

Sorting

Lots of Sorting Applications. Some are:

Commercial Applications:

data stored ordered by one "key". Processing requires it ordered by another key(s).

- e.g., enumerate hash tabled
- e.g., transactions on e-commerce site ordered by server arrival timestamp. Sort by "expiry date on credit card" to send out "card about to expire email"
- e.g., iPhone app-usage log ordered by timestamp of usage user wants to see app list ordered by frequency of use. Sort the log by app.
e.g., "messaging sites" ordered by timestamp, but want to know: what's trending, who are the chattiest users, who is the chattiest country, etc. Sort by these.

Operating Systems Research

- e.g., Complete N jobs, each requiring $T(N)$ units of processing time.
- Must schedule to maximize customer satisfaction by minimizing average job completion times.
- e.g., M processors and N jobs. Must schedule so that last job to complete finishes as soon as possible.
- Algorithms to accomplish these require sorting (and re-sorting) by time-to-completion, $T(N)$, etc.

Simulations:

- e.g., weather prediction, financial markets, traffic flow, urban planning, etc.
usually require events/items sorted on various keys

Graph Algorithms:

- e.g., shortest path through network, fastest path through network, etc.
- algorithms require sorting by "weights" (e.g., bandwidth, cost of fuel)

Huffman Compression:

- sort by frequencies

Order Statistics:

e.g.:

- Efficient (speed up) Searching - How can we efficiently test whether element, k , is in set S ?
- Uniqueness Testing - How can we test if the elements of a given collection of items, S , are all distinct?
- Deleting Duplicates - How can we remove all but one copy of any repeated elements in S ?
- Median/Selection - How can we find the k -th largest item in set S ?
- Frequency Counting - Which is the most frequently occurring element in set S , i.e., the mode?
- Reconstructing the Original Order - How can we restore the original arrangement of a set of items after we permute them for some application?
- Set Intersection/Union - How can we intersect or union the elements of two containers?
- Finding a Target Pair - How can we test whether there are two integers, x, y in S , such that $x + y = z$ for some target z ?

Sorting Efficiency

- 1) number of comparisons
- 2) number of data moves

$O(n \log n)$ – best average case (comps) for comparison-based sorts

$O(n)$ – best average case (data moves) for address-based sorts

Types of sorts:

Insertion-type sorts:

- start with empty container
- insert items one-by-one (in order in container)
- Tree Sort, Insertion Sort

Priority Q-type sorts:

- insert items into P.Q.
- remove one-by-one \Rightarrow get sorted order
- Heap Sort, Selection Sort

Divide and Conquer-type sorts:

- divide unsorted part into 2 parts
- sort each part and recombine
- Quick Sort, Merge Sort

Diminishing Increment-type sorts:

- Shell sort

Transposition-type sorts:

- Bubble sort

Address-type sorts:

- items are not compared to each other
- categorized based on specific properties
- Radix Sort, Proxmap Sort
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Sorting Animations:

As far as they may help one understand algorithms covered in text/class.

(Note: tests assume algorithms as covered in text/class.)

Human subject Insertion/Selection/Merge:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=INHF_5RIxTE&feature=related

Robot QS vs BS sort-off:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aXXWXz5rF64&feature=iv&src_vid=H5kAcmGOn4Q&annotation_id=annotation_2512573901

Robot QS vs MS sort-off:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=es2T6KY45cA&feature=iv&src_vid=H5kAcmGOn4Q&annotation_id=annotation_2685924271

etc.

Enable java/script: <http://www.csse.monash.edu.au/~dwa/Animations/index.html>

Mergesort can help visualize the recursion:

<http://www.ee.ryerson.ca/~courses/coe428/sorting/sorting.html>

Insertion Sort

- A divides into 2 parts: Left Hand Sides (LHS) is sorted, Right-Hand-Side(RHS) is not
- each step:
 - o get next from RHS (x) (and remove)
 - o find spot in LHS it should go
 - o shuffle if necessary
 - o insert x

e.g.

Sorted	Unsorted	
5 3 9 6 1 7		A[1] (3)
R 5 _ 9 6 1 7		
S _ 5 9 6 1 7		
I 3 5 9 6 1 7		
R 3 5 _ 6 1 7		A[2] (9)
S 3 5 _ 6 1 7		
I 3 5 9 6 1 7		
3 5 6 9 1 7		after A[3] done (6)
1 3 5 6 9 7		after A[4] done (1)
1 3 5 6 7 9		after A[5] done (7)
	Sorted Unsorted	

Insertion Sort Algorithm

A - Array

n - size of array

insertionSort(A, n)

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for i from 1 to n - 1 by 1

    key = A[i];
    j = i-1;

    Loop while j >= 0 && A[j] > key
        A[j+1] = A[j];
        j = j-1;

    A[j+1] = key;
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Analysis of Insertion Sort

Comparisons

Worst Case: compare $A[i]$ to all items to left of it (reverse ordered list)

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 A[1] & \rightarrow 1 \text{ comp} \quad (\text{to } A[0]) \\
 A[2] & \rightarrow 2 \text{ comps} \\
 \dots & \\
 A[n-1] & \rightarrow \underline{n-1 \text{ comps}} \\
 \text{total} & 1+2+\dots+(n-1) = \frac{(n-1)n}{2} \Rightarrow O(n^2)
 \end{array}$$

Average: as above, but for each $A[i]$

$$\text{do average of } 1, 2, 3 \dots i \text{ comps} = \frac{i(i+1)}{2i} = \frac{(i+1)}{2}$$

$$\text{total } \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{(i+1)}{2} = \frac{1}{2}[(n-1) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i] = \frac{1}{2}[(n-1) + \frac{(n-1)n}{2}] \Rightarrow O(n^2)$$

Best: at each step 1 comp

$$1 + 1 + 1 \dots + 1 = n-1 \Rightarrow O(n)$$

Data Moves

Worst Case: (reverse ordered list)

- each step shuffle all items in “sorted”

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 A[1] & \rightarrow 1 \text{ shuffle and insert item in hole} = 2 \\
 A[2] & \rightarrow 1 \text{ shuffle and insert item in hole} = 3 \\
 \dots & \\
 A[n-1] & \rightarrow n-1 \text{ shuffle and insert item in hole} = n \\
 \text{total} & \frac{(n+1)n}{2} - 1 \Rightarrow O(n^2)
 \end{array}$$

Average: $A[1]$ average of 1 shuffle and insertion in hole = 2

$A[2]$ average of 2 shuffle and insertion in hole = 3

...

$A[n-1]$ average of $n-1$ shuffle and insertion in hole = n

$$\Rightarrow O(n^2)$$

Best: (ordered list)

No shuffling. Code may do the 1 “insert” so $1 + 1 + 1 \dots + 1 = n-1 \Rightarrow O(n)$

OR $O(1)$ if no “copy over”

idea:

- [unsorted list]. Choose pivot
 - rearrange list such that
[($<$ pivot) | pivot | ($>$ pivot)]
 - pivot is in final position
 - Run quick sort on ($<$ pivot) and ($>$ pivot)\
- NOTE: can “re-arrange” by starting from both ends and swapping if out-of-place

Choose Pivot 8

5, 10, 3, 2, 7, 8, 9, 15, 1, 4, 20,

5, 4, 3, 2, 7, 1, 9, 15, 8, 10, 20,

1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 5, 9, 15, 8, 10, 20,

1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 5, 9, 15, 8, 10, 20,

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 15, 8, 10, 20,

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 15, 8, 10, 20,

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 15, 9, 10, 20,

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 15, 10, 20,

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20,

Quicksort from Standish (does not move pivot into center)

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Partition (array A, i, j)

    pivpos=(i+j)/2
    pivot = A[ pivpos ] //middle key
    Loop
        while ( A[i] < pivot ) i++
        while ( A[*j] > pivot ) j--
        if (*i <= *j )
            temp = A[*i]
            A[*i]=A[*j]
            A[*j]=temp; //swap i, j
            i++
            j--

    until i <= j;

QuickSort (array A, m, n) {
    if (m<n)
        i=m
        j=n
        Partition (A, i, j)
        QuickSort (A,m,j)
        QuickSort (A,i,n)
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Best Case: when choose pivot, list is divided equally in half
 $(1/2 n) \quad p \quad (1/2 n)$

Comparisons:

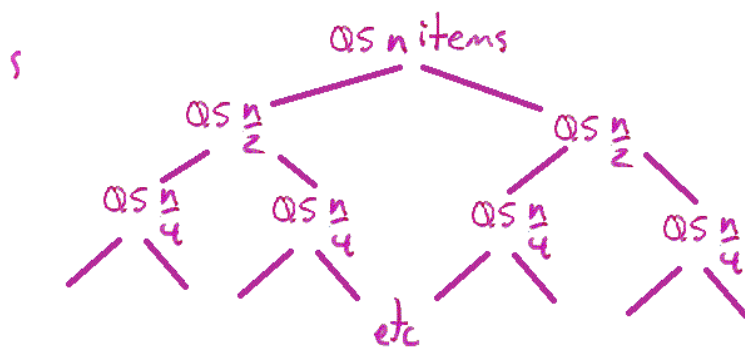
1st call to QS $\approx n$ comps (comp each with pivot) + 2 recursive calls

on each $\frac{1}{2}$ $\approx \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{2} = n$ total comps + 4 recursive calls

on each $\frac{1}{4}$ $\approx \frac{n}{4} + \frac{n}{4} + \frac{n}{4} + \frac{n}{4} = n$ total comps + 8 recursive calls

...

on each level $\approx n$ comps



How many levels?

\approx height of recursive tree

\approx how many x can cut list length n in half? $\log(n)$

$\Rightarrow O(n \log n)$ comps

ore recurrence relations: $C(n) = n + 2C(n/2)$, $C(2) = 2$

Worst: pivot largest/smallest in list $[p \mid \text{rest of list}]$
 divide lists length 0 + n - 1

each step is approximately n comps

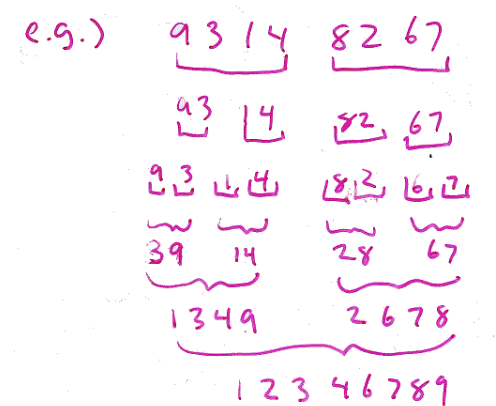
$n + (n-1) + (n-2) \dots 1 \Rightarrow O(n^2)$

Average: recurrence relations(test) $O(n \log n)$

idea:

- if list has 1 item, return
- divide list in half
- MergeSort each half
- merge the 2 halves into one

e.g.)



Merge Sort Algorithm

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Merge (left, right)
  create temp array T
  loop while !empty(left) && !empty(right)
    if first(left) < first(right)
      Append(T, first(left))
      removeFirst(left)
    else
      Append(T, first(right))
      removeFirst(right)
  if !empty(left)
    Append(T, leftOver(left))
  if !empty(right)
    Append(T, leftOver(right))

  return T
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Analysis of Merge Sort

Worst Case: in half each time which is about $\log n$ height of call tree
 each level (except leafs) total is about n comps so $O(n \log n)$

Best Case: same but $n/2$ comps so $O(n \log n)$

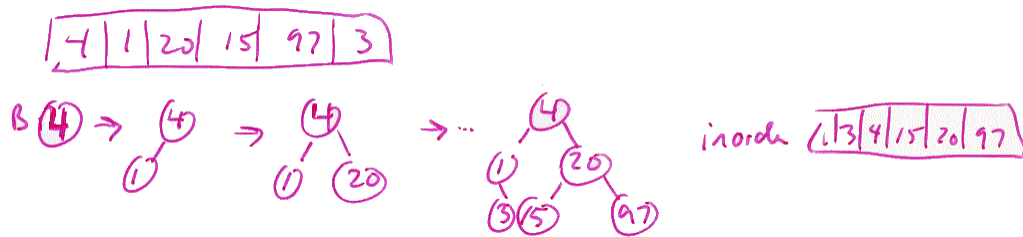
Average Case: $O(n \log n)$

[Generally proved that for any comparison-based sort, fastest average time comparisons is $O(n \log n)$]

idea:

- unsorted array A ($A[0] \dots A[n-1]$)
- create BST B
- for each i , insert($B, A[i]$)
- In-order traversal of B

e.g.)



Analysis of Tree Sort

- insertion of BST is $O(\log n)$
- insert n items and thus generally $O(n \log n)$
comps = $\log 1 + \log 2 + \log 3 + \dots + \log(n-1) = n \log n \Rightarrow O(n \log n)$ best/average

Note: In-order traversal takes no comps.

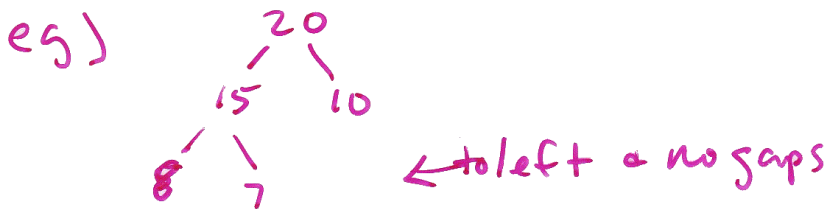
Worst $O(n^2)$ – degenerate tree

Data Moves

- move each item from A to B :n
- move each item from B to A :n
- $2n \Rightarrow O(n)$

Heap:

- What is a Heap? Heap is a binary tree such that
 - o value of node \geq value of kids (descendants)
 - o every level is full except for possibly the last, but items on last level are filled inserted as far left as possible



Note: largest item in tree must be at root
if remove root, re-heapify by:
moving "last" item to root "7"
keep swapping node with largest of kids until it is in place



idea:

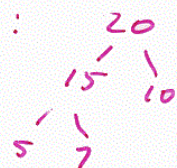
- make data into heap
- while items left in tree
 - o remove root and put in "final" array
 - o replace root by "last" item
 - o re-heapify

if fill "final array" back-to-front, it is in sorted order once tree is empty

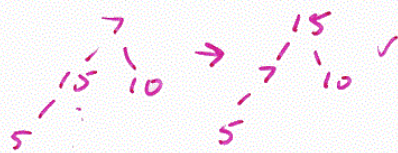
5-7

e.g) 15 20 10 5 7

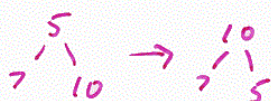
heap:



array



20



15 20



10 15 20

7 10 15 20

5 7 10 15 20

Can do this "in" array.

store root at node 1 A[1]

left child of node i is at A[2i]

right "

" A[2i+1]

e.g) A: [20 | 15 | 10 | 5 | 7] \equiv

each step swap "last" in heap with root + re-heapify

[7 | 15 | 10 | 5] || 20
heap part

re-heapify

[15 | 7 | 10 | 5] || 20

swap [15 | 7 | 10] || [5 | 20] re-heapify

[10 | 7 | 5] || 15 20

swap [15 | 7] || [10 | 5 | 20] re-heapify

[7 | 5] || 10 15 20

just swap 1st 2 [5 | 7 | 10 | 15 | 20] ✓

Analysis of Heap Sort

- Comparisons and data moves are similar
- insert n items and thus generally $O(n \log n)$

Data Moves:

Worst case: to transform A into Heap takes $O(n)$ (from Trees notes)

swap – constant K^2

re-heapify heap into $I - 1$ nodes – at most $\log(i-1)$ saps, (height of heap)

Total:

$$O(n) + K^2 \log(n-1) + k^2 + k^2 \log(n-2) + \dots + k^2 \log(2) + k^2$$

$$= k^2 \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} \log(i) + (n-2)k^2 + O(n) + k^2$$

$$< k^2 n \log(n) + (n-1)k^2 + O(n) \quad \Rightarrow O(n \log n)$$

Worst, Average, Best time

Radix Sort

idea:

- radix (e.g. 129 radix is 10, 111010 radix is 2)

let p = max number of digits in keys to be sorted

let r = radix of keys

eg) 396 487 964 324 296 94 $p=3$
 $r=10$

idea: make r $Q_s: Q_0, Q_1, Q_2 \dots Q_{r-1}$
 for $d = p$ to 1
 - for each key, put it in Q_x where x = value in the d^{th} position of key
 - make 1 big list again by deQing $Q_0, Q_1 \dots Q_r$

eg)

rear	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
front										

→ 964 324 094 396 296 487

→ 324 964 487 094 396 296

→ 094 296 324 396 487 964. Sorted.

Sorted p passes where each pass moved n items to Q_s and from $Q \Rightarrow 2pn \Rightarrow O(n)$

No comparisons, only data moves

Stability of Sorts

- A sorting method is **stable** if it is:
 - o preserves relative order of equal keys

e.g.) e-commerce site

- transactions put on array as arrive (ordered by timestamp)
- application needs to process by province so sort by province.
- if sort is **unstable**, timestamp ordering is not necessarily preserved within province

original	Sorted by province (unstable)
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ONT 08:00:00	AB 08:01:32
AB 08:00:03	AB 08:00:03
ONT 08:01:00	AB 08:02:21
NB 08:01:09	BC 08:02:04
AB 08:01:32	NB 08:01:09
BC 08:02:04	ONT 08:01:00
ONT 08:02:11	ONT 08:02:11
AB 08:02:21	ONT 08:00:00

Stable Sorts: Insertion Sort, Merge Sort, Radix, BSTs

Unstable: Quick Sort, Heap Sort

Stability of Sorts

	Best	Average	Worst
Quick Sort	$n \log n$	$n \log n$	n^2
Merge Sort	$n \log n$	$n \log n$	$n \log n$
Heap Sort	$n \log n$	$n \log n$	$n \log n$
Insertion Sort	n	n^2	n^2
Tree Sort	$n \log n$	$n \log n$	n^2
Radix Sort	pn	pn	pn

Is Radix Sort Best?

- if p is large, pn maybe no better than $n \log n$ or n^2
- if space is limited, Radix sort is bad (all those Qs)

Quick sort is about 2x faster than Heap Sort and Merge sort in practice

Is Quick Sort Best?

- space is limited, Quick Sort and Merge Sort are bad because lots of stack space or recursive calls) – Heap sort is best
- if guarantee required (e.g. real-time applications), Quick Sort is bad $O(n^2)$ worst case – Heap or Merge Sorts is best
- if Stability requires – Merge Sort is best

If A is already mostly in order – Insertion Sort is good \Rightarrow approximately $O(n)$ best time vs $O(n \log n)$

No Single method is better than all others in all situations