

Efficiency of selection sort and insertion sort

Want $T(n)$: "time" taken on inputs of size n

Counting comparisons

Selection Sort

Extract minimum

Insertion Sort

Insert into a
sorted list

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + \text{Set up / Combination cost}$$

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"approx" n steps

Worst Case Analysis

$O(n)$  is "approximately"  $n$

$f(n) = O(g(n))$  if  $\exists$  constant  $k$

s.t.  $\forall n \geq 0$   $f(n) \leq k \cdot g(n)$

$$f(n) = 6n \quad g(n) = n$$

$$f(n) = O(g(n)), \text{ choose } k \geq 6$$

$$f(n) = \underbrace{6n^2}_{\text{dashed circle}} + \underbrace{3n}_{\text{dashed arrow}} + \underbrace{821}_{\text{dashed arrow}}$$

$$g(n) = n^2$$

$$k = 6 + 3 + 821$$

$$k \cdot g(n) = \underbrace{6n^2}_{\text{dashed circle}} + \underbrace{3n^2}_{\text{dashed arrow}} + \underbrace{821n^2}_{\text{dashed arrow}}$$

Ignore  $n$ , constant term

$$\text{in } f(n) = an^2 + bn + c$$

## Insertion Sort &amp; Selection Sort

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + \cancel{O(n)} \quad n$$

$$T(0) = 1$$

Expand:

$$T(n) = \underline{T(n-1)} + n$$

$$= \underline{T(n-2)} + (n-1) + n$$

$$= T(0) + 1 + 2 + \dots + n$$

$$= 1 + 1 + 2 + \dots + n = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n n$$

$$= 1 + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = O(n^2) \quad i=1$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 1 & 2 & 3 & \dots & n-2 & n-1 & n \\
 n & n-1 & n-2 & \dots & 3 & 2 & 1
 \end{array}
 \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & \dots & n-2 & n-1 & n \\ n & n-1 & n-2 & \dots & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{array}} \right\} 2 \text{ copies}$$


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$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 n+1 & n+1 & n+1 & & & & n+1
 \end{array}
 \quad = \quad \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

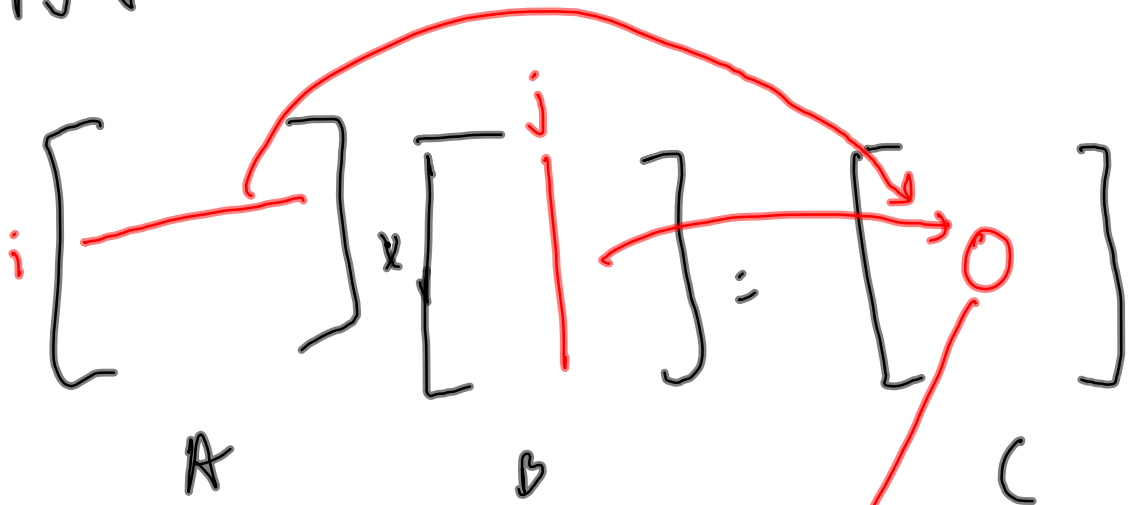
Input of size  $10 \rightarrow 100$  steps  
 $10^4 \rightarrow 10^8$  steps  
 $10^6 \rightarrow 10^{12}$  steps

Any standard laptop or desktop  
 $\approx 10^{10}$  operations/sec

$10^{12}$  operations  $\rightarrow$  100 seconds

$10^7$  input  $\rightarrow 10^{14}$  10000 seconds!

Multiplying 2  $n \times n$  matrices



$n^2$  values  $C_{ij}$   
each takes  $O(n)$  steps

$n^2$  is not good enough

better way to sort?

"Divide and conquer"

Suppose I can split the list into halves  
and sort each half

Can I combine them efficiently?



[9, 3, 7, 1, 5, | 2, 10, 6, 8, 4]

~~[1, 3, 5, 7, 9]~~

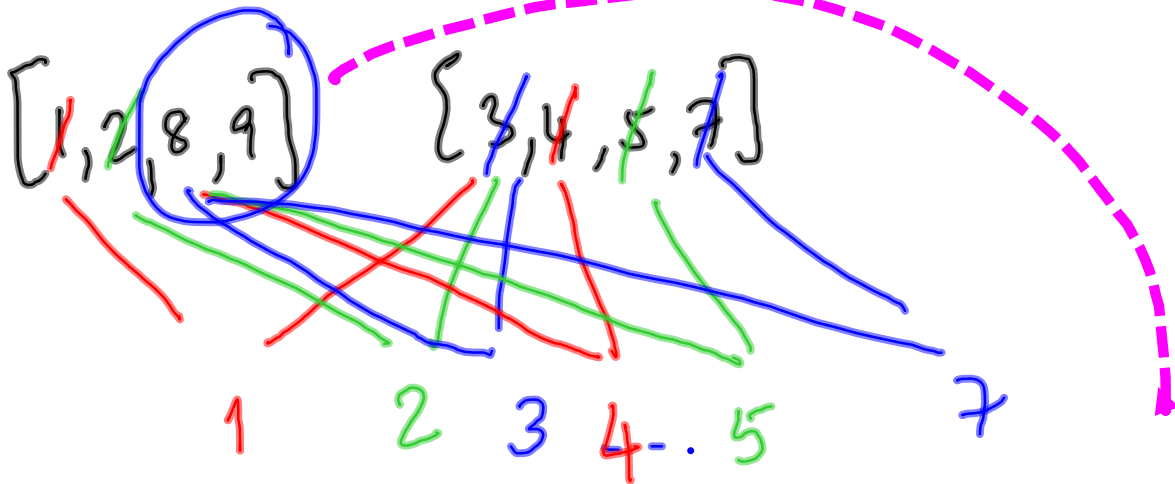
~~[2, 4, 6, 8, 10]~~

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Smallest overall must be the smallest of  
one of the subparts

[1, 2, 3 ...

Need not alternate



"Merging" two sorted lists

Produce 1 value at a time

Each takes 1 comparison

$n$  values to produce  $\rightarrow O(n)$  time

## Merge sort

Split the list in two halves

Sort each half (inductively, use merge sort)

Merge the answers

Base Cases:  $l = []$  or  $l = [x]$

Analysis

$$T(n) = \underline{2T(n/2)} + n$$

divide into 2  
halves  
+  
merge answers

$$= 2 \left( 2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + \frac{n}{2} \right) + n$$

$$= 2^2 T\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + 2n$$

$$T(n) = 2^2 T\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + 2n$$

$$= 2^2 \left( 2 T\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + \frac{n}{2^2} \right) + 2n$$

$$= 2^3 T\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + 3n$$

$$= \dots = 2^k T\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) + kn$$

$$T(0) = T(1) = 1$$

$$\frac{n}{2^k} = 1 \rightarrow T\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{if } k = \log_2 n, \quad T\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) = 1$$

After  $\log_2 n$  expansions of  $T(n)$

$$T(n) = 2^{\overbrace{\log_2 n}^k} T(1) + (\log_2 n) n$$

$$= n \cdot 1 + n \cdot \log_2^k n = O(n \log_2 n)$$

Assume  $n$  was  
originally a  
power of 2

$\therefore$  Mergesort takes time  $O(n \log n)$  In CS. base  
 is always 2

Useful shortcut:

$$2^{10} = 1024, \quad \log 1000 \approx 10$$

|            | $n^2$     | $n \log n$                           |
|------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| $n = 1000$ | $10^6$    | $10^4$                               |
| $n = 10^6$ | $10^{12}$ | $10^6 \cdot (10+10) = 2 \times 10^7$ |
| $n = 10^9$ | $10^{18}$ | $10^9 \cdot (30) = 3 \times 10^{10}$ |

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def mergesort(l):
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    if len(l) <= 1 :
        return (l)
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    else:
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        mid = len(l)//2 + 1
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        left = mergesort(l[:mid])
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        right = mergesort(l[mid:])
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        return (merge(left, right))
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OR return(merge(mergesort(l[:mid]), mergesort(l[mid:])))
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for any list  $l$  & any position  $j$

$$l = l[:j] + l[j:]$$

