

Insertion Sort in Java

This is an in-place comparison-based sorting algorithm, which is ideal for small data-sets. Insertion sort is almost a resemblance of the way we sort playing cards in our hand. In this algorithm, we try to insert the elements of the array into an already sorted array.

Time Complexity	$O(n^2)$
Best Case	$\Omega(n)$
Worst Case	$O(n^2)$
Aux. Space Complexity	$O(1)$
Best case when	Array is already sorted
Worst case when	Array is reverse sorted

Algorithm

Step 1: Repeat Steps 2 to 5 for $K = 1$ to $N-1$

Step 2: SET $TEMP = ARR[K]$

Step 3: SET $J = K - 1$

Step 4: Repeat while $TEMP <= ARR[J]$

 SET $ARR[J + 1] = ARR[J]$

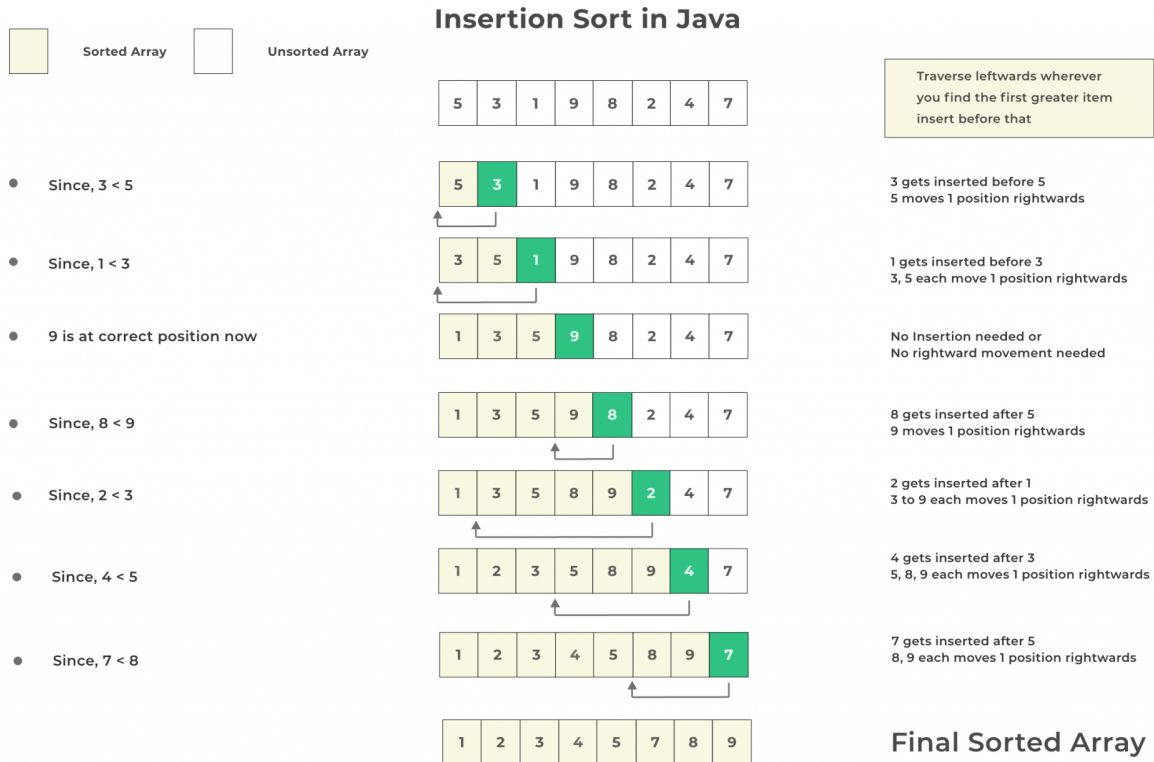
 SET $J = J - 1$

 [END OF INNER LOOP]

Step 5: SET $ARR[J + 1] = TEMP$

 [END OF LOOP]

Step 6: EXIT



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package Sort;

public class Insertion {
    /*Function to sort array using insertion sort*/
    static void insertionSort(int arr[])
    {
        int len = arr.length; //calculating the length of the array
        for (int i = 1; i < len; i++)
        {
            int key = arr[i];
            int j = i - 1;
            /* Shift elements of a[i-1 .... 0], that are greater
            than key, to one position right of their
            current position */
            while (j >= 0 && arr[j] > key)
            {
                arr[j + 1] = arr[j];
                j = j - 1;
            }
            arr[j + 1] = key;
        }
    }
    /* A utility function to print array of size n*/
    static void printArray(int a[])
    {
        int len = a.length;
        for (int i = 0; i < len; ++i)
            System.out.print(a[i] + " ");
        System.out.println();
    }
}
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// Main method
public static void main(String args[])
{
    int a[] = {11, 9, 7, 15, 6, 10, 5, 17};

    System.out.println("Array Before Insertion Sort: ");
    printArray(a);

    insertionSort(a);

    System.out.println("Array After Insertion Sort: ");
    printArray(a);
}

}
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- Works efficiently on smaller data sets in number
- Uses no additional memory for sorting as is in place algorithm with $O(1)$ space complexity
- If data sets are already sorted or nearly sorted then has $O(n)$ space complexity
- Very bad average time complexity of $O(n^2)$
- Shifting items because of insertion can be costly