Sorting U

Overview

- Simple sorting algorithms,
- Units,
- Pointers.

Sorting – the motivation

- We have read the data.
- we want to process it in a monotone ordering.
- How to do that? Sort, process.
- Let us assume that the data has been read into an array.

The problem of sorting – simple sorting algorithms

- BubbleSort,
- InsertSort,
- SelectSort,
- QuickSort.

Bubblesort

- Geometric interpretation:
 Bubbles in a liquid tend to ascend.
- The idea: We are comparing pairs of consecutive numbers from the first pair to the last one. If they are incorrectly ordered, we swap their positions.
- Individual elements are "bubbling" in the right direction.
- We iterate this process until no swap takes place.

Bubblesort in pseudocode

```
weswapped:=true;
■ while weswapped do
  begin
    ■ for i:=1 to length - 1 do
      begin
        weswapped:=false;
        ■ if numbers[i]>numbers[i+1] then
          begin swap(numbers[i],numbers[i+1]);
               weswapped:=true;
          end:
    end;
end;
```

Complexity of bubble-sort

- How many times we have to iterate the outer (while-)cycle?
- In the *i*-th iteration the *i*-th largest element reaches its position!
- Thus it suffices to perform at most n iterations. Complexity of one iteration is also linear (O(n)).
- Thus altogether $O(n^2)$.
- We can also implement the algorithm so that in odd iterations we bubble from left to right and in even iterations from right to left. This is called **Shakesort**. Its complexity is the same.

Insert- and Select-sort

Selectsort:

- Repeat until the array to sort is empty:
- Find a minimum in the array to sort and add it to the sorted array.

Insertsort:

- Repeat until the array to sort is empty:
- Take the first element of the array to sort and place it onto the correct position in the target array, i.e.: find the position where this element should be in the target array, add it there and the rest of the target array move one position further.

Complexity-analysis: We iterate the process ntimes. One iteration takes at most cn steps (for some constant c). Therefore altogether $O(n^2)$.

Quicksort

sorting using the recursion - the idea

- Sorting a one-element-array is trivial (don't do anything, it is already sorted), i.e., just return the input sequence.
- In a nontrivial array A take a pivot p (element that we use for pivoting).
- Divide the array A into arrays B and C. B consists of the elements smaller than p, C consists of elements larger than p.
- Employ recursion on B, employ recursion on C
- Output the array B, output pivot p (as many times as it was in A), output C.

Quicksort

complexity analysis

- What's the complexity of the algorithm? How many times can we "employ the recursion"?
- Yes, *n*-times. If we take the minimum as pivot, *B* is trivial and *C* is one element smaller than *A*.
- What is the complexity of each "recursion-level"?
- Linear w. r. t. n (because each element gets handled with a constant overhead).
- Altogether, again, $O(n^2)$.
- The average-case complexity is $\Theta(n \log n)$ and the algorithm can be improved to gain this complexity by choosing pivot in a smarter way.
- To improve this algorithm we want to find a median but we have to do it in linear time.

Divide et impera method

alias Divide and conquer

- Already in ancient times (antiquity) it was known that if we divide enemies into several groups, we can gain control over them more easily.
- Similar approach is used in the algorithm-design, just we divide the data.
- This method is specific by dividing the data in a fixed way, e.g., Quicksort.
- Technically we are designing recursive algorithms with complexity $T(n) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} T(n_i)$ where $\sum_{i=1}^{k} n_i = n$.

Sorting Uni

FIXME!!!

Here should be a quicksort implementation!

Units

how to compile parts of code separately

- Sometimes we implement functions usable in several projects (e.g., our sorting functions).
- We may copy (click'n'paste) them into the other source files (bad idea)
- or we store them into a separate file that gets compiled separately.
- The latter approach is referred as the **units**.

Units – advantages and disadvantages

- Source code gets spreaded into several files,
- it is not necessary to store the code more than once when we want to share it in several projects.

Units – syntax and semantic

- Instead of with the keyword program, we start such files with the keyword unit,
- after this keyword we place the name of the unit. Please, note that the name must correspond with the filename. Also the keyword unit is compulsory.
- A unit consists of an interface (what's visible from the outside)
- and of implementation (internal part where the interface is implemented).

Units – the interface part

- The interface describes the publicly visible part of a unit.
- Interface consists of:
- variable definitions (when the variables should be publicly visible),
- function (and proc.) prototypes (when the function should be publicly visible),
- prototype is the header of the function, i.e., the "first line".

Units – impelementation

- What should *not* be publicly visible, i.e.:
- Function definitions,
- variable definitions (for internal variables of the unit),
- definition of any stuff that should be (publicly) invisible,
- definition of internal functions (not mentioned in interface).
- We finish the unit by keyword end. (followed by full-stop)

Units - example

```
unit sorting;
interface
          type po=array[0..9] of integer;
          procedure bubble(var arr:array of integer);
          procedure select(var a:po);
          procedure insert(var a:po);
          procedure quicksort(var arr:array of integer;number:integer);
          procedure output(a:array of integer);
```

Units – example (cont.)

```
implementation
      var inserted:integer;
      procedure bubble(var arr:array of integer);
      function extract_min(var a:po):integer;
      {This function will not be visible from
outside!}
      procedure select(var a:po):integer;
      . . .
end.
```

Units – how to use them

- When using a unit, we announe it with a keyword uses followed by the name of the unit:
- Example: uses sorting;

Using the unit – example

```
program sort;
uses sorting;
var p:array [0..9] of integer;
    i:integer;
begin
    for i:=0 to 9 do
        read(p[i]);
    quicksort(p,1,10);
    output(p);
end.
```