

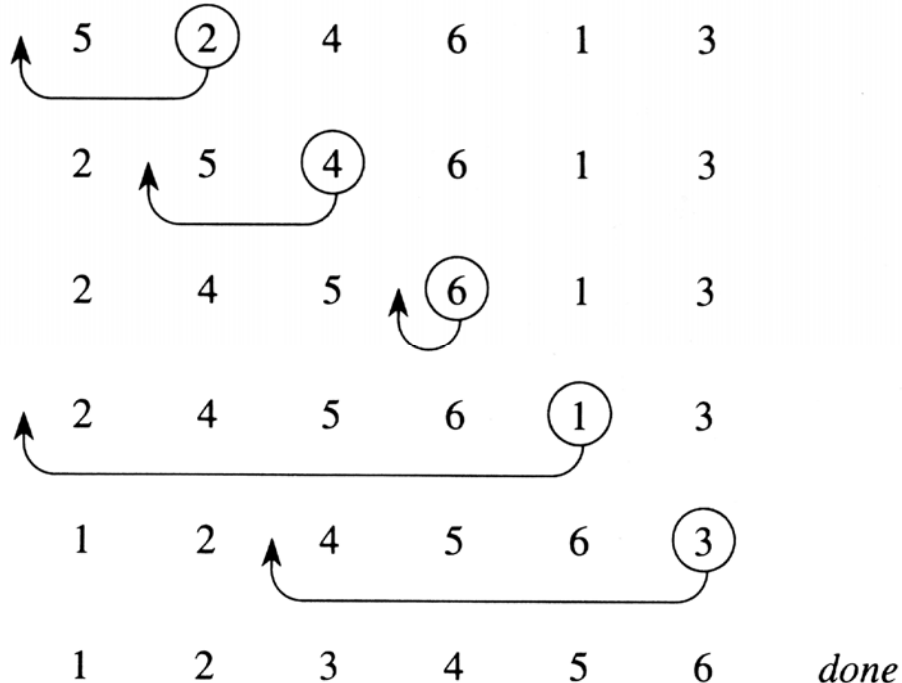
Introduction & Getting Started

1.1 Algorithms

Algorithm: A sequence of computational steps that transform the *input* of a **computational problem** into the *output*.

2.1 Insertion Sort: An efficient algorithm for sorting a small number of elements.

Example:



2.2 Analyzing Algorithms

RAM: Random-access machine, in which each memory access takes unit time and instructions are executed one by one.

Running time: number of steps, which is a function of the *input size*.

Example: Insertion Sort

INSERTION-SORT(<i>A</i>)		cost	times
1	for $j \leftarrow 2$ to $\text{length}[A]$	c_1	n
2	do $\text{key} \leftarrow A[j]$	c_2	$n - 1$
3	\triangleright Insert $A[j]$ into the sorted sequence $A[1 \dots j - 1]$.	0	$n - 1$
4	$i \leftarrow j - 1$	c_4	$n - 1$
5	while $i > 0$ and $A[i] > \text{key}$	c_5	$\sum_{j=2}^n t_j$
6	do $A[i + 1] \leftarrow A[i]$	c_6	$\sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1)$
7	$i \leftarrow i - 1$	c_7	$\sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1)$
8	$A[i + 1] \leftarrow \text{key}$	c_8	$n - 1$

$$T(n) = c_1 n + (c_2 + c_4 + c_8)(n-1) + c_5 \sum_{j=2}^n t_j +$$

$$(c_6 + c_7) \sum_{j=2}^n (t_j - 1)$$

Best-case:

Each $t_j = 1$. (The input A is sorted.)

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= (c_1 + c_2 + c_4 + c_5 + c_8)n - (c_2 + c_4 + c_5 + c_8) \\ &= \Theta(n) \\ &\quad \text{(rate of growth, order of growth)} \end{aligned}$$

Worst-case: (upper bound)

Each $t_j = j$.

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= k_1 n^2 + k_2 n + k_3 \\ &= \Theta(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

Average-case: (Expected running time)

Each $t_j = j/2$.

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= t_1 n^2 + t_2 n + t_3 \\ &= \Theta(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

2.3 Designing Algorithms**Divide-and-Conquer:**

Divide: (into the same problems of smaller size)

Conquer:

Combine:

Example: Merge Sort

MERGE-SORT(A, p, r)

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1  if  $p < r$ 
2      then  $q \leftarrow \lfloor (p + r)/2 \rfloor$ 
3           MERGE-SORT( $A, p, q$ )
4           MERGE-SORT( $A, q + 1, r$ )
5           MERGE( $A, p, q, r$ )

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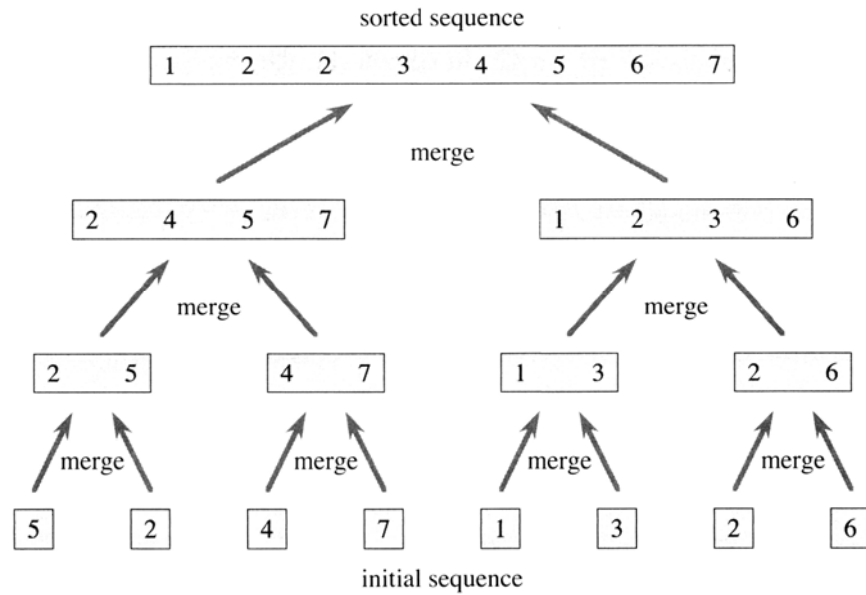


Figure 2.4 The operation of merge sort on the array $A = \langle 5, 2, 4, 7, 1, 3, 2, 6 \rangle$. The lengths of the sorted sequences being merged increase as the algorithm progresses from bottom to top.

Analysis: (recurrence)

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$= \Theta(n \log n)$$

Homework: Pro. 2-1 and 2-4.