

Sorting a Positional List

- maintain a variable that represents the rightmost position of the currently sorted ^{portion} ~~portion~~
- during each pass, consider position just past marker as pivot and consider where the pivot's element belongs relative to the sorted portion
- use another variable to move leftward from the marker as long as there is a preceding element with a value larger than the pivot's

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def insertion_sort(L):
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    if len(L) > 1:
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        marker = L.first()
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        while marker != L.last():
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            pivot = L.after(marker)    // next item to place
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            value = pivot.element()
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            if value > marker.element():    // pivot already sorted
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                marker = pivot
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            else:
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                // relocate pivot
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                walk = marker
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                // find leftmost item greater than value
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                while walk != L.first() and L.before(walk).element() > value:
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                    walk = L.before(walk)
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                L.delete(pivot)
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                L.add-before(walk)
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                // reinsert value before walk
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Maintaining Access Frequencies

- consider maintaining a collection of elements while keeping track of the # of times each element is accessed
- we make a new favorites list ADT with added methods:
 - access(e): access element e, increasing count, add to list if not present
 - remove(e): remove an element e from list if present
 - top(k): return an iteration of k most accessed elements