#### 5118006-03 Data Structures

# Sorting

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#### Motivation: Search

- Checking whether an item exists in a list of n items, or not
- Sequential search
  - check each item by iterating over the list
- Binary search
  - assume that the list is sorted
  - compare the middle point of the list with the target item, and continue the binary search on a half of the list where the item may be found

### Binary Search Algorithm

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Input:
  a given sorted list of N elements, L
  a target value, T
Output:
  the index of T, or undefined
Algorithm:
 left = 0, right = N-1
 while left <= right do
     mid = (left + right) / 2
     if L[mid] == T
        return mid
     else if L[mid] < T
        right = mid - 1
     else /* if T < L[mid] */
       left = mid + 1
 end while
  return undefined
```

# Sorting Problem

- Given a list of n items  $(a_1, a_2, ..., a_n)$ , find a permutation  $\sigma$   $(a_{\sigma 1}, a_{\sigma 2}, ..., a_{\sigma n})$  such that  $key(a_{\sigma i}) \le key(a_{\sigma i+1})$  for  $1 \le i < n$ 
  - assume that the equivalence and the ordering in items are well defined
- A sorting is stable if the permutation satisfies the following condition:

if 
$$key(a_{\sigma i}) = key(a_{\sigma j})$$
 and  $i < j$ ,  $\sigma_i < \sigma_j$ 

### **Insertion Sort**

- Given an unsorted list U of items, repeat the following two steps until the list becomes empty:
  - (1) remove a minimum/maximum item in the *U*
  - (2) insert the removed item to the sorted list
- We can use a prefix U[0 .. i] as a sorted list for i-th turn to make sorting happen within the given list

### **Algorithm**

#### Algorithm

**Input**: a given a list of N items, L[0 .. N-1]

Output: a sorted list of item L

#### **Procedure**

for i in [0 ... N-2]find j such that L[j] is minimum among L[i ... N-1]swap L[i] and L[j]end for

#### Example

(7, b)	(3, d)	(2, e)	(9, a)	(5, g)	(3, a)	(2, h)

### Analysis

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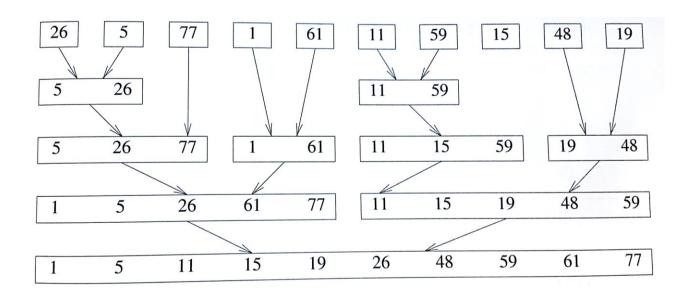
#### Time complexity

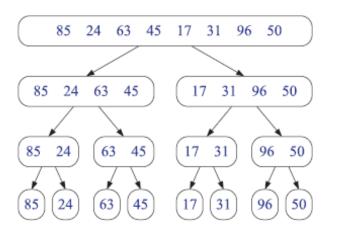
$$O\left(\sum_{i=0}^{N-2} (i+1)\right) = O(n^2)$$

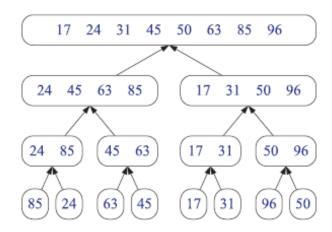
### Merge Sort

- To sort a sequence S with n elements:
  - 1. Return S immediately if n is zero or one. Otherwise, create  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  by dividing S evenly
  - 2. Sort  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , recursively
  - Put back the elements into S by merging S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>2</sub>

## Examples







### **Quick Sort**

Given a list of items L[0 .. N-1], reorder L such that all elements in L[0 .. p] are less than equal to all elements in L[p+1 .. N-1], and sort two sublists L[0.. p] and L[p+1 .. N-1] independently

Example

5	3	1	9	7	3	2	2
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# Quick Sort: Algorithm

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Sort (L[0 .. N-1], left, right)
     if left == right then return
     p = left ; l = left + 1 ; r = right
     while l < r begin
          while L[l] < L[p] \land l \le right begin l++ end while
          while L[p] < L[r] \land left + 1 \le r begin r-- end while
           if l < r then swap L[l] and L[r]; l++; r--
     end while
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swap L[p] and L[r]

Sort (L, left, r-1)

Sort (L, r + 1, right)