

## Chapter 8

# Algorithms

## Informal Definition :: Review

- Algorithm: a step-by-step method for solving a problem or doing a task

Figure 8-6

## Three constructs :: Review

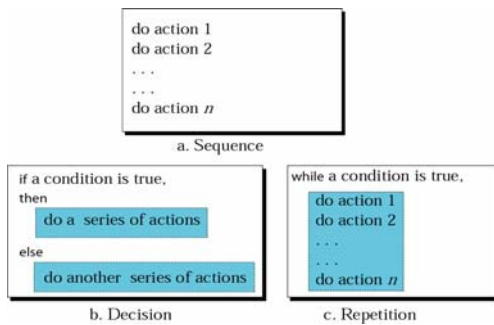


Figure 8-7

## Flowcharts for three constructs :: Review

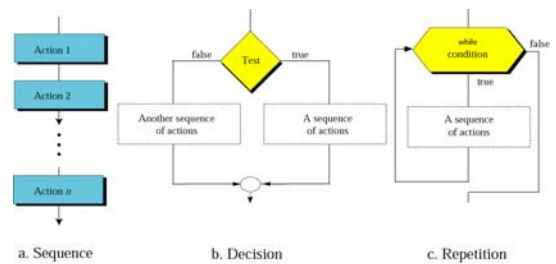
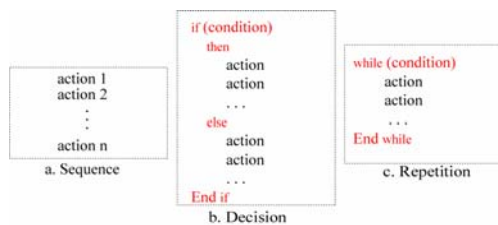


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## Pseudocode for three constructs :: Review



## Algorithm :: Formal Definition :: Review

An ordered set of unambiguous steps that produces a result and terminates in a finite time

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# SUBALGORITHMS

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Figure 8-9

## Concept of a subalgorithm

**FindLargest**  
Input: A list of integers

1. Set Largest to 0
2. while (more integers)

2.1 FindLarger

End while

3. Return Largest

End

**FindLarger**  
Input: Largest and integer

1. if (integer greater than Largest)

then

- 1.1 Set Largest to the value of integer

End if

End

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**Algorithm 8.6: Find largest**

**FindLargest**  
Input: A list of positive integers

1. Set Largest to 0
2. while (more integers)
  - 2.1 FindLarger

End while

3. Return Largest

End

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**Subalgorithm: Find larger**

**FindLarger**  
Input: Largest and current integer

1. if (the integer is greater than Largest)

then

- 1.1 Set Largest to the value of the integer

End if

End

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# BASIC ALGORITHMS

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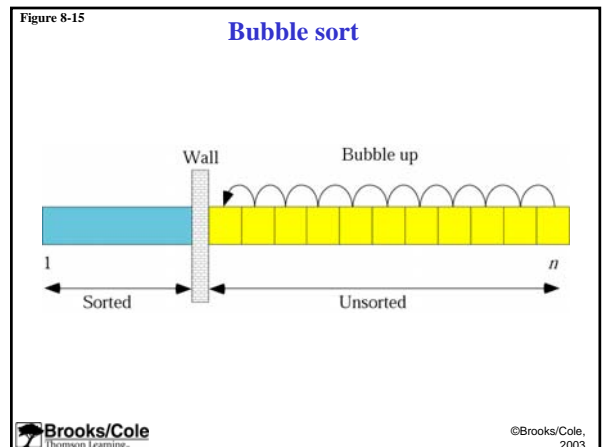
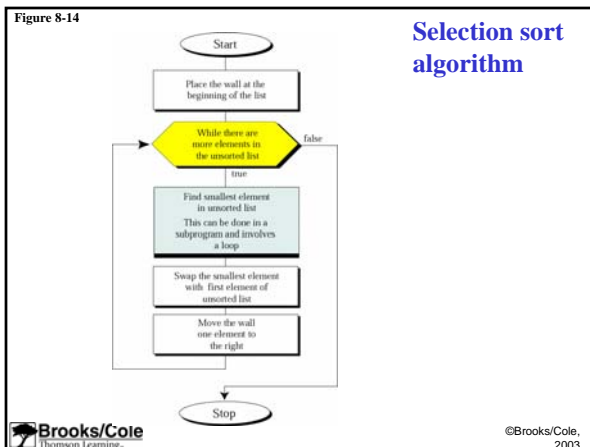
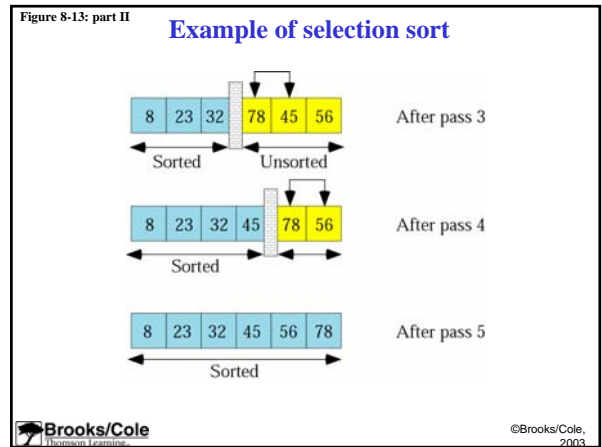
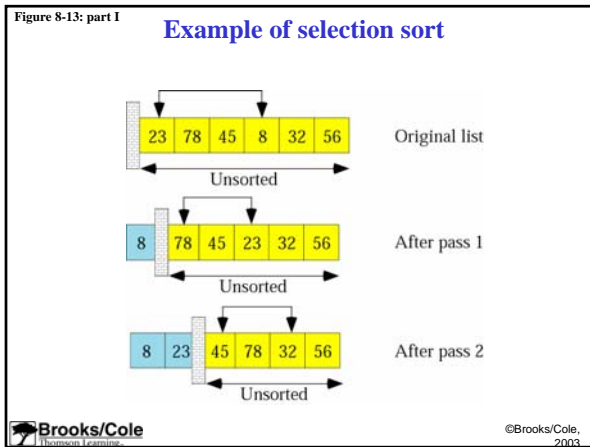
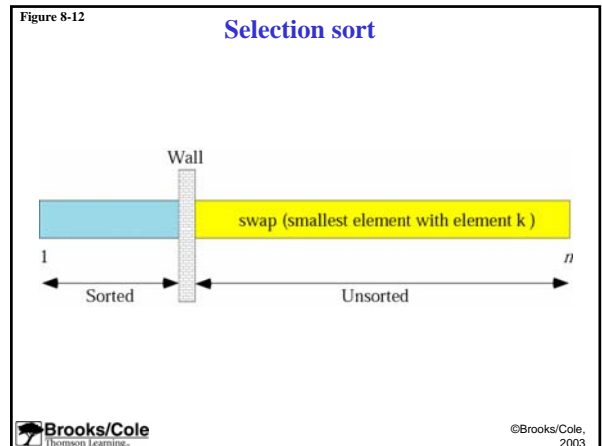
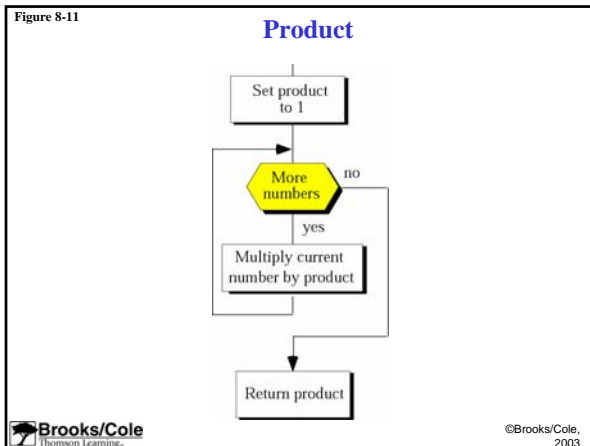
Figure 8-10

## Summation

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graph TD
    A[Set sum to 0] --> B{More numbers}
    B -- yes --> C[Add current number to sum]
    C --> B
    B -- no --> D[Return sum]
  
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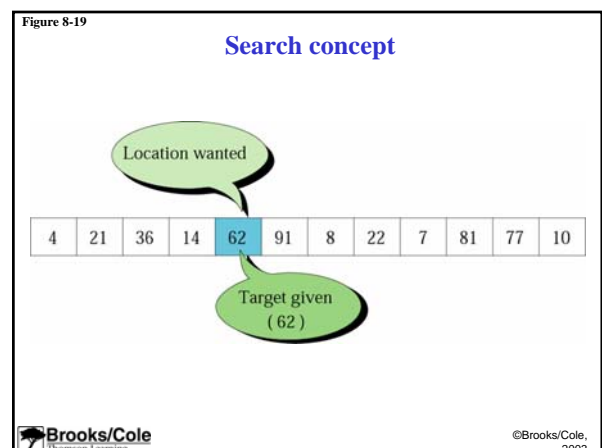
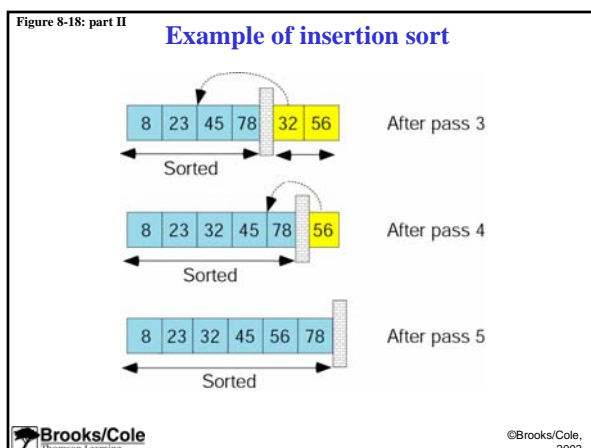
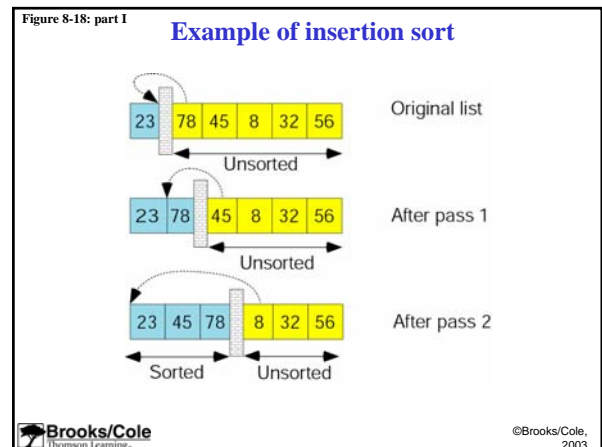
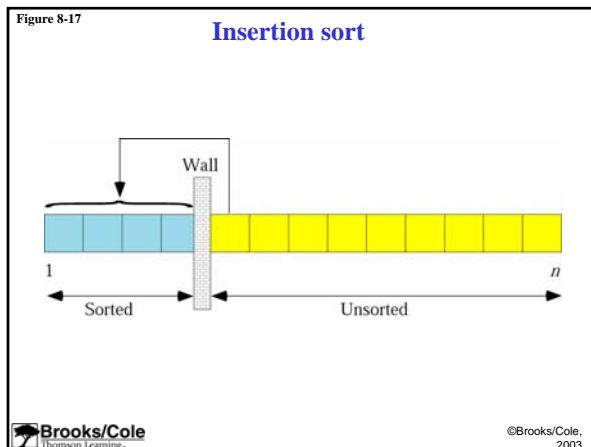
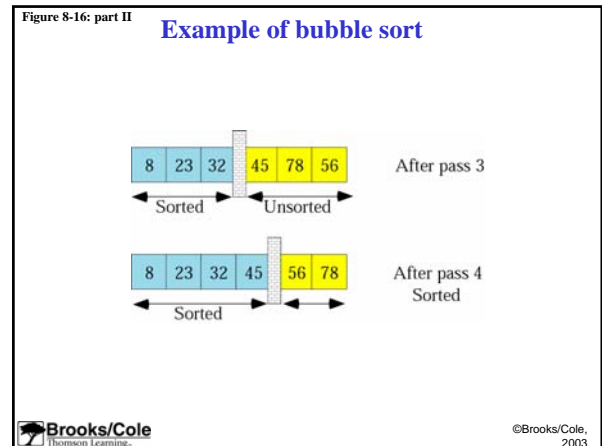
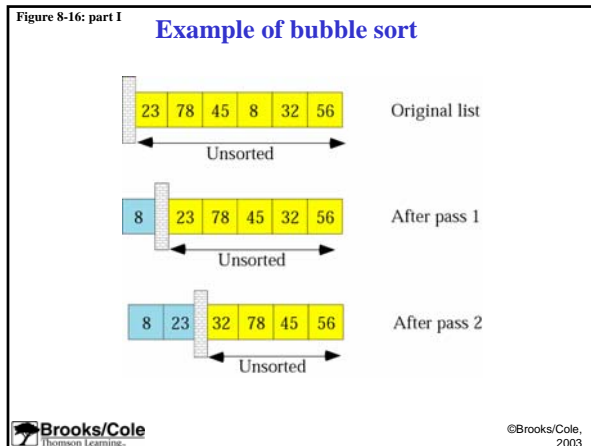
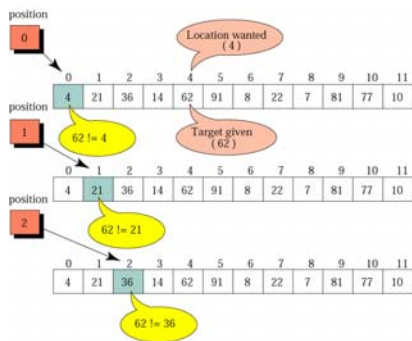


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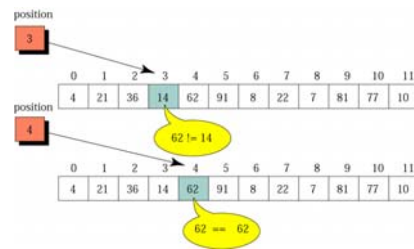
### Example of a sequential sort



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Figure 8-20: Part II

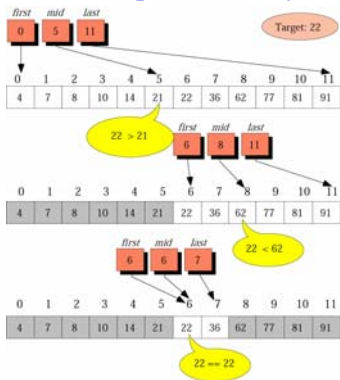
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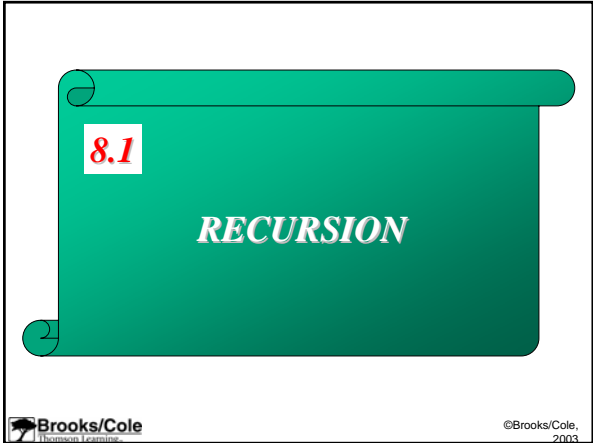
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Figure 8-21

### Example of a binary sort



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Figure 8-22

### Iterative definition of factorial

$$\text{Factorial } (n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times \dots \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 & \text{if } n > 0 \end{cases}$$



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Figure 8-23

### Recursive definition of factorial

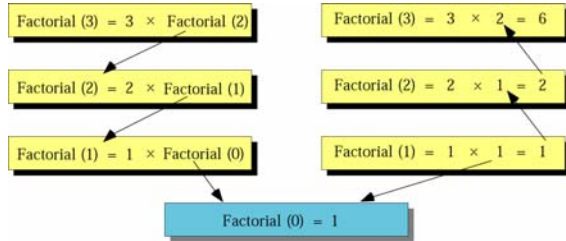
$$\text{Factorial } (n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ n \times \text{Factorial } (n-1) & \text{if } n > 0 \end{cases}$$



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Figure 8-24

### Tracing recursive solution to factorial problem



### Algorithm 8.7: Iterative factorial

#### Factorial

**Input:** A positive integer num

1. Set FactN to 0
  2. Set i to 1
  3. while (i is less than or equal to num)
    - 3.1 Set FactN to FactN x i
    - 3.2 Increment i
 End while
  4. Return FactN
- End

### Algorithm 8.8: Recursive factorial

#### Factorial

**Input:** A positive integer num

1. if (num is equal to 0)
    - then
      - 1.1 return 1
    - else
      - 1.2 return num x Factorial (num - 1)
 End if
- End

### Summary

- An algorithm is a step-by-step method for solving a problem or doing a task
- An algorithm accepts an input list of data and creates an output list of data
- A program is a combination of sequence constructs, decision constructs, and repetition constructs
- A flowchart is a pictorial representation of an algorithm
- Pseudocode is an Englishlike representation of an algorithm
- Formally, an algorithm is an ordered set of unambiguous steps that produces a result and terminates in a finite time

### Summary

- An algorithm can be broken into smaller units called subalgorithms
- Summation is a high-level design tool that shows the relationship between different modules of a program
- Product is a basic algorithm in which numbers are multiplied
- Finding the minimum or the maximum in a list of numbers is a basic algorithm
- Sorting, a process to order data, is a basic algorithm
- Selection sort, bubble sort, and insertion sort are commonly used sorting algorithms

### Summary

- Searching, a process to locate a target in a list of data, is a basic algorithm
- Sequential search is used for undirected lists
- Binary search is used for ordered lists
- An iterative algorithms involves only the parameters and not the algorithm itself
- A recursive algorithm involves the algorithm itself