Searching an Ordered Array**
  - **Using Binary Search**
  - **$W(n) = \text{Ceiling}[\lg(n+1)] = \lceil \lg(n+1) \rceil$**
  - **The Binary Search algorithm is optimal.**
- Correctness: (Proving Correctness of Procedures s3.5)

### What is CS 520?

- Class Syllabus

### Algorithm Language (Specifying the Steps)

- Java as an algorithm language
- Syntax similar to C++
- Some steps within an algorithm may be specified in pseudocode (English phrases)
- Focus on the strategy and techniques of an algorithm, not on detail implementation

### Analysis Tool: Mathematics: Set

- A set is a collection of distinct elements.
- The elements are of the same “type”, common properties.
- “element  $e$  is a member of set  $S$ ” is denoted as  $e \in S$
- Read “ $e$  is in  $S$ ”
- A particular set is defined by listing or describing its elements between a pair of curly braces:  
 $S_1 = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $S_2 = \{x \mid x \text{ is an integer power of } 2\}$   
read “*the set of all elements  $x$  such that  $x$  is ...*”
- $S_3 = \{\} = \emptyset$ , has no elements, called empty set
- A set has no inherent order.

## Subset, Superset; Intersection, Union

- If all elements of one set,  $S_1$ 
  - are also in another set,  $S_2$ ,
- Then  $S_1$  is said to be a *subset* of  $S_2$ ,  $S_1 \subseteq S_2$ 
  - and  $S_2$  is said to be a *superset* of  $S_1$ ,  $S_2 \supseteq S_1$ .
- Empty set is a subset of every set,  $\emptyset \subseteq S$
- *Intersection*
  - $S \cap T = \{x \mid x \in S \text{ and } x \in T\}$
- *Union*
  - $S \cup T = \{x \mid x \in S \text{ or } x \in T\}$

## Cardinality

- Cardinality
  - A set,  $S$ , is *finite* if there is an integer  $n$  such that the elements of  $S$  can be placed in a one-to-one correspondence with  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$
  - in this case we write  $|S| = n$
- How many distinct subsets does a finite set on  $n$  elements have? There are  $2^n$  subsets.
- How many distinct subsets of cardinality  $k$  does a finite set of  $n$  elements have?  
There are  $C(n, k) = n!/((n-k)!k!)$ , “ $n$  choose  $k$ ”  $\binom{n}{k}$

## Sequence

- A group of elements in a *specified order* is called a sequence.
- A sequence can have repeated elements.
- Sequences are defined by listing or describing their elements in order, enclosed in parentheses.
- e.g.  $S_1 = (a, b, c)$ ,  $S_2 = (b, c, a)$ ,  $S_3 = (a, a, b, c)$
- A sequence is *finite* if there is an integer  $n$  such that the elements of the sequence can be placed in a one-to-one correspondence with  $(1, 2, 3, \dots, n)$ .
- If all the elements of a finite sequence are distinct, that sequence is said to be a *permutation* of the finite set consisting of the same elements.
- One set of  $n$  elements has  $n!$  distinct permutations.

## Tuples and Cross Product

- A tuple is a finite sequence.
  - **Ordered pair**  $(x, y)$ , **triple**  $(x, y, z)$ , **quadruple**, and **quintuple**
  - A  **$k$ -tuple** is a tuple of  $k$  elements.
- The *cross product* of two sets, say  $S$  and  $T$ , is  $S \times T = \{(x, y) \mid x \in S, y \in T\}$
- $|S \times T| = |S| |T|$
- It often happens that  $S$  and  $T$  are the same set, e.g.  $N \times N$   
where  $N$  denotes the set of natural numbers,  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

## Relations and Functions

- A *relation* is some subset of a (possibly iterated) cross product.
- A binary relation is some subset of a cross product, e.g.  $R \subseteq S \times T$
- e.g. “less than” relation can be defined as  $\{(x, y) \mid x \in N, y \in N, x < y\}$
- Important properties of relations; let  $R \subseteq S \times S$ 
  - **reflexive**: for all  $x \in S$ ,  $(x, x) \in R$ .
  - **symmetric**: if  $(x, y) \in R$ , then  $(y, x) \in R$ .
  - **antisymmetric**: if  $(x, y) \in R$ , then  $(y, x) \notin R$
  - **transitive**: if  $(x, y) \in R$  and  $(y, z) \in R$ , then  $(x, z) \in R$ .
- A relation that is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive is called an *equivalence relation*, partition the underlying set  $S$  into equivalence classes  $[x] = \{y \in S \mid x R y\}$ ,  $x \in S$
- A *function* is a relation in which no element of  $S$  (of  $S \times T$ ) is repeated with the relation. (informal def.)

## Analysis Tool: Logic

- Logic is a system for formalizing natural language statements so that we can reason more accurately.
- The simplest statements are called *atomic formulas*.
- More complex statements can be build up through the use of *logical connectives*:  $\wedge$  “and”,  $\vee$  “or”,  $\neg$  “not”,  $\Rightarrow$  “implies”  $A \Rightarrow B$  “ $A$  implies  $B$ ” “if  $A$  then  $B$ ”
- $A \Rightarrow B$  is logically equivalent to  $\neg A \vee B$
- $\neg(A \wedge B)$  is logically equivalent to  $\neg A \vee \neg B$
- $\neg(A \vee B)$  is logically equivalent to  $\neg A \wedge \neg B$

## Quantifiers: all, some

- “for all x”  $\forall x P(x)$  is true iff  $P(x)$  is true for *all* x
  - **universal quantifier (universe of discourse)**
- “there exist x”  $\exists x P(x)$  is true iff  $P(x)$  is true for *some* value of x
  - **existential quantifier**
- $\forall x A(x)$  is logically equivalent to  $\neg \exists x (\neg A(x))$
- $\exists x A(x)$  is logically equivalent to  $\neg \forall x (\neg A(x))$
- $\forall x (A(x) \Rightarrow B(x))$   
 “For all x such that if A(x) holds then B(x) holds”

## Prove: by counterexample, Contraposition, Contradiction

- **Counterexample**  
 to prove  $\forall x (A(x) \Rightarrow B(x))$  is false, we show *some* object x for which A(x) is true and B(x) is false.
  - $\neg(\forall x (A(x) \Rightarrow B(x))) \Leftrightarrow \exists x (A(x) \wedge \neg B(x))$
- **Contraposition**  
 to prove  $A \Rightarrow B$ , we show  $(\neg B) \Rightarrow (\neg A)$
- **Contradiction**  
 to prove  $A \Rightarrow B$ , we assume  $\neg B$  and then prove B.
  - $A \Rightarrow B \Leftrightarrow (A \wedge \neg B) \Rightarrow B$
  - $A \Rightarrow B \Leftrightarrow (A \wedge \neg B)$  is false
  - Assuming  $(A \wedge \neg B)$  is true, and discover a **contradiction** (such as  $A \wedge \neg A$ ), then conclude  $(A \wedge \neg B)$  is false, and so  $A \Rightarrow B$ .

## Prove: by Contradiction, e.g.

- Prove  $[B \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)] \Rightarrow C$ 
  - **by contradiction**
- Proof:
- Assume  $\neg C$
- $\neg C \wedge [B \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)]$
- $\Rightarrow \neg C \wedge [B \wedge (\neg B \vee C)]$
- $\Rightarrow \neg C \wedge [(B \wedge \neg B) \vee (B \wedge C)]$
- $\Rightarrow \neg C \wedge [(B \wedge C)]$
- $\Rightarrow \neg C \wedge C \wedge B$
- $\Rightarrow$  False, **Contradiction**
- $\Rightarrow C$

## Rules of Inference

- A rule of inference is a *general pattern* that allows us to draw some new conclusion from a set of given statements.
  - If we know {...} then we can conclude {...}
- If  $\{B \text{ and } (B \Rightarrow C)\}$  then  $\{C\}$ 
  - **modus ponens**
- If  $\{A \Rightarrow B \text{ and } B \Rightarrow C\}$  then  $\{A \Rightarrow C\}$ 
  - **syllogism**
- If  $\{B \Rightarrow C \text{ and } \neg B \Rightarrow C\}$  then  $\{C\}$ 
  - **rule of cases**

## Two-valued Boolean (algebra) logic

1. There exists two elements in B, i.e.  $B = \{0, 1\}$ 
  - there are two binary operations + “or,  $\vee$ ”,  $\cdot$  “and,  $\wedge$ ”
2. Closure: if  $x, y \in B$  and  $z = x + y$  then  $z \in B$ 
  - if  $x, y \in B$  and  $z = x \cdot y$  then  $z \in B$
3. Identity element: for + designated by 0:  $x + 0 = x$ 
  - for  $\cdot$  designated by 1:  $x \cdot 1 = x$
4. Commutative:  $x + y = y + x$ 
  - $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$
5. Distributive:  $x \cdot (y + z) = (x \cdot y) + (x \cdot z)$ 
  - $x + (y \cdot z) = (x + y) \cdot (x + z)$
6. Complement: for every element  $x \in B$ , there exists an element  $x' \in B$ 
  - $x + x' = 1, x \cdot x' = 0$

## True Table and Tautologically Implies e.g.

- Show  $[B \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)] \Rightarrow C$  is a tautology:
 

→ B	C	$(B \Rightarrow C)$	$[B \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)]$	$[B \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)] \Rightarrow C$
→ 0	0	1	0	1
→ 0	1	1	0	1
→ 1	0	0	0	1
→ 1	1	1	1	1
- For every assignment for B and C,
  - the statement is True

## Prove: by Rule of inferences

- Prove  $[B \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)] \Rightarrow C$ 
  - **Proof:**
  - $[B \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)] \Rightarrow C$
  - $\neg[B \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)] \vee C$
  - $\neg[B \wedge (\neg B \vee C)] \vee C$
  - $\neg[(B \wedge \neg B) \vee (B \wedge C)] \vee C$
  - $\neg[(B \wedge C)] \vee C$
  - $\neg B \vee \neg C \vee C$
  - **True (tautology)**
- Direct Proof:
  - $[B \wedge (B \Rightarrow C)] \Rightarrow [B \wedge C] \Rightarrow C$

## Analysis Tool: Probability

- Elementary events (outcomes)
  - **Suppose that in a given situation an event, or experiment, may have any one, and only one, of k outcomes,  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k$ . (mutually exclusive)**
- Universe  
The set of all elementary events is called the *universe* and is denoted  $U = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$ .
- Probability of  $s_i$ 
  - associate a real number  $\Pr(s_i)$ , such that
  - $0 \leq \Pr(s_i) \leq 1$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ;
  - $\Pr(s_1) + \Pr(s_2) + \dots + \Pr(s_k) = 1$

## Event

- Let  $S \subseteq U$ . Then S is called an *event*, and
  - $\Pr(S) = \sum_{s_i \in S} \Pr(s_i)$
- Sure event  $U = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$ ,  $\Pr(U) = 1$
- Impossible event,  $\emptyset$ ,  $\Pr(\emptyset) = 0$
- Complement event “not S”  $U - S$ ,  
 $\Pr(\text{not } S) = 1 - \Pr(S)$

## Conditional Probability

- The conditional probability of an event S given an event T is defined as
- $\Pr(S | T) = \Pr(S \text{ and } T) / \Pr(T)$   
 $= \sum_{s_i \in S \cap T} \Pr(s_i) / \sum_{s_j \in T} \Pr(s_j)$
- *Independent*
- Given two events S and T, if
  - $\Pr(S \text{ and } T) = \Pr(S)\Pr(T)$
- then S and T are stochastically independent, or simply independent.

## Random variable and their Expected value

- A *random variable* is a real valued variable that depends on which elementary event has occurred
  - it is a function defined for elementary events.
  - e.g.  $f(e)$  = the number of inversions in the permutation of {A, B, C}; assume all input permutations are equally likely.
- Expectation
  - Let  $f(e)$  be a random variable defined on a set of elementary events  $e \in U$ . The expectation of f, denoted as  $E(f)$ , is defined as
- $E(f) = \sum_{e \in U} f(e)\Pr(e)$ 
  - This is often called the average values of f.
  - Expectations are often easier to manipulate than the random variables themselves.

## Conditional expectation and Laws of expectations

- The *conditional expectation* of f given an event S, denoted as  $E(f | S)$ , is defined as
- $E(f | S) = \sum_{e \in S} f(e)\Pr(e | S)$
- *Law of expectations*
- For random variables  $f(e)$  and  $g(e)$  defined on a set of elementary events  $e \in U$ , and any event S:
  - $E(f + g) = E(f) + E(g)$
  - $E(f) = \Pr(S)E(f | S) + \Pr(\text{not } S) E(f | \text{not } S)$

## Analysis Tool: Algebra

- *Manipulating Inequalities*
- Transitivity: If  $((A \leq B) \text{ and } (B \leq C))$  Then  $(A \leq C)$
- Addition: If  $((A \leq B) \text{ and } (C \leq D))$  Then  $(A+C \leq B+D)$
- Positive Scaling:  
If  $((A \leq B) \text{ and } (\alpha > 0))$  Then  $(\alpha A \leq \alpha B)$
- *Floor and Ceiling Functions*
- Floor $[x]$  is the largest integer less than or equal to  $x$ .  
 $\lfloor x \rfloor$
- Ceiling $[x]$  is the smallest integer greater than or equal to  $x$ .  
 $\lceil x \rceil$

## Logarithms

- For  $b > 1$  and  $x > 0$ ,  
 $\log_b x$  (read "log to the base  $b$  of  $x$ ")  
is that real number  $L$  such that  $b^L = x$
- $\log_b x$  is the power to which  $b$  must be raised to get  $x$ .
- Log properties: def:  $\lg x = \log_2 x$ ;  $\ln x = \log_e x$ 
  - Let  $x$  and  $y$  be arbitrary positive real numbers, let  $a, b$  any real number, and let  $b > 1$  and  $c > 1$  be real numbers.
  - $\log_b$  is a strictly increasing function,  
if  $x > y$  then  $\log_b x > \log_b y$
  - $\log_b$  is a one-to-one function,  
if  $\log_b x = \log_b y$  then  $x = y$
  - $\log_b 1 = 0$ ;  $\log_b b = 1$ ;  $\log_b x^a = a \log_b x$
  - $\log_b(xy) = \log_b x + \log_b y$
  - $x^{\log y} = y^{\log x}$
  - change base:  $\log_c x = (\log_b x) / (\log_b c)$

## Series

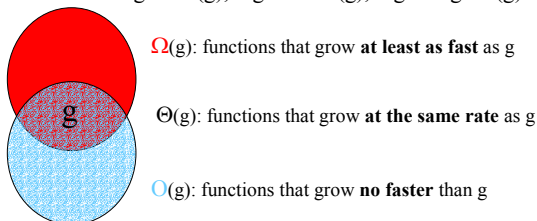
- A *series* is the sum of a sequence.
- Arithmetic series  $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ 
  - The sum of consecutive integers
- Polynomial Series  $\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{2n^3 + 3n^2 + n}{6} \approx \frac{n^3}{3}$ 
  - The sum of squares
  - The general case is  $\sum_{i=1}^n i^k \approx \frac{n^{k+1}}{k+1}$
- Power of 2  $\sum_{i=0}^k 2^i = 2^{k+1} - 1$
- Arithmetic-Geometric Series  $\sum_{i=1}^k i2^i = (k-1)2^{k+1} + 2$

## Summations Using Integration

- A function  $f(x)$  is said to be *monotonic*, or *nondecreasing*, if  $x \leq y$  always implies that  $f(x) \leq f(y)$ .
- A function  $f(x)$  is *antimonotonic*, or *nonincreasing*, if  $-f(x)$  is monotonic.
- If  $f(x)$  is nondecreasing then
 
$$\int_{a-1}^b f(x) dx \leq \sum_{i=a}^b f(i) \leq \int_a^{b+1} f(x) dx$$
- If  $f(x)$  is nonincreasing then
 
$$\int_a^{b+1} f(x) dx \leq \sum_{i=a}^b f(i) \leq \int_{a-1}^b f(x) dx$$

## Classifying functions by their Asymptotic Growth Rates

- asymptotic growth rate, asymptotic order, or order of functions
  - Comparing and classifying functions that ignores *constant factors* and *small inputs*.
- The Sets big oh  $O(g)$ , big theta  $\Theta(g)$ , big omega  $\Omega(g)$



## The Sets $O(g)$ , $\Theta(g)$ , $\Omega(g)$

- Let  $g$  and  $f$  be a functions from the nonnegative integers into the positive real numbers
- For some real constant  $c > 0$  and some nonnegative integer constant  $n_0$
- $O(g)$  is the set of functions  $f$ , such that
  - $f(n) \leq c g(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$
- $\Omega(g)$  is the set of functions  $f$ , such that
  - $f(n) \geq c g(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$
- $\Theta(g) = O(g) \cap \Omega(g)$ 
  - asymptotic order of  $g$
  - $f \in \Theta(g)$  read as "f is asymptotic order  $g$ " or "f is order  $g$ "

## Comparing asymptotic growth rates

- Comparing  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$  as  $n$  approaches infinity,
- IF
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$$
- $< \infty$ , including the case in which the limit is 0 then  $f \in O(g)$
- $> 0$ , including the case in which the limit is  $\infty$  then  $f \in \Omega(g)$
- $= c$  and  $0 < c < \infty$  then  $f \in \Theta(g)$
- $= 0$  then  $f \in o(g)$  //read as “little oh of  $g$ ”
- $= \infty$  then  $f \in \omega(g)$  //read as “little omega of  $g$ ”

## Properties of $O(g)$ , $\Theta(g)$ , $\Omega(g)$

- Transitive: If  $f \in O(g)$  and  $g \in O(h)$ , then  $f \in O(h)$   
 $O$  is transitive. Also  $\Omega$ ,  $\Theta$ ,  $o$ ,  $\omega$  are transitive.
- Reflexive:  $f \in \Theta(f)$
- Symmetric: If  $f \in \Theta(g)$ , then  $g \in \Theta(f)$
- $\Theta$  defines an equivalence relation on the functions.  
→ Each set  $\Theta(f)$  is an equivalence class (complexity class).
- $f \in O(g) \Leftrightarrow g \in \Omega(f)$
- $O(f + g) = O(\max(f, g))$   
similar equations hold for  $\Omega$  and  $\Theta$

## Classification of functions, e.g.

- $O(1)$  denotes the set of functions bounded by a constant (for large  $n$ )
- $f \in \Theta(n)$ ,  $f$  is linear
- $f \in \Theta(n^2)$ ,  $f$  is quadratic;  $f \in \Theta(n^3)$ ,  $f$  is cubic
- $\lg n \in o(n^\alpha)$  for any  $\alpha > 0$ , including fractional powers
- $n^k \in o(c^n)$  for any  $k > 0$  and any  $c > 1$   
→ powers of  $n$  grow more slowly than any exponential function  $c^n$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^d \in \Theta(n^{d+1}) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \log(i) \in \Theta(n \log(n))$$

$$\sum_{i=a}^b r^i \in \Theta(r^b) \text{ for } r > 0, r \neq 1, b \text{ may be some function of } n$$

## Analyzing Algorithms and Problems

- We analyze algorithms with the intention of improving them, if possible, and for choosing among several available for a problem.
- Correctness
- Amount of work done, and space used
- Optimality, Simplicity

## Correctness can be proved!

- An algorithm consists of sequences of steps (operations, instructions, statements) for transforming inputs (preconditions) to outputs (postconditions)
- Proving
  - if the preconditions are satisfied,
  - then the postconditions will be true,
  - when the algorithm terminates.

## Amount of work done

- We want a measure of work that tells us something about the efficiency of the method used by the algorithm
- independent of computer, programming language, programmer, and other implementation details.
- Usually depending on the size of the input
- Counting passes through loops
- Basic Operation
  - Identify a particular operation fundamental to the problem
  - the total number of operations performed is roughly proportional to the number of basic operations
- Identifying the properties of the inputs that affect the behavior of the algorithm

## Worst-case complexity

- Let  $D_n$  be the set of inputs of size  $n$  for the problem under consideration, and let  $I$  be an element of  $D_n$ .
- Let  $t(I)$  be the number of basic operations performed by the algorithm on input  $I$ .
- We define the function  $W$  by
- $W(n) = \max \{t(I) \mid I \in D_n\}$ 
  - called the worst-case complexity of the algorithm.
  - $W(n)$  is the maximum number of basic operations performed by the algorithm on any input of size  $n$ .
- The input,  $I$ , for which an algorithm behaves worst depends on the particular algorithm.

## Average Complexity

- Let  $\Pr(I)$  be the probability that input  $I$  occurs.
- Then the average behavior of the algorithm is defined as
- $A(n) = \sum_{I \in D_n} \Pr(I) t(I)$ 
  - We determine  $t(I)$  by analyzing the algorithm,
  - but  $\Pr(I)$  cannot be computed analytically.
- $A(n) = \Pr(\text{succ})A_{\text{succ}}(n) + \Pr(\text{fail})A_{\text{fail}}(n)$
- An element  $I$  in  $D_n$  may be thought as a set or equivalence class that affect the behavior of the algorithm. (see following e.g.  $n+1$  cases)

## e.g. Search in an unordered array

- ```
int seqSearch(int[] E, int n, int K)
1. int ans, index;
2. ans = -1; // Assume failure.
3. for (index = 0; index < n; index++)
4.   if (K == E[index])
5.     ans = index; // Success!
6.   break; // Done!
7. return ans;
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## Average-Behavior Analysis e.g.

- $A(n) = \Pr(\text{succ})A_{\text{succ}}(n) + \Pr(\text{fail})A_{\text{fail}}(n)$
- There are total of  $n+1$  cases of  $I$  in  $D_n$ 
  - Let  $K$  is in the array as “succ” cases that have  $n$  cases.
  - Assuming  $K$  is equally likely found in any of the  $n$  location, i.e.  $\Pr(I_i \mid \text{succ}) = 1/n$
  - for  $0 \leq i < n$ ,  $t(I_i) = i + 1$
  - $A_{\text{succ}}(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \Pr(I_i \mid \text{succ}) t(I_i)$
  - $= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (1/n)(i+1) = (1/n)[n(n+1)/2] = (n+1)/2$
  - Let  $K$  is not in the array as the “fail” case that has 1 cases,  $\Pr(I \mid \text{fail}) = 1$
  - Then  $A_{\text{fail}}(n) = \Pr(I \mid \text{fail}) t(I) = 1 \cdot n$
- Let  $q$  be the probability for the succ cases
  - $q [(n+1)/2] + (1-q) n$

## Space Usage

- If memory cells used by the algorithms depends on the particular input,
  - then worst-case and average-case analysis can be done.
- Time and Space Tradeoff.

## Optimality “the best possible”

- Each problem has inherent complexity
  - There is some *minimum* amount of work required to solve it.
- To analyze the complexity of a problem,
  - we choose a class of algorithms, based on which
  - prove theorems that establish a *lower bound* on the number of operations needed to solve the problem.
- Lower bound (for the worst case)



## Show whether an algorithm is optimal?

- Analyze the algorithm, call it A, and found the Worst-case complexity  $W_A(n)$ , for input of size n.
- Prove a theorem starting that,
  - for any algorithm in the same class of A
  - for any input of size n, there is some input for which the algorithm must perform
  - at least  $W_{[A]}(n)$   
(lower bound in the worst-case)
- If  $W_A(n) == W_{[A]}(n)$ 
  - then the algorithm A is optimal
  - else there may be a better algorithm
  - OR there may be a better lower bound.

## Optimality e.g.

- Problem
  - Finding the largest entry in an (unsorted) array of n numbers
- Algorithm A
  - `int findMax(int[] E, int n)`
  - 1. `int max;`
  - 2. `max = E[0]; // Assume the first is max.`
  - 3. `for (index = 1; index < n; index++)`
  - 4. `if (max < E[index])`
  - 5. `max = E[index];`
  - 6. `return max;`

## Analyze the algorithm, find $W_A(n)$

- Basic Operation
  - Comparison of an array entry with another array entry or a stored variable.
- Worst-Case Analysis
  - For any input of size n, there are exactly n-1 basic operations
  - $W_A(n) = n-1$

## For the class of algorithm [A], find $W_{[A]}(n)$

- Class of Algorithms
  - Algorithms that can compare and copy the numbers, but do no other operations on them.
- Finding (or proving)  $W_{[A]}(n)$ 
  - Assuming the entries in the array are all distinct
    - > (permissible for finding lower bound on the worst-case)
  - In an array with n distinct entries, n - 1 entries are not the maximum.
  - To conclude that an entry is not the maximum, it must be smaller than at least one other entry. And, one comparison (basic operation) is needed for that.
  - So at least n-1 basic operations must be done.
  - $W_{[A]}(n) = n - 1$
- Since  $W_A(n) == W_{[A]}(n)$ , algorithm A is optimal.

## Simplicity

- Simplicity in an algorithm is a virtue.

## Designing Algorithms

- Problem solving using Computer
- Algorithm Design Techniques
  - divide-and-conquer
  - greedy methods
  - depth-first search (for graphs)
  - dynamic programming

## Problem and Strategy A

- Problem: array search
  - Given an array E containing n and given a value K, find an index for which  $K = E[\text{index}]$  or, if K is not in the array, return -1 as the answer.
- Strategy A
  - Input data and Data structure: unsorted array
  - sequential search
- Algorithm A
  - `int seqSearch(int[] E, int n, int k)`
- Analysis A
  - $W(n) = n$
  - $A(n) = q \lfloor (n+1)/2 \rfloor + (1-q)n$

## Better Algorithm and/or Better Input Data

- Optimality A
  - for searching an unsorted array
  - $W_{[A]}(n) = n$
  - Algorithm A is optimal.
- Strategy B
  - Input data and Data structure: array sorted in nondecreasing order
  - sequential search
- Algorithm B.
  - `int seqSearch(int[] E, int n, int k)`
- Analysis B
  - $W(n) = n$
  - $A(n) = q \lfloor (n+1)/2 \rfloor + (1-q)n$

## Better Algorithm

- Optimality B
  - It makes no use of the fact that the entries are ordered
  - Can we modify the algorithm so that it uses the added information and does less work?
- Strategy C
  - Input data and Data structure: array sorted in nondecreasing order
  - sequential search:  
as soon as an entry larger than K is encountered, the algorithm can terminate with the answer -1.

## Algorithm C: modified sequential search

- `int seqSearchMod(int[] E, int n, int K)`
- 1. `int ans, index;`
- 2. `ans = -1; // Assume failure.`
- 3. `for (index = 0; index < n; index++)`
- 4.     `if (K > E[index])`
- 5.         `continue;`
- 6.     `if (K < E[index])`
- 7.         `break; // Done!`
- 8.     `// K == E[index]`
- 9.     `ans = index; // Find it`
- 10. `break;`
- 11. `return ans;`

## Analysis C

- $W(n) = n + 1 \approx n$
- Average-Behavior
  - n cases for success:
    - $A_{\text{succ}}(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \Pr(I_i | \text{succ}) t(I_i)$
    - $= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (1/n) (i+2) = (3+n)/2$
    - n+1 cases or (gaps) for fail:  $\langle E[0] \langle E[1] \dots E[n-1] \rangle$
- $A_{\text{fail}}(n) = \Pr(I_i | \text{fail}) t(I_i) =$ 
  - $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (1/(n+1)) (i+2) + n/(n+1)$
- $A(n) = q(3+n)/2 + (1-q)(n/(n+1) + (3+n)/2)$
- $\approx n/2$

## Let's Try Again! Let's divide-and-conquer!

- Strategy D
  - compare K first to the entry in the middle of the array
  - -- eliminates half of the entry with one comparison
  - apply the same strategy recursively
- Algorithm D: Binary Search
  - Input: E, first, last, and K, all integers, where E is an ordered array in the range first, ..., last, and K is the key sought.
  - Output: index such that  $E[\text{index}] = K$  if K is in E within the range first, ..., last, and index = -1 if K is not in this range of E

## Binary Search

- int binarySearch(int[] E, int first, int last, int K)
- 1. if (last < first)
- 2. index = -1;
- 3. else
- 4. int mid = (first + last)/2
- 5. if (K == E[mid])
- 6. index = mid;
- 7. else if (K < E[mid])
- 8. index = binarySearch(E, first, mid-1, K)
- 9. else
- 10. index = binarySearch(E, mid+1, last, K);
- 11. return index

## Worst-Case Analysis of Binary Search

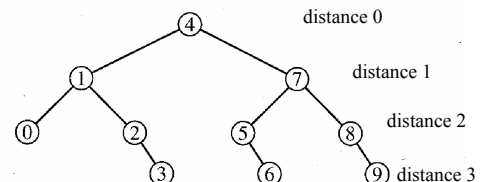
- Let the problem size be  $n = \text{last} - \text{first} + 1$ ;  $n > 0$
- Basic operation is a comparison of  $K$  to an array entry
  - Assume one comparison is done with the three-way branch
  - First comparison, assume  $K \neq E[\text{mid}]$ , divides the array into two sections, each section has at most  $\text{Floor}[n/2]$  entries.
  - estimate that the size of the range is divided by 2 with each recursive call
  - How many times can we divide  $n$  by 2 without getting a result less than 1 (i.e.  $n/(2^d) \geq 1$ ) ?
  - $d \leq \lg(n)$ , therefore we do  $\text{Floor}[\lg(n)]$  comparison following recursive calls, and one before that.
  - $W(n) = \text{Floor}[\lg(n)] + 1 = \text{Ceiling}[\lg(n + 1)] \in \Theta(\log n)$

## Average-Behavior Analysis of Binary Search

- There are  $n+1$  cases,  $n$  for success and 1 for fail
- Similar to worst-case analysis, Let  $n = 2^d - 1$   
 $A_{\text{fail}} = \lg(n+1)$
- Assuming  $\Pr(I_i | \text{succ}) = 1/n$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ 
  - divide the  $n$  entry into groups,  $S_t$  for  $1 \leq t \leq d$ , such that  $S_t$  requires  $t$  comparisons (capital  $S$  for group, small  $s$  for cardinality of  $S$ )
  - It is easy to see (?) that (members contained in the group)
  - $s_1 = 1 = 2^0$ ,  $s_2 = 2 = 2^1$ ,  $s_3 = 4 = 2^2$ , and in general,  $s_t = 2^{t-1}$
  - The probability that the algorithm does  $t$  comparisons is  $s_t/n$
  - $A_{\text{succ}}(n) = \sum_{t=1}^d (s_t/n) t = ((d-1)2^d + 1)/n$
  - $d = \lg(n+1)$
  - $A_{\text{succ}}(n) = \lg(n+1) - 1 + \lg(n+1)/n$
- $A(n) \approx \lg(n+1) - q$ , where  $q$  is probability of successful search

## Optimality of Binary Search

- So far we improve from  $\theta(n)$  algorithm to  $\theta(\log n)$ 
  - Can more improvements be possible?
- Class of algorithm: comparison as the basic operation
- Analysis by using decision tree, that
  - for a given input size  $n$  is a binary tree whose nodes are labeled with numbers between 0 and  $n-1$  as e.g.



## Decision tree for analysis

- The number of comparisons performed in the worst case is the number of nodes on a longest path from the root to a leaf; call this number  $p$ .
- Suppose the decision tree has  $N$  nodes
- $N \leq 1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{p-1}$
- $N \leq 2^p - 1$
- $2^p \geq (N + 1)$
- Claim  $N \geq n$  if an algorithm  $A$  works correctly in all cases
  - there is some node in the decision tree labeled  $i$  for each  $i$  from 0 through  $n - 1$

## Prove by contradiction that $N \geq n$

- Suppose there is no node labeled  $i$  for some  $i$  in the range from 0 through  $n-1$ 
  - Make up two input arrays  $E1$  and  $E2$  such that
  - $E1[i] = K$  but  $E2[i] = K' > K$
  - For all  $j < i$ , make  $E1[j] = E2[j]$  using some key values less than  $K$
  - For all  $j > i$ , make  $E1[j] = E2[j]$  using some key values greater than  $K'$  in sorted order
  - Since no node in the decision tree is labeled  $i$ , the algorithm  $A$  never compares  $K$  to  $E1[i]$  or  $E2[i]$ , but it gives same output for both
  - Such algorithm  $A$  gives wrong output for at least one of the array and it is not a correct algorithm
- Conclude that the decision has at least  $n$  nodes

## Optimality result

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- $2^p \geq (N+1) \geq (n+1)$
- $p \geq \lg(n+1)$
  
- Theorem: Any algorithm to find K in an array of n entries (by comparing K to array entries) must do at least  $\lceil \lg(n+1) \rceil$  comparisons for some input.
  
- Corollary: Since Algorithm D does  $\lceil \lg(n+1) \rceil$  comparisons in the worst case, it is optimal.