

Selection Sort

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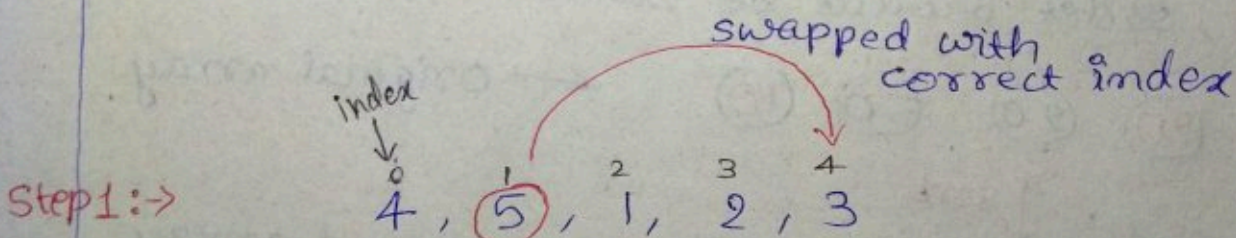
* Selection Sort :

- It is a simple sorting algorithm.
- In this algorithm, we select an element and put it at its correct position.

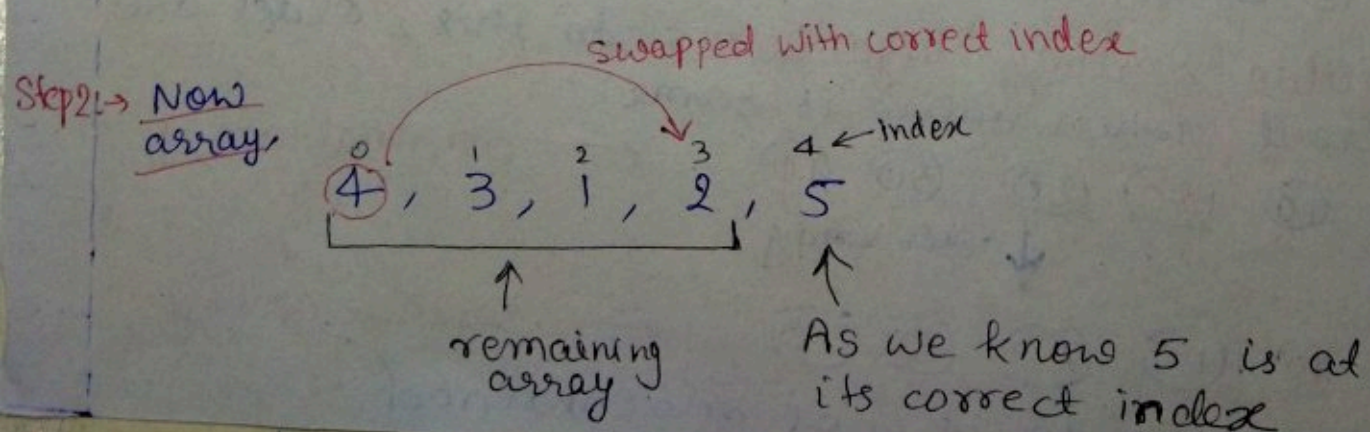
⇒ In this algorithm, we have to find the maximum value in the list, then put it in the correct position.

Then select 2nd largest element from the remaining array then put it at its correct position... And repeat this step till we get the sorted array.

Example :- 4, 5, 1, 2, 3



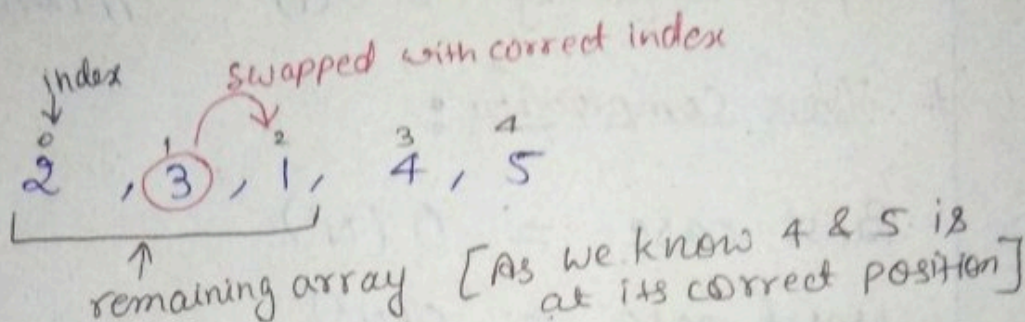
⇒ Select the largest element from the above array (Here, 5). So, put 5 at its correct index i.e. at index 4.



⇒ Now, find the maximum elem from the remaining array (Here, 4 is the largest). Now swap 4 with 2 (i.e put 4 at its correct index, i.e index 3)

Now array is

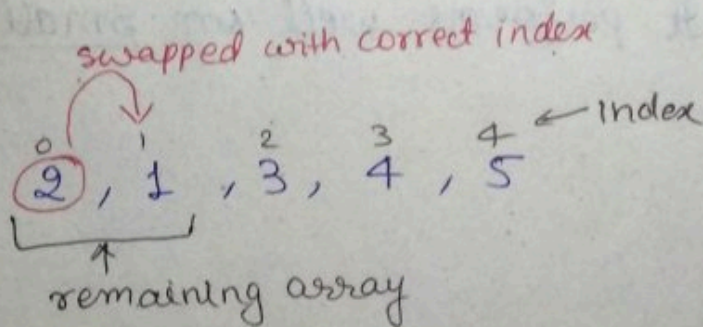
Step 3:→



⇒ Select the largest element from remaining array (Here, 3 is largest). Put 3 at its correct index (i.e, at index 2)

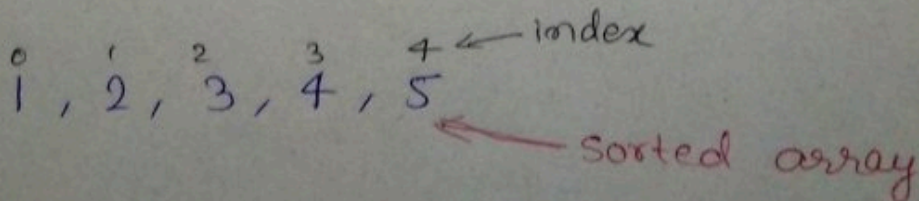
Now array is

Step 4:→



⇒ Select the largest element from remaining array (Here, 2 is largest). Put 2 at its correct index (i.e, at index 1)

Now array is:



*** NOTE ***

Here, I am selecting the maximum element & putting at its correct index. You can select the minimum element and do the same process.

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* Complexity of Selection Sort:

Space Complexity = $O(1)$ // constant

Time Complexity:

Best case = $O(N^2)$

Worst case = $O(N^2)$

Stable = No

* Use case:

⇒ It performs well on small lists/arrays.