

## Quadratic-time sorts

To sort an array A of length n, indexed from 0 to n-1:

67	33	21	84	49	50	75
0	1	2	3	4	5	6

### Selection Sort

**Idea:** Mentally divide the input array into two parts – the left part, which is sorted, and the right part, which is unsorted. Initially, the left part is empty (nothing is sorted), and the right part is the entire starting array. We find the smallest element in the right (unsorted) part, and swap it with the leftmost item in the unsorted part, thereby extending the sorted portion of the array by one element. This then moves the boundary between the sorted portion and the unsorted portion one spot to the right.

✓ leftmost index of unsorted portion  
for  $i = 0$  to  $n-2$  inclusive:

// Find the smallest element in sublist  $A[i] \dots A[n-1]$

set  $\text{smallpos} = i$

for  $j = i+1$  to  $n-1$  inclusive:

if  $A[j] < A[\text{smallpos}]$ :

set  $\text{smallpos} = j$

// and move that element into its proper position

swap  $A[i]$  and  $A[\text{smallpos}]$

// Note that selection sort does not need to run for  $i=n-1$  because this would

// correspond to finding the smallest element in a 1-item sublist. In other

// words, by the time we get finish the  $i=n-2$  loop, the array will be sorted.

67 33 21 84 49 50 75  
exchange 21 + 67  
→ smallest elt

21 33 67 84 49 50 75

21 33 67 84 49 50 75  
Sorted  
i j

X X X X X X X  
Sorted unsorted

Find the smallest elt & swap w/ i

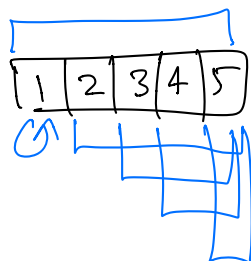
for  $i$  in  $\text{range}(0, \text{len}(A))$ :

Big-oh :  $O(n^2)$  → worst case

Best case?

$O(n^2)$

Avg case  $O(n^2)$



## Bubble sort

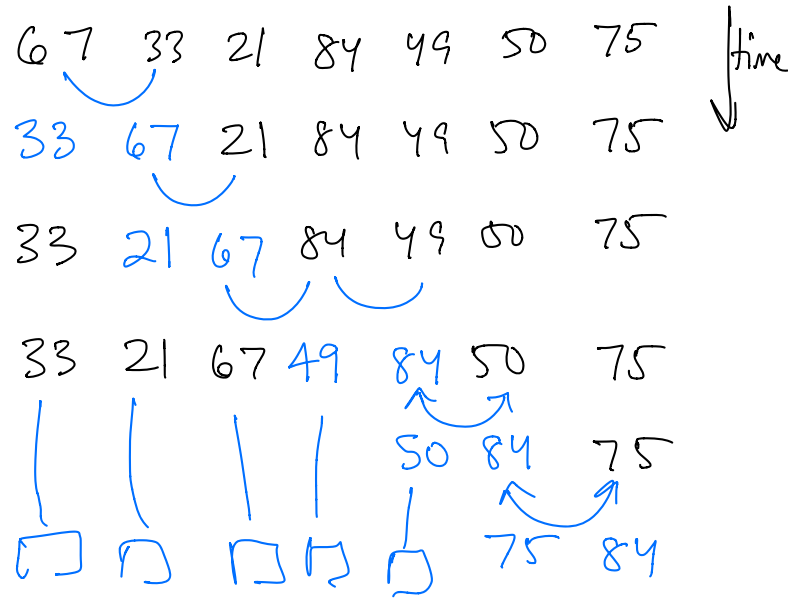
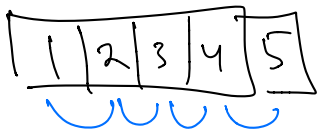
**Idea:** Iterate through the array from front to back, swapping adjacent pairs of elements if they are out of order. Repeat this iteration until you complete an entire pass through the array resulting in zero swaps (meaning the array is sorted).

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do
  swapped = false
  for i = 0 to n-2 inclusive:
    // if this pair is out of order
    if A[i] > A[i+1]
      swap A[i] and A[i+1]
      swapped = true
  repeat until not swapped
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Worst case  $O(n^2)$

Best case?  $\rightarrow O(n)$

$\rightarrow$  sorted array.

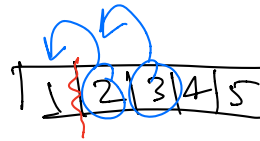


## Insertion sort

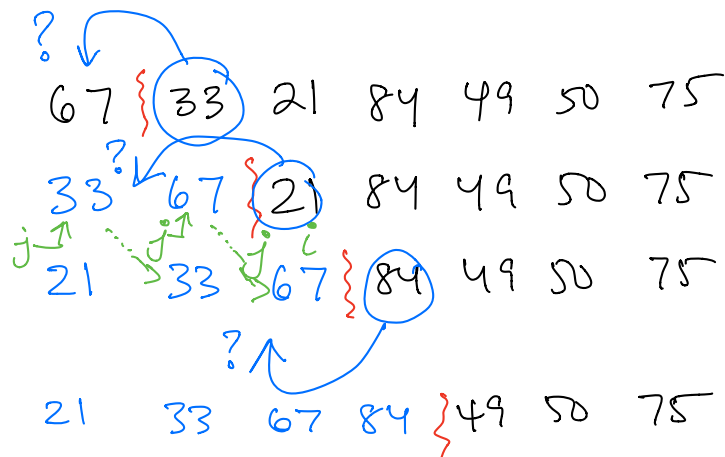
Worst case -  $O(n^2)$

Best case?  $O(n)$

$\rightarrow$  sorted array.



temp = 21



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