

Algorithms for computational problems

well-defined
procedures
that run
in finite steps.

well-defined input-output relationship

Sorting: input array of n integers $A = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle$
output a permutation / reordering of A
 $\langle a'_1, \dots, a'_n \rangle$ in nondecreasing order
 $a'_1 \leq a'_2 \leq \dots \leq a'_n$

Euclidean algorithm for $\rightarrow$ GCD: input two integers a and b
output $\text{GCD}(a, b)$

Matrix multiplication: input $A = (a_{ij})$ $B = (b_{ij})$

output $C = (c_{ij}) = A \cdot B$

$$\underline{c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} \cdot b_{kj}}$$

Algorithms for computational problems that are "correct" and "efficient"

correctness: provably correct on every input.

efficiency: $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{time as the key resource} \\ \text{num of basic operations needed to terminate} \end{array} \right.$

worst-case
time complexity

Techniques for designing algorithms

$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{greedy} \quad \text{data structures.} \\ \text{dynamic programming} \\ \text{Randomized algorithms (hashing)} \\ \text{graph algorithms} \end{array} \right.$

RAM

Cells: numbers
pointers

basic operations:

arithmetic op.

data movement op.

for analysis of algorithms

for giving evidence that certain problems are hard to solve.

Insertion Sort: input an array $A = \langle a_1 \dots a_n \rangle$ of n integers.

1. create an empty list B

2. For each i from 1 to n

Go through integers in B one by one from the beginning and find the first integer larger than a_i ; insert a_i right before it in the list.

constant num of steps

$\overbrace{a_1 \dots a_i}^{a_{i+1}}$
 $\underline{C_1} \quad a'_1 \leq \dots \leq a'_i$

C_2

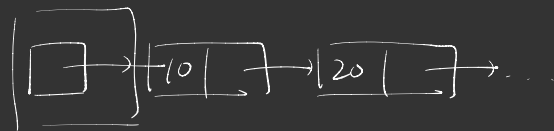
k_i : number of integers examined before finding place to insert a_i
in-place sorting

① correctness

induction: At the end of each i th for loop

② efficiency

B contains $a_1 \dots a_i$ and is sorted.



running time.

round i

$\overbrace{a_1 \dots a_i}^{a_{i+1}}$

Running time of Insertion sort :

worst case running time :

$$T(n) = \max_{\substack{A: \text{array of} \\ n \text{ integers}}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{num of basic operations needed for Insertion Sort} \\ \text{to terminate on } A \end{array} \right\}$$

worst-case

number of basic operations Insertion Sort uses on A

$$C_1 + C_2 n + \sum_{i=1}^n C_3 k_i$$

$$A = \underline{\langle 1, 2, 3, \dots, n \rangle} \quad \underline{k_i = i}$$

$$B = 1, 2, 3$$

$$A = \underline{\langle n, n-1, \dots, 1 \rangle}$$

$$B = \underline{\langle n-2, n-1, n \rangle} \quad \underline{k_i = 1}$$

$$T(n) = C_1 + C_2 n + \sum_{i=1}^n C_3 \cdot i = C_1 + C_2 n + \frac{C_3}{2} n(n+1)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{C_3}{2} n^2 + (C_2 + \frac{C_3}{2}) n + C_1$$

$O(\cdot)$, $\Omega(\cdot)$, $\Theta(\cdot)$ $\Theta(n^2)$