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## Online Sorted Range Reporting

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### Abstract:

We study the following extension of the static one-dimensional range reporting problem. For an array  $A$  of  $n$  elements, build a data structure that supports the query: Given two indices  $i, j$  and an integer  $k$ , report the  $k$  smallest elements in the sub array  $A[i..j]$  in sorted order. We present a static data structure that uses  $O(n)$  words of space, supports queries in  $O(k)$  time, and can be constructed in  $O(n \log n)$  time on the RAM model. We also extend the data structure to solve the online version of the problem where the elements in  $A[i..j]$  are reported in sorted order one-by-one, each element being reported in  $O(1)$  worst-case time. The data structure has applications to e.g. top- $k$  queries in databases, prioritized suffix tree reporting, and three-sided planar sorted range reporting.

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