# Practical 2: Sorting Algorithms

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#### **Introduction:**

#### Explanation of automating technique:

The input size n will be provided through command-line arguments:

```
if (argc < 2) {
    printf("Usage: %s <n>\n", argv[0]);
    return 1;
}
int n = atoi(argv[1]); // read n from command-line argument
```

Adding this boiler code in main of all codes will automate the process of getting time and plotting. After this we can make a python wrapper which will run the programs for use and plot them too

### Merge Sort

Merge Sort is a divide-and-conquer algorithm. It recursively splits the array into halves until single elements remain, and then merges them in sorted order.

```
Algorithm 1 Merge Sort Algorithm
```

```
Require: Array arr[0...n-1], integer n
Ensure: Sorted array arr
function MERGESORT(arr, left, right)
if left < right then
mid \leftarrow (left + right)/2
MERGESORT(arr, left, mid)
MERGESORT(arr, mid + 1, right)
MERGE(arr, left, mid, right)
end if
end function
```

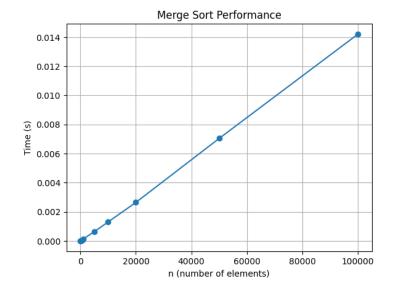
- Divide the array into two halves.
- Recursively sort both halves.
- Merge the two sorted halves.

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
# include <time.h>// return clock ticks one clock tick in 1000
void merge(int arr[],int low, int mid, int high)

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```
int n1=mid-low+1;
        int n2=high-mid;
        int *L=(int*)malloc(n1*sizeof(int));
10
        int *R=(int*)malloc(n2*sizeof(int));
11
        for(i=0;i<n1;i++)</pre>
12
13
             L[i]=arr[low+i];
14
        for (j = 0; j < n2; j ++)</pre>
16
17
             R[j] = arr[mid+1+j];
18
19
        i=0;
20
        j=0;
21
        k=low;
22
        while(i<n1 && j<n2)</pre>
23
24
             if(L[i] < R[j])</pre>
25
26
                  arr[k]=L[i];
27
                  i++;
28
             }
29
             else
30
31
                  arr[k]=R[j];
32
                  j++;
             }
34
             k++;
35
        }
36
37
        while(i<n1)
39
             arr[k]=L[i];
40
             k++;i++;
41
42
        while(j<n2)</pre>
43
44
             arr[k]=R[j];
45
             k++; j++;
46
47
        free(L);
48
        free(R);
49
   }
50
51
   void mergesort(int arr[],int low,int high)
52
   {
53
        if (low < high)</pre>
54
55
             int mid=low+(high-low)/2; // to not exceed the integer limit of syst
             mergesort(arr,low,mid);
57
             mergesort(arr,mid+1,high);
58
```

```
merge(arr,low,mid,high);
59
       }
60
  }
61
62
  void generateRandomArray(int arr[],int n)
63
64
       for(int i=0;i<n;i++)</pre>
65
            arr[i]=rand()%100000;//generate random integers
67
68
  }
69
  int main(int argc, char* argv[])
70
  {
71
       if (argc < 2) {</pre>
72
            printf("Usage: %s <n>\n", argv[0]);
73
            return 1;
74
       }
75
76
       int n = atoi(argv[1]); // read n from command-line argument
77
79
       int* arr=(int*)malloc(n*sizeof(int));
80
       if (arr == NULL)
81
82
            printf("Memory alloation failed!\n");
83
            return 1;
85
       generateRandomArray(arr,n);
86
       clock_t start=clock();
87
       for(int i=0;i<1000;i++)</pre>
88
            mergesort(arr,0,n-1);
       }
91
       clock_t end=clock();
92
       double time_taken=((double)(end-start))/CLOCKS_PER_SEC/1000.0;//time for
93
       printf("%f", time_taken);
94
       free(arr);
       return 0;
97
  }
98
```



• Best Case: Always divides and merges:

$$T_{best}(n) = O(n \log n)$$

• Worst Case: Same as best (recursively divides and merges):

$$T_{worst}(n) = O(n \log n)$$

• Average Case: On average, the merging dominates:

$$T_{avg}(n) = O(n \log n)$$

• Space Complexity: Extra space needed for merging:

$$S(n) = O(n)$$

### **Quick Sort**

Quick Sort is a divide-and-conquer algorithm. It selects a pivot, partitions the array around it, and recursively sorts the subarrays.

# Algorithm 2 Quick Sort Algorithm Require: Array arr[0...n-1], integer n

```
Ensure: Sorted array arr

1: function QuickSort(arr, low, high)

2: if low < high then

3: p \leftarrow \text{Partition}(arr, low, high)

4: QuickSort(arr, low, p - 1)

5: QuickSort(arr, p + 1, high)

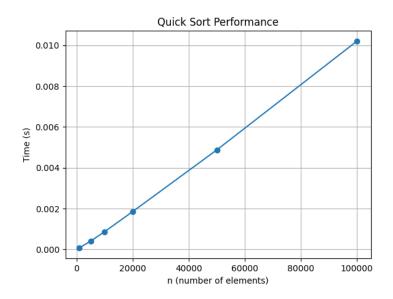
6: end if

7: end function
```

- Choose a pivot element.
- Partition the array around the pivot.
- Recursively apply quicksort to subarrays.

```
#include < stdio.h>
  #include < stdlib.h>
  #include < time . h >
  #include < stdio.h>
  void swap(int* a, int* b) {
       int t = *a;
       *a = *b;
9
       *b = t;
10
  }
11
  int partition(int arr[], int low, int high)
12
13
       int pivot=arr[high];
14
      int i=low-1;
15
      for (int j=low;j<high;j++)</pre>
16
17
            if(arr[j]<pivot)</pre>
18
            {
19
                 i++;
20
                 swap(&arr[i],&arr[j]);
21
            }
22
23
       swap(&arr[i+1],&arr[high]);
      return i+1;
  void quicksort(int arr[],int low,int high)
```

```
{
       if (low<high)</pre>
29
       {
30
            int p=partition(arr,low,high);
31
32
       quicksort(arr,low,p-1);
33
       quicksort(arr,p+1,high);
34
  }
  }
36
37
  void generateRandomArray(int arr[],int n)
38
   {
39
       for(int i=0;i<n;i++)</pre>
40
            arr[i]=rand()%100000;//generate random integers
42
       }
43
   }
44
45
46
  int main(int argc, char* argv[])
47
   {
48
       if (argc < 2) {</pre>
49
            printf("Usage: %s <n>\n", argv[0]);
50
            return 1;
51
       }
52
       int n = atoi(argv[1]); // read n from command-line argument
54
55
       int* arr=(int*)malloc(n*sizeof(int));
56
       if(arr==NULL)
57
            printf("Memory alloation failed!\n");
            return 1;
60
61
       clock_t start=clock();
62
       for(int i=0;i<1000;i++)</pre>
63
            generateRandomArray(arr,n);
65
            quicksort(arr,0,n-1);
66
67
       clock_t end=clock();
68
       double time_taken=((double)(end-start))/CLOCKS_PER_SEC/1000.0;//time for
69
       printf("%f\n",time_taken);
       free(arr);
71
72
       return 0;
73
74
  }
```



### Quick Sort using middle element

- 1. If the array has zero or one element, it is already sorted.
- 2. Select the middle element of the array as the pivot.
- 3. Partition the array into two subarrays:
  - Elements less than the pivot.
  - Elements greater than the pivot.
- 4. Recursively apply Quick Sort on the two subarrays.
- 5. Combine the results to obtain the sorted array.

### Program Code (C)

```
#include <stdio.h>
  #include < stdlib.h>
  #include < time . h >
  void swap(int *a, int *b) {
       int temp = *a;
6
       *a = *b;
       *b = temp;
  }
9
  // Partition function using middle element as pivot
  int partition(int arr[], int low, int high) {
12
       int mid = low + (high - low) / 2; // middle index
13
       int pivot = arr[mid];
14
       int i = low, j = high;
15
16
       while (i <= j) {</pre>
17
           while (arr[i] < pivot) i++;</pre>
18
```

```
while (arr[j] > pivot) j--;
19
            if (i <= j) {</pre>
20
                 swap(&arr[i], &arr[j]);
21
                 i++;
22
                 j--;
23
            }
24
       }
25
       return i;
  }
27
28
29
   void quickSort(int arr[], int low, int high) {
30
       if (low < high) {</pre>
31
            int pi = partition(arr, low, high);
32
            quickSort(arr, low, pi - 1);
33
            quickSort(arr, pi, high);
34
       }
35
  }
36
37
   int main() {
39
       int main(int argc, char* argv[])
40
   {
41
       if (argc < 2) {
42
            printf("Usage: %s <n>\n", argv[0]);
43
            return 1;
       }
45
46
       int n = atoi(argv[1]); // read n from command-line argument
47
48
       int* arr=(int*)malloc(n*sizeof(int));
       if (arr == NULL)
       {
51
            printf("Memory alloation failed!\n");
52
            return 1;
53
54
       clock_t start=clock();
       for(int i=0;i<1000;i++)</pre>
56
57
            generateRandomArray(arr,n);
58
            quicksort(arr,0,n-1);
59
60
       clock_t end=clock();
       double time_taken=((double)(end-start))/CLOCKS_PER_SEC/1000.0;//time for
62
       printf("%f\n",time_taken);
63
       free(arr);
64
65
       return 0;
  }
67
```

• Best Case: Pivot divides the array into equal halves:

$$T_{best}(n) = O(n \log n)$$

• Worst Case: Pivot is always the smallest or largest element:

$$T_{worst}(n) = O(n^2)$$

• Average Case: Random pivot gives balanced partitions:

$$T_{avg}(n) = O(n \log n)$$

• Space Complexity: Recursive stack depth:

$$S(n) = O(\log n)$$

#### **Insertion Sort**

Insertion Sort builds the sorted array one item at a time by inserting elements into their correct position.

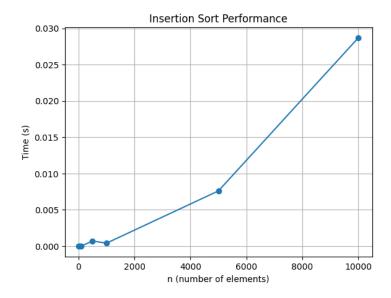
#### Algorithm 3 Insertion Sort Algorithm

```
Require: Array arr[0...n-1], integer n
Ensure: Sorted array arr
 1: for i \leftarrow 1 to n-1 do
 2:
        key \leftarrow arr[i]
        j \leftarrow i - 1
 3:
        while j \ge 0 and arr[j] > key do
 4:
            arr[j+1] \leftarrow arr[j]
            j \leftarrow j-1
 6:
        end while
 7:
        arr[j+1] \leftarrow key
 8:
 9: end for
```

- Start from the second element.
- Compare with previous elements.
- Insert it into its correct position.

```
#include <stdlib.h>
   #include <stdio.h>
   #include < time . h >
   void insertionsort(int arr[],int n)
       for(int i=0;i<n;i++)</pre>
             int key = arr[i];
             int j = i - 1;
10
         while (j >= 0 && arr[j] > key) {
11
                 arr[j + 1] = arr[j];
                 j = j - 1;
13
14
            arr[j + 1] = key;
15
       }
16
  }
^{17}
  void generateRandomArray(int arr[],int n)
19
       for(int i=0;i<n;i++)</pre>
20
21
            arr[i]=rand()%100000;//generate random integers
       }
  }
^{24}
25
```

```
int main(int argc, char* argv[])
   {
27
       if (argc < 2) {</pre>
28
            printf("Usage: %s <n>\n", argv[0]);
29
            return 1;
30
31
32
       int n = atoi(argv[1]); // read n from command-line argument
33
34
       int* arr=(int*)malloc(n*sizeof(int));
35
       if (arr == NULL)
36
37
            printf("Memory alloation failed!\n");
38
            return 1;
40
       clock_t start=clock();
41
       for(int i=0;i<10;i++)</pre>
42
43
            generateRandomArray(arr,n);
44
            insertionsort(arr,n);
45
46
       clock_t end=clock();
47
       double time_taken=((double)(end-start))/CLOCKS_PER_SEC/10.0;//time for o
48
       printf("%f\n",time_taken);
49
       free(arr);
50
       return 0;
51
  }
52
```



### Algorithmic Analysis

• Best Case: Already sorted array:

$$T_{best}(n) = O(n)$$

• Worst Case: Reverse sorted array:

$$T_{worst}(n) = O(n^2)$$

• Average Case: Random order array:

$$T_{avg}(n) = O(n^2)$$

• Space Complexity: Only requires constant space:

$$S(n) = O(1)$$

#### Selection Sort

Selection Sort repeatedly selects the minimum element from the unsorted portion and places it at the beginning.

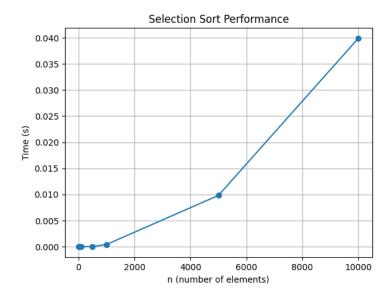
#### Algorithm 4 Selection Sort Algorithm

```
Require: Array arr[0...n-1], integer n
Ensure: Sorted array arr
 1: for i \leftarrow 0 to n-2 do
 2:
        min \leftarrow i
        for j \leftarrow i + 1 to n - 1 do
 3:
            if arr[j] < arr[min] then
 4:
               min \leftarrow j
 5:
            end if
 6:
        end for
 7:
        Swap arr[i] and arr[min]
 8:
 9: end for
```

- Find the minimum element in the array.
- Swap it with the first element.
- Repeat for the remaining subarray.

```
#include <stdio.h>
   #include <stdlib.h>
   #include < time . h >
   void selectionsort(int arr[], int n)
   {
6
        for (int i = 0; i < n - 1; i++)</pre>
7
9
             int min_idx = i;
10
11
             for (int j = i + 1; j < n; j++)
12
13
                  if (arr[j] < arr[min_idx])</pre>
14
                  {
15
16
                      min_idx = j;
^{17}
                  }
             }
19
        }
20
   }
21
22
   void generateRandomArray(int arr[],int n)
23
24
        for(int i=0;i<n;i++)</pre>
25
```

```
{
26
            arr[i]=rand()%100000;//generate random integers
27
       }
28
  }
29
30
31
   int main(int argc, char* argv[])
32
   {
       if (argc < 2) {</pre>
34
            printf("Usage: %s <n>\n", argv[0]);
35
            return 1;
36
       }
37
38
       int n = atoi(argv[1]); // read n from command-line argument
       int* arr=(int*)malloc(n*sizeof(int));
40
       if (arr == NULL)
41
42
            printf("Memory alloation failed!\n");
43
            return 1;
44
       clock_t start=clock();
46
       for(int i=0;i<10;i++)</pre>
47
48
            generateRandomArray(arr,n);
49
            selectionsort(arr,n);
50
       clock_t end=clock();
52
       double time_taken=((double)(end-start))/CLOCKS_PER_SEC/10.0;//time for o
53
       printf(" %f\n",time_taken);
54
       free(arr);
55
       return 0;
57
  }
58
```



• Best Case: Still scans entire array:

$$T_{best}(n) = O(n^2)$$

• Worst Case: Always  $n^2$  comparisons:

$$T_{worst}(n) = O(n^2)$$

• Average Case: Same as worst:

$$T_{avg}(n) = O(n^2)$$

• Space Complexity: In-place sort:

$$S(n) = O(1)$$

#### **Bubble Sort**

Bubble Sort repeatedly swaps adjacent elements if they are in the wrong order.

### Algorithm 5 Bubble Sort Algorithm

```
Require: Array arr[0...n-1], integer n

Ensure: Sorted array arr

1: for i \leftarrow 0 to n-1 do

2: for j \leftarrow 0 to n-i-2 do

3: if arr[j] > arr[j+1] then

4: Swap arr[j] and arr[j+1]

5: end if

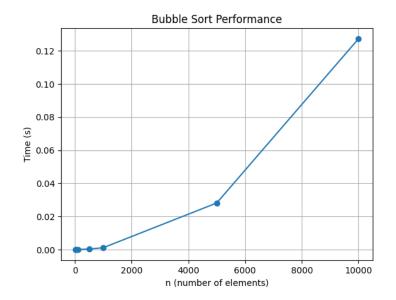
6: end for

7: end for
```

- Repeatedly compare adjacent elements.
- Swap them if they are in the wrong order.
- Continue until no swaps are needed.

```
#include <stdbool.h>
  #include <stdio.h>
  #include < stdlib.h>
  #include < time . h >
5
  void swap(int* xp, int* yp){
       int temp = *xp;
       *xp = *yp;
       *yp = temp;
  }
10
11
12
  void bubblesort(int arr[], int n)
13
14
       int i, j;
       bool swapped;
16
       for (i = 0; i < n - 1; i++) {
17
            swapped = false;
18
            for (j = 0; j < n - i - 1; j++) {
19
                if (arr[j] > arr[j + 1]) {
20
                     swap(&arr[j], &arr[j + 1]);
21
                     swapped = true;
22
23
24
            if (!swapped) break;
       }
27
  void generateRandomArray(int arr[],int n)
```

```
{
       for(int i=0;i<n;i++)</pre>
30
31
            arr[i]=rand()%100000;//generate random integers
32
33
  }
34
35
  int main(int argc, char* argv[])
37
  {
38
       if (argc < 2) {</pre>
39
            printf("Usage: %s <n>\n", argv[0]);
40
            return 1;
41
       }
42
43
       int n = atoi(argv[1]); // read n from command-line argument
44
       int* arr=(int*)malloc(n*sizeof(int));
45
       if (arr == NULL)
46
47
            printf("Memory alloation failed!\n");
            return 1;
49
50
       clock_t start=clock();
51
       for(int i=0;i<10;i++)</pre>
52
            generateRandomArray(arr,n);
            bubblesort(arr,n);
55
56
       clock_t end=clock();
57
       double time_taken=((double)(end-start))/CLOCKS_PER_SEC/10.0;//time for o
58
       printf("%f\n",time_taken);
       free(arr);
61
       return 0;
62
63
```



• Best Case: Already sorted (with optimization):

$$T_{best}(n) = O(n)$$

• Worst Case: Reverse sorted array:

$$T_{worst}(n) = O(n^2)$$

• Average Case: Random order array:

$$T_{avg}(n) = O(n^2)$$

• Space Complexity: Only needs a few extra variables:

$$S(n) = O(1)$$