

Part 12: Sorting Algorithms

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1. Sorting Algorithms – The Bubble Sort

Very often we need to arrange (sort) data for searching or other purposes. There is a large variety of sorting algorithms. We will only discuss here the simplest algorithms.

Bubble Sort

BubbleSort.cpp	Output
<pre> #include<iostream> using namespace std; const int arraySize = 10; int comparisonCount = 0; int swapCount = 0; int myArray[arraySize]; void BubbleSort(); void swap(int one, int two); int main(){ cout<<"Enter " << arraySize << " integers: "<<endl; // Input values to array for(int i=0; i<arraySize; i++) cin >> myArray[i]; cout << endl; cout<<"Array values before sorting: "; for(int j=0; j<arraySize; j++) cout << myArray[j] << " "; cout<<endl; BubbleSort(); cout<<"Array values after sorting: "; for(int j=0; j<arraySize; j++) cout << myArray[j] << " "; cout << endl << endl; cout << "Comparisons used: " << comparisonCount << endl; cout << "Swaps used: " << swapCount << endl; return 0; } // end main void BubbleSort(){ for(int i=0; i<arraySize; i++) for(int j=0; j<arraySize-1; j++){ comparisonCount++; if(myArray[j] > myArray[j+1]) swap(j, j+1); } } // end BubbleSort void swap(int one, int two){ swapCount++; int temp = myArray[one]; myArray[one] = myArray[two]; myArray[two] = temp; } // end swap </pre>	<pre> Enter 10 integers: 6 5 4 8 9 2 1 4 5 6 Array values before sorting: 6 5 4 8 9 2 1 4 5 6 Array values after sorting: 1 2 4 4 5 5 6 6 8 9 Comparisons used: 90 Swaps used: 23 </pre>

Question: Can we improve the above algorithms to reduce the number of operations performed?

2. Selection Sort

SelectionSort.cpp	Output
<pre>#include<iostream> using namespace std; const int arraySize = 10; int comparisonCount = 0; int swapCount = 0; int myArray[arraySize]; void SelectionSort(); void swap(int one, int two); int main(){ cout<<"Enter " << arraySize << " integers: "<<endl; // Input values to array for(int i=0; i<arraySize; i++) cin >> myArray[i]; cout << endl; cout<<"Array values before sorting: "; for(int j=0; j<arraySize; j++) cout << myArray[j] << " "; cout<<endl; SelectionSort(); cout<<"Array values after sorting: "; for(int j=0; j<arraySize; j++) cout << myArray[j] << " "; cout << endl << endl; cout << "Comparisons used: " << comparisonCount << endl; cout << "Swaps used: " << swapCount << endl; return 0; } // end main void SelectionSort(){ int min; for(int i=0; i<arraySize-1; i++){ min=i; for(int j=i+1; j<arraySize; j++){ comparisonCount++; if(myArray[j] < myArray[min]) min=j; } swap(i, min); } } // end SelectionSort void swap(int one, int two){ swapCount++; int temp = myArray[one]; myArray[one] = myArray[two]; myArray[two] = temp; } // end swap</pre>	<pre>Enter 10 integers: 6 5 4 2 1 65 4 6 1 32 Array values before sorting: 6 5 4 2 1 65 4 6 1 32 Array values after sorting: 1 1 2 4 4 5 6 6 32 65 Comparisons used: 45 Swaps used: 9</pre>

3. Insertion Sort

InsertionSort.cpp	Output
<pre> #include<iostream> using namespace std; const int arraySize = 10; int comparisonCount = 0; int myArray[arraySize]; void InsertionSort(); int main(){ cout<<"Enter " << arraySize << " integers: "<<endl; // Input values to array for(int i=0; i<arraySize; i++) cin >> myArray[i]; cout << endl; cout<<"Array values before sorting: "; for(int j=0; j<arraySize; j++) cout << myArray[j] << " "; cout<<endl; InsertionSort(); cout<<"Array values after sorting: "; for(int j=0; j<arraySize; j++) cout << myArray[j] << " "; return 0; } // end main void InsertionSort(){ int in, out; for(out=1; out<arraySize; out++){ int temp=myArray[out]; in = out; while (in>0 && myArray[in-1]>=temp){ myArray[in] = myArray[in-1]; in--; } myArray[in]=temp; } // end for } // end InsertionSort </pre>	<pre> Enter 10 integers: 5 5 1 63 9 7 1 3 1 6 Array values before sorting: 5 5 1 63 9 7 1 3 1 6 Array values after sorting: 1 1 1 3 5 5 6 7 9 63 </pre>

Try now: Add a counter for the number of comparisons and the number of shifts. Print the value of each counter at the end of the output.

Question: Which of the three sorting algorithms performs better and under what circumstances?