

CSE 332: Data Abstractions

Sorting I

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Announcements

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Sorting

- Input
 - an array A of data records
 - a key value in each data record
 - a comparison function which imposes a consistent ordering on the keys
- Output
 - “sorted” array A such that
 - For any i and j , if $i < j$ then $A[i] \leq A[j]$

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Consistent Ordering

- The comparison function must provide a **consistent ordering** on the set of possible keys
 - You can compare any two keys and get back an indication of $a < b$, $a > b$, or $a = b$ (trichotomy)
 - The comparison functions must be consistent
 - If $\text{compare}(a, b)$ says $a < b$, then $\text{compare}(b, a)$ must say $b > a$
 - If $\text{compare}(a, b)$ says $a = b$, then $\text{compare}(b, a)$ must say $b = a$
 - If $\text{compare}(a, b)$ says $a = b$, then $\text{equals}(a, b)$ and $\text{equals}(b, a)$ must say $a = b$

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Why Sort?

- Provides fast search:
- Find k th largest element in:

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Space

- How much space does the sorting algorithm require?
 - In-place: no more than the array or at most $O(1)$ additional space
 - out-of-place: use separate data structures, copy back
 - External memory sorting – data so large that does not fit in memory

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Stability

A sorting algorithm is **stable** if:

- Items in the input with the same value end up in the same order as when they began.

Input		Unstable sort		Stable Sort	
Adams	1	Adams	1	Adams	1
Black	2	Smith	1	Smith	1
Brown	4	Washington	2	Black	2
Jackson	2	Jackson	2	Jackson	2
Jones	4	Black	2	Washington	2
Smith	1	White	3	White	3
Thompson	4	Wilson	3	Wilson	3
Washington	2	Thompson	4	Brown	4
White	3	Brown	4	Jones	4
Wilson	3	Jones	4	Thompson	4

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Time

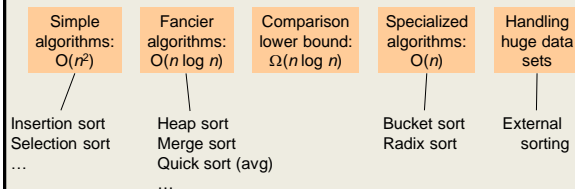
How fast is the algorithm?

- requirement: for any $i < j$, $A[i] \leq A[j]$
- This means that you need to at least check on each element at the very minimum
 - Complexity is at least:
- And you could end up checking each element against every other element
 - Complexity could be as bad as:

The big question: How close to $O(n)$ can you get?

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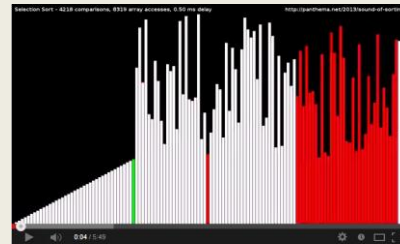
Sorting: The Big Picture



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Demo (with sound!)

- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kPRA0W1kECg>



15 Sorting Algorithms in 6 Minutes

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Selection Sort: idea

1. Find the smallest element, put it 1st
2. Find the next smallest element, put it 2nd
3. Find the next smallest, put it 3rd
4. And so on ...

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Try it out: Selection Sort

- 31, 16, 54, 4, 2, 17, 6

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Selection Sort: Code

```
void SelectionSort (Array a[0..n-1]) {
    for (i=0; i<n; ++i) {
        j = Find index of
            smallest entry in a[i..n-1]
        Swap(a[i],a[j])
    }
}
```

Runtime:

worst case :
best case :
average case :

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Bubble Sort

- Take a pass through the array
 - If neighboring elements are out of order, swap them.
- Repeat until no swaps needed

- Worst & avg case: $O(n^2)$
 - pretty much no reason to ever use this algorithm

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Insertion Sort

1. Sort first 2 elements.
2. Insert 3rd element in order.
 - (First 3 elements are now sorted.)
3. Insert 4th element in order
 - (First 4 elements are now sorted.)
4. And so on...

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How to do the insertion?

Suppose my sequence is:

16, 31, 54, 78, 32, 17, 6

And I've already sorted up to 78. How to insert 32?

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Try it out: Insertion sort

- 31, 16, 54, 4, 2, 17, 6

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Insertion Sort: Code

```
void InsertionSort (Array a[0..n-1]) {
    for (i=1; i<n; i++) {
        for (j=i; j>0; j--) {
            if (a[j] < a[j-1])
                Swap(a[j],a[j-1])
            else
                break
        }
    }
}
```

Note: can instead move the "hole" to minimize copying, as with a binary heap.

Runtime:

worst case :
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average case :

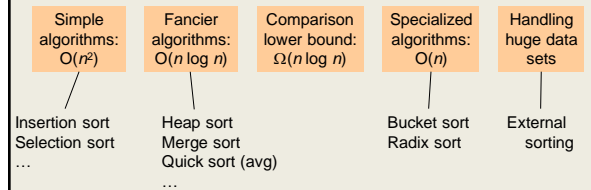
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Insertion Sort vs. Selection Sort

- Same worst case, avg case complexity
- Insertion better best-case
 - preferable when input is “almost sorted”
 - one of the best sorting algs for almost sorted case (also for small arrays)

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Sorting: *The Big Picture*



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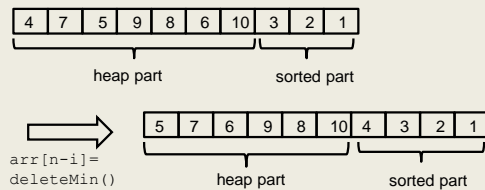
Heap Sort: Sort with a Binary Heap

Worst Case Runtime:

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In-place heap sort

- Treat the initial array as a heap (via **buildHeap**)
- When you delete the i^{th} element, put it at **arr[n-i]**
 - It's not part of the heap anymore!



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AVL Sort

Insert nodes into an AVL Tree
Conduct an In-order traversal to extract nodes in sorted order

Worst Case Runtime:

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“Divide and Conquer”

- Very important strategy in computer science:
 - Divide problem into smaller parts
 - Independently solve the parts
 - Combine these solutions to get overall solution
- **Idea 1:** Divide array in half, *recursively* sort left and right halves, then *merge* two halves
→ known as **Mergesort**
- **Idea 2:** Partition array into small items and large items, then recursively sort the two sets
→ known as **Quicksort**

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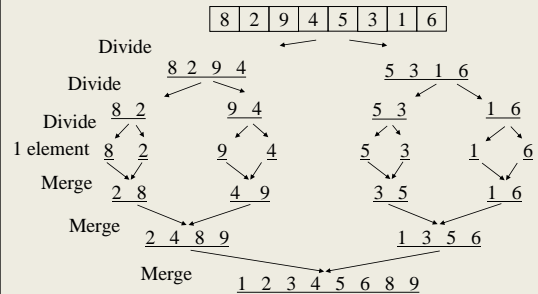
Mergesort



- Divide it in two at the midpoint
- Sort each half (recursively)
- Merge two halves together

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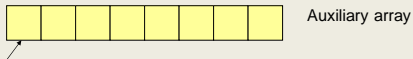
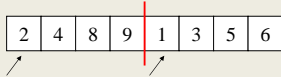
Mergesort Example



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Merging: Two Pointer Method

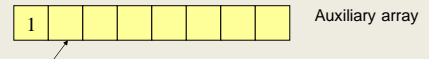
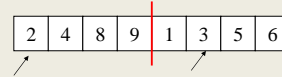
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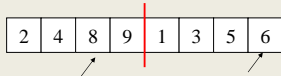
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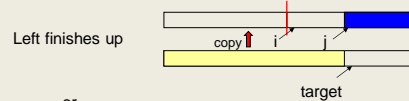
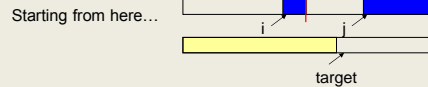
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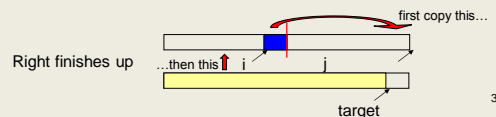


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Merging: Finishing Up



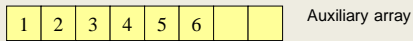
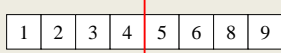
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Merging: Two Pointer Method

- Final result



Complexity?

Stability?

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Merging

```

Merge(A[], Temp[], left, mid, right) {
    Int i, j, k, l, target
    i = left
    j = mid + 1
    target = left
    while (i <= mid && j <= right) {
        if (A[i] <= A[j])
            Temp[target] = A[i++]
        else
            Temp[target] = A[j++]
        target++
    }
    if (i > mid) //left completed//
        for (k = left to target-1)
            A[k] = Temp[k];
    if (j > right) //right completed//
        k = mid
        l = right
        while (k >= l)
            A[l--] = A[k--]
        for (k = left to target-1)
            A[k] = Temp[k]
    }
    
```

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Recursive Mergesort

```

MainMergesort(A[1..n], n) {
    Array Temp[1..n]
    Mergesort[A, Temp, 1, n]
}

Mergesort(A[], Temp[], left, right) {
    if (left < right) {
        mid = (left + right)/2
        Mergesort(A, Temp, left, mid)
        Mergesort(A, Temp, mid+1, right)
        Merge(A, Temp, left, mid, right)
    }
}
    
```

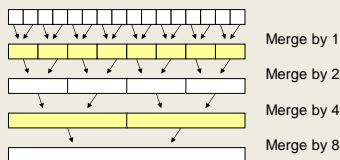
What is the recurrence relation?

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Mergesort: Complexity

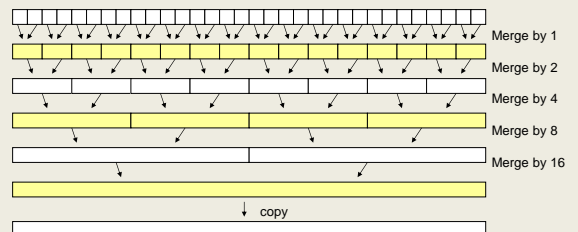
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Iterative Mergesort



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Iterative Mergesort



Iterative Mergesort reduces copying
Complexity?

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Properties of Mergesort

- In-place?
- Stable?
- Sorted list complexity?
- Nicely extends to handle linked lists.
- Multi-way merge is basis of big data sorting.
- Java uses Mergesort on Collections and on Arrays of Objects.