
COP 3540 Data Structures with OOP

Chapter 7 - Part 1

Advanced Sorting

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- ◆ Two sorts we will cover first.
- ◆ **Shell Sort** – an $O(n(\log_2 n)^2)$ sort ... in general, and ‘can approach’ $O(n)$ performance!
- ◆ **Partitioning**, an $O(n\log_2 n)$ sort.
- ◆ Then, we’ll cover the **QuickSort**.

Recall how the **Insertion Sort** worked.

- ◆ Took an element out of the 'array' and assumed all elements 'to the left' were sorted.
- ◆ We marked this spot.
- ◆ And we extracted out that element.
- ◆ We then
 - **compared** the element extracted out with the elements 'to the left' of this element and
 - **'inserted'** this element into its proper place
 - **shifting all elements to the right** as needed to make room for this inserted element and fill the vacated spot.