

In stages 3r

15) $32 \rightarrow 8 \rightarrow 2$

Total cache size
at the parent = $\frac{1}{8}$ th cache size at children

$$n + \frac{n}{8} + \frac{n}{64} + \dots < \frac{8n}{7} = O(n)$$

In stages that are $3r+2$

$$1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{8} \rightarrow \frac{1}{8} \rightarrow \frac{1}{8} \rightarrow \frac{1}{8}$$

$$n \rightarrow \frac{n}{2} \rightarrow \frac{n}{16} \rightarrow \frac{n}{128} \dots$$

$$n + \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{16} + \dots < \frac{11n}{7} = O(n)$$



The total # elements in
all the sample arrays
is $O(n)$

Formal proof



Cole's Merge sort
runs in $O(\log n)$ time
using n processors
on CREW PRAM
EREW



Can we do faster?
Comparison Complexity of
Sorting $\Omega(\log n)$ time
with n processors



A Lower Bound for Comparison Based Sorting



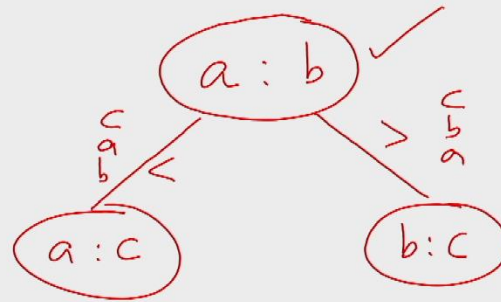
LB: $\Omega(n \log n)$ time
Decision trees.



Bubble sort for size n



c
~~b~~ a
~~a~~ b



The first comparison is hardcoded
in the algorithm

Bubble Sort : Two bottom most

Insertion Sort : Two left most

Merge Sort : Two left most

Quick Sort (Left most = pivot)

pivot, the leftmost of the remaining

Parallel Comparison Model

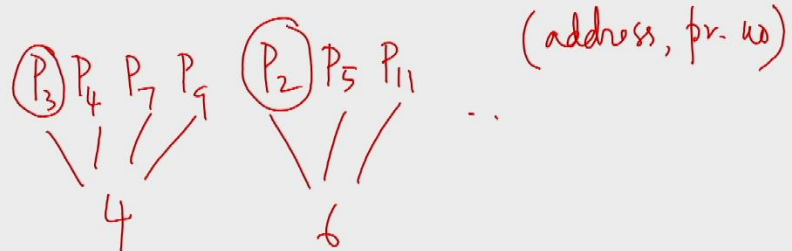
only comparisons count
every other op : 0 cost
0 time

PCM \geq PRIORITY CRCW PRAM



one step of PRIORITY

0 time { Let us sort the processors
Radix Sort { on the addresses they want to write



$c(t, n)$: # comparisons that
any algorithm that sorts n
nos in t comparison steps
must necessarily perform

Claim $c(t, n) > \frac{t n^{1+1/t}}{e} - tn$

Proof Basis

✓ $t=1$ $c(1, n) = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} > \frac{n^2}{e} - n$ ✓

✓ $t \geq 1$ $c(t, 1) = 0 > \frac{t}{e} - t$

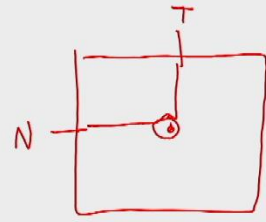
Hypothesis

$$\forall t < T \text{ and } n \leq N$$

or

$$t \leq T \text{ and } n < N$$

$$c(t, n) > \frac{tn^{1+1/t}}{e} - tn$$



$N \times T$



an input of size N

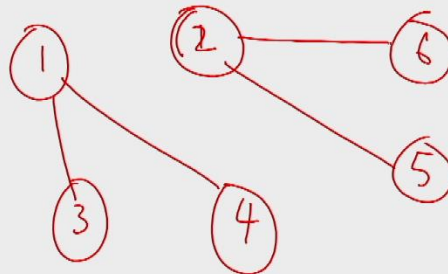
your algorithm sorts this input
in T steps

Consider the 1st step of your
algorithm



Construct a graph

vertices are the input positions



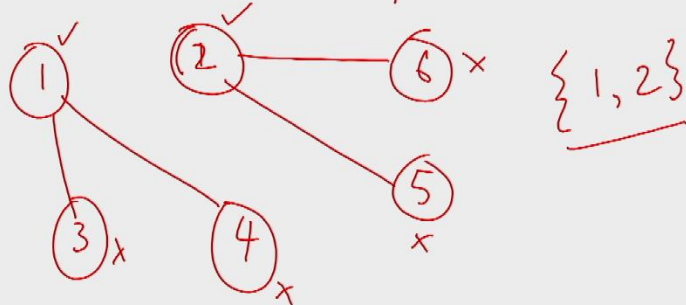
Find a maximal independent set
of this graph

IS: a set of vertices no two of which
are adjacent

MIS: an IS that is maximal

Construct a graph

vertices are the input positions



Cook up an input

to make your algo. do badly.

Take N elements from a linearly
ordered set

$$|MIS| = x$$

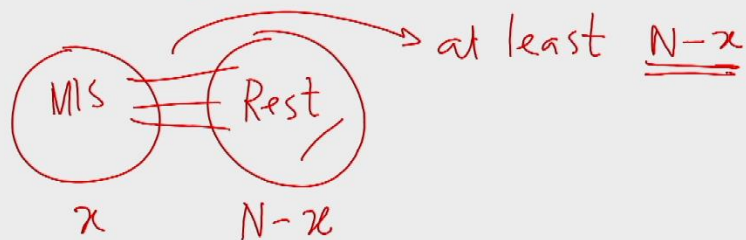
Place the largest x on the
MIS positions

The remaining posns are filled
anyhow



Run the algorithm on this input.

In the 1st step,
nothing is done for sorting
the elements on MIS

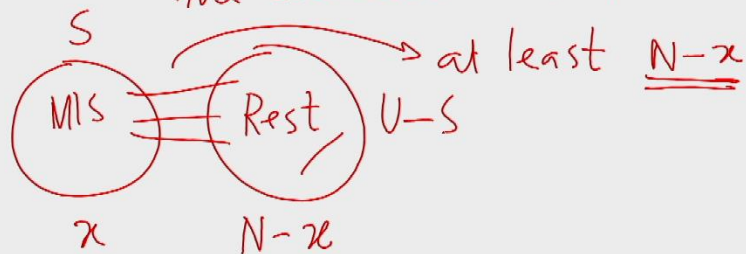


1st step

- X Solving the MIS elements
- X Comparison (MIS elems, other)
do not contribute to
the solving of either set

Run the algorithm on this input.

In the 1st step,
nothing is done for sorting
the elements on MIS



Benefit of doubt

$U-S$ is on its way to being
sorted in the best possible
way

$$C(N, T) \geq C(T, N-x) + (N-x) + C(T-1, x)$$

Sort U , $|U| = N$
 $S, \underbrace{U-S}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c(T, N) &> T \left[\frac{(N-x)^{1+1/T}}{e} - (N-x) \right] \\
 &+ (N-x) \\
 &+ (T-1) \left[\frac{x^{1+1/(T-1)}}{e} - x \right]
 \end{aligned}$$