

SORTING

Insertion sort

Selection sort

Quicksort

Mergesort

And their asymptotic time complexity

See lecture notes page, row in table for this lecture,
for file `searchSortAlgorithms.zip`

A3 and Prelim

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- 379/607 (62%) people got 65/65 for correctness on A3
- 558/607 (92%) got at least 60/65 for correctness on A3

- Prelim: Next Tuesday evening, March 14
Read the Exams page on course website to determine when you take the prelim (5:30 or 7:30) and what to do if you have a conflict.
- If necessary, complete CMS assignment P1Conflict by the end of Wednesday (tomorrow).
- So far, only 15 people filled it out!

InsertionSort

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pre: b

0	b.length
?	

 post: b

0	b.length
sorted	

inv: b

0	i	b.length
sorted	?	

or: $b[0..i-1]$ is sorted

inv: b

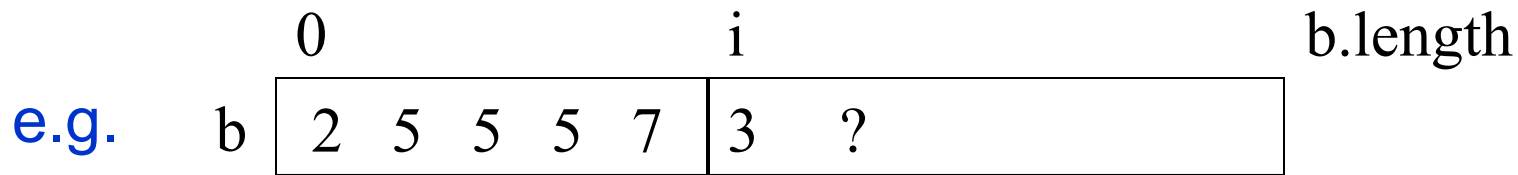
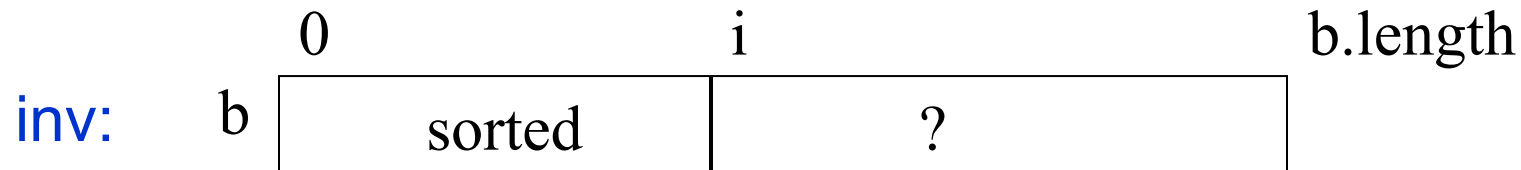
0	i	b.length
processed	?	

A loop that processes elements of an array in increasing order has this invariant

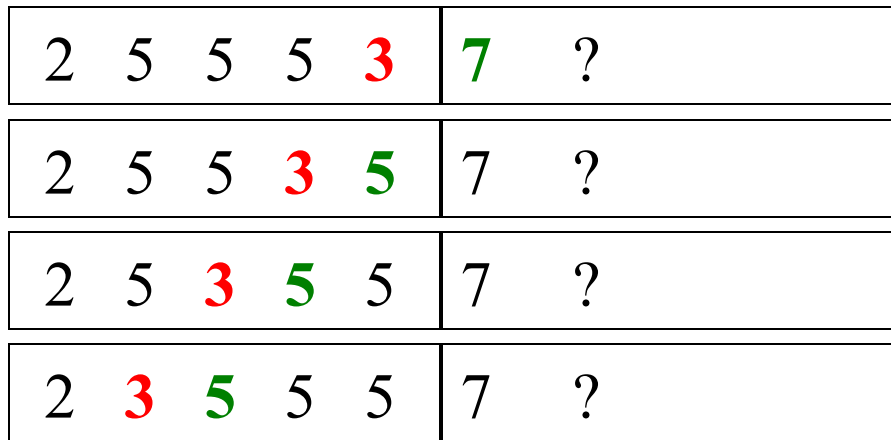
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for (int i= 0; i < b.length; i= i+1) { maintain invariant }
```


What to do in each iteration?

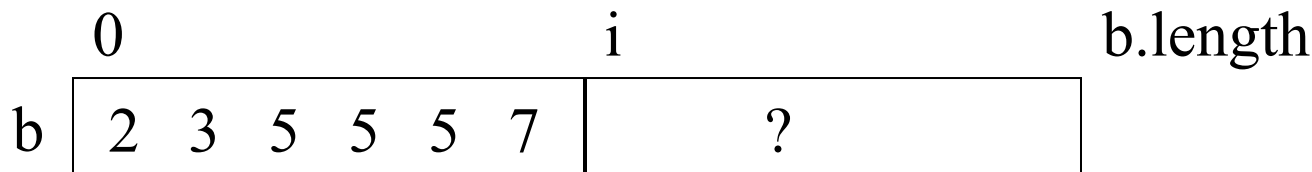
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Loop body
(inv true
before
and after)



Push $b[i]$ to its sorted position in $b[0..i]$, then increase i



InsertionSort

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```
// sort b[], an array of int
// inv: b[0..i-1] is sorted
for (int i= 0; i < b.length; i= i+1) {
    Push b[i] down to its sorted
    position in b[0..i]
}
```

Many people sort cards this way
Works well when input is *nearly sorted*

Note English statement
in body.

Abstraction. Says **what**
to do, not **how**.

This is the best way to
present it. We expect
you to present it this
way when asked.

Later, can show how to
implement that with an
inner loop

Push $b[i]$ down ...

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```
// Q:  $b[0..i-1]$  is sorted
// Push  $b[i]$  down to its sorted position in  $b[0..i]$ 
int k = i;
while (k > 0 && b[k] < b[k-1]) {
    Swap  $b[k]$  and  $b[k-1]$ 
    k = k - 1;
}
// R:  $b[0..i]$  is sorted
```

start?

stop?

progress?

maintain
invariant?

invariant P: $b[0..i]$ is sorted
except that $b[k] \text{ may be } < b[k-1]$

			k			i	
2	5	3	5	5	7	?	

example

How to write nested loops

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```
// sort b[], an array of int
// inv: b[0..i-1] is sorted
for (int i= 0; i < b.length; i= i+1) {
    Push b[i] down to its sorted
    position in b[0..i]
}
```

Present algorithm like this

If you are going to show implementation, *put in “WHAT IT DOES” as a comment*

```
// sort b[], an array of int
// inv: b[0..i-1] is sorted
for (int i= 0; i < b.length; i= i+1) {
    //Push b[i] down to its sorted
    //position in b[0..i]
    int k= i;
    while (k > 0 && b[k] < b[k-1]) {
        swap b[k] and b[k-1];
        k= k-1;
    }
}
```


InsertionSort

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```
// sort b[], an array of int
// inv: b[0..i-1] is sorted
for (int i= 0; i < b.length; i= i+1) {
    Push b[i] down to its sorted position
    in b[0..i]
}
```

Pushing $b[i]$ down can take i swaps.

Worst case takes

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n-1 = (n-1)*n/2$$

Swaps.

Let $n = b.length$

- Worst-case: $O(n^2)$
(reverse-sorted input)
- Best-case: $O(n)$
(sorted input)
- Expected case: $O(n^2)$

SelectionSort

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pre: b

0		b.length
	?	

 post: b

0		b.length
	sorted	

inv: b

0		i		b.length
	sorted ,	$\leq b[i..]$	$\geq b[0..i-1]$	

 Additional term
in invariant

Keep invariant true while making progress?

e.g.: b

0		i		b.length									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	9	9	9	7	8	6	9

Increasing i by 1 keeps inv true only if $b[i]$ is min of $b[i..]$

SelectionSort

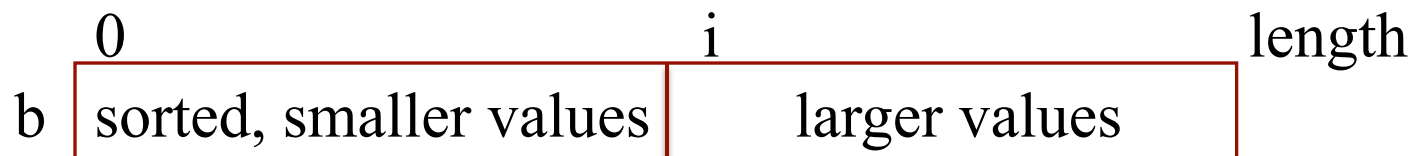
```
//sort b[], an array of int
// inv: b[0..i-1] sorted AND
//      b[0..i-1] <= b[i..]
for (int i= 0; i < b.length; i= i+1) {
    int m= index of minimum of b[i..];
    Swap b[i] and b[m];
}
```

Another common way for people to sort cards

Runtime

with $n = b.length$

- Worst-case $O(n^2)$
- Best-case $O(n^2)$
- Expected-case $O(n^2)$



Each iteration, swap min value of this section into $b[i]$

Swapping $b[i]$ and $b[m]$

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```
// Swap  $b[i]$  and  $b[m]$ 
```

```
int t=  $b[i]$ ;
```

```
 $b[i]$ =  $b[m]$ ;
```

```
 $b[m]$ = t;
```

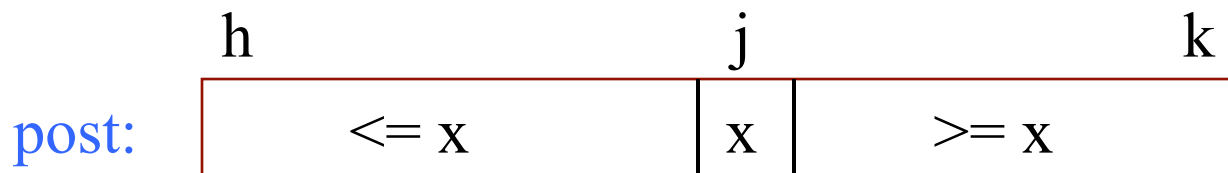
Partition algorithm of quicksort

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x is called
the **pivot**

Swap array values around until $b[h..k]$ looks like this:



20	31	24	19	45	56	4	20	5	72	14	99
----	----	----	----	----	----	---	----	---	----	----	----

pivot

partition

j

19	4	5	14	20	31	24	45	56	20	72	99
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Not yet sorted

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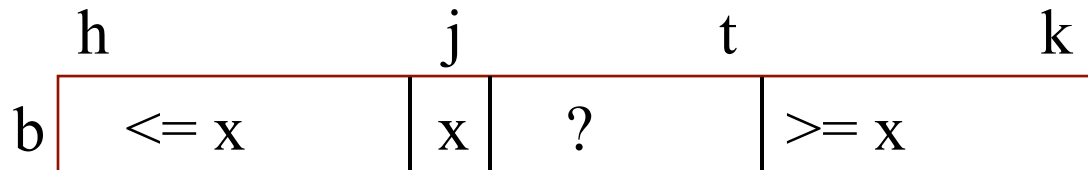
The 20 could be in the other partition

Partition algorithm

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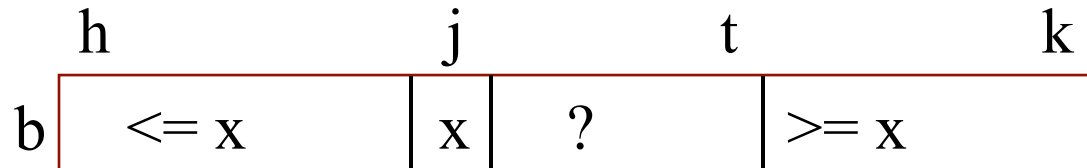
Combine pre and post to get an invariant



invariant
needs at
least 4
sections

Partition algorithm

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```
j= h; t= k;
while (j < t) {
    if (b[j+1] <= b[j]) {
        Swap b[j+1] and b[j]; j= j+1;
    } else {
        Swap b[j+1] and b[t]; t= t-1;
    }
}
```

Takes linear time: $O(k+1-h)$

Initially, with $j = h$ and $t = k$, this diagram looks like the start diagram

Terminate when $j = t$, so the “?” segment is empty, so diagram looks like result diagram

QuickSort procedure

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```
/** Sort b[h..k]. */
```

```
public static void QS(int[] b, int h, int k) {
```

```
    if (b[h..k] has < 2 elements) return;    Base case
```

```
    int j= partition(b, h, k);
```

```
    // We know  $b[h..j-1] \leq b[j] \leq b[j+1..k]$ 
```

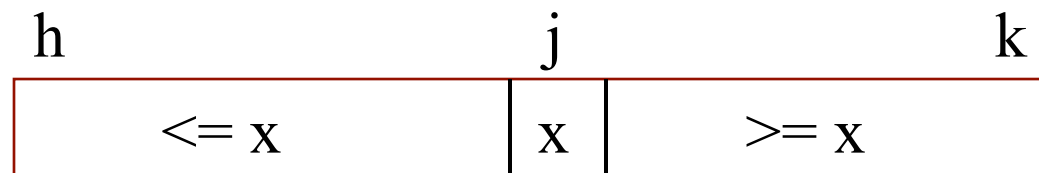
```
    // Sort  $b[h..j-1]$  and  $b[j+1..k]$ 
```

```
    QS(b, h, j-1);
```

```
    QS(b, j+1, k);
```

```
}
```

Function does the partition algorithm and returns position j of pivot



QuickSort

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Quicksort developed by Sir Tony Hoare (he was knighted by the Queen of England for his contributions to education and CS).

83 years old.

Developed Quicksort in 1958. But he could not explain it to his colleague, so he gave up on it.

Later, he saw a draft of the new language Algol 58 (which became Algol 60). It had recursive procedures. First time in a procedural programming language. “Ah!,” he said. “I know how to write it better now.” 15 minutes later, his colleague also understood it.



Tony Hoare

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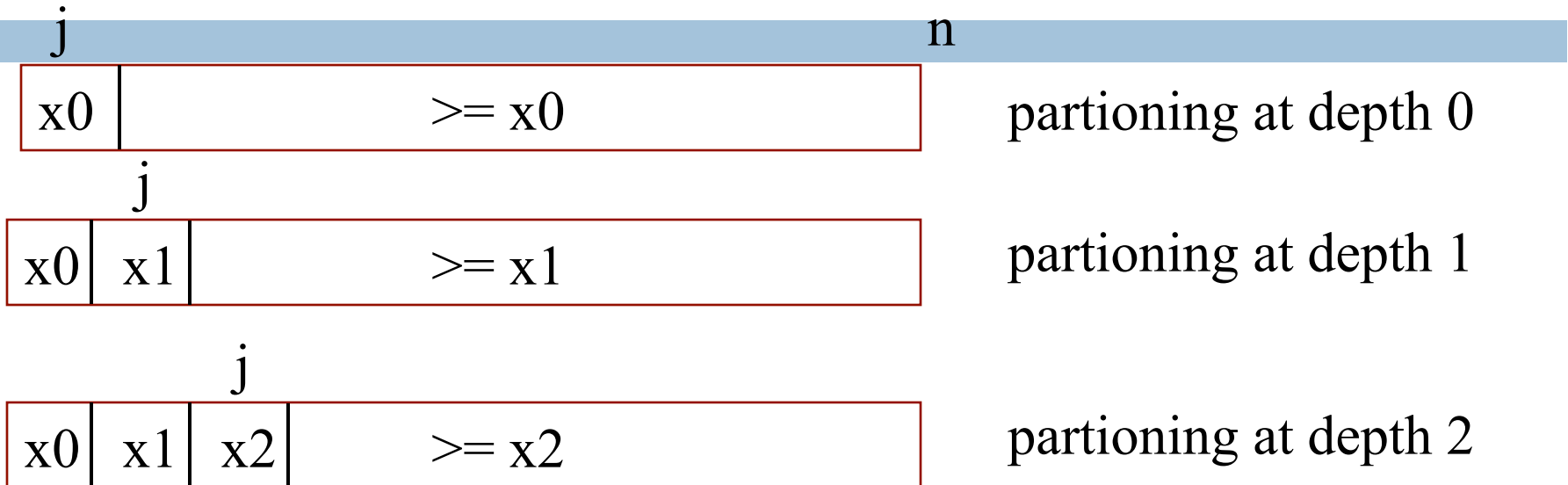
Speaking in Olin 155
in 2004



Elaine Gries, Edsger and Ria Dijkstra, Tony and Jill Hoare
1980s.

Worst case quicksort: pivot always smallest value

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```
/** Sort b[h..k]. */  
public static void QS(int[] b, int h, int k) {  
    if (b[h..k] has < 2 elements) return;  
    int j= partition(b, h, k);  
    QS(b, h, j-1);    QS(b, j+1, k);  
}
```

Depth of
recursion: $O(n)$

Processing at
depth i : $O(n-i)$

$O(n*n)$

QuickSort complexity to sort array of length n

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Time complexity
Worst-case: $O(n^2)$
Average-case: $O(n \log n)$

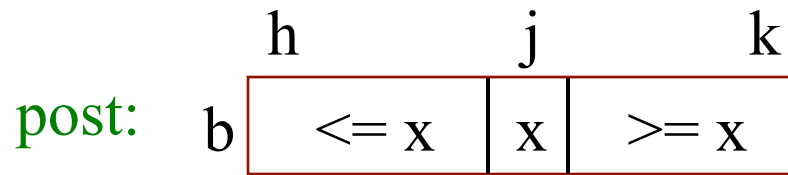
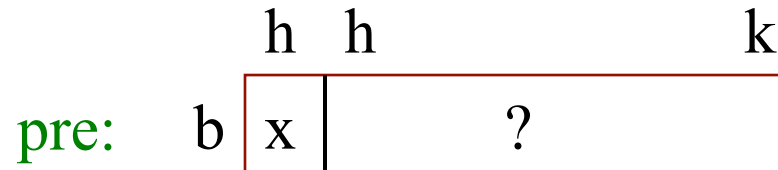
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public static void QS(int[] b, int h, int k) {  
    if (b[h..k] has < 2 elements) return;  
    int j= partition(b, h, k);  
    // We know b[h..j-1] <= b[j] <= b[j+1..k]  
    // Sort b[h..j-1] and b[j+1..k]  
    QS(b, h, j-1);  
    QS(b, j+1, k);  
}
```

Worst-case space: ?
What's depth of recursion?

Worst-case space: $O(n)$!
--depth of recursion can be n
Can rewrite it to have space $O(\log n)$
Show this at end of lecture if we have time

Partition. Key issue. How to choose pivot

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Choosing pivot

Ideal pivot: the median,
since it splits array in half

But computing is $O(n)$, quite
complicated

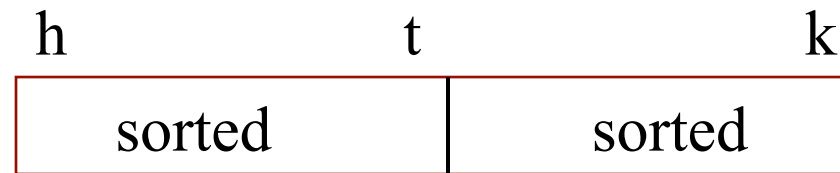
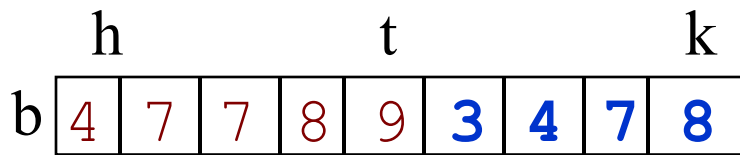
Popular heuristics: Use

- ◆ first array value (not so good)
- ◆ middle array value (not so good)
- ◆ Choose a random element (not so good)
- ◆ median of first, middle, last, values (often used)!

Merge two adjacent sorted segments

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```
/* Sort b[h..k]. Precondition: b[h..t] and b[t+1..k] are sorted. */  
public static merge(int[] b, int h, int t, int k) {  
}  
}
```



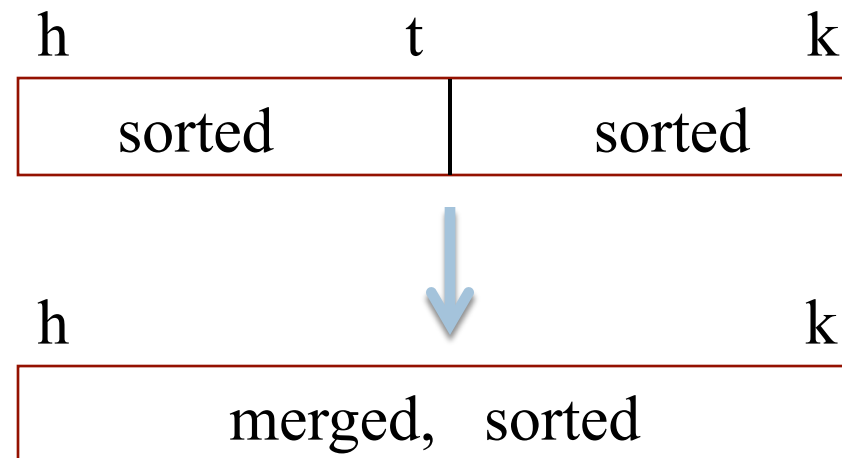
Merge two adjacent sorted segments

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```
/* Sort b[h..k]. Precondition: b[h..t] and b[t+1..k] are sorted. */  
public static merge(int[] b, int h, int t, int k) {  
    Copy b[h..t] into a new array c;  
    Merge c and b[t+1..k] into b[h..k];  
}
```

Runs in time linear in size
of $b[h..k]$.

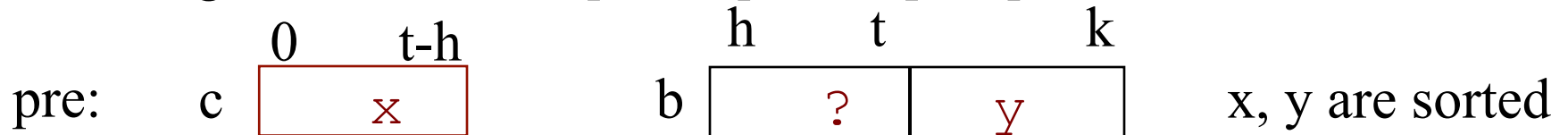
Look at this method in file
[searchSortAlgorithms.zip](#)
found in row for lecture on
Lecture notes page of
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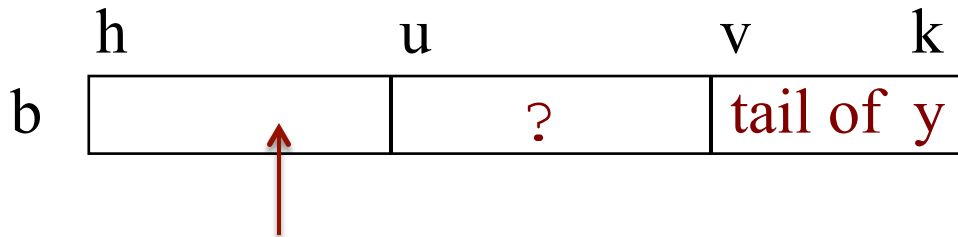
Merge two adjacent sorted segments

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// Merge sorted c and $b[t+1..k]$ into $b[h..k]$



$$b[h..u-1] \leq c[i..]$$



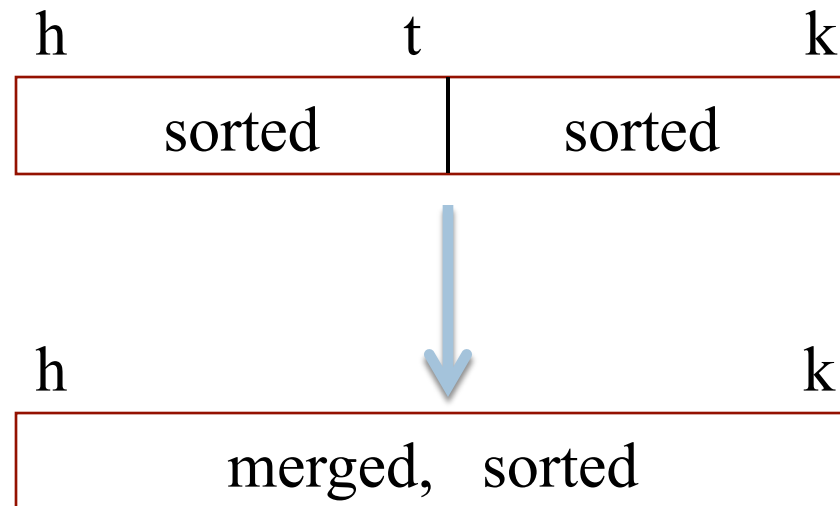
$$b[h..u-1] \leq b[v..k]$$

head of x and head of y , sorted

Mergesort

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```
/** Sort b[h..k] */  
public static void mergesort(int[] b, int h, int k) {  
    if (size b[h..k] < 2)  
        return;  
    int t = (h+k)/2;  
    mergesort(b, h, t);  
    mergesort(b, t+1, k);  
    merge(b, h, t, k);  
}
```



Mergesort

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```
/** Sort b[h..k] */  
public static void mergesort(  
    int[] b, int h, int k) {  
    if (size b[h..k] < 2)  
        return;  
    int t = (h+k)/2;  
    mergesort(b, h, t);  
    mergesort(b, t+1, k);  
    merge(b, h, t, k);  
}
```

Let n = size of $b[h..k]$

Merge: time proportional to n

Depth of recursion: $\log n$

Can therefore show (later)
that time taken is
proportional to $n \log n$

But space is also proportional
to n

QuickSort versus MergeSort

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```
/** Sort b[h..k] */  
public static void QS  
    (int[] b, int h, int k) {  
    if (k - h < 1) return;  
    int j= partition(b, h, k);  
    QS(b, h, j-1);  
    QS(b, j+1, k);  
}
```

```
/** Sort b[h..k] */  
public static void MS  
    (int[] b, int h, int k) {  
    if (k - h < 1) return;  
    MS(b, h, (h+k)/2);  
    MS(b, (h+k)/2 + 1, k);  
    merge(b, h, (h+k)/2, k);  
}
```

One processes the array then recurses.
One recurses then processes the array.

Analysis of Matrix Multiplication

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Multiply n-by-n matrices A and B:

Convention, matrix problems measured in terms of n, the number of rows, columns

- Input size is really $2n^2$, not n
- Worst-case time: $O(n^3)$
- Expected-case time: $O(n^3)$

```
for (i = 0; i < n; i++)  
  for (j = 0; j < n; j++) {  
    throw new Exception();  
  }  
}
```

```
for (i = 0; i < n; i++)  
  for (j = 0; j < n; j++) {  
    c[i][j] = 0;  
    for (k = 0; k < n; k++)  
      c[i][j] += a[i][k]*b[k][j];  
  }
```

An aside. Will not be tested.

Lower Bound for Comparison Sorting

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Goal: Determine minimum time *required* to sort n items

Note: we want *worst-case*, not *best-case* time

- Best-case doesn't tell us much. E.g. Insertion Sort takes $O(n)$ time on already-sorted input
- Want to know *worst-case time* for *best possible* algorithm

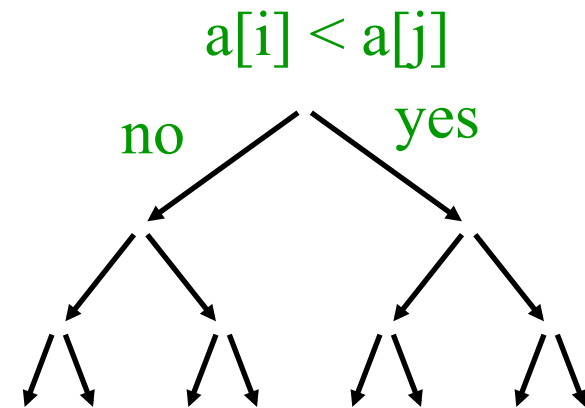
- How can we prove anything about the *best possible* algorithm?
- Want to find characteristics that are common to *all* sorting algorithms
- Limit attention to *comparison-based algorithms* and try to count number of comparisons

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Lower Bound for Comparison Sorting

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- Comparison-based algorithms make decisions based on comparison of data elements
- Gives a *comparison tree*
- If algorithm fails to terminate for some input, comparison tree is infinite
- Height of comparison tree represents *worst-case number of comparisons* for that algorithm
- Can show: *Any correct comparison-based algorithm must make at least $n \log n$ comparisons in the worst case*



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Lower Bound for Comparison Sorting

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- Say we have a correct comparison-based algorithm
- Suppose we want to sort the elements in an array $b[]$
- Assume the elements of $b[]$ are distinct
- Any permutation of the elements is initially possible
- When done, $b[]$ is sorted
- But the algorithm could not have taken the same path in the comparison tree on different input permutations

An aside. Will not be tested.

Lower Bound for Comparison Sorting

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How many input permutations are possible? $n! \sim 2^{n \log n}$

For a comparison-based sorting algorithm to be correct, it must have at least that many leaves in its comparison tree

To have at least $n! \sim 2^{n \log n}$ leaves, it must have height at least $n \log n$ (since it is only binary branching, the number of nodes at most doubles at every depth)

Therefore its longest path must be of length at least $n \log n$, and that is its worst-case running time

Quicksort with logarithmic space

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Problem is that if the pivot value is always the smallest (or always the largest), the depth of recursion is the size of the array to sort.

Eliminate this problem by doing some of it iteratively and some recursively

Quicksort with logarithmic space

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Eliminate this problem by doing some of it iteratively and some recursively. We may show you this later. Not today!

It's on the next two slides. You do not have to study this for the prelim!

QuickSort with logarithmic space

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```
/** Sort b[h..k]. */  
public static void QS(int[] b, int h, int k) {  
    int h1= h; int k1= k;  
    // invariant b[h..k] is sorted if b[h1..k1] is sorted  
    while (b[h1..k1] has more than 1 element) {  
        Reduce the size of b[h1..k1], keeping inv true  
    }  
}
```

QuickSort with logarithmic space

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```
/** Sort b[h..k]. */  
  
public static void QS(int[] b, int h, int k) {  
    int h1= h; int k1= k;  
    // invariant b[h..k] is sorted if b[h1..k1] is sorted  
    while (b[h1..k1] has more than 1 element) {  
        int j= partition(b, h1, k1);  
        // b[h1..j-1] <= b[j] <= b[j+1..k1]  
        if (b[h1..j-1] smaller than b[j+1..k1])  
            { QS(b, h, j-1); h1= j+1; }  
        else  
            {QS(b, j+1, k1); k1= j-1; }  
    }  
}
```

Only the smaller segment is sorted recursively. If $b[h1..k1]$ has size n , the smaller segment has size $< n/2$. Therefore, depth of recursion is at most $\log n$