

$$1. X: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$2. E(X) = \sum_{\omega \in S} X(\omega) \Pr(\omega) \\ = \sum_x x \cdot \Pr(X=x)$$

$$3. E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$$

$$E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \cdot E(X_i)$$

$$E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} E(X_i)$$

(provided some convergence conditions hold)

LINEARITY OF EXPECTATION

$$4. \text{ Geometric Distribution } E[X] = 1/p$$

$$5. \text{ Binomial Distribution } E[X] = pn$$

$$6. \text{ INDICATOR R.V. } E[X] = \Pr[X=1]$$

Example 2: Largest element

Consider the following algo to compute max of n -elements $s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_n$.

Algorithm FINDMAX ($s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n$)

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[ max := -∞
  for i := 1 to n do
    if  $s_i > \text{max}$  then
      max :=  $s_i$   — **
  Return max.

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Question: How many times ****** executes, when $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n$ is a random permutation?

Observe: ****** may execute n -times, (input: $1, 2, 3, \dots, n$)

****** may execute only once (input: $n, n-1, \dots, 3, 2, 1$)

Let $X = \#$ times max changes on an input sequence $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n$

Question: $E(X) = ?$

Define n -indicator r.v., $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$

$$x_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if max changes - i.e line } (**) - \text{ is executed} \\ & \text{in the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ iteration} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note that $X = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$

Hence, $E(X) = E(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)$

$$= E(x_1) + E(x_2) + \dots + E(x_n)$$

by linearity of exp expectation

$$\text{Thus } E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr(x_i = 1).$$

Let us compute $\Pr(x_i = 1) = ?$

When is $x_i = 1$?

This is when in the subsequence $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_i$ the maximum value is at the last position.

But $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_i$ is a subsequence of a random permutation - thus max could be in any of i positions.

$$\Pr(\text{Max is at the last position in } s_1, s_2, \dots, s_i) = \frac{1}{i} = \Pr(x_i = 1)$$

Hence

$$E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr(X_i = 1) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$$

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nth Harmonic-number

$$\sim 1 + \ln n$$

(see section 6.8.3)

Claim: Let  $H_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$ .

$$\ln(n+1) \leq H_n \leq 1 + \ln n$$

→ Thus max-value changes about  $O(\log n)$  times for a random permutation in the algorithm FINDMAX.

### Example 3: Insertion Sort

Algorithm INSERTION SORT ( $A[1..n]$ )

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for  $i = 2$  to  $n$  do
     $j := i$ ;
    while  $j > 1$  and  $A[j] < A[j-1]$ 
        [
            - swap  $A[j]$  and  $A[j-1]$ 
            -  $j := j - 1$ 
        ]
    
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- Note that at the start of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  iteration
- the subarray  $A[1..i-1]$  is sorted
  - algorithm hasn't seen any of the elements in  $A[i..n]$ .

Question: What is the total # of swaps the algorithm makes?

→ It can be anywhere from 0 to  $\binom{n}{2}$

0 for sorted inputs:  $1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, n$

$\binom{n}{2}$  for reverse-sorted inputs:  $n, n-1, n-2, \dots, 1$ .

Suppose the array  $A$  consists of a uniform random permutation of integers  $1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ .

Let  $X = \#$  of swaps made by INSERTION SORT on this input.

$X$  is a r.v from permutations of  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  to positive integers.

We are interested in computing  $E[X] = ?$

Define a indicator r.v  $X_{ab}$  for

$1 \leq a < b \leq n$  as follows

$$X_{ab} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a \text{ \& } b \text{ are swapped by the algo} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note that since  $a < b$ , the reason that

$a$  and  $b$  will be swapped iff " $b$  is to left of  $a$  in the input permutation".

Thus the event " $b$  is to the left of  $a$ "

corresponds to  $X_{ab} = 1$ . Since we have a

random permutation, there is an equal chance

that  $b$  is to the left of  $a$ , or  $b$  is to the right of  $a$ .



Thus

$$E[X_{ab}] = \Pr[X_{ab} = 1] = 1/2.$$

Note that

$$X = \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \sum_{b=a+1}^n X_{ab}$$

(as each pair  $a, b$  can be swapped at most once by the algorithm)

Thus

$$E[X] = E\left[\sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \sum_{b=a+1}^n X_{ab}\right]$$

$$= \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \sum_{b=a+1}^n E[X_{ab}]$$

Linearity of expectation

$$= \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \sum_{b=a+1}^n \Pr[X_{ab} = 1]$$

Indicator r.v.

$$= \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \sum_{b=a+1}^n \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{2} \quad \square$$

### Example 4: Quicksort

Input: An array of  $n$ -distinct numbers, and it is random permutation of  $\{1..n\}$ .

Output: Same array, elements are in sorted order.

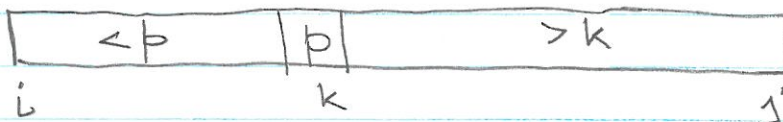
Generic call to  $\text{QUICKSORT}(A, i, j)$  takes two indices  $i < j$ , and sorts the subarray  $A[i..j]$ .

Algorithm  $\text{QUICKSORT}(A, i, j)$ :

if  $i < j$  then

$p :=$  uniformly random element in  $A[i..j]$ ;

Compare  $p$  with all elements in  $A[i..j]$  and rearrange the elements so that the following holds



$\text{QUICKSORT}(A, i, k-1)$  ;

$\text{QUICKSORT}(A, k+1, j)$  ;

As we saw in the very first class,  $p$  is called the pivot.

The worst case running time of Quicksort is  $\Theta(n^2)$ .



We will show that the expected running time of Quicksort  $(A, 1, n)$  is  $O(n \log n)$ .

Let  $X$  be the r.v. denoting

$X$  = total # of comparisons performed in algorithm QUICKSORT  $(A, 1, n)$ .

We will show that

$$E(X) = O(n \log n).$$

For each  $a$  and  $b$ , where  $1 \leq a < b \leq n$ , define

$$X_{ab} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a \text{ \& } b \text{ are compared in Quicksort}(A, 1, n) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Since each pair of input elements are compared once,

$$X = \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \sum_{b=a+1}^n X_{ab}$$

$$\text{Thus, } E(X) = E\left(\sum \sum X_{ab}\right)$$

$$= \sum \sum X_{ab}$$

$$= \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \sum_{b=a+1}^n \Pr(X_{ab} = 1).$$

What is  $\Pr(X_{ab}=1)=?$

What is the probability that the elements  $a$  &  $b$  are compared to each other when running  $\text{QUICKSORT}(A, l, n)$ ?

Define the set  $S_{ab} = \{a, a+1, \dots, b\}$ .

At the start of the algorithm,  $S_{ab} \subseteq S$  and thus all elements of  $S_{ab}$  are part of input to  $\text{QUICKSORT}(A, l, n)$ .

Consider the first pivot  $p$  that is chosen.

Consider the following 2 cases:

(1)  $p \notin S_{ab}$

- If  $p < a$ , after the algorithm has rearranged the input array, all elements of  $S_{ab}$  are to the right of  $p$ .

All elements of  $S_{ab}$  are part of the input to recursive call  $\text{QUICKSORT}(A, k+1, n)$ .

During rearrangement,  $a$  &  $b$  were not compared to each other, but in the recursive call, they may get compared.

- If  $p > b$ , then by similar reasoning, all elements of  $S_{ab}$  are part of recursive call  $\text{QUICKSORT}(A, l, k-1)$ .

(2)  $p \in S_{ab}$

- if  $p \neq a$  and  $p \neq b$ , then after the algorithm has rearranged,  $a$  is to left of  $p$ ,  $b$  is to right of  $p$ , and  $a$  &  $b$  are "separated". They are not compared to each other during the rearranging.

Also, they will not be compared ever after, as they are separated.

Thus  $X_{ab} = 0$

- if  $p = a$  or  $p = b$ , then during the rearranging  $a$  &  $b$  are compared to each other. In future recursive calls, they are never compared again.

Thus  $X_{ab} = 1$ .



Conclusions so far:

Whether or not  $a$  and  $b$  are compared to each other is determined completely by the first element  $p$  that is chosen as pivot in the set  $S_{ab}$ .

Moreover, only if  $p=a$  or  $p=b$ ,  $a$  &  $b$  are compared to each other.

$$X_{ab} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{only if } p=a \text{ or } p=b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Since,  $p$  is chosen uniformly at random,

$$\Pr(p=a \text{ or } p=b) = \frac{2}{b-a+1} \quad \text{as there are}$$

$b-a+1$  elements in  $S_{ab}$ , each of them has equal chance of being chosen as  $p$ , and

$$\Pr(p=a \text{ or } p=b) = \frac{2}{b-a+1}.$$

Hence  $\Pr(X_{ab}=1) = \Pr(p=a \text{ or } p=b \text{ in } S_{ab} \text{ where } p \text{ is the first pivot element from } S_{ab})$

Thus,

$$E(X) = \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \sum_{b=a+1}^n \Pr(X_{ab} = 1)$$

$$= \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \sum_{b=a+1}^n \frac{2}{b-a+1}$$

$$= 2 \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n-a+1} \right)$$

$$\leq 2 \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n-a+1} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$$

$$= 2 \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} (H_n - 1)$$

$$= 2(n-1)(H_n - 1)$$

$$\leq 2n(H_n - 1)$$

Thus  $E(X) \leq 2n \ln n$ , as  $H_n \sim 1 + \ln n$ .

Expected # comparisons made by quicksort on a random permutation of input elements is  $\sim 2n \ln n$ .  $\square$