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# **Lecture 3: Sorting**

## Set Interface (L03-L08)

Container	build(X)	given an iterable x, build set from items in x		
	len()	return the number of stored items		
Static	find(k)	return the stored item with key k		
Dynamic	insert(x)	add x to set (replace item with key x.key if one already exists)		
	delete(k)	remove and return the stored item with key k		
Order	iter_ord()	return the stored items one-by-one in key order		
	find_min()	return the stored item with smallest key		
	find_max()	return the stored item with largest key		
	find_next(k)	return the stored item with smallest key larger than k		
	find_prev(k)	return the stored item with largest key smaller than k		

- Storing items in an array in arbitrary order can implement a (not so efficient) set
- Stored items sorted increasing by key allows:
  - faster find min/max (at first and last index of array)
  - faster finds via binary search:  $O(\log n)$

	Operations $O(\cdot)$					
Set	Container	Static	Dynamic	Order		
Data Structure	build(X)	find(k)	insert(x)	find_min()	find_prev(k)	
			delete(k)	find_max()	find_next(k)	
Array	n	n	n	n	n	
Sorted Array	$n \log n$	$\log n$	n	1	$\log n$	

But how to construct a sorted array efficiently?

### **Sorting**

- Given a sorted array, we can leverage binary search to make an efficient set data structure.
- **Input**: (static) array A of n numbers
- Output: (static) array B which is a sorted permutation of A
  - **Permutation**: array with same elements in a different order
  - **Sorted**: B[i-1] ≤ B[i] for all  $i ∈ \{1,...,n\}$
- Example:  $[8, 2, 4, 9, 3] \rightarrow [2, 3, 4, 8, 9]$
- A sort is **destructive** if it overwrites A (instead of making a new array B that is a sorted version of A)
  - A sort is **in place** if it uses O(1) extra space (implies destructive: in place  $\subseteq$  destructive)

### **Permutation Sort**

- There are n! permutations of A, at least one of which is sorted
- For each permutation, check whether sorted in  $\Theta(n)$
- Example:  $[2,3,1] \rightarrow \{[1,2,3],[1,3,2],[2,1,3],[2,3,1],[3,1,2],[3,2,1]\}$

```
def permutation_sort(A):
    '''Sort A'''
    for B in permutations(A): # O(n!)
        if is_sorted(B): # O(n)
        return B # O(1)
```

- permutation\_sort analysis:
  - Correct by case analysis: try all possibilities (Brute Force)

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– Running time:  $\Omega(n!\cdot n)$  which is **exponential** :(

# **Solving Recurrences**

- Substitution: Guess a solution, replace with representative function, recurrence holds true
- Recurrence Tree: Draw a tree representing the recursive calls and sum computation at nodes
- Master Theorem: A formula to solve many recurrences (R03)

#### **Selection Sort**

- Find a largest number in prefix A[:i + 1] and swap it to A[i]
- Recursively sort prefix A[:i]
- Example: [8, 2, 4, 9, 3], [8, 2, 4, 3, 9], [3, 2, 4, 8, 9], [3, 2, 4, 8, 9], [2, 3, 4, 8, 9]

```
def selection_sort(A, i = None):
                                            # T(i)
    '''Sort A[:i + 1]'''
    if i is None: i = len(A) - 1
                                           # 0(1)
    if i > 0:
                                           # 0(1)
        j = prefix_max(A, i)
                                          # S(i)
        A[i], A[j] = A[j], A[i]
                                          # 0(1)
        selection_sort(A, i - 1)
                                           # T(i - 1)
def prefix_max(A, i):
    '''Return index of maximum in A[:i + 1]'''
    if i > 0:
                                           # 0(1)
      j = prefix_max(A, i - 1)
                                          # S(i - 1)
       if A[i] < A[j]:</pre>
                                          # 0(1)
                                            # 0(1)
           return j
    return i
                                            # 0(1)
```

- prefix\_max analysis:
  - Base case: for i = 0, array has one element, so index of max is i
  - Induction: assume correct for *i*, maximum is either the maximum of A[:i] or A[i], returns correct index in either case. □
  - $S(1) = \Theta(1), S(n) = S(n-1) + \Theta(1)$ 
    - \* Substitution:  $S(n) = \Theta(n)$ ,  $cn = \Theta(1) + c(n-1) \implies 1 = \Theta(1)$
    - \* Recurrence tree: chain of n nodes with  $\Theta(1)$  work per node,  $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 1 = \Theta(n)$
- selection\_sort analysis:
  - Base case: for i = 0, array has one element so is sorted
  - Induction: assume correct for i, last number of a sorted output is a largest number of the array, and the algorithm puts one there; then A[:i] is sorted by induction
  - $T(1) = \Theta(1), T(n) = T(n-1) + \Theta(n)$ 
    - \* Substitution:  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ ,  $cn^2 = \Theta(n) + c(n-1)^2 \implies c(2n-1) = \Theta(n)$
    - \* Recurrence tree: chain of n nodes with  $\Theta(i)$  work per node,  $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} i = \Theta(n^2)$

### **Insertion Sort**

- Recursively sort prefix A[:i]
- Sort prefix A[:i + 1] assuming that prefix A[:i] is sorted by repeated swaps
- Example: [8, 2, 4, 9, 3], [2, 8, 4, 9, 3], [2, 4, 8, 9, 3], [2, 4, 8, 9, 3], [2, 3, 4, 8, 9]

```
def insertion_sort(A, i = None):
                                                  # T(i)
    '''Sort A[:i + 1]'''
    if i is None: i = len(A) - 1
                                                  # 0(1)
    if i > 0:
                                                  # 0(1)
         insertion sort (A, i - 1)
                                                  # T(i - 1)
         insert_last(A, i)
                                                  # S(i)
def insert_last(A, i):
    '''Sort A[:i + 1] assuming sorted A[:i]'''
    if i > 0 and A[i] < A[i - 1]: # O(1)
A[i], A[i - 1] = A[i - 1], A[i]  # <math>O(1)
         insert_last(A, i - 1)
                                                # S(i - 1)
```

- insert\_last analysis:
  - Base case: for i = 0, array has one element so is sorted
  - Induction: assume correct for i, if A[i] >= A[i 1], array is sorted; otherwise, swapping last two elements allows us to sort A[:i] by induction

$$-S(1) = \Theta(1), S(n) = S(n-1) + \Theta(1) \implies S(n) = \Theta(n)$$

- insertion\_sort analysis:
  - Base case: for i = 0, array has one element so is sorted
  - Induction: assume correct for i, algorithm sorts A[:i] by induction, and then insert\_last correctly sorts the rest as proved above

 $-T(1) = \Theta(1), T(n) = T(n-1) + \Theta(n) \implies T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ 

### **Merge Sort**

- Recursively sort first half and second half (may assume power of two)
- Merge sorted halves into one sorted list (two finger algorithm)
- Example: [7, 1, 5, 6, 2, 4, 9, 3], [1, 7, 5, 6, 2, 4, 3, 9], [1, 5, 6, 7, 2, 3, 4, 9], [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9]

```
def merge sort (A, a = 0, b = None):
                                                              # T(b - a = n)
       ""Sort A[a:b]""
       if b is None: b = len(A)
                                                              # 0(1)
       if 1 < b - a:
                                                              # 0(1)
           c = (a + b + 1) // 2
                                                              # 0(1)
                                                              # T(n / 2)
           merge_sort(A, a, c)
           merge sort (A, c, b)
                                                              # T(n / 2)
           L, R = A[a:c], A[c:b]
                                                              # O(n)
           merge (L, R, A, len(L), len(R), a, b)
                                                              # S(n)
  def merge(L, R, A, i, j, a, b):
                                                              # S(b - a = n)
       '''Merge sorted L[:i] and R[:j] into A[a:b]'''
                                                              \# \ O(1)
           if (j \le 0) or (i > 0) and L[i - 1] > R[j - 1]: # O(1)
               A[b - 1] = L[i - 1]
                                                              # 0(1)
               i = i - 1
                                                              # 0(1)
                                                              # 0(1)
           else:
               A[b - 1] = R[j - 1]
                                                              # 0(1)
               j = j - 1
                                                              # 0(1)
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           merge(L, R, A, i, j, a, b - 1)
                                                              # S(n - 1)
```

- merge analysis:
  - Base case: for n = 0, arrays are empty, so vacuously correct
  - Induction: assume correct for n, item in A[r] must be a largest number from remaining prefixes of L and R, and since they are sorted, taking largest of last items suffices; remainder is merged by induction
  - $-S(0) = \Theta(1), S(n) = S(n-1) + \Theta(1) \implies S(n) = \Theta(n)$
- merge\_sort analysis:
  - Base case: for n = 1, array has one element so is sorted
  - Induction: assume correct for k < n, algorithm sorts smaller halves by induction, and then merge merges into a sorted array as proved above.
  - $T(1) = \Theta(1), T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n)$ 
    - \* Substitution: Guess  $T(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$  $cn \log n = \Theta(n) + 2c(n/2) \log(n/2) \implies cn \log(2) = \Theta(n)$
    - \* Recurrence Tree: complete binary tree with depth  $\log_2 n$  and n leaves, level i has  $2^i$  nodes with  $O(n/2^i)$  work each, total:  $\sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} (2^i)(n/2^i) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} n = \Theta(n \log n)$

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