Sorting Algorithms

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Sorting

- Arranging elements of set into order.
- Let A be a list of *n* elements A1, A2, An in memory. Sorting of list A refers to the operation of rearranging the contents of A so that they are in increasing (or decreasing) order (numerically or lexicographically); A1 < A2 < A3 < < An.
- Examples of Sorting:
 - Words in a dictionary are sorted.
 - Files in a directory are often listed in sorted order.
 - The index of a book is sorted.

Sorting Algorithms

- > There are many, many different types of sorting algorithms, but the primary ones are:
- Bubble Sort
- Selection Sort
- Insertion Sort
- Merge Sort
- Quick Sort
- Shell Sort
- Radix Sort
- Swap Sort
- Heap Sort

BUBBLE SORT

- > In bubble sort:
 - Each element is compared with its adjacent element.
 - If the first element is larger than the second one, then the positions of the elements are interchanged, otherwise it is not changed.
 - Then next element is compared with its adjacent element and the same process is repeated for all the elements in the array until we get a sorted array.

BUBBLE SORT (STEPS)

> Step 1:

- Compare A[1] and A[2] and arrange them in the (or desired) ascending order, so that A[1] < A[2].
- if A[1] is greater than A[2] then interchange the position of data by swap = A[1]; A[1] = A[2]; A[2] = swap.
- Then compare A[2] and A[3] and arrange them so that A[2] < A[3].
 Continue the process until we compare A[N − 1] with A[N].

BUBBLE SORT (STEPS)

> Step 2:

■ Repeat step 1 with one less comparisons that is, now stop comparison at A [n-1] and possibly rearrange A[N-2] and A[N-1] and so on.

➤ Step n – 1:

Compare A[1]with A[2] and arrange them so that A[1] < A[2].

First Pass:

- (51428)(15428), Here, algorithm compares the first two elements, and swaps since 5 > 1.
- (15428)(14528), Swap since 5 > 4
- (14**52**8)(14**25**8), Swap since 5 > 2
- (142**5**8) (142**5**8), Now, since these elements are already in order (8 > 5), algorithm does not swap them.

Second Pass:

- (14258)(14258)
- (14258)(12458), Swap since 4 > 2
- (12458)(12458)
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- Now, the array is already sorted, but our algorithm does not know if it is completed. The algorithm needs one whole pass without any swap to know it is sorted.

> Third Pass:

- (12458)(12458)
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i = 1	j	О	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	o	5	3	1	9	8	2	4	7
	1	3	5	1	9	8	2	4	7
	2	3	1	5	9	8	2	4	7
	3	3	1	5	9	8	2	4	7
	4	3	1	5	8	9	2	4	7
	5	3	1	5	8	2	9	4	7
	6	3	1	5	8	2	4	9	7
i = 2	o	3	1	5	8	2	4	7	9
	1	1	3	5	8	2	4	7	
	2	1	3	5	8	2	4	7	
	3	1	3	5	8	2	4	7	
	4	1	3	5	2	8	4	7	
	5	1	3	5	2	4	8	7	
i = 3	O	1	3	5	2	4	7	8	
	1	1	3	5	2	4	7		
	2	1	3	5	2	4	7		
	3	1	3	2	5	4	7		
	4	1	3	2	4	5	7		
i = 4	О	1	3	2	4	5	7		
	1	1	3	2	4	5			
	2	1	2	3	4	5			
	3	1	2	3	4	5			

i = 5	0	1	2	3	4	5		
	1	1	2	3	4			
	2	1	2	3	4			
i = 6	0	1	2	3	4			
	1	1	2	3				
i = 7	0	1	2	3				
		1	2					

ALGORITHM

- ➤ Let A be a linear array of *n* numbers. Swap is a temporary variable for swapping (or interchange) the position of the numbers.
- 1. Input *n* numbers of an array A
- 2. Initialize i = 0 and repeat through step 4 if (i < n)
- 3. Initialize j = 0 and repeat through step 4 if (j < n i 1)
- 4. If (A[j] > A[j + 1])
- (a) Swap = A[j]
- (b) A[j] = A[j+1]
- (c) A[j+1] = Swap
- 5. Display the sorted numbers of array A
- 6. Exit.

BubbleSort()

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void bubbleSort (int a[ ], int size)
int i, j, temp;
for (i = 0; i < size; i++) /* controls passes through the list */
       for (j = 0; j < size - 1; j++) /* performs adjacent comparisons */
                if ( a[ j ] > a[ j+1 ] ) /* determines if a swap should occur */
                          temp = a[ j ]; /* swap is performed */
                          a[j] = a[j+1];
                          a[ j+1 ] = temp;
```

Bubble Sort – Analysis

Best-case:

- **→** O(n)
- Array is already sorted in ascending order.
- The number of moves: o

- **→** O(1)
- → O(n) The number of key comparisons: (n-1)
- \rightarrow Worst-case: \rightarrow O(n²)
 - Array is in reverse order:
 - Outer loop is executed n-1 times,
 - The number of moves: 3*(1+2+...+n-1) = 3 * n*(n-1)/2

 \rightarrow O(n²)

The number of key comparisons: (1+2+...+n-1)= n*(n-1)/2

 \rightarrow O(n²)

- \rightarrow Average-case: \rightarrow O(n²)

 - We have to look at all possible initial data organizations.
- ➤ So, Bubble Sort is O(n²)

SELECTION SORT

Selection sort :

- It finds the smallest element of the array and interchanges it with the element in the first position of the array.
- Then it finds the second smallest element from the remaining elements in the array and places it in the second position of the array and so on.

SELECTION SORT(STEPS)

 \triangleright Let A be a linear array of 'n' numbers, A [1], A [2], A [3],..... A [n].

Step 1:

- Find the smallest element in the array of n numbers A[1], A[2], A[n].
- Let LOC is the location of the smallest number in the array.
- Then interchange A[LOC] and A[1] by swap = A[LOC]; A[LOC] = A[1]; A[1]= Swap.

SELECTION SORT(STEPS)

> Step 2:

- Find the second smallest number in the sub list of n-1 elements A [2] A [3]..... A [n-1] (first element is already sorted).
- Now we concentrate on the rest of the elements in the array.
- Again A [LOC] is the smallest element in the remaining array and LOC the corresponding location then interchange A [LOC] and A [2].
- Now A [1] and A [2] is sorted, since A [1] less than or equal to A [2].

SELECTION SORT(STEPS)

> Step n − 1:

- Find the n-1 smallest number in the sub array of 2 elements (i.e., A(n-1), A(n)).
- Consider A [LOC] is the smallest element and LOC is its corresponding position.
- Then interchange A [LOC] and A(n 1).
- Now the array A [1], A [2], A [3], A [4],.....A [n] will be a sorted array.

ALGORITHM

- Let A be a linear array of *n* numbers A [1], A [2], A [3], A [k], A [k+1], A [n]. Swap be a temporary variable for swapping (or interchanging) the position of the numbers. Min is the variable to store smallest number and Loc is the location of the smallest element.
- 1. Input *n* numbers of an array A
- 2. Initialize i = 0 and repeat through step5 if (i < n 1)

(a) min =
$$a[i]$$

$$(b) loc = I$$

- 3. Initialize j = i + 1 and repeat through step 4 if (j < n 1)
- 4. if (a[j] < min)

(a) min =
$$a[j]$$

(b)
$$loc = j$$

- 5. if (loc! = i)
 - (a) swap = a[i]
 - (b) a[i] = a[loc]
 - (c) a[loc] = swap
- 6. display "the sorted numbers of array A"
- 7. Exit

Selection Sort Example(ascending)

- ▶ 70 75 89 61 37
 - Smallest is 37
 - Swap with index o
- > 37 75 89 61 70
 - Smallest is 61
 - Swap with index 1
- → 37 61 89 75 70
 - Smallest is 70
 - Swap with index 2

- → 37 61 70 75 89
 - Smallest is 75
 - Swap with index 3
 - Swap with itself
- → 37 61 70 75 89
 - Don't need to do last element because there's only one left
- > 37 61 70 75 89

Selection Sort Example 2

[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	
5	1	3	7	2	find min
1	5	3	7	2	swap to index 0
1	5	3	7	2	find min
1	2	3	7	5	swap to index 1
1	2	3	7	5	find min
1	2	3	7	5	swap to index 2
1	2	3	7	5	find min
1	2	3	5	7	swap to index 3

Selection Sort -- Analysis

In general, we compare keys and move items (or exchange items) in a sorting algorithm (which uses key comparisons).

So, to analyze a sorting algorithm we should count the number of key comparisons and the number of moves.

- Ignoring other operations does not affect our final result.
- ➤ In selectionSort function, the outer for loop executes n-1 times.
- > We invoke swap function once at each iteration.

Total Swaps: n-1

Total Moves: 3*(n-1) (Each swap has three moves)

Selection Sort – Analysis (cont.)

- The inner for loop executes the size of the unsorted part minus 1 (from 1 to n-1), and in each iteration we make one key comparison.
 - # of key comparisons = 1+2+...+n-1 = n*(n-1)/2
 - So, Selection sort is O(n²)
- The best case, the worst case, and the average case of the selection sort algorithm are same. \rightarrow all of them are $O(n^2)$
 - This means that the behavior of the selection sort algorithm does not depend on the initial organization of data.
 - Since O(n²) grows so rapidly, the selection sort algorithm is appropriate only for small
 n.
 - Although the selection sort algorithm requires $O(n^2)$ key comparisons, it only requires O(n) moves.
 - A selection sort could be a good choice if data moves are costly but key comparisons are not costly (short keys, long records).

INSERTION SORT

- Insertion sort algorithm:
 - It sorts a set of values by inserting values into an existing sorted file.
 - Compare the second element with first, if the first element is greater than second, place it before the first one.
 - Otherwise place is just after the first one.
 - Compare the third value with second and then with first and so on.

INSERTION SORT (STEPS)

Step 1:

As the single element A [1] by itself is sorted array.

> Step 2:

A [2] is inserted either before or after A [1] by comparing it so that A[1], A[2] is sorted array.

INSERTION SORT (STEPS)

> Step 3:

A [3] is inserted into the proper place in A [1], A [2], that is A [3] will be compared with A [1] and A [2] and placed before A [1], between A [1] and A[2], or after A [2] so that A [1], A [2], A [3] is a sorted array.

> Step n:

A [n] is inserted into its proper place in an array A [1], A [2], A [3], A [n – 1] so that A [1], A [2], A [3],, A [n] is a sorted array.

Example



5 1 6 2 4 3 1 5 6 2 4 3 1 5 6 2 4 3 1 2 5 6 4 3

(Always we start with the second element as key.)

Lets take this Array.

As we can see here, in insertion sort, we pick up a key, and compares it with elemnts ahead of it, and puts the key in the right place

5 has nothing before it.

1 is compared to 5 and is inserted before 5.

6 is greater than 5 and 1.

2 is smaller than 6 and 5, but greater than 1, so its is inserted after 1.

And this goes on...

54	26	93	17	77	31	44	55	20	Assume 54 is a sorted list of 1 item
26	54	93	17	77	31	44	55	20	inserted 26
26	54	93	17	77	31	44	55	20	inserted 93
17	26	54	93	77	31	44	55	20	inserted 17
17	26	54	77	93	31	44	55	20	inserted 77
17	26	31	54	77	93	44	55	20	inserted 31
17	26	31	44	54	77	93	55	20	inserted 44
17	26	31	44	54	55	77	93	20	inserted 55
17	20	26	31	44	54	55	77	93	inserted 20

ALGORITHM

- Let A be a linear array of n numbers A [1], A [2], A [3],, A [n]...... Swap be a temporary variable to interchange the two values. Pos is the control variable to hold the position of each pass.
- 1. Input an array A of n numbers
- 2. Initialize i = 1 and repeat through steps 4 by incrementing i by one.
 - (a) If (i < = n 1)
 - (b) Swap = A[i],
 - (c) Pos = i 1
- 3. Repeat the step 3 if (Swap < A[Pos] and (Pos >= 0))
 - (a) A [Pos+1] = A [Pos]
 - (b) Pos = Pos-1
- 4. A[Pos +1] = Swap
- 5. Exit