



# Week 4 Sorting



### Sorting

- many different algorithms, each with their own strengths and weaknesses in various situations
- have to move through the list and order each object based on how it compares to the others
  - has to be efficient in terms of speed and memory consumption

 bubble sort, selection sort, and insertion sort are also known as elementary sorting algorithms



#### **Bubble Sort**

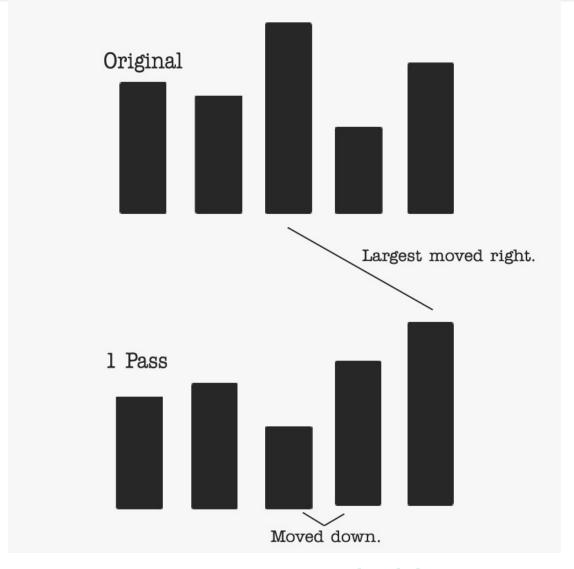
- Simple to implement and understand
  - but very slow
- It works by comparing two values in a data structure
  - If the object on the left is bigger then the two objects get swapped
    - this continues until the largest objects is at the right



#### **Bubble Sort**

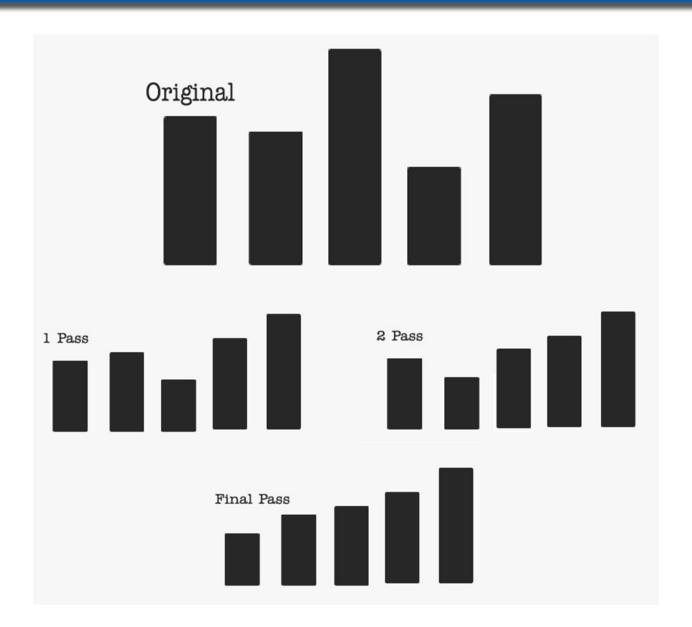
- The first pass moves the largest object from its position in the array to the far right
- The second pass moves the second largest object to one element before the largest and so on
- The bubble sort needs to loop through the array once for each object





One pass over an array using bubble sort







#### **Bubble Sort**

- gets its name from the fact that the large items bubble up at the top of the list until all items are in order
- Because of the number of passes, comparisons, and copies and the brute-force style of the algorithm, it is slow (especially user-defined objects)



#### **Bubble Sort**

```
1template<typename T>
 2 class UnorderedArray
 3 {
     public:
        void BubbleSort()
            assert (m array != NULL);
            for (int k = m_numElements - 1; k > 0; k--)
10
               for (int i = 0; i < k; i++)
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                  if (m_array[i] > m_array[i + 1])
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15
                     T temp = m array[i];
                     m_array[i] = m_array[i + 1];
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                     m array[i + 1] = temp;
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21
22);
```



```
1#include <iostream>
 2#include "Arrays.h"
 4 using namespace std;
 6 int main(int args, char *arg[])
 7 (
 8
     cout << "Bubble Sort Algorithm" << endl << endl;
 9
10
     UnorderedArray<int> array(5);
11
     array.push(80);
     array.push(64);
12
13
     array.push(99);
     array.push(76);
14
15
     array.push(5);
16
17
     cout << "Before sort:";
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
18
19
20
        cout << " " << array[i];
21
22
     cout << endl;
23
24
     array.BubbleSort();
25
26
     cout << " After sort:";
27
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
28
        cout << " " << array[i];
29
30
31
     cout << endl << endl;
32
33
     return 1:
34)
```

```
Bubble Sort Algorithm
Before sort: 80 64 99 76 5
After sort: 5 64 76 80 99
```



#### **Selection Sort**

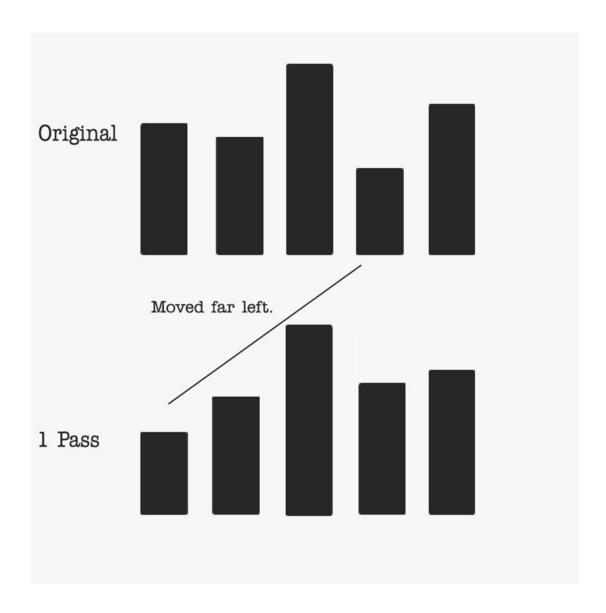
- similar to bubble sort
- operates left to right instead of right to left
  - comparisons in  $O(N^2)$
  - better as N grown larger
- not as many swaps, on average, but there are still many comparisons and passes



#### **Selection Sort**

- loop through the list and keep track of the smallest item
- once a pass over the list is complete, the smallest item in the list is swapped with the first item
- only one swap per pass, but the number of comparisons is the same
- will sort items from the left to the right, while the bubble sort will sort items from the right to the left







```
1template<typename T>
 2 class UnorderedArray
     public:
         void SelectionSort()
            assert(m_array != NULL);
            T temp;
10
            int min = 0;
11
            for (int k = 0; k < m numElements - 1; k++)</pre>
12
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14
               min = k;
15
               for(int i = k + 1; i < m numElements; i++)</pre>
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                   if (m_array[i] < m_array[min])</pre>
18
                      min = i;
19
20
21
               if (m_array[k] > m_array[min])
23
                   temp = m array[k];
24
25
                   m_array[k] = m_array[min];
26
                   m array[min] = temp;
27
28
29
30);
```



```
1#include <iostream>
2#include "Arrays.h"
 4 using namespace std;
 6 int main(int args, char *arg[])
     cout << "Selection Sort Algorithm" << endl << endl;
10
     UnorderedArray<int> array(5);
11
     array.push(80);
     array.push(64);
12
13
     array.push(99);
     array.push(76);
14
15
     array.push(5);
16
17
     cout << "Before sort:";</pre>
18
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
19
20
        cout << " " << array[i];
21
22
     cout << endl;
23
24
     array.SelectionSort();
25
26
     cout << " After sort:";
27
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
28
        cout << " " << array[i];
29
30
31
     cout << endl << endl;
32
33
     return 1;
34}
```

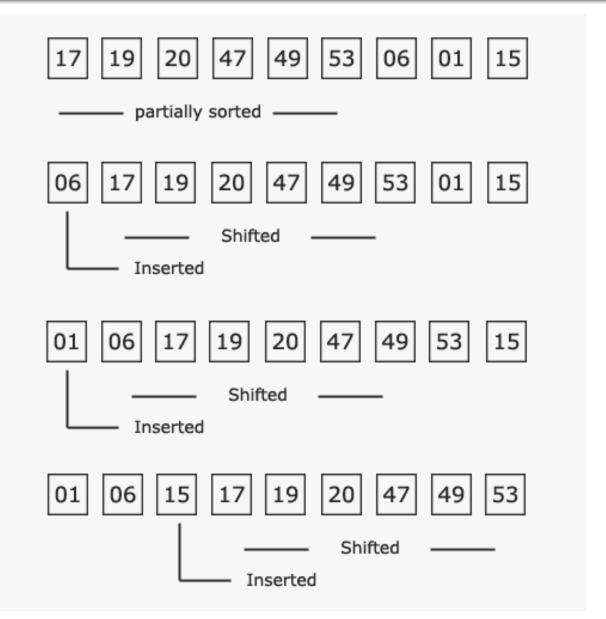
```
Selection Sort Algorithm
Before sort: 80 64 99 76 5
After sort: 5 64 76 80 99
```



#### **Insertion Sort**

- works by comparing an item to the sorted part of the data structure
- initially the sorted part consists of just the first element
- the item gets placed in the correct position in the sorted part







#### **Insertion Sort**

- Slightly faster than selection sort
- Faster than bubble sort
- Worst case
  - When data is sorted in reverse order
  - Same as bubble sort



#### **Insertion Sort**

```
1template<typename T>
 2 class UnorderedArray
     public:
        void InsertionSort()
           assert (m array != NULL);
            T temp;
            int i = 0:
10
11
12
           for(int k = 1; k < m numElements; k++)</pre>
13
               // item to be placed in the right slot
14
15
               temp = m array[k];
               i = k;
16
17
               while (i > 0 \&\& m array[i - 1] >= temp)
18
19
                  // switch the bigger value up
20
21
                  m_array[i] = m_array[i - 1];
22
                  i--;
23
24
               // place item in correct slot
25
               m array[i] = temp;
26
27
28);
```



```
1#include <iostream>
 2 #include "Arrays.h"
 4 using namespace std;
 6 int main(int args, char *arg[])
 7 {
     cout << "Insertion Sort Algorithm" << endl << endl;
 9
     UnorderedArray<int> array(5);
10
     array.push(80);
11
     array.push(64);
12
13
     array.push(99);
     array.push(76);
14
15
     array.push(5);
16
17
     cout << "Before sort:";
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
18
19
20
        cout << " " << array[i];
21
22
     cout << endl;
23
24
     array.InsertionSort();
25
26
     cout << " After sort:";
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
28
29
        cout << " " << array[i];
30
31
     cout << endl << endl;
32
33
     return 1:
34)
```

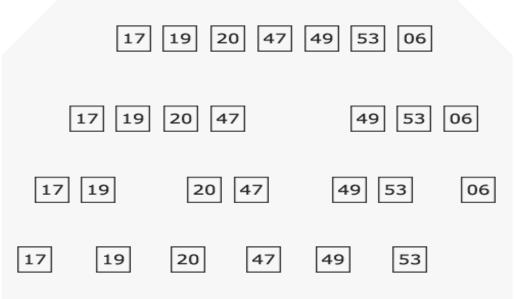
```
Insertion Sort Algorithm
Before sort: 80 64 99 76 5
After sort: 5 64 76 80 99
```



- Most efficient sorting algorithm discussed so far
- O(N \* log N)
  - a list of 25,000 elements
    - O(N²) would have an N of 625,000,000
    - O(N \* log N) would have an N of only 109,949



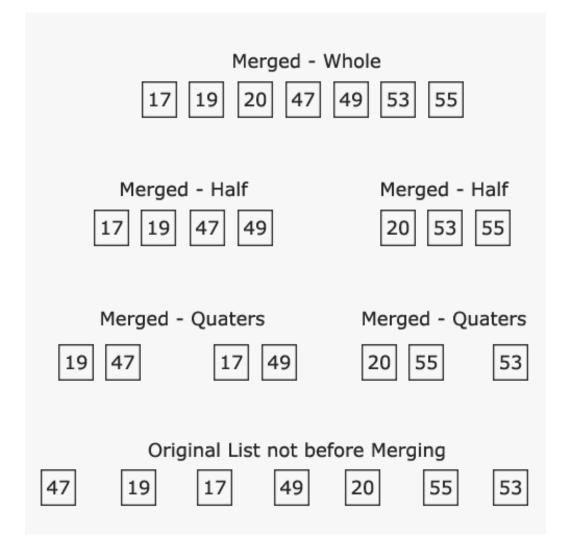
- recursively splits the list into two halves.
- continues until only one element remains on each side of the original half





- Once one element remains on both sides they are merged together and sorted
  - elements from both sides are combined into one list
- Once those two elements are merged, the recursive function returns





Merging until we have a sorted list



- has the disadvantage of needing another array that is equal in size to the array that is being sorted
- twice as much memory as bubble, insertion and selection sort



### Merge Sort - Recap

- First split the list into halves
  - which are further split in half recursively until no more splits can be done (one element left on each side)
- Once at the bottom of the recursive heap, we can start returning from the recursive calls
  - for each return we merge the elements at that level into a temporary array, which is sorted and copied back into the original array
- By the time we make it to the top of the recursive heap, the entire list has been sorted



```
template<typename T>
                                                                       void Merge(T *tempArray, int low, int mid, int upper)
class UnorderedArray
                                                                          int tempLow = low, tempMid = mid - 1;
  public:
                                                                          int index = 0:
      void MergeSort()
                                                                          while(low <= tempMid && mid <= upper)</pre>
         assert(m array != NULL);
                                                                             if (m array[low] < m array[mid])</pre>
         T *tempArray = new T[m numElements];
         assert(tempArray != NULL);
                                                                                tempArray[index++] = m array[low++];
         MergeSort(tempArray, 0, m numElements - 1);
                                                                             else
         delete[] tempArray;
                                                                                tempArray[index++] = m array[mid++];
  private:
      void MergeSort(T *tempArray, int lowerBound, int upperBound)
                                                                          while(low <= tempMid)</pre>
         if(lowerBound == upperBound)
                                                                             tempArray[index++] = m array[low++];
            return:
         int mid = (lowerBound + upperBound) >> 1;
                                                                          while(mid <= upper)</pre>
         MergeSort(tempArray, lowerBound, mid);
         MergeSort(tempArray, mid + 1, upperBound);
                                                                             tempArray[index++] = m array[mid++];
         Merge(tempArray, lowerBound, mid + 1, upperBound);
                                                                          for(int i = 0; i < upper - tempLow + 1; i++)</pre>
                                                                             m array[tempLow + i] = tempArray[i];
```

};



```
1#include <iostream>
 2#include "Arrays.h"
 4 using namespace std;
 6 int main(int args, char *arg[])
 7 (
 8
     cout << "Merge Sort Algorithm" << endl << endl;
 9
     UnorderedArray<int> array(5);
10
11
     array.push(80);
12
     array.push(64);
13
     array.push(99);
14
     array.push(76);
15
     array.push(5);
16
17
     cout << "Before sort:";
18
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
19
20
        cout << " " << array[i];
21
22
     cout << endl;
23
24
     array.MergeSort();
25
26
     cout << " After sort:";
27
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
28
29
        cout << " " << array[i];
30
31
     cout << endl << endl;
32
33
     return 1:
34)
```

```
Merge Sort Algorithm
Before sort: 80 64 99 76 5
After sort: 5 64 76 80 99
```



### **STL Sorting**

- sort()
  - sort objects into ascending or descending order based on a binary predicate
  - takes as parameters a random access iterator to the first element, a random access iterator to the last element and the optional binary predicate
  - algorithm is not stable



### **STL Sorting**

- stable\_sort()
  - same as the sort() function, with the exception that the stable\_sort() function is stable



### **STL Sorting**

- partial\_sort()
  - partially sort based on a binary predicate
  - entire data structure or only on a few of its internal elements
  - takes as parameters
    - a random access iterator to the first element in the range to be sorted,
    - a random access iterator to the last element in the range to be sorted,
    - a random access iterator to the end of the list (which might not be the end of the sorting range),
    - and optionally a binary predicate



```
1#include<iostream>
                                                      30
                                                            cout << "Original str1 data: " << str1 << "." << endl;
 2#include<vector>
                                                      31
                                                            sort(str1, str1 + (sizeof(str1) - 1), CompareNoCase);
 3#include<algorithm>
 4#include<functional>
                                                      32
                                                            cout << " Sorted str1 data: " << str1 << "." << endl;
 5#include<iterator>
                                                      33
                                                      34
                                                            cout << endl;
                                                      35
 7using namespace std;
                                                      36
                                                            cout << "Original str2 data: " << str2 << "." << endl;
                                                      37
                                                            stable sort(str2, str2 + (sizeof(str2) - 1), CompareNoCase);
 9inline bool CompareNoCase(char 1Val, char rVal)
                                                            cout << " Sorted str2 data: " << str2 << "." << endl;
10 {
                                                      38
                                                      39
11
     return tolower(IVal) < tolower(rVal);</pre>
                                                      40
12}
                                                            cout << endl;
13
                                                      41
                                                      42
                                                            ostream iterator<int> output(cout, " ");
14 int main(int args, char *arg[])
15 {
                                                      43
                                                      44
                                                            cout << "Original int1 data: ";
     cout << "STL Sorting Algorithm" << endl;
16
17
                                                      45
                                                            copy(int1.begin(), int1.end(), output);
                                                      46
                                                            cout << endl:
18
     char str1[] = "lekiamhjdqn";
                                                      47
19
     char str2[] = "peuyxknasdb";
20
     vector<int> int1;
                                                      48
                                                            partial sort(int1.begin(), int1.begin() + int1.size(),
                                                      49
21
                                                                         int1.end(), less<int>());
22
                                                      50
     int1.push back(58);
23
                                                      51
                                                            cout << " Sorted int1 data: ":
     int1.push back(23);
                                                      52
24
     int1.push back(1);
                                                            copy(int1.begin(), int1.end(), output);
                                                      53
                                                            cout << endl << endl:
     int1.push back(53);
                                                      54
26
     int1.push back(33);
                                                      55
27
     int1.push back(84);
                                                            return 1:
                                                      56)
28
     int1.push back(12);
```

```
STL Sorting Algorithm
Original str1 data: lekiamhjdgn.
Sorted str1 data: adehijklmng.
Original str2 data: peuyxknasdb.
Sorted str2 data: abdeknpsuxy.
Original int1 data: 58 23 1 53 33 84 12
Sorted int1 data: 1 12 23 33 53 58 84
```