Unexpectedly Useful Operations



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Remember partial_sort_copy?



Swapping

swap()

iter_swap()

swap_ranges()

Within or between collections

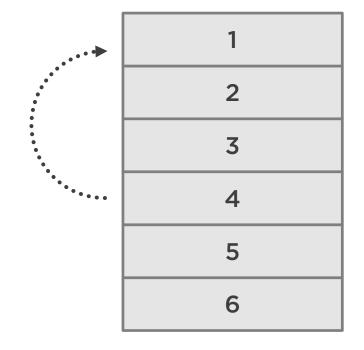


Reordering Elements by Hand

1
2
3
4
5
6



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Reordering Elements by Hand



Rotate

1
2
3
4
5
6

2
3
4
5
6
1



Rotate Part of a Collection

1
2
3
4
5
6

1
2
3
4
5
6





Advantages of Algorithms

Quicker to write

Quicker for everyone else to read for the rest of time

Probably faster

Better tested



Partition

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8

5
3
1
7
6
4
8
2

1
3
5
7
2
4
6
8



Rotate and Partition

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	

1
3
5
7
2
4
6
8

2
1
3
5
7
4
6
8



Summary



Some <algorithm> functions have odd names

- What they do, not what they're for

Think of

- partial_sort_copy as top_n
- rotate as move_within_collection
- stable_partition as gather

Knowing they exist makes the difference

