Starting this thread per the proposed schedule for study for the first exam. Discuss the sorting practice problems here. View questions here: http://beastie.cs.ua.edu/concepts/cs/ds/sorting.html

Work together on the proposed answers to questions on this shared Google Doc (comment reasoning/arguments behind answers)

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edit: Got this answered in class today. Selection sort optimizes bubble sort's behavior by committing many less writes (from swaps), instead just reading and comparing values and then inserting into the sorted portion.

Quote: 5. Which sort optimizes the worst case behavior of bubble sort?
A. selection sort
B. heapsort
C. insertion sort
D. mergesort
E. stooge sort
F. quicksort

Anyone have insight into the answer for this? I'm sure we already brought it up in class a while ago..