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## Rearrange an array so that $arr[i]$ becomes $arr[arr[i]]$ with $O(1)$ extra space

Given an array  $arr[]$  of size  $n$  where every element is in range from  $0$  to  $n-1$ . Rearrange the given array so that  $arr[i]$  becomes  $arr[arr[i]]$ . This should be done with  $O(1)$  extra space.

Examples:

Input:  $arr[] = \{3, 2, 0, 1\}$

Output:  $arr[] = \{1, 0, 3, 2\}$

Input:  $arr[] = \{4, 0, 2, 1, 3\}$

Output:  $arr[] = \{3, 4, 2, 0, 1\}$

Input:  $arr[] = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$

Output:  $arr[] = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$

If the extra space condition is removed, the question becomes very easy. The main part of the question is to do it without extra space.

The credit for following solution goes to [Ganesh Ram Sundaram](#). Following are the steps.

- 1) Increase every array element  $arr[i]$  by  $(arr[arr[i]] \% n) * n$ .
- 2) Divide every element by  $n$ .

Let us understand the above steps by an example array  $\{3, 2, 0, 1\}$

In first step, every value is incremented by  $(arr[arr[i]] \% n) * n$

After first step array becomes  $\{7, 2, 12, 9\}$ .

***The important thing is, after the increment operation***

***of first step, every element holds both old values and new values.***

***Old value can be obtained by  $arr[i] \% n$  and new value can be obtained by  $arr[i] / n$ .***

In second step, all elements are updated to new or output values by doing  $arr[i] = arr[i] / n$ .

After second step, array becomes  $\{1, 0, 3, 2\}$

Following is C++ implementation of the above approach.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

// The function to rearrange an array in-place so that arr[i]
// becomes arr[arr[i]].
void rearrange(int arr[], int n)
{
    // First step: Increase all values by (arr[arr[i]]%n)*n
    for (int i=0; i < n; i++)
        arr[i] += (arr[arr[i]]%n)*n;

    // Second Step: Divide all values by n
    for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
        arr[i] /= n;
}

// A utility function to print an array of size n
void printArr(int arr[], int n)
{
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        cout << arr[i] << " ";
    cout << endl;
}

/* Driver program to test above functions*/
int main()
{
    int arr[] = {3, 2, 0, 1};
    int n = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);

    cout << "Given array is \n";
    printArr(arr, n);

    rearrange(arr, n);

    cout << "Modified array is \n";
    printArr(arr, n);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
Given array is
3 2 0 1
Modified array is
1 0 3 2
```

Time Complexity: O(n)

Auxiliary Space:  $O(1)$

The only problem with above solution is, it may cause overflow.

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