

Lecture 27

Sorting

Announcements for This Lecture

Prelim/Finals

- Prelims in **handback room**
 - Gates Hall 216
 - See Piazza for hours
- **Final: Dec 7th 9:00-11:30am**
 - Study guide is posted
 - Announce reviews on Thurs.
- **Conflict with Final time?**
 - Submit to conflict to CMS
by this THURSDAY!

This Week

- **Lab 13** is optional, final lab
 - Due day before final exam
 - Not part of mandatory 12
 - Best way to study for final
- But **Lab 12** is NOT optional
- **A7** is due **SUNDAY**
 - Extensions to Dec 8 possible
 - Have been granting if ask
 - S/U students get by default

Let's Talk about Assignment 6

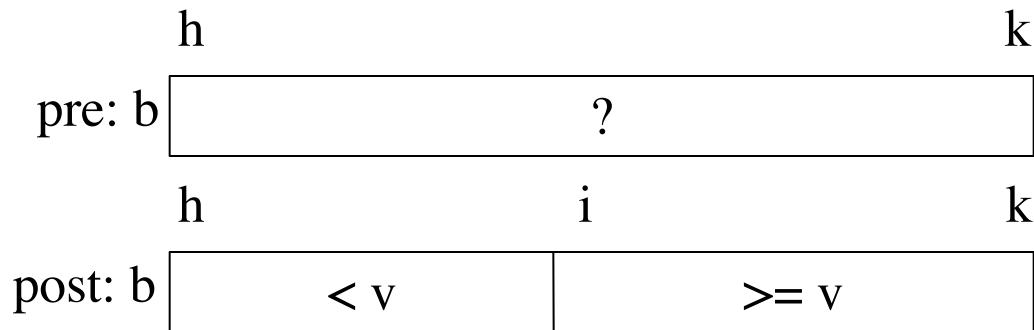
- An extensive redesign of a 2011 assignment
 - Last offered when class was very different
 - Back then majority were engineers & less of them
- We saw a **WIDE** variety of scores/difficulty
 - **Grades:** **Mean** 80, **Median** 84, **SDev** 15
 - **Time:** **Mean** 16.8 hrs, **Median** 15 hrs, **SDev** 7.3 hrs
- Most common rating: **Pretty Good**
 - But enough students hated to drop to **Ok**
 - Students who took longer rated lower

Binary Search

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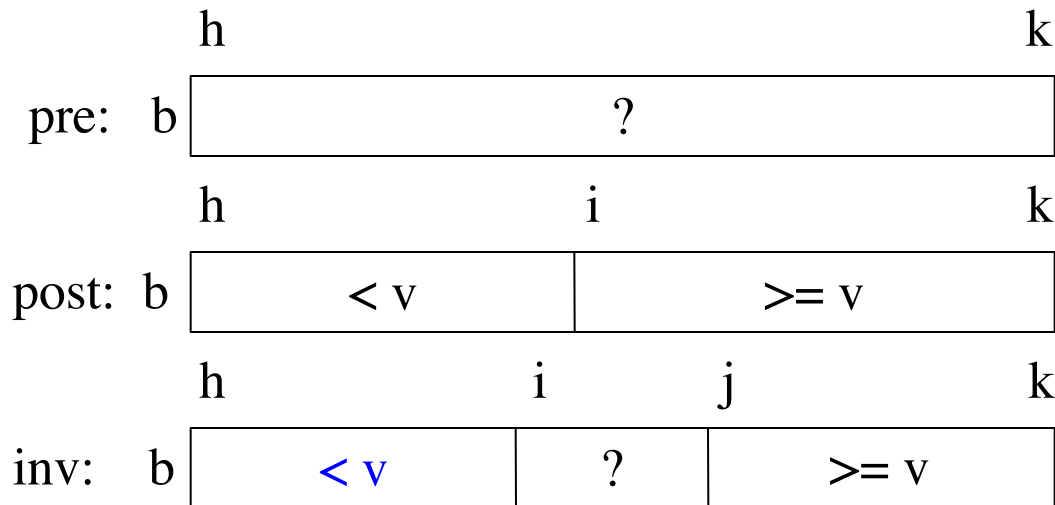
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 - **Postcondition:** $b[h..i-1] < v$ and $v \leq b[i..k]$
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Binary Search

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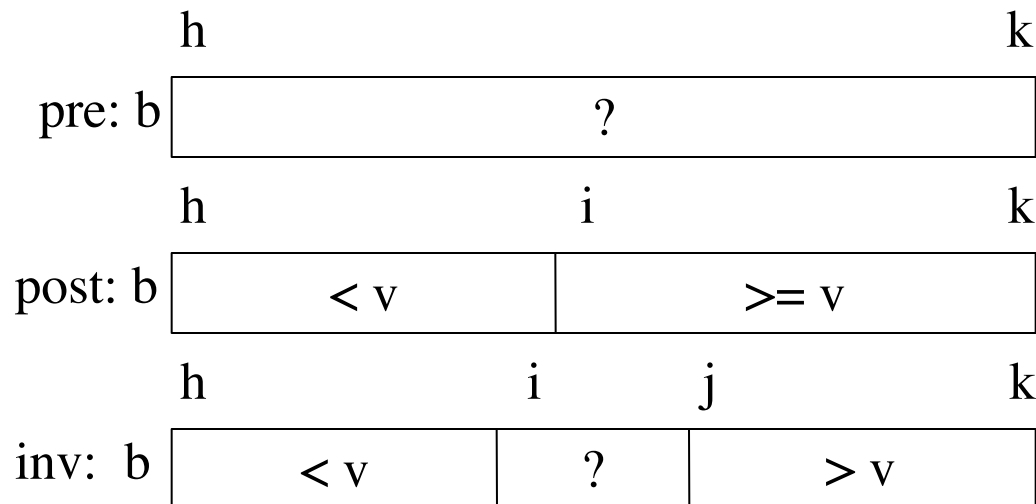
Example b [h 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 k]

b [3 3 3 3 3 4 4 6 7 7]

- if v is 3, set i to 0
- if v is 4, set i to 5
- if v is 5, set i to 7
- if v is 8, set i to 10

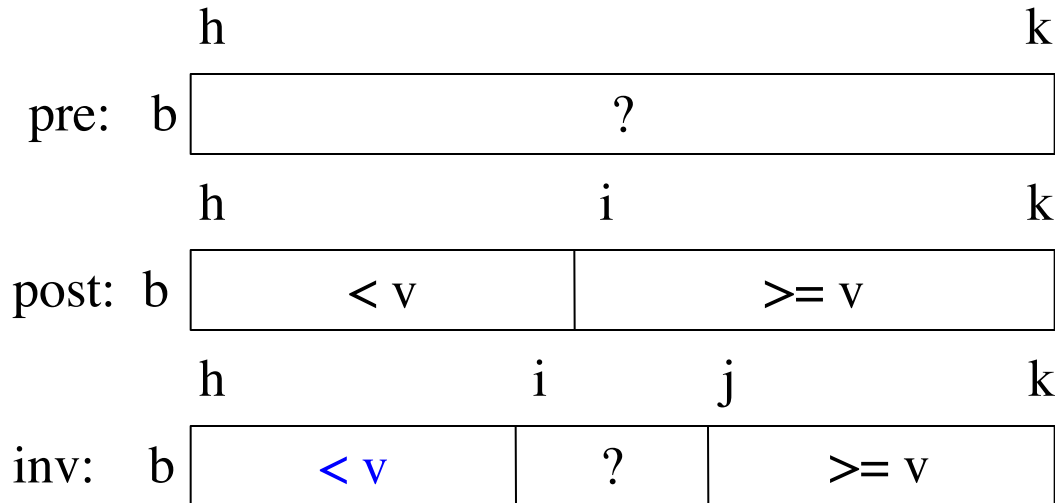
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Called **binary search** because each iteration of the loop cuts the array segment still to be processed in half

Binary Search



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$i = h; j = k + 1;$

while $i \neq j$:

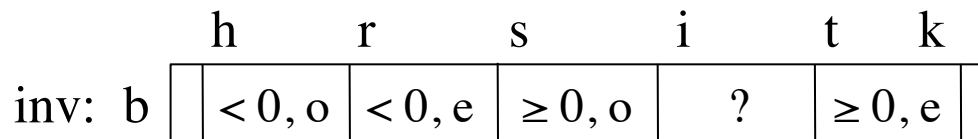
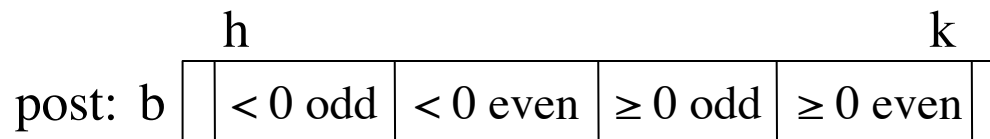
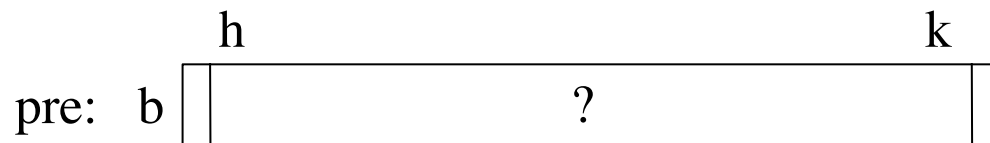
Looking at $b[i]$ gives **linear search from left**.

Looking at $b[j-1]$ gives **linear search from right**.

Looking at middle: $b[(i+j)/2]$ gives **binary search**.

Flag of Mauritius

- Now we have four colors!
 - Negatives: 'red' = odd, 'purple' = even
 - Positives: 'yellow' = odd, 'green' = even



Flag of Mauritius

$< 0, o$	$< 0, e$	$\geq 0, o$?	$\geq 0, e$
h	r	s	i	t k
-1 -3	-2 -4	7 5	-5 -6 1 0	2 4

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One swap is not good enough

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Need two swaps
for two spaces

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h		→ r		→ s		→ i				t k	
-1	-3	-5	-4	-2	5	7	-6	1	0	2	4

And adjust the
loop variables

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< 0, o			< 0, e			?			≥ 0, e	
h			r=s			i			t k	
-1	-3	-7	-4	-2	-6	-5	1	0	2	4

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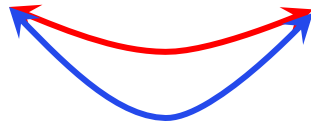


**BUT NOT
ALWAYS!**

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BUT NOT ALWAYS!

Have to check if second swap is okay

Sorting: Arranging in Ascending Order

```

pre:  b ?
      0                               n

```

post: b sorted

Insertion Sort:

Diagram illustrating the partitioning process:

- The array is represented as a horizontal bar.
- The bar is divided into two sections: the left section is labeled "sorted" and the right section is labeled "?".
- Indices 0, i, and n are marked above the bar.
- The text "inv: b" is written to the left of the bar.

i = 0

```
while i < n:
```

```
# Push b[i] down into its
# sorted position in b[0..i]
i = i+1
```

0	i
2 4 4 6 6 7	5

0 ← i

2	4	4	5	6	6	7
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Insertion Sort: Moving into Position

```
i = 0
```

```
while i < n:
```

```
    push_down(b,i)
```

```
    i = i+1
```

```
def push_down(b, i):
```

```
    j = i
```

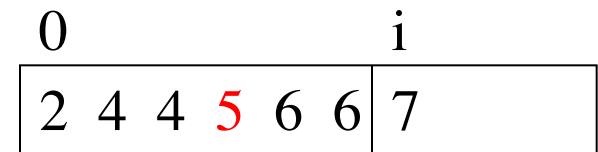
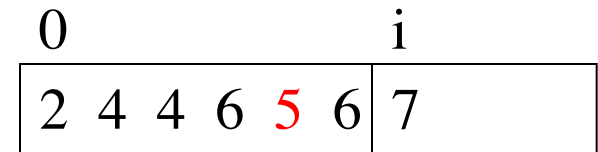
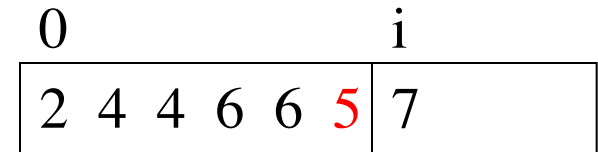
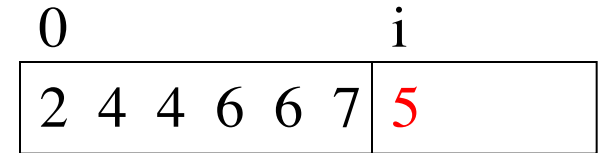
```
    while j > 0:
```

```
        if b[j-1] > b[j]:
```

```
            swap(b,j-1,j)
```

```
            j = j-1
```

swap shown in the
lecture about lists



The Importance of Helper Functions

```
i = 0
while i < n:
    push_down(b,i)
    i = i+1

def push_down(b, i):
    j = i
    while j > 0:
        if b[j-1] > b[j]:
            swap(b,j-1,j)
        j = j-1
```

VS

```
i = 0
while i < n:
    j = i
    while j > 0:
        if b[j-1] > b[j]:
            temp = b[j]
            b[j] = b[j-1]
            b[j-1] = temp
        j = j - 1
    i = i + 1
```

Can you understand
all this code below?

Insertion Sort: Performance

```
def push_down(b, i):
```

```
    """Push value at position i into  
    sorted position in b[0..i-1]"""
```

```
    j = i
```

```
    while j > 0:
```

```
        if b[j-1] > b[j]:
```

```
            swap(b, j-1, j)
```

```
        j = j-1
```

- $b[0..i-1]$: i elements
- Worst case:
 - $i = 0$: 0 swaps
 - $i = 1$: 1 swap
 - $i = 2$: 2 swaps
- Pushdown is in a loop
 - Called for i in $0..n$
 - i swaps each time

Insertion sort is
an n^2 algorithm

Total Swaps: $0 + 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n-1) = (n-1)*n/2$

Algorithm “Complexity”

- **Given:** a list of length n and a problem to solve
- **Complexity:** *rough* number of steps to solve worst case
- Suppose we can compute 1000 operations a second:

Complexity	$n=10$	$n=100$	$n=1000$
n	0.01 s	0.1 s	1 s
$n \log n$	0.016 s	0.32 s	4.79 s
n^2	0.1 s	10 s	16.7 m
n^3	1 s	16.7 m	11.6 d
2^n	1 s	4×10^{19} y	3×10^{290} y

Major Topic in 2110: Beyond scope of this course

Sorting: Changing the Invariant

pre: b

?

post: b

sorted

Selection Sort:

inv: b

sorted, $\leq b[i..]$	$\geq b[0..i-1]$
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First segment always contains smaller values

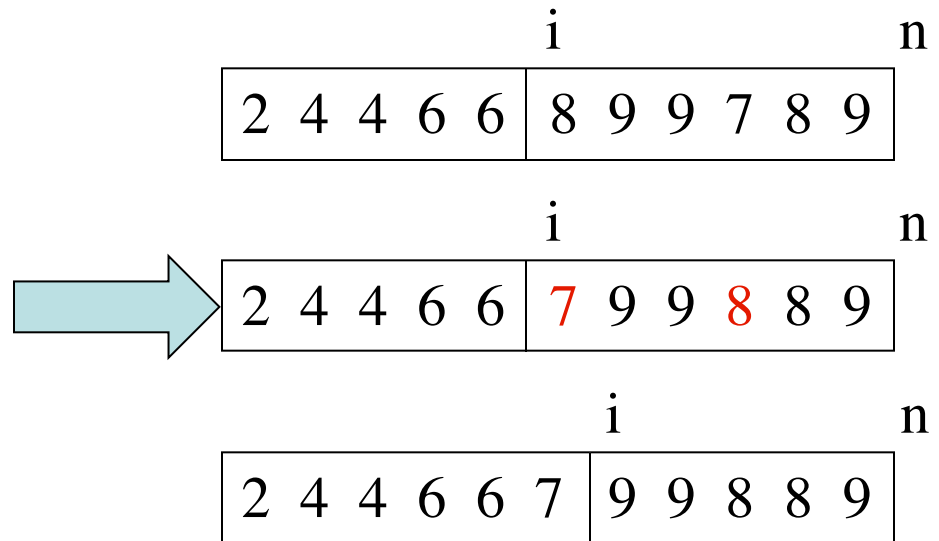
$i = 0$

while $i < n$:

Find minimum in $b[i..]$

Move it to position i

$i = i + 1$



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$i = 0$

while $i < n$:

$j = \text{index of min of } b[i..n-1]$

$\text{swap}(b, i, j)$

$i = i + 1$

i n

2	4	4	6	6	8	9	9	7	8	9
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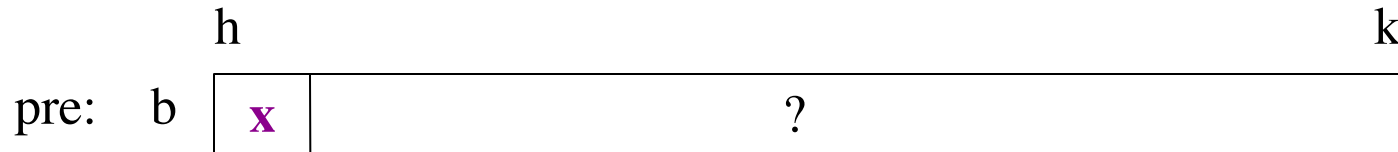
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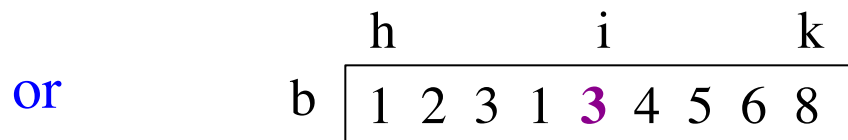
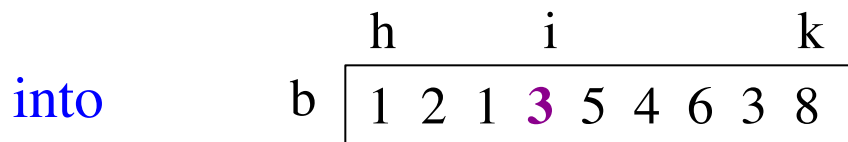
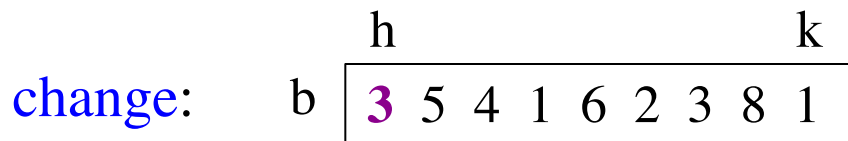
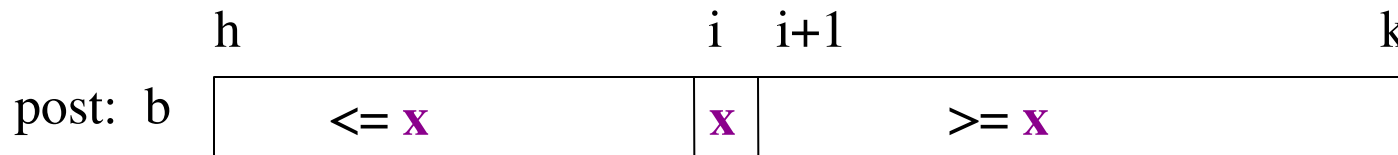
Selection sort also
is an n^2 algorithm

Partition Algorithm

- Given a list segment $b[h..k]$ with some value x in $b[h]$:



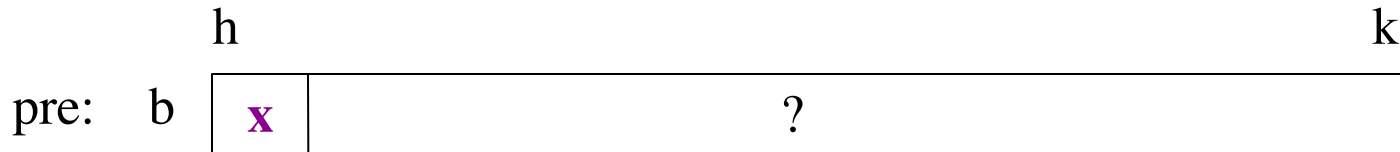
- Swap elements of $b[h..k]$ and store in j to truthify post:



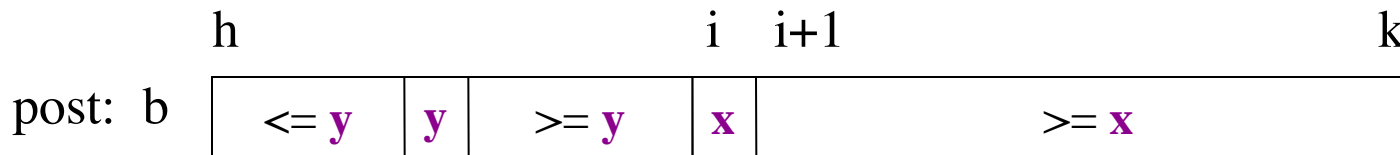
- x is called the **pivot value**
 - x is not a program variable
 - denotes value initially in $b[h]$

Sorting with Partitions

- Given a list segment $b[h..k]$ with some value x in $b[h]$:



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



Partition Recursively

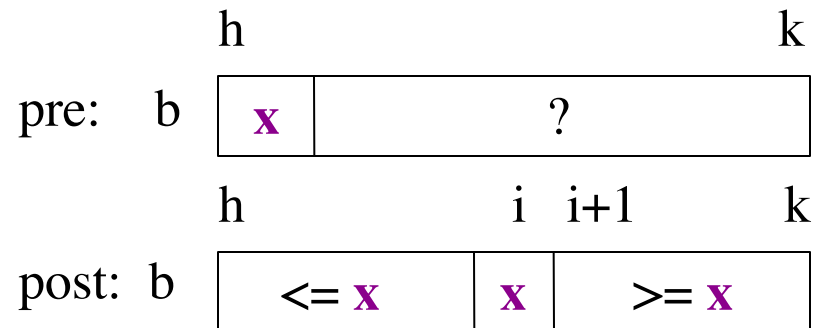
Recursive partitions = sorting

- Called **QuickSort** (why???)
- Popular, fast sorting technique

QuickSort

```
def quick_sort(b, h, k):  
    """Sort the array fragment b[h..k]"""  
    if b[h..k] has fewer than 2 elements:  
        return  
    j = partition(b, h, k)  
    # b[h..j-1] <= b[j] <= b[j+1..k]  
    # Sort b[h..j-1] and b[j+1..k]  
    quick_sort(b, h, j-1)  
    quick_sort(b, j+1, k)
```

- **Worst Case:**
array already sorted
 - Or almost sorted
 - n^2 in that case
- **Average Case:**
array is scrambled
 - $n \log n$ in that case
 - Best sorting time!



Final Word About Algorithms

- **Algorithm:**

- Step-by-step way to do something
- Not tied to specific language

List Diagrams

- **Implementation:**

- An algorithm in a specific language
- Many times, not the “hard part”

Demo Code

- Higher Level Computer Science courses:

- We teach advanced algorithms (pictures)
- Implementation you learn on your own