# Program Structure and Algorithms

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Lecture 3

# Agenda

- Administrative
  - Please email me any time you need extra help!!!
- Lecture

#### Administrative

- Quiz 1 today
  - 30min (in-class)
  - Topic: Growth of functions, basic data structure operations
- Any qs on HW1?
- Lecture
  - More on sorting
  - Recurrences
  - Divide and Conquer
  - Binary search

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\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Partition}(A,p,r) \\ & x = A[r] \\ & i = p-1 \\ & \operatorname{FOR}\ j = p \ \operatorname{TO}\ r - 1 \ \operatorname{DO} \\ & \operatorname{IF}\ A[j] \leq x \ \operatorname{THEN} \\ & i = i+1 \\ & \operatorname{Exchange}\ A[i] \ \operatorname{and}\ A[j] \\ & \operatorname{FI} \end{aligned} OD

 & \operatorname{Exchange}\ A[i+1] \ \operatorname{and}\ A[r] \\ & \operatorname{RETURN}\ i+1 \end{aligned}
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Step1: Select a Pivot

7 2 1 6 8 5 3 4

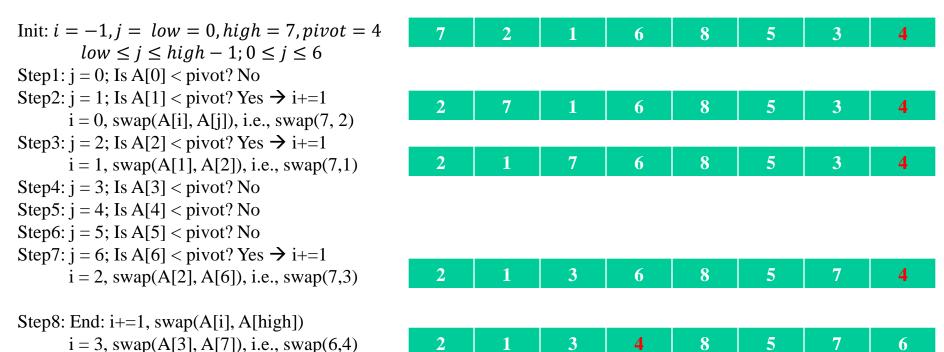
- At random
- First element
- Last element (let's use this, so 4 is the pivot)
- Middle element

## Step2: Create Two Subproblems

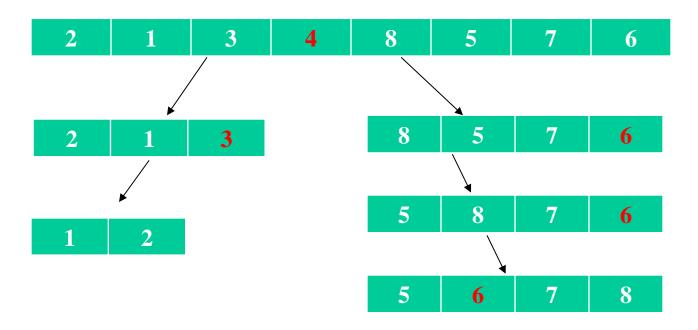


- Starting from the first element, compare each element to the pivot
  - Create a pointer pointing to the index of array when it is larger than the pivot
  - If element is smaller than the pivot, swap the indices of elements,
     pointer points to the index after swap
- When pointer is at (n-1) index, change it to the last index

# Partitioning Step



Step3: Sort Subproblems (Recursively)



# Running Time Analysis

- T(n) = T(k) + T(n-k-1) + O(n) (to partition)
- Best-case: 2T(n/2) + O(n) (pivot ~ middle)
- Avg-case: T(n/9) + T(9n/10) + O(n)
- Avg and best-case: O( n log n )
- Worst-case:  $T(1) + T(n-1) + O(n) = O(n^2)$ 
  - Typically when pivot is the largest/smallest element
  - Array is sorted / reverse sorted
  - All elements are the same

## Python Implementation

```
def quickSort(arr, start, end):
    if start < end:</pre>
        # Pick the last element as pivot
        pivot = end
        i = start - 1
        for j in range(start, end):
            if arr[j] <= arr[pivot]:</pre>
                i += 1
                arr[i], arr[j] = arr[j], arr[i]
        arr[i + 1], arr[pivot] = arr[pivot], arr[i + 1]
        p = i + 1
        quickSort(arr, start, p - 1)
        quickSort(arr, p + 1, end)
arr = [5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
quickSort(arr, 0, len(arr) - 1)
for i in range(len(arr)):
    print(arr[i], end=" ")
```

# Sorting so far...

- Comparison sorting
  - The only operation to decide the order of keys is comparison of pairs of keys.
  - Following are comparison sorts: *insertion sort*, selection sort,
     *merge sort (next class)*, quicksort, heapsort (once we study binary trees).
- How fast can we sort?
  - Is there a lower bound?
  - Can we do it in linear time?
- $\Omega(n)$  to examine all the input
- $\Omega(n \log n)$  is a lower bound for comparison sorts

# Sorting Algorithms

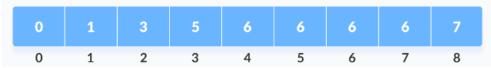
- Insertion sort: incremental
- Quick sort: recursive
- Non-comparison-based linear-time sorting
  - Counting sort
  - Radix sort

## **Counting Sort**

- Sorts the elements of an array by counting the #occurrences of each unique element in the array
- E.g., {4, 2, 2, 8, 3, 3, 1}
- Steps
  - Find max; max = 8
  - Init an array "count" of length (max + 1) with all elements as 0
  - Store the count of each element at their respective index in the count array;

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Store cumulative sum of elements of the count array

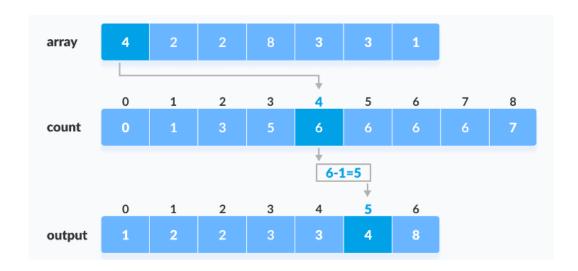


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## **Counting Sort**

#### Steps

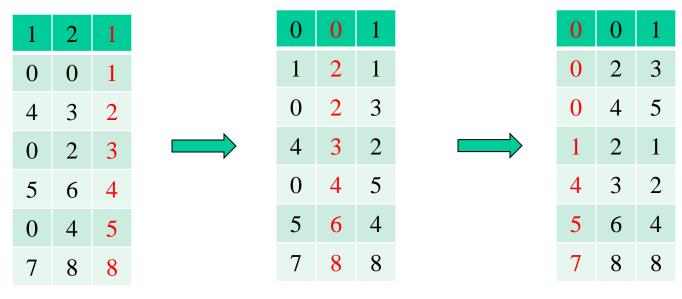
Find the index of each element of input array in the count array.
 Place the element at the index calculated. Decrease count by 1 in the count array



 Runs in linear time O(n) // if we assume some value for MAX and true max <= MAX</li>

#### Radix Sort

- Not a comparison-based sorting algorithm
- Uses digits (in some radix, e.g., base 10) of integer keys from least to most significant digits
- E.g., {121, 432, 564, 23, 1, 45, 788}



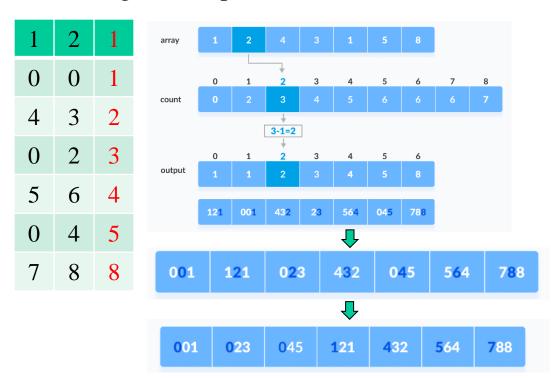
Sorted by units digit

Sorted by tens digit

Sorted by hundreds digit

#### Radix Sort

- Find the max element in the array. Let X be the #digits in it
  - E.g., max = 788 and has 3 digits
- Iterate over each significant digit from the least one
  - Use any sorting (e.g., counting) technique to sort the digits at each significant place



# Solving Recurrences

# • Why?

- Many algorithms use recursions (D/Q, DP)
- Non-trivial to analyse running time by unrolling the #times a recursive function is called
- Recurrences provide a general way to analyze running time of algorithms that use recursion

#### **Recurrence--Overview**

- A recurrence is a function and is defined terms of
  - one or more base cases, and
  - itself, with smaller arguments.
- A recurrence could have 0, 1 or more functions that satisfy it
  - Well-defined if at least one function satisfies
  - Ill-defined otherwise

$$T(n) = aT(f(n)) + \theta(g(n) + c) => \theta(f'(n))$$
  
 $T(n) \le aT(f(n)) + \theta(g(n) + c) => O(f'(n))$ 

- How to solve recurrence
  - substitution method
  - recursion tree method
  - Master method
  - Akra-Bazzi method → not covered

# Examples of Recurrences

• An algo that breaks a problem of size n into one subproblem of size n/3 and another of size 2n/3, taking  $\theta(n)$  to combine

- 
$$T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + \theta(n)$$

• An algo that creates one subproblem and it has one element less than the original problem

$$- T(n) = T(n-1) + \theta(1)$$

#### **Substitution method**

- Guess the solution.
- Use induction to show that the solution works.
- Example: Determine an asymptotic upper bound on  $T(n) = 2T(|n/2|) + \Theta(n)$ .
  - Floor function ensures that T(n) is defined over integers.

Guess: 
$$T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

**Inductive step:** Assume that  $T(n) \le cn \lg n$  for all numbers  $\ge n_0$  and < n. If  $n \ge 2n_0$ , holds for  $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor \Rightarrow T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) \le c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ . Substitute into the recurrence:

$$T(n) \leq 2(c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)) + \Theta(n)$$

$$\leq 2(c(n/2) \lg(n/2)) + \Theta(n)$$

$$= cn \lg(n/2) + \Theta(n)$$

$$= cn \lg n - cn \lg 2 + \Theta(n)$$

$$= cn \lg n - cn + \Theta(n)$$

$$\leq cn \lg n.$$

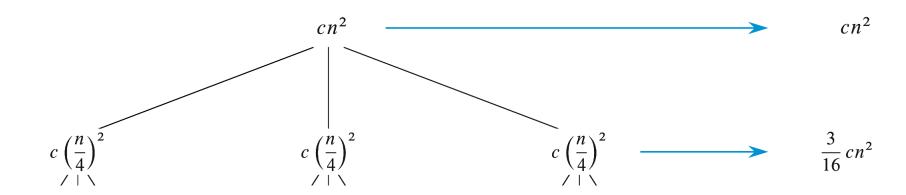
#### **Recursion trees**

- Original problem: root with size *n*
- Each non base node has a children with size n/b
- By summing across each level, the recursion tree shows the cost at each level of recursion
  - Total cost= sum of all levels
- Can be used to generate a guess. Then verify by substitution method.

### Example

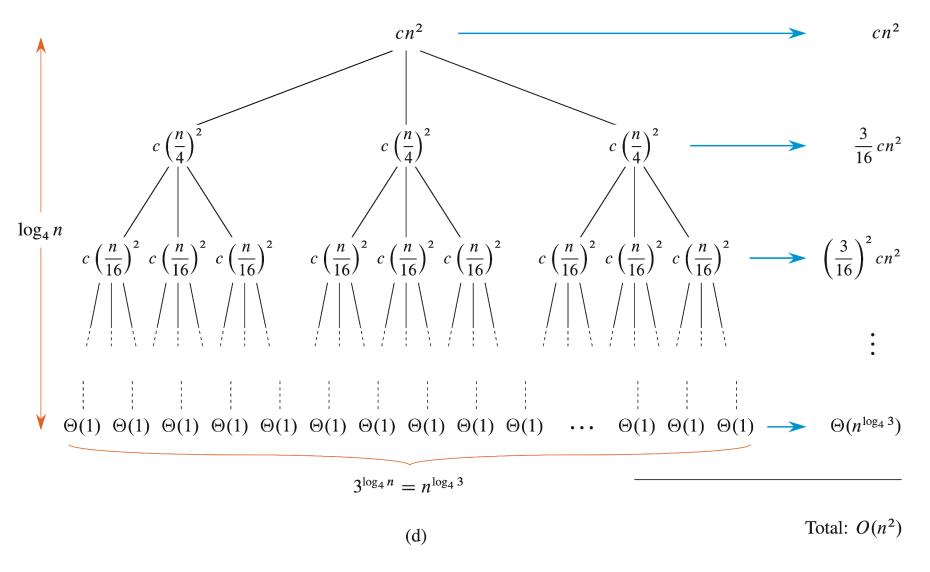
$$T(n) = 3T(n/4) + \Theta(n^2).$$

Draw out a recursion tree for  $T(n) = 3T(n/4) + cn^2$ :



For simplicity, assume that n is a power of 4 and the base case is  $T(1) = \Theta(1)$ .

## Example Contd.



# Recurrence Tree Analysis

- Subproblem size for nodes at depth i is  $n/4^i$ 
  - Base case is when  $n/4^i = 1 \rightarrow i = \log_4 n$
- Each node has 3x nodes as previous level, so depth i has  $3^i$  nodes
- Each node at depth i has  $\cot c \left( \frac{n}{4^i} \right)^2 \rightarrow 3^i c \left( \frac{n}{4^i} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{3}{16} \right)^i cn^2$  is the total cost at depth i
- Leaf level has depth  $\log_4 n$ , so #leaves is  $3^{\log_4 n} = n^{\log_4 3}$
- Cost of each leaf node  $\theta(1)$ , so total cost of leaves is  $\theta(n^{\log_4 3})$

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i cn^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$$

$$< \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^i cn^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - (3/16)} cn^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$$

$$= \frac{16}{13} cn^2 + \Theta(n^{\log_4 3})$$

$$= O(n^2).$$

#### Master method -General

Consider 
$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

Theorem 4.1 Master theorem

Case 1: 
$$f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \varepsilon}), \ \varepsilon > 0 \implies T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

Case 2: 
$$f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n), \ k \ge 0 \implies T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{k+1} n)$$

Case 3: 
$$f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \varepsilon}), \ \varepsilon > 0 \implies T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$$

$$T(n) = 5T(n/2) + \Theta(n^2)$$
  
 $n^{\log_2 5}$  vs.  $n^2$ 

Since  $\log_2 5 - \epsilon = 2$  for some constant  $\epsilon > 0$ , use case  $1 \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^{\lg 5})$ 

$$T(n) = 27T(n/3) + \Theta(n^3 \lg n)$$
  
 $n^{\log_3 27} = n^3 \text{ vs. } n^3 \lg n$   
Use case 2 with  $k = 1 \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^3 \lg^2 n)$ 

## Example

$$T(n) = 5T(n/2) + \Theta(n^3)$$
  
 $n^{\log_2 5}$  vs.  $n^3$   
Now  $\lg 5 + \epsilon = 3$  for some constant  $\epsilon > 0$   
Check regularity condition (don't really need to since  $f(n)$  is a polynomial):  
 $af(n/b) = 5(n/2)^3 = 5n^3/8 \le cn^3$  for  $c = 5/8 < 1$   
Use case  $3 \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$ 

$$T(n) = 27T(n/3) + \Theta(n^3/\lg n)$$
  
 $n^{\log_3 27} = n^3 \text{ vs. } n^3/\lg n = n^3 \lg^{-1} n \neq \Theta(n^3 \lg^k n) \text{ for any } k \geq 0.$   
Cannot use the master method.

## Master method – Another Way

## This seems easier, but not general

If  $T(n) = aT(\lceil n/b \rceil) + \mathcal{O}(n^d)$  for some constants a > 0, b > 1, and  $d \ge 0$ ,

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}(n^d) & \text{if } d > \log_b a & \text{Case 3} \\ \mathcal{O}(n^d \log n) & \text{if } d = \log_b a & \text{Case 2} \\ \mathcal{O}(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } d < \log_b a & \text{Case 1} \end{cases}$$

# Examples

• 
$$T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + \frac{n}{\log n}$$

• 
$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + \Theta(1)$$

• 
$$T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + n \log n$$

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + n^{0.51}$$

# Divide and Conquer (D-Q)

- Basic idea
  - divide the problem into 2 or more sub problems
  - conquer the sub problems recursively
  - combine sub problems

- Binary search
- Merge sort
- Matrix multiplication
- Find Majority

# Binary Search

Given a <u>sorted</u> array A[1:n] integers, find the position of x (another integer) if it exists in A[1:n]

#### Linear search?

- Scan through every element in A starting from index 1
- Return *i* if A[i] == x
- Return -1 if x cannot be found we index is n.

Running time is O(n)

# Binary Search

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#### Binary search

- Find middle element mid = lo + (hi lo)/2
- Return *i* if A[mid] == x
- If A[mid] < x, search A[mid + 1: hi] (subproblem)
- If A[mid] > x, search A[lo:mid-1] (subproblem)
- Return -1 if x cannot be found in subproblem.
- Initially, lo = 1, hi = n

# Binary Search – Running time

- In each iteration, we discard one half of the subproblem
- So, the size of each successive subproblem is halved
  - Let,  $n = 2^k$
  - Subproblem sizes:  $2^k \rightarrow 2^{k-1} \rightarrow 2^{k-2} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow 2^{k-k} = 1$
- In each iteration we do a constant amount of work
  - Either check for equality or inequality of A[mid] with x
- We can write this down as a recurrence relation

$$-T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(1)$$

• Using Master theorem, we can solve this as:

$$-a = 1, b = 2, d = 0, k = 0 \Rightarrow \log a / \log b = d \Rightarrow Case 2$$

- So, 
$$\Theta(n^d \log^{k+1} n) = \Theta(\log n)$$

# Binary Search -- Example

$$A = \{2, 5, 8, 12, 16, 23, 38, 56, 72, 91\}; x = 23$$

Iteration #1 (lo = 0, hi = 9, x = 23)  

$$mid = 0 + (9 - 0)/2 = 4$$
  
 $A[4] = 16 < 23$ , so look in upper half  
that is, A[5:9]

Iteration #2 (lo = 5, hi = 9, x = 23)  

$$mid = 5 + (9 - 5)/2 = 7$$
  
 $A[7] = 56 > 23$ , so look in lower half  
that is, A[5:6]

## Lecture 3 summary

Sorting – Quicksort, Counting and Radix sorts

• Solving recurrences

• D/Q algorithms

Binary search