

## Feedback — Elementary Sorts

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To specify an array or sequence of values in an answer, separate the values in the sequence by whitespace. For example, if the question asks for the first ten powers of two (starting at 1), then the following answer is acceptable:

```
1 2 4 8 16 32 64 128 256 512
```

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### Question 1

(seed = 20279)

Give the array that results after the first 6 exchanges (not iterations!) when insertion sorting the following array:

```
11 21 34 59 94 86 18 80 33 72
```

Your answer should be a sequence of 10 integers, separated by whitespace.

**You entered:**

```
11 18 21 34 59 86 94 80 33 72
```

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
11 18 21 34 59 86 94 80 33 72	✓ 1.00	
Total	1.00 / 1.00	

### Question Explanation

The correct answer is: 11 18 21 34 59 86 94 80 33 72

Here is the array after each exchange:

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11 21 34 59 94 86 18 80 33 72
1: 11 21 34 59 86 94 18 80 33 72
2: 11 21 34 59 86 18 94 80 33 72
3: 11 21 34 59 18 86 94 80 33 72
4: 11 21 34 18 59 86 94 80 33 72
5: 11 21 18 34 59 86 94 80 33 72
6: 11 18 21 34 59 86 94 80 33 72

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## Question 2

(seed = 166922)

The column on the left contains an input array of 16 strings to be sorted; the column on the right contains the strings in sorted order; each of the other 6 columns contains the array at some intermediate step during either insertion sort, selection sort, or shellsort (with different columns potentially corresponding to different algorithms).

slug	bear	duck	bear	bear	hake	boar	bear
goat	boar	erne	boar	boar	goat	deer	boar
boar	deer	bear	deer	deer	boar	goat	deer
deer	duck	deer	duck	goat	deer	hoki	duck
hoki	erne	hake	erne	hoki	hoki	slug	erne
moth	goat	goat	goat	moth	moth	moth	goat
bear	hake	boar	hake	oryx	bear	bear	hake
oryx	hawk	hawk	oryx	slug	oryx	oryx	hawk
duck	moth	hoki	moth	duck	duck	duck	hoki

erne	hoki	moth	hoki	erne	erne	erne	mink
puma	puma	mule	puma	puma	puma	puma	moth
hawk	oryx	mink	hawk	hawk	hawk	hawk	mule
toad	toad	toad	toad	toad	toad	toad	oryx
hake	slug	slug	slug	hake	slug	hake	puma
mule	mule	puma	mule	mule	mule	mule	slug
mink	mink	oryx	mink	mink	mink	mink	toad
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0	?	?	?	?	?	?	4

Match up each column with the corresponding sorting algorithm from the given list:

- 0. Original input
- 1. Insertion sort
- 2. Selection sort
- 3. Shellsort ( $3x + 1$  increments)
- 4. Sorted

You should use each choice at least once. Your answer should be a sequence of 8 integers between 0 and 4 (starting with 0 and ending with 4), separated by whitespace.

Hint: think about algorithm invariants. Do not trace code.

You entered:

0 2 1 2 2 1 3 4

Your Answer		Score	Explanation
0	✓	0.12	
2	✓	0.12	
1	✗	0.00	
2	✓	0.12	
2	✗	0.00	
1	✗	0.00	

3	✗	0.00
4	✓	0.12
Total		0.50 / 1.00

### Question Explanation

The correct answer is: 0 2 3 2 1 3 1 4

- 0: Original input
- 2: Selection sort after 8 iterations
- 3: Shellsort after 4-sorting
- 2: Selection sort after 7 iterations
- 1: Insertion sort after 8 iterations
- 3: Shellsort after 13-sorting
- 1: Insertion sort after 5 iterations
- 4: Sorted

## Question 3

(seed = 704156)

Which of the following statements about elementary sorting algorithms are true? Check all that apply. Unless otherwise specified, assume that the sorting implementations are the ones from the lectures.

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
<input type="checkbox"/> The number of compares to Shellsort (with Knuth's $3x+1$ increments) a sorted array of $N$ distinct keys is $\sim N$ .	✓ 0.20	It uses $\sim N \log_3 N$ compares. Each pass uses approximately $N$ compares. There are $\sim \log_3 N$ passes because the increments go up by (roughly) a factor of 3.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The number of compares to insertion sort a reverse-sorted arr	✓ 0.20	This is a worst case input for insertion sort.

ay of  $N$  distinct keys is  $\sim 1/2 N^2$ .



✓ 0.20

During Shellsort, a  $g$ -sorted array remains  $g$ -sorted after  $h$ -sorting it.

Immediately before the 4-sorting pass in Shellsort (with Knuth's  $3x+1$  increment  $s$ ), the array is both 13-sorted and 40-sorted.



✓ 0.20

The total number of compares becomes linearithmic (but number of exchanges is still quadratic). This is still a worthwhile improvement.

Suppose that we modify insertion sort to use binary search to locate the position within the first  $i-1$  entries of the array into which entry  $i$  should be inserted. Then, the number of compares to insertion sort an array of  $N$  elements is  $\sim N \lg N$  in the worst case.



✓ 0.20

It uses  $\sim N \log_3 N$  compares. Each pass uses approximately  $N$  compares. There are  $\sim \log_3 N$  passes because the increments go up by (roughly) a factor of 3.

The order of growth of the number of compares to Shellsort (with Knuth's  $3x+1$  increments) a sorted array of  $N$  distinct keys is  $N^{3/2}$ .

Total

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### Question Explanation

