

# Algorithms

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## ALGORITHM 245

### TREESORT 3 [M1]

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**procedure** *TREESORT 3* (*M*, *n*);  
  **value** *n*; **array** *M*; **integer** *n*;  
**comment** *TREESORT 3* is a major revision of *TREESORT*  
[R. W. Floyd, Alg. 113, *Comm. ACM* 5 (Aug. 1962), 434] sug-  
gested by *HEAPSORT* [J. W. J. Williams, Alg. 232, *Comm.*  
*ACM* 7 (June 1964), 347] from which it differs in being an in-place  
sort. It is shorter and probably faster, requiring fewer compari-  
sons and only one division. It sorts the array *M*[1:*n*], requiring  
no more than  $2 \times (2 \uparrow p - 2) \times (p - 1)$ , or approximately  $2 \times$   
 $n \times (\log_2 n) - 1$  comparisons and half as many exchanges in  
the worst case to sort  $n = 2 \uparrow p - 1$  items. The algorithm is  
most easily followed if *M* is thought of as a tree, with *M*[*j*÷2]  
the father of *M*[*j*] for  $1 < j \leq n$ ;

**begin**

**procedure** *exchange* (*x*,*y*); **real** *x*,*y*;  
    **begin** **real** *t*; *t* := *x*; *x* := *y*; *y* := *t*  
    **end** *exchange*;

**procedure** *siftup* (*i*,*n*); **value** *i*, *n*; **integer** *i*, *n*;

**comment** *M*[*i*] is moved upward in the subtree of *M*[1:*n*] of  
  which it is the root;

**begin** **real** *copy*; **integer** *j*;

*copy* := *M*[*i*];

**loop**: *j* := 2 × *i*;

**if** *j* ≤ *n* **then**

**begin** **if** *j* < *n* **then**

**begin** **if** *M*[*j*+1] > *M*[*j*] **then** *j* := *j* + 1 **end**;

**if** *M*[*j*] > *copy* **then**

**begin** *M*[*i*] := *M*[*j*]; *i* := *j*; **go to** *loop* **end**

**end**;

*M*[*i*] := *copy*

**end** *siftup*;

**integer** *i*;

**for** *i* := *n*÷2 **step** -1 **until** 2 **do** *siftup* (*i*,*n*);

**for** *i* := *n* **step** -1 **until** 2 **do**

**begin** *siftup* (1,*i*);

**comment** *M*[*j*÷2] ≥ *M*[*j*] for  $1 < j \leq i$ ;

*exchange* (*M*[1], *M*[*i*]);

**comment** *M*[*i*:*n*] is fully sorted;

**end**

**end** *TREESORT 3*

## ALGORITHM 246

### GRAYCODE [Z]

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**procedure** *graycode* (*a*) **dimension**: (*n*) **parity**: (*s*); **value** *n*,*s*;

**Boolean** **array** *a*; **integer** *n*; **Boolean** *s*;

**comment** elements of the Boolean array *a*[1:*n*] may together be

considered as representing a logical vector value in the Gray  
cyclic binary-code. [See e.g. Phister, M., Jr., *Logical Design of*  
*Digital Computers*, Wiley, New York, 1958. pp. 232, 399.] This  
procedure changes one element of the array to form the next  
code value in ascending sequence if the parity parameter *s*  
= **true** or in descending sequence if *s* = **false**. The procedure  
may also be applied to the classic "rings-o-seven" puzzle [see  
K. E. Iverson, *A Programming Language*, p. 63, Ex. 1.5];

**begin** **integer** *i*,*j*; *j* := *n* + 1;

**for** *i* := *n* **step** -1 **until** 1 **do** **if** *a*[*i*] **then** **begin** *s* := ¬ *s*;  
    *j* := *i* **end**;

**if** *s* **then** *a*[1] := ¬ *a*[1] **else if** *j* < *n* **then** *a*[*j*+1] := ¬ *a*[*j*+1]  
    **else** *a*[*n*] := ¬ *a*[*n*]

**end** *graycode*

## ALGORITHM 247

### RADICAL-INVERSE QUASI-RANDOM POINT SEQUENCE [G5]

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**procedure** *QRPSH* (*K*, *N*, *P*, *Q*, *R*, *E*);

**integer** *K*, *N*; **real** **array** *P*, *Q*; **integer** **array** *R*; **real** *E*;

**comment** This procedure computes a sequence of *N* quasi-  
random points lying in the *K*-dimensional unit hypercube  
given by  $0 < x_i < 1$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, K$ . The *i*th component of  
the *m*th point is stored in *Q*[*m*,*i*]. The sequence is initiated by a  
"zero-th point" stored in *P*, and each component sequence is  
iteratively generated with parameter *R*[*i*]. *E* is a positive error-  
parameter. *K*, *N*, *E*, and the *P*[*i*] and *R*[*i*] for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, K$ ,  
are to be given.

The sequence is discussed by J. H. Halton in *Num. Math.* 2  
(1960), 84-90. If any integer *n* is written in radix-*R* notation as

$$n = n_m \dots n_2 n_1 n_0 \cdot 0 = n_0 + n_1 R + n_2 R^2 + \dots + n_m R^m,$$

and reflected in the radical point, we obtain the *R*-inverse func-  
tion of *n*, lying between 0 and 1,

$$\phi_R(n) = 0 \cdot n_0 n_1 n_2 \dots n_m = n_0 R^{-1} + n_1 R^{-2} \\ + n_2 R^{-3} + \dots + n_m R^{-m-1}.$$

The problem solved by this algorithm is that of giving a com-  
pact procedure for the addition of  $R^{-1}$ , in any radix *R*, to a frac-  
tion, with downward "carry".

If  $P[i] = \phi_{R[i]}(s)$ , as will almost always be the case in practice,  
with *s* a known integer, then  $Q[m,i] = \phi_{R[i]}(s+m)$ . For quasi-  
randomness (uniform limiting density), the integers *R*[*i*] must  
be mutually prime.

For exact numbers, *E* would be infinitesimal positive. In prac-  
tice, round-off errors would then cause the "carry" to be in-  
correctly placed, in two circumstances. Suppose that the stored  
number representing  $\phi_R(n)$  is actually  $\phi_R(n) + \Delta$ . (a) If  $|\Delta|$   
≥  $R^{-m-1}$ , we see that the results of the algorithm become un-