

COMP108 Algorithmic Foundations  
Tutorial 5 (Suggested Solution and Feedback)  
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1. Note that we are swapping TWO entries in the array. The way to call this method is to provide three parameters: the name of the array (without square bracket [ ]), two indices/positions of the array where we want to swap the content.

```
// swap array[x] and array[y]
public void swap(int[] array, int x, int y) {
    int tmp;
    tmp = array[x];
    array[x] = array[y];
    array[y] = tmp;
}
```

For bubble sort, we need to use a nested loop.

The outer loop governs where the largest number should be moved to, when  $i$  is  $count - 1$ , the largest number should be moved to  $data2[count - 1]$ , when  $i$  is  $count - 2$ , the second largest number should be moved to  $data2[count - 2]$ , and so on.

For the inner loop, we want to go through the array from position 0 up to position  $i$  whatever  $i$  is for that iteration, and each time compare two adjacent values  $data2[j]$  and  $data2[j + 1]$ .

```
// bubble sort ascendingly, using swap()
public void bsort() {
    int[] data2 = new int[count]; // data2.length = count

    copy(data, 0, data2, 0, count); // copy data[] to data2[]

    // bubble sort on data2[], using swap()
    for (int i=count-1; i>0; i--) {
        for (int j=0; j < i; j++) {
            if (data2[j] > data2[j+1])
                swap(data2, j, j+1);
        }
    }
    printAll(LONG, data2, count);
}
```

For selection sort, we also need to use a nested loop.

The outer loop iterates to find the  $(i + 1)$ -th smallest number and moves it to position  $i$ .

The inner loop iterates the array from  $data2[i]$  to  $data2[count - 1]$  and finds the smallest number in this range.

```
// selection sort ascendingly, using swap()
public void ssort() {
    int minloc;
    int[] data2 = new int[count]; // data2.length = count

    copy(data, 0, data2, 0, count); // copy data[] to data2[]

    // selection sort on data2[], using swap()
    for (int i=0; i<count-1; i++) {
        minloc = i;
        for (int j=i+1; j<count; j++) {
            if (data2[j] < data2[minloc])
                minloc = j;
        }
        swap(data2, i, minloc);
    }
    printAll(LONG, data2, count);
}
```