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Tutorial 3 Complexity and Sorting

1. [Not very complex complexity] Give the big-O for following code fragments

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for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
       for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
            <2 operations>
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
         for (int j = 0; j < 2; j++)
              <5 operations>
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
           for (int j = n - 1; j >= i; j--)
                <4 operations>
d.
    i = 1;
    j = 0;
    while (j < n){
        if (i \% n == 0){
           j++;
           <1 operation>
        i++;
```

2. [Selection Sort] Trace the working of selection sort on the following array. You can use the given table to show the changes after each outer-loop iteration. Indicate clearly the largest item, the location of the largest item for each iteration.

56	12	34	19	18	79	25	31
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- 3. [Bubble Sort Version 3.0] Let us see how bubble sort can be further improved.
 - a. [What's the issue?] Try sorting an array like {2, 3, 4, 5, 1}. How many outer-loop iteration do we need? Identify the issue with the standard bubble sort algorithm.
 - b. [Solve the issue] Solve the issue posed by (a). Hint: It is like bubble sort with a twist....
 - c. [Analyzing the change] Did we improve the big-O of bubble sort?
- 4. [Sorting is general] For simplicity, sorting is almost always taught using an integer array. However, it should be clear that the sorting algorithms can be easily generalized. Let us take the **insertion sort** code as a case study in this question.
 - a. [What to change?] Identify all necessary changes for the insertion sort code if we need to sort a different type of array (e.g. an array of student records / double values / strings etc). Whenever possible, focus more on the higher level requirement ("what kind of operation is needed?") rather than low level details ("how do I write this in C++?")
 - b. [Actual change] Using your findings in (a), change the *insertion sort* to work on an array of *fraction* structure as defined below:

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struct Fraction {
   int num, den;
};
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Note: You should avoid converting the fractions into a floating point values for comparison.

Note₂: Use the provided **Q4-Template.cpp** to actually code it out!