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Rearrange an array such that 'arr[j]' becomes 'i' if 'arr[i]' is 'j'

Given an array of size n where all elements are in range from 0 to n-1, change contents of arr[] so that arr[i] = j is changed to arr[j] = i.

Examples:

Example 1:

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

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

Explanation for the above output.

Since arr[0] is 1, arr[1] is changed to 0

Since arr[1] is 3, arr[3] is changed to 1

Since arr[2] is 0, arr[0] is changed to 2

Since arr[3] is 2, arr[2] is changed to 3

Example 2:

Input: arr[] = {2, 0, 1, 4, 5, 3};

Output: arr[] = {1, 2, 0, 5, 3, 4};

Example 3:

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

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

Example 4:

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

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

A **Simple Solution** is to create a temporary array and one by one copy 'i' to 'temp[arr[i]]' where i varies from 0 to n-1.

Below is C implementation of the above idea.

```
// A simple C program to rearrange contents of arr[]
// such that arr[j] becomes j if arr[i] is j
#include<stdio.h>

// A simple method to rearrange 'arr[0..n-1]' so that 'arr[j]'
```

```
// becomes 'i' if 'arr[i]' is 'j'
void rearrangeNaive(int arr[], int n)
{
    // Create an auxiliary array of same size
    int temp[n], i;

    // Store result in temp[]
    for (i=0; i<n; i++)
        temp[arr[i]] = i;

    // Copy temp back to arr[]
    for (i=0; i<n; i++)
        arr[i] = temp[i];
}

// A utility function to print contents of arr[0..n-1]
void printArray(int arr[], int n)
{
    int i;
    for (i=0; i<n; i++)
        printf("%d ", arr[i]);
    printf("\n");
}

// Drive program
int main()
{
    int arr[] = {1, 3, 0, 2};
    int n = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);

    printf("Given array is \n");
    printArray(arr, n);

    rearrangeNaive(arr, n);

    printf("Modified array is \n");
    printArray(arr, n);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

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

Time complexity of the above solution is $O(n)$ and auxiliary space needed is $O(n)$.

Can we solve this in $O(n)$ time and $O(1)$ auxiliary space?

The idea is based on the fact that the modified array is basically a permutation of input array. We can find the target permutation by storing the next item before updating it.

Let us consider array '{1, 3, 0, 2}' for example. We start with $i = 0$, $arr[i]$ is 1. So we go to $arr[1]$ and change it to 0 (because i is 0). Before we make the change, we store old value of $arr[1]$ as the old value is going to be our new index i . In next iteration, we have $i = 3$, $arr[3]$ is 2, so we change $arr[2]$ to 3. Before making the change we store next i as old value of $arr[2]$.

The below code gives idea about this approach.

```
// This function works only when output is a permutation
// with one cycle.
void rearrangeUtil(int arr[], int n)
{
    // 'val' is the value to be stored at 'arr[i]'
    int val = 0;    // The next value is determined
                  // using current index
    int i = arr[0]; // The next index is determined
                  // using current value

    // While all elements in cycle are not processed
    while (i != 0)
    {
        // Store value at index as it is going to be
        // used as next index
        int new_i = arr[i];

        // Update arr[]
        arr[i] = val;

        // Update value and index for next iteration
        val = i;
        i = new_i;
    }

    arr[0] = val; // Update the value at arr[0]
}
```

The above function doesn't work for inputs like {2, 0, 1, 4, 5, 3}; as there are two cycles. One cycle is (2, 0, 1) and other cycle is (4, 5, 3).

How to handle multiple cycles with the $O(1)$ space constraint?

The idea is to process all cycles one by one. To check whether an element is processed or not, we change the value of processed items $arr[i]$ as $-arr[i]$. Since 0 can not be made negative, we first change all $arr[i]$ to $arr[i] + 1$. In the end, we make all values positive and subtract 1 to get old values back.

```
// A space efficient C program to rearrange contents of
// arr[] such that arr[j] becomes j if arr[i] is j
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
// A utility function to rearrange elements in the cycle
// starting at arr[i]. This function assumes values in
// arr[] be from 1 to n. It changes arr[j-1] to i+1
// if arr[i-1] is j+1
void rearrangeUtil(int arr[], int n, int i)
{
    // 'val' is the value to be stored at 'arr[i]'
    int val = -(i+1); // The next value is determined
                     // using current index
    i = arr[i] - 1; // The next index is determined
                   // using current value

    // While all elements in cycle are not processed
    while (arr[i] > 0)
    {
        // Store value at index as it is going to be
        // used as next index
        int new_i = arr[i] - 1;

        // Update arr[]
        arr[i] = val;

        // Update value and index for next iteration
        val = -(i + 1);
        i = new_i;
    }
}

// A space efficient method to rearrange 'arr[0..n-1]'
// so that 'arr[j]' becomes 'i' if 'arr[i]' is 'j'
void rearrange(int arr[], int n)
{
    // Increment all values by 1, so that all elements
    // can be made negative to mark them as visited
    int i;
    for (i=0; i<n; i++)
        arr[i]++;

    // Process all cycles
    for (i=0; i<n; i++)
    {
        // Process cycle starting at arr[i] if this cycle is
        // not already processed
        if (arr[i] > 0)
            rearrangeUtil(arr, n, i);
    }

    // Change sign and values of arr[] to get the original
    // values back, i.e., values in range from 0 to n-1
}
```

```
    for (i=0; i<n; i++)
        arr[i] = (-arr[i]) - 1;
}

// A utility function to print contents of arr[0..n-1]
void printArray(int arr[], int n)
{
    int i;
    for (i=0; i<n; i++)
        printf("%d ", arr[i]);
    printf("\n");
}

// Drive program
int main()
{
    int arr[] = {2, 0, 1, 4, 5, 3};
    int n = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);

    printf("Given array is \n");
    printArray(arr, n);

    rearrange(arr, n);

    printf("Modified array is \n");
    printArray(arr, n);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
Given array is
2 0 1 4 5 3
Modified array is
1 2 0 5 3 4
```

The time complexity of this method seems to be more than $O(n)$ at first look. If we take a closer look, we can notice that no element is processed more than constant number of times.

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