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For the Insertion sort algorithm; what is its best case and worst case performance?

- *a. Best: $O(n)$
Worst: $O(n^2)$
- b. Best: $O(n)$
Worst: $O(n)$
- c. Best: $O(\log_2 n)$
Worst: $O(n^2)$
- d. Best: $O(n^2)$
Worst: $O(n^2)$
- e. None of the above.
- f. "
- g. "
- h. "
- i. "
- j. "

General Feedback:

Insertion sort, if given an already sorted list, will still perform $O(n)$ comparisons to ascertain the list is sorted. If the list is "reverse sorted," then the first pass will require 1 exchange. The second pass will require 2 exchanges, etc. Hence, in the worst case, $O(n^2)$ exchanges.

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For the selection sort algorithm; what is its best case and worst case running time?

- a. Best: $O(1)$
Worst: $O(n)$
- b. Best: $O(n)$
Worst: $O(n^2)$
- c. Best: $O(\log_2 n)$
Worst: $O(n)$
- *d. Best: $O(n^2)$
Worst: $O(n^2)$
- e. None of the above.
- f. "
- g. "
- h. "
- i. "
- j. "

General Feedback:

Selection sort repeatedly runs the Find-largest algorithm as its helper function. So, regardless of the list's initial ordering, Find-largest will cost $n-1$ comparisons for the first pass, $n-2$ for the second, etc. Hence selection sort's run time performance is independent of the list's initial ordering: $O(n^2)$

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You see the expression `n = 100000` in some code that successfully compiles. What type can `n` not be?

- a. `int`
- *b. `short`
- c. `float`
- d. `double`
- e. `long`
- f. `"`
- g. `"`
- h. `"`
- i. `"`
- j. `"`

General Feedback:

Shorts can only hold values in `[-32768, 32767]`.