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NeoColab_REC_CS23231_DATA STRUCTURES

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Section 1 : Coding

1. Problem Statement

You are the lead developer of a text-processing application that assists writers in organizing their thoughts. One crucial feature is a character-sorting service that helps users highlight the most critical elements of their text.

To achieve this, you decide to enhance the service to sort characters in descending order using the Quick-Sort algorithm. Implement the algorithm to efficiently rearrange the characters, ensuring that it is sorted in descending order.

Input Format

The first line of the input consists of a positive integer value N, representing the number of characters to be sorted.

The second line of input consists of N space-separated lowercase alphabetical characters.

Output Format

The output displays the set of alphabetical characters, sorted in descending order.

Refer to the sample output for the formatting specifications.

Sample Test Case

Input: 5
a d g j k
Output: k j g d a

Answer

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

// You are using GCC
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

/* --------- helpers ---------- */
void swap(char *a, char *b)
{
    char tmp = *a;
    *a      = *b;
    *b      = tmp;
}

/* Partition for **descending** quick  sort */
int partition(char arr[], int low, int high)
{
    char pivot = arr[high];   /* choose last element as pivot */
    int i      = low - 1;

    for (int j = low; j < high; ++j)
    {
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        /* put larger (alphabetically later) chars to the left */
        if (arr[j] > pivot)
        {
            ++i;
            swap(&arr[i], &arr[j]);
        }
    }
    swap(&arr[i + 1], &arr[high]);
    return i + 1;
}

void quicksort(char arr[], int low, int high)
{
    if (low < high)
    {
        int p = partition(arr, low, high);
        quicksort(arr, low, p - 1);
        quicksort(arr, p + 1, high);
    }
}

int main() {
    int n;
    scanf("%d", &n);

    char characters[n];

    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        char input;
        scanf(" %c", &input);
        characters[i] = input;
    }

    quicksort(characters, 0, n - 1);

    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        printf("%c ", characters[i]);
    }

    return 0;
}
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