

Data Structures and Algorithms

(CS210A)

Semester I – 2014-15

Lecture 39

- Integer sorting : Radix Sort
- Search data structure for integers : Hashing

Types of sorting algorithms

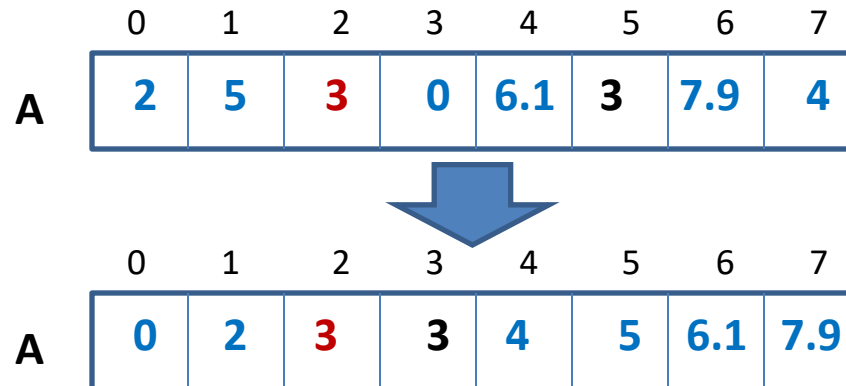
In Place Sorting algorithm:

A sorting algorithm which uses only $O(1)$ extra space to sort.

Example: Heap sort, Quick sort.

Stable Sorting algorithm:

A sorting algorithm which preserves the order of **equal keys** while sorting.



Example: Merge sort.

Integer Sorting algorithms

Continued from last class

Counting sort: algorithm for sorting integers

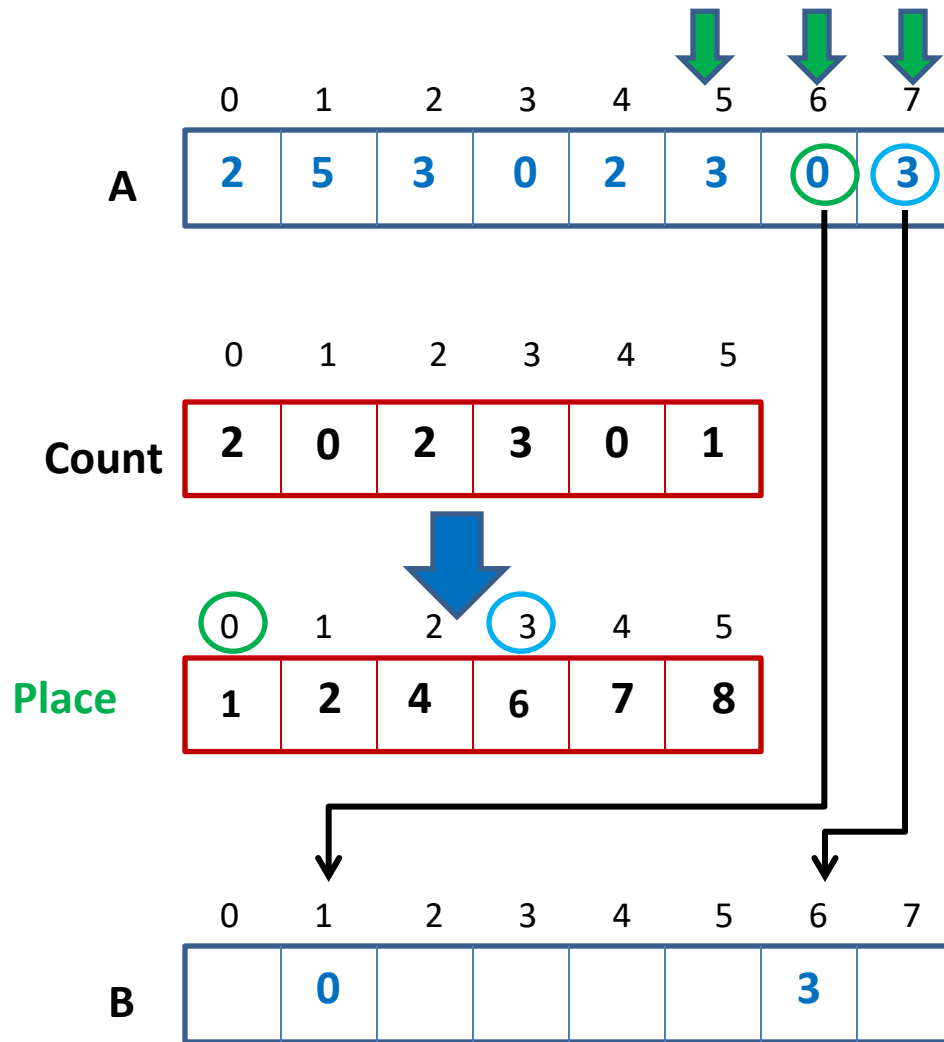
Input: An array **A** storing n integers in the range $[0 \dots k - 1]$.

Output: Sorted array **A**.

Running time: $O(n + k)$ in **word RAM** model of computation.

Extra space: $O(n + k)$

Counting sort: a visual description



Why did we scan elements of **A** in reverse order (from index $n - 1$ to **0**) while placing them in the final sorted array **B** ?

Answer:

1 To ensure that Counting sort is **stable**.
t The reason why stability is required will
t become clear soon 😊

Counting sort: algorithm for sorting integers

CountSort($A[0 \dots n - 1]$, k)

For $j=0$ to $k - 1$ do $\text{Count}[j] \leftarrow 0$;

For $i=0$ to $n - 1$ do $\text{Count}[A[i]] \leftarrow \text{Count}[A[i]] + 1$;

For $j=0$ to $k - 1$ do $\text{Place}[j] \leftarrow \text{Count}[j]$;

For $j=1$ to $k - 1$ do $\text{Place}[j] \leftarrow \text{Place}[j - 1] + \text{Count}[j]$;

For $i=n - 1$ to 0 do

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{    B[  $\text{Place}[A[i]] - 1$  ]  $\leftarrow A[i]$ ;  
       $\text{Place}[A[i]] \leftarrow \text{Place}[A[i]] - 1$ ;
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}
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return B;

Counting sort: algorithm for sorting integers

Key points of Counting sort:

- It performs arithmetic operations involving $O(\log n + \log k)$ bits ($O(1)$ time in **word RAM**).
- It is a **stable** sorting algorithm.

Theorem: An array storing n integers in the range $[0..k-1]$ can be sorted in $O(n+k)$ time and using total $O(n+k)$ space in **word RAM** model.

→ For $k \leq n$, we get an optimal algorithm for sorting.

→ For $k = n^t$, time and space complexity is $O(n^t)$.

(too bad for $t > 1$. ☹)

Question:

How to sort n integers in the range $[0..n^t]$ in $O(tn)$ time and using $O(n)$ space?

Radix Sort

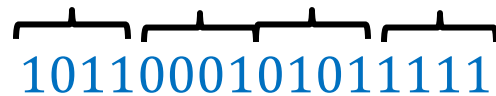
Digits of an integer

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No. of **digits** = 6

value of **digit** $\in \{0, \dots, 9\}$

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No. of **digits** = 4

value of **digit** $\in \{0, \dots, 15\}$

It is up to us how we define digit ?

Radix Sort

Input: An array **A** storing n integers, where

- (i) each integer has exactly d digits.
- (ii) each **digit** has **value** $< k$
- (iii) $k < n$.

Output: Sorted array **A**.

Running time:

$O(dn)$ in **word RAM** model of computation.

Extra space:

$O(n + k)$

Important points:

- makes use of a **count sort**.
- Heavily relies on the fact that **count sort** is a **stable sort** algorithm.

Demonstration of Radix Sort through example

A 

2	0	1	2
1	3	8	5
4	9	6	1
5	8	1	0
2	3	7	3
6	2	3	9
9	6	2	4
8	2	9	9
3	4	6	5
7	0	9	8
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$d = 4$
 $n = 12$
 $k = 10$

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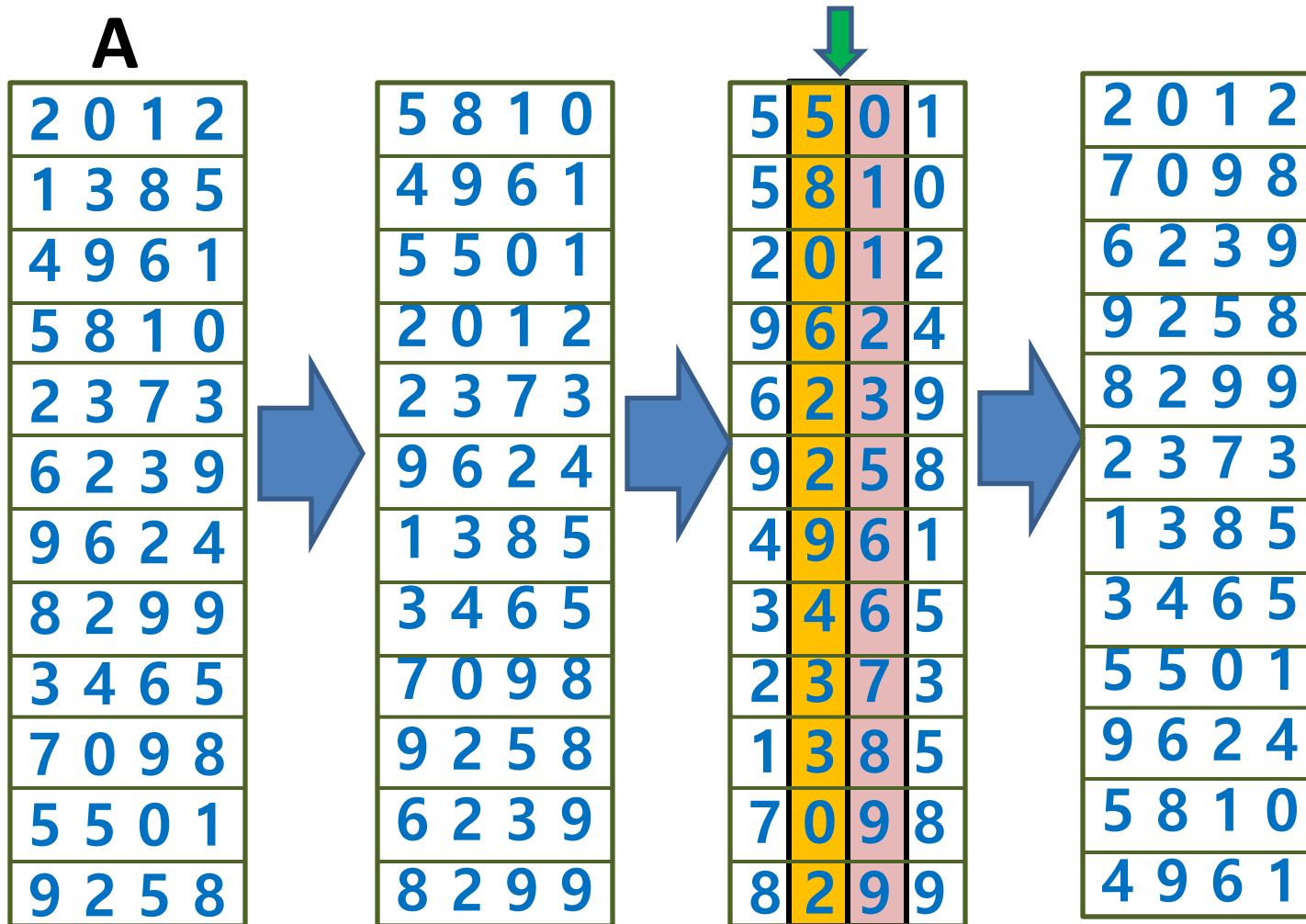
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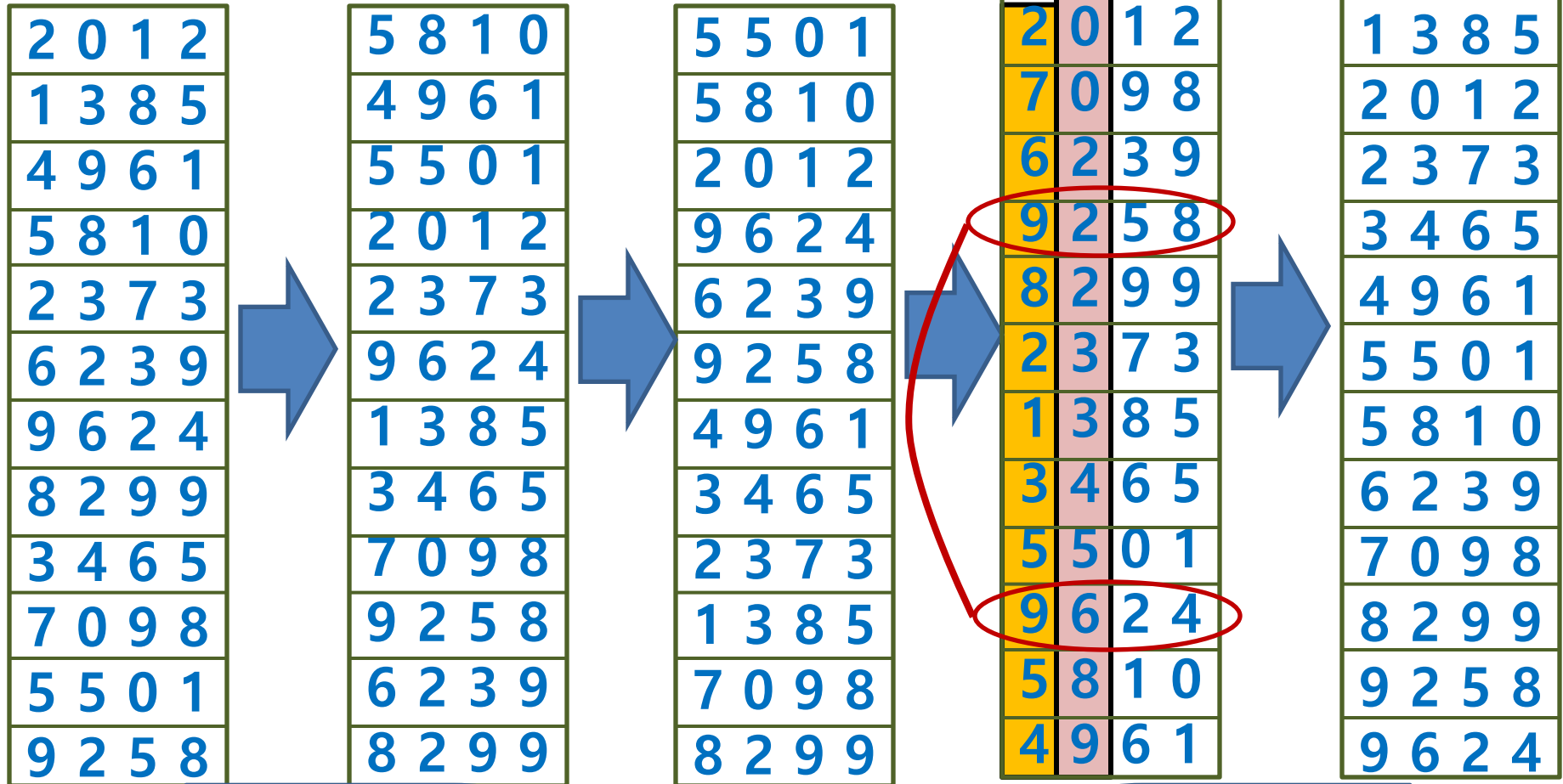
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Can you see where we are exploiting the fact that **Countsort** is a **stable** sorting algorithm ?

Radix Sort

RadixSort($A[0 \dots n - 1]$, d , k)

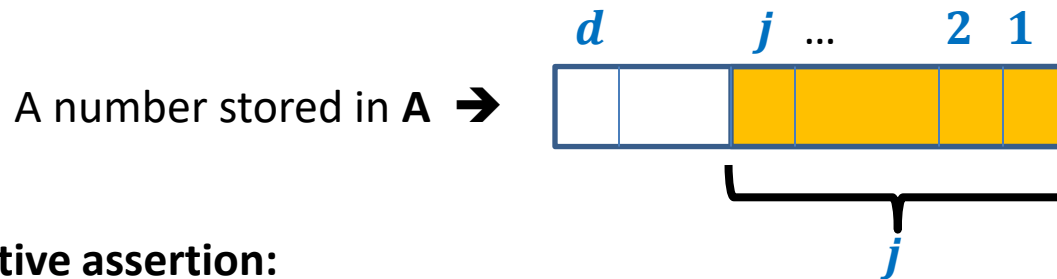
{ For $j=1$ to d do

 Execute **CountSort**(A, k) with j th digit as the **key**;

 return A ;

}

Correctness:



Inductive assertion:

At the end of j th iteration, array A is sorted according to the last j digits.

During the induction step, you will have to use the fact that **Countsort** is a **stable** sorting algorithm.

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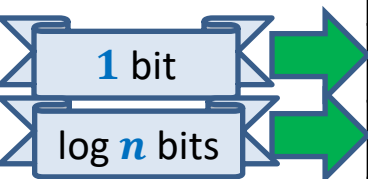
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Time complexity:

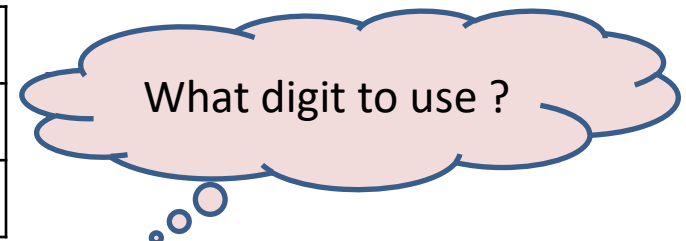
- A single execution of **CountSort**(A, k) runs in $O(n + k)$ time and $O(n + k)$ space.
- Note $k < n$,
 - a single execution of **CountSort**(A, k) runs in $O(n)$ time.
 - Time complexity of radix sort = $O(dn)$.
- → Extra space used = $O(n)$

Question: How to use Radix sort to sort n integers in range $[0..n^t]$ in $O(tn)$ time and $O(n)$ space ?

Answer:



d	k	Time complexity
$t \log n$	2	$O(tn \log n)$ 😞
t	n	$O(tn)$ 😊



Power of the word RAM model

- **Very fast** algorithms for **sorting integers**:

Example: n integers in range $[0..n^{10}]$ in $O(n)$ time and $O(n)$ space ?

- **Lesson:**

Do not always go after **Merge sort** and **Quick sort** when input is integers.

- **Interesting programming exercise** (for winter vacation):

Compare **Quick sort** with **Radix sort** for sorting long integers.

Data structures for searching

in $O(1)$ time

Motivating Example

Input: a given set S of 1009 positive integers

Aim: Data structure for searching

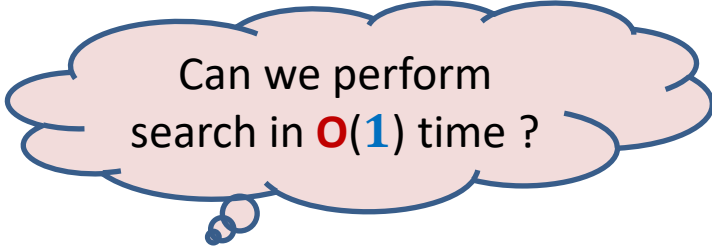
Example

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{  
123, 579236, 1072664, 770832456778, 61784523, 100004503210023, 19,  
762354723763099, 579, 72664, 977083245677001238, 84, 100004503210023,  
...  
}
```

Data structure : Array storing S in sorted order

Searching : Binary search

$O(\log |S|)$ time



Can we perform
search in $O(1)$ time ?

Problem Description

$U : \{0, 1, \dots, m - 1\}$ called **universe**

$S \subseteq U$,

$n = |S|$,

$n \ll m$

Aim: A data structure for a given set S that can facilitate searching in $O(1)$ time.

A search query: Does $j \in S$?

Note: j can be any element from U .

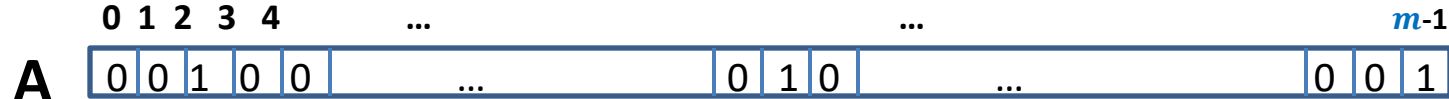
A trivial data structure for $O(1)$ search time

Build a 0-1 array **A** of size m such that

$A[i] = 1$ if $i \in S$.

$A[i] = 0$ if $i \notin S$.

Time complexity for searching an element in set S : $O(1)$.



This is a totally Impractical data structure because $n \ll m$!

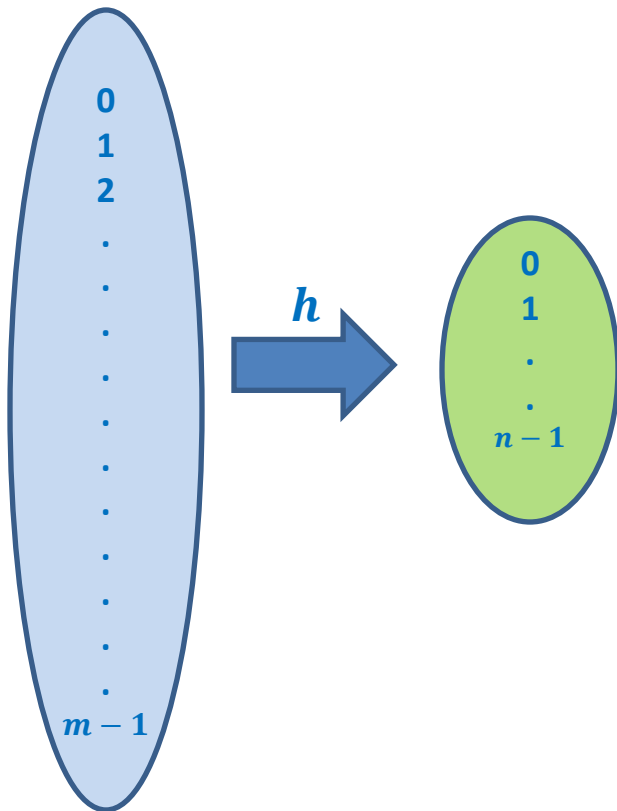
Example: n = few thousands, m = few trillions.

Question:

Can we have a data structure of $O(n)$ size that can answer a search query in $O(1)$ time ?

Answer: Hashing

Hash function, hash value



Hash function:

h is a mapping from U to $\{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ with the following characteristics.

- **Space** required for h : a few **words**.
- $h(i)$ computable in $O(1)$ time in **word RAM**.

Example: $h(i) = i \bmod n$

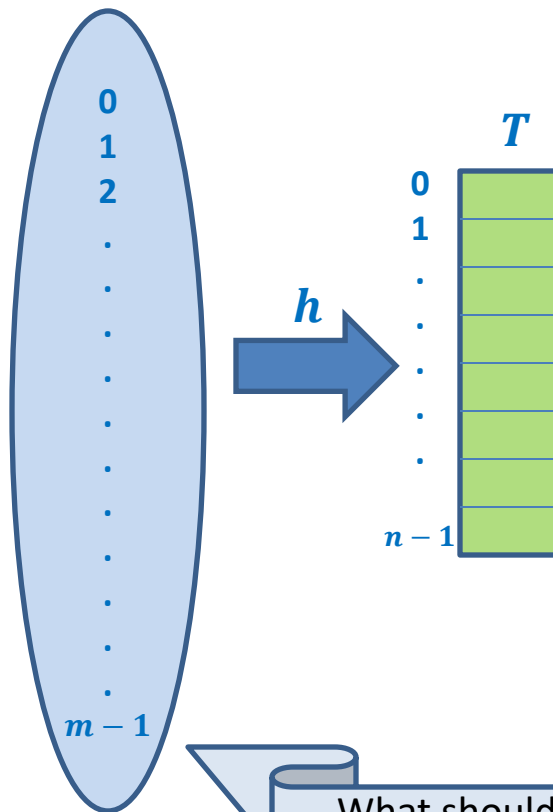
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Hash Table:

An array $T[0 \dots n-1]$ of ...

Hash function, hash value, hash table



What should T store?
Ponder over it...
We shall discuss it in the
next class.

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