Lecture 23

Designing Sequence Algorithms

Announcements for This Lecture

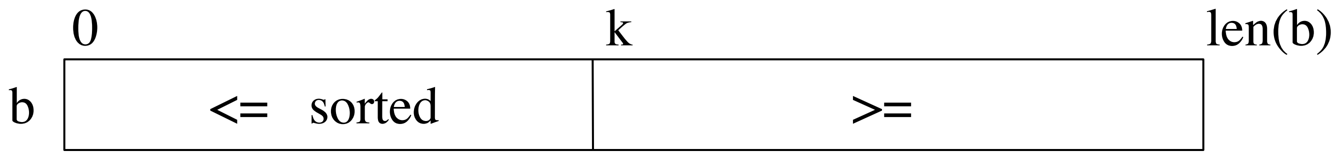
Exams

- Similar scores to last time
  - **Mean**: 76, **Median**: 79
  - Class question was hard
- Good grade distribution
  - **A**: Mid 80s up
  - **B**: Mid-low 60s to mid 80s
  - **C**: 35 to mid-low 60s
- Final should be similar
  - More time, more questions

Assignment & Lab

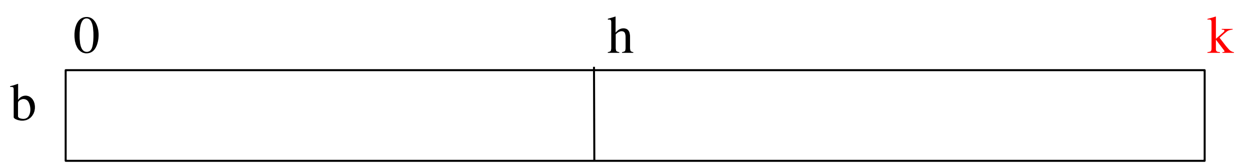
- A6 is due on Thursday
  - See consultants early!
  - Let us know about problems
  - Now open for submissions
- A7 posted on Thursday
- Today's lab is on invariants
  - Due after Thanksgiving
  - No official lab next week
  - But will be there on Tues

Horizontal Notation for Sequences

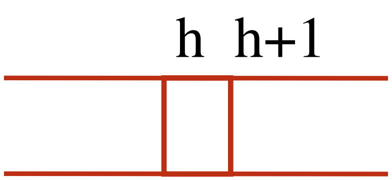


Example of an assertion about an sequence b. It asserts that:

1. b[0..k–1] is sorted (i.e. its values are in ascending order)
2. Everything in b[0..k–1] is ≤ everything in b[k..len(b)–1]



Given index h of the first element of a segment and index k of the element that follows that segment, the number of values in the segment is k – h.



(h+1) – h = 1

b[h .. k – 1] has k – h elements in it.

Developing Algorithms on Sequences

- Specify the algorithm by giving its precondition and postcondition as pictures.
- Draw the invariant by drawing another picture that "generalizes" the precondition and postcondition
  - The invariant is true at the beginning and at the end
- The four loop design questions (memorize them)
  1. How does loop start (how to make the invariant true)?
  2. How does it stop (is the postcondition true)?
  3. How does the body make progress toward termination?
  4. How does the body keep the invariant true?

Generalizing Pre- and Postconditions

- Dutch national flag: tri-color
  - Sequence of 0..n-1 of red, white, blue "pixels"
  - Arrange to put reds first, then whites, then blues

	0		n
pre: b	?		

(values in 0..n-1 are unknown)

	0			n
post: b	reds	whites	blues	

	0	j	k	l	n
inv: b	reds	whites	?	blues	

Make the red, white, blue sections initially **empty**:

- Range i..i-1 has 0 elements
- Main reason for this trick

Changing loop variables turns invariant into postcondition.

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- Finding the minimum of a sequence.

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post: $k = j$

Partition Algorithm

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pre: b

h		k
x	?	

- Swap elements of b[h..k] and store in j to truthify post:

post: b

h	i	i+1	k
<= **x**	**x**	>= **x**	

change: b

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3	5	4	1	6	2	3	8	1

into b

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- Agrees with precondition when i = h, j = k+1
- Agrees with postcondition when j = i+1

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    while i < j-1:
        if b[i+1] >= x:
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partition(b,h,k), not partition(b[h:k+1])

Remember, slicing always copies the list!

We want to partition the **original** list

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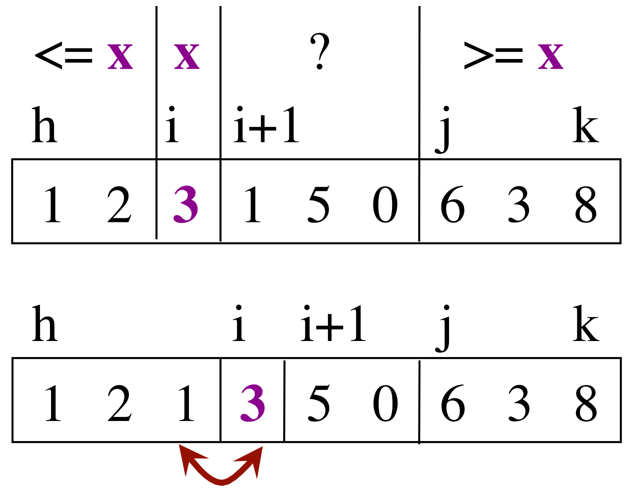

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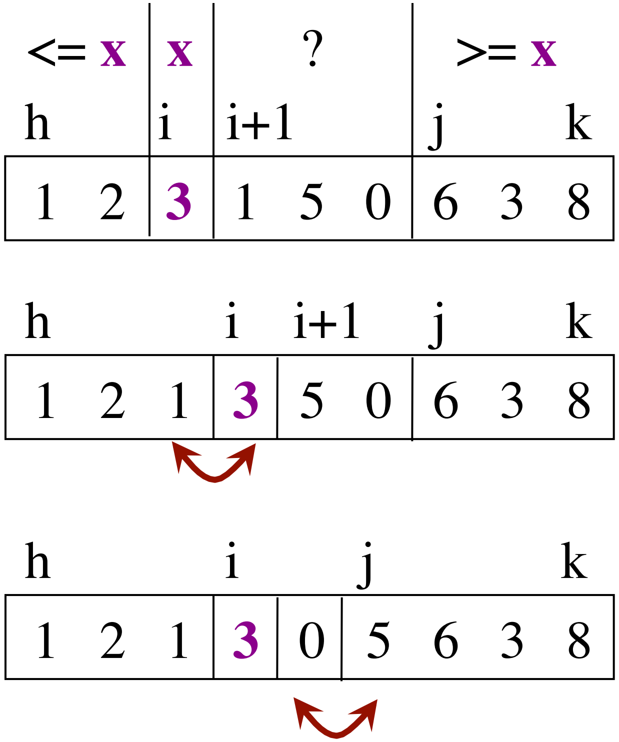

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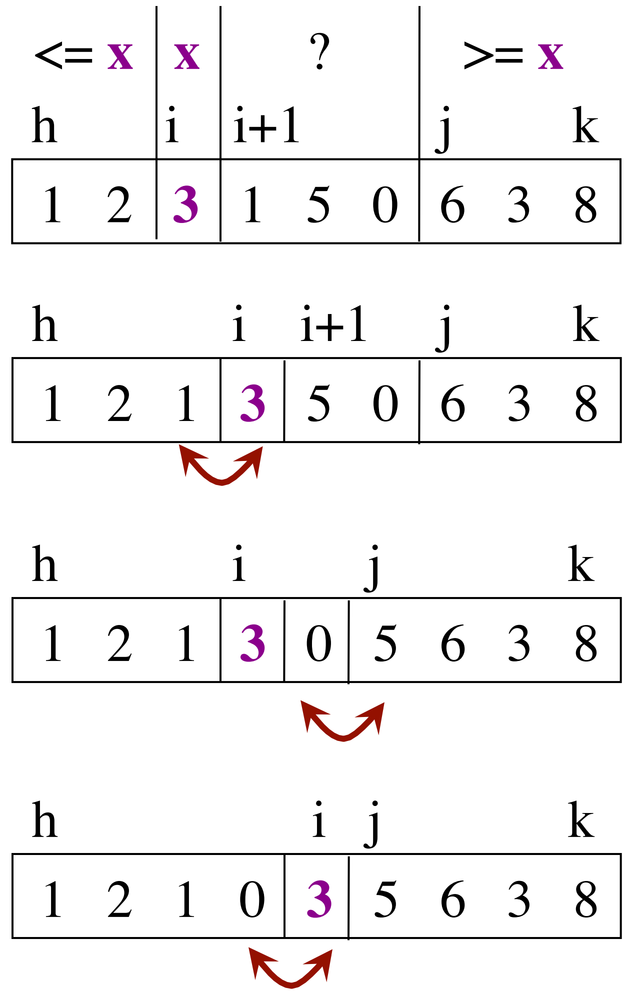

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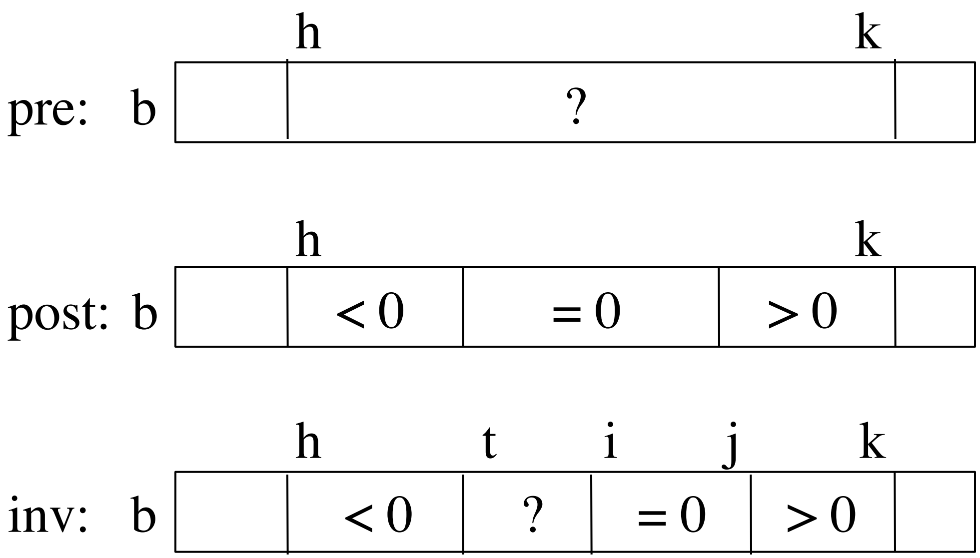

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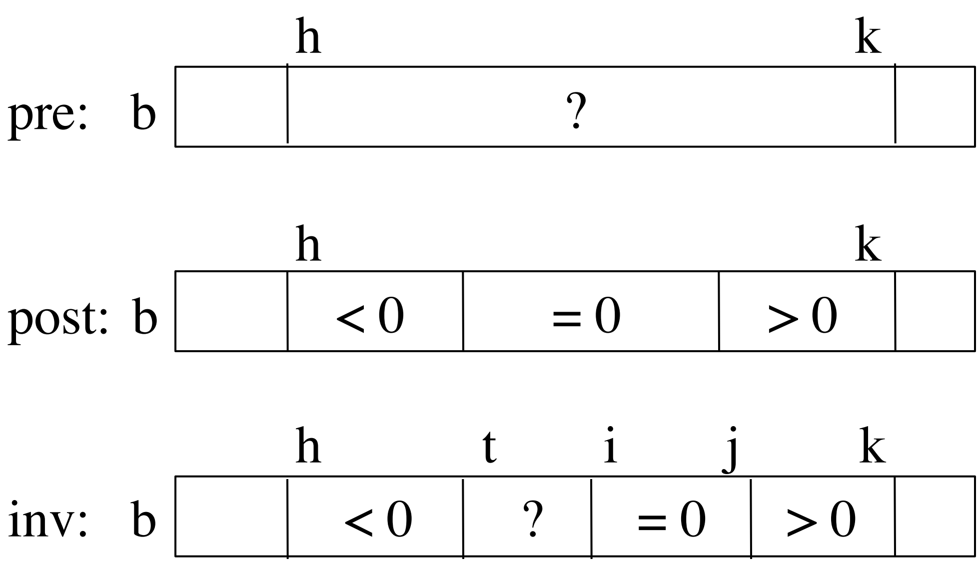

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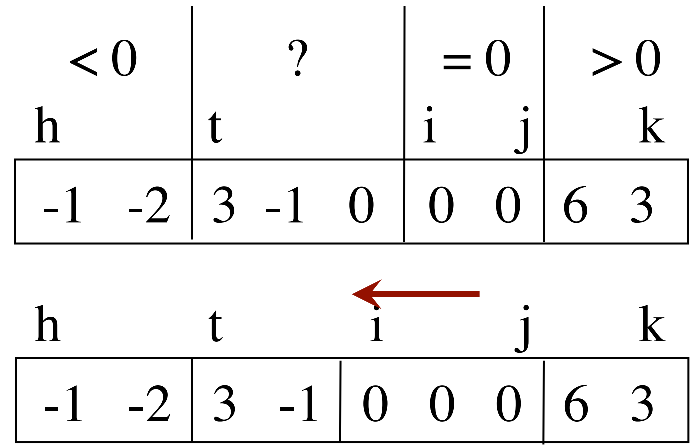

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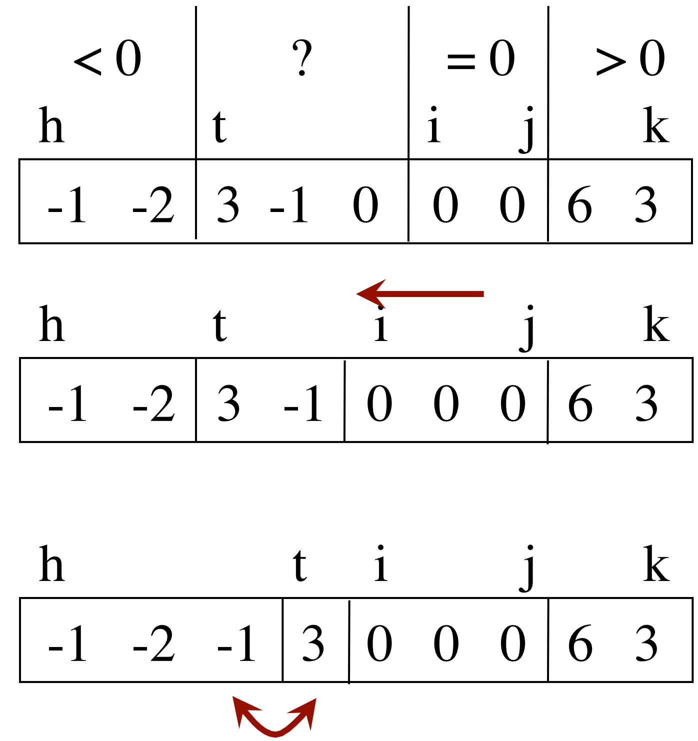

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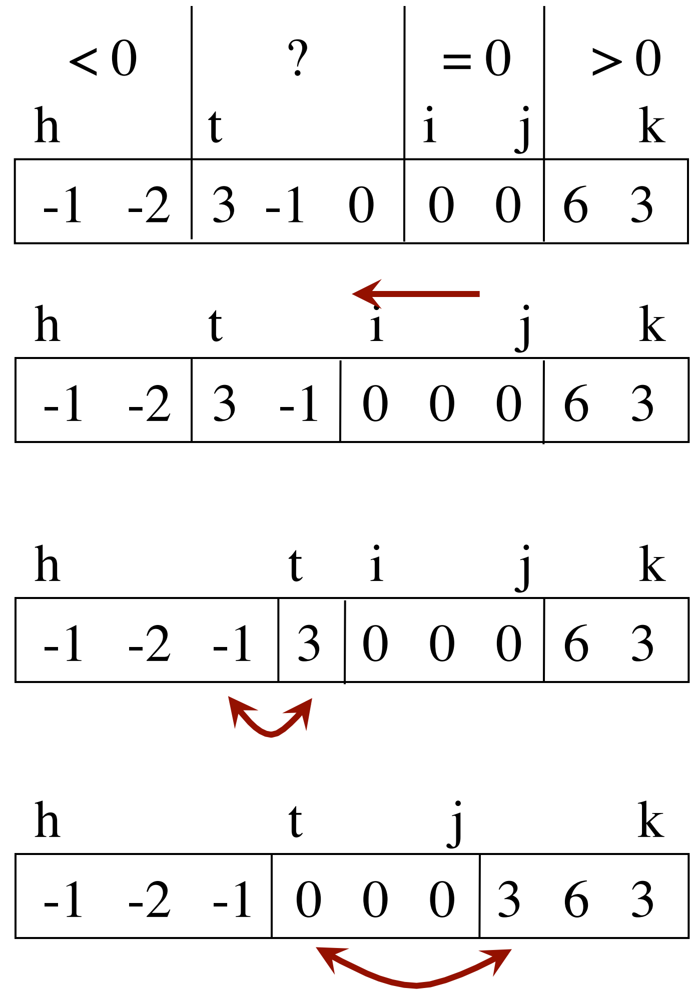

Will Finish This Next Week