

4. Sorting

Goals

- Classify sorting algorithms by time complexities.
- Understand the limit of sorting algorithms, and learn linear-time sorting algorithms.
- Understand the space complexity of an algorithm

Sorting Algorithms

- Most algorithms: $O(n^2)$, $O(n \log n)$
- When input numbers satisfy special conditions:
 $O(n)$ sorting is possible
 - E.g., input numbers are integers between 1 and n

Basic Sorting Algorithms

- Sorting algorithms with worst-case and average-case $\Theta(n^2)$ time
 - Selection sort
 - Bubble sort
 - Insertion sort

Advanced Sorting Algorithms

- Sorting algorithms with average-case $\Theta(n \log n)$ time
 - Quicksort
 - Merge sort
 - Heap sort

Quicksort

```
quickSort(A[], p, r)  ▷ sort A[p ... r]
{
    if (p < r) then {
        q = partition(A, p, r);  ▷ partition
        quickSort(A, p, q-1);  ▷ sort left part
        quickSort(A, q+1, r);  ▷ sort right part
    }
}
```

```
partition(A[], p, r)
{
    pivot element:  $x = A[r]$ 
    partition A[p ... r] into  $A[p \dots q-1] \leq A[q] = x < A[q+1 \dots r]$ 
    return  $q$ 
}
```

Quicksort

Input numbers. Pivot element = 15

31	8	48	73	11	3	20	29	65	15
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Partition

8	11	3	15	31	48	20	29	65	73
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— (a)

Recursive calls

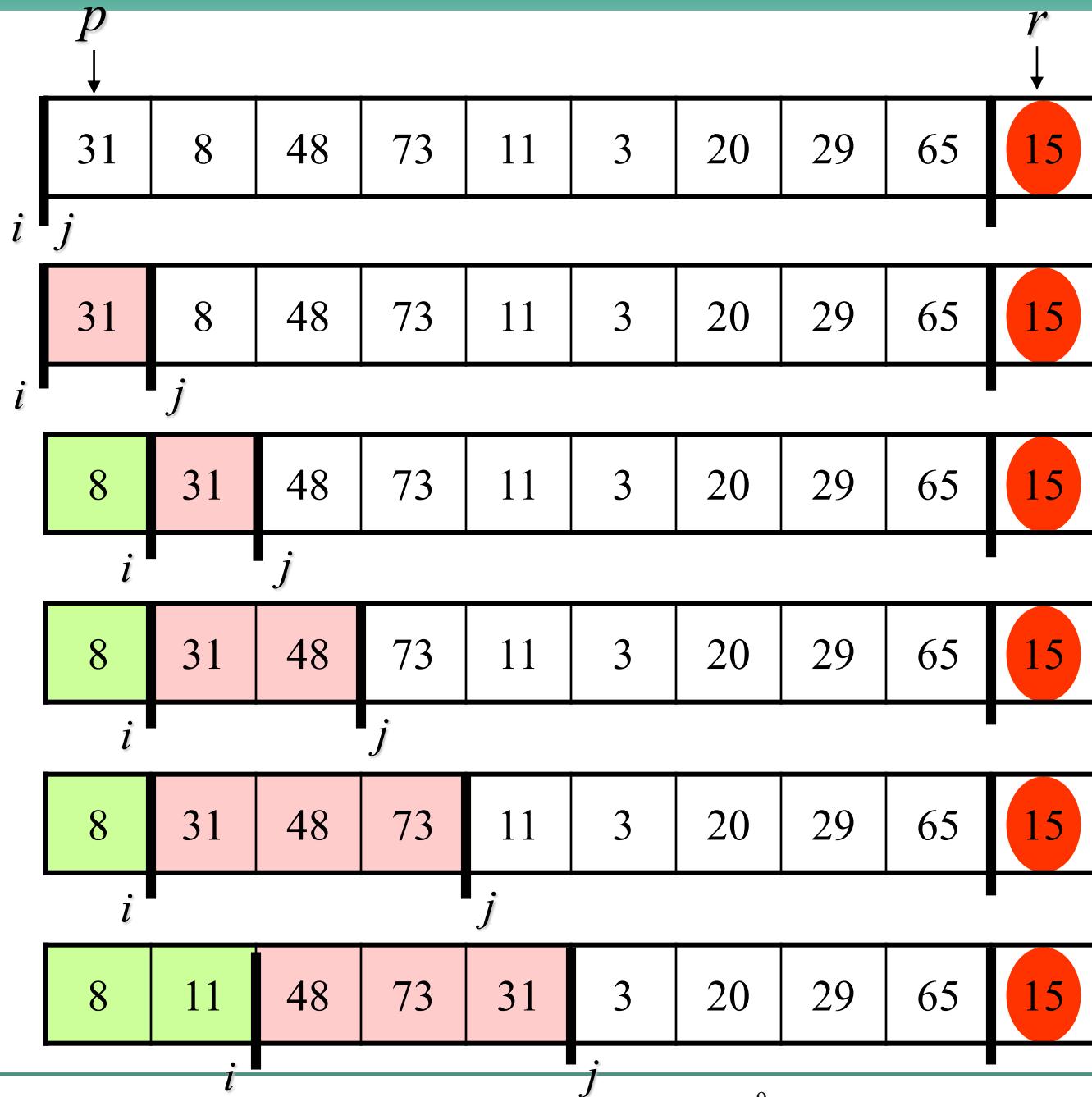
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— (b)

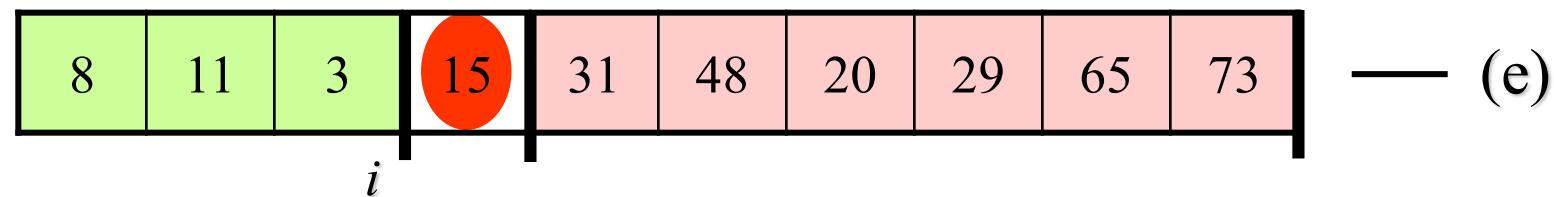
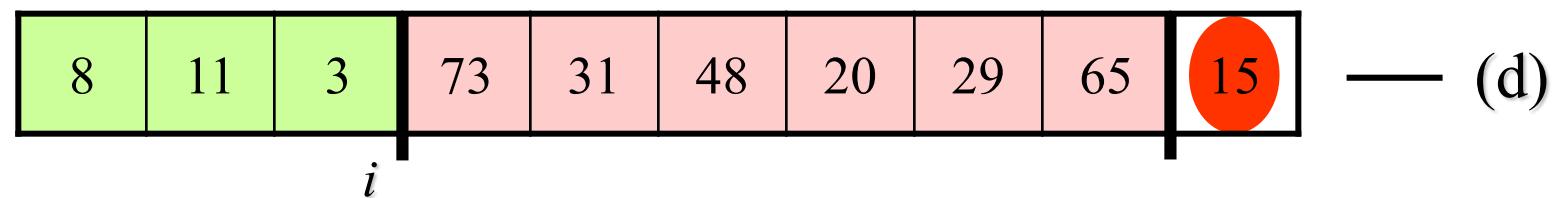
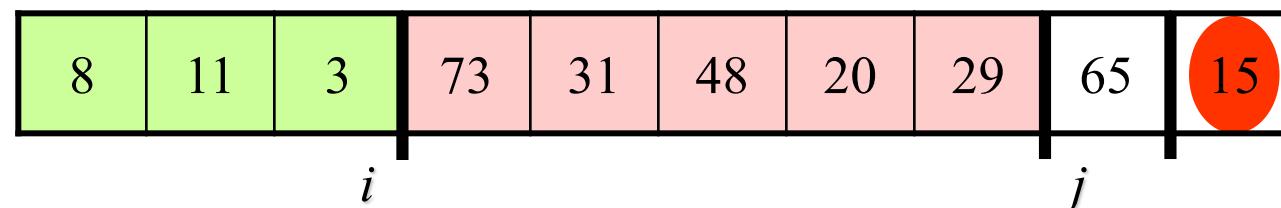
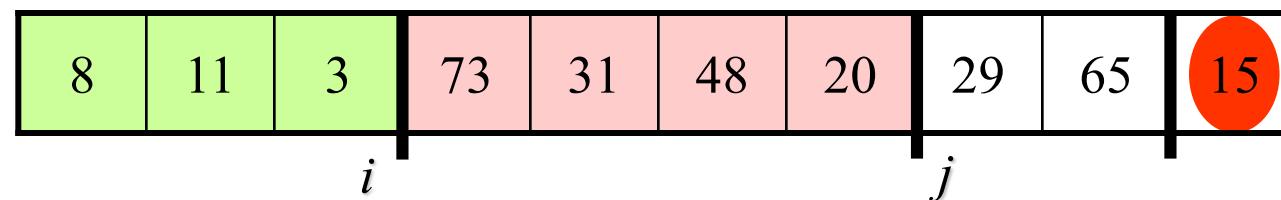
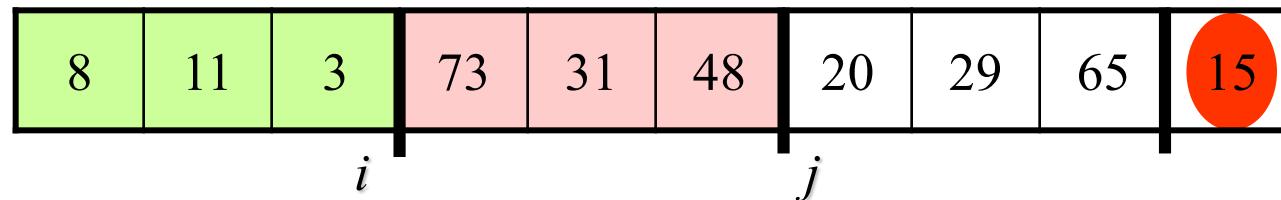
Partition

```
partition(A[], p, r)
    x = A[r]
    i = p - 1
    for j = p to r-1
        if A[j] ≤ x
            i = i + 1
            swap A[i] and A[j]
    swap A[i+1] and A[r]
    return i+1
```

Partition



Partition



(Worst-Case) Time Complexity of an Algorithm

- Insertion sort
 - Lower bound: $\Omega(n^2)$ for an input instance of decreasing numbers
 - Upper bound: $O(n^2)$ for all input instances
 - Time complexity of insertion sort: $\Theta(n^2)$

(Worst-Case) Time Complexity of a Problem

- Matrix multiplication
 - Standard method: $\Theta(n^3)$
 - Strassen's algorithm: $\Theta(n^{\log_2 7})$
 - Coppersmith and Winograd's algorithm: $O(n^{2.376})$
 - Upper bound: $O(n^{2.376})$
 - Lower bound: $\Omega(n^2)$
 - Time complexity of matrix mult: $n^2 \leq MM \leq n^{2.376}$

Time Complexity of Sorting

- Comparison sort: sorting algorithm that determines the sorting order based only on comparisons of input elements.
- Lower bound of comparison sorts is $\Omega(n \log n)$.
- Time complexity of comparison sorts: $\Theta(n \log n)$
- $\Theta(n)$ sorting
 - Counting Sort: input elements are integers in the range of $0 \sim O(n)$.
 - Radix Sort: input elements are d -digit numbers for constant d .

Lower Bound for Sorting

- Comparison sort: sorting algorithm that determines the sorting order based only on comparisons of input elements.
- Decision tree: binary tree that represents comparisons of a sorting algorithm (insertion sort, $n=3$)
 - internal node: comparison $(i:j)$
 - leaf: permutation that represents the sorting order
 - path from root to leaf: execution (comparisons) of sorting algorithm on an input
 - If sorting algorithm is correct, $n!$ permutations should appear in the leaves.

Lower bound

- Longest path from root to leaf (tree height): worst case of sorting algorithm.
- Let h = height of decision tree, f = number of leaves.
 - $n! \leq f \leq 2^h$
 - $h \geq \log n!$ Hence $h = \Omega(n \log n)$.

Counting Sort

```
countingSort(A, B, n)
```

▷ A[1...n]: input array

▷ B[1...n]: output array

```
{
```

```
    for i = 1 to k
```

```
        C[i] ← 0;
```

```
    for j = 1 to n
```

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        C[A[j]]++;
```

▷ C[i]: number of elements equal to i

```
    for i = 1 to k
```

```
        C[i] ← C[i] + C[i-1] ;
```

▷ C[i]: number of elements less than or equal to i

```
    for j ← n downto 1 {
```

```
        B[C[A[j]]] ← A[j];
```

```
        C[A[j]]--;
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

Counting Sort

- A: 2 5 3 0 2 3 0 3
- C: 2 0 2 3 0 1
- C: 2 2 4 7 7 8
- B: $\underline{\quad \quad \quad}$ 3 $\underline{\quad}$
- $\underline{\quad 0 \quad \quad \quad} 3 \underline{\quad}$

- Time: $\Theta(k + n)$
- If $k = O(n)$, time is $\Theta(n)$.
- Stable sort: elements with equal values appear in output in the same order as in input (satellite data)

Radix Sort

`radixSort(A[], n, d)`

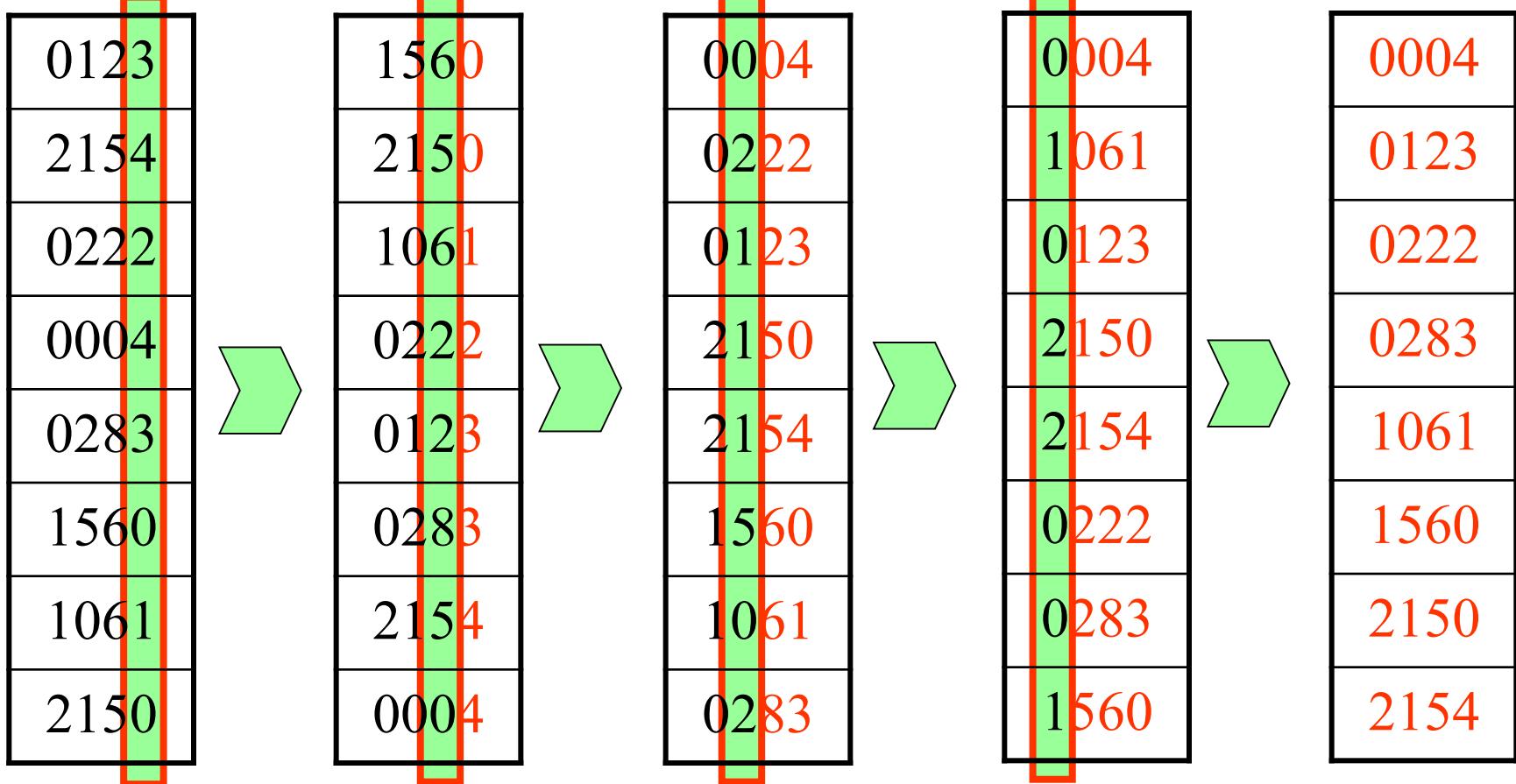
- ▷ input elements are d -digit numbers for constant d
- ▷ digit 1 is the least significant digit

{

for $i \leftarrow 1$ to d

 use a stable sort to sort $A[1\dots n]$ on digit i

}



✓ Running time: $\Theta(d(n + k))$

Time Complexities of Sorting Algorithms

	Worst Case	Average Case
Selection Sort	n^2	n^2
Bubble Sort	n^2	n^2
Insertion Sort	n^2	n^2
Quicksort	n^2	$n \log n$
Mergesort	$n \log n$	$n \log n$
Heapsort	$n \log n$	$n \log n$
Counting Sort	n	n
Radix Sort	n	n

(Worst-Case) Space Complexity of an Algorithm

- Counting sort
 - Input space: A, $n \rightarrow O(n)$, Output space: B $\rightarrow O(n)$
 - Extra space: C, i, j, k $\rightarrow O(k)$
- Insertion sort
 - Input, output space: A, $n \rightarrow O(n)$
 - Extra space: i, j, key $\rightarrow O(1)$
- Merge sort
 - Input, output space: $O(n)$
 - Extra space: $O(n)$ ($O(\log n)$ for call stack)
- Quicksort
 - Extra space: $O(n)$ for call stack



Thank you