

Sorting and Searching

What is searching

What is sorting

Main types of searching strategies

Sequential

Binary / ternary ...

Hashing

Main types of sorting strategies

Bubble sort

Insertion sort

Merge sort

Quick sort

Selection sort

Heap sort

....

Bubble sort

Bubble sort is a simple sorting algorithm.

This sorting algorithm is comparison-based algorithm

Each pair of adjacent elements is compared and the elements are swapped if they are not in order.

Bubble sort

Its average and worst case complexities are of $O(n^2)$ where n is the number of items

This algorithm is not suitable for large data sets

Bubble sort example



Bubble sort starts with very first two elements, comparing them to check which one is greater.

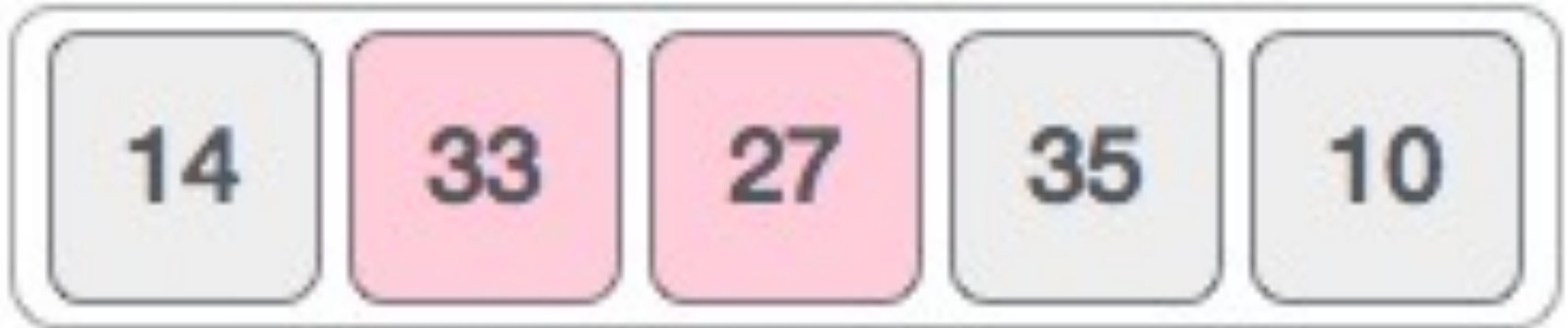


In this case, value 33 is greater than 14, so it is already in sorted locations.

Next, we compare 33 with 27.



We find that 27 is smaller than 33 and these two values must be swapped.



The new array should look like this –





Next we compare 33 and 35. We find that both are in already sorted positions.

Then we move to the next two values, 35 and 10.



We know then that 10 is smaller than 35. Hence they are not sorted.



We swap these values.

We find that we have reached the end of the array. After one iteration, the array should look like this –



To be precise, let us see how an array should look like after each iteration.

After the second iteration, it should look like this –



Notice that after each iteration, at least one value moves at the end.

14

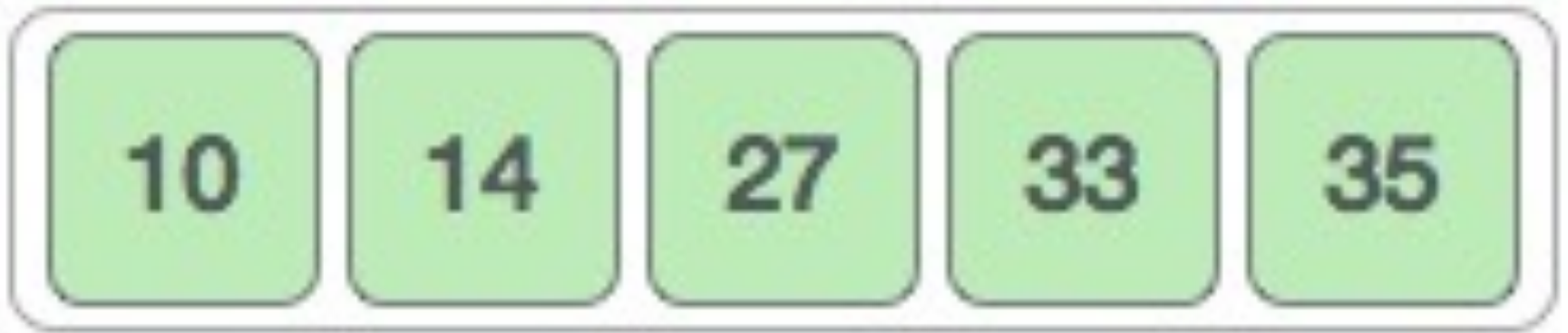
10

27

33

35

And when there's no swap required, bubble sorts learns that an array is completely sorted.



```
int main()
{
    int array[100], n, c, d, swap;

    printf("Enter number of elements\n");
    scanf("%d", &n);

    printf("Enter %d integers\n", n);

    for (c = 0; c < n; c++)
        scanf("%d", &array[c]);
```

```
for (c = 0 ; c < n - 1; c++)          // Loop for Pass
{
    for (d = 0 ; d < n - c - 1; d++)    // pairwise comp.
    {
        if (array[d] > array[d+1])
        /* For decreasing order use < */
        {
            temp    = array[d];          // swap function...
            array[d] = array[d+1];
            array[d+1] = temp;
        }
    }
}
```

For descending order –

```
for (c = 0 ; c < n - 1; c++)          // Loop for Pass
{
    for (d = 0 ; d < n - c - 1; d++)    // pairwise comp.
    {
        if (array[d] < array[d+1])      // Incorrect wrt dec.
        /* */
        {
            temp    = array[d];          // swap function...
            array[d] = array[d+1];
            array[d+1] = temp;
        }
    }
}
```

```
printf("Sorted list in ascending order:\n");
```

```
for (c = 0; c < n; c++)  
    printf("%d\n", array[c]);
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
void bubble_sort(long [], long);
```

```
int main()
{
    long array[100], n, c;
```

```
    printf("Enter number of
elements\n");
    scanf("%ld", &n);
```

```
    printf("Enter %ld integers\n", n);
```

```
    for (c = 0; c < n; c++)
        scanf("%ld", &array[c]);
```

```
    bubble_sort(array, n);
```

Bubble sort program in C language using function

```
    printf("Sorted list in
ascending order:\n");
```

```
    for (c = 0; c < n; c++)
        printf("%ld\n", array[c]);
```

```
    return 0;
}
```



```
void bubble_sort(long list[], long n)
{
    long c, d, t;
    flag=1;
    for (c = 0 ; (c < n - 1)&&(flag==1); c++) {
        flag = 0;
        for (d = 0 ; d < n - c - 1; d++) {
            if (list[d] > list[d+1]) {
                /* Swapping */
                t      = list[d];
                list[d] = list[d+1];
                list[d+1] = t;
                flag = 1;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

We can use the Bubble Sort algorithm to check if an array is sorted or not.

If no swapping takes place, then the array is sorted.

```
#include <stdio.h>

int is_Array_Sorted(int [],
int);
```

```
int main()
{
    int a[100], n, c;

    printf("Enter number of
elements\n");
    scanf("%d", &n);

    printf("Enter %d
integers\n", n);
```

```
    for (c = 0; c < n; c++)
        scanf("%d", &a[c]);

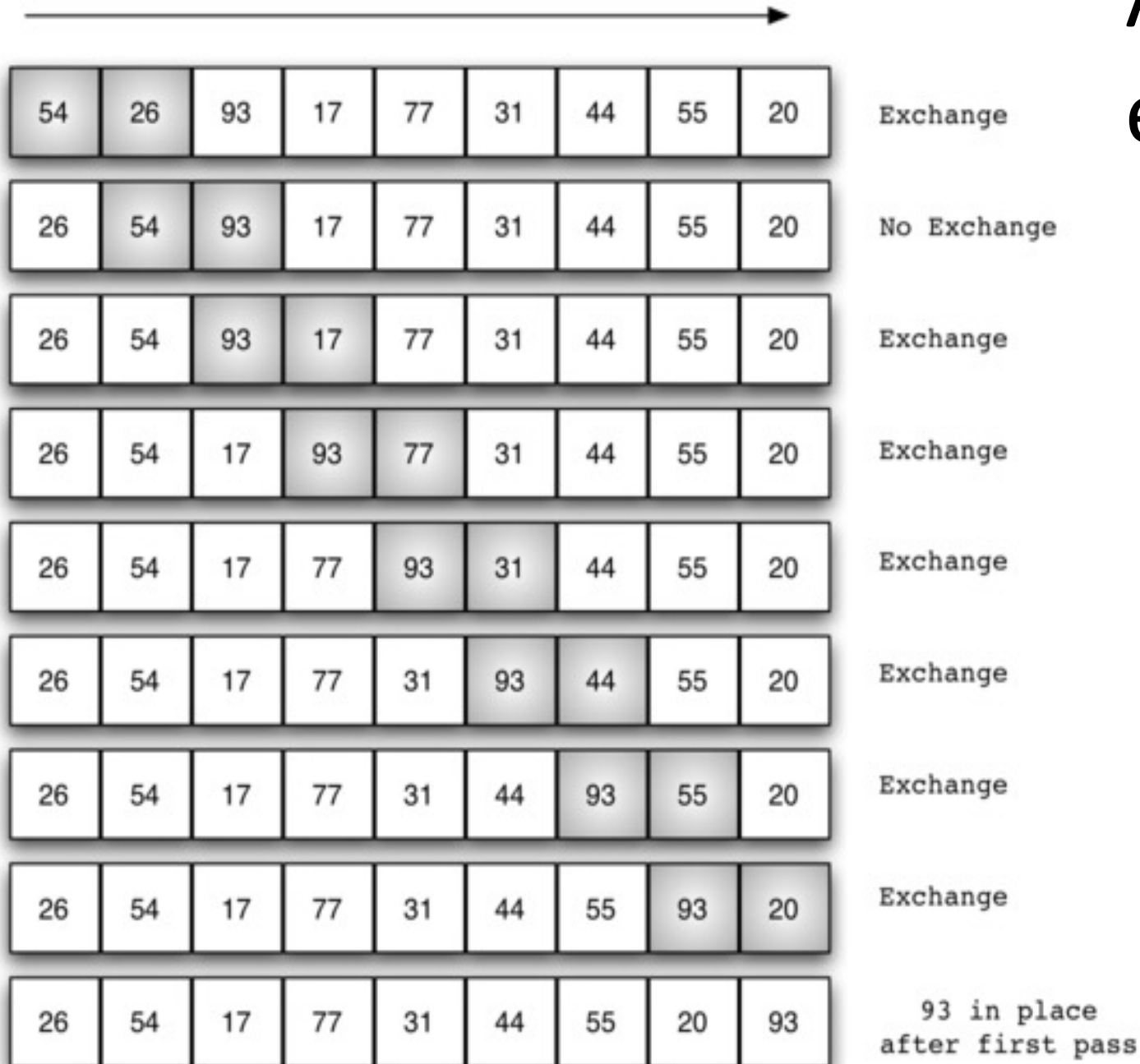
    if (is_Array_Sorted(a, n))
        printf("The array is
sorted.\n");
    else
        printf("The array isn't
sorted.\n");

    return 0;
}
```

```
int is_Array_Sorted(int a[], int n) {  
    int c, d, sorted = 1, t;  
  
    for (c = 0 ; c < n - 1; c++) {  
        for (d = 0 ; d < n - c - 1; d++) {  
            if (a[d] > a[d+1]) {  
                t = a[d];  
                a[d] = a[d+1];  
                a[d+1] = t;  
                return 0;  
            }  
        }  
    }  
    return 1;  
}
```

Another example

First pass



```
// A function to implement bubble sort
```

```
void bubbleSort(int arr[], int n)
```

```
{
```

```
    // Base case
```

```
    if (n == 1)
```

```
        return;
```

```
    // One pass of bubble sort. After
```

```
    // this pass, the largest element
```

```
    // is moved (or bubbled) to end.
```

```
    for (int i=0; i<n-1; i++)
```

```
        if (arr[i] > arr[i+1])
```

```
            swap(arr[i], arr[i+1]);
```

```
    // Largest element is fixed,
```

```
    // recur for remaining array
```

```
    bubbleSort(arr, n-1);
```

```
}
```

Recursive implementation of Bubble sort

```
void printArray(int arr[], int n)
{
    for (int i=0; i < n; i++)
        printf("%d ", arr[i]);
    printf("\n");
}
```

// Driver program to test above functions

```
int main()
{
    int arr[] = {64, 34, 25, 12, 22, 11, 90};
    int n = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);
    bubbleSort(arr, n);
    printf("Sorted array : \n");
    printArray(arr, n);
    return 0;
}
```

Linear Search

Linear search is the simplest searching algorithm that searches for an element in a list in sequential order.

We start at one end and check every element until the desired element is not found.

How Linear Search Works?

The following steps are followed to search for an element $k = 1$ in the list below.



Array to be searched for

Start from
the first
element

compare k
with each
element x .

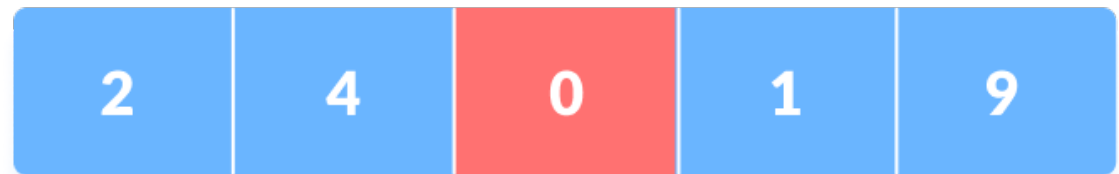
$k = 1$



↑
 $k \neq 2$

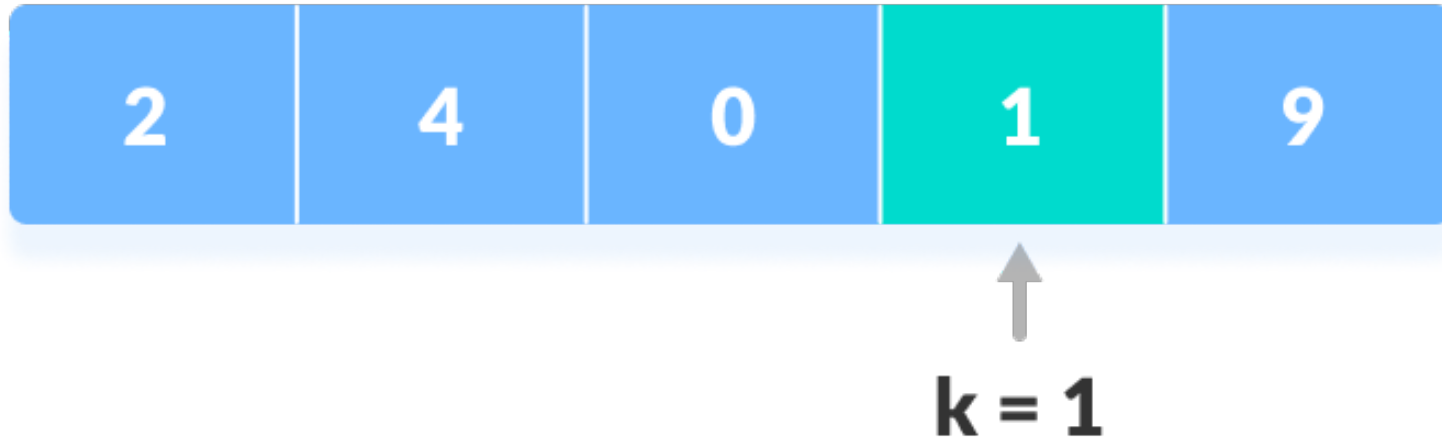


↑
 $k \neq 4$



↑
 $k \neq 0$

If $x == k$, return the index.



Else, return not found.

Linear Search Algorithm

LinearSearch(array, key)

for each item in the array

if item == value

return its index

// Linear Search in C

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int search(int array[], int n, int x)
{
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        if (array[i] == x)
            return i;
    return -1;
}
```

```
int main()
{
    int array[] = {2, 4, 0, 1, 9};
    int x = 1;
    int n = sizeof(array) / sizeof(array[0]);

    int result = search(array, n, x);

    (result == -1) ? printf("Element not found") :
    printf("Element found at index: %d", result);

}
```

Comparison mechanisms

- Multiple strategies
 - Starting from the naïve strategy
 - Better strategy
-
- Time complexity -
 - Space complexity

Comparison mechanisms

- In case of linear search
- The time complexity is $F(N) = (N + 1)/2$
- Best case is 1 comparison
- Worst case is N comparison
- $F(N) = (N+1) / 2 = (\frac{1}{2}).N + (\frac{1}{2}) = O(N)$

Binary Search

Binary Search is a searching algorithm for finding an element's position in a sorted array.

In this approach, the element is always searched in the middle of a portion of an array.

Binary search can be implemented only on a sorted list of items. If the elements are not sorted already, we need to sort them first.

- 1 3 5 6 8

- 1 3 8 5 6

-

- 2 5 1 7

- 1 2 5 7

Binary Search Algorithm can be implemented in two ways which are discussed below.

Iterative Method

Recursive Method

The recursive method follows the **divide and conquer** approach.

The general steps for both methods are discussed below.

The array in which searching is to be performed is:



Let $x = 4$ be the element to be searched.

Set two pointers (indices) low and high at the lowest and the highest positions respectively.



Find the middle element mid of the array
ie. $\text{arr}[(\text{low} + \text{high})/2] = 6$.



If $x == \text{mid}$, then return mid.

Else, compare the element to be searched with m.

If $x > \text{mid}$, compare x with the middle element of the elements on the right side of mid .

This is done by setting $\text{low} = \text{mid} + 1$.

Else, compare x with the middle element of the elements on the left side of mid .

This is done by setting $\text{high} = \text{mid} - 1$.



↑
low

↑
high

Repeat previous steps
until

low meets high.



$x = 4$ is found



$x = \text{mid}$

Binary Search Algorithm

Iteration Method

do until the pointers low and high meet each other.

mid = (low + high)/2

if (x == arr[mid])

return mid

else if (x > arr[mid]) // x is on the right side

low = mid + 1

else // x is on the left side

high = mid - 1

Recursive Method

```
binarySearch(arr, x, low, high)
```

```
    if low > high
```

```
        return False
```

```
    else
```

```
        mid = (low + high) / 2
```

```
        if x == arr[mid]
```

```
            return mid
```

```
        else if x > data[mid]    // x is on the right side
```

```
            return binarySearch(arr, x, mid + 1, high)
```

```
        else                    // x is on the right side
```

```
            return binarySearch(arr, x, low, mid - 1)
```

```
int binarySearch(int array[], int x, int low, int high)
{
    while (low <= high)
    {
        int mid = low + (high - low) / 2;
        if (array[mid] == x)
            return mid;
        if (array[mid] < x)
            low = mid + 1;
        else
            high = mid - 1;
    }
    return -1;
}
```

```
int main(void)
{
    int array[] = {3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9};
    int n = sizeof(array) / sizeof(array[0]);
    int x = 4;
    int result = binarySearch(array, x, 0, n - 1);
    if (result == -1)
        printf("Not found");
    else
        printf("Element is found at index %d",
result);
    return 0;
}
```



```
#include <stdio.h>
int binarySearch(int array[], int x, int low, int high)
{
    if (high >= low)
    {
        int mid = low + (high - low) / 2;
        if (array[mid] == x)
            return mid;
        if (array[mid] > x)
            return binarySearch(array, x, low,
mid - 1);
        return binarySearch(array, x, mid + 1, high);
    }
    return -1;
}
```

```
int main(void)
{
    int array[] = {3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9};
    int n = sizeof(array) / sizeof(array[0]);
    int x = 4;
    int result = binarySearch(array, x, 0, n - 1);
    if (result == -1)
        printf("Not found");
    else
        printf("Element is found at index %d",
result);
}
```

Time complexity of binary search

- Always in every step we divide the array into two parts – until we get the number
- X
- $X/2$
- $X/4$
- $X/8$
- $X/16$
- 1