Algorithms and Data Structures for Data Science Nearest Neighbor Search

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Learning Objectives

Review BST implementations

Discuss applications of BSTs

Introduce nearest neighbor search using images

An overview of the KD-Tree (You will not be implementing!)

An overview of the Huffman tree

BST Find

1	<pre>def find_helper(node,key):</pre>
2	if not node:
3	return None
4	
5	if node.key == key:
6	return node
7	
8	if node.key > key:
9	<pre>return find_helper(node.left, key)</pre>
10	
11	if node.key < key:
12	<pre>return find_helper(node.right, key)</pre>

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find(4)



BST Insert

insert(5)





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BST Remove

```
def remove helper(node, key):
 1
 2
       if node == None:
           return None
 3
 4
       if node.key > key:
 5
           node.left = remove helper(node.left, key)
 6
       if node.key < key:</pre>
 7
           node.right = remove helper(node.right, key)
 8
       if node.key == key:
 9
           if node.left == None and node.right == None:
10
               return None
11
           elif node.left == None:
12
               return node.right
13
           elif node.right == None:
14
                return node.left
15
16
           iop = findIOP(node)
17
           node.key = iop.key
18
           node.val = iop.val
19
           node.left = remove helper(node.left, iop.key)
20
21
       return node
22
23
```



remove(3)





When would we use a tree?

Pretend for a moment that we always have an optimal BST.

What is the running time of **find**?

What is the running time of **insert**?

What is the running time of **remove**?

Is there a data structure with a *better* running time for all of these?

Advantages of trees

The running time for a balanced tree is *always* **O(log n)**

The structure of a tree can have underlying meaning

Ex: Huffman Trees for Huffman encoding

Trees can be used to **find the nearest neighbor**





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```
def fnn helper(node,key):
 1
 2
       if not node:
           return None
 3
 4
       if node.key == key:
 5
           return node
 6
 7
       if node.key > key:
 8
           temp = fnn helper(node.left, key)
 9
10
       if node.key < key:
11
           temp = fnn helper(node.right, key)
12
13
       # Nearest neighbor is either node.val (curr node)
14
       # OR the nearest neighbor found in the subtree
15
16
17
18
19
20
```







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(90, 75, 50)

Euclidean Distance

The distance between two points is the length of a line between them

1D:
$$d(p,q) = \sqrt{(p-q)^2}$$

2D: $d(p,q) = \sqrt{(p_0 - q_0)^2 + (p_1 - q_1)^2}$
3D: $d(p,q) = \sqrt{(p_0 - q_0)^2 + (p_1 - q_1)^2 + (p_2 - q_2)^2}$













We can reduce the total number of calculations by **averaging colors**

		[[45	218	0],[223	147	243],[116	57	223],[187	9	9],[238	208	236]]
		[[216	190	15],[193	64	80],[184	35	215],[95	152	180],[128	36	41]]
		[[101	128	53],[224	122	191],[237	212	74],[35	98	227],[214	66	167]]
		[[188	3	211],[217	142	33],[210	229	167],[208	57	22],[3	213	235]]
		[[11	172	37],[225	191	57],[184	130	34],[136	33	51],[26	220	67]]

















Naive Nearest Neighbor Search



1. Create a method of getting the Euclidean distance between points exactColorDist(c1, c2)

2. Create a method of getting the average color for a subset of the image getAverageColor(numArray, rstart=0, cstart=0, rlen=None, clen=None)

3. For each sub-image of a large image, get the closest matching tile getClosestColor(inlist, query)

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Problem: There's no obvious order in multi-dimensional space!

We can *reduce the dimensions* to create an arbitrary order, but lose precision

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L = = 0.299R + 0.587G + 0.114B





1. Create a method of comparing 1D 'sizes' of 3D objects getLum(c1)

2. Build a luminance BST that stores 3D objects based on their 1D size lum_tree_insert(root, key, value)

3. Implement a nearest neighbor search on the luminance BST lum_tree_find(root, key)

Luminance Nearest Neighbor Search

Pros:

Cons:

Imagine we have a set of two dimensional points...



We can build a k-dimension BST by comparing one dimension at a time

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At every level, we essentially partition our tree in half:





KD-Tree Construction Example

Imagine I wanted to build a KD-tree with the following points in order:

(7, 2), (5, 4), (9, 6), (2, 3), (8, 1), (4, 7)

search((6, 3))

At each level we want to compare *only* the relevant search dimension



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The leaf we find only tells us the *maximum radius* we need to search



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As we go back up the tree, we decide if our point is closer to our query



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Since our splitting point was within our search radius, we also have to check if there's a closer point in the other subtree



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We repeat this process all the way up to the root...



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... and in the other subtree if the root was in our radius



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This strategy is worst case O(n) but on average O(log n).



KD-Tree Nearest Neighbor Search

Pros:

Cons:

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You do not need to know how to implement a KD-tree

```
1 from scipy.spatial import KDTree
2
3 l = [(255, 0, 0), (255, 255, 0), (0, 255, 0), (0,
4 255, 255), (0,0,255), (255,0,255)]
5
6 kdt = KDTree(l)
```

You should know that it is the optimal solution to 100% accuracy NNS

You should understand conceptually how a KD-tree is built

Friday: A different tree application

Next Week: Addressing the 'height' problem

