

Tutorial 03: Jan 31

1. Expected Runtime Again!

Give a tight bound on the expected number of iterations of the while loop in the following program.

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def silly(n):
    while n != 0:
        n = randint(0, n) # random int in {0, ..., n}
    print("done")
```

2. Median Finding Lower Bound

Show that there is no comparison-based algorithm that can partition on the median of an array in time $O(n^c)$ for $c < 1$.

3. Bounded Digit Sorting

Given an array A of n positive integers such that the total number of decimal digits in all integers combined is ℓ , design an algorithm to sort A in $O(\ell)$ time.