

Bubble Sort

Bubble Sort is the simplest sorting algorithm that works by repeatedly swapping the adjacent elements if they are in wrong order.

Example:

First Pass:

(5 1 4 2 8) \rightarrow (1 5 4 2 8), Here, algorithm compares the first two elements, and swaps since $5 > 1$.

(1 5 4 2 8) \rightarrow (1 4 5 2 8), Swap since $5 > 4$

(1 4 5 2 8) \rightarrow (1 4 2 5 8), Swap since $5 > 2$

(1 4 2 5 8) \rightarrow (1 4 2 5 8), Now, since these elements are already in order ($8 > 5$), algorithm does not swap them.

Second Pass:

(1 4 2 5 8) \rightarrow (1 4 2 5 8)

(1 4 2 5 8) \rightarrow (1 2 4 5 8), Swap since $4 > 2$

(1 2 4 5 8) \rightarrow (1 2 4 5 8)

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Now, the array is already sorted, but our algorithm does not know if it is completed. The algorithm needs one **whole** pass without **any** swap to know it is sorted.

Third Pass:

(1 2 4 5 8) \rightarrow (1 2 4 5 8)

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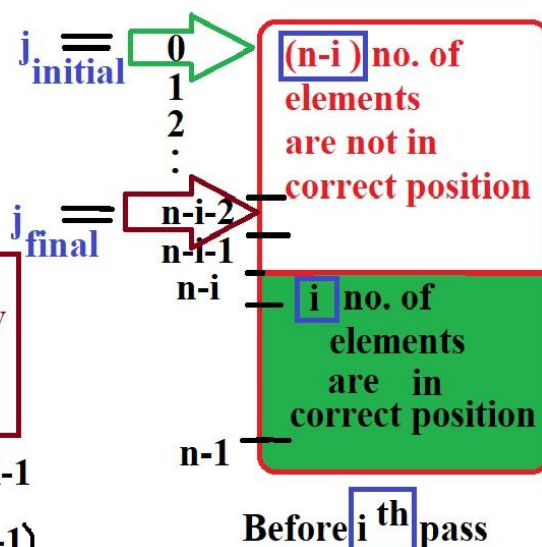
Total no. of elements = n

Total no. of passes required = $n-1$

In i^{th} pass the **highest element** from the top $(n-i)$ elements [partially unsorted list] is placed at $(n-i-1)^{\text{th}}$ position.

No. of comparison in i^{th} pass = $n-i-1$

Total no. of comparisons = $\sum_{i=0}^{n-2} (n-i-1)$



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#include<stdio.h>  
#include<conio.h>
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#define MAX 10
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void input_elements( int *, int );  
void display(int *, int);  
void bubble_sort(int *, int);
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void main()  
{  
    int *a, N;  
    clrscr( );  
    printf(“\n Enter the number of elements:”);  
    scanf(“%d”, &N);  
    a=(int *) malloc(sizeof(int)*N);  
    input_elements( a, N);  
    printf(“\n Elements before sorting:”);  
    display(a, N);  
    bubble_sort (a, N);  
    printf(“\n Elements after sorting:”);  
    display(a, N);  
    getchar( );  
}
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void input_elements( int *x, int n)
{
    int i;
    for(i=0;i <n; i++)
    {
        printf("\n Enter the Element[%d]:", i+1);
        fflush(stdin);
        scanf("%d",x+i);
    }
}

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void display(int *x, int n)
{
    int i;
    printf("\n");
    for(i=0;i<n;i++)
        printf("\t %d", x[i]);
}

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void bubble_sort (int *x, int n)
{

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    int i, j, t, flag;

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    /* =====

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i: index of pass varies from 0 to n-2,

j: comparison index varies from 0 to (n-i-1) in ith pass.

flag : an indicator variable

Condition (flag == 1) is TRUE for an unsorted array.

Condition (flag == 0) is TRUE for a sorted array.

Here, flag is initially set to zero.

If there is not a single swap in a pass then the given array is a sorted array. Under this condition flag will not be 1, it will remain 0 and next pass will not be executed due to failure of the condition (i<n-1 && flag) .

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for(i=0, flag=1; i<n-1 && flag; i++)
    for(j=0, flag=0; j<n-i-1; j++)
        if(x[j]>x[j+1])
        {
            flag=1;
            t=x[j];
            x[j]=x[j+1];
            x[j+1]=t;
        }
}
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Complexity Analysis:

No. of comparison in i^{th} pass = $n-i-1$

$$\text{Total no. of comparisons} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} (n-i-1)$$

$$= (n-1) + (n-2) + (n-3) + \dots + 3 + 2 + 1$$

$$= n(n-1)/2$$

$$= n^2/2 - n/2$$

$$= O(n^2)$$