

Sorting

- So, the binary search is a very fast search algorithm.
- But, the list has to be sorted before we can search it with binary search.
- To be really efficient, we also need a fast sort algorithm.

Common Sort Algorithms

Bubble Sort

Heap Sort

Selection Sort

Merge Sort

Insertion Sort

Quick Sort

- There are many known sorting algorithms. Bubble sort is the slowest, running in **n^2 time**. Quick sort is the fastest, running in **$n \lg n$ time**.
- As with searching, the faster the sorting algorithm, the more complex it tends to be.
- We will examine two sorting algorithms:
 - Bubble sort
 - Insertion sort

Bubble Sort - Let's Do One!

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Bubble Sort Code

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void bubbleSort (int a[ ], int size)
{
    int i, j, temp;
    for ( i = 0; i < size; i++ ) /* controls passes through the list */
    {
        for ( j = 0; j < size - 1; j++ ) /* performs adjacent comparisons */
        {
            if ( a[ j ] > a[ j+1 ] ) /* determines if a swap should occur */
            {
                temp = a[ j ]; /* swap is performed */
                a[ j ] = a[ j + 1 ];
                a[ j+1 ] = temp;
            }
        }
    }
}
```