

Sorting: Bubble Sort ☆

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Consider the following version of Bubble Sort:

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
  
    for (int j = 0; j < n - 1; j++) {  
        // Swap adjacent elements if they are in decreasing order  
        if (a[j] > a[j + 1]) {  
            swap(a[j], a[j + 1]);  
        }  
    }  
  
}
```

Given an array of integers, sort the array in ascending order using the Bubble Sort algorithm above. Once sorted, print the following three lines:

- 1. Array is sorted in numSwaps swaps., where *numSwaps* is the number of swaps that took place.
- 2. First Element: firstElement, where *firstElement* is the first element in the sorted array.
- 3. Last Element: lastElement, where *lastElement* is the last element in the sorted array.

Hint: To complete this challenge, you must add a variable that keeps a running tally of all swaps that occur during execution.

For example, given a worst-case but small array to sort: **a = [6, 4, 1]** we go through the following steps:

swap	a
0	[6, 4, 1]
1	[4, 6, 1]
2	[4, 1, 6]
3	[1, 4, 6]

It took **3** swaps to sort the array. Output would be

```
Array is sorted in 3 swaps.  
First Element: 1  
Last Element: 6
```

Function Description

Complete the function countSwaps in the editor below. It should print the three lines required, then return.

countSwaps has the following parameter(s):

- a: an array of integers .

Input Format

The first line contains an integer, **n**, the size of the array **a**.

The second line contains **n** space-separated integers **a[i]**.

Constraints

- 2 ≤ n ≤ 600
- 1 ≤ a[i] ≤ 2 × 10⁶

Output Format

You must print the following three lines of output:

- 1. Array is sorted in numSwaps swaps., where *numSwaps* is the number of swaps that took place.
- 2. First Element: firstElement, where *firstElement* is the first element in the sorted array.
- 3. Last Element: lastElement, where *lastElement* is the last element in the sorted array.

Sample Input 0

```
3  
1 2 3
```

Sample Output 0

```
Array is sorted in 0 swaps.  
First Element: 1  
Last Element: 3
```

Explanation 0

The array is already sorted, so **0** swaps take place and we print the necessary three lines of output shown above.

Sample Input 1

```
3  
3 2 1
```

Sample Output 1

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Array is sorted in 3 swaps.
First Element: 1
Last Element: 3

Explanation 1

The array is not sorted, and its initial values are: **{3, 2, 1}**. The following **3** swaps take place:


1. **{3, 2, 1} → {2, 3, 1}**
2. **{2, 3, 1} → {2, 1, 3}**
3. **{2, 1, 3} → {1, 2, 3}**

At this point the array is sorted and we print the necessary three lines of output shown above.

JavaScript (Node.js)   

```
1  'use strict';
2
3  process.stdin.resume();
4  process.stdin.setEncoding('utf-8');
5
6  let inputString = '';
7  let currentLine = 0;
8
9  process.stdin.on('data', inputStdin => {
10     inputString += inputStdin;
11 });
12
13 process.stdin.on('end', function() {
14     inputString = inputString.replace(/\s*$/, '')
15     .split('\n')
16     .map(str => str.replace(/\s*$/, ''));
17
18     main();
19 });
20
21 function readLine() {
22     return inputString[currentLine++];
23 }
24
25 // Complete the countSwaps function below.
26 function countSwaps(a) {
27
28
29 }
30
31 function main() {
32     const n = parseInt(readLine(), 10);
```

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