



EECS 3101 - Design and Analysis of Algorithms

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Picture is from the cover of the textbook CLRS.



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Repeat the analysis from the class to describe the expected running time of Bucket-Sort with parameter $k = \sqrt{n}$ for the above input.

- You may assume that we a comparison-based sorting algorithm with running time $\Theta(n \log n)$ to sort items within each bucket.



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Therefore, sorting all buckets take $\sqrt{n} \times \Theta(\sqrt{n} \log n) = \Theta(n \log n)$.
The overall complexity of the algorithm is thus $\Theta(n \log n)$.



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Use a DP approach to find the floors from which eggs should be dropped so that the total number of trials are minimized. In other words, we need to find a **critical floor**, which is the lowest floor such that the egg breaks dropping from it.



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 - If the egg breaks, the critical floor is in $[1, x]$. We need to search for the critical floor among $x - 1$ floors using $m - 1$ eggs.
 - if it survives, the critical floor is in $[x + 1, j]$. We need to search between $j - x$ floors using m eggs.



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- **Step 2:** Write a recursive formula for the minimum number of trials using m eggs and for j stories. We can write:

$$\text{eggDrop}(m, j) = \begin{cases} j & \text{if } j \leq 1 \\ j & \text{if } m = 1 \\ 1 + \min_{x \in [1, j]} \max\{\text{eggDrop}(m - 1, x - 1), \text{eggDrop}(m, j - x)\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



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- **Step 3:** Fill the DP table bottom up. In this case, for setting $eggDrop(m, j)$ we look at the previous rows and columns. We can use the following simple code:

```
EggDropTable ( $n, k$ )
1.   for  $j = 1$  to  $k$ 
2.       for  $m = 1$  to  $n$ 
3.           if  $j \leq 1$  or  $m = 1$ 
4.                $eggDrop(m, j) \leftarrow j$ 
5.           else
6.                $eggDrop[m, j] \leftarrow \infty$ 
7.               for  $x = 1$  to  $j$ 
8.                    $candidate[x] \leftarrow 1 + \max\{eggDrop[m - 1, x - 1], eggDrop[m, j - x]\}$ 
9.                   if  $candidate[x] < eggDrop[m, j]$ 
10.                       $eggDrop[m, j] \leftarrow candidate[x]$ 
11.   return  $eggDrop$ 
```



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- **Step 4:** In Step 4, we usually move backward in the table to find the actual solution. Here, the question only asks for the number of trials. If the actual stories were intended, we had to store a flag in Line 11: $flag[m, j] \leftarrow x$

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10.                     eggDrop[ $m, j$ ]  $\leftarrow$  candidate[ $x$ ]
11.                     flag[ $m, j$ ]  $\leftarrow x$ 
12.  return eggDrop
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Maximum Product Cutting

- Given a rope of length n meters, cut the rope in different parts of integer lengths in a way that maximizes product of lengths of all parts. You must make at least one cut. Assume that the length of rope is more than 2 meters.



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Step 2: To set $maxProd[m]$, suppose the first cut has length i . If the remainder of $n - i$ is not cut any more, the profit is $i \times m - i$; otherwise, the profit is $i \times maxProd[m - i]$. So, for a cut of length i , the profit will be $\max\{i \times (m - i), i \times maxProd[m - i]\}$.

Therefore $maxProd(m)$ can be written as following.

$$maxProd(m) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \leq 1 \\ \max_{i \in [1, m]} (\max\{i \times (m - i), i \times maxProd[m - i]\}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



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- **Step 3:** Fill the DP table:

RopeCut Table (n)

```
1.  for  $m = 1$  to  $n$ 
2.      if  $m \leq 1$ 
3.           $maxProd(m) \leftarrow 0$ 
4.      else
5.           $maxProd[m] \leftarrow -\infty$ 
6.          for  $i = 1$  to  $m$ 
7.               $candidate[i] \leftarrow \max\{i \times (m - i), i \times eggDrop[m - i]\}$ 
8.              if  $candidate[i] > maxProd[m]$ 
9.                   $maxProd[m] \leftarrow candidate[i]$ 
10.                  $flag[m] \leftarrow i$ 
11.  return  $maxProd$ 
```



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- **Step 4:** Retrieve the actual solution, i.e., the length of the cuts:

RetrieveCuts ($n, \text{maxProd}$)

1. $m \leftarrow n$
2. **while** $m \geq 2$
3. print $\text{flag}[m]$
4. $m \leftarrow m - \text{flag}[m]$