

OSS CS50 - week 3

Linear search

```
for each element in array
    If element you're looking for
        Return true
return false
```

Binary search

- Divide and conquer
Divide in half, pick half that it has to be in, divide in half, etc.

```
look in middle of array
if element you're looking for
    return true
else if element is to left
    search left half of array
else if element is to right
    search right half off array
else
    return false
```

Bubble sort

- Swap variables pair-wise

```
repeat until no swaps
    for i from 0 to n-2
        if i'th and i+1'th elements out of order
            swap them
```

Selection sort

```
for i from 0 to n-1
    find smallest element between i'th and n-1'ith
    swap smallest with i'th element
```

Insertion sort

- Deal with variable one-by-one

```

for i from 1 to n-1
    call 0'th through i-1'th elements the "sorted side"
    remove i'th element
    insert it into sorted side in order

```

Running time

Bubble sort $(n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 1 =$
 $n(n-1) / 2$
 $(n^2 - n)/2$
 $n^2/2 - n/2$

$n = 1,000,000$
 $n^2/2 - n/2 = 499,999,500,000 \approx 5 \text{ billion}$

$O(n^2) = 5 \text{ billion}$

notation **O** (big O) = running time (on the order of)

Running time of bubble sort, insertion sort and selection sort all are $O(n^2)$

Big O - **O** (running time)

$O(n^2)$ - bubble sort, selection sort, insert sort
 $O(n \log n)$
 $O(n)$ - linear search
 $O(\log n)$ - binary search
 $O(1)$ *constant time* (1 step, e.g. printf, check if)

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Big Omega **Ω** (lower bound)

$Ω(n^2)$ - selection sort
 $Ω(n \log n)$
 $Ω(n)$ - bubble sort
 $Ω(\log n)$
 $Ω(1)$

if Big-O and Big-Ω are the same, the running time is **Θ** (Capital Theta).

Visualization

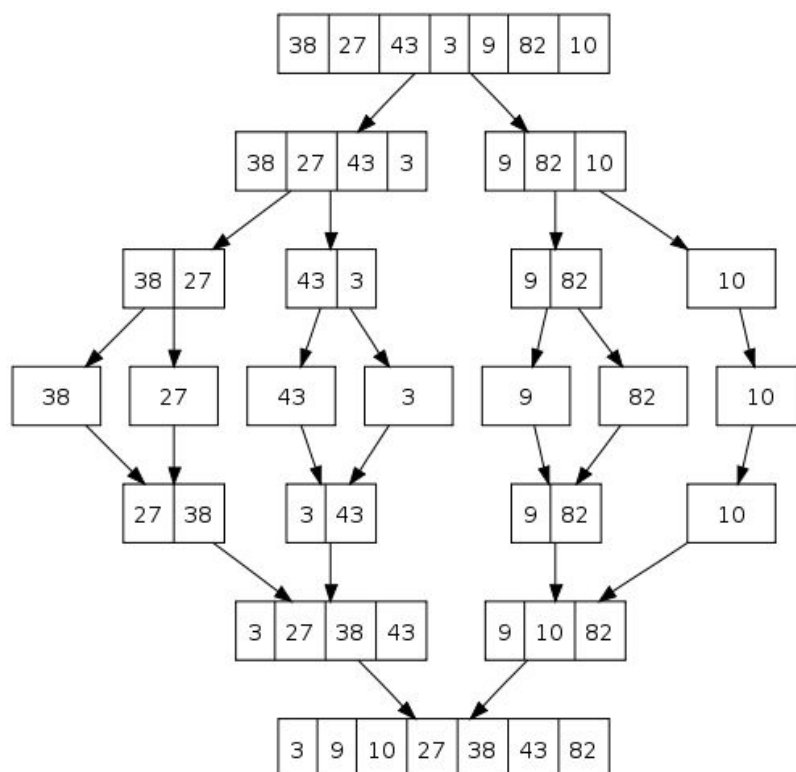
<https://www.cs.usfca.edu/~galles/visualization/ComparisonSort.html>

Merge sort

```
on input of n elements
  if n < 2
    return 2
  else
    sort left half of elementsa
    sort right half of elementsb
    merge sorted halvesb
```

$$T(n) = T(n/2)^a + T(n/2)^b + O(n)^c$$

(if $n \geq 2$)



Running time = $O(n \log n)$

Recursion

```
#include <cs50.h>
#include <stdio.h>

int sigma(int m);

int main(void)
{
    int n;

    do
    {
        printf("Positive integer please: ");
        n = get_int();
    }
    while (n < 1);

    int answer = sigma(n);

    printf("%i\n", answer);
}

int sigma(int m)
{
    if (m <= 0)
    {
        return 0;
    }
    else
    {
        return (m + sigma(m - 1));
    }
}
```