COMP108
Data Structures and Algorithms

Selection Sort Algorithm

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Outline

Selection sort algorithm

- using array
- using linked list

Learning outcome:

- Be able to describe and carry out asymptotic analysis of selection sort algorithm

Selection sort - Idea

- find minimum key from the input sequence
- delete it from input sequence
- append it to resulting sequence
- repeat until nothing left in input sequence

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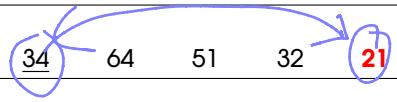

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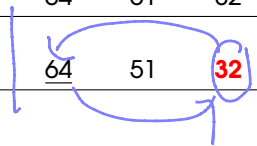

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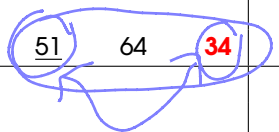

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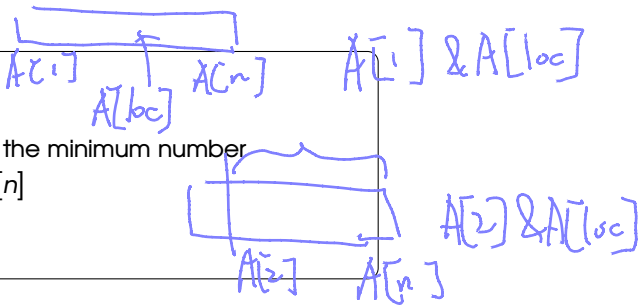


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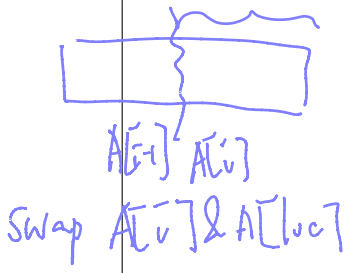

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while i ≤ n do
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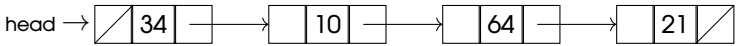

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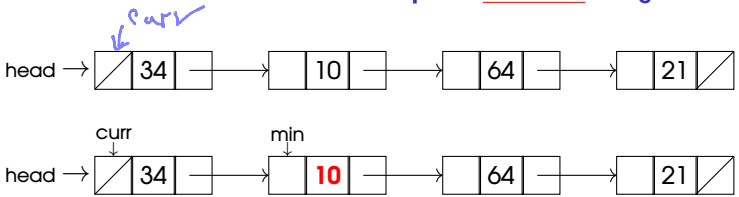

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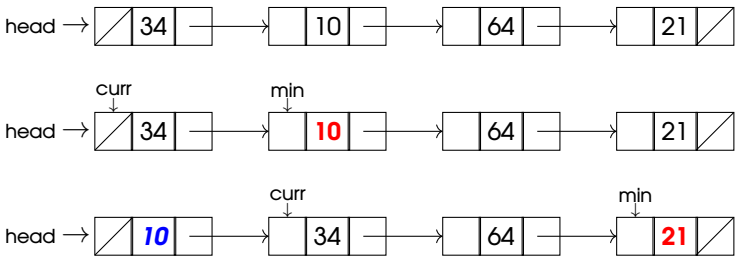

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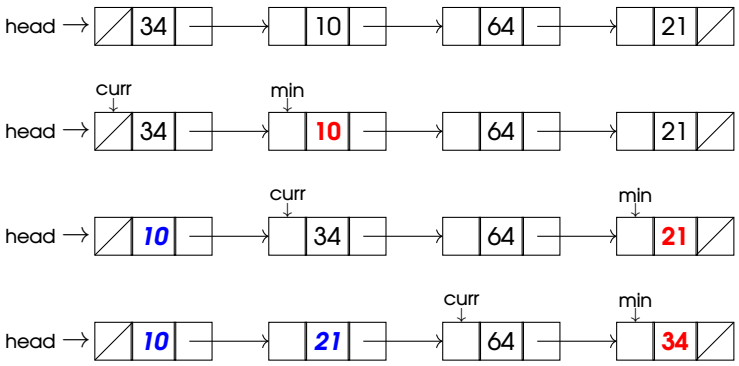

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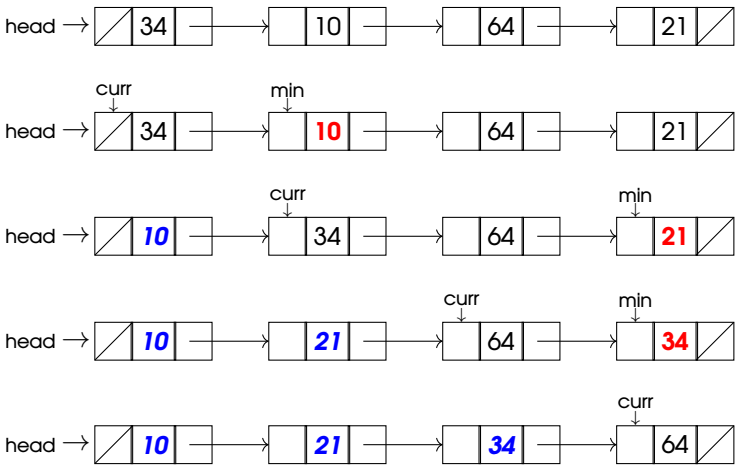

To find min, traverse from curr to tail to find min node

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end
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```
min.data is 34
node.data is 10
IF-T => min.data is 10
node.data is 64
IF-F => min unchanged
node.data is 21
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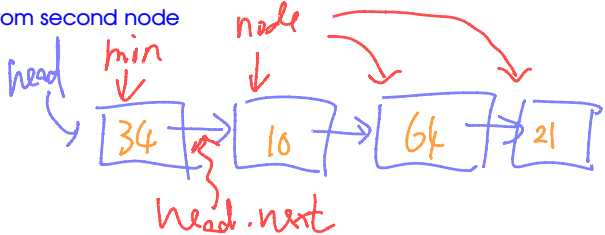

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- What about next round?

Selection sort with linked list - adding the outer loop

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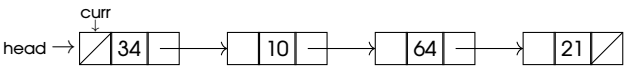

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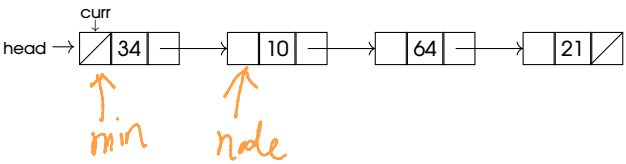

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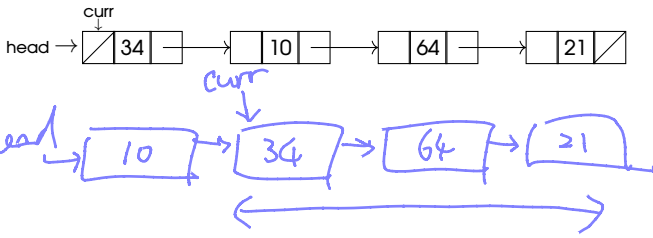

c.f. swap A[i] and A[loc]

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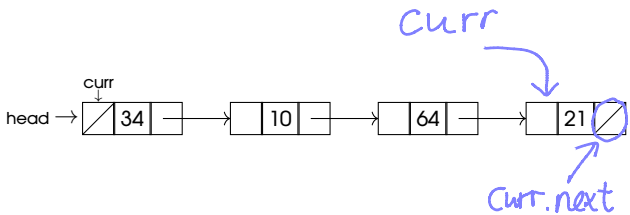

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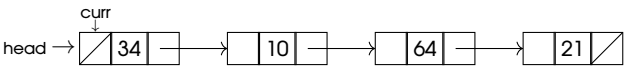

Time complexity?

Time complexity of Selection Sort Algorithm

Which of the following statements is/are correct? Assume we have n numbers to be sorted by selection sort algorithm.

In the best case, selection sort takes 0 swap operation.

In the worst case, selection sort takes $O(n)$ swap operations.

Selection sort takes $O(n^2)$ comparisons.

The worst case time complexity of selection sort is $O(n^2)$.

Summary: Selection Sort Algorithm

Next: Insertion Sort Algorithm

For note taking