



We will not cover  
all this material

# SEARCHING AND SORTING

## HINT AT ASYMPTOTIC COMPLEXITY

Lecture 9  
CS2110 – Fall 2014

## Last lecture: binary search

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pre: b 

0		b.length
?		

post: b 

0		h		b.length
<= v		> v		

inv: b 

0		h		t		b.length
<= v		?		> v		

```
h = -1; t = b.length;
while (h != t - 1) {
    int e = (h + t) / 2;
    if (b[e] <= v) h = e;
    else t = e;
}
```

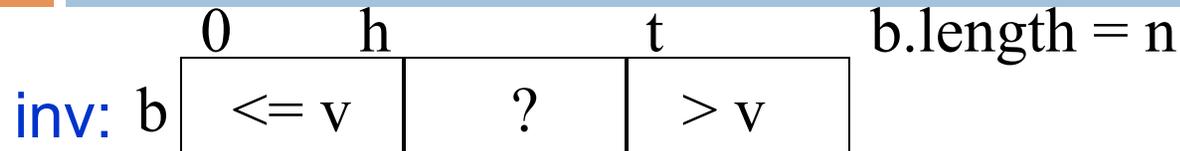
### Methodology:

1. Draw the invariant as a combination of pre and post
2. Develop loop using 4 loopy questions.

**Practice doing this!**

## Binary search: a $O(\log n)$ algorithm

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Initially  $t - h = 2^k$   
Loop iterates  
exactly  $k$  times

Suppose initially:  $b.length = 2^k - 1$

Initially,  $h = -1$ ,  $t = 2^k - 1$ ,  $t - h = 2^k$

Can show that one iteration sets  $h$  or  $t$  so  
that  $t - h = 2^{k-1}$

e.g. Set  $e$  to  $(h+t)/2 = (2^k - 2)/2 = 2^{k-1} - 1$

Set  $t$  to  $e$ , i.e. to  $2^{k-1} - 1$

Then  $t - h = 2^{k-1} - 1 + 1 = 2^{k-1}$

Careful calculation shows that:

**each iteration halves  $t - h$  !!**

## Binary search: $O(\log n)$ algorithm

Search array with 32767 elements, only 15 iterations!

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Bsearch:

```
h = -1; t = b.length;
while (h != t-1) {
    int e = (h+t)/2;
    if (b[e] <= v) h = e;
    else t = e;
}
```

Each iteration takes constant time (a few assignments and an if).

Bsearch executes  $\sim \log n$  iterations for an array of size  $n$ . So the number of assignments and if-tests made is proportional to  $\log n$ . Therefore, Bsearch is called an **order  $\log n$  algorithm**, written  $O(\log n)$ . We formalize this notation later.

If  $n = 2^k$ ,  $k$  is called  $\log(n)$   
That's the base 2 logarithm

<b>n</b>	<b>log(n)</b>
$1 = 2^0$	0
$2 = 2^1$	1
$4 = 2^2$	2
$8 = 2^3$	3
$31768 = 2^{15}$	15

# Linear search: Find first position of $v$ in $b$ (if in)

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Store in  $h$  to truthify: **pre:**  $b$ 

0	?
---	---

 $b.length$

**post:**  $b$ 

0	?
---	---

 $b.length$  and  $h = b.length$  or  $b[h] = v$

**inv:**  $b$ 

0	?
---	---

 $b.length$

$h = 0;$

**while** ( $h \neq b.length$  &&  $b[h] \neq v$ )  
     $h = h + 1;$

Worst case: for array of size  $n$ , requires  $n$  iterations, each taking constant time.

Worst-case time:  $O(n)$ .

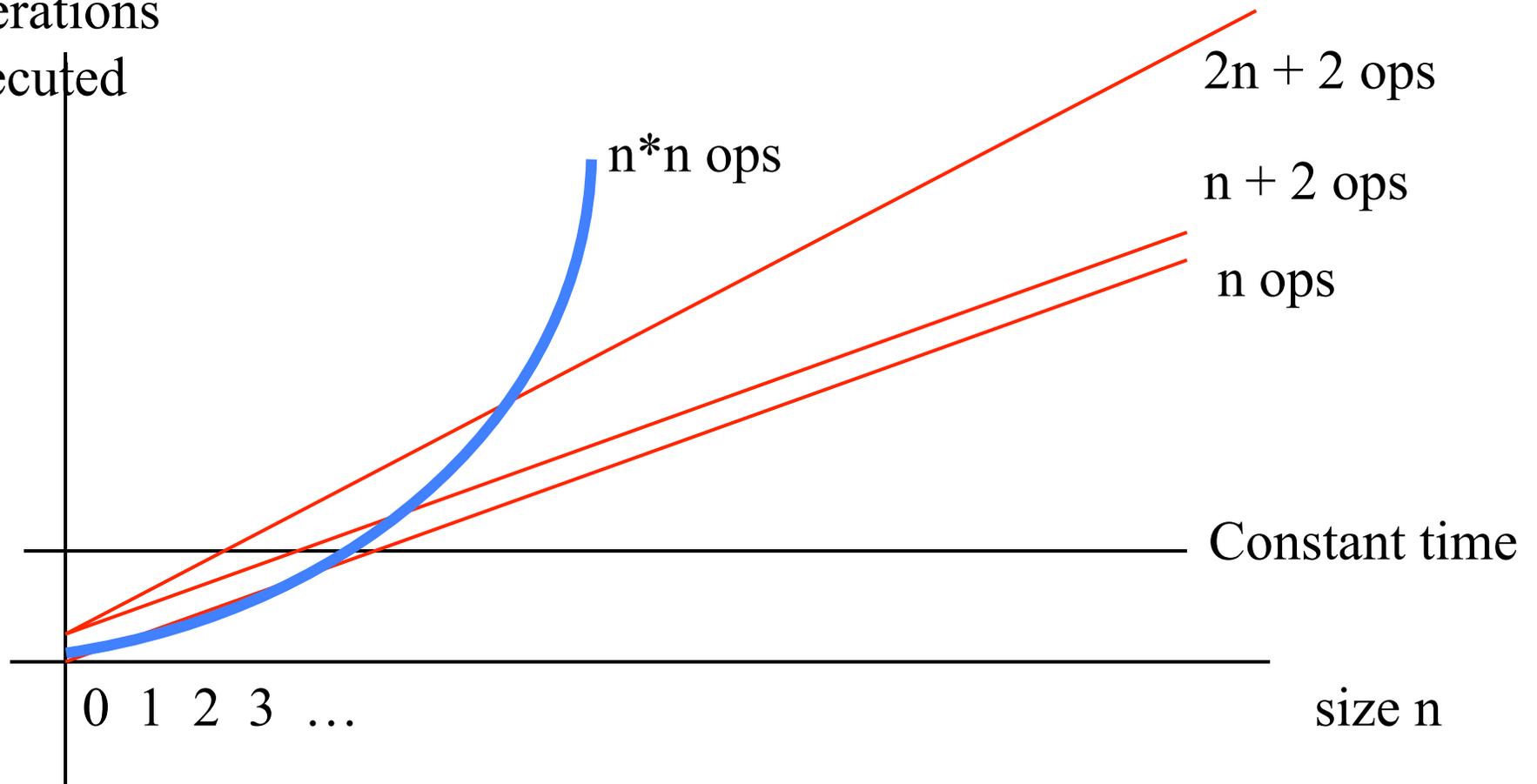
Expected or average time?  
 $n/2$  iterations.  $O(n/2)$  —is also  $O(n)$

# Looking at execution speed    Process an array of size n

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Number of operations executed

$2n+2$ ,  $n+2$ ,  $n$  are all “order n”  $O(n)$



# InsertionSort



pre: b [ 0 ? ] b.length

post: b [ 0 sorted ] b.length

inv: b [ 0 sorted | i ? ] b.length

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

inv: b [ 0 processed | i ? ] b.length

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



# InsertionSort

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```
// sort b[], an array of int
// inv: b[0..i-1] is sorted
for (int i= 1; 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. Later, show how to implement that with a loop

# InsertionSort

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}
```

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

Worst case takes

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

Swaps.

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

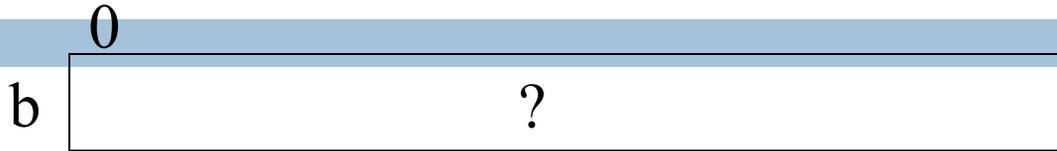
Let  $n = b.length$

# SelectionSort



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pre:



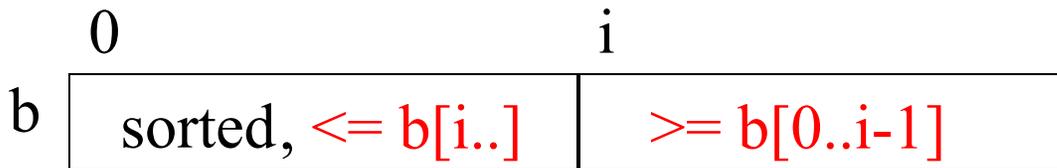
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post:



b.length

inv:

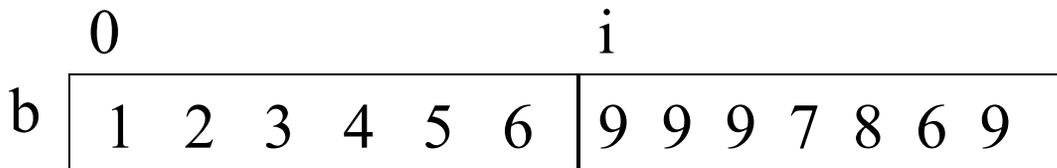


b.length

Additional  
term in  
invariant

Keep invariant true while making progress?

e.g.:



b.length

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

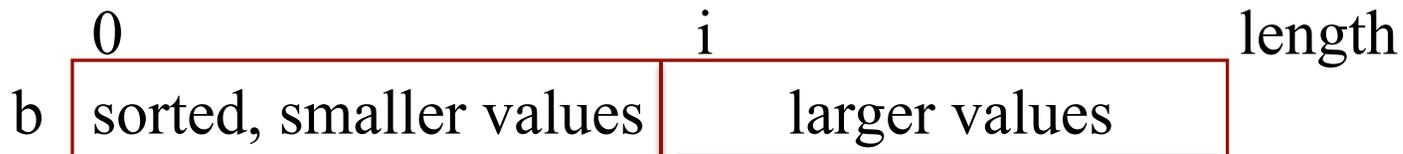
# SelectionSort

```
//sort b[], an array of int
// inv: b[0..i-1] sorted
//      b[0..i-1] <= b[i..]
for (int i= 1; 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

- 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]

# Partition algorithm of quicksort

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**Idea** Using the pivot value  $x$  that is in  $b[h]$ :



$x$  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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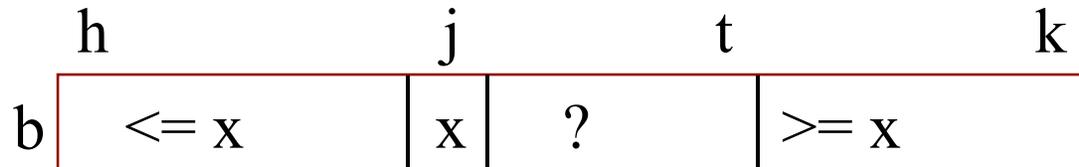
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The 20 could be in the other partition



# 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 procedure

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```

Worst-case: quadratic

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

Average-case:  $O(n \log n)$

```
    // 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);
```

Worst-case space:  $O(n*n)!$  --depth of

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

recursion can be  $n$

```
}
```

Can rewrite it to have space  $O(\log n)$

Average-case:  $O(n * \log n)$





# 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).

Will be 80 in April.

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



# Partition algorithm

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## Key issue:

How to choose a *pivot*?

## Choosing pivot

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

But computing median of unsorted array is  $O(n)$ , quite complicated

## Popular heuristics: Use

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

# Quicksort with logarithmic space

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# 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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public static void QS(int[] b, int h, int k) {  
    int h1= h; int k1= k;  
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    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  $\log n$