排序演算法

合併排序、快速排序……

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Section 1

Abstract

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Reason

- Ranking
- Prerequisite of other algorithms such as binary search, greedy, ...

Naïve Approach: Bubble Sort

procedure BUBBLE SORT($\{a_0, a_1, ..., a_{n-1}\}$)
    for $i \in [0, n-1)$ **do**
        for $j \in [0, n-1-i)$ **do**
            if $a_j > a_{j+1}$ **then**
                SWAP(a_j, a_{j+1})
            end if
        end for
    end for
    return a
end procedure

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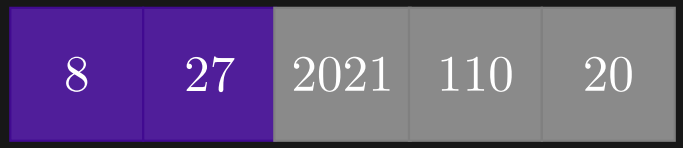

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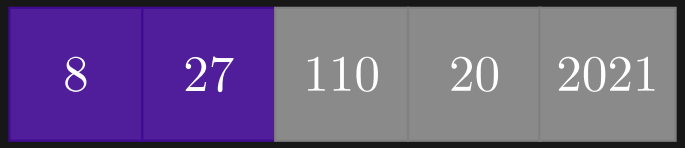

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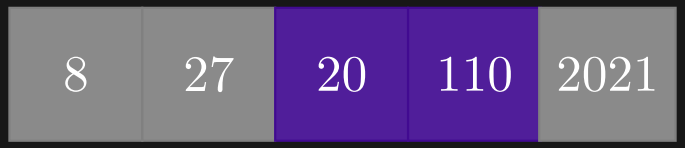

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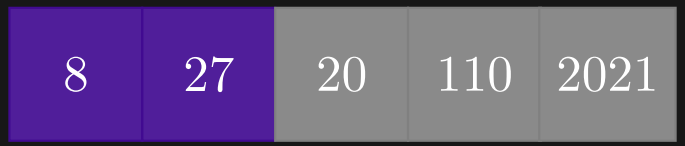

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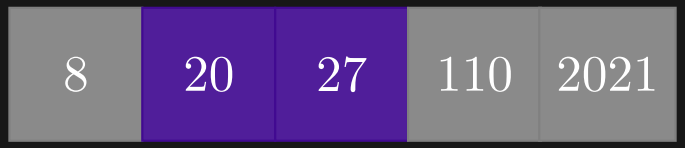

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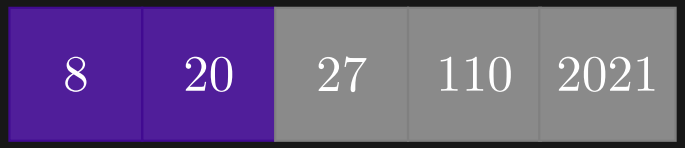

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  while $begin \neq end$ **do** ▷ 3. Combine
    if $itr \neq left.end() \wedge (jtr = right.end() \vee *itr < *jtr)$ **then**
      $*begin{+}{+} \leftarrow *itr{+}{+}$
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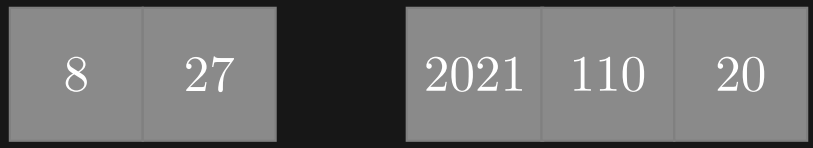

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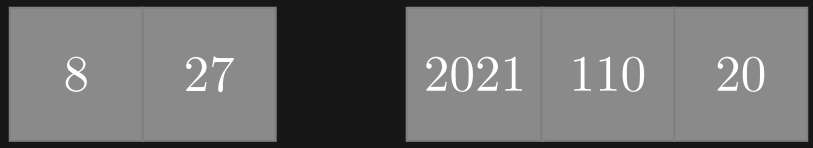

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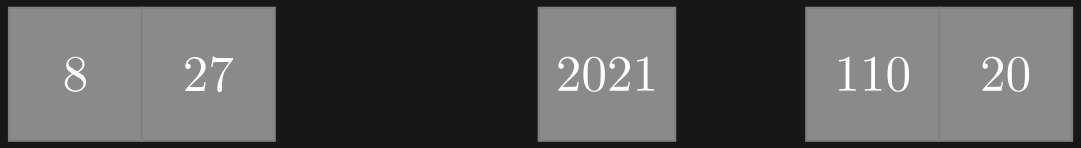

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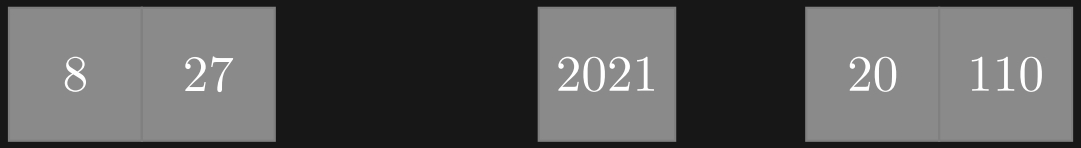

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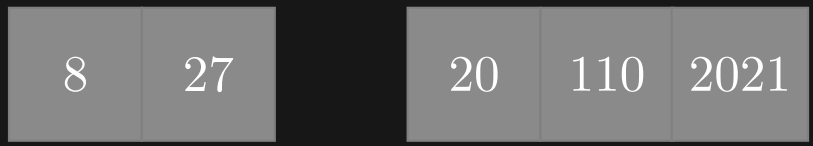

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類題演練

- AtCoder Beginner Contest 154 p. C - Distinct or Not
- LeetCode 0004. Median of Two Sorted Arrays (Hard!?)

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- AtCoder Beginner Contest 190 p. F - Shift and Inversions
- UVa 10810: Ultra-QuickSort
- UVa 11858: Frosh Week

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With an eye to avoiding this, we can pick *pivot* randomly or use the median of $\{*begin, *(\frac{begin+end}{2}), *(end-1)\}$.

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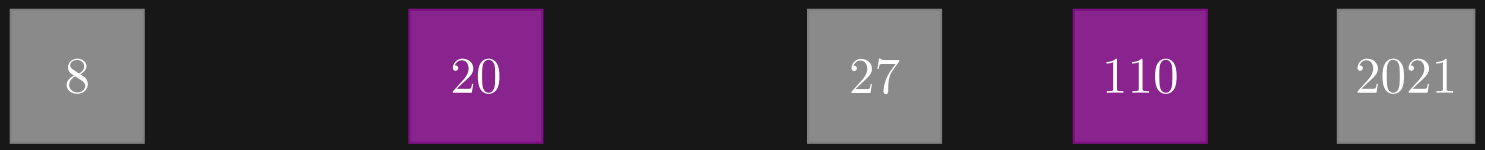

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When **dividing** array into *less* and *greater* parts in QUICKSORT, we could know the size of them. If $k < |less|$, we only need to recur to less part and greater one could be ignored; vice versa.
Note that if we recur to greater part, we should update k to $k - |less| - 1$ because the k-th element in the original array is $k - |less| - 1$-th element in the greater part.

類題演練

- LeetCode 0215. Kth Largest Element in an Array (Medium)
- AtCoder Beginner Contest 161 p. C - Popular Vote

Kth Largest Element in an Array

LeetCode 0215 (Medium)

非常單純的模板題，我們以此來示範 *pivot* 之選擇。

Always last 40ms, beats 17.10% submissions

Randomly 8ms, faster than 75.44% codes

Section 3

Easy-to-use built-in functions

std::merge()

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void merge_sort(vector<int>::iterator begin,
    vector<int>::iterator end)
{
    // 0. recursion boundary
    if (end - begin == 1)
        return;
    // 1. Divide
    auto mid = begin + ((end - begin) >> 1); // equal to
        'begin+(end-begin)/2'
    vector<int> left(begin, mid), right(mid, end);
    // 2. Conquer
    merge_sort(left.begin(), left.end());
    merge_sort(right.begin(), right.end());
    // 3. Combine
    merge(left.begin(), left.end(), right.begin(),
        right.end(), begin);
}
```

std::partition()

```
int pivot;
bool cmp_partition(int x) { return x < pivot; }
void quicksort(vector<int>::iterator begin,
    vector<int>::iterator end)
{
    // 0. recursion boundary
    if (end - begin <= 1)
        return;
    // 1. Divide
    pivot = *(end - 1);
    auto itr = partition(begin, end - 1, cmp_partition);
    swap(*itr, *(end - 1));
    // 2. Conquer
    quicksort(begin, itr);
    quicksort(itr + 1, end);
    // 3. Combine
    // Nothing to do
}
```

std::nth_element()

```
nth_element(v.begin(), v.begin() + 2, v.end());
cout << "\n2-nd element (0-indexed) is " <<
    *(v.begin() + 2) << '\n';
```

std::sort()

```
sort(v.begin(), v.end());
for (const int &i : v)
    cout << ' ' << i;
```

`std::sort()` with `std::string` and other...

```
string s = "hello world QWERTY QAZ QSC QQ wasd";
cout << '\n' + s << '\n';
sort(s.begin(), s.end());
cout << s << '\n';
```

std::sort() using custom comparator

```
bool cmp_sort(int lhs, int rhs) // result be like: {1,
    3, 5, 4, 2, 0}
{
    if (lhs & 1 ^ rhs & 1) // if l%2 != r%2
        return lhs & 1;    // return true if l is odd
            otherwise return false
    else
        return lhs & 1 ? lhs < rhs : lhs > rhs; // if l,
            r are both odd then return l<r else return
            l>r
}

// ...

    sort(v.begin(), v.end(), cmp_sort);
    for (const int &i : v)
        cout << ' ' << i;
```

Section 4

Appendix

Stable sorts vs. Unstable sorts

Definition (Stability)

For non-distinct elements, whether they are outputted in the same order they inputted.

Comparison sorts vs. Distribution sorts

Bubble sort, merge sort, Quicksort and ... are called *Comparison sorts* because all of them are based on a binary boolean relation (oft $<$) and aimed at swapping all inversions.
On the other hand, there are other means.

Age sort

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There are up to 2×10^6 people aging between $[1, 100]$ in the country. Our goal is to sort them by their age.

Counting sort

If the *range* of input is small enough, then we could record the occurrence of for all element in the *range*.