

- Questions
- ▼ What is sorting and where do we encounter it?
  - Google warmest down jacket
  - Having sorted data may make future operations much more efficient
- ▼ Why study sorting in this class?
  - Not to implement—standard libraries implement, see `list.sort()`
  - Excellent context for practicing analysis and design decisions
  - Very practical: you will be expected to know it
- ▼ How would you sort a list?
  - ▼ Bubble sort: go through the list swapping out of order elements
    - on the first pass, largest element "bubbles" up to the end
    - repeat this process, once you make a pass with no swaps, the list is sorted
  - ▼ Selection sort: find the smallest element, swap it to the beginning
    - repeat with finding the second smallest, and so on
    - "selects" the smallest element

## ▼ Bogosort

- randomize the list until it ends up sorted

## ▼ insertion sort

- diagram (SLIDE)

### ▼ pseudocode

- for  $i$  from 1 to  $n-1$ 
  - find where element  $i$  should be inserted into the sorted portion of the list (0 to  $i-1$ )
  - insert element  $i$  and shift other elements over

- **quick check:** fill in table (SLIDE)

### ▼ worst-case analysis

- just carefully count up the steps
- $i=1$ , 1 comparison + 1 shift  
 $i=2$ , 2 comparisons + 2 shifts  
 $i=3$ , 3 comparisons + 3 shifts  
...  
 $i=n-1$ ,  $n-1$  comparisons +  $n-1$  shifts  
sum of  $1..n-1$  is  $n(n-1)/2$   
 $n(n-1)/2 + n(n-1)/2$   
 $(n^2 - n)/2 + (n^2 - n)/2$   
 $n^2 - n$   
 $O(n^2)$

## ▼ Analysis practice

```
def contains(nums, x):
    for num in nums:
        if num == x:
            return True
    return False
```

- $O(n)$

```
def max(a, b):
    """assume a and b are numbers"""
    if a >= b:
        return a
    return b
```

- $O(1)$ , same number of operations no matter the input

```
def required_bits(x):  
    bits = 0  
    while x >= 1:  
        bits += 1  
        x = x / 2  
    return bits
```

- $O(\log_2(n))$

## ▼ selection sort

- diagram (SLIDE)

### ▼ pseudocode

- for  $i$  from 0 to  $n-2$ 
  - find index of smallest element,  $j$ , in range  $i$  to  $n-1$
  - swap elements at  $i$  and  $j$

- **quick check:** fill in table (SLIDE)

### ▼ worst-case analysis

- $i=0$ ,  $n-1$  comparisons + 1 swap
- $i=1$ ,  $n-2$  comparisons + 1 swap

$i=2, n-3$  comparisons + 1 swap

...

$i=n-2, 1$  comparisons + 1 swap

$n(n-1)/2 + n$

$(n^2 - n)/2 + n$

$n^2/2 - n/2 + n$

$n^2/2 + n/2$

$O(n^2)$