

Doubt Clearing Session

Course on Sorting and Searching

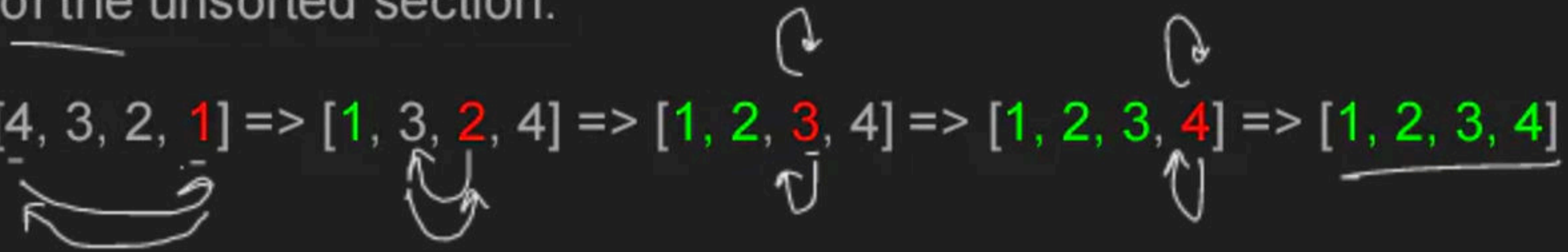


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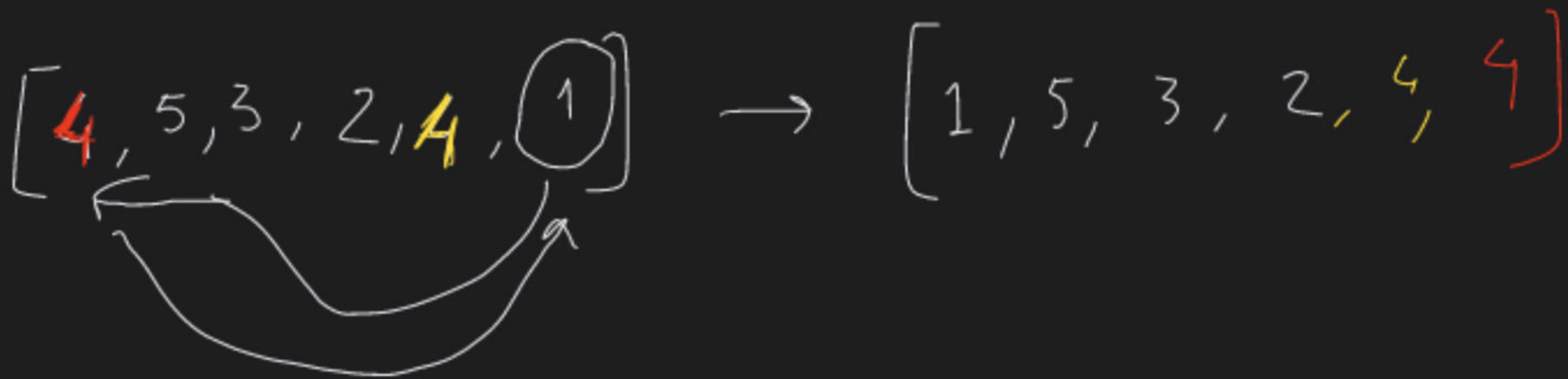
Selection Sort

- Selects the minimum element from unsorted section and places it in the beginning of the unsorted section.

Example: $[4, 3, 2, \textcolor{red}{1}] \Rightarrow [\textcolor{green}{1}, 3, \textcolor{red}{2}, 4] \Rightarrow [\textcolor{green}{1}, \textcolor{green}{2}, \textcolor{red}{3}, 4] \Rightarrow [\textcolor{green}{1}, \textcolor{green}{2}, \textcolor{green}{3}, \textcolor{red}{4}] \Rightarrow [\textcolor{green}{1}, \textcolor{green}{2}, \textcolor{green}{3}, \textcolor{green}{4}]$



• Implement stable version of selection sort?



```
public static void selectionSort(int[] A) {  
    int N = A.length;  
    for(int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
        int minIdx = i;  
        for(int j = i + 1; j < N; j++) {  
            if(A[j] < A[minIdx]) minIdx = j;  
        }  
  
        if(minIdx != i) {  
            int temp = A[minIdx];  
            A[minIdx] = A[i];  
            A[i] = temp;  
        }  
    }  
  
    System.out.println("Selection sorted : " + Arrays.toString(A));  
}
```

Selection Sort is not Stable

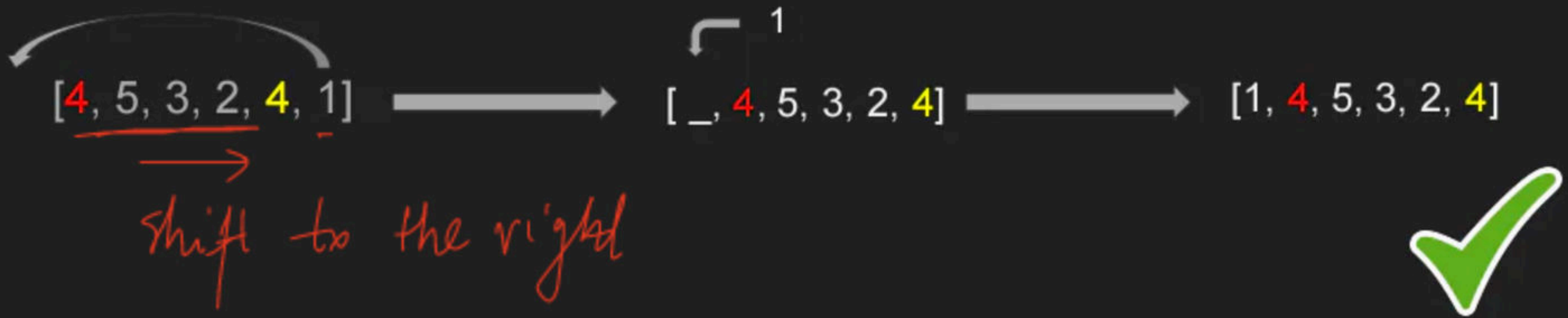
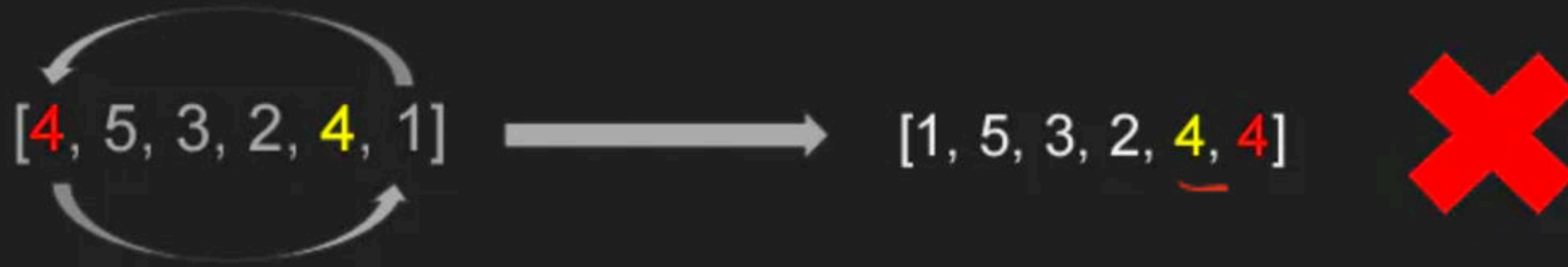
Example: [4, 5, 3, 2, 4, 1]

Making Selection Sort Stable:

- ✓ • Swapping values is what is making selection sort unstable.
- ✓ • We need to do something other than swapping! ✗

sliding ✓

Making Selection Sort Stable:



Segregate positives and negatives in an array

[50, 10, -1, 27, -19, 3, -44, -12] => [-1, -19, -44, -12, 50, 10, 27, 3]

Constraint: After segregation, the relative order of +ves and -ves must remain the same.

Solution 1: Using extra space

$$\rightarrow O(2N) = \underline{O(N)}$$

$$A = [50, 10, \textcircled{-1}, 27, -19, 3, -44, -12]$$

$$\text{negatives}[] = [-1, -19, -44, -12, -, -, -, -] \quad \text{count} = 4$$

$$\text{positives}[] = [50, 10, 27, 3, -, -, -, -]$$

$$A = [-1, -19, -44, -12, 50, 10, 27, 3] \quad \text{count} = 4$$

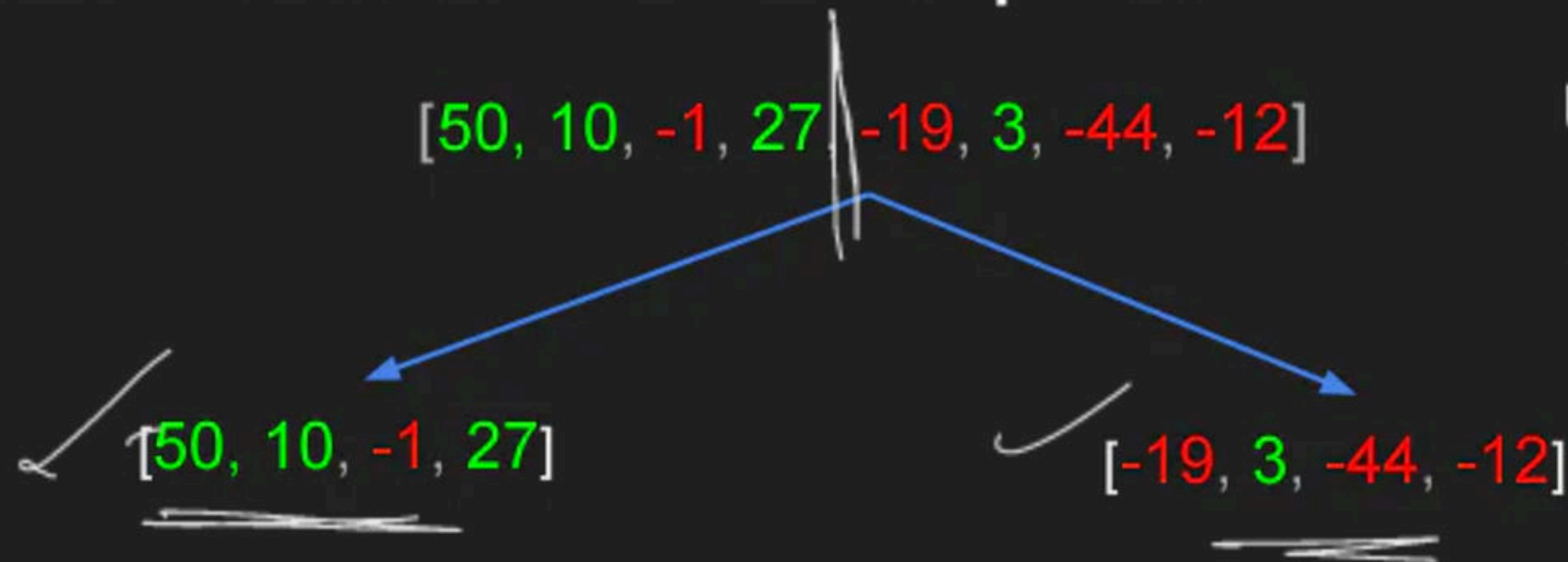
$$\sqrt{O(N) \quad O(N)}$$

$[50, 10, \textcircled{-1}, \dots]$
 $\xrightarrow{\quad}$
 $[-1, 50, 10, \dots]$

} ~~Word~~ Time
Case:
 $O(n^2)$

Space
 $O(1)$

Solution 2: Divide & Conquer?

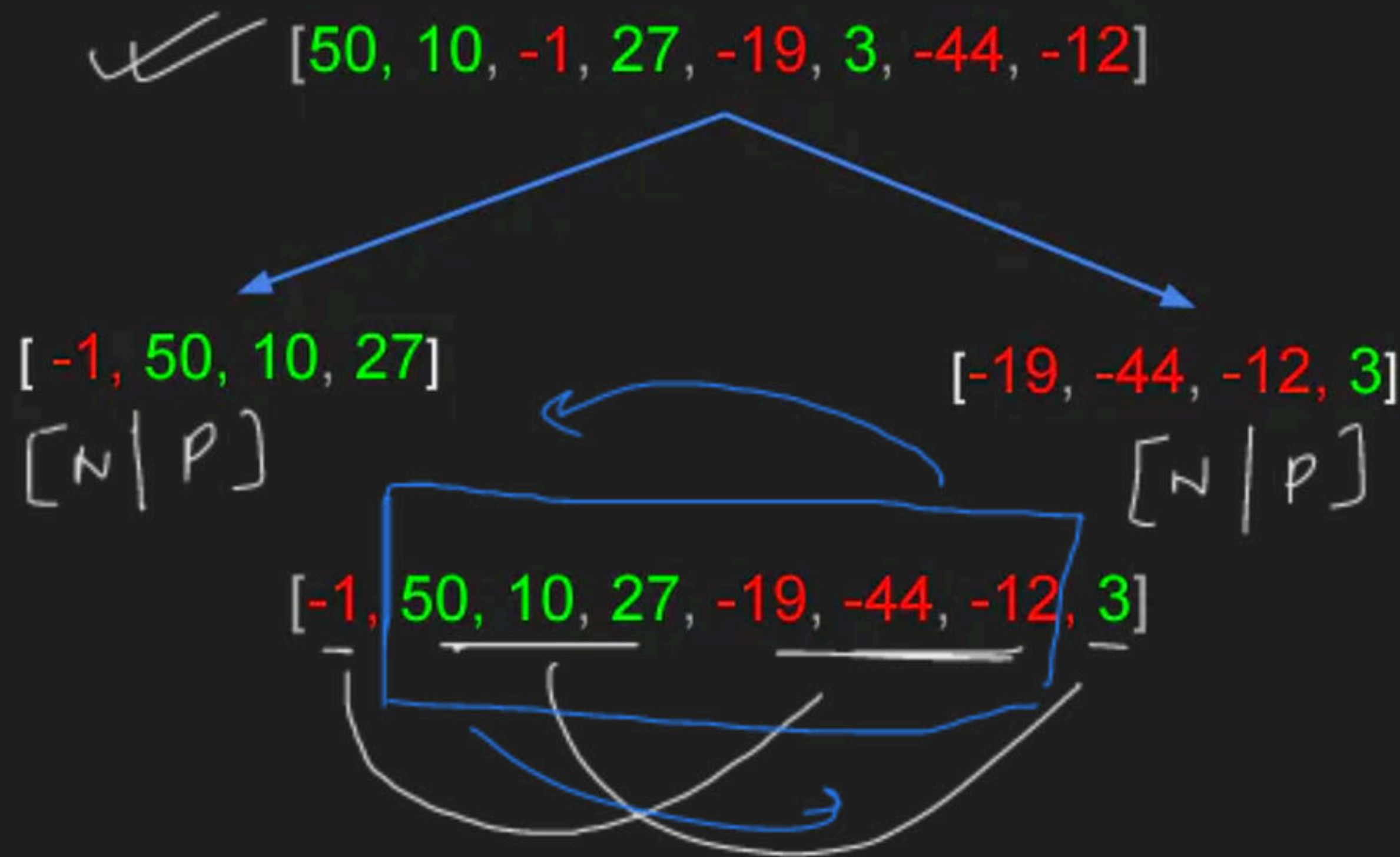


- To check whether we can use D&C:
 - Assume that we have solved the left and right subproblem
 - We will try to figure out if there's a way to merge

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[-1, 50, 10, 27, -19, -44, -12, 3]

[-1, -12, -44, -19, 27, 10, 50, 3]

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[-19, -44, -12, 3]

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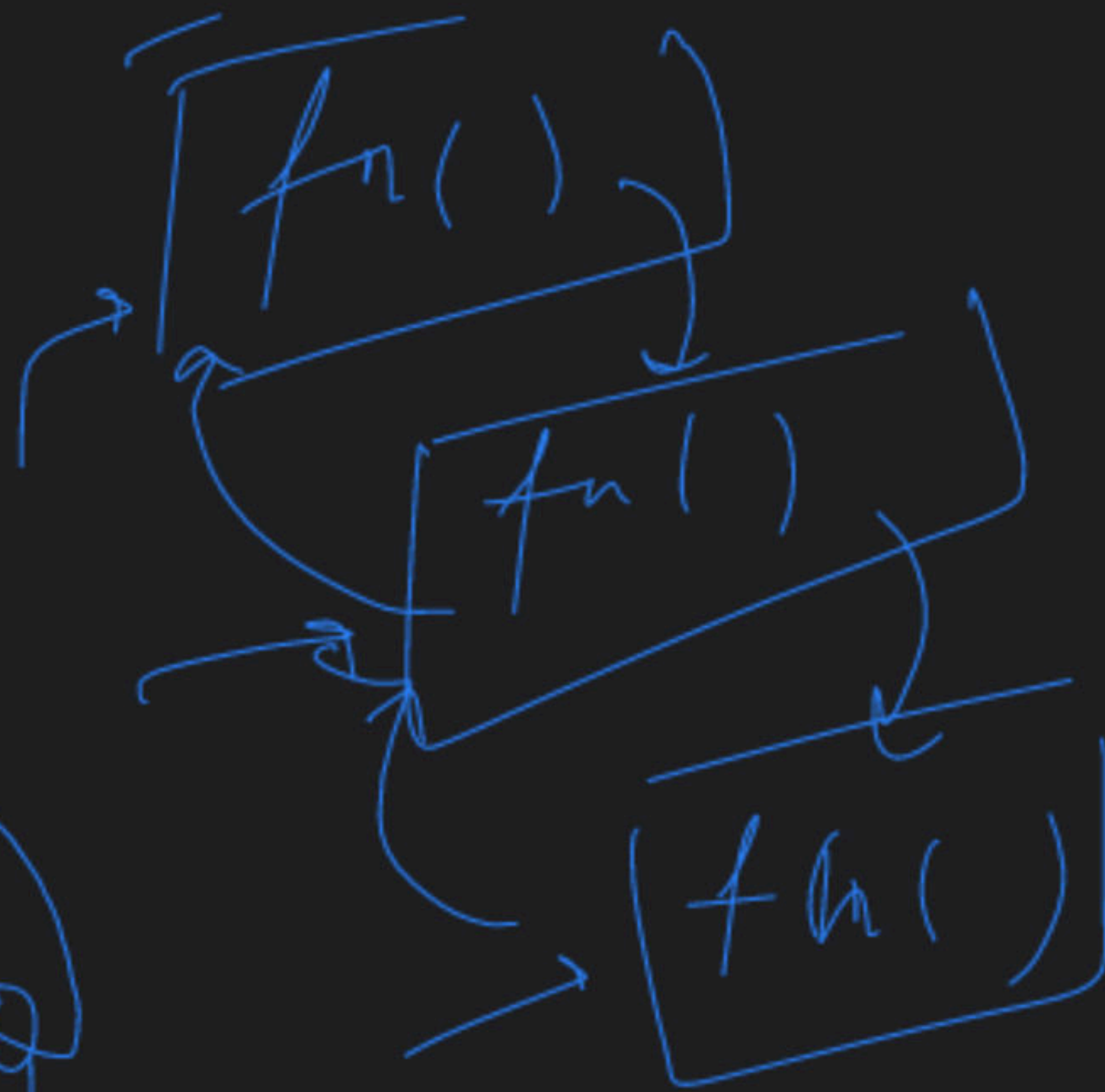
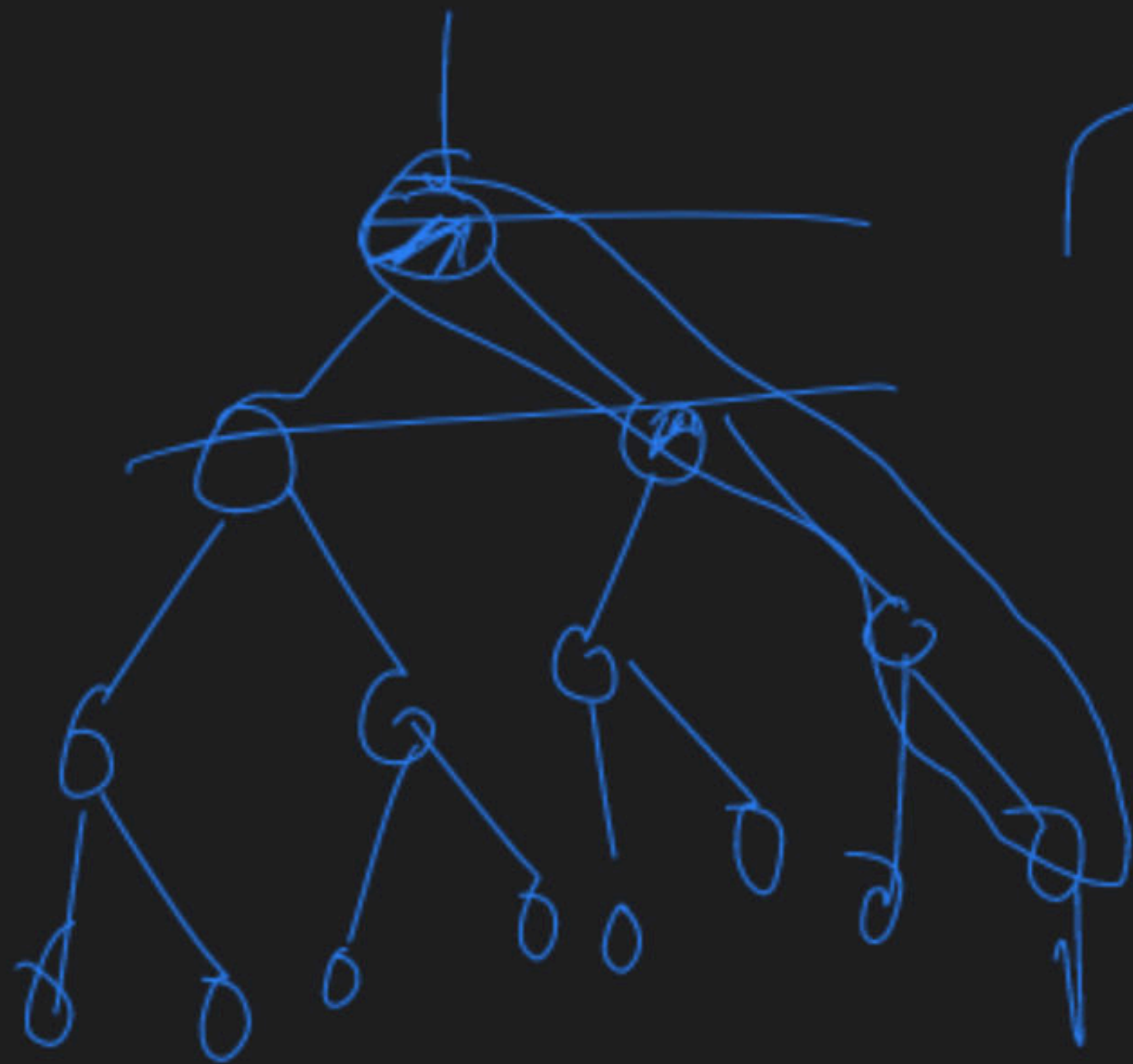
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$O(\log n)$

$O(n + \log n)$
 $\approx O(n)$

→ ANSWER



Sort the array!

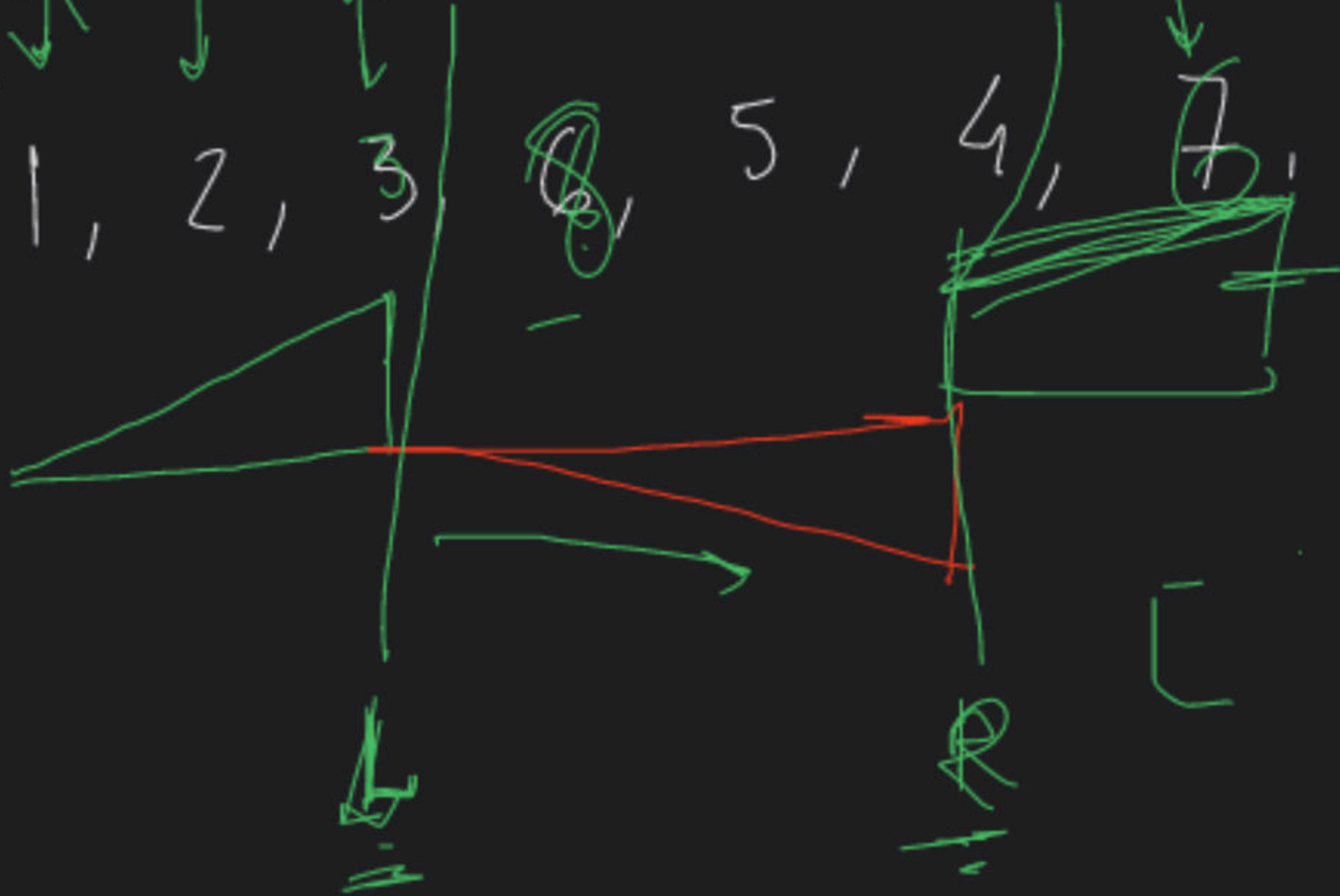
<https://codeforces.com/problemset/problem/451/B>

$[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]$

169 $(1, 1)$


$[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]$ ← copy

$[1, 2, 3, 6, 5, 4, 7, 8]$ ← i/p



1. What is the recurrence relation for worst case of merge sort and the time complexity in worst case?


- A. $T(n) = T(n-2) + O(n)$, $O(n^2)$
- B. $T(n) = 2 * T(n/2) + O(n)$, $O(n \log n)$
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Solution : We divide the array in 2 halves and do $O(n)$ work at the merge step.

2. Which of the following is not a stable algorithm in its typical implementation?

- A. Insertion Sort
- B. Merge Sort
- C. Selection Sort
- D. Bubble Sort

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Solution : We just discussed the implementation for stable selection sort algo.

3. Which sorting algo will take least time when all elements are identical? Consider only typical implementation.

- A. Insertion Sort
- B. Merge Sort
- C. Selection Sort
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Solution : Since the array is sorted, insertion sort will work in $O(n)$

4. A list of n strings each of length n , is sorted into lexicographic order using the merge sort algorithm. The worst case running time is?

- A. $O(n \log n)$
- B. $O(n \log^2 n)$
- C. $O(n^2 \log n)$
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- D. $O(n^2 \log^2 n)$

$$n \times \underline{n \log n}$$

Solution : Everything is same as merge sort, except while comparing two elements in merge step we need $O(n)$ time for strings.

5. Which of the following statements are false about merge sort?

- A. It is stable by nature
- B. It is an in-place algorithm
- C. It outperforms insertion sort in best case
- D. Both B and C

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Solution : Merge sort is not in-place. And insertion sort takes $O(n)$ in best case while merge sort takes $O(n \log n)$

6. Given an array = $\{4,3,2,1\}$, how many minimum number of operations will be required to sort the array if you are only allowed to swap the adjacent elements in one operation.?

A. 2

B. 1

C. 4

D. 6

- A. 2
- B. 1
- C. 4
- ☒ D. 6

$$I_2 = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

Solution : This is equivalent to finding the number of inversions in an array which in this case is equal to $n*(n-1)/2$