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# Selection Sort

## (i) Explain the following sorting algorithm

Consider the following elements are to be sorted in ascending order using selection sort-

6, 2, 11, 7, 5

Selection sort works as-

- It finds the first smallest element (2).
- It swaps it with the first element of the unordered list.
- It finds the second smallest element (5).
- It swaps it with the second element of the unordered list.
- Similarly, it continues to sort the given elements.

## (ii) Write down algorithm

Consider the following elements are to be sorted in ascending order-

6, 2, 11, 7, 5

The selection sort algorithm works as illustrated below-

#### Step-01: For i = 0

[6, 2, 11, 7, 5]

we find minimum element of array and swap it with 1st element of array

[2, 6, 11, 7, 5]

## Step-02: For i = 1

[2, 6, 11, 7, 5]

we find minimum element of sub array and swap it with 2<sup>nd</sup> element of array

[2, 5, 11, 7, 6]

#### Step-03: For i = 2

[2, 5, 11, 7, 6]

we find minimum element of sub array and swap it with 3<sup>nd</sup> element of array

 $[2, 5, 6, 7, \overline{11}]$ 

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Step-04: For i = 3

[2, 5, 6, 7, 11]

we find minimum element of sub array , but there is no need of swap

Step-05: For i = 4

Loop gets terminated as 'i' becomes 4.

The state of array after the loops are finished is

[2, 5, 6, 7, 11]

With each loop cycle,

• The minimum element in unsorted sub-array is selected.

It is then placed at the correct location in the sorted sub-array until array A
is completely sorted.

## (iii) Evaluate Time and Space complexity

## **Time Complexity Analysis**

Selection sort algorithm consists of two nested loops. Owing to the two nested loops, it has O(n2) time complexity.

## **Time Complexity**

Best Case  $n^2$ Average Case  $n^2$ Worst Case  $n^2$ 

# **Space Complexity Analysis**

- Selection sort is an in-place algorithm.
- It performs all computation in the original array and no other array is used.
- Hence, the space complexity works out to be O(1).

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# (iv) Write down code and attach screenshot of output

Let A be an array with n elements. Then, selection sort algorithm used for sorting is as follows-

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
    int A[] = \{6, 2, 11, 7, 5\};
    int n = 5;
    int index = 0, temp = 0, i = 0, j = 0;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
        printf("%d\n", A[i]);
    for (i = 0; i < n - 1; i++)
        index = i;
        for (j = i + 1; j < n; j++)
            if (A[j] < A[index])
                index = j;
        temp = A[i];
        A[i] = A[index];
        A[index] = temp;
    printf("\nafter selection sort\n\n");
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
        printf("%d\n", A[i]);
}
```

Here,

- i = variable to traverse the array A
- index = variable to store the index of minimum element
- j = variable to traverse the unsorted sub-array
- temp = temporary variable used for swapping

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# **Bubble Sort**

## (i) Explain the following sorting algorithm

Bubble sort uses multiple passes (scans) through an array.

- In each pass, bubble sort compares the adjacent elements of the array.
- It then swaps the two elements if they are in the wrong order.
- In each pass, bubble sort places the next largest element to its proper position.
- In short, it bubbles down the largest element to its correct position.

## (ii) Write down algorithm

Consider the array A-

6, 2, 11, 7, 5

#### Step-01:

- We have pass=1 and i=0.
- We perform the comparison A[0] > A[1] and swaps if the  $0^{th}$  element is greater than the  $1^{th}$  element.
- Since 6 > 2, so we swap the two elements.

[6, 2, 11, 7, 5] ----> [2, 6, 11, 7, 5

## Step-02:

- We have pass=1 and i=1.
- We perform the comparison A[1] > A[2] and swaps if the 1<sup>th</sup> element is greater than the 2<sup>th</sup> element.
- Since 6 < 11, so no swapping is required.

[2, 6, 11, 7, 5] ----> [2, 6, 11, 7, 5]

#### Step-03:

- We have pass=1 and i=2.
- We perform the comparison A[2] > A[3] and swaps if the  $2^{nd}$  element is greater than the  $3^{rd}$  element.
- Since 11 > 7, so we swap the two elements.

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[2, 6, 11, 7, 5]

---->

[2, 6, 7, 11,

5]

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## Step-04:

• We have pass=1 and i=3.

• We perform the comparison A[3] > A[4] and swaps if the  $3^{rd}$  element is greater than the 4<sup>th</sup> element.

Since 11 > 5, so we swap the two elements.

[2, 6, 11, 7, 5]

----> [2, 6, 7, 5, 11]

Finally after the first pass, we see that the largest element 11 reaches its correct position.

#### Step-05:

• Similarly after pass=2, element 7 reaches its correct position.

• The modified array after pass=2 is shown below-

[2, 6, 11, 7, 5] ----> [2, 6, 5, 7, 11]

#### Step-06:

• Similarly after pass=3, element 6 reaches its correct position.

• The modified array after pass=3 is shown below-

[2, 6, 11, 7, 5] ----> [2, 5, 6, 7,

11]

## <u>Step-07:</u>

• No further improvement is done in pass=4.

- This is because at this point, elements 2 and 5 are already present at their correct positions.
- The loop terminates after pass=4.
- Finally, the array after pass=4 is shown below-

[2, 5, 6, 7, 11]

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# (iii) Evaluate Time and Space complexity

## **Time Complexity Analysis**

- Bubble sort uses two loops- inner loop and outer loop.
- The inner loop deterministically performs O(n) comparisons.

#### Worst Case-

- In worst case, the outer loop runs O(n) times.
- Hence, the worst case time complexity of bubble sort is  $O(n \times n) = O(n^2)$ .

#### Best Case-

- In best case, the array is already sorted but still to check, bubble sort performs O(n) comparisons.
- Hence, the best case time complexity of bubble sort is O(n).

#### Average Case-

- In average case, bubble sort may require (n/2) passes and O(n) comparisons for each pass.
- Hence, the average case time complexity of bubble sort is  $O(n/2 \times n) = O(n^2)$ .

The following table summarizes the time complexities of bubble sort in each case-

 $\begin{array}{ccc} & & & \text{Time} \\ & & & \text{Complexity} \\ \text{Best Case} & & \text{O(n)} \\ \text{Average} & & & \text{O(n^2)} \\ \text{Worst Case} & & \text{O(n^2)} \end{array}$ 

From here, it is clear that bubble sort is not at all efficient in terms of time complexity of its algorithm.

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# **Space Complexity Analysis**

• Bubble sort uses only a constant amount of extra space for variables like flag, i, n.

- Total comparisons in Bubble sort is: n ( n 1) / 2  $\approx$  n<sup>2</sup> n
- Hence, the space complexity of bubble sort is O(1).
- It is an in-place sorting algorithm i.e. it modifies elements of the original array to sort the given array.

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## (iv) Write down code and attach screenshot of output

```
#include <stdio.h>
void swap(int x, int y, int A[])
    int temp = A[x];
    A[x] = A[y];
    A[y] = temp;
int main()
    int A[] = \{6, 2, 11, 7, 5\};
    int n = 5;
    int i = 0;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
        printf("%d\n", A[i]);
    for(int pass=1 ; pass<=n-1 ; ++pass) // Making passes through array</pre>
        for(int i=0; i<=n-2; ++i)
        {
            if(A[i] > A[i+1]) // If adjacent elements are in wrong order
                swap(i,i+1,A); // Swap them
    //swap function : Exchange elements from array A at position x,y
    printf("\nafter selection sort\n\n");
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
        printf("%d\n", A[i]);
}
Here,
     pass : Variable to count the number of passes that are done till now
```

- n : Size of the array
- i : Variable to traverse the array A
- swap(): Function to swap two numbers from the array
- x,y: Indices of the array that needs to be swapped

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