

Today's Content

1. Overriding Comperator
2. Given $arr[N]$ sort elements based on freq
3. Largest number in array
4. k closest Points in Origin
5. Sort in Decreasing Order

Intro: When we want our own sorting order, we use concept of compare function.

Compare function:

Define order for 2 no., using that we can define order for all arr[] elements.

#Syntax:

```
bool f_name(Type s1, Type s2) { # Both s1 & s2 are same type.  
    if we want s1 before s2: return True  
    else if s2 before s1: return False;  
}
```

```
int arr[];
```

```
sort(arr, arr+n, f_name); # Sort arr based on f_name
```

```
vector<int> v;
```

```
sort(v.begin(), v.end(), f_name); # Sort v based on f_name
```

Tc: $O(n \log n)$ * Time taken for cmp function;

```

void mergeSort(int arr[], int s, int e) { T.C:  $O(N \log N)$  S.C:  $O(N + \log N)$ 
    if (s == e) { return; }
    int m = (s + e) / 2;
    mergeSort(arr, s, m);
    mergeSort(arr, m + 1, e);
    Merge(arr, s, m, e); # Merge both subarray [s..m] & [m+1..e]
}

```

arr[]: { ... [s s+1... m] [m+1... e] ... }

tmp[]

arr[]: { ... [s s+1... m] [m+1... e] ... }

```

void Merge(int arr[], int s, int m, int e) {

```

```

    int c[e-s+1];

```

```

    int p1 = s, p2 = m + 1, p3 = 0;

```

```

    arr[]: { s... [p1... m] [m+1... e]

```

```

    while (p1 <= m & p2 <= e) { # 1st Sub: [s..m] 2nd Sub: [m+1..e]

```

```

        # s1      s2
        if (A[p1] <= A[p2]) {
            C[p3] = A[p1]; p3++; p1++;
        }

```

```

        if (true(s1, s2)) {
            # if function returns True: s1
        }

```

```

    } else {
        C[p3] = A[p2]; p3++; p2++;
    }
}

```

```

    } else {
        # if function returns False: s2
    }
}

```

```

    while (p1 <= m) {
        C[p3] = A[p1]; p3++; p1++;
    }

```

```

    while (p2 <= e) {
        C[p3] = A[p2]; p3++; p2++;
    }

```

```

    for (int i = s; i <= e; i++) {
        A[i] = C[i - s];
    }
}

```

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Q: Given $arr[N]$ elements sort elements in decreasing order.

Ex: $arr[] = \{ 6 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 10 \ 14 \ 12 \}$

$arr[] = \{ 14 \ 12 \ 10 \ 6 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2 \}$

bool dec(int s1, int s2) { Tc: $O(N \log N * 1) = O(N \log N)$

if ($s1 > s2$) { # s1 come first

return true;

else { # s2 come first

return false;

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vector<int> sortDec(vector<int> & arr) {

sort(arr.begin(), arr.end(), dec); # sort arr in dec order

return arr;

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Given $arr[N]$ elements sort elements in increasing order of frequency.

Note: If 2 elements have same freq, smaller element should come first

Ex:

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
$arr[] = \{$	7	2	9	2	3	3	2	5	$\}$

$arr[] = \{ 5 \ 7 \ 9 \ 3 \ 3 \ 2 \ 2 \ 2 \}$

`unordered_map<int, int> um;`

`bool freq(int s1, int s2) {`

`if (um[s1] < um[s2]) { #s1 come first`

`return true;`

`else if (um[s1] == um[s2]) {`

`if (s1 < s2) { return true; }`

`else { return false; }`

`else { #um[s1] > #um[s2];`

`return false;`

`// return s1 < s2;`

s_1

$3 < 8$: True: s_1

$8 < 3$: False: s_2

`vector<int> sortFreq(vector<int> & arr) {`

`# complete erase um; # Reinitialization: TODO`

`for (int i = 0; i < arr.size(); i++) {`

`um[arr[i]]++;`

`return arr;`

303 Given vector of pairs, each pair is representing 2D point

Sort points based on their distance to origin in increasing order

Note: If 2 points have same distance to origin point with smaller n should come first

Note: Distance between 2 points (x_1, y_1) $(x_2, y_2) = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$

Distance between origin $(0, 0)$ & $(x, y) = \sqrt{(x - 0)^2 + (y - 0)^2}$

obs: If $\sqrt{x} > \sqrt{y} : x > y$. $\# d^2$ from $(0, 0)$ to $(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$

Ex:

v:	x y	#d	#d ²	x y
0	(2, 3)	$\sqrt{13}$	13	0 (2, 3)
1	(1, 4)	$\sqrt{17}$	17	1 (3, 2)
2	(5, 2)	$\sqrt{29}$	29	2 (1, 4)
3	(3, 3)	$\sqrt{18}$	18	3 (3, 3)
4	(4, -2)	$\sqrt{20}$	20	4 (4, -2)
5	(3, 2)	$\sqrt{13}$	13	5 (5, 2)

```

    bool point(pair<int,int> p1, pair<int,int> p2) {
        int x1 = p1.first, y1 = p1.second;
        int x2 = p2.first, y2 = p2.second;
        int d1 = x12 + y12; // Square distance from (0,0) to (x1,y1)
        int d2 = x22 + y22; // Square distance from (0,0) to (x2,y2);
        if (d1 < d2) { return true; }
        else if (d1 == d2) {
            if (x1 < x2) { return true; } // x1 comes first
            else { return false; } // x2 comes first
        }
        else { // d1 > d2
            return false;
        }
    }
}

```

```

vector<pair<int,int>> sortDist(vector<pair<int,int>> &ar) {
    sort(ar.begin(), ar.end(), point);
}

```

48 Largest Number:

Given an $arr[n]$, arrange them in such a way that by concatenating all of them from left to right it should form largest number.

Note: Result may be very large, so return a string.

Ex1: $arr[] = \{2, 3, 9, 0\}$ $\rightarrow \{3, 9, 0, 2\} = 3902$
 $\rightarrow \{9, 3, 2, 0\} = 9320$

Ex2: $arr[] = \{99, 90, 98\} \rightarrow \{99, 98, 90\} = 999890$

Ex3: $arr[] = \{998, 9\} \rightarrow \{998, 9\} = 9989$
 $\rightarrow \{9, 998\} = 9998$

Ex4: $arr[] = \{30, 3\}$

Idea:

1. Sort $arr[]$ in descending order & concatenate *

2. #Hint: Take any 2 elements & find order on them

ele1	ele2	ele1 + ele2	ele2 + ele1	order
89	8	898	889	ele1 first
90	9	909	990	ele2 first
98	9	989	998	ele2 first

Idea: Given 2 numbers $ele1$ & $ele2$

```
if (ele1 + ele2 > ele2 + ele1) { #ele1 comes first
    return true;
} else {
    return false;
}
```

Note: When we compare strings we get dictionary order

to_string()

```
bool desc(int s1, int s2) {
```

```
    string f = to_string(s1) + to_string(s2);
```

s1: 346

```
    string s = to_string(s2) + to_string(s1);
```

s2: 347

```
    if (f > s) { #s1 comes first
```

s1 < s2 ✓

```
    } return true;
```

```
    else {
```

```
    } return false; #s2 comes first
```

```
}
```

```
string sortDes(vector<int> &arr) {
```

```
    sort(arr.begin(), arr.end(), desc);
```

```
    string ans = "";
```

```
    for (int i = 0; i < arr.size(); i++) {
```

```
    } ans += to_string(arr[i]);
```

```
    return ans;
```

```
}
```

String concatenation in C++

🔍 Time Complexity of Each

1. `s = s + "a";`

✗ **O(n)** (every time)

- `s + "a"` creates a new string of length `n + 1`
- Copies all `n` characters from `s`
- Appends `"a"`
- Assigns the new string back to `s`

♦ So total cost = **O(n) copy** + **O(1) append**

🕒 **Time Complexity:** **O(n)** per operation

(`n` = current length of `s`)

2. `s += "a";`

✓ **Amortized O(1)** per operation

- Appends in-place, reusing capacity if available
- Only occasionally reallocates (like vector doubling)

So:

- Most of the time → **O(1)**
- When reallocating → **O(n)**

💡 But over many appends (e.g., in loop), it's **amortized O(1)**

📊 Summary Table:

Operation	Time Complexity	Notes
<code>s = s + "a"</code>	✗ O(n)	Creates temp + copies entire string
<code>s += "a"</code>	✓ Amortized O(1)	In-place append using existing memory