SORTING ALGORITHMS

OVERVIEW



- Sorting is one of the oldest and most studied areas of computer science
 - Problem is to take in unsorted data in an array or a file
 - Rearrange data so it is in ascending/descending order based on value of selected fields
 - Store sorted data in an output array or file

• Key issues to consider

- How hard is the algorithm to implement?
- How much CPU time will the algorithm take?
- How much data storage will be needed?
- Will this algorithm work for all types of data or orderings?

- Objectives of this lesson:
- Learn about algorithm analysis
 - How to estimate the speed of an algorithm
 - Examination of code, solving recurrence relationships
 - Learn about best case, worst case, and average case
- Learn seven classic sorting algorithms
 - How these classic algorithms work
 - How to implement them
 - Perform speed analysis

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Very fast but only work on some types of data

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See wikipedia for the history of sorting and many examples

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- To compare two algorithms it is helpful to know how many instructions are executed to process N data values
- For example, to calculate sum of N integers we could use:

```
int sum=0;
for (int i=0; i<N; i++)
```

```
sum += data[i];
```

- Here the loop is executed N times
- This is an O(N) algorithm

 Similarly if we wanted to print the product of all possible pairs of numbers between 0 and N-1 we could use:

```
for (int i=0; i<N; i++)
for (int j=0; j<N; j++)
cout << data[i] * data[j] << endl;
```

- The outer loop will execute N times
- The inner loop will execute N * N = N² times
- This is an O(N²) algorithm

• Often the loops are more complex.

```
int count=0;
for (int i=0; i<N; i++)
    for (int j=i; j<N; j++);
        count++;
```

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```
int count=0;
for (int i=0; i<N; i++)
for (int j=i; j<N; j++);
count++;
```

- The inner loop executes N + N-1 + ... + 2 + 1 times
- This equals (N+1) * N/2 = N²/2 + N/2
- This is less than N² but only differs by a constant
- This is an O(N²) algorithm

- Sometimes a loop can execute less than N times
- We saw this with binary search and the power function
- Here is a similar example:

```
int num = N;
while (num > 0)
num = num / 2;
```

- If $N = 2^{P}$, the loop will execute $P = \log_2 N$ times
- This is an O(log₂N) algorithm

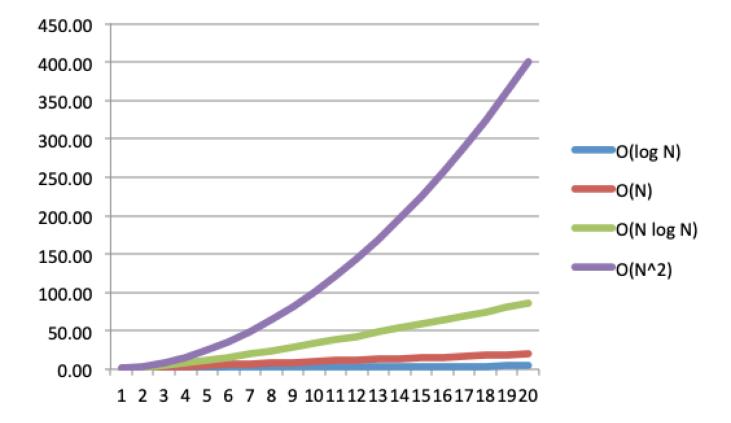
• Sometimes a log₂N calculation is inside another loop:

```
for (int i=0; i<N; i++)
{
    int num = N;
    while (num > 0)
    num = num / 2;
}
```

- The inner loop will execute N * log₂ N times
- This is an O(N log₂ N) algorithm

- Linear search is O(N) but binary search is O(log N)
 - For N = 1000 binary search takes only 10 steps
 - This is 100 times faster than linear search
 - For N = 1,000,000 binary search takes only 20 steps
 - This is 50,000 times faster than linear search
- Most sorting algorithms are O(N log N) or O(N²)
 - The speed difference for sorting is equally dramatic
 - For N = 1000, the O(N log N) sort is 100 times faster
 - For N = 1,000,000 the fast sort is 50,000 times faster

O(log N)	O(N)	O(N log N)	O(N^2)
0.00	1	0.00	1
1.00	2	2.00	4
1.58	3	4.75	9
2.00	4	8.00	16
2.32	5	11.61	25
2.58	6	15.51	36
2.81	7	19.65	49
3.00	8	24.00	64
3.17	9	28.53	81
3.32	10	33.22	100
3.46	11	38.05	121
3.58	12	43.02	144
3.70	13	48.11	169
3.81	14	53.30	196
3.91	15	58.60	225
4.00	16	64.00	256
4.09	17	69.49	289
4.17	18	75.06	324
4.25	19	80.71	361
4.32	20	86.44	400



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SELECTION SORT

- Selection sort is a very simple sorting algorithm
- The idea is to iteratively select the smallest value from an unsorted array, and put this at the end of a sorted array
- Loop N times
 - Select the smallest value in unsorted array
 - Mark this value as "taken" in the unsorted array
 - Store smallest value at end of sorted array
- When this loop finishes, the unsorted array will be empty, and the sorted array will have N values in ascending order

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3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6		1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9

Values that are "taken"

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1	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9

Values that are "taken"

- One of the most expensive steps in selection sort is finding the next smallest value in the unsorted array
 - First we must find the location of the first "untaken" value
 - Then we have to loop over the rest of the array to see if any other "untaken" value is smaller
 - Since the data array is N long this search takes N steps
 - This search loop is inside a loop that executes N times
 - Hence selection sort is an O(N²) algorithm
- In practice, using two arrays is inefficient, so most implementations use one array and move data around

3 ≼	▶1	4	1	5	9	2	6
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6
1	1	4	3	5	9	2	6
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In each pass of this algorithm we swap the smallest value in the unsorted part of array with leftmost unsorted value and increase the size of sorted part

Sorted portion of the array

3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6
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In the second pass we find and swap the second smallest value

Sorted portion of the array

3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6
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1	1	2	3	5	9	4	6
1	1	2	3	5	9	4	6
1	1	2	3	4	9	5	6
1	1	2	3	4	5	9	6
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9
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Then we swap the third smallest value in into its correct location

Sorted portion of the array

3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6
1	1	4	3	5	9	2	6
1	1	2	3	5	9	4	6
1	1	2	3	5	9	4	6
1	1	2	3	4	9	5	6
1	1	2	3	4	5	9	6
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9
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In some cases the smallest value does not need to be swapped because it is already in the correct location

Sorted portion of the array

3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6
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1	1	2	3	5	9	4	6
1	1	2	3	5	9	4	6
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1	1	2	3	4	5	9	6
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9

The selection sort loop ends after N passes over the data

Sorted portion of the array

- The selection sort algorithm can be adapted to search for the next largest value in the unsorted part of the array
 - In this case, the unsorted portion is on the left side and the sorted portion is on the right side of the array
- Questions:
 - Do you think the selection sort algorithm is faster if the input data is already in sorted order?
 - Do you think the selection sort algorithm is slower if the input data is in reverse sorted order?
 - Do you think selection sort is always O(N²)?

- The selection sort algorithm can be adapted to search for the next largest value in the unsorted part of the array
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- Questions:
 - Do you think the selection sort algorithm is faster if the input data is already in sorted order? NO
 - Do you think the selection sort algorithm is slower if the input data is in reverse sorted order? NO
 - Do you think selection sort is always O(N²)? YES

```
void selection sort(int data[], int low, int high)
{
   // Loop over input array N times
   for (int last = high; last > low; last--)
   {
      // Find index of largest value in unsorted array
      int largest = low;
      for (int index = low + 1; index <= last; index++)</pre>
           if (data[index] > data[largest])
              largest = index;
      // Swap with last element in unsorted array
      int temp = data[last];
      data[last] = data[largest];
      data[largest] = temp;
   }
}
```

Notice that this sorting function has two nested for loops

Experimental results:

Enter number of data values:100 CPU time = 5.5e-05 sec

Enter number of data values:1000 CPU time = 0.004088 sec

Enter number of data values:10000 CPU time = 0.24972 sec

Enter number of data values:100000 CPU time = 14.2292 sec

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BUBBLE SORT

BUBBLE SORT

- Bubble sort is a widely known sorting algorithm because it is simple to explain and implement
 - Unfortunately, this simplicity comes at a cost speed
- The idea is to iteratively scan the data array from left to right, and swap any adjacent values that are out of order
 - Each pass over the array "bubbles" the largest data value to the right, and smaller data values shift one to the left
 - After N iterations over the input array, the data values will be in sorted order

3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6
1	3	1	4	5	9	2	6
1	3	1	4	5	9	2	6
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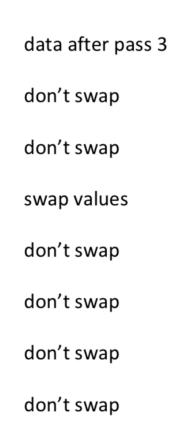
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1	1	3	4	2	5	6	9
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data after pass 1
don't swap
swap values
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don't swap

1	1	3	4	2	5	6	9
1	1	3	4	2	5	6	9
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1	1	3	2	4	5	6	9
1	1	3	2	4	5	6	9
1	1	3	2	4	5	6	9
1	1	3	2	4	5	6	9

data after pass 2
don't swap
don't swap
don't swap
swap values
don't swap
don't swap
don't swap

1	1	3	2	4	5	6	9
1	1	3	2	4	5	6	9
1	1	3	2	4	5	6	9
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9



```
void bubble sort(int data[], int low, int high)
{
   // Loop over array N times
   for (int count = low; count < high; count++)</pre>
   {
      // Loop over N elements in array
      for (int index = low; index < high; index++)</pre>
      {
           // Swap two data values if out of order
           if (data[index] > data[index + 1])
            {
               int temp = data[index];
               data[index] = data[index + 1];
              data[index + 1] = temp;
            }
   }
```

Notice that this sorting function has two nested for loops

• How long does bubble sort take to sort an array?

- There are N passes over the array
- For each pass N-1 pairs of adjacent values are compared
- In total there are N * (N-1) = $N^2 N$ comparisons
- Hence this is an O(N²) sorting algorithm

• What happens if the input array is already sorted?

- The current algorithm will do N passes over the data
- No data values will be swapped in each pass
- This is a massive waste of CPU time

• To improve bubble sort we can stop when no swaps occur

- Initialize swap counter to zero before each pass
- When swap counter is still zero after the comparison pass the array is in sorted order and we can stop looping
- In the best case, when the data is already sorted, this improved bubble sort is only O(N) steps
 - This algorithm will still be O(N²) on average, but with a smaller run time constant than the basic bubble sort

```
void bubble sort(int data[], int low, int high)
{
   // Bubble largest value to the right N times
   int pass = 1;
   int exchange = 1;
   int count = high - low + 1;
   while ((pass < count) && (exchange > 0))
   {
      // Scan unsorted part of data array
      exchange = 0;
      for (int index = low; index <= high - pass; index++)</pre>
      . . .
```

By checking the number of exchanges, we can stop the outer loop when data is sorted

```
{
        // Swap two data values if out of order
        if (data[index] > data[index + 1])
        {
           int temp = data[index];
           data[index] = data[index + 1];
           data[index + 1] = temp;
           exchange++;
        }
   }
  pass++;
}
```

}

Experimental results with <u>basic</u> bubble sort:

Enter number of data values:100 CPU time = 0.000144 sec

```
Enter number of data values:1000
CPU time = 0.009901 sec
```

```
Enter number of data values:10000
CPU time = 0.503489 sec
```

```
Enter number of data values:100000
CPU time = 43.8939 sec
```

Experimental results with <u>improved</u> bubble sort:

Enter number of data values:100 CPU time = 3.5e-05 sec

Enter number of data values:1000 CPU time = 0.004836 sec

Enter number of data values:10000 CPU time = 0.402202 sec

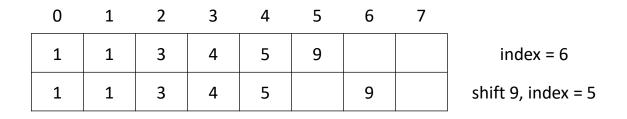
Enter number of data values:100000 CPU time = 30.8026 sec Although this is much faster than the basic bubble sort algorithm it is still very slow for large values of N

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- Insertion sort is another simple (but slow) algorithm
- The idea is to gradually create a sorted array by inserting unsorted data values one-by-one into a sorted array
- Loop N times
 - Look at the next data value in the unsorted array
 - Move sorted data to make room for this value
 - Insert data value into correct location in sorted array
- When this loop finishes, the unsorted array will be empty, and the sorted array will have N values in ascending order

- The tricky part of the insertion sort algorithm is making room for the new data
- Set array index to current length of sorted array
- While data[index-1] greater than insert_value
 - Shift data using "data[index] = data[index-1]"
 - Decrement index using "index=index-1"
- Store insert_value in data[index]
- This process is the most expensive step in insertion sort

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1	1	3	4	5	9			index = 6
1	1	3	4	5		9		shift 9, index = 5
1	1	3	4		5	9		shift 5, index = 4

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1	1	3	4		5	9		shift 5, index = 4
1	1	3		4	5	9		shift 4, index = 3

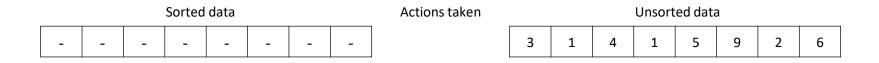
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1	1	3		4	5	9		shift 4, index = 3
1	1		3	4	5	9		shift 3, index = 2
1	1	2	3	4	5	9		insert 2 at index 2

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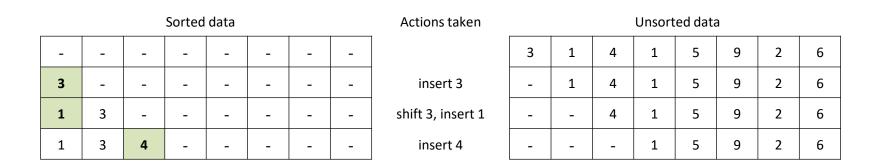
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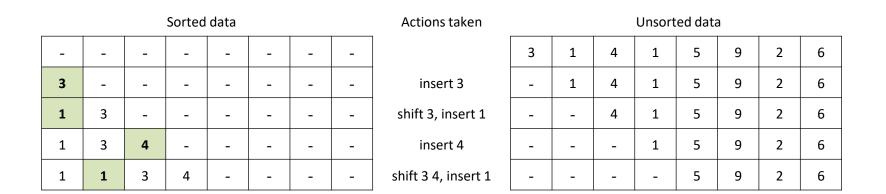
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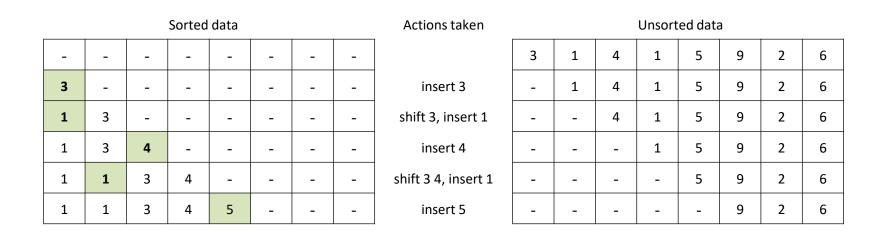
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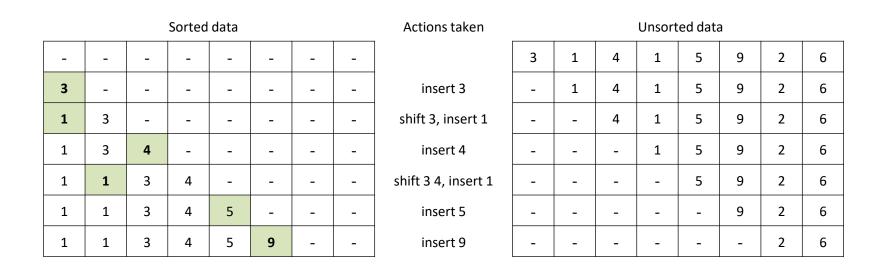
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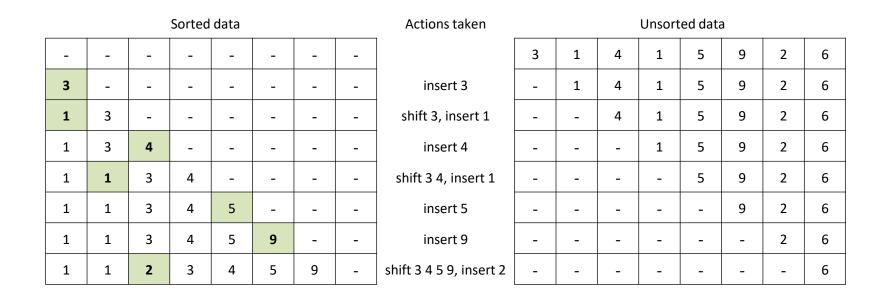
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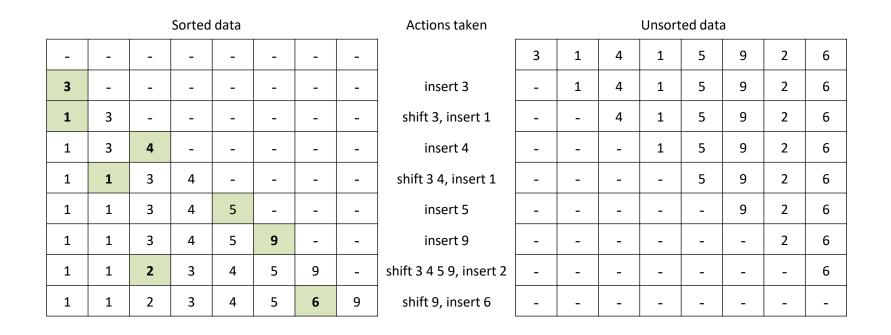
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 Insertion sort is normally implemented with one array and we keep track of which half is sorted (white and green) and which half is unsorted (pink).

insert 3

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insert 3

shift 3, insert 1

3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6	
3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6	insert 3
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6	shift 3, insert 1
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6	insert 4

3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6	
3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6	insert 3
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6	shift 3, insert 1
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6	insert 4
1	1	3	4	5	9	2	6	shift 3 4, insert 1

3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6	
3	1	4	1	5	9	2	6	insert 3
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6	shift 3, insert 1
1	3	4	1	5	9	2	6	insert 4
1	1	3	4	5	9	2	6	shift 3 4, insert 1
1	1	3	4	5	9	2	6	insert 5

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1	1	3	4	5	9	2	6	shift 3 4, insert 1
1	1	3	4	5	9	2	6	insert 5
1	1	3	4	5	9	2	6	insert 9

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1	1	3	4	5	9	2	6	insert 9
1	1	2	3	4	5	9	6	shift 3 4 5 9, insert 2
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	9	shift 9, insert 6

Notice that in the previous example

- Some insertions caused a lot of data shifting
- Other insertions caused no data shifting

On average we can expect half the sorted data to shift

- The data insertion loop iterates N times
- On iteration K we shift K/2 values on average
- Total data shifts = (0+1+2+3+...+N-1)/2

$$= (N * (N-1)/2)/2$$
$$= (N^2 - N)/2$$

Hence insertion sort is an O(N²) algorithm on average

- If the "unsorted data" is in reverse sorted order, we must shift all the data for each insert
 - This is the worst case for insertion sort
 - Total data shifts = $(N^2 N)$
 - Hence algorithm is O(N²) in worst case

If the "unsorted data" is in sorted order, we do no shifting

- This is the best case for insertion sort
- Total data shifts = 0 for N insertions
- Hence algorithm is O(N) in best case

```
void insertion sort(int data[], int low, int high)
{
   // Insert each element of unsorted list into sorted list
   for (int unsorted = low + 1; unsorted <= high; unsorted++)
   {
      // Select unsorted value to be inserted
                                                    Notice that this sorting function
      int value = data[unsorted];
                                                    has two nested loops
      int posn = unsorted;
      // Make room for new data value
      while ((posn > 0) && (data[posn - 1] > value))
      { data[posn] = data[posn - 1]; posn--; }
      // Put new value into array
      data[posn] = value;
   }
}
```

Experimental results:

Enter number of data values: 100 CPU time = 3.6e-05 sec

```
Enter number of data values: 1000
CPU time = 0.002247 sec
```

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Enter number of data values: 10000
CPU time = 0.150965 sec
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Enter number of data values: 100000
CPU time = 8.23081 sec
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Experimental results:

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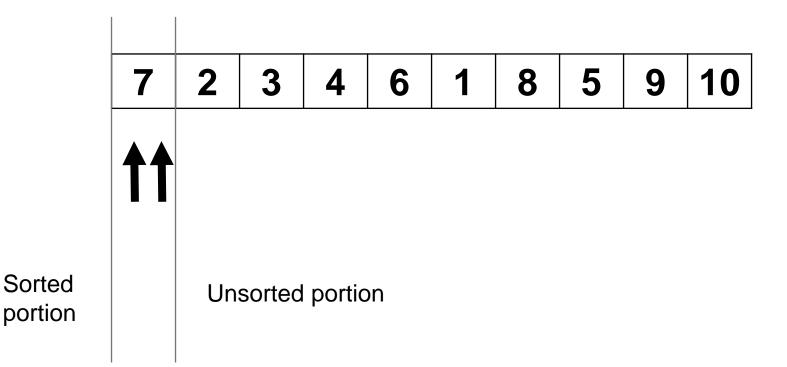
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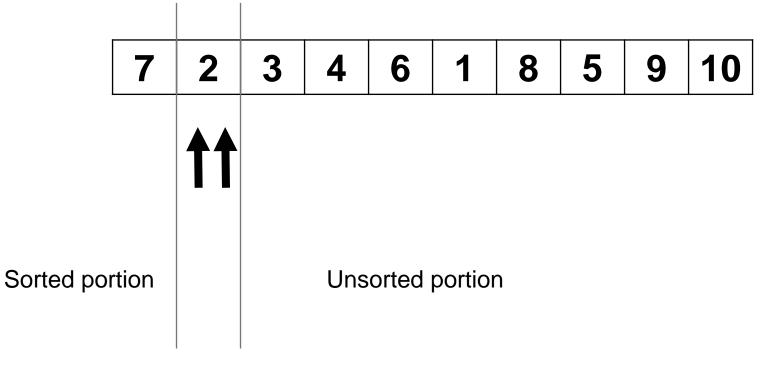
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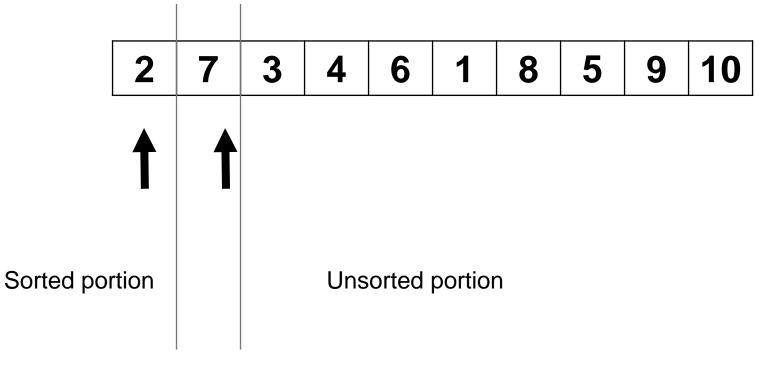
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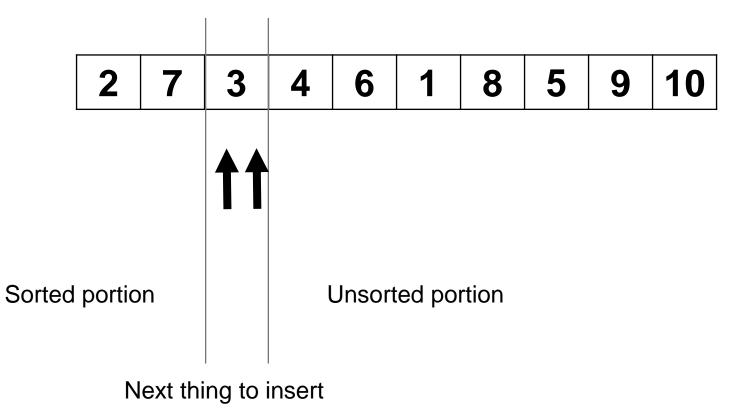
This is faster than selection sort (14 sec) or bubble sort (30 sec)

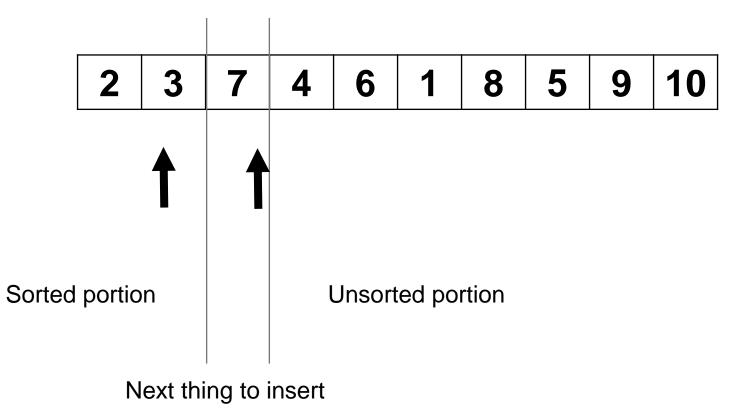
- Sometimes the data insertion phase is implemented with an element-by-element swap that is similar to bubble sort.
 - Instead of "bubbling" the largest value to right, we "bubble" the inserted value to the left until it is in correct location
 - This approach requires slightly more CPU time because we keep moving the inserted value over and over
- This approach is illustrated in the example below
 - We use one index for location of data being inserted
 - We use second index to keep track of bubble location

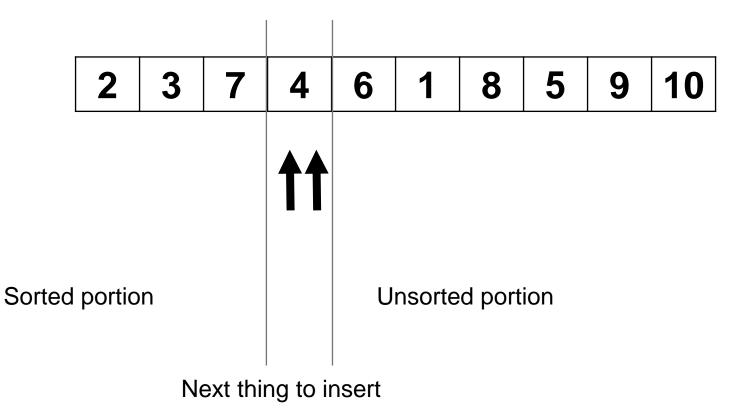


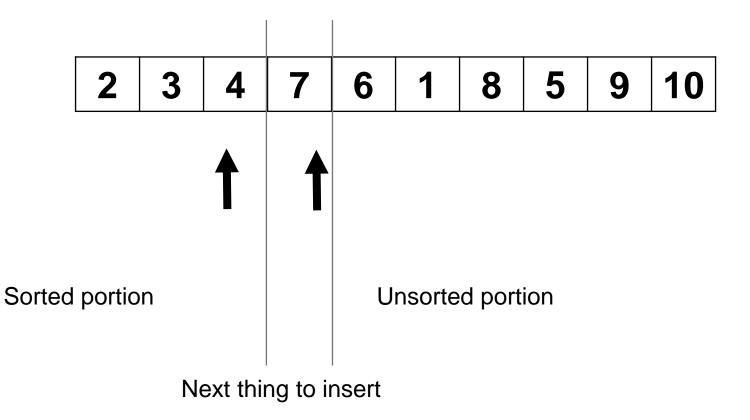


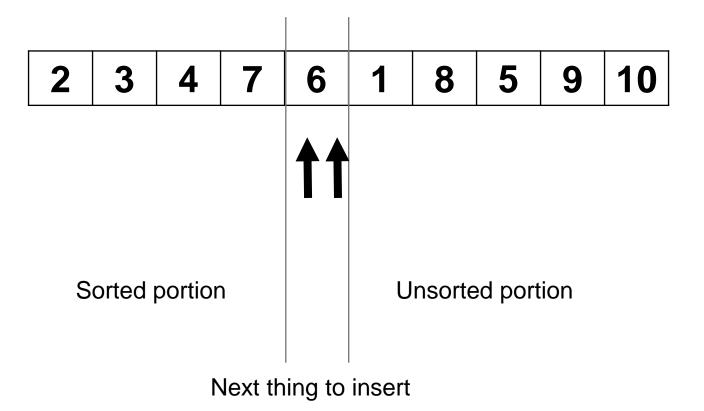


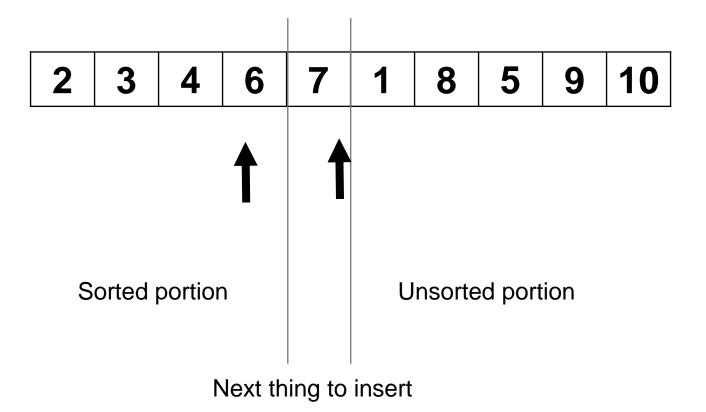


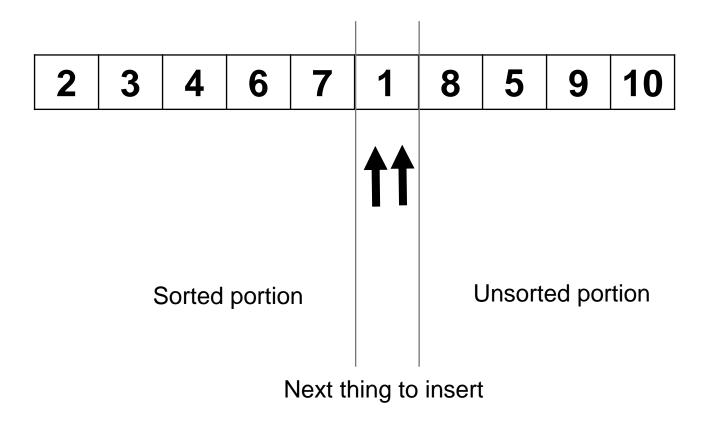


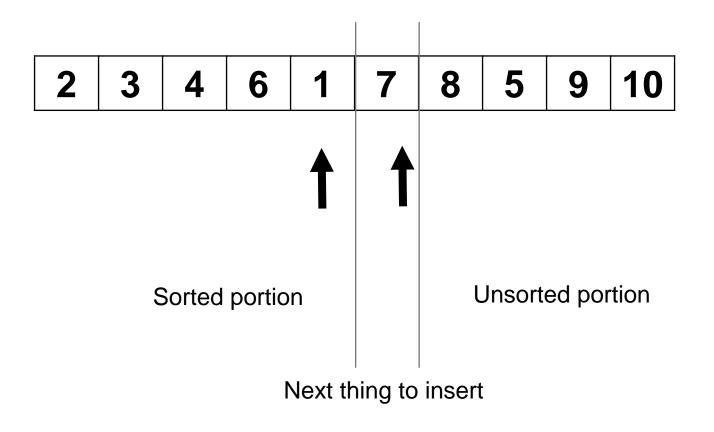


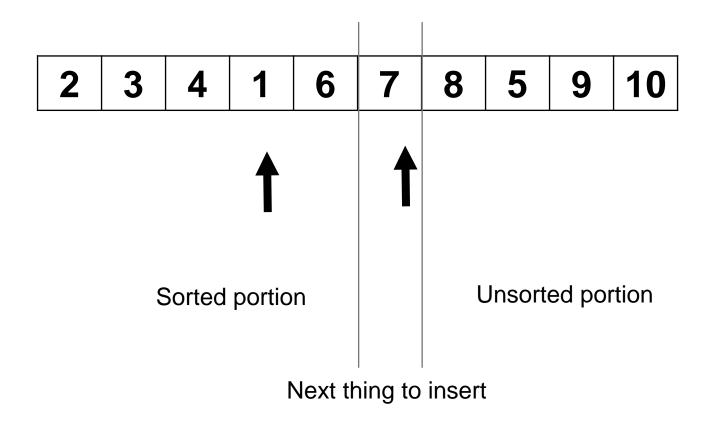


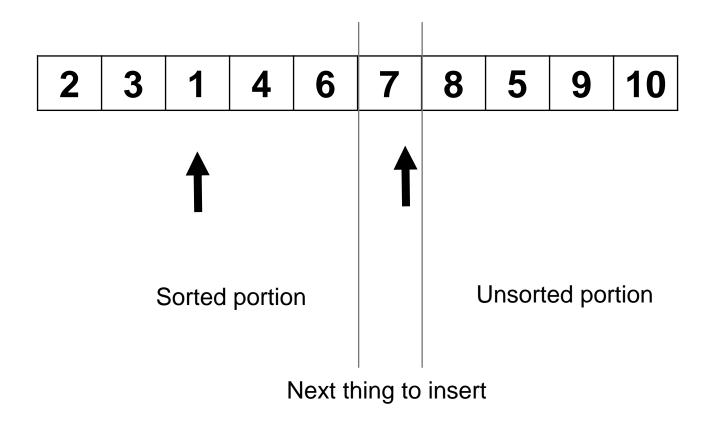


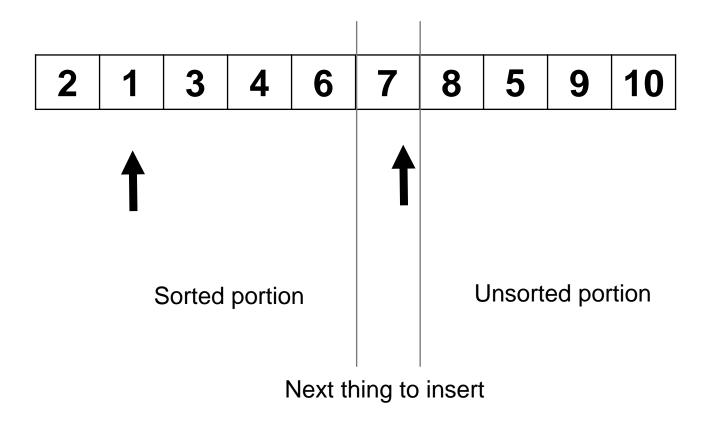


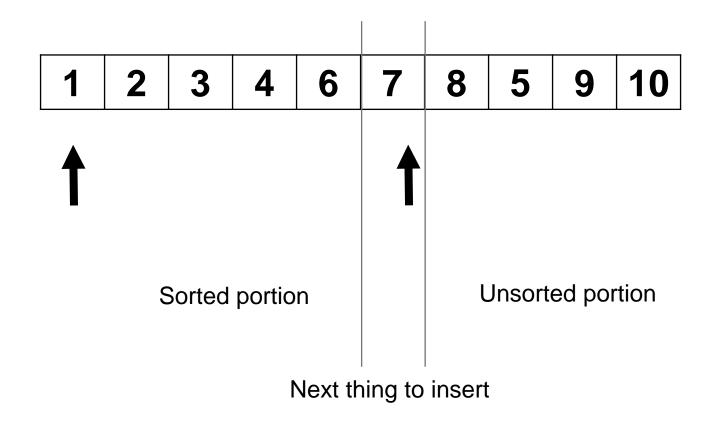


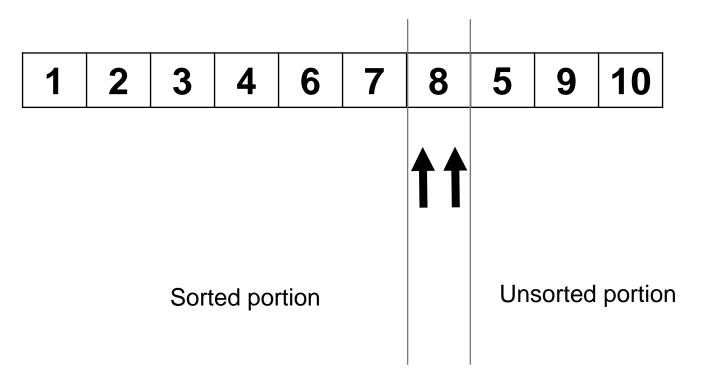


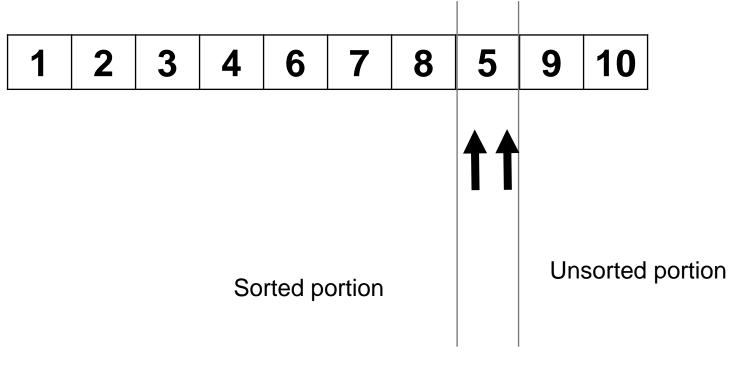


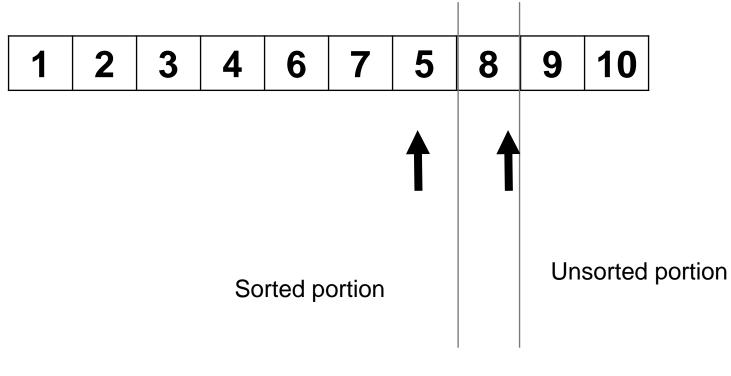


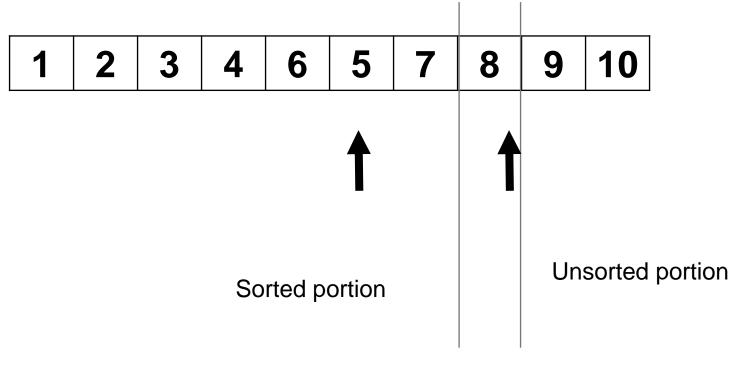


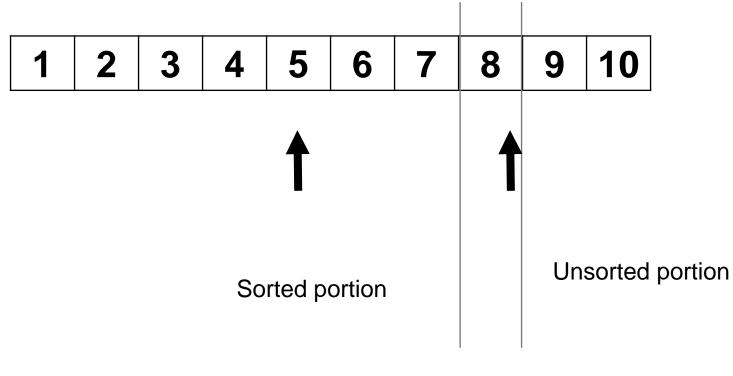


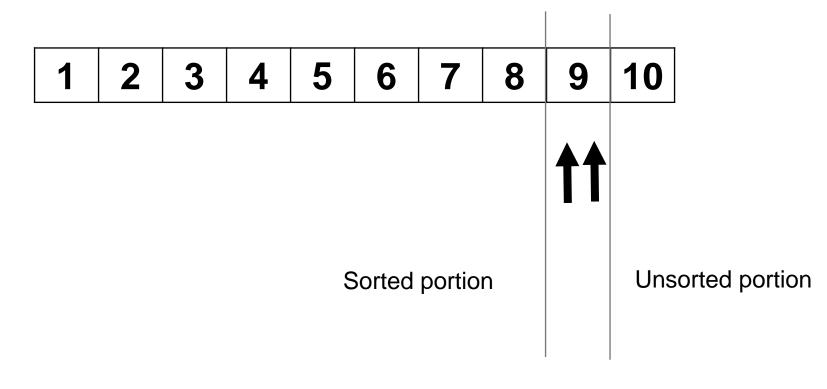


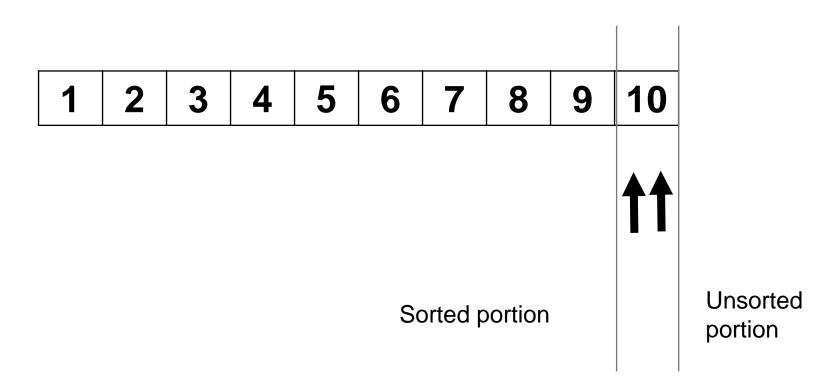


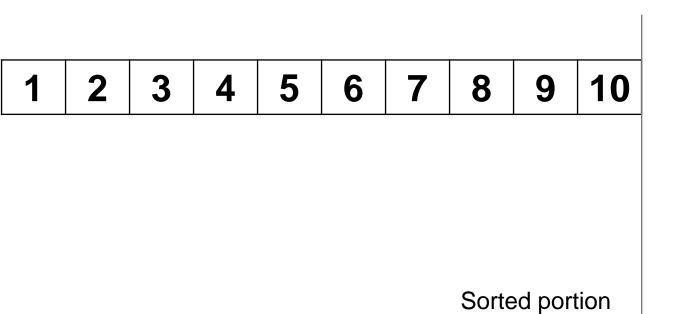












Unsorted portion

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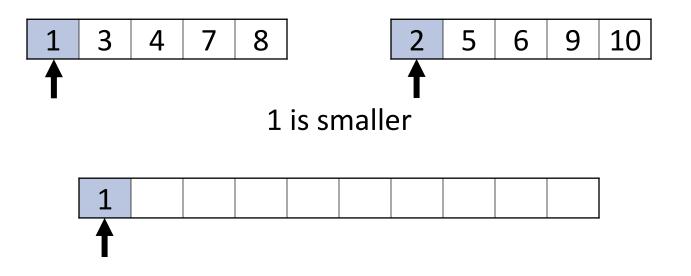
MERGE SORT

MERGE SORT

- Merge sort is a very clever "divide and conquer" sorting algorithm that is much faster than the previous methods
- The key idea is that sorting N data values can be broken into three steps
 - Divide the input data into two parts that are N/2 long
 - Sort the two arrays of N/2 values
 - Merge the two arrays of N/2 values to get N sorted values
- First we demonstrate the merging step with the following:

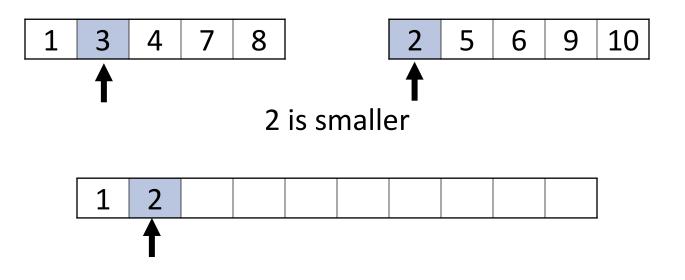
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 Start with two sorted arrays, start two indices at smallest values in each array, copy smallest value to merged array



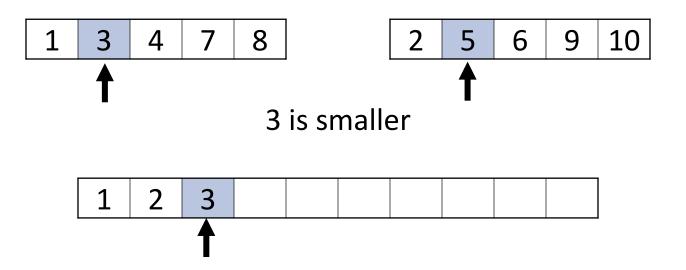


 Advance the array index on one array, select smallest value and copy into merged array



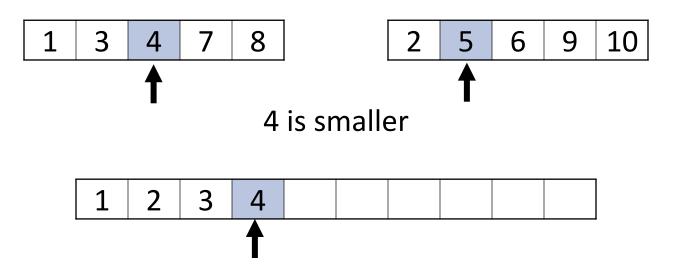
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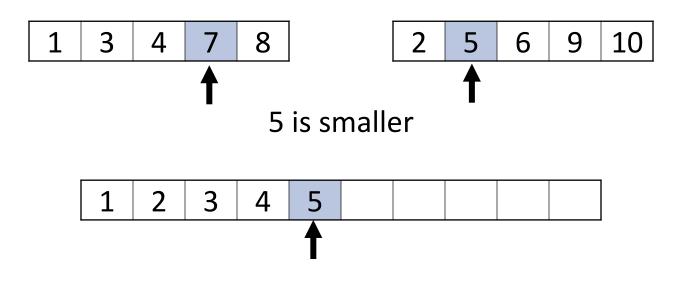
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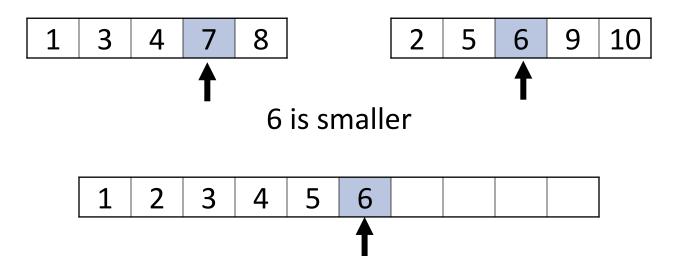


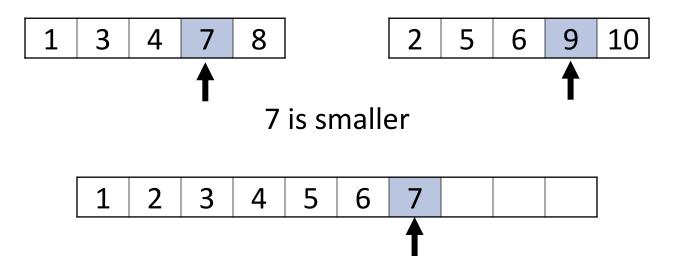
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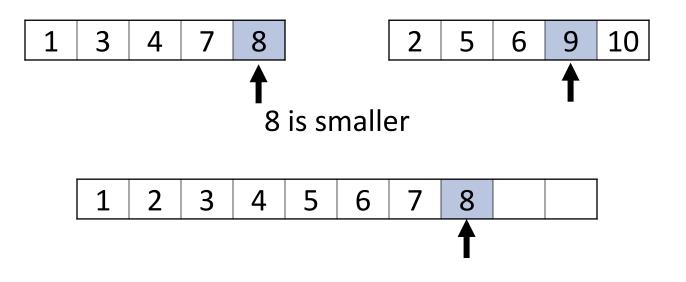
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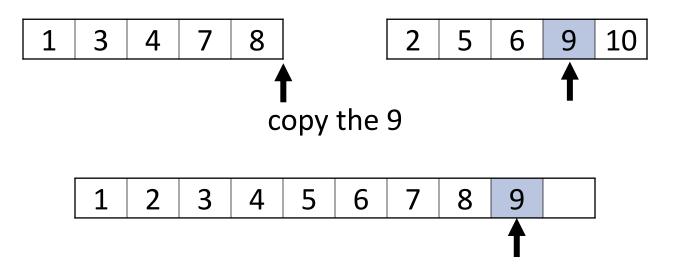






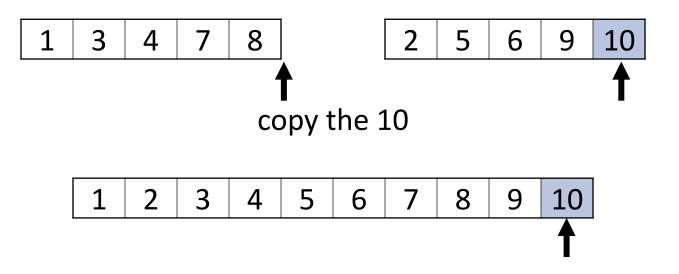


 Index has reached end of one array, copy remaining values from second array into merged array





 Index has reached end of one array, copy remaining values from second array into merged array



How are we going to sort the two arrays of N/2 values?

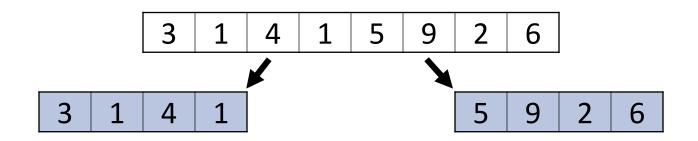
- Divide both arrays of N/2 values into arrays of N/4 values
- Sort the arrays of N/4 values
- Merge arrays of N/4 values to create array of N/2 values
- How are we going to sort the two arrays of N/4 values?
 - Divide both arrays of N/4 values into arrays of N/8 values
 - Sort the arrays of N/8 values
 - Merge arrays of N/8 values to create array of N/4 values
- We continue this recursive "divide and conquer" process until the array being divided is only one element long



Start with an unsorted array of length N=8

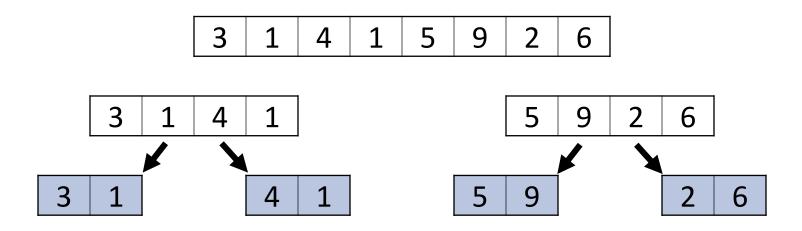


Split into 2 arrays of length N/2=4



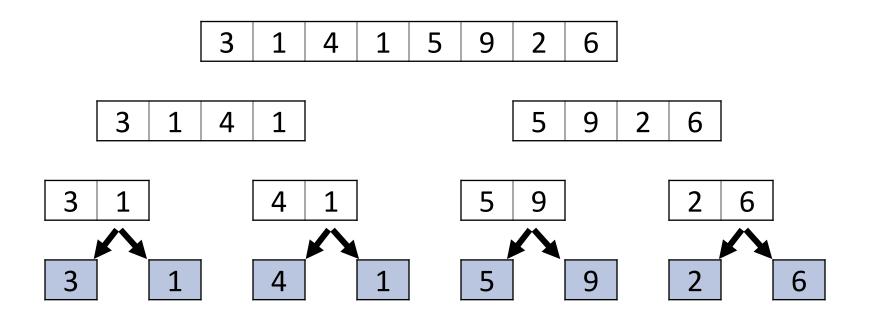


Split into 4 arrays of length N/4=2





Split into N=8 arrays of length 1



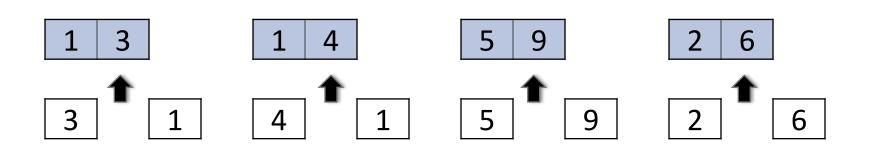


Start merging phase with N=8 arrays of length 1



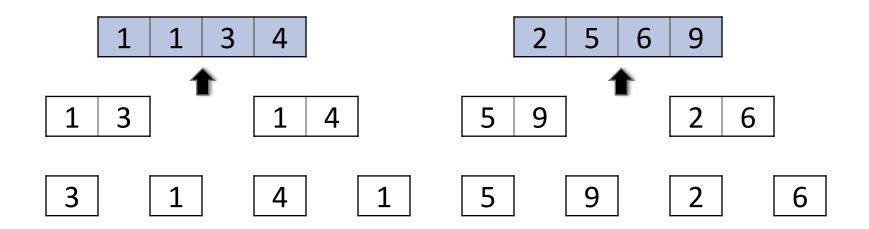


Merge to create N/2=4 sorted arrays of length 2



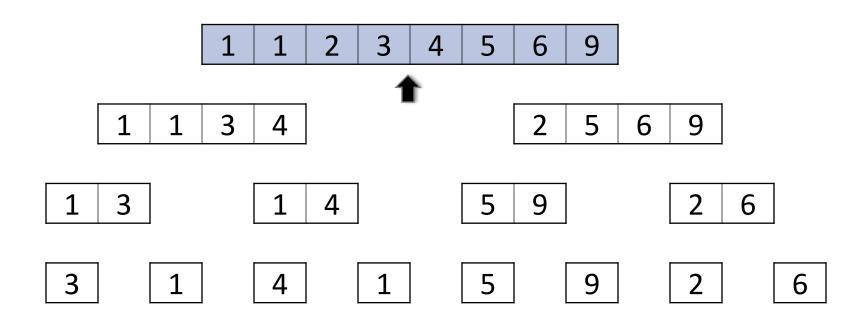


Merge to create N/4=2 sorted arrays of length 4



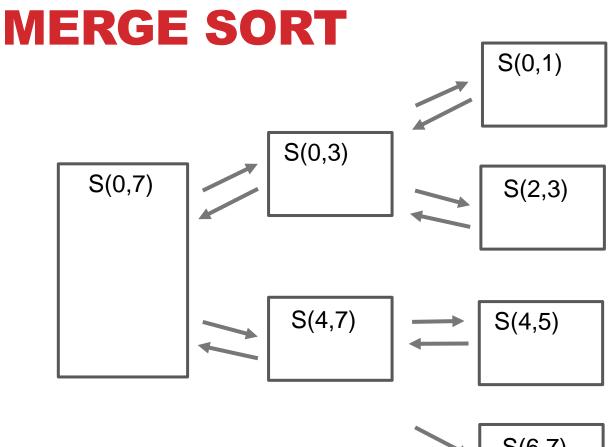


Merge to create N/8=1 sorted array of length 8

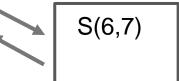


```
void merge sort(int data[], int low, int high)
{
   // Check terminating condition
   int count = high - low + 1;
                                             The terminating condition is
   if (count > 1)
                                             when the array is <= 1 long
   {
      // Divide the array and sort both halves
      int mid = (low + high) / 2;
      merge sort(data, low, mid);
      merge sort(data, mid + 1, high);
      // Merge sorted arrays
      . . .
```

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   int count = high - low + 1;
   if (count > 1)
   {
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      int mid = (low + high) / 2;
      merge sort(data, low, mid);
      merge sort(data, mid + 1, high);
                                            We make two recursive calls
      // Merge sorted arrays
                                            to sort the left and right
      . . .
                                            halves of the input array
```



Box method trace for sorting an array of 8 items



```
// Create temporary array for merged data
int *copy = new int[range];
```

```
// Initialize array indices
int index1 = low;
int index2 = mid + 1;
int index = 0;
Next, we merge the two sorted
arrays into a temporary array
```

```
// Merge smallest data elements into copy array
while (index1 <= mid && index2 <= high)
{
    if (data[index1] <= data[index2])
        copy[index++] = data[index1++];
    else
        copy[index++] = data[index2++];
}</pre>
```

. . .

. . .

```
// Copy any remaining entries from the first half
while (index1 <= mid)
    copy[index++] = data[index1++];</pre>
```

```
// Copy any remaining entries from the second half
while (index2 <= high)
    copy[index++] = data[index2++];</pre>
```

```
// Copy data back from the temporary array
for (index = 0; index < range; index++)
    data[low + index] = copy[index];
delete[]copy;
    Fin:</pre>
```

Finally, we copy temporary array back into original array

}

}

Experimental results:

Enter number of data values: 100 CPU time = 5.4e-05 sec

```
Enter number of data values: 1000
CPU time = 0.000439 sec
```

```
Enter number of data values: 10000
CPU time = 0.004654 sec
```

```
Enter number of data values: 100000
CPU time = 0.046654 sec
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Experimental results:

Enter number of data values: 100 CPU time = 5.4e-05 sec

Enter number of data values: 1000 CPU time = 0.000439 sec

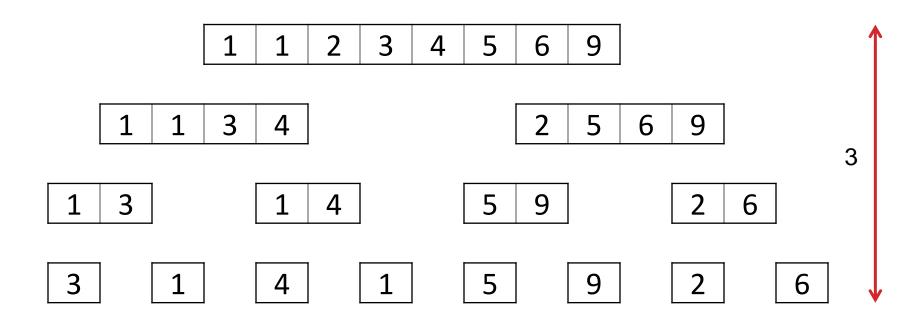
Enter number of data values: 10000 CPU time = 0.004654 sec

Enter number of data values: 100000 CPU time = 0.046654 sec < This is much faster than insertion sort (8 sec) selection sort (14 sec) or bubble sort (30 sec)

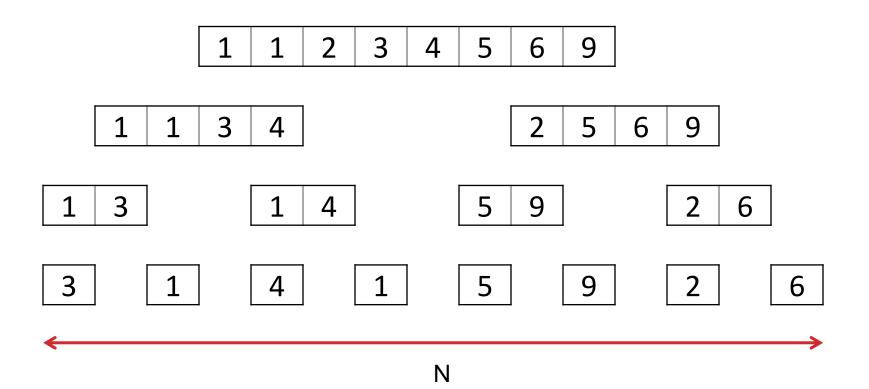
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MERGE SORT ANALYSIS

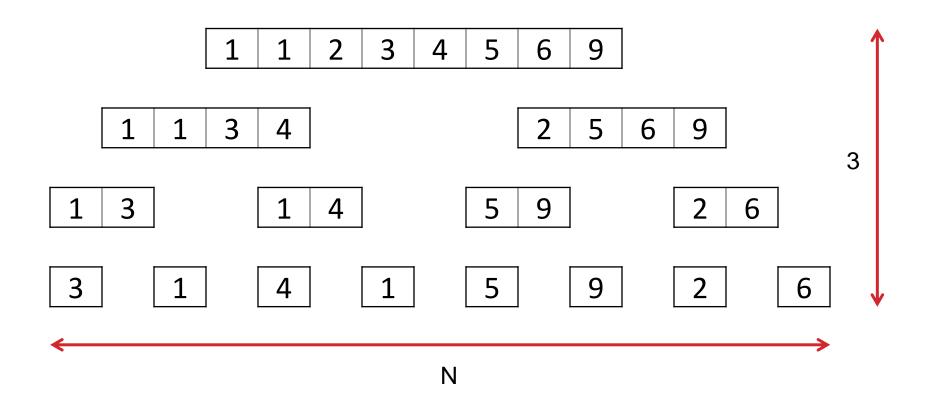
To merge N=8 values takes log₂N=3 levels of merging



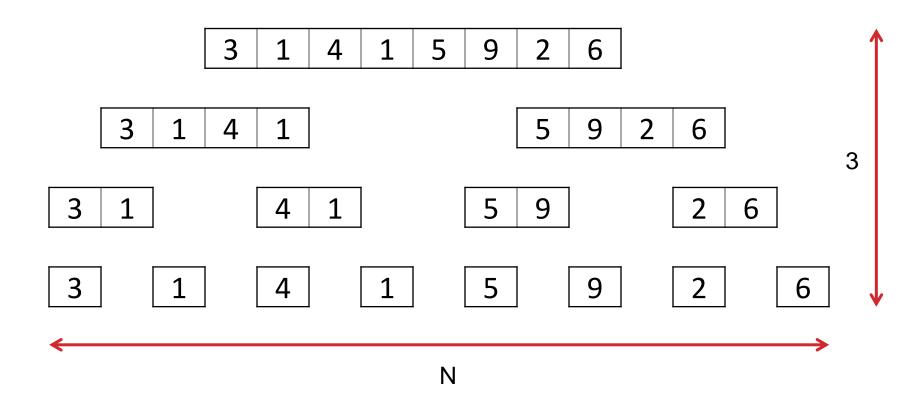
Each merge step processes all N values



Total work merging sorted arrays is O(N log₂N)



Similarly, total work splitting unsorted arrays is O(N log₂N)



- The slitting and merging phases are both O(N log₂N)
- Hence, the merge sort algorithm is O(N log₂N)
- This is a tremendous speed improvement over O(N²)

O(N)	O(N log ₂ N)	O(N ²)
10	33	100
100	664	10,000
1,000	9,966	1,000,000
10,000	132,877	100,000,000
100,000	1,660,964	10,000,000,000
1,000,000	19,931,569	1,000,000,000,000

- Let S(N) be amount of work to sort N values
 - S(1) = 1
 a single data value
 - S(N) = 2 * S(N/2) + N
 2 recursive sorts and merge
- Substituting the recurrence relationship into itself
 - S(N) = 2 * S(N/2) + N
 - S(N) = 2 * (2 * S(N/4) + N/2) + N
 - S(N) = 4 * S(N/4) + 2 * N
 - S(N) = 4 * (2 * S(N/8) + N/4) + 2 * N
 - S(N) = 8 * S(N/8) + 3 * N

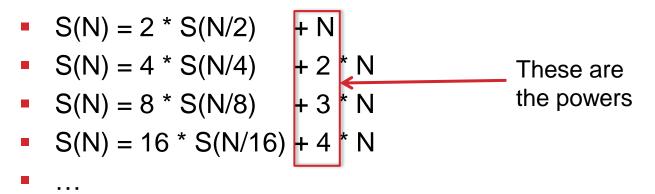
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Notice the pattern?

- S(N) = 2 * S(N/2) + N
- S(N) = 4 * S(N/4) + 2 * N• S(N) = 8 * S(N/8) + 3 * N

These values are powers of 2

• Notice the pattern?



If we let k be the power, the recurrence formula becomes

- Assume that N = 2^k where k = log₂N
- Substituting for 2^k and k in the recurrence formula we get
 - $S(N) = 2^k * S(N/2^k) + k * N$
 - $S(N) = N * S(N/N) + \log_2 N * N$
 - $S(N) = N * S(1) + \log_2 N * N$
 - $S(N) = N * 1 + \log_2 N * N$
 - $S(N) = N + N \log_2 N$
- Since N is smaller than N log₂N we can ignore this term
- Hence the merge sort algorithm is O(N log₂N)

- What happens if the input array is already sorted?
 - The splitting is not affected
 - The merging is not affected
 - The algorithm is still O(N log₂N)
- The number of splitting and merging steps in this algorithm do not depend on the data values in the array
 - Best case is O(N log₂N)
 - Worst case is O(N log₂N)
 - Average case is O(N log₂N)

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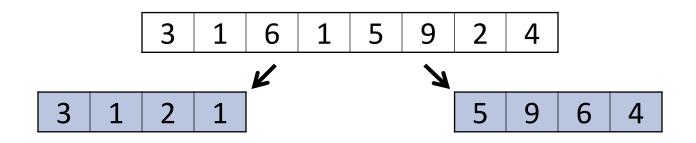
QUICKSORT



- Quicksort is another "divide and conquer" algorithm that is famous for being fast (hence the name)
 - It was invented in 1960 by Tony Hoare
- The key idea is to partition the unsorted array into two parts, sort the two parts, and combine to get sorted result
 - The really clever idea is to partition the data with small values in one part and large values in the other part
 - This way the combine step takes no work!



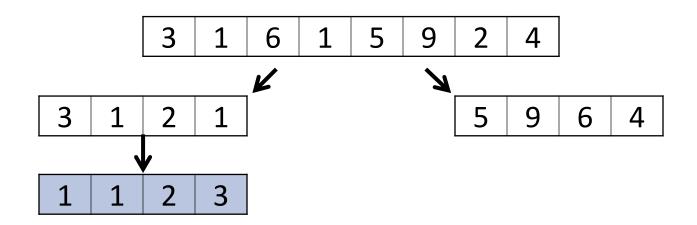
Step 1: Partition unsorted data into two parts



We put all small values on the left and all large values on the right

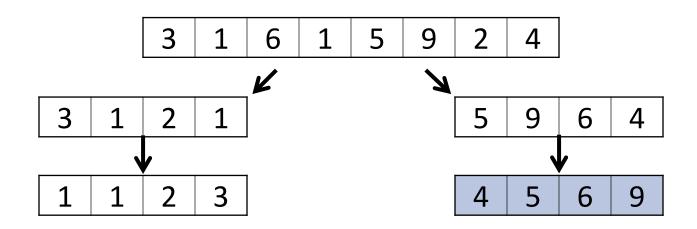


Step 2: Sort the small values on the left (recursively)



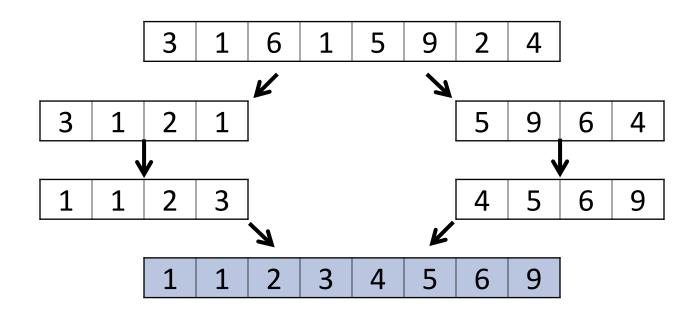


Step 3: Sort the large values on the right (recursively)





Step 4: Combine the two sorted halves (no work)



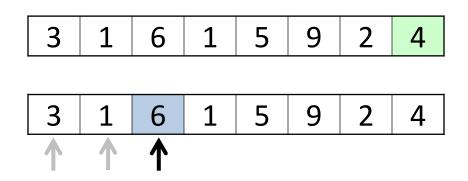
- How can we partition the input array so all small values are on the left and all large values are on the right?
 - Hoare's solution was to select a "pivot value" from array and use this value to decide what is "small" and "large"
 - Simple choice is to use rightmost array location
- Hoare's partition algorithm:
 - Scan the unsorted array from left to right until we find a data value that is greater than the pivot
 - Scan the unsorted array from right to left until we find a data value that is less than the pivot
 - Swap these two values, repeat until the L-R and R-L scans cross each other in the middle of the array



Step 1: Select rightmost array value as pivot value

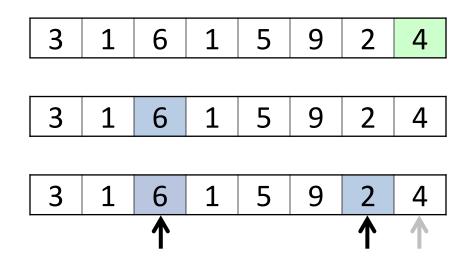


Step 2: Scan L-R to find value greater than pivot value



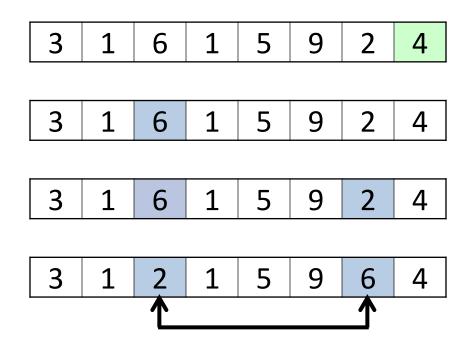


Step 3: Scan R-L to find value smaller than pivot value



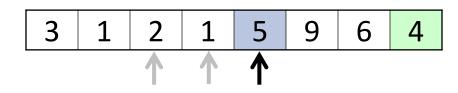


Step 4: Swap the values if left value > right value



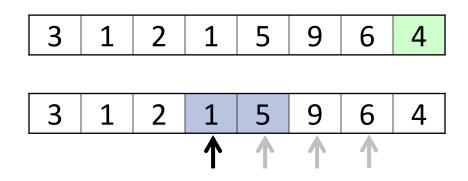


Repeat Step 2: Scan L-R to find value greater than pivot



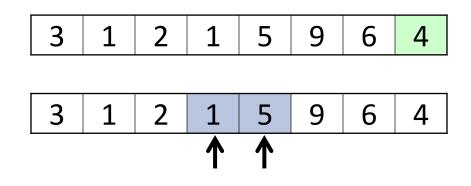


Repeat Step 3: Scan R-L to find value smaller than pivot





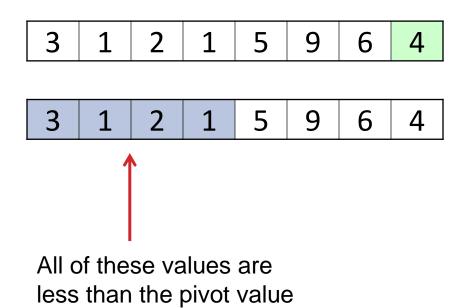
Repeat Step 4: Swap the values if left value > right value



Since the left value < right value we do NOT swap these values

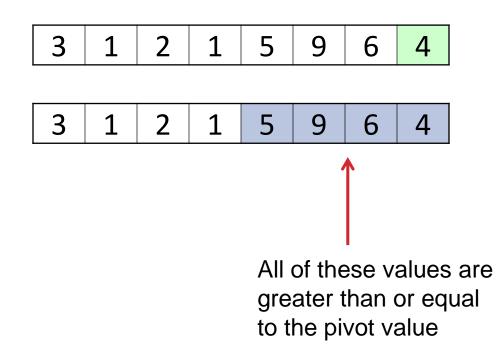


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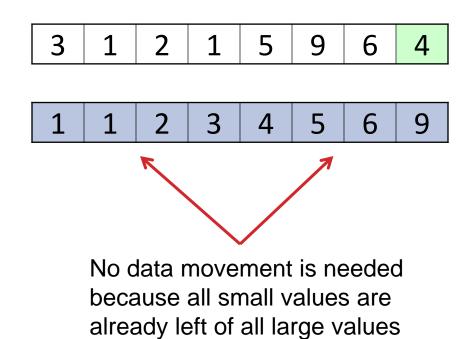


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After recursively sorting both halves the array is sorted



```
void quick sort(int data[], int low, int high)
{
   // Check terminating condition
   if (low < high)
   {
      // Partition data into two parts
      int mid = 0;
      partition(data, low, high, mid);
      // Recursive calls to sort array
      quick sort(data, low, mid - 1);
      quick sort(data, mid + \ high);
   }
}
                                       We call partition to divide the
                                       array into two parts
```

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   if (low < high)
   {
      // Partition data into two parts
      int mid = 0;
      partition(data, low, high, mid);
      // Recursive calls to sort array
      quick sort(data, low, mid - 1);
      quick sort(data, mid + 1, high);
   }
}
                                       We make two recursive calls
                                       to sort the parts of array
```

```
void partition(int data[], int low, int high, int &mid)
{
   // Use data[high] for pivot value
   int pivot = data[high];
   // Partition array into two parts
   int left = low;
   int right = high;
   while (left < right)
   {
      // Scan left to right
      while ((left < right) && (data[left] < pivot))</pre>
         left++;
                                       First, we do L-R scan to
                                       find value >= pivot value
```

. . .

}

```
// Scan right to left
   while ((left < right) && (data[right] >= pivot))
      right--;
                                    Next, we do R-L scan to
   // Swap data values
                                    find value < pivot value
   int temp = data[left];
   data[left] = data[right];
   data[right] = temp;
}
// Swap pivot to mid
mid = left;
data[high] = data[mid];
data[mid] = pivot;
```

. . .

}

```
// Scan right to left
   while ((left < right) && (data[right] >= pivot))
      right--;
   // Swap data values
   int temp = data[left];
   data[left] = data[right];
   data[right] = temp;
}
// Swap pivot to mid
                                   Then we swap the two
mid = left;
                                   data values
data[high] = data[mid];
data[mid] = pivot;
```

. . .

}

```
// Scan right to left
   while ((left < right) && (data[right] >= pivot))
      right--;
   // Swap data values
   int temp = data[left];
   data[left] = data[right];
   data[right] = temp;
}
// Swap pivot to mid
mid = left;
data[high] = data[mid];
                                    Finally we swap pivot
data[mid] = pivot;
                                    value to middle of array
```



Experimental results for random data:

Enter number of data values: 100 CPU time = 2.0e-05 sec

```
Enter number of data values: 1000
CPU time = 0.00025 sec
```

```
Enter number of data values: 10000
CPU time = 0.003042 sec
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```
Enter number of data values: 100000
CPU time = 0.034606 sec
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This is slightly faster than merge sort (0.046654 sec)

SORTING ALGORITHMS

- The run time performance of quicksort for random data is very similar to the merge sort algorithm
 - The input array is partitioned into two arrays N/2 long
 - These arrays are partitioned into four arrays N/4 long
 - These arrays are partitioned into eight arrays N/8 long
 - This partitioning process stops after log₂N steps
 - Each partition step must look at N array values
 - Hence quicksort is O(N log₂N) for random data
- In practice quicksort is slightly faster then merge sort because there is less data copying and no merge step

- Let S(N) be amount of work to sort N random values
 - S(1) = 1
 - S(N) = 2 * S(N/2) + N
 - ...

•
$$S(N) = 2^k * S(N/2^k) + k * N$$

- Assume that N = 2^k where k = log₂N
 - $S(N) = N * S(N/N) + \log_2 N * N$
 - $S(N) = N * S(1) + \log_2 N * N$
 - $S(N) = N \log_2 N + N$
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The right is 2 long

- The worst case for pivot selection happens when the data is already in sorted order
 - The rightmost value in array will be larger than all others
 - 1st partition will produce arrays N-1 long and 1 long
 - 2nd partition will produce arrays N-2 long and 1 long
 - 3rd partition will produce arrays N-3 long and 1 long
 - This partitioning stops after N steps
 - Each partition step looks at N/2 values on average
 - Hence the worst case for quicksort is an O(N²)

- Let S(N) be amount of work to sort N sorted values
 - S(1) = 1
 - S(N) = S(N-1) + S(1) + N
 - S(N) = S(N-2) + 2 * S(1) + N + N-1
 - S(N) = S(N-k) + k * S(1) + N + N-1 + ... + N-k-1
- The partitioning stops when k = N-1
 - S(N) = S(1) + (N-1) * S(1) + N + N-1 + ... + 1
 - S(N) = 1 + (N-1) + (N+1)*N/2
 - $S(N) = N^2/2 + 3^*N/2$
- Hence the worst case for quicksort is O(N²)



Experimental results for sorted data:

```
Enter number of data values: 100
CPU time = 5.4e-05 sec
```

```
Enter number of data values: 1000
CPU time = 0.003985 sec
```

```
Enter number of data values: 10000
CPU time = 0.22371 sec
```

Enter number of data values: 100000 CPU time = 13.6309 sec < This is slower than insertion sort (8 sec) and similar to selection sort (14 sec)

The selection of quicksort pivots has been widely studied

- Robert Sedgewick did his PhD dissertation on this topic
- He has also written several excellent algorithms books

Common pivot choices:

- Selecting the last value as pivot is bad for sorted data
- Selecting the first value as pivot is bad for sorted data
- Selecting the middle value as pivot is good for sorted data
- Selecting the median of first, middle, last values is the most expensive choice, but also the most robust
- See sort.cpp on class website for implementation details

SORTING ALGORITHMS

COUNTING SORT

COUNTING SORT

- All of the sorting techniques we have discussed so far are general purpose "comparison based" algorithms
 - These algorithms will work for any data type that can be compared to each other (floats, integers, chars, strings)
 - We rearrange data in the array based on comparisons
- Counting sort is a "non-comparison based" algorithm that was invented in 1954 by Harold Seward
 - Instead of comparing elements, we simply count them and use this information to output sorted data
 - This approach works for integers and characters but it does not work for floats or strings

The counting sort algorithm has the following steps

- Create an array to contain the count information
- Initialize this count array to all zeros
- Loop over the data array and increment the counters
- Loop over the count array to create sorted output
- We demonstrate counting sort by sorting 30 integers between the values of 0 and 9
 - We use the first 30 digits of PI just for fun

The unsorted data is shown below

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

First, we create and initialize the counting array to zeros

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
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2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1

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count	0	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1

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2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	1

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	1

After 10 digits we have the following counts

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	1	1	1	3	1	0	0	1

After 20 digits we have the following counts

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	2	3	2	3	2	1	2	3

After 30 digits we have the following counts

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Now we can create the sorted output array

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	80	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

First, we output zero 0's

1	4	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Then we output two 1's

1	1	1	5	9	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Then we output four 2's

1	1	2	2	2	2	6	5	3	5
8	9	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Then we output six 3's

1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
3	3	7	9	3	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Then we output three 4's

1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
3	3	4	4	4	2	3	8	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Then we output three 5's

1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	4	6
2	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Then we output three 6's

1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	6
6	6	4	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Then we output two 7's

1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	6
6	7	7	3	3	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Then we output three 8's

1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	6
6	7	7	8	8	8	3	2	7	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

Finally, we output four 9's

1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	6
6	7	7	8	8	8	9	9	9	9

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
count	0	2	4	6	3	3	3	2	3	4

How much work was needed for this example?

- Create and initialize count array (10 steps)
- Loop over data array to get counts (30 steps)
- Loop over count array to use counts (10 steps)
- Output sorted values in data array (30 steps)

To generalize:

- Assume the input array is N long
- Assume the data has a range of M values
- Total work for counting sort = 2 * N + 2 * M = O(N + M)

When should we use counting sort?

- When the data values can be counted (int, char)
- When the value of M is small compared to N
- Sorting first 30 digits of PI: N=30, M=10
- Counting sort is excellent in this case

• When should we not use counting sort?

- When the data values can not be counted (float, string)
- When the value of M is large compared to N
- Sorting 100 UofA student IDs: N=100, M=1,000,000,000
- Counting sort is terrible this case

```
void counting sort(int data[], int low, int high, int range)
{
   // Initialize data count array
   int *datacount = new int[range];
   for (int cindex = 0; cindex < range; cindex++)</pre>
      datacount[cindex] = 0;
   // Count number of occurrences of each data value
   for (int dindex = low; dindex <= high; dindex++)</pre>
      datacount[data[dindex]]+
   . . .
                                        First we initialize the
```

```
void counting_sort(int data[], int low, int high, int range)
{
    // Initialize data count array
    int *datacount = new int[range];
```

```
for (int cindex = 0; cindex < range; cindex++)</pre>
```

```
datacount[cindex] = 0;
```

```
// Count number of occurrences of each data value
for (int dindex = low; dindex <= high; dindex++)
    datacount[data[dindex]]++;</pre>
```

Then we loop over input array incrementing the counters

. . .

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void counting_sort(int data[], int low, int high, int range)
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    int *datacount = new int[range];
```

```
for (int cindex = 0; cindex < range; cindex++)</pre>
```

```
datacount[cindex] = 0;
```

```
// Count number of occurrences of each data value
for (int dindex = low; dindex <= high; dindex++)
    datacount[data[dindex]]++;</pre>
```

Note: we assume all data values are between [0..range-1] or an array bounds error will occur

. . .

```
// Generate output array
int dindex = low;
for (int cindex = 0; cindex < range; cindex++)</pre>
{
   for (int index = 0; index < datacount[cindex]; index++)</pre>
      data[dindex + index] = cindex;
   dindex += datacount[cindex];
}
delete[]datacount;
                                     Finally we loop over the
                                     count array and produce
                                     the sorted output array
```

}

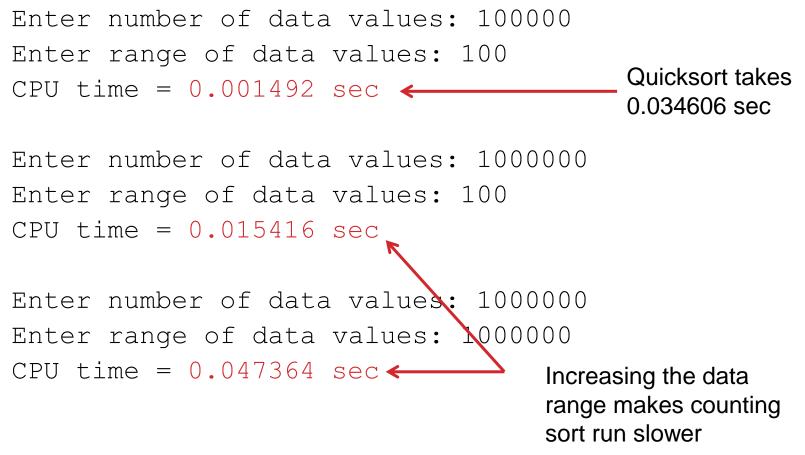
Experimental results for random data:

Enter number of data values: 100 Enter range of data values: 100 CPU time = 1.8e-05 sec

```
Enter number of data values: 1000
Enter range of data values: 100
CPU time = 4.5e-05 sec
```

```
Enter number of data values: 10000
Enter range of data values: 100
CPU time = 0.000319 sec
```

Experimental results for random data:



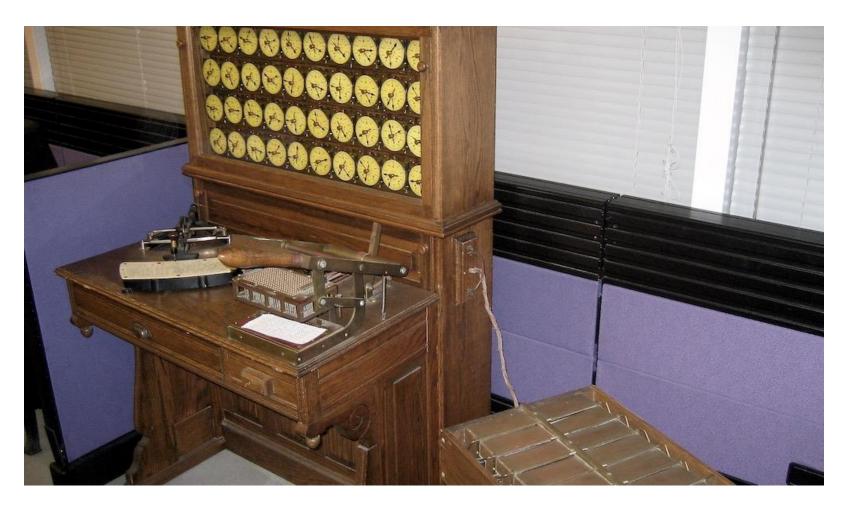
SORTING ALGORITHMS

RADIX SORT

RADIX SORT

- Radix sort is a "non-comparison based" algorithm that was invented in 1887 by Herman Hollerith
 - Hollerith used this algorithm in his mechanical tabulating machine to sort punched cards for the 1890 US census
 - The algorithm was implemented in software in 1954 by Herman Seward (who invented counting sort in the process)
 - This sorting algorithm works for all most common data types by processing values one digit or letter at a time
 - The algorithm works for any base (2 for binary, 10 for digits, 26 for letters) so it is called a radix sort





Replica of Hollerith's tabulating machine with sorting box (from Wikipedia)

RADIX SORT



IBM card sorting machine that uses radix sort (from Wikipedia)

RADIX SORT

• The radix sort algorithm has the following steps:

- Assume there are N data values with D digits in base R
- Create R buckets (arrays or linked lists) for storing data values
- Perform D passes over the data array
- Each pass will look at one digit of the data value from least significant digit to most significant digit
- Based on value of digit, move data into corresponding bucket
- Combine all R buckets after each pass
- After D passes over the data will be in sorted order

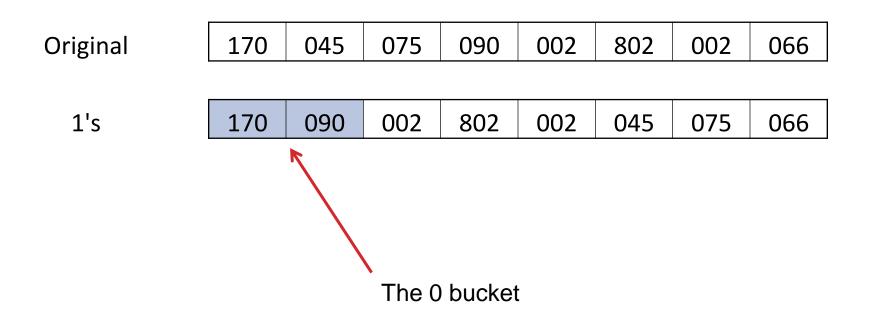


Example with eight 3-digit integers

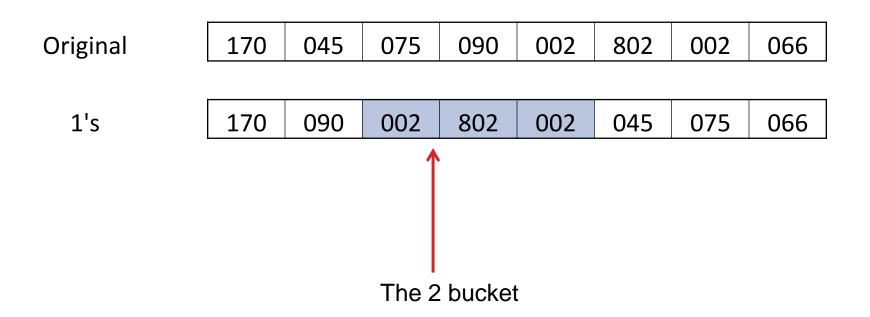
Original

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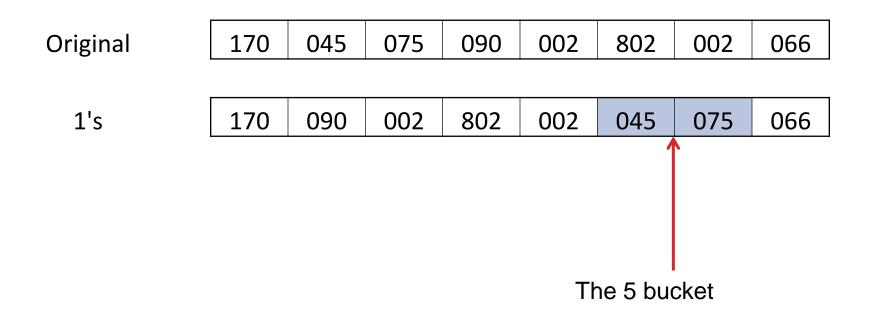




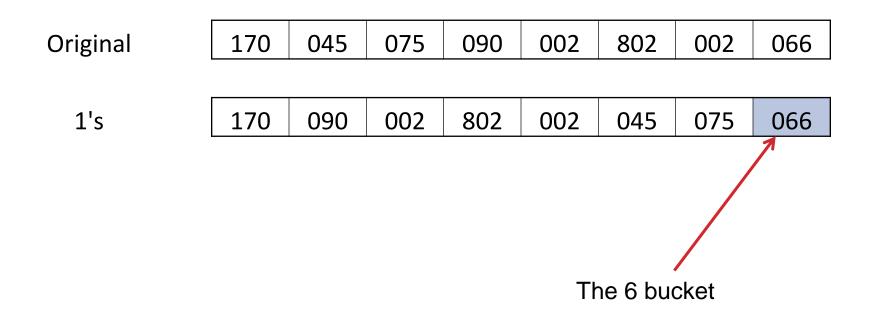




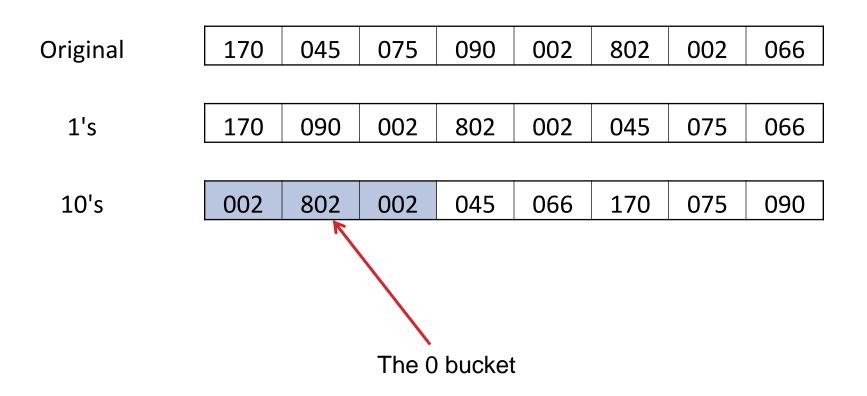




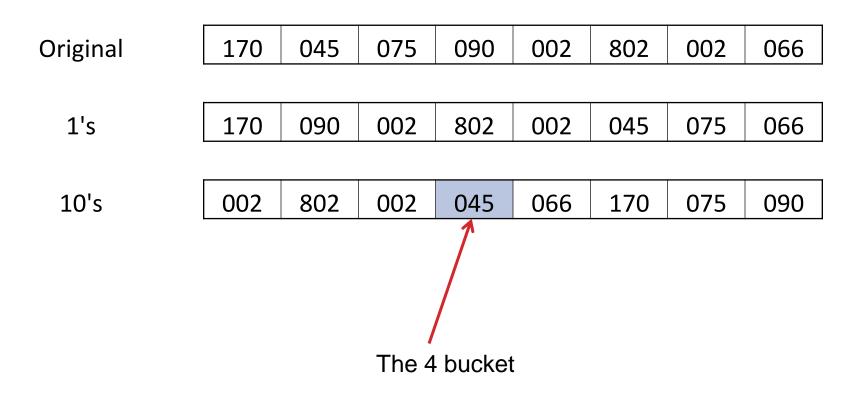




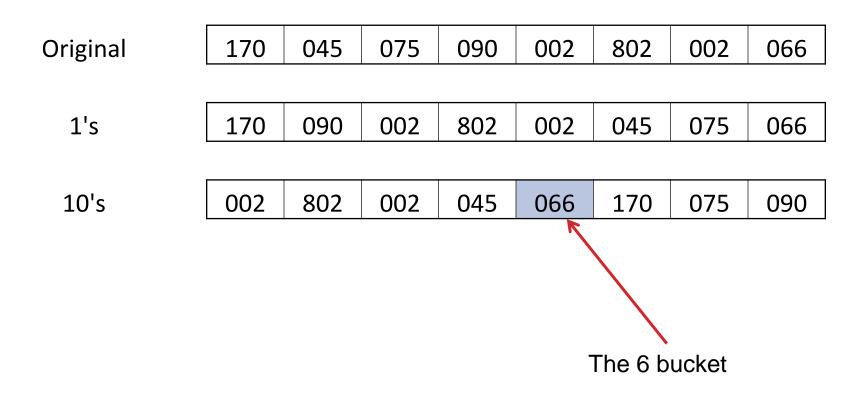




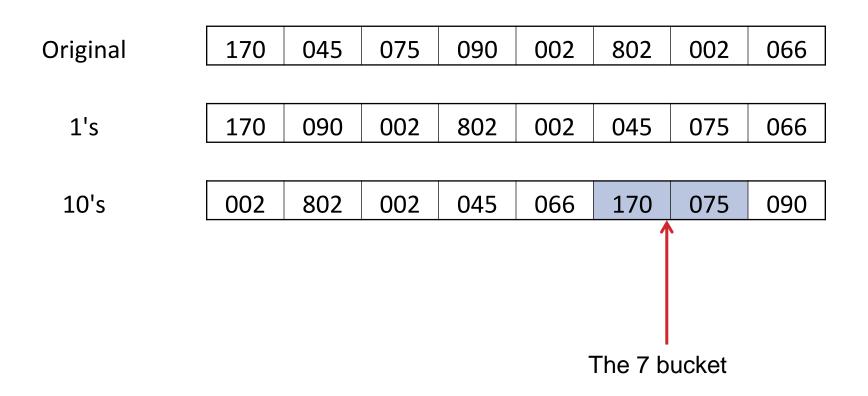




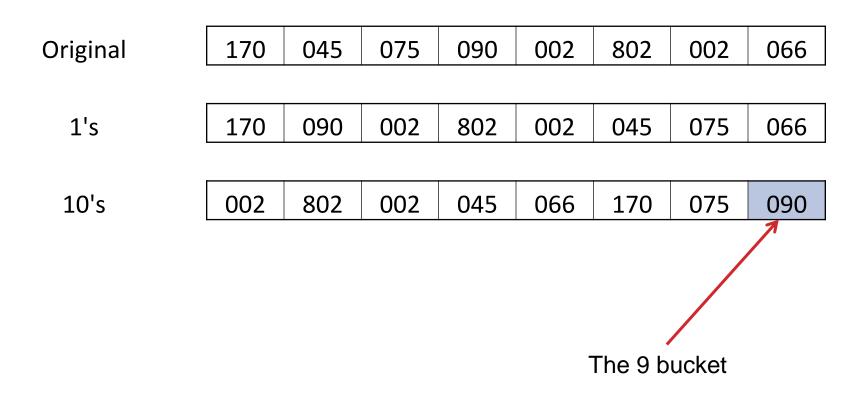




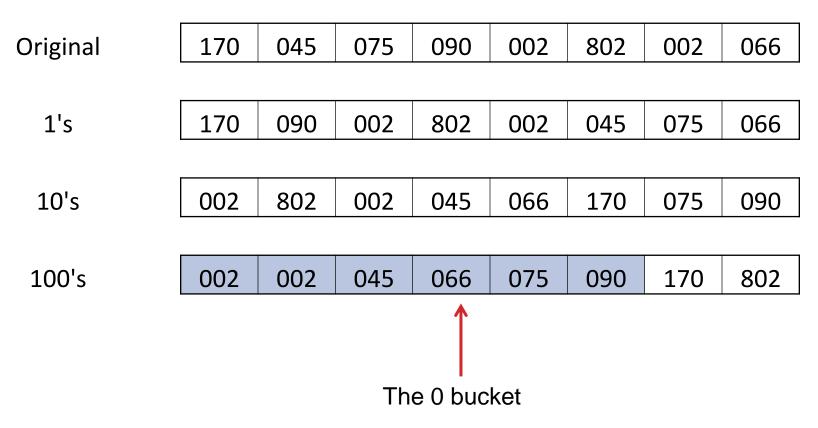




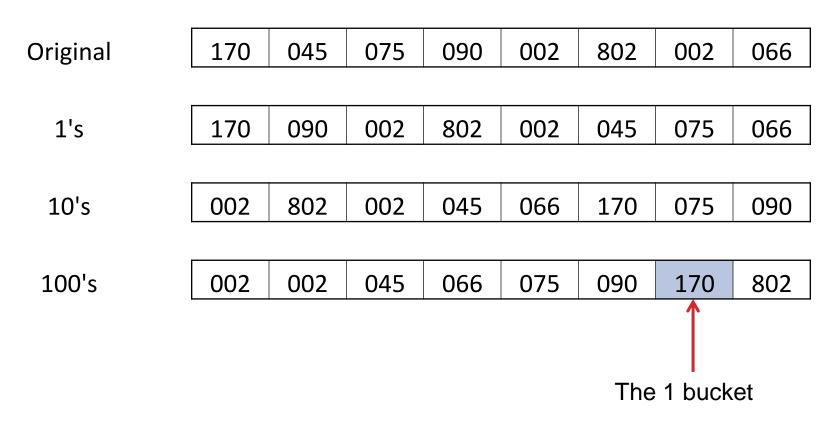




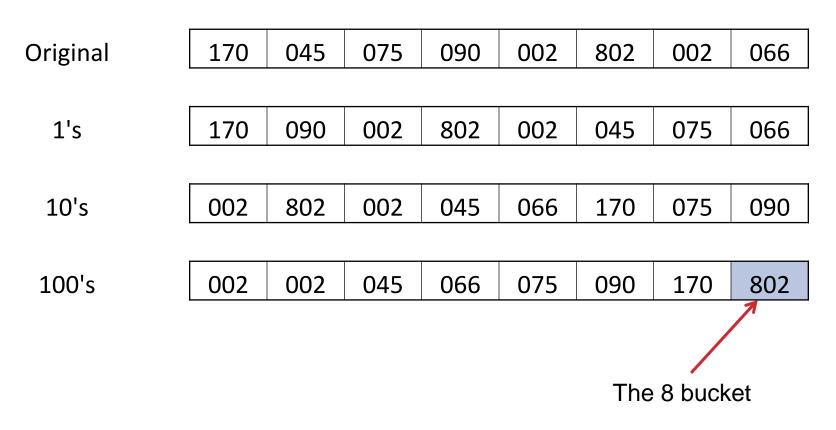














Original	170	045	075	090	002	802	002	066
1's	170	090	002	802	002	045	075	066
10's	002	802	002	045	066	170	075	090
100's	002	002	045	066	075	090	170	802

After 3 passes the input data is now in sorted order

RADIX SORT

Essential implementation details:

- We can implement buckets using linked lists or arrays
- For arrays, we must know in advance the size and staring point for each of the R buckets for each pass
- This can be calculated by one pass over the data that counts the number of times each digit occurs
- We must maintain the original ordering of data within each bucket by filling buckets from the right
- We must make ensure that all data is D digits long by padding integers to left and strings to the right

RADIX SORT

How much work is done by radix sort?

- Assume there are N data values with D digits in base R
- There are D passes over the array
- We must move N data values in each pass
- Hence radix sort is O(N*D)

Radix sort is fast when D is small compared to N

Sorting 1000 3-digit integers

Radix sort is slow when D is greater than or equal to N

Sorting 3 1000-digit integers

SORTING ALGORITHMS

SUMMARY



- In this section, we introduced algorithm analysis for searching and sorting, and the differences between O(logN), O(N), O(N logN), and O(N²) algorithms
- We discussed three O(N²) sorting techniques:
 - We described the Selection sort algorithm and its implementation and run time performance
 - We described two versions of the Bubble sort algorithm and compared their implementations
 - We described the Insertion sort algorithm and its implementation and run time performance

SUMMARY

• We discussed two O(N logN) sorting methods:

- We described the recursive merge sort algorithm and its implementation and run time performance
- We did an analysis of merge sort and demonstrated that this is an O(N logN) algorithm
- Quicksort is a divide and conquer algorithm that is faster then most other sorting algorithms most of the time
- We did an analysis of quicksort and demonstrated that this algorithm is O(N logN) on average but O(N²) in worst case
- These sorting algorithms demonstrate that slightly more complex algorithms can outperform simple algorithms

SUMMARY

Finally, we described two specialized sorting algorithms

- Counting sort is a "non-comparison based" sort that is well suited for sorting large arrays of small integers
- Radix sort is a "non-comparison based" algorithm that sorts fixed size data one digit at a time using buckets
- These sorting algorithms have very different best case and worst-case behaviors so we have to be careful when deciding what sorting algorithm to use



Algorithm	Best Case	Average Case	Worst Case	
Selection Sort	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	
Basic Bubble Sort	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	
Bubble Sort	O(N)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	
Insertion Sort	O(N)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	
Merge Sort	O(N logN)	O(N logN)	O(N logN)	
Quicksort	O(N logN)	O(N logN)	O(N ²)	
Counting Sort	O(N+M)	O(N+M)	O(N+M)	
Radix Sort	O(N*D)	O(N*D)	O(N*D)	

The O(N²) algorithms have relatively slow run times, insertion sort is often the fastest, especially for mostly sorted data CSCE 2014 - Programming Foundations II



Algorithm	Best Case	Average Case	Worst Case
Selection Sort	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)
Basic Bubble Sort	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)
Bubble Sort	O(N)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)
Insertion Sort	O(N)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)
Merge Sort	O(N logN)	O(N logN)	O(N logN)
Quicksort	O(N logN)	O(N logN)	O(N ²)
Counting Sort	O(N+M)	O(N+M)	O(N+M)
Radix Sort	O(N*D)	O(N*D)	O(N*D)

The O(N logN) algorithms have similar run times, but quicksort is generally the fastest, except when the input data is sorted CSCE 2014 - Programming Foundations II



Algorithm	Best Case	Average Case	Worst Case	
Selection Sort	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	
Basic Bubble Sort	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	
Bubble Sort	O(N)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	
Insertion Sort	O(N)	O(N ²)	O(N ²)	
Merge Sort	O(N logN)	O(N logN)	O(N logN)	
Quicksort	O(N logN)	O(N logN)	O(N ²)	
Counting Sort	O(N+M)	O(N+M)	O(N+M)	
Radix Sort	O(N*D)	O(N*D)	O(N*D)	

The non-comparison based algorithms can be faster than all other sort algorithms, but they only work for limited data types CSCE 2014 - Programming Foundations II



Algorithm	History		
Selection Sort	Unknown*		
Basic Bubble Sort	Unknown*		
Bubble Sort	Unknown*		
Insertion Sort	Unknown*		
Merge Sort	Invented 1945 by John von Neumann		
Quicksort	Invented 1960 by Tony Hoare		
Counting Sort	Invented 1954 by Harold Seward		
Radix Sort	Invented 1887 by Herman Hollerith		

* Because no one wants to take credit for $O(N^2)$ sort algorithms