

# Bubble Sort

(What are Algorithms and How to Analyze Algorithms)

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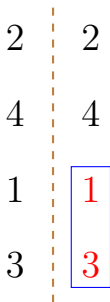
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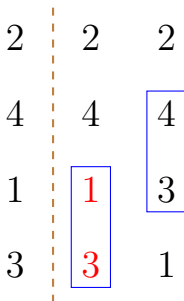
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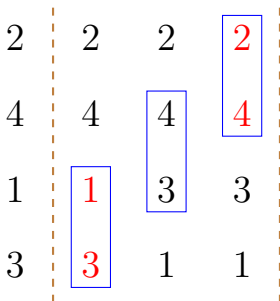
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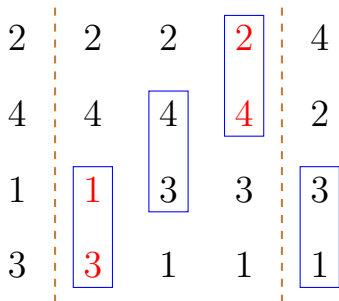
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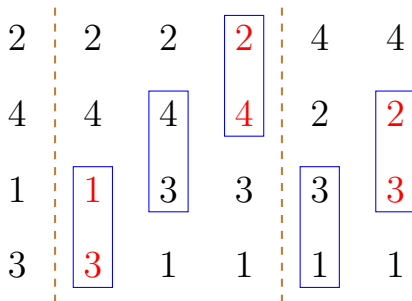
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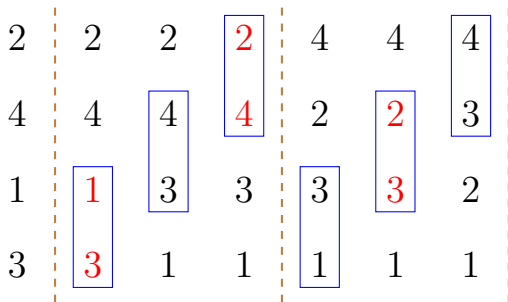
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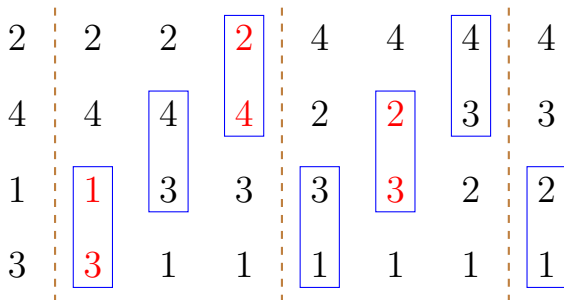
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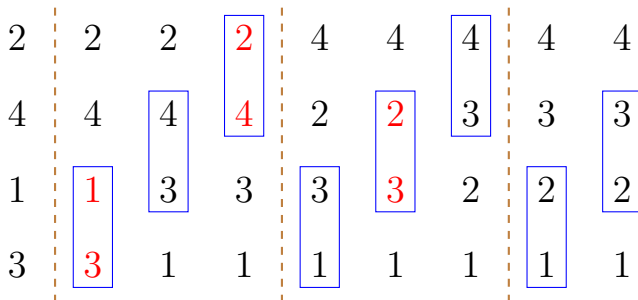
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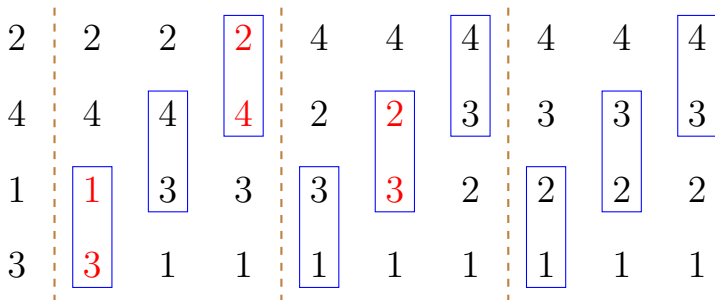
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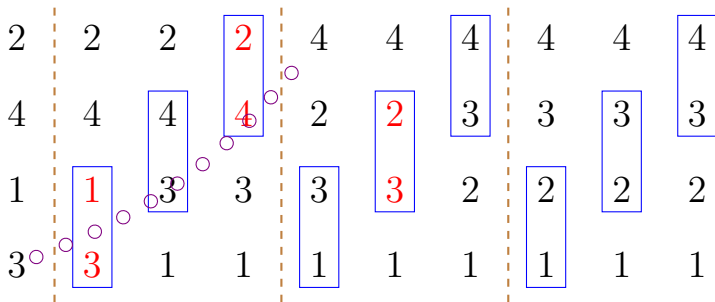
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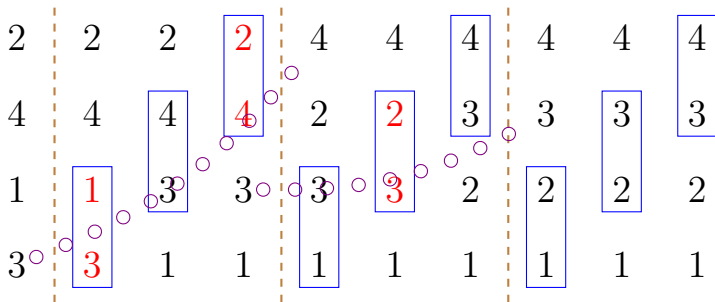
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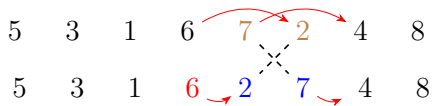
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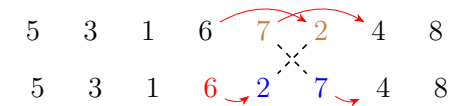
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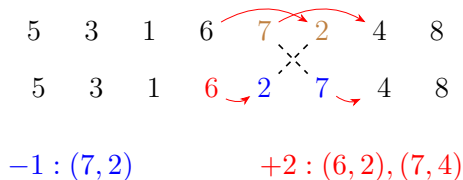


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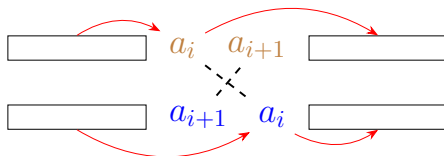
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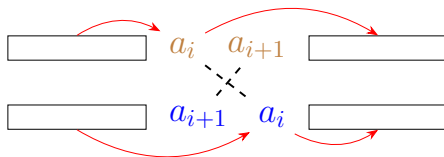
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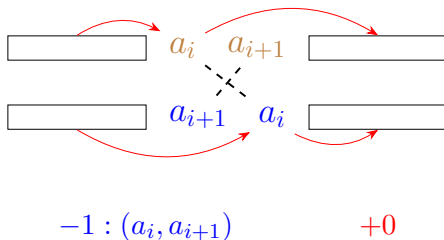
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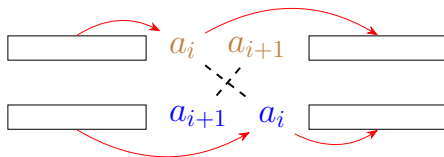
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Before the  $k$ -th ( $k \geq 1$ ) “**for**” loop,  $a_{n-(k-1)} \cdots a_n$

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