

Cpts 515. 9/9/2020

Linear time selection alg.

To select i -th smallest element
from an array of n numbers.

You have
a list
to do.

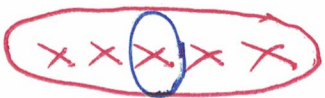
input array of n numbers

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(1). Cut the array into $n/5$ groups where each group has 5 numbers.



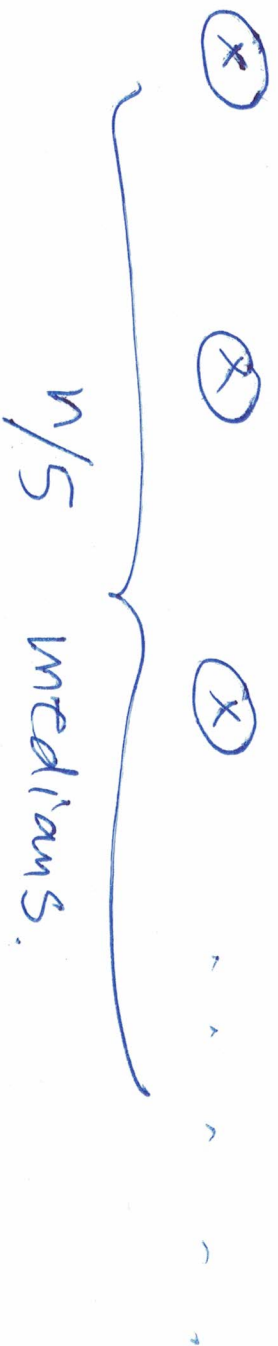
(2) Sort each group. \rightarrow take $O(n)$ time.



Median

(3). Each group, after sorted, has a median.

Totally, we have $n/5$ medians.



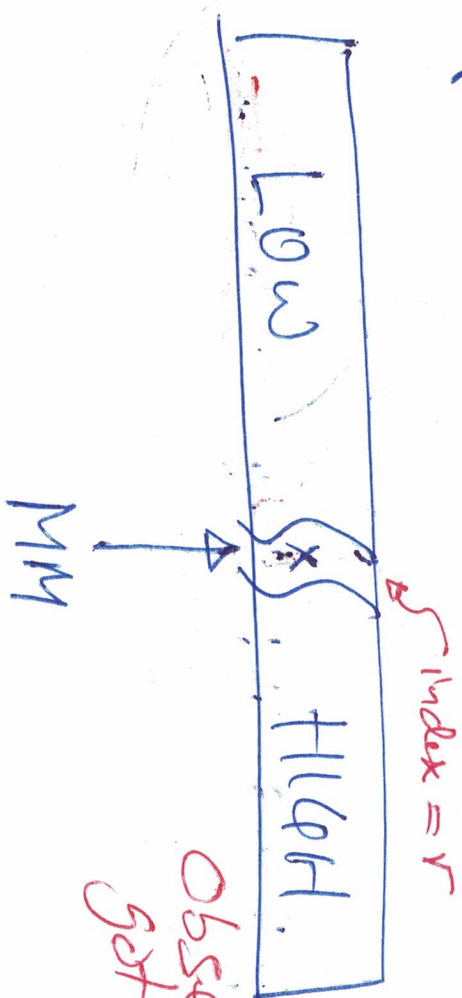
(4). Recursively, we use linear time selection to select $n/10$ -th smallest median from the $n/5$ medians.

called MM.

(5). swap MM with the first element in the original array of n numbers.

if $i > r$, recursively run `linearSelect` to
select the $(i-r)$ -th smallest from
the `HLGH`.

(6). So, now, the original array is updated after the swap. I run partition on this array;



Observation: this MM got to be the r -th smallest

(7). if $i == r$, return this MM as the i -th smallest;
if $i < r$, (so, the i -th smallest is one of the numbers in Low), recursively run linear time selection to select the i -th smallest from the Low.

How many medians? $n/5$ medians.

How many medians that are $\leq MM$?

$n/10$.

Each group has 5 numbers. How many numbers in the group \leq the median of the group? 3

\Rightarrow We have at least $3 \cdot \frac{n}{10}$ numbers in the original array that are $\leq MM$.

$$|Low| \geq 3 \cdot \frac{n}{10}$$

$$|High| \geq 3 \cdot \frac{n}{10}$$

$$|Low| + |High| = n$$

$$\Rightarrow |Low|, |High| \leq \frac{7n}{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow \max \text{ of } T_w(|Low|), T_w(|High|) \leq T_w\left(\frac{7n}{10}\right)$$

Show it runs in worst-case linear time.

$$T_w(n) = \underbrace{??}_{\text{step (7)}} + \underbrace{T_w(\frac{n}{5})}_{\text{step (4)}} + O(n)$$

the worst-case time for selecting i -th smallest from an array of n numbers.

$$?? = \max \text{ of } T_w(\text{low}), T_w(\text{high}).$$

Finally, we have,

$a \cdot n$

$$T_w(n) = T_w\left(\frac{7n}{10}\right) + T_w\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + \cancel{O(n)}$$

$$\text{Guess } T_w(n) = O(n) \leq c \cdot n \quad \text{for some } c.$$

Check:

$$T_w(n) = T_w\left(\frac{7n}{10}\right) + T_w\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + a \cdot n$$

$$\leq c \cdot \frac{7n}{10} + c \cdot \frac{n}{5} + a \cdot n$$

$$= \frac{9}{10} \cdot c \cdot n + a \cdot n$$

$$\leq c \cdot n \quad \text{when } c \gg a.$$

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I.H. $\forall j < n$,
 $T_w(j) \leq c \cdot j$.

Tarjan's Sec Algorithm.

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- ① All my students know this alg
- ② This alg is not even well-known.
- ③ This alg is one of the most widely used alg in the world.

Why? Only a few people know how to use it.

Barrier is too high!

Today's Challenge:

How to know that a given
software/hardware program is
going to run forever?

~~you are going to test it? !!!!!~~