CH08-320201 Algorithms and Data Structures

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Don't forget: midterm next week

Last time

- Comparison sorting
 - The lower bound for comparison sorting $\Omega(n \lg n)$.
- Is it possible to avoid comparisons between elements?
- Yes, if we can make assumptions on the input data.
- E.g., trivial case
 - Input: A[1...n], where A[j] \in {1,2,..., n}, and $a_i \neq a_j$ for all $i \neq j$
 - Output: B[1...n]

2.4 Counting Sort

Problem statement

Input: **A[1..n]**, where A[j] \in {1,2,...,k}.

Output: **B[1..n]**,

which is a sorted version of A [1..n].

Auxiliary storage: C[1..k].

Counting Sort

```
for i := 1 to k
   do C[i]:=0
for j := 1 to n
                               //C[i]=|{key=i}|
   do C[A[j]]:=C[A[j]]+1
for i := 2 to k
                               //C[i]=|{key≤i}|
   do C[i]:=C[i]+C[i-1]
for j := n downto 1
   do B[C[A[j]]]←A[j]
      C[A[j]] \leftarrow C[A[j]] -1
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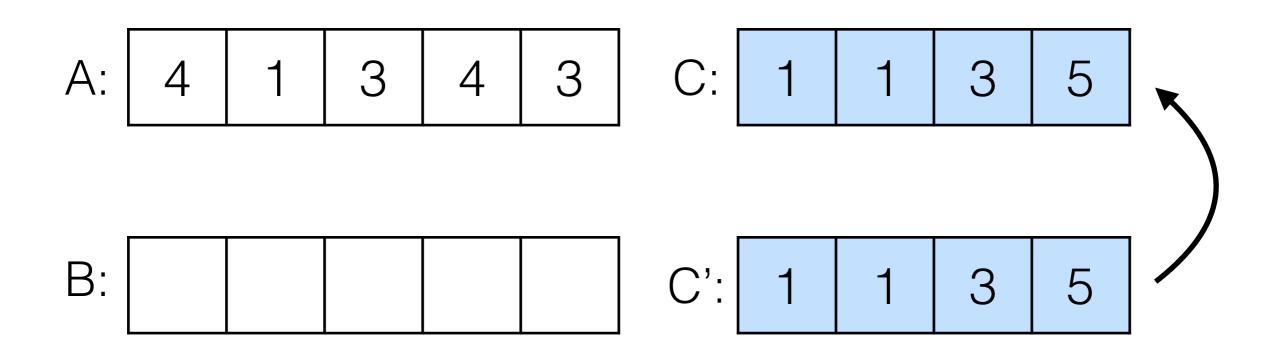
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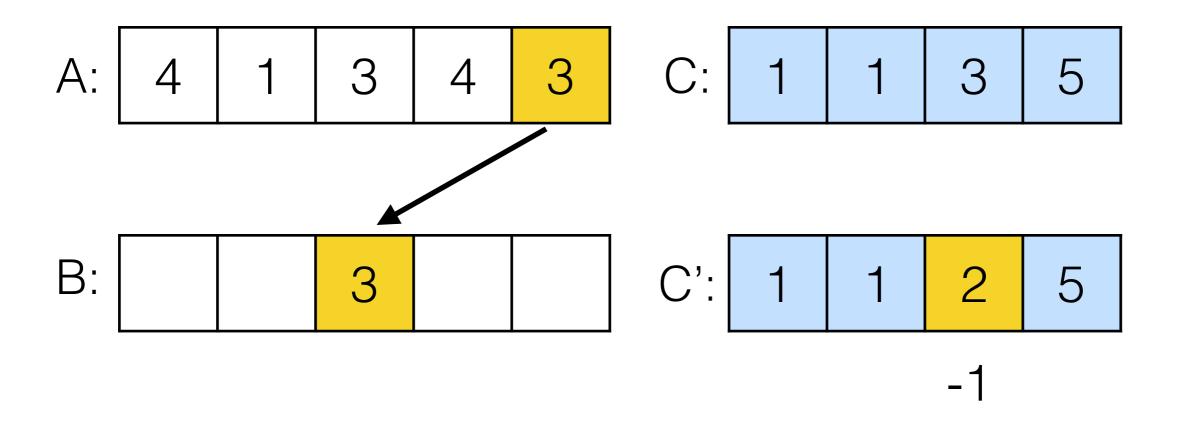
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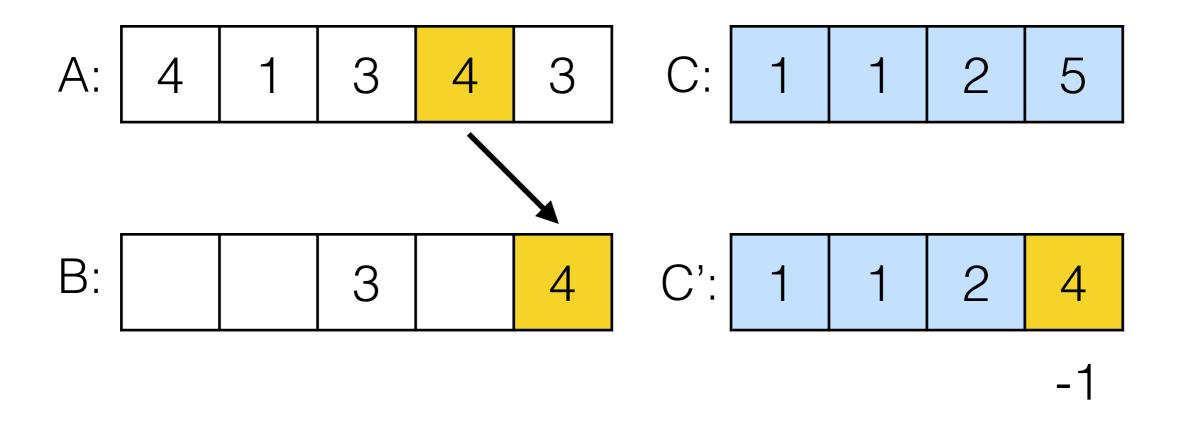
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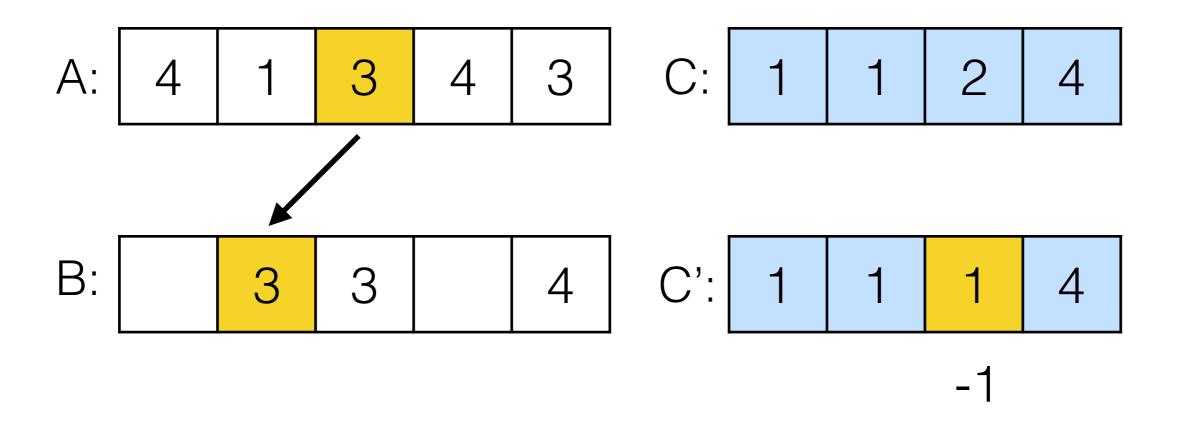
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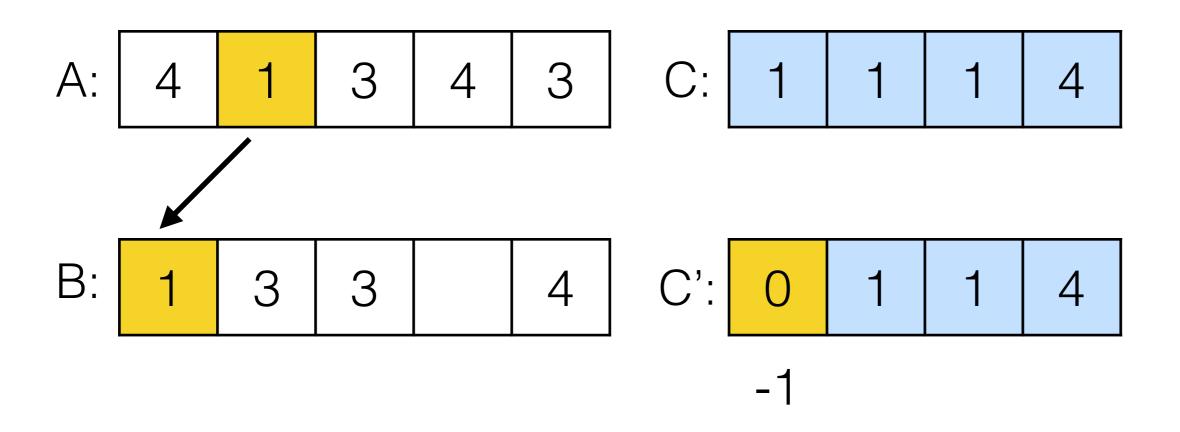
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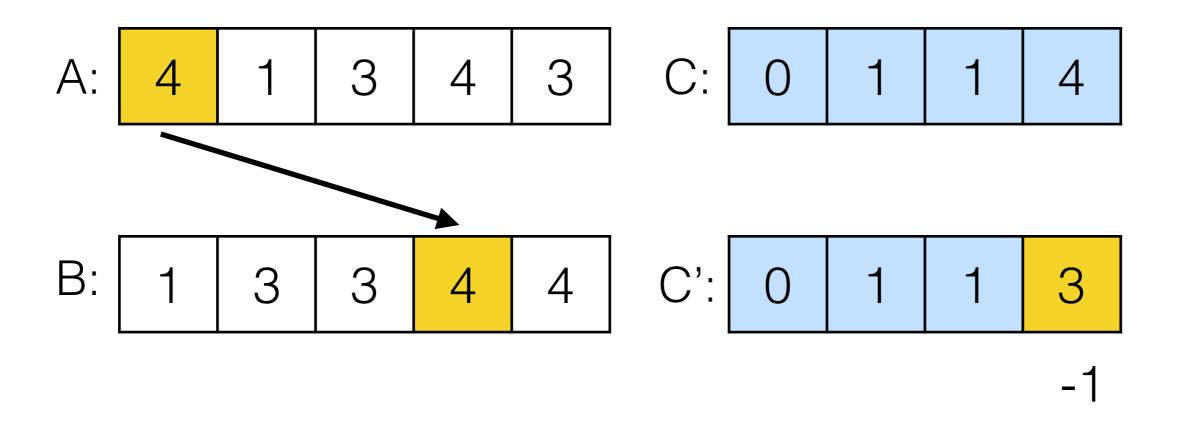
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Asymptotic Analysis

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                 do B[C[A[j]]]←A[j]
                     C[A[j]] \leftarrow C[A[j]] -1
\Theta(n+k)
```

Asymptotic Analysis

If k=O(n), then Counting Sort takes Θ(n) time.

Remark:

Comparison sorting takes Ω(n lg n) time.
 Counting Sort is not a comparison sort. In fact, not a single comparison between elements occurs!

Stable Sorting (hw 4)

Definition:

- Stable sorting: Stable sorting algorithms maintain the relative order of records with equal keys (i.e., values).
- Thus, a sorting algorithm is stable, if whenever there are two records R and S with the same key and with R appearing before S in the original list, R will appear before S in the sorted list.

Is Counting Sort stable?

A: 4 1 3 4 3
Yes!
B: 1 3 3 4 4

2.5 Radix Sort

Motivation

- Counting Sort is less efficient when processing numbers from a large range, i.e., k is large.
- Can we find an algorithm that efficiently sorts n numbers for large k?

Origin

- The 1880 U.S. Census took almost 10 years to process.
- Herman Hollerith (1860-1929) prototyped a punched-card technology.
- His machines, including a "card sorter", allowed the 1890 census total to be reported in 6 weeks.
- He founded the Tabulating Machine Company in 1911, which merged with other companies in 1924 to form International Business Machines (IBM).

Idea

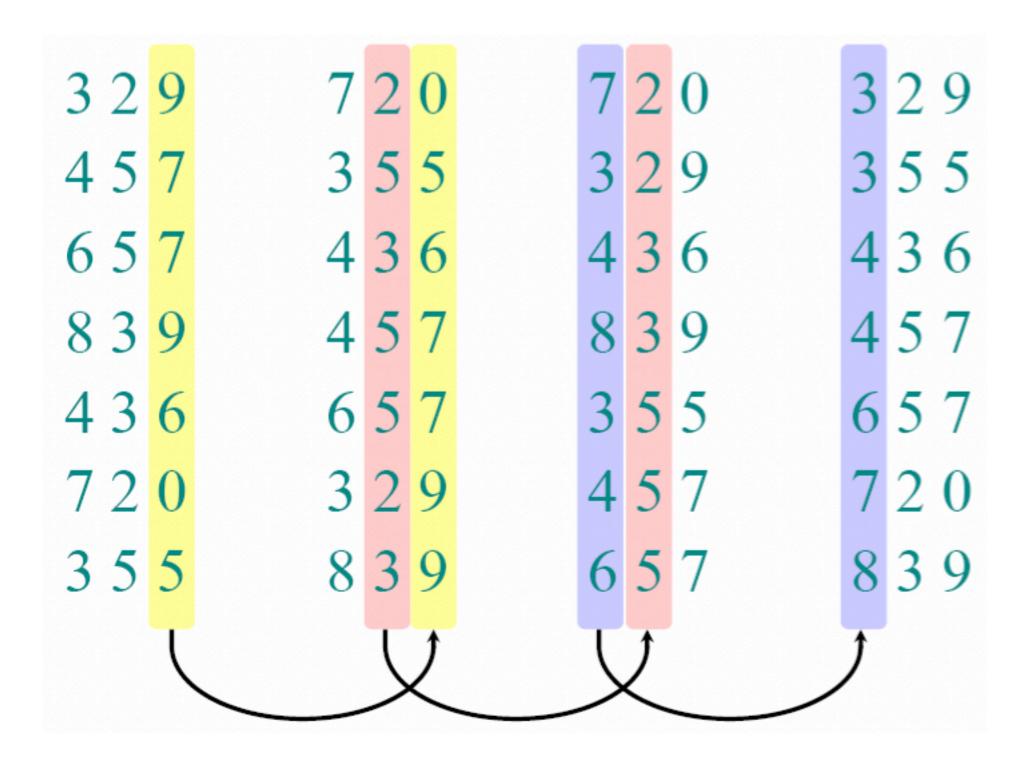
- Hollerith's idea was to use a digit-by-digit sort.
- He sorted on most significant digit first.
- However, it requires us to keep one sequence for each digit, which then gets sorted recursively.
- It is more efficient to sort on least significant digit first.
- This idea requires a stable sorting algorithm.

Radix Sort

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RADIX-SORT(A, d)
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- 1 **for** i = 1 **to** d
- 2 use a stable sort to sort array A on digit i

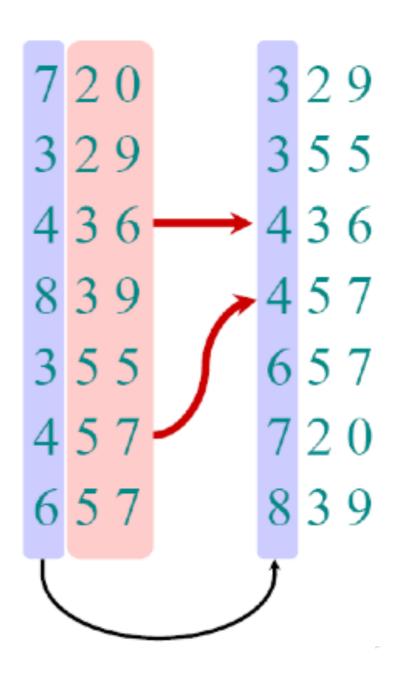
Example



Correctness of radix sort

Induction on digit position:

- Only one digit: trivial.
- Assume that the numbers are sorted by their low-order t-1 digits.
- Sort on digit *t*:
 - Two numbers that differ in digit *t* are correctly sorted.
 - Two numbers equal in digit *t* are put in the same order as the input, i.e., correct order.



Asymptotic Analysis

- Use Counting Sort as stable sorting algorithm.
- Sort n computer words of b bits each.
- Each word can be viewed as having b/r base-2^r digits.
- Example: 32-bit word.
 - r = 8: d = b/r = 4 passes of counting sort on base-2⁸ digits;
 - r = 16: d = b/r = 2 passes of counting sort on base-2¹⁶ digits.
- How many passes should we make?

Choosing r

- Counting Sort takes $\Theta(n+k)$ time to sort n numbers in the range from 0 to k-1.
- If each b-bit word is broken into r-bit pieces, each pass of Counting Sort takes $\Theta(n + 2^r)$ time.
- Since there are *b*/*r* passes, we have:

$$T(n,b) = \Theta\left(\frac{b}{r}(n+2^r)\right).$$

• Choose r to minimize T(n,b).

Choosing r

$$T(n,b) = \Theta\left(\frac{b}{r}(n+2^r)\right).$$

- Increasing r means fewer passes, but when r >> Ign the time grows exponentially.
- We do not want $2^r > n$, but there is no harm asymptotically in choosing r as large as possible subject to this constraint.
- Choosing $r = \lg n$ implies $T(n,b) = \Theta(bn/\lg n)$.
- For numbers in the range from 0 to n^d-1 , we have $b = dr = d \lg n$, i.e., Radix Sort runs in $\Theta(dn)$ time.

Conclusions

- In practice, Radix Sort is fast for large inputs, as well as simple to code and maintain.
- Example (32-bit numbers, i.e., *b*=32, and *n*=2000):
 - dn: At most d=3 passes when sorting 2000 numbers.
 - n Ign: Merge Sort and Quicksort do at least ceiling (Ig 2000) = 11 passes.

2.6 Bucket Sort

Motivation

- Can we use the idea of Radix Sort to sort any numbers, i.e., without assuming them to be integers?
- In order to do this efficiently, we make a new assumption:
 - The to-be-sorted elements shall distribute uniformly and independently over the interval [0,1).

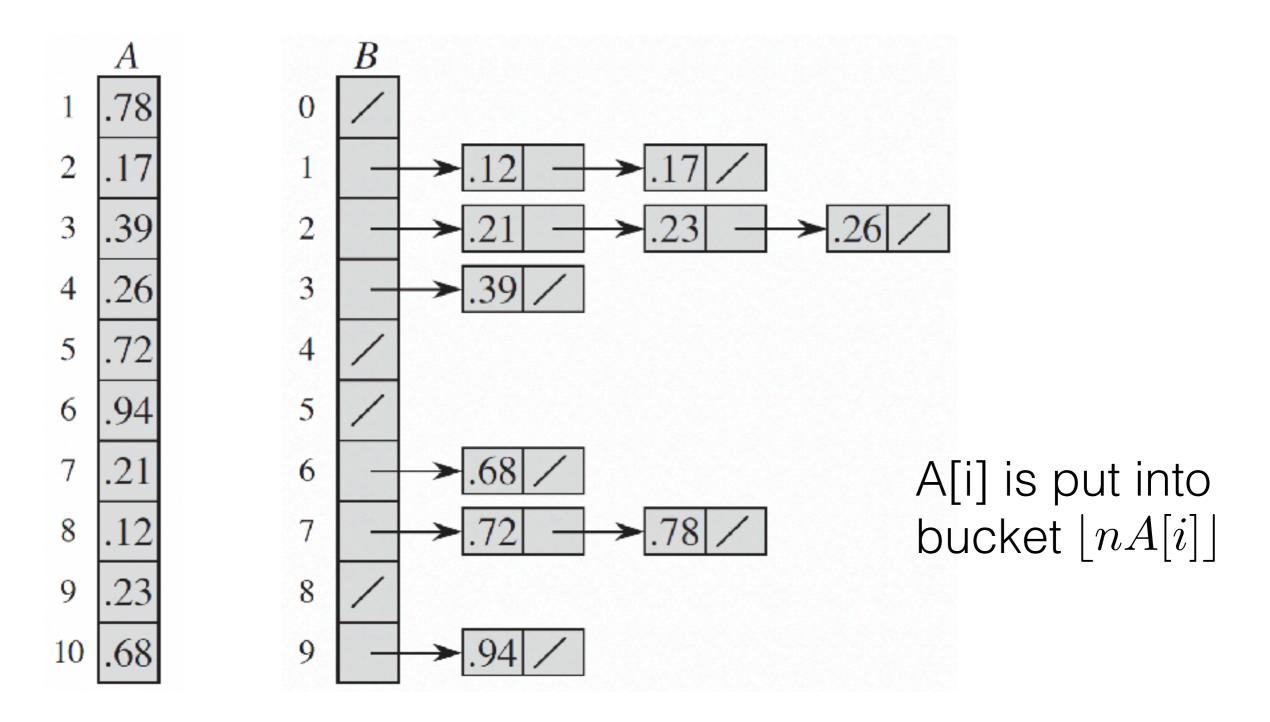
Remark:

- Interval [0,1) is not a real restriction, as we can normalize the elements to this interval in linear time.
- However, uniform distribution and independence are restrictions and we will see that we need this to assure good expected running time.

Idea

- Assuming that we have to sort *n* numbers, we split the interval [0,1) into *n* subintervals or *buckets*.
- Then, we can distribute the n numbers to the n buckets.
- Assuming uniform distribution, we can conclude that we have only few numbers falling into each bucket.

Example (n=10)



Bucket Sort

```
BUCKET-SORT(A)
   let B[0..n-1] be a new array
2 \quad n = A.length
3 for i = 0 to n - 1
       make B[i] an empty list
   for i = 1 to n
        insert A[i] into list B[|nA[i]|]
   for i = 0 to n - 1
        sort list B[i] with insertion sort
   concatenate the lists B[0], B[1], \ldots, B[n-1] together in order
```

Time complexity

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2 n = A.length

3 for i = 0 to n - 1

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5 for i = 1 to n

6 insert A[i] into list B[\lfloor nA[i] \rfloor]

7 for i = 0 to n - 1

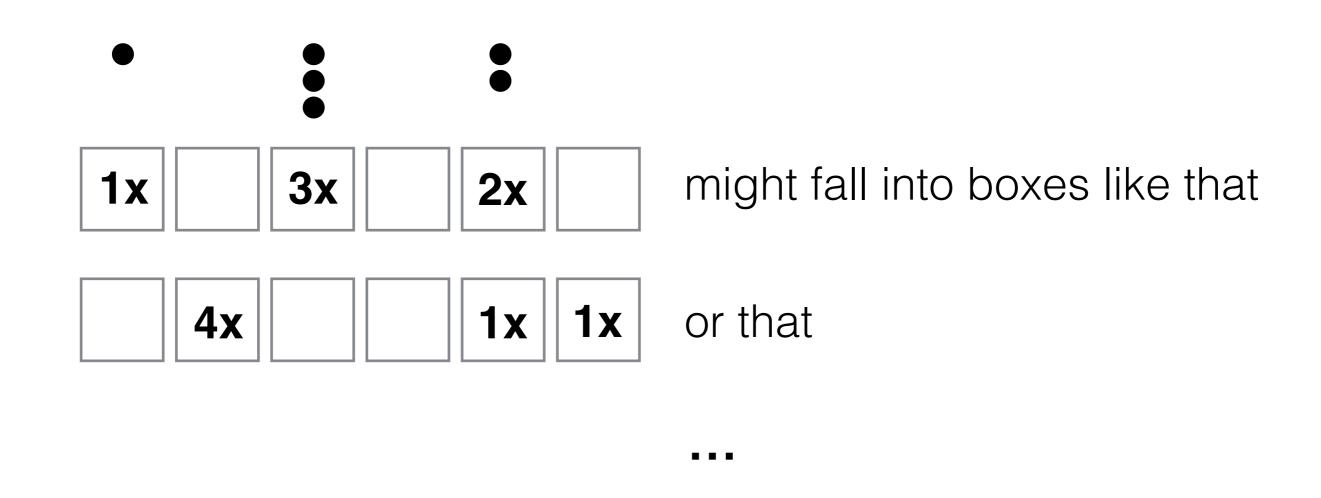
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9 concatenate the lists B[0], B[1], \ldots, B[n-1] together in order
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Time complexity:
$$T(n) = \Theta(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} O(n_i^2)$$

where *n_i* denotes the number of elements in bucket *i*.

Average case



Expected time complexity

$$E[T(n)] = \Theta(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} O(E[n_i^2])$$

What is $E[n^2]$?

Let X_{ij} be the event that A[j] falls into bucket i. Then,

$$n_i = \sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij}$$

Use assumptions of uniform distribution and independence.

Estimate $E[n^2]$

$$E[n_i^2] = E\left[\left(\sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij}\right)^2\right] = E\left[\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n X_{ij} X_{ik}\right]$$

$$= E\left[\sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{\substack{k=1\\k\neq j}}^n X_{ij} X_{ik}\right]$$

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Estimate $E[n^2]$

$$E[X_{ij}] E[X_{ik}] = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n^2}.$$

$$E[X_{ij}^2] = 1^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n} + 0^2 \cdot (1 - \frac{1}{n}) = \frac{1}{n}.$$

$$E[n_i^2] = \sum_{j=1}^n E[X_{ij}^2] + \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{\substack{k=1\\k\neq j}}^n E[X_{ij}] E[X_{ik}]$$

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

$$= 2 - \frac{1}{n}.$$

Expected time complexity

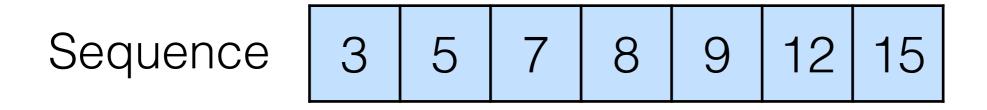
$$E[T(n)] = \Theta(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} O(E[n_i^2])$$

$$E[T(n)] = \Theta(n) + n \cdot O(2 - 1/n)$$
$$= \Theta(n)$$

2.7 Searching

Searching problem

- Given a sorted sequence.
- Find an element in that sequence.
- Example: Find element 9.



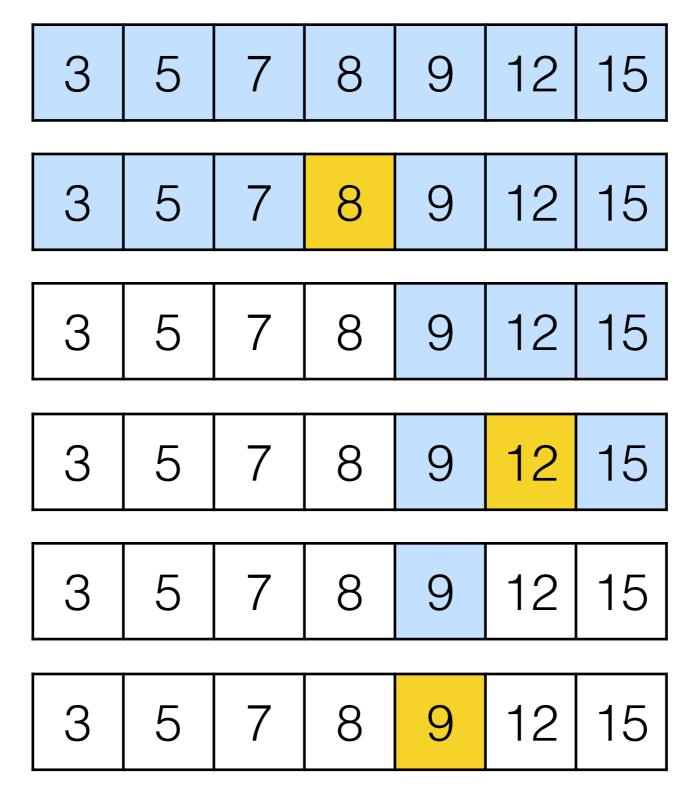
 Brute-force approach (going through the sequence from start until we find the 9) runs in O(n).

Binary Search

Idea: Use a divide & conquer strategy.

- 1. Divide:
 - Check middle element.
- 2. Conquer:
 - Recursively search 1 subarray.
- 3. Combine:
 - Nothing to be done.

Example (find 9)



Time Complexity

$$T(n) = 1T(n/2) + \Theta(1)$$

 $a = 1, b = 2$
 $\ln \log_b a = n^{\log_2 1} = 1$
 $f(n) = \Theta(1)$
Case 2: $T(n) = \Theta(\lg n)$.

2.8 Summary

Summary

Sorting problem:

- Comparison sorts:
 - InsertionSort: $\Theta(n)$ [best], $\Theta(n^2)$ [average&worst].
 - MergeSort: Θ(nlgn).
 - HeapSort: Θ(nlgn) / Heap as a data structure
 - Quicksort: $\Theta(n \lg n)$ [best&average], $\Theta(n^2)$ [worst].
 - Decision trees: Worst case does not get better than $\Theta(n \lg n)$.
- Sorting in linear time:
 - Counting Sort: small integers
 - Radix Sort: large integers
 - Bucket Sort: any numbers, but uniform distribution.

Searching Problem:

- Linear Search: Θ(1) [best], Θ(n) [average&worst]
- Binary Search: Θ(1) [best], Θ(lgn) [average&worst]