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Problem Specification

Consider the collection of data related to the students of a particular class. Each data consists of

- Roll Number: char rollNo[9]
- Name: char name [50]
- cgpa: double cgpa

It is necessary to prepare the merit list of the students. students.

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The merit list should be sorted on cgpa of students in descending order.

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Problem Abstraction

We only consider the cgpa field for discussion of sorting algorithms.

Sorting by Comparison

We shall consider sorting of data by comparison. There are other sorting techniques. We also assume that the whole data set is available in the main memory.

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\overline{\phantom{a}}\bigcap\intint indexOfMax(double cgpa[],int low,int high) {
      double max = cgpa[low];
      int indMax = low, i;for(i=low+1; i<=high; ++i)
          if(cgpa[i] > max) {
             max = cgpa[i];indMax = i;}
      return indMax;
 } // selSort.c
 #define EXCH(X, Y, Z) ((Z)=(X), (X)=(Y), (Y)=(Z))void selectionSort(double cgpa[], int noOfStdnt)
       int i ;
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for(i = 0; i < no0fStdnt - 1; ++i) {
         int max = indexOfMax(cgpa, i, noOfStdnt-1);
         double temp ;
         EXCH(cgpa[i], cgpa[max], temp);
     \mathcal{F}} // selSort.c
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Execution Time

The execution time of ^a program (algorithm) depends on many factors e.g. the machine parameters (clock speed, instruction set, memory access time etc.), the code generated by the compiler, other processes sharing time on the OS, data set, data structure and encoding of the algorithm etc.

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Execution Time Abstraction

It is necessary to get an abstract view of the execution time, to compare different algorithms, that essentially depends on the algorithm and the data structure.

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Execution of selectionSort()

If there are n data, the for-loop in the function selectionSort(), is executed $(n-1)$ times $([i:0\cdots(n-2)]),$ so the number of assignments, array acess, comparison and call to indexOfMax() are all approximately proportional to the data count, n^a .

^aIt is difficult to get the exact count of these operations from the high-level coding of the algorithm.

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Execution of indexOfMax()

For each value of i in the for-loop of selectionSort() there is ^a call to indexOfMax() $(low \leftarrow i)$

- Corresponding to each call the for-loop of $indexOfMax()$ is executed $high - low - 1$ $=(n-1)-i-1=n-i-2$ times.
- $\overline{}$ \int • The total number of comparisons for each i inside indexOfMax(), are $2(n-i-2)+1=2n-2i-3.$

- The number of assignments are $3n - 3i - 6 + 3 = 3n - 3i - 3$.
- And the number of array access are $2n-2i-2+1=2n-2i-1.$

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- The total number of comparisons both in selectionSort() and indexOfMax() is $n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} (2n - 2i - 3) = n + 2n(n - 1) (n-1)(n-2) - 3(n-1) = n^2 - n + 1.$
- $\overline{}$ • Similarly we can calculate total number of assignments and array access.

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Execution Time

Different operations have different costs, that makes the execution time a complex function of *n*. But for a large value of *n* (data count), the number of each operation is approximately proportional to n^2 .

Execution Time

If we assume identical costs for each of these operations (abstraction), the running time of selection sort is approximately proportional to n^{2a}

This roughly means that the running time of selection sort algorithm will be four times if the data count is doubled.

 a_n is the number of data to be sorted.

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Time Complexity

We say that the running time or the time complexity of selection sort is of order n^2 , $\Theta(n^2)$. We shall define this notion precisely.

Space Complexity

The extra space requirement for selection sort does not depend on n for this implementation. What ever be the value of n we are using only half a dozen of extra variables e.g. cgpa[], low, high, max, ...

Selection Sort with Recursion

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\overline{\phantom{a}}\bigcap\frac{1}{2}int indexOfMax(double cgpa[],int low,int high) {
      int max ;
      if(low == high) return low;
      max = indexOfMax(cspa, low+1, high);if(cgpa[low] > cgpa[max]) return low ;
      return max;
 } // selSort.c
 #define EXCH(X, Y, Z) ((Z)=(X), (X)=(Y), (Y)=(Z))void selectionSort(double cgpa[], int noOfStdnt)
       int i ;
       for(i = 0; i < noOfStdnt - 1; ++i) {
            int max = indexOfMax(cgpa, i, noOfStdnt-1);
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Space Complexity

In the recursive version, the volume of extra space depends on the number of data elements due to recursive calls. It is roughly proportional to n .


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\overline{\phantom{a}}\bigcap\int#define EXCH(X, Y, Z) ((Z)=(X), (X)=(Y), (Y)=(Z))void selectionSort(double cgpa[], int noOfStdnt)
       int i ;
       for(i = 0; i < noOfStdnt - 1; ++i) {
           int max, j ;
           double temp ;
           temp = cgpa[i];
           max = i;
           for(j = i+1; j < noOfStdnt; ++j)
           if(cgpa[j] > temp) {
               temp = cgpa[j];
               max = j;
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We shall introduce the notation of upper bound (O) , lower bound (Ω) and order (Θ) of non-decreasing positive real-valued functions^a. These notations are useful to express the running time and space usages of algorithms.

^aOur actual domain is $\mathbb N$, but we shall take it as positive reals while drawing the graph.

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Big O: Asymptotic Upper Bound

Consider two functions $f, q : \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$. We say that $f(n)$ is $O(g(n))$ or $f(n) \in O(g(n))$ or $f(n) = O(g(n))$, if there are two positive constants c and n_0 such that $0 \le f(n) \le cg(n)$, for all $n \geq n_0$. $q(n)$ is called an upper bound of $f(n)$.

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Ω: Asymptotic Lower Bound

Consider two functions $f, h : \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$. We say that $f(n)$ is $\Omega(h(n))$ $(f(n) \in \Omega(h(n))$ or $f(n) = \Omega(h(n))$, if there are two positive constants c and n_0 such that $0 \le ch(n) \le f(n)$, for all $n \geq n_0$. $h(n)$ is called a lower bound of $f(n)$.

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\bullet \; n^2 + n + 5 = O(n^3), O(n^4), \cdots.
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Selection Sort

Running time of selection sort is $\Theta(n^2)$ and the space requirement is $\Theta(1)$ (no-recursive), where n is the number of data to sort.

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Note

Let n be the size of the input. The worst case running time of an algorithm is

- $\Theta(n)$ implies that it takes almost double the time if the input size is doubled;
- $\Theta(n^2)$ implies that it takes almost four times the time if the input is doubled;
- $\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \end{array} \end{array}$ $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ • $\Theta(\log n)$ implies that it takes a constant amount of extra time if the input is doubled;

Insertion Sort Algorithm

for $i \leftarrow 1$ to noOfStdnt -1 do $temp \leftarrow cgpa[i]$ for $j \leftarrow i-1$ downto 0 do if $cgsa[j] < temp$ $cppa[j+1] \leftarrow cgpa[j]$ else go out of loop endFor $cppa[j+1] \leftarrow temp$ endFor

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                                                      \overline{\phantom{0}}\intvoid insertionSort(double cgpa[], int noOfStdnt){
       int i, j ;
       for(i=1; i < noOfStdnt; ++i) {
            double temp = cppa[i];
            for(j = i-1; j >= 0; --j) {
                if(cgpa[j]<temp) cgpa[j+1]=cgpa[j];
                else break ;
            }
            cgpa[j+1] = temp ;<u>}</u>
  } // insertionSort.c
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Execution Time

Let n be the number of data. The outer for-loop will always be executed $n-1$ times. The number of times the inner for-loop is executed depends on data. It is entered at least once but the maximum number of execution may be i.

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Execution Time

If for most of the values of i, $0 \leq i \leq n$, the inner loop is executed near the minimum value (for an almost sorted data), the execution time will be almost proportional to n i.e. linear in n .

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Worst Case Execution Time

But in the worst case, The inner for-loop will be executed

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\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} = \Theta(n^2)
$$

✫ \int times. So the running time of insertion sort is $O(n^2)$, the worst case running is $\Theta(n^2)$, the best case running time is $\Theta(n)$.

Extra Space for Computation

The extra space required for the computation of insertion sort does not depend on number of data. It is $\Theta(1)$ (so it is also $O(1)$ and $\Omega(1)$).

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Bubble Sort Algorithm

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for i ← 0 to noOfStdnt −2 do
   exchange = NO
   for j ← noOfStdnt −1 downto i +1 do
      if (cgpa[j-1] < cgpa[j])cgpa[j-1] \leftrightarrow cgpa[j] \# Exchange
          exchange = YES
   endFor
   if (exchange == NO) break
endFor
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\overline{\phantom{a}}\overline{\phantom{0}}\int#define EXCHANGE 0
 #define NOEXCHANGE 1
 #define EXCH(X, Y, Z) ((Z)=(X), (X)=(Y), (Y)=(Z))void bubbleSort(double cgpa[], int noOfStdnt) {
       int i, j, exchange, temp ;
       for(i=0; i < noOfStdnt - 1; ++i) {
            exchange = NOEXCHANGE ;
            for(j = n00fStdnt - 1; j > i; --j)if(cgpa[j-1] < cgpa[j]) {
                    EXCH(cgpa[j-1], cgpa[j], temp);
                    exchange = EXCHANGE ;
                 <u>}</u>
                if(exchange) break ;
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$\}$ } // bubbleSort.c

Execution Time

The number of times the outer for-loop is executed depends on the input data, as there is ^a conditional break. If the data is sorted in the desired order, there is no exchange, and in the best case the outer loop is executed only once. This makes the best running time of bubble sort approximately proportional to n .

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Execution Time and Space

But in the worst case the outer loop is executed $n-1$ times. The inner loop is executed $(n-1) - i$ times for every value of i. So in the worst case, the total number of times the inner loop is executed is

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\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (n-1) - i = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} = \Theta(n^2)
$$
 times.

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Worst Case Complexity

- The running time of bubble sort (worst case time complexity) is $O(n^2)$ (quadratic in *n*).
- The extra storage requirement does not depend on the size of data and the space complexity is $\Theta(1)$.