

Sorting

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- There are multiple such algorithms for sorting items. Some are easier to implement, but take longer to run.

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- The first three sorting algorithms may also be referred to as $O(n^2)$ sorts because they run in $O(n^2)$ time for the average case.

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Because no swaps were made in this iteration, the array must be sorted.

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procedure BUBBLESORT(array)  
  length  $\leftarrow$  length of array  
  i  $\leftarrow$  0  
  swapped  $\leftarrow$  TRUE  
  while i < length - 1 and swapped is TRUE do  
    swapped  $\leftarrow$  FALSE  
    for j  $\leftarrow$  0, length - i - 1 do  
      if array[j] > array[j + 1] then  
        swap array[j] and array[j + 1]  
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      end if  
    end for  
  end while  
end procedure
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- Bubble sort runs in-place and is a stable sort.

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Insertion Sort

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procedure INSERTIONSORT(array)  
  length  $\leftarrow$  length of array  
  for  $i \leftarrow 1, \text{length} - 1$  do  
     $j \leftarrow i$   
    while  $j > 0$  and  $\text{array}[j - 1] > \text{array}[j]$  do  
      swap  $\text{array}[j - 1]$  and  $\text{array}[j]$   
       $j \leftarrow j - 1$   
    end while  
  end for  
end procedure
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- Repeat until the entire array is sorted.

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  length  $\leftarrow$  length of array  
  for  $i \leftarrow 0, \text{length}$  do  
    minIndex  $\leftarrow i$   
    for  $j \leftarrow i + 1, \text{length}$  do  
      if array[j] < array[minIndex] then  
        minIndex  $\leftarrow j$   
      end if  
    end for  
    swap array[minIndex] and array[i]  
  end for  
end procedure
```

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