

CS2040S

Data Structures and Algorithms

Welcome!

Sorting, Part I

Sorting algorithms

- BubbleSort
- SelectionSort
- InsertionSort
- MergeSort

Properties

- Running time
- Space usage
- Stability

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Tutorials and Recitations start this week

- Find materials on Coursemology
- Find links on Coursemology
- Do work on the questions before class

Chinese New Year

Next week

- Happy new year!
- University holiday: Feb 1/2 (Tuesday, Wednesday)
- Monday: class as usual
- Wednesday: no class
- Tutorials: rescheduled (talk to tutor)

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Covid Issues

- If you test positive and are well, can attend a Zoom session. (And can swap to a Zoom session.)
- If you are unwell, please rest and recover!
- For F2F, must take FET/ART (and have green pass) as per NUS rules. And must use NUS attendance system.
- Please do not attend F2F if positive or *any* symptoms.

Let your tutor know if you cannot make it, if you are missing lecture, etc. They will handle any issues.

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For tutors and TAs:

- If they test positive, we will adapt accordingly.
- Already, we will have one replacement TA this week...

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Video of the Week

- Random video posted each week
- Selected by the tutor team as something “fun”
- Sometimes related to class, sometimes a little bit different
- Not just another lecture...

(Nominate videos to your tutor!)

Videos		
Lecture	Recitation	Random Stuff
Title	Start At	
Stay Hungry, Stay Foolish -- Steve Jobs	10 Jan 20:00	Wat
The Last Lecture -- Randy Pausch	10 Jan 20:00	Wat
Random Numbers with LFSR (Linear Feedback Shift Register) - Computerphile	13 Jan 00:00	Wat
Can you solve the egg drop riddle? - Yossi Elran	21 Jan 18:00	Wat

Sorting

Problem definition:

Input: array $A[1..n]$ of words / numbers

Output: array $B[1..n]$ that is a permutation of A
such that:

$$B[1] \leq B[2] \leq \dots \leq B[n]$$

Example:

$$A = [9, 3, 6, 6, 6, 4] \rightarrow [3, 4, 6, 6, 6, 9]$$

MergeSort

Divide-and-Conquer

1. Divide problem into smaller sub-problems.
2. Recursively solve sub-problems.
3. Combine solutions.

MergeSort

Divide-and-Conquer Sorting

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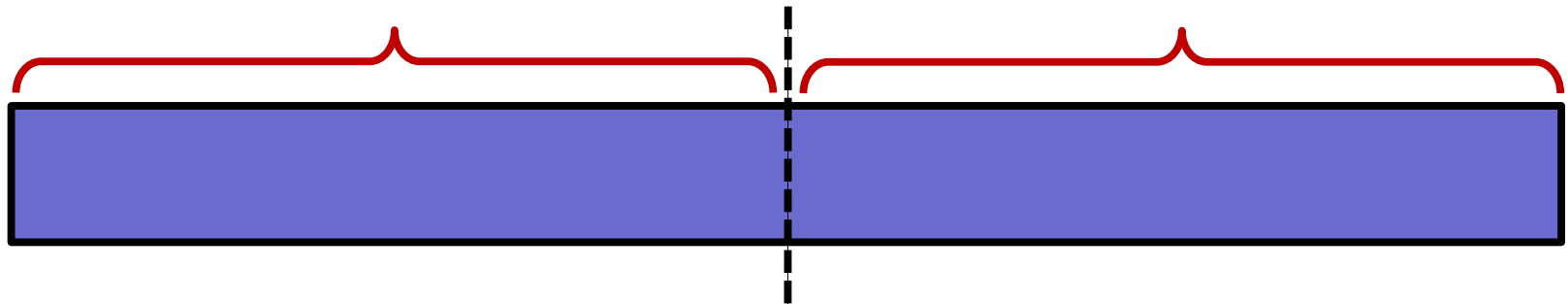
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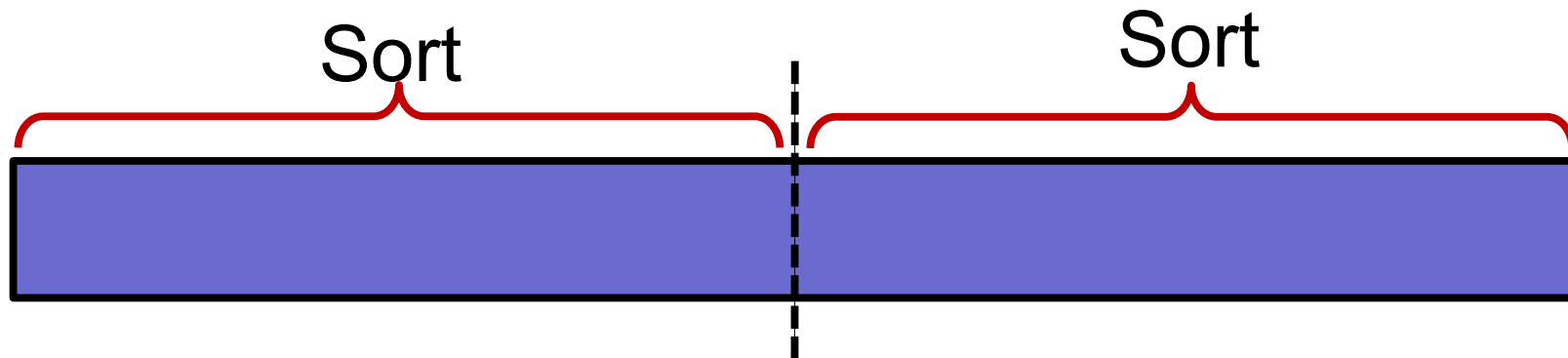
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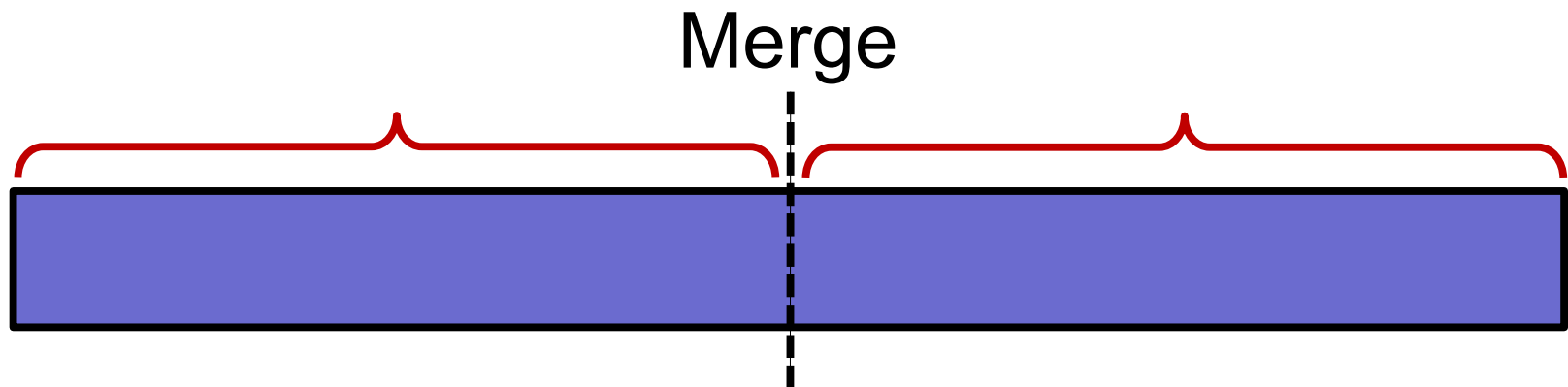
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Base case



Recursive “conquer” step

Combine solutions

The only “interesting” part is merging!

MergeSort

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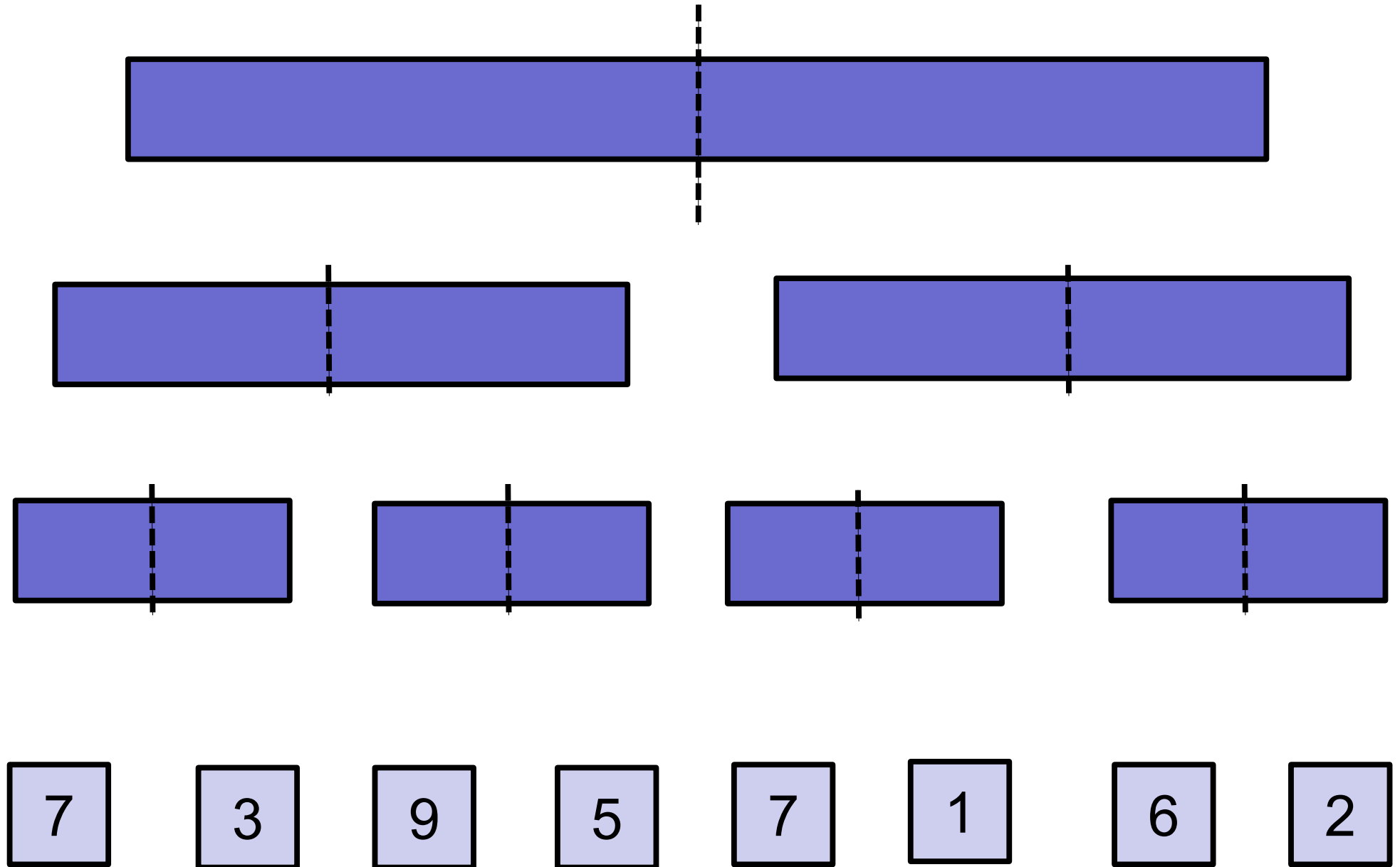
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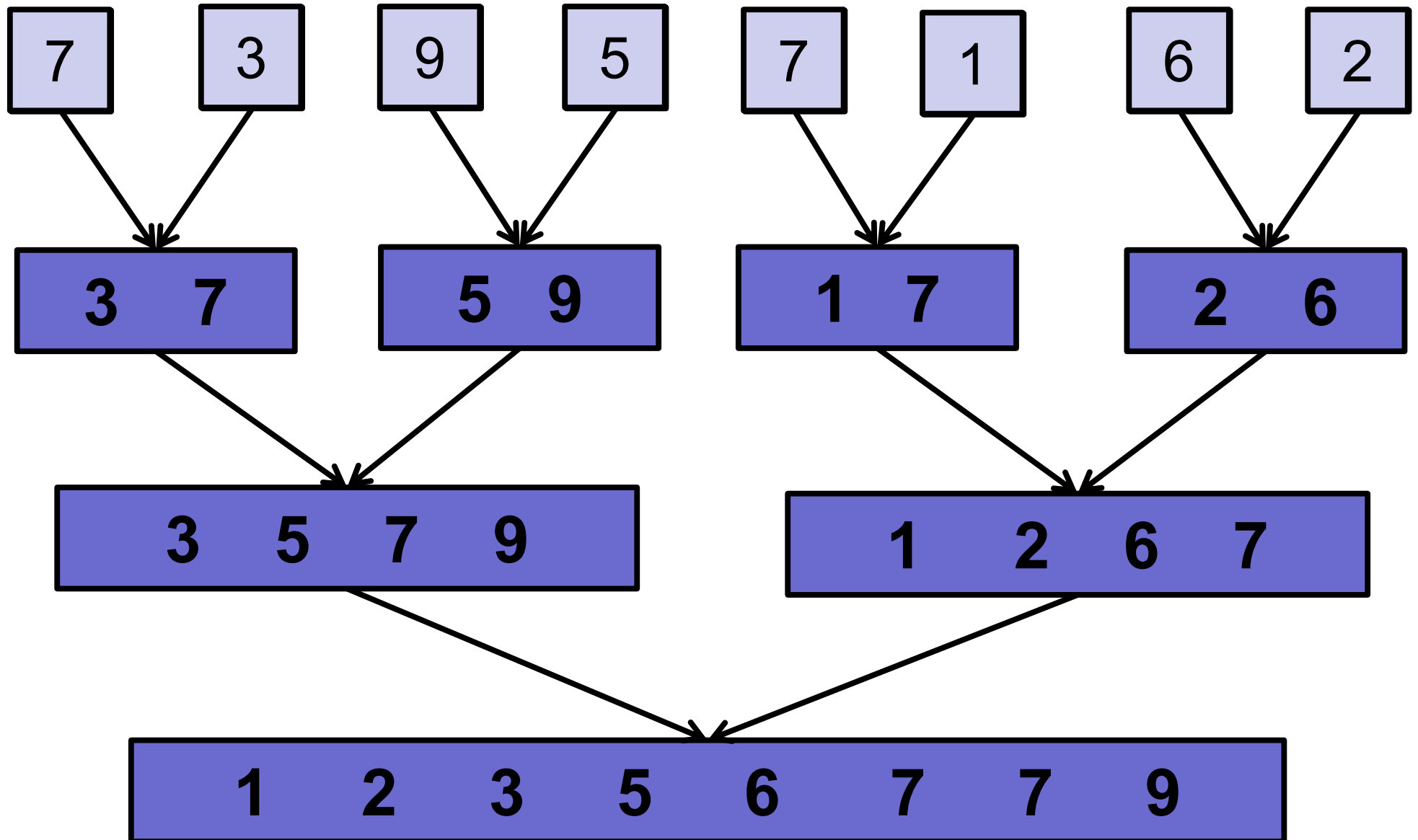
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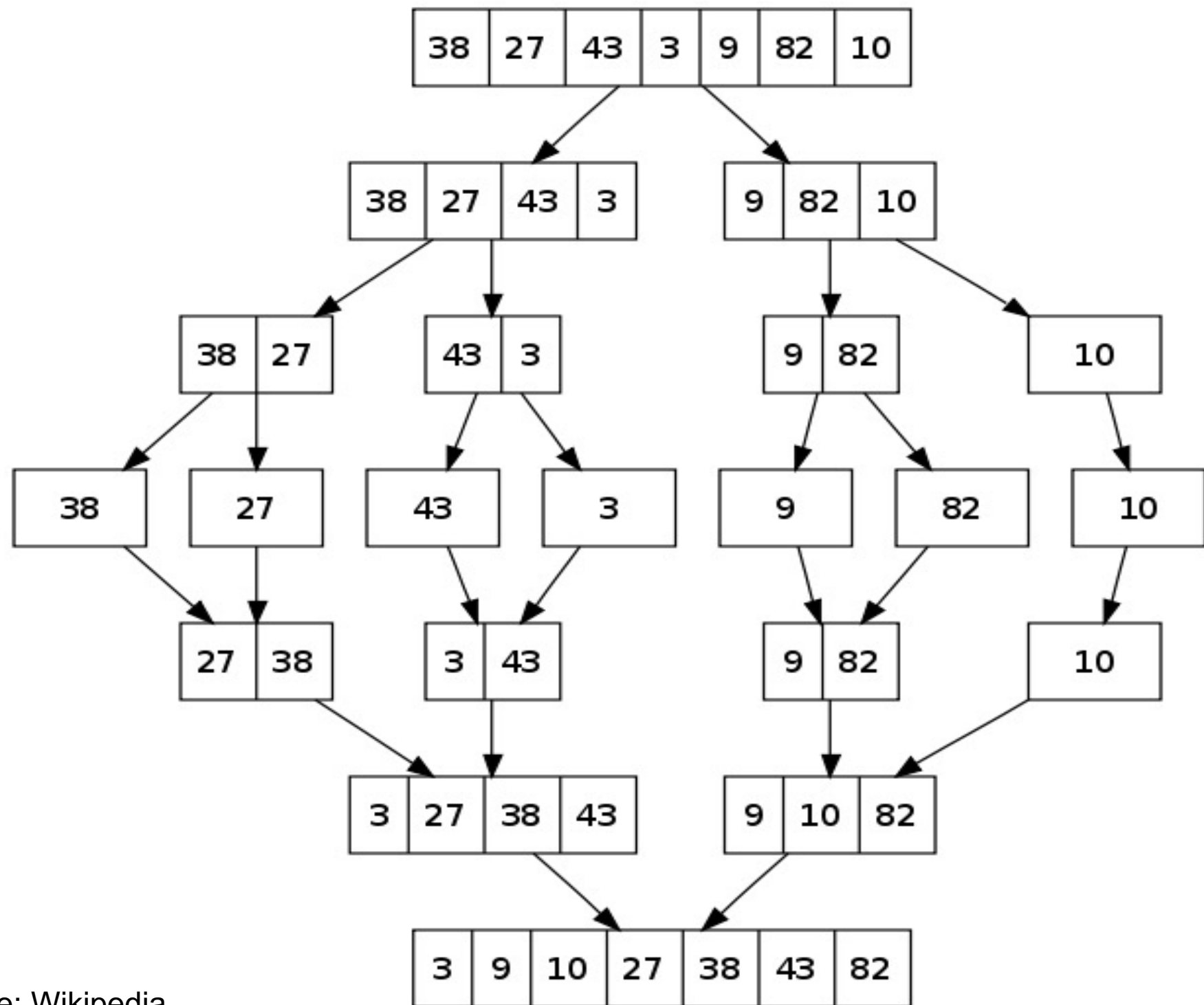
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Divide-and-Conquer



Merging





Merging Two Sorted Lists

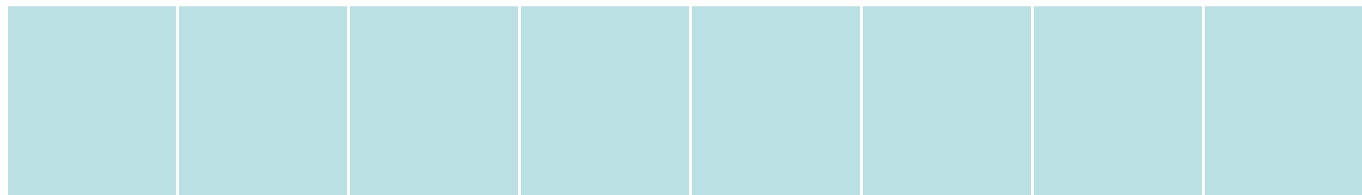
Key subroutine: Merge

- How to merge?
- How fast can we merge?

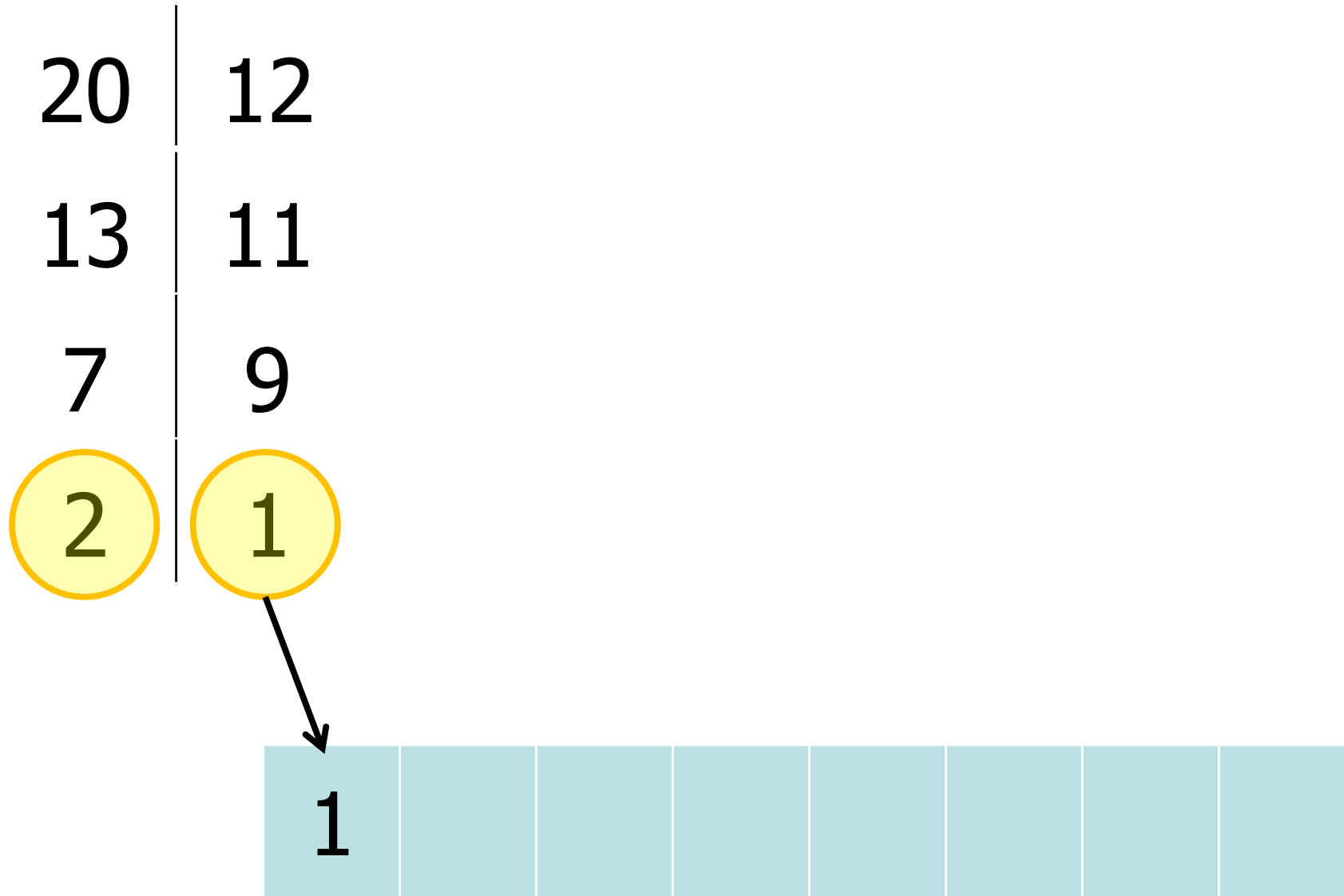
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13	11
7	9
2	1

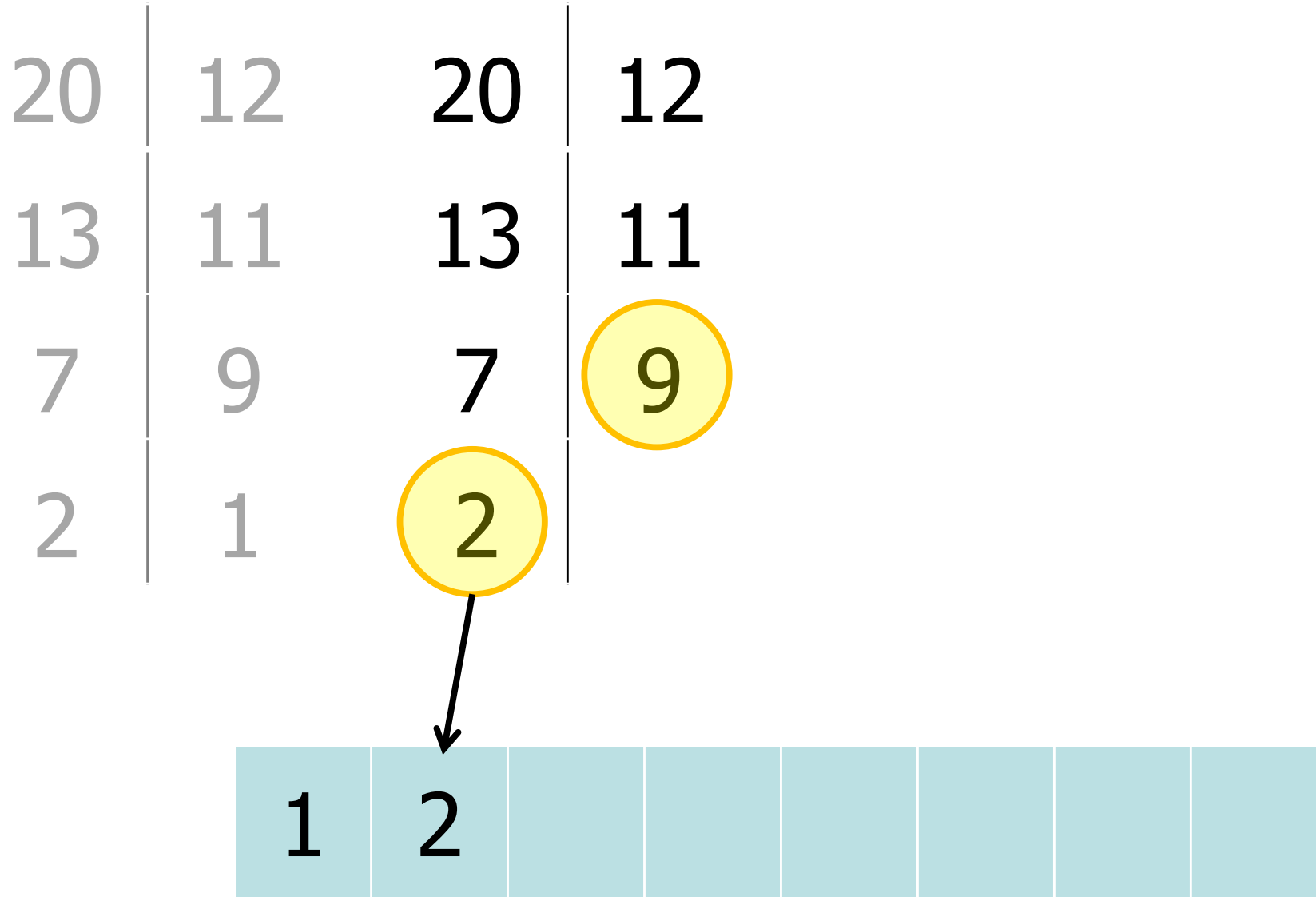
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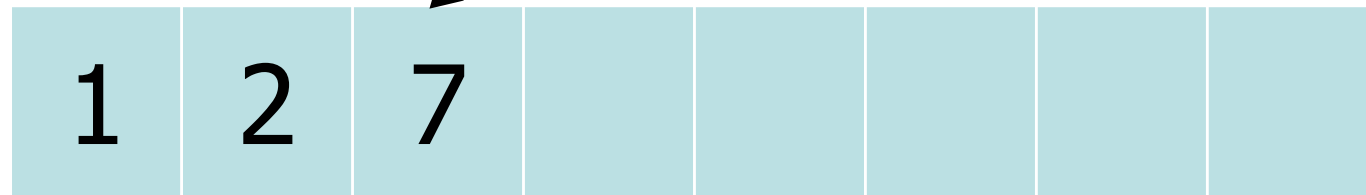


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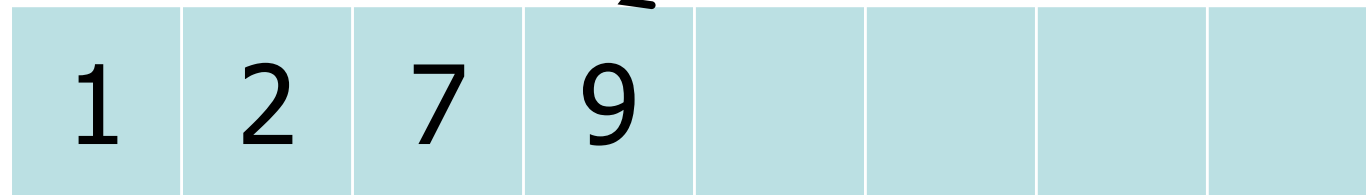
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1	2	7	9	11	12	13	20
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Merge: Running Time

Given two lists:

- A of size $n/2$
- B of size $n/2$

Total running time: ??

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Merge: Running Time

Given two lists:

- A of size $n/2$
- B of size $n/2$

Total running time: $O(n) = cn$

- In each iteration, move *one* element to final list.
- After n iterations, all the items are in the final list.
- Each iteration takes $O(1)$ time to compare two elements and copy one.

Merge-Sort Analysis

Let $T(n)$ be the worst-case running time for an array of n elements.

MergeSort(A, n)

if ($n=1$) **then return;** $\leftarrow \theta(1)$

else:

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return Merge ($X, Y, n/2$); $\leftarrow \theta(n)$

MergeSort Analysis

Let $T(n)$ be the worst-case running time for an array of n elements.

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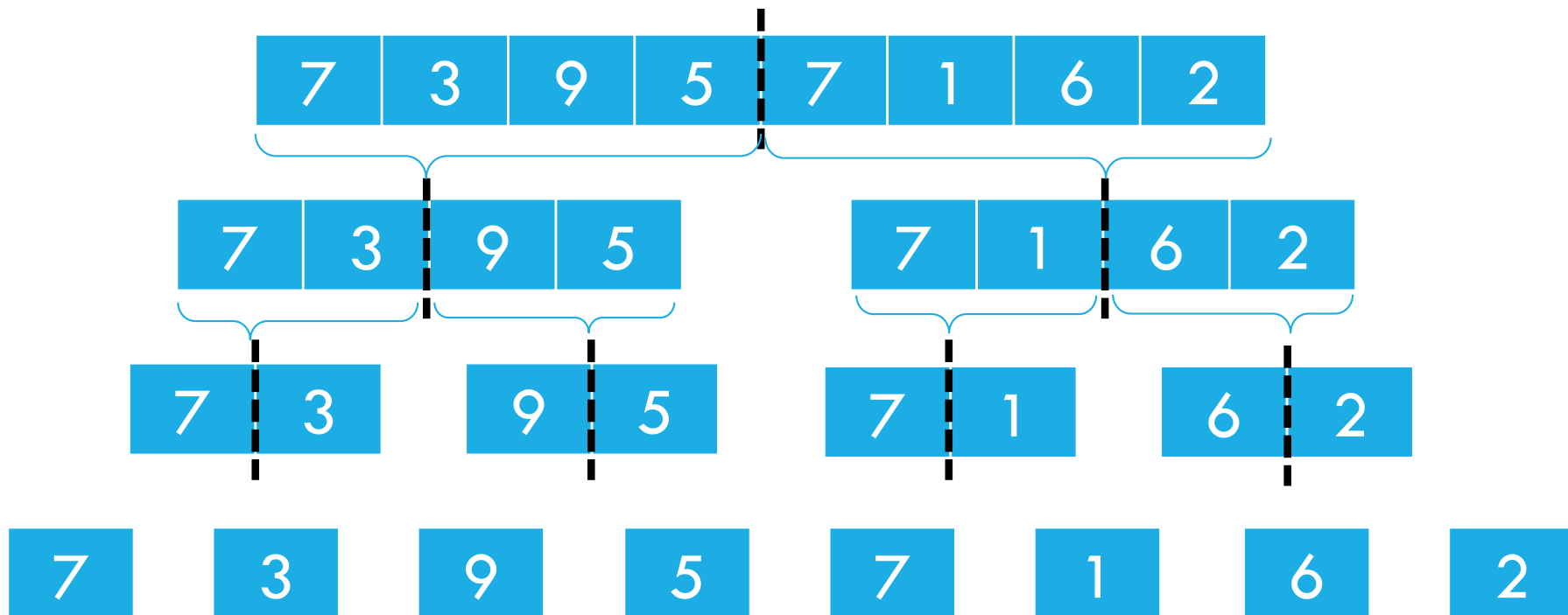
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Techniques for Solving Recurrences

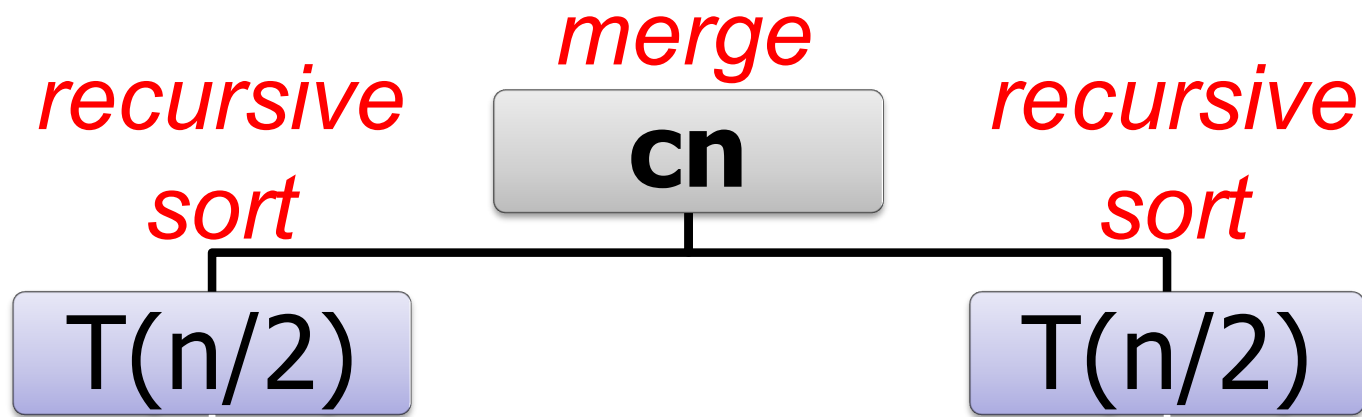
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MergeSort: Recurse “downwards”



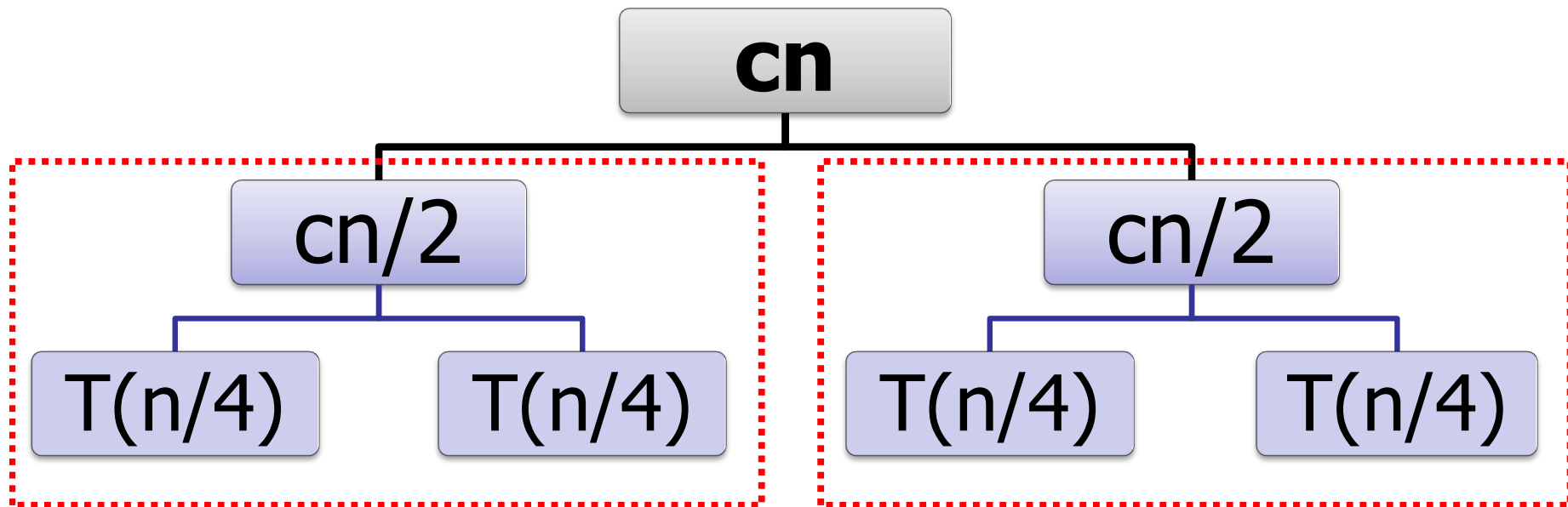
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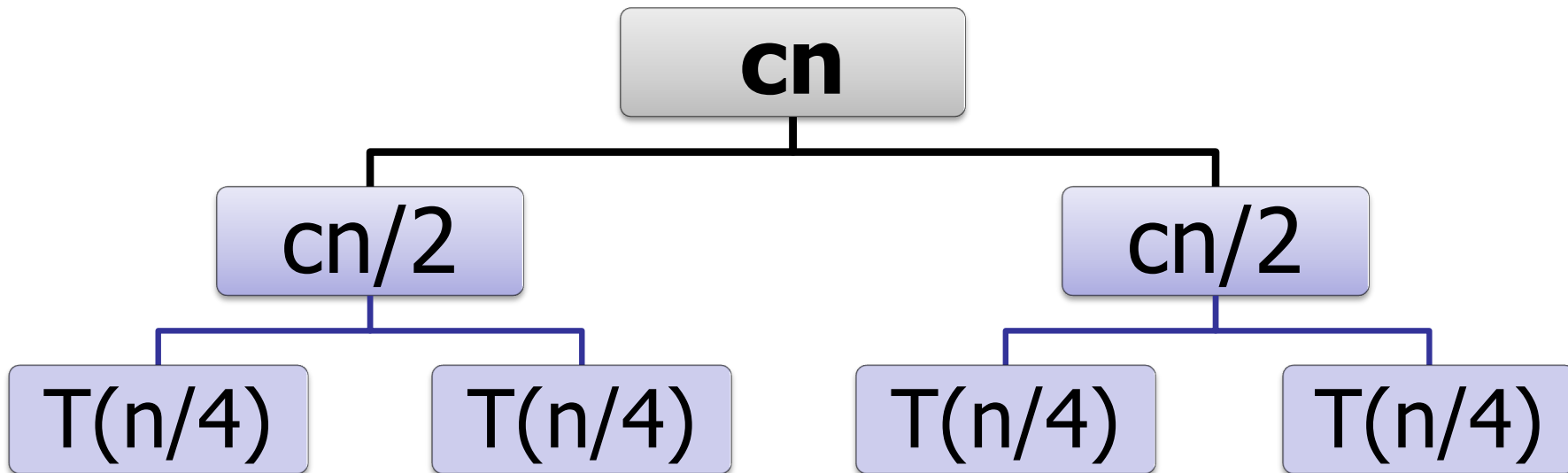
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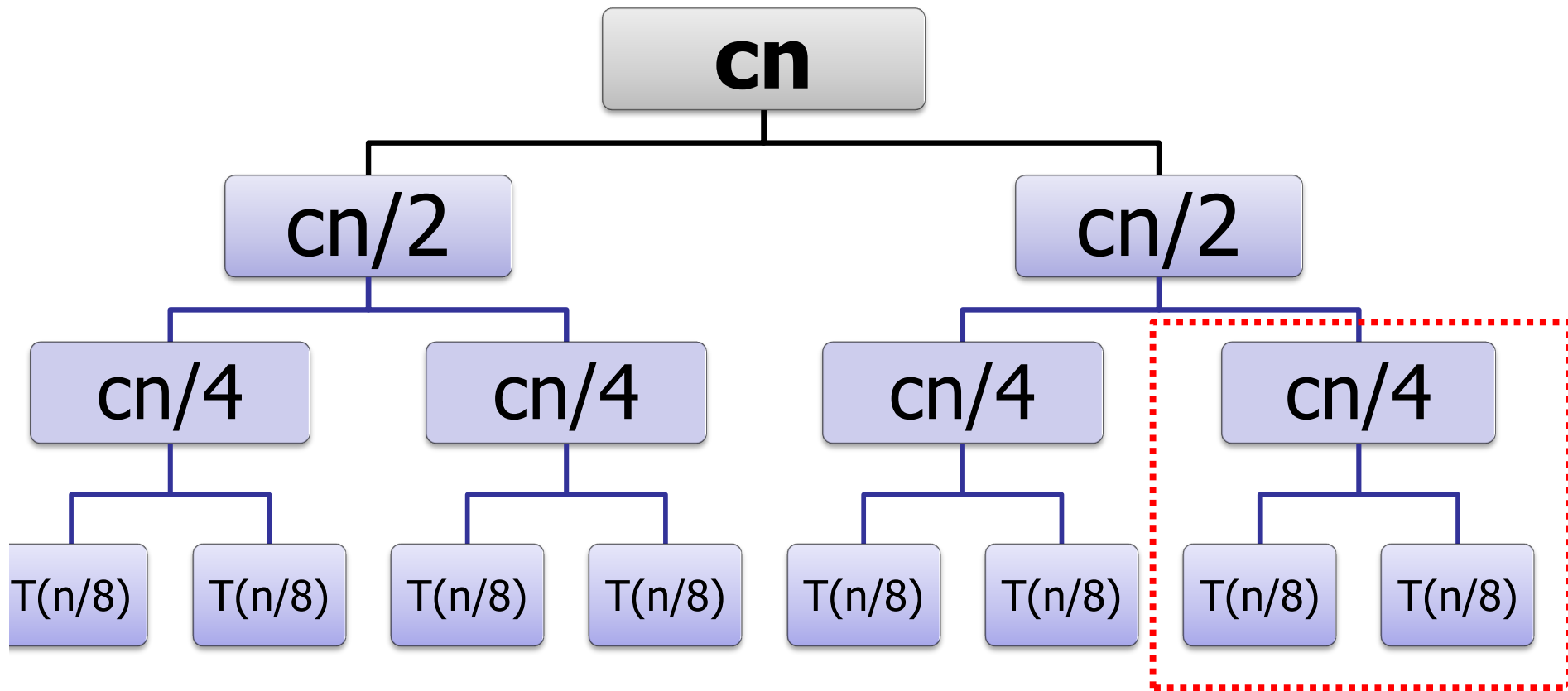
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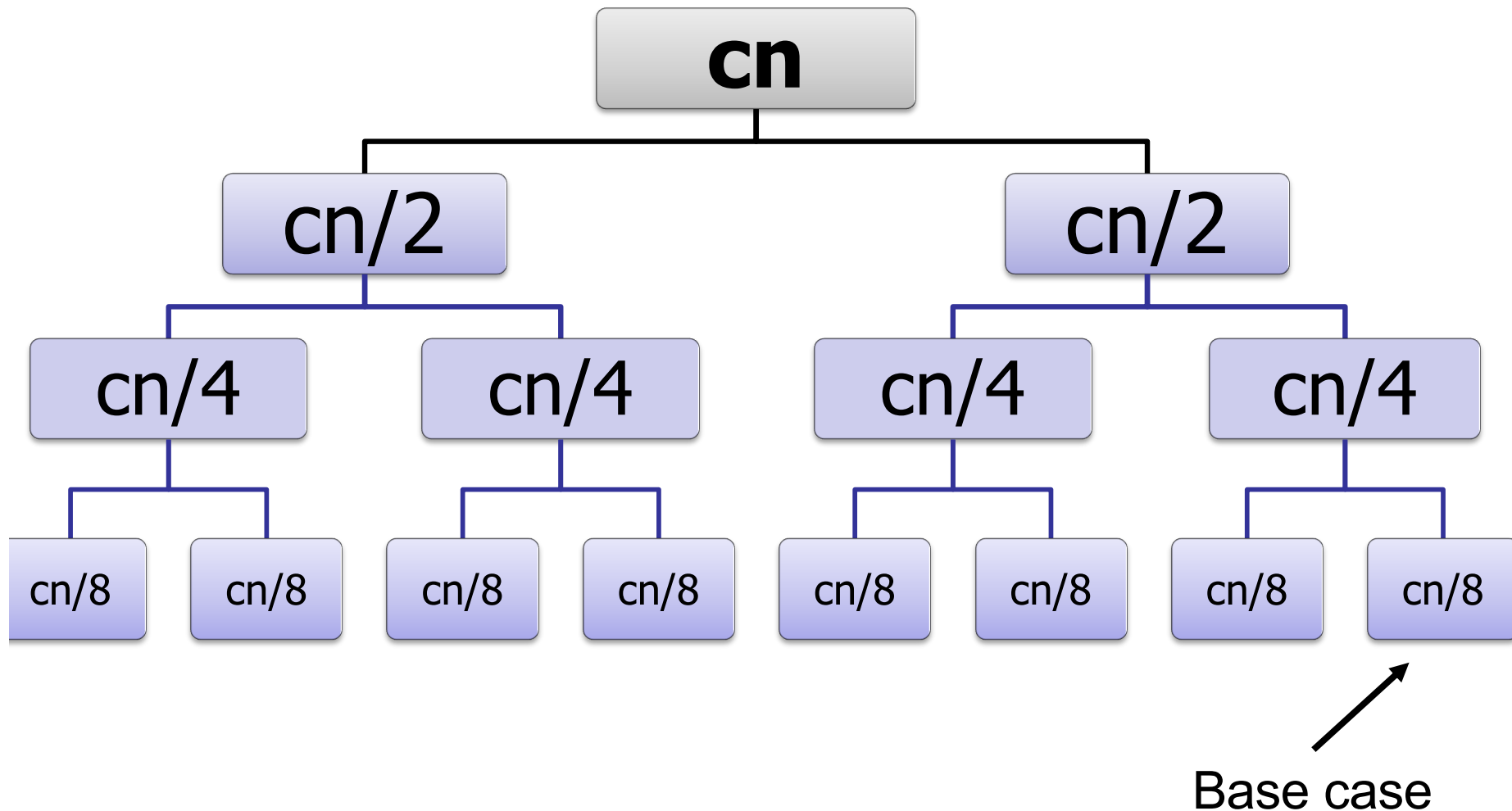
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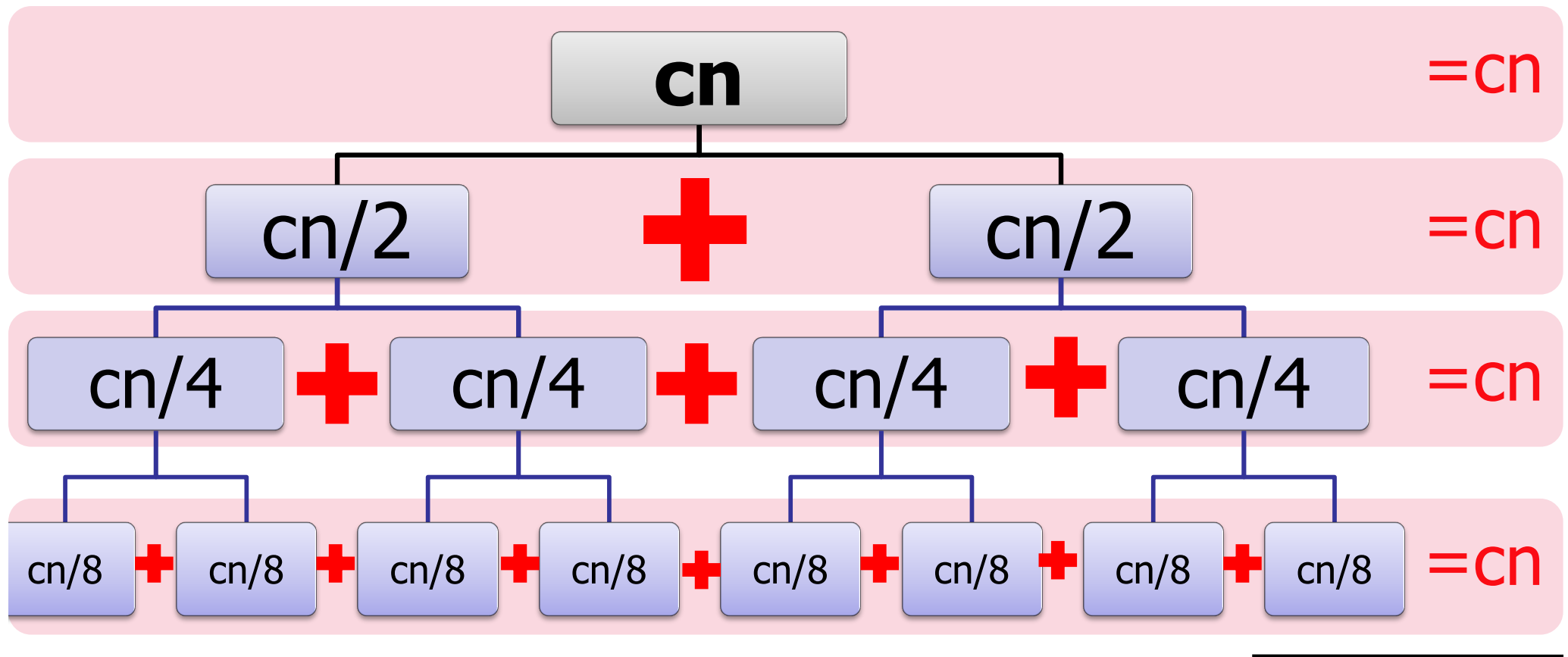
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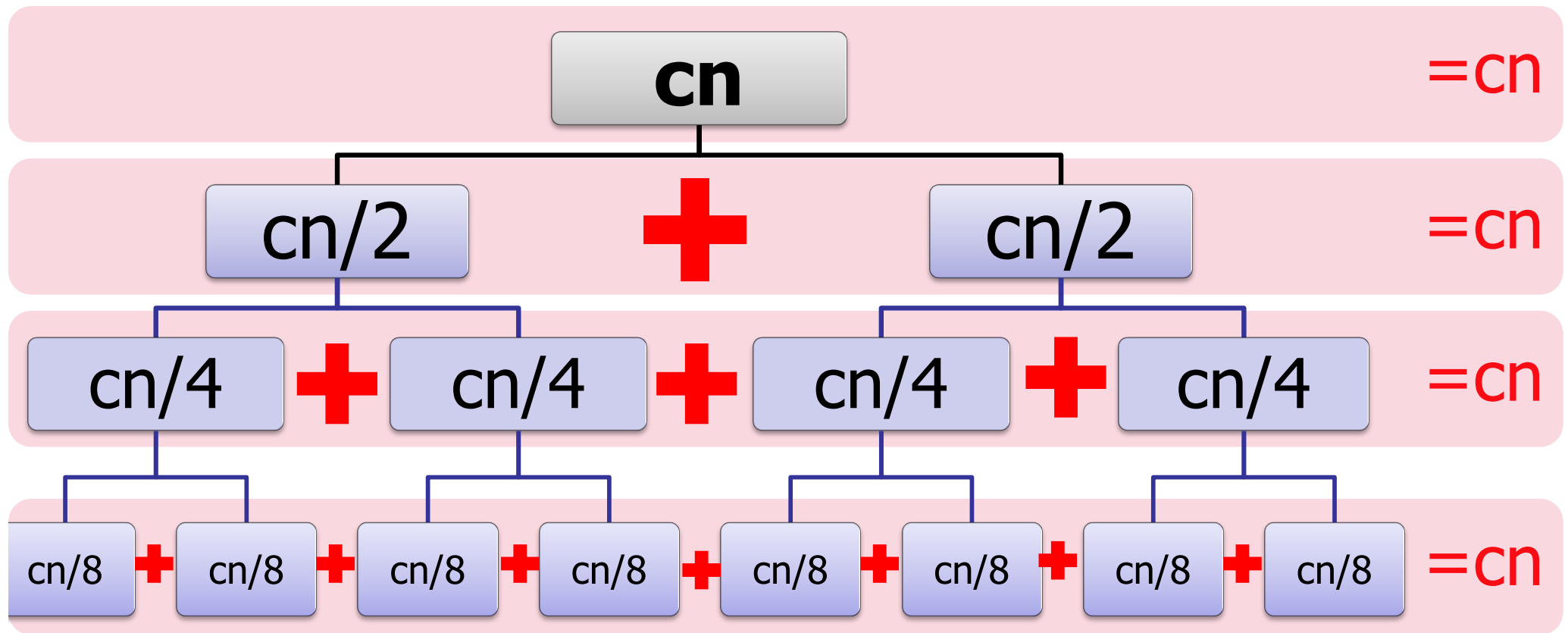
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Key question: how many levels?

MergeSort Analysis

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + cn$$

level	number
0	1
1	2
2	4
3	8
4	16
...	...
<i>h</i>	??

$$\text{number} = 2^{\text{level}}$$

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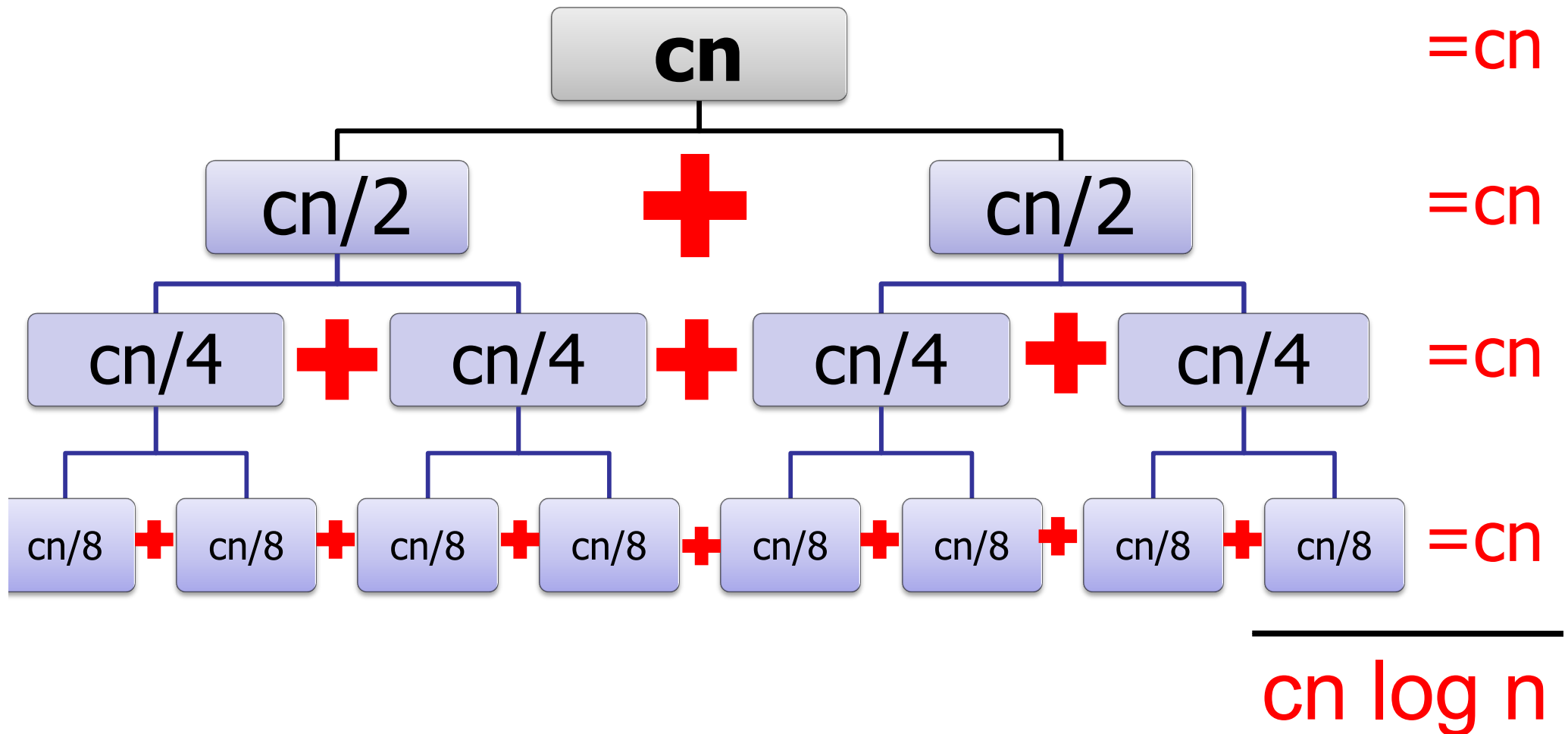
$$\text{number} = 2^{\text{level}}$$

$$n = 2^h$$

$$\log n = h$$

MergeSort Analysis

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MergeSortAnalysis

$$T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

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Guess: $T(n) = O(n \log n)$

Recurrence being analyzed:

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + c \cdot n$$

$$T(1) = c$$

Guess: $T(n) = c \cdot n \log n$

More precise guess:
Fix constant c .

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Induction:
Base case

$$T(1) = c$$

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Induction:
Assume true for all smaller values.

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Induction:
It works!



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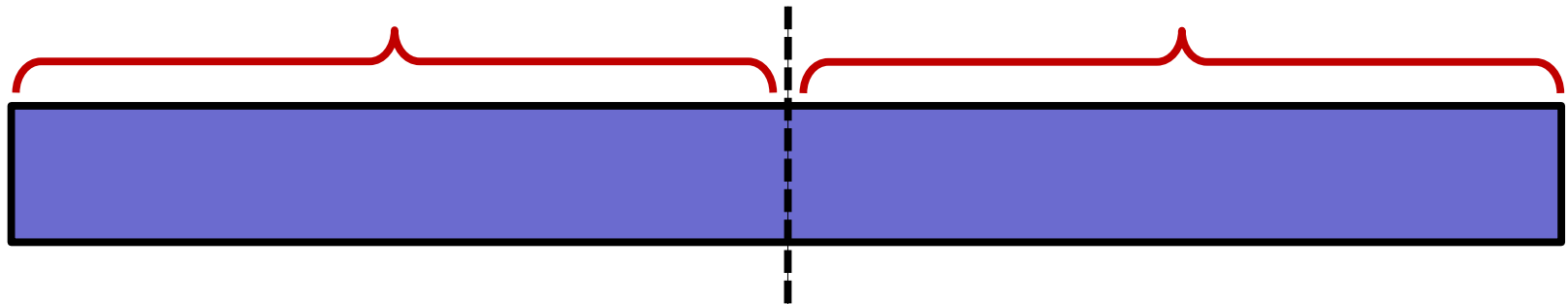
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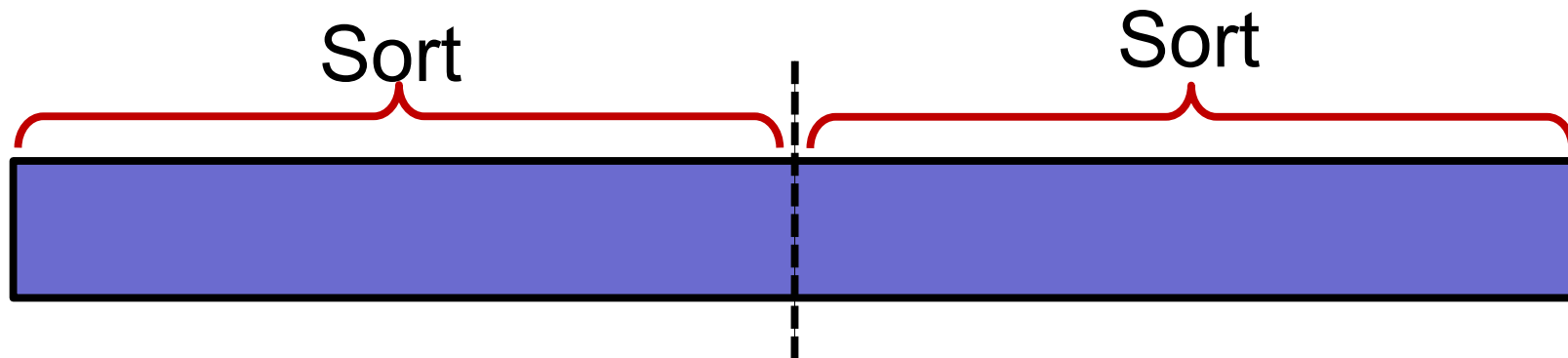
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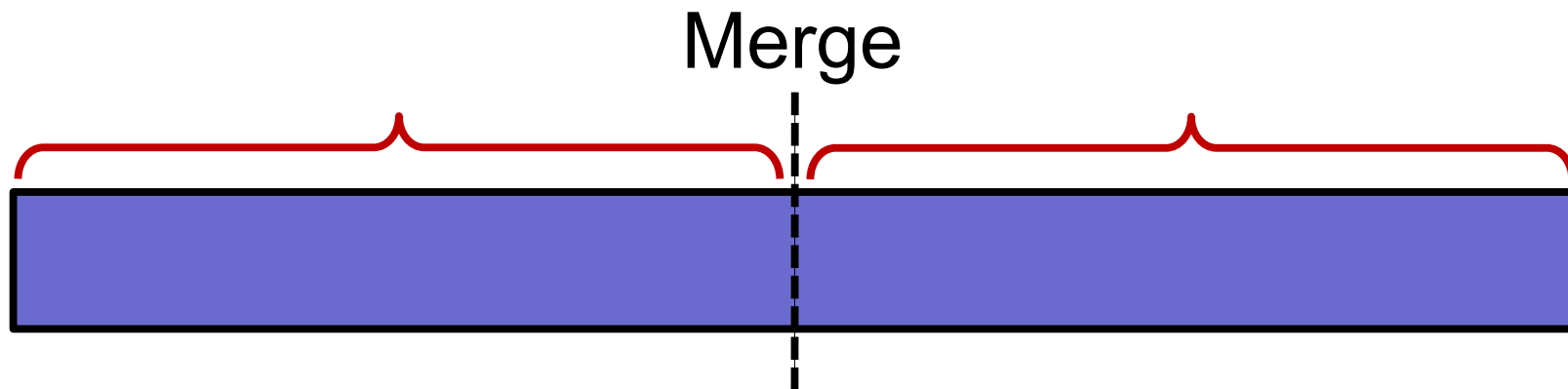
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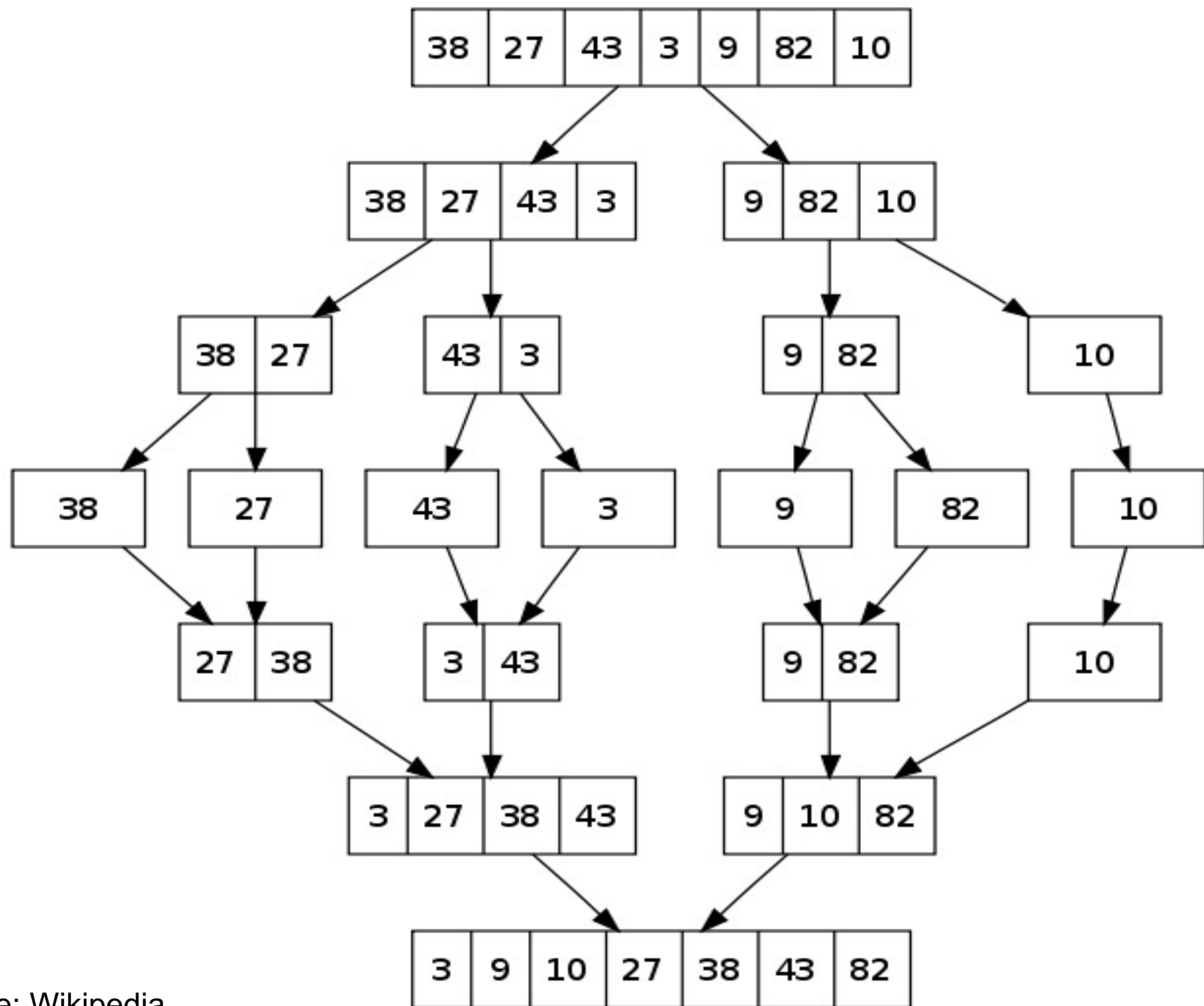
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MergeSort, Bottom Up

15	7	9	2	6	12	13	4	1	8	10	5	3	14	11	16
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How much does it matter?

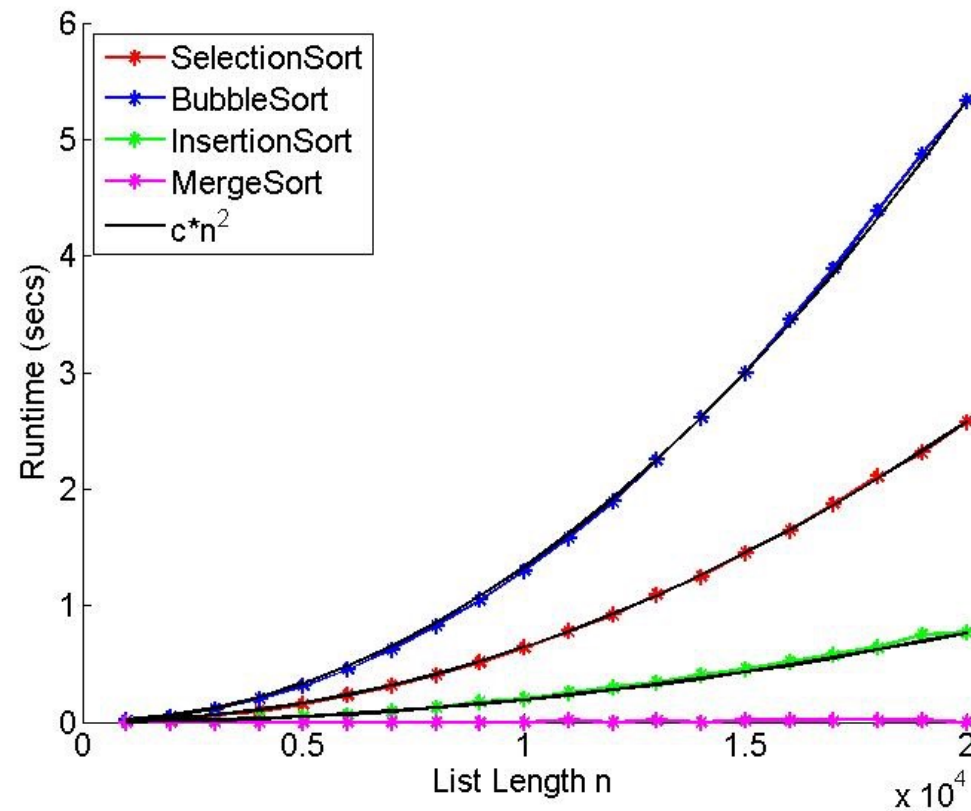
Comparing words in two files:

Version	Change	Running Time
Version 1		4,311.00s
Version 2	Better file handling	676.50s
Version 3	Mergesort replaces SelectionSort	6.59s
Version 4	Hashing replaces sorting	2.35s

Algorithm:

1. Read all text in both files.
2. Sort words.
3. Count how many times each word appears in each file.

real world performance



When is it better to use InsertionSort instead of MergeSort?

- A. When there is limited space?
- B. When there are a lot of items to sort?
- C. When there is a large memory cache?
- D. When there are a small number of items?
- E. When the list is mostly sorted?
- F. Always
- G. Never

MergeSort

When the list is mostly sorted:

- InsertionSort is fast!
- MergeSort is $O(n \log n)$

How “close to sorted” should a list be for InsertionSort to be faster?

How would you check?

MergeSort

Small number of items to sort:

- MergeSort is slow!
- Caching performance, branch prediction, etc.
- Use InsertionSort for $n < 1024$, say.

Base case of recursion:

- Use slower sort.

Run an experiment and post on the forum what the best switch-over point is for your machine.

MergeSort

Space usage...

- Need extra space to do merge.
- Merge copies data to new array.

Space Complexity

Question:

How much space is allocated during a call to MergeSort?

Note:

Measure total allocated space.
We will not model *garbage collection* or other Java details.

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Key subroutine: Merge

Merging Two Sorted Lists

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Need temporary array of size n.

Space Analysis

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$$S(n) = ?$$

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

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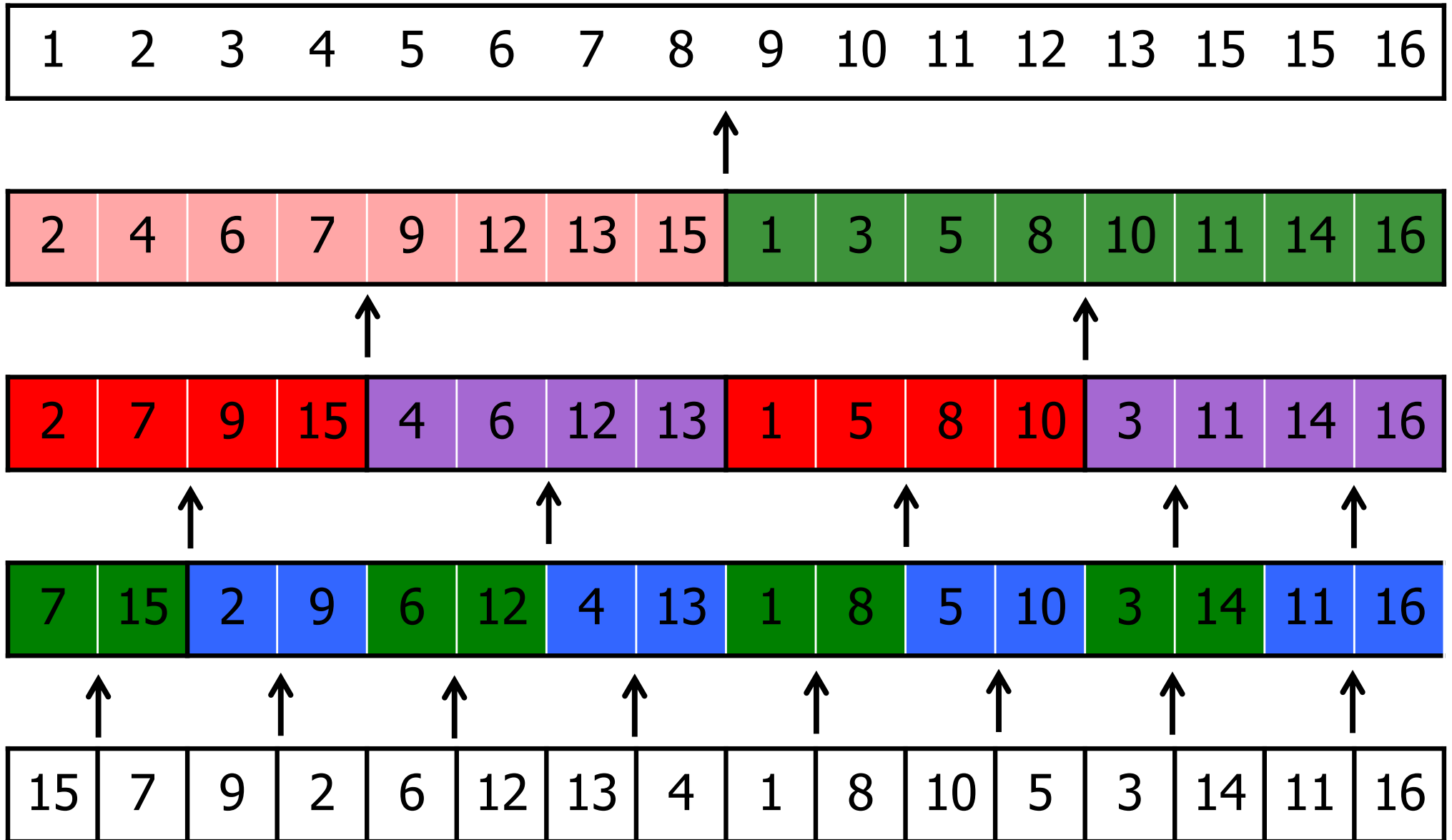
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$$= 2S(n/2) + n \quad \text{if } (n>1)$$

$$= O(n \log n)$$

MergeSort



Challenge of the Day:

Design a version of MergeSort that minimizes the amount of extra space needed.

Hint: Do not allocate any new space during the recursive calls!

Stability

Is MergeSort stable?

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MergeSort

Stability:

- MergeSort is stable if “merge” is stable.
- Merge is stable if carefully implemented.

Sorting Analysis

Summary:

BubbleSort: $O(n^2)$

SelectionSort: $O(n^2)$

InsertionSort: $O(n^2)$

MergeSort: $O(n \log n)$

Also:

The power of
divide-and-conquer!

How to solve recurrences...

Properties: time, space, stability

Slowest Sorting Algorithm?

Step 1:

- Generate all the permutations of the input.

Step 2:

- Sort the permutations (by number of inversions).

Step 3:

- Return the first element in the sorted list of permutations.

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Use BogoSort!



Roughly: $O((n!)!)$

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Recurse!

Recursive instance is larger than original!

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Ingrassia-Kurtz Sort

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Sorting, Part II

QuickSort

- Divide-and-Conquer
- Paranoid QuickSort
- Randomized Analysis

(Warning: PS3 opens today and depends on QuickSort, but you can get started without that.)

Summary

Name	Best Case	Average Case	Worst Case	Extra Memory	Stable?
Bubble Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$	Yes
Selection Sort	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$	No
Insertion Sort	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$	Yes
Merge Sort	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	Yes