

## Today's Content

- Inversion Count (Hard)
- Custom Comparator
  - (a) Sort factors
  - (b) Largest Number
  - (c) Sort Point Object

# Q1: Inversion Count [Google / Microsoft / DE Shaw]

Given  $A[N]$ . Find no. of pairs  $(i, j)$  st  $i < j$  &  $A_i > A_j$

Eg:  $arr[5] = \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \{6 & 2 & 9 & 3 & 5\} \\ +3 & +0 & +2 & +0 & +0 \end{matrix}$

$(6, 2) (6, 3) (6, 5) (9, 3) (9, 5) = \underline{5 \text{ pairs}}$

$arr[10] = \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ \{10 & 3 & 8 & 15 & 6 & 12 & 2 & 18 & 7 & 1\} \\ +6 & +2 & +4 & +5 & +2 & +3 & +1 & +2 & +1 & +0 \end{matrix} = \underline{26 \text{ pairs}}$

BF Idea Checks all pairs :-

```
int invCount (int a[]) {
    int c = 0;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        for (j = i + 1; j < n; j++) {
            if (a[i] > a[j]) { c++; }
        }
    }
    return c;
}
```

TC:  $O(n^2)$   
SC:  $O(1)$

$arr[10] = \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ \{10, 3, 8, 15, 6, 12, 2, 18, 7, 1\} \end{matrix}$

Diagram illustrating the merge sort process for counting inversions:

Array A is split into two halves:

- Left half (A):  $[10, 3, 8, 15, 6]$  (indices 0-4)
- Right half (B):  $[12, 2, 18, 7, 1]$  (indices 5-9)

Each half is sorted:

- Sorted A:  $[3, 6, 8, 10, 15]$  (indices 0-4)
- Sorted B:  $[1, 2, 7, 12, 18]$  (indices 5-9)

Pointers  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are used to traverse the sorted arrays.

Counting inversions during the merge process:

Element	Inversions
1	+5
2	+5
3	0
6	0
7	+3
8	0
10	0
12	+1
15	0
18	0

$\Rightarrow \underline{14 \text{ pairs}}$

$C = C + \text{no. of elements remaining on left.}$

Missing Part:

$$\text{Total pairs} = \{ \text{Total Pairs in A} \} + \{ \text{Total Pairs in B} \} + \{ \text{Total Pairs Between A \& B} \}$$

arr[10] = { 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 }  
 { 10, 3, 8, 15, 6, 12, 2, 18, 7, 1 } ⇒ 26 pairs

+5  
 left

+7  
 right

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
 10, 3, 8, 15, 6 12 2 18 7 1  
 3 6 8 10 15 1 2 7 12 18

14 pairs

+2

+3  
 +2

0 1 2  
 10, 3 8  
 3 8 10

3 4  
 15 6  
 6 15

5 6 7  
 12 2 18  
 2 12 18

8 9  
 7 1  
 1 7

+1

+1

+1

+1

0 1 2  
 10 3 8  
 3 10 8

3 4  
 15 6  
 15 6

5 6 7  
 12 2 18  
 2 12 18

8 9  
 7 1  
 7 1

+1

+1

0 1  
 10 3  
 ↑ p1 ↑ p2

5 6  
 12 2  
 12 2  
 p1 p2

```
int c = 0
```

```
void merge (int a[], int s, int m, int e) {
```

```
    p1 = s, p2 = m+1, p3 = 0
```

```
    int temp[e-s+1] // no. of elements in [s e]
```

```
    while (p1 <= m && p2 <= e) {
```

```
        if (a[p1] <= a[p2]) {
```

```
            temp[p3] = a[p1], p3++, p1++
```

```
        }
```

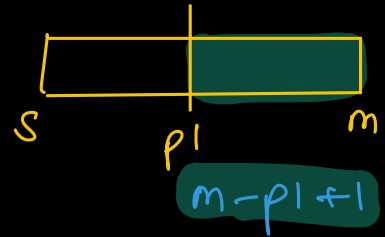
```
    else {
```

```
        temp[p3] = a[p2], p3++, p2++
```

```
        c = c + m - p1 + 1
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```



```
// Copy remaining elements
```

```
while (p1 <= m) {
```

```
    temp[p3] = a[p1], p3++, p1++
```

```
}
```

```
while (p2 <= e) {
```

```
    temp[p3] = a[p2], p3++, p2++
```

```
}
```

```
// temp[] is created. Copy back to a[]
```

```
for (i = s; i <= e; i++) {
```

```
    a[i] = temp[i-s]
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
void mergesort (int a[], int s, int e) {
```

```
    if (s == e) { return }
```

```
    mid = (s+e)/2
```

```
    mergesort(a, s, mid)
```

```
    mergesort(a, mid+1, e)
```

```
    merge(a, s, mid, e)
```

```
}
```

```
return c // from inv. count fn.
```

TC:  $O(N)$

SC:  $O(N)$

TC:  $O(n \log n)$

SC:  $O(n)$

Break: 8:22 am

## Comparator Overriding [Arrays.sort() or Collections.sort()]

By overriding `compare()`, you can alter the way in which objects are ordered.  $\Rightarrow$  CUSTOM SORTING.

- $\rightarrow$  Pass 2 arguments [Data that needs to be compared]
- $\rightarrow$  Based on rules, it should tell which data should come first.

### Rules:-

```
public int compare (Object a, Object b) {  
    ① if a should be on left of b  
        return negative number (-1)  
    ② if a should be on right of b  
        return positive number (+1)  
    ③ if no change in order  
        return 0  
}
```

### Syntax:

```
ArrayList <Object> A[N];  
Collections.sort (A, new Comparator <Object> () {  
    public int compare (Object a, Object b) {  
        ① if a should be on left of b  
            return negative number (-1)  
        ② if a should be on right of b  
            return positive number (+1)  
        ③ if no change in order  
            return 0  
    }  
});
```

Python:

def mycmp(a, b):

① if a should be on left of b

return negative number (-1)

② if a should be on right of b

return positive number (+1)

③ if no change in order

return 0

Syntax:

l = [] // l is a list contains Object/ int / etc.

sorted(l, key = functools.cmp-to-key(mycmp))

Qn: Given  $A[N]$ . Sort the array in increasing order of no. of distinct factors. If 2 elements have same factors, then number with less value should come first.

Eg:  $a[] = \{6, 8, 9\} \Rightarrow \{9, 6, 8\}$

$\downarrow$     $\downarrow$     $\downarrow$   
 4   4   3

$a[] = \{12, 5, 10, 4, 7, 6, 9, 1, 3\}$

$\downarrow$     $\downarrow$     $\downarrow$     $\downarrow$     $\downarrow$     $\downarrow$     $\downarrow$     $\downarrow$     $\downarrow$   
 6   2   4   3   2   4   3   1   2

$\Rightarrow \{1, 3, 5, 7, 4, 9, 6, 10, 12\}$

Soln: Use Custom comparator.

```

ArrayList<Integer> sortFactors(ArrayList<Integer> A) {
    Collections.sort(A, new Comparator<Integer>() {
        public int compare(Integer a, Integer b) {
            count1 = factors(a)
            count2 = factors(b)
            if (count1 == count2) {
                if (a < b) { return -1; }
                else if (a > b) { return +1; }
                else { return 0; }
            }
            else if (count1 < count2) {
                return -1;
            }
            else {
                return +1;
            }
        }
    });
}
  
```

Qn: Given  $A[N]$  non-ve no. as integers. Concatenate the numbers such that you can form the largest number possible (as string).

Eg:  $a[] = \{2, 3, 9, 0\} \Rightarrow \{9320\}$

$a[] = \{3, 30, 34, 5, 9\}$   
 $9534330$

$a[] = \{1, 10, 2, 40, 41\}$   
 $41402110$

"30" v/s "3"

↓ a	↓ b	x a+b 303	v/s	y b+a 330
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- \* We do "a+b" or "b+a" to make string length same.
- \* Compare whether a should be on the left or right.

```

String
largestNum(ArrayList<Integer> A) {
    Collection.sort(A, new Comparator() {
        public int comparator(Integer a, Integer b) {
            String x = String.valueOf(a) + String.valueOf(b)
            String y = String.valueOf(b) + String.valueOf(a)
            if (x < y) {
                return +1
            }
            else if (x > y) { return -1 }
            else { return 0 }
        }
    });
    // Iterate over A & convert A[i] to string & return
}
    
```



Qn: Given N objects where each object contains

int x

int y

Sort the objects using only x in asc. order

```
class Point {  
    int x  
    int y  
    Point(int a, int b) {  
        x = a  
        y = b  
    }  
}
```

Eg:- (10,1)      (-1,0)  
      (9,8)      => (2,4)  
      (2,4)      (7,3)  
      (7,3)      (9,8)  
      (-1,0)     (10,1)

① Create an arraylist of Point object [N].  
for(i=0; i<N; i++) {  
    a.add(new Point(x[i], y[i]))  
}

② Sort it using custom comparator.

```
Collections.sort(a, new Comparator<Point>() {  
    public int compare(Point p1, Point p2) {  
        if(p1.x < p2.x) {  
            return -1  
        }  
        else if (p1.x > p2.x) {  
            return +1  
        }  
        else { return 0 }  
    }  
});
```

③ Return arraylist  
return a

Doubt:

4, 5, 3, 2, 7 X

min=2

offset = 2.

0	1	2	3	4 X			
<del>4</del>	<del>8</del>	<del>3</del>	<del>2</del>	<del>7</del>			
<del>3</del>	3	4	5				
<del>5</del>			0				
2			<del>100</del>	<del>102</del>	✓	2	3
			<del>102</del>	100		101	<del>99</del>
			99				102

→ 99  
→ 99  
offset →