### **Understand Sorting Algorithms**

#### **Bubble Sort:**

- **Algorithm**: Repeatedly compare adjacent elements and swap them if they are in the wrong order. Continue doing this until no more swaps are needed.
- **Time Complexity**: Worst and Average cases: O(n^2)

Best case: O(n) (when the array is already sorted)

### **Insertion Sort**:

- **Algorithm**: Build the sorted array one item at a time by repeatedly picking the next item and inserting it into the correct position among the previously sorted items.
- **Time Complexity**: Worst and Average cases: O(n^2)

Best case: O(n) (when the array is already sorted)

# **Quick Sort**:

- **Algorithm**: Choose a pivot element, partition the array into elements less than and greater than the pivot, and recursively apply the same process to the partitions.
- **Time Complexity**: Worst case:  $O(n^2)$  (when the pivot is the smallest or largest element every time) Average case:  $O(n \log n)$

## **Merge Sort**:

- **Algorithm**: Divide the array into halves, recursively sort each half, and then merge the sorted halves back together.
- **Time Complexity**: Worst, Average and Best cases: O(n log n)

### **Performance Comparison**

## Why Quick Sort is Preferred:

- **Efficiency**: Quick Sort has better average-case performance (O(n log n)) compared to Bubble Sort's O(n^2).
- **Scalability**: Quick Sort handles larger datasets more efficiently, making it more suitable for performance-critical applications like sorting customer orders on an e-commerce platform.