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# Algorithm Design Strategy

- Do not focus on “specific algorithms”
- But “some strategies” to “design” algorithms
- First Skill: Divide-and-Conquer (各個擊破/分治法)

# Outline

- Recurrence (遞迴)
- Divide-and-Conquer
- D&C #1: Tower of Hanoi (河內塔)
- D&C #2: Merge Sort
- D&C #3: Bitonic Champion
- D&C #4: Maximum Subarray
- Solving Recurrences
  - Substitution Method
  - Recursion-Tree Method
  - Master Method
- D&C #5: Matrix Multiplication
- D&C #6: Selection Problem
- D&C #7: Closest Pair of Points Problem

Divide-and-Conquer 首部曲

Divide-and-Conquer  
之神乎奇技



# What is Divide-and-Conquer?

- Solve a problem recursively
- Apply three steps at each level of the recursion
  1. **Divide** the problem into a number of subproblems that are smaller instances of the same problem (比較小的同樣問題)
  2. **Conquer** the subproblems by solving them recursively  
If the subproblem sizes are *small enough*
    - then solve the subproblems base case
    - else recursively solve itself recursive case
  3. **Combine** the solutions to the subproblems into the solution for the original problem

# Divide-and-Conquer Benefits



- Easy to solve difficult problems
  - Thinking: solve easiest case + combine smaller solutions into the original solution
- Easy to find an efficient algorithm
  - Better time complexity
- Suitable for parallel computing (multi-core systems)
- More efficient memory access
  - Subprograms and their data can be put in cache instead of accessing main memory

# Recurrence (遞迴)

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# Recurrence Relation

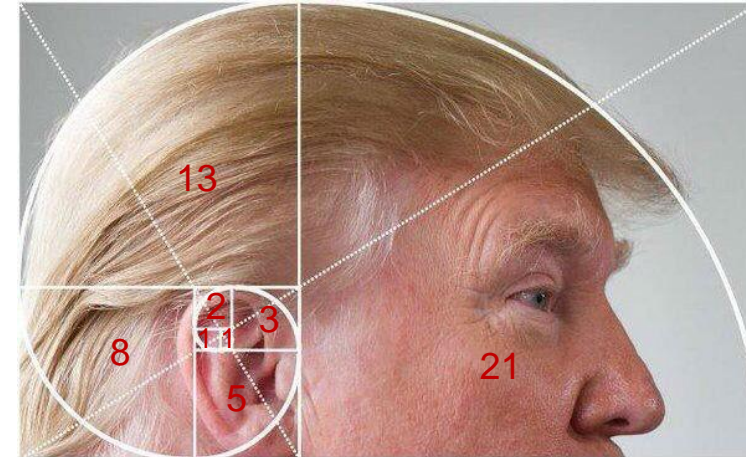
- Definition

A ***recurrence*** is an equation or inequality that describes a function in terms of its value on smaller inputs.

- Example

Fibonacci sequence (費波那契數列)

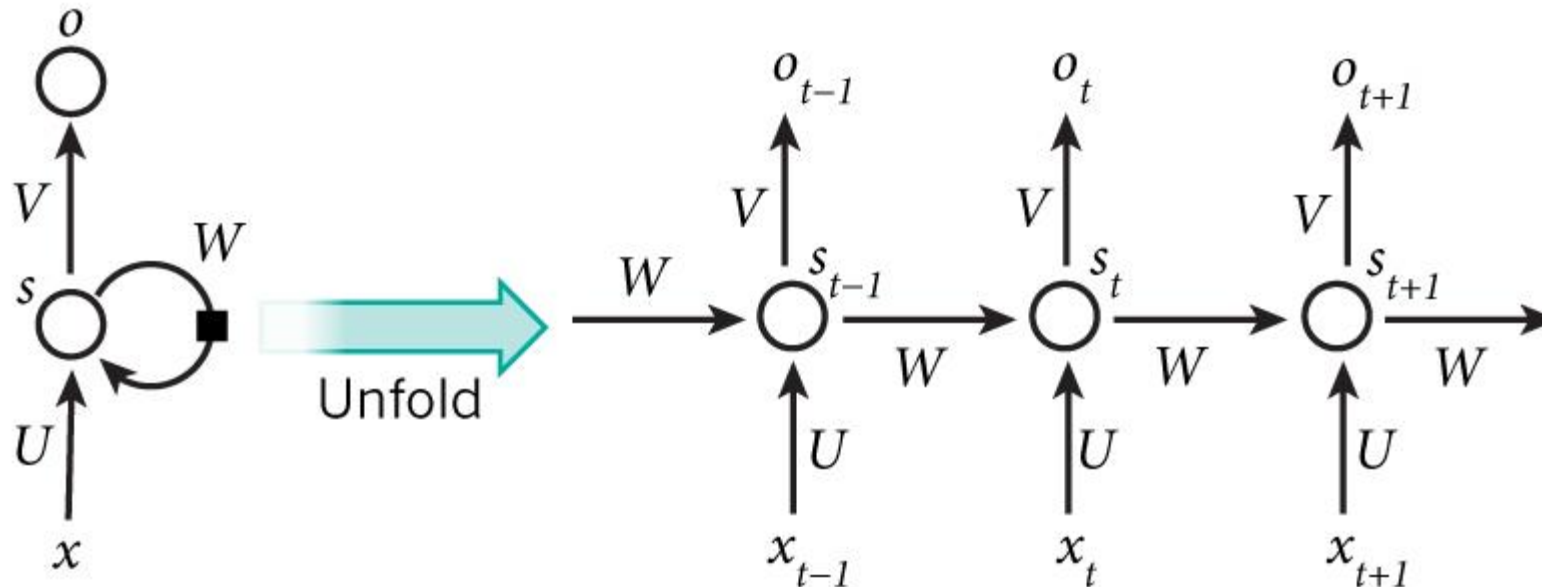
- Base case:  $F(0) = F(1) = 1$
- Recursive case:  $F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)$



# Recurrent Neural Network (RNN)

$$s_t = \sigma(W s_{t-1} + U x_t)$$

$$o_t = \text{softmax}(V s_t)$$





# Recurrence Benefits

- Easy & Clear
- Define base case and recursive case
- Define a long sequence

Base case  
Recursive case



F(0), F(1), F(2).....  
unlimited sequence



a program for solving F(n)

```
Fibonacci(n) // recursive function: 程式中會呼叫自己的函數
if n < 2 // base case: termination condition
    return 1
// recursive case: call itself for solving subproblems
return Fibonacci(n-1) + Fibonacci(n-2)
```

# Recurrence v.s. Non-Recurrence



```
Fibonacci(n)
  if n < 2 // base case
    return 1
  // recursive case
  return Fibonacci(n-1) + Fibonacci(n-2)
```

## Recursive function

- Clear structure 
- Poor efficiency 

```
Fibonacci(n)
  if n < 2
    return 1
  a[0] <- 1
  a[1] <- 1
  for i = 2 ... n
    a[i] = a[i-1] + a[i-2]
  return a[n]
```

## Non-recursive function

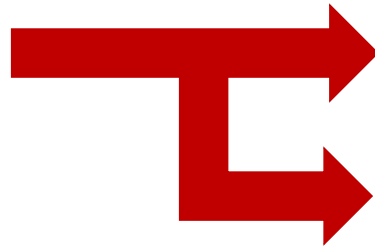
- Better efficiency 
- Unclear structure 

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a program for solving  $F(n)$

If a problem can be simplified into a **base case** and a **recursive case**, then we can find an algorithm that solves this problem.

Base case  
Recursive case



Hanoi( $n$ ) is not easy to solve.

- ✓ It is easy to solve when  $n$  is small
- ✓ we can find the relation between Hanoi( $n$ ) & Hanoi( $n-1$ )

a program for solving Hanoi( $n$ )

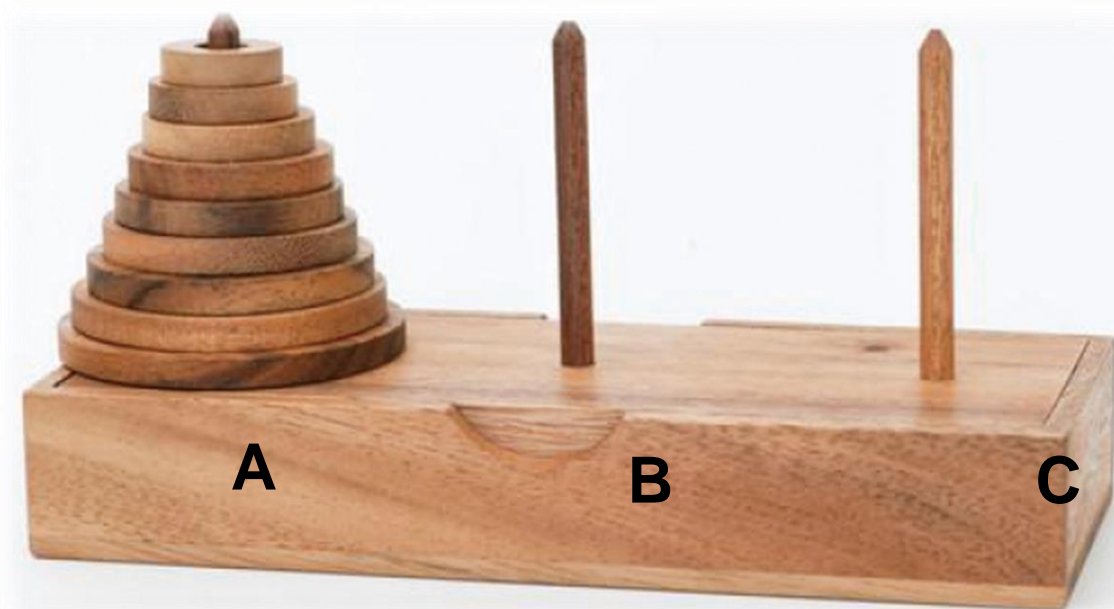


# D&C #1: Tower of Hanoi

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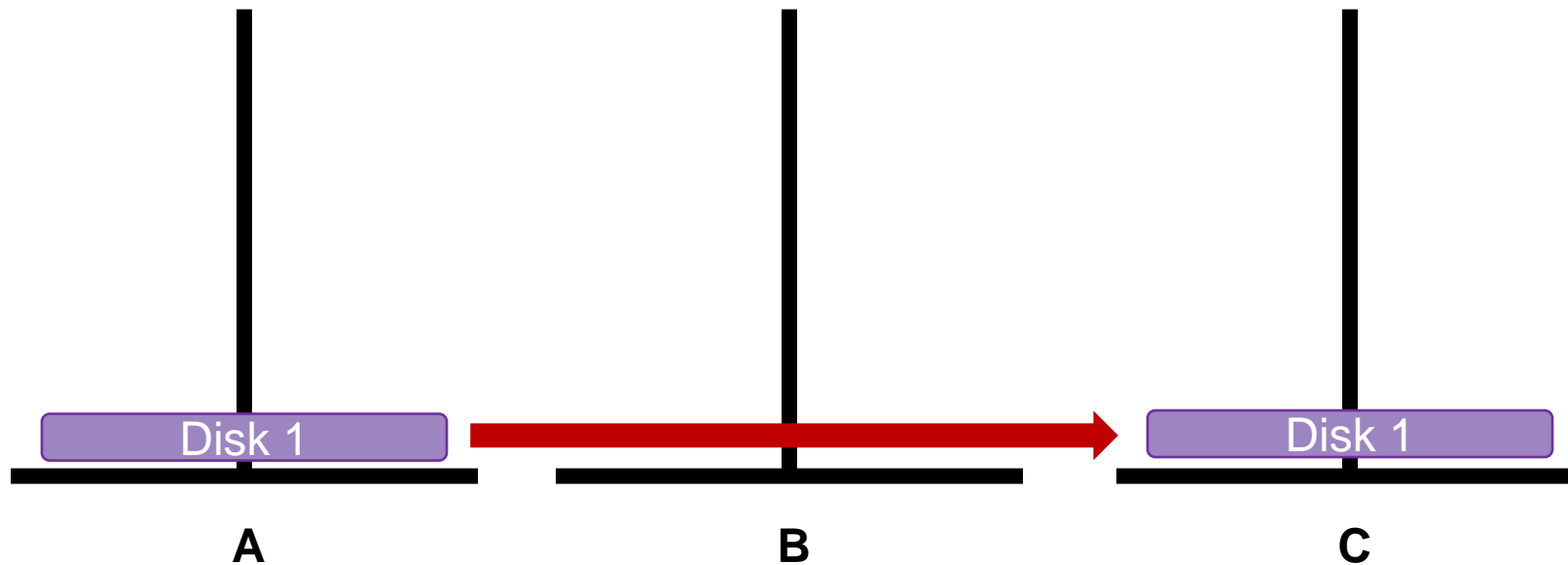
# Tower of Hanoi (河内塔)

- Problem: move  $n$  disks from A to C
- Rules
  - Move one disk at a time
  - Cannot place a larger disk onto a smaller disk



# Hanoi(1)

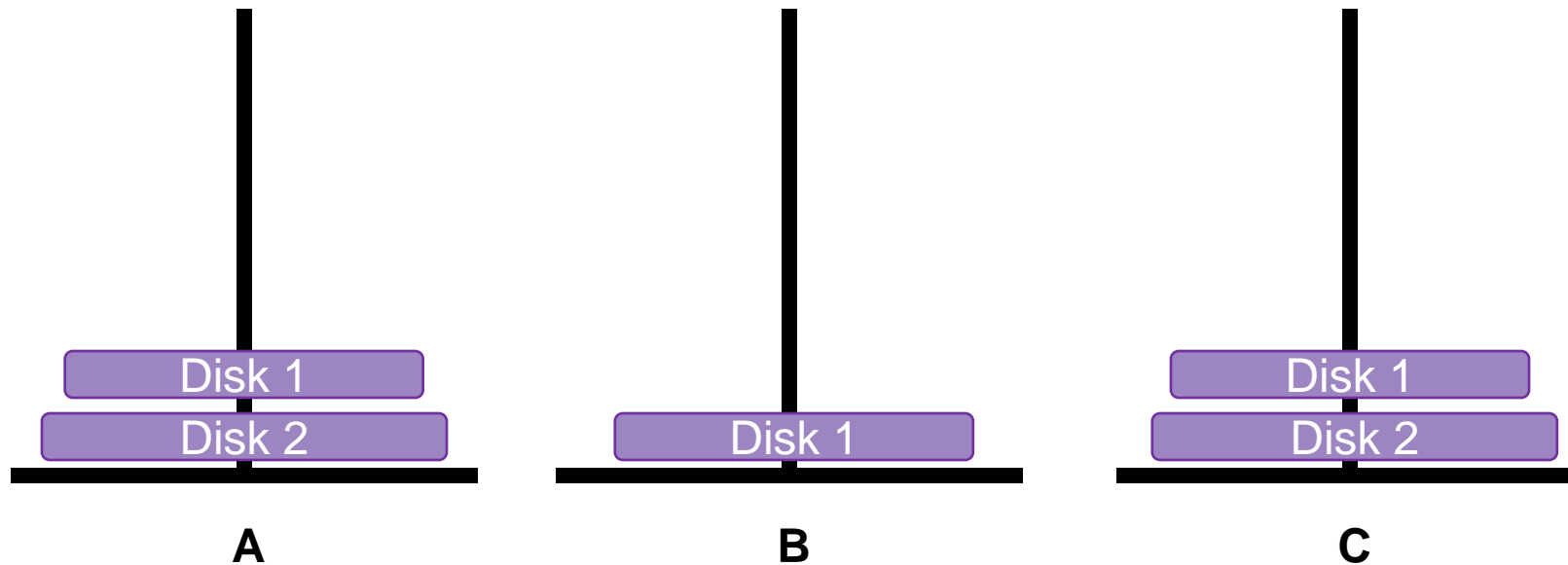
- Move 1 from A to C → 1 move in total  
**Base case**



# Hanoi(2)

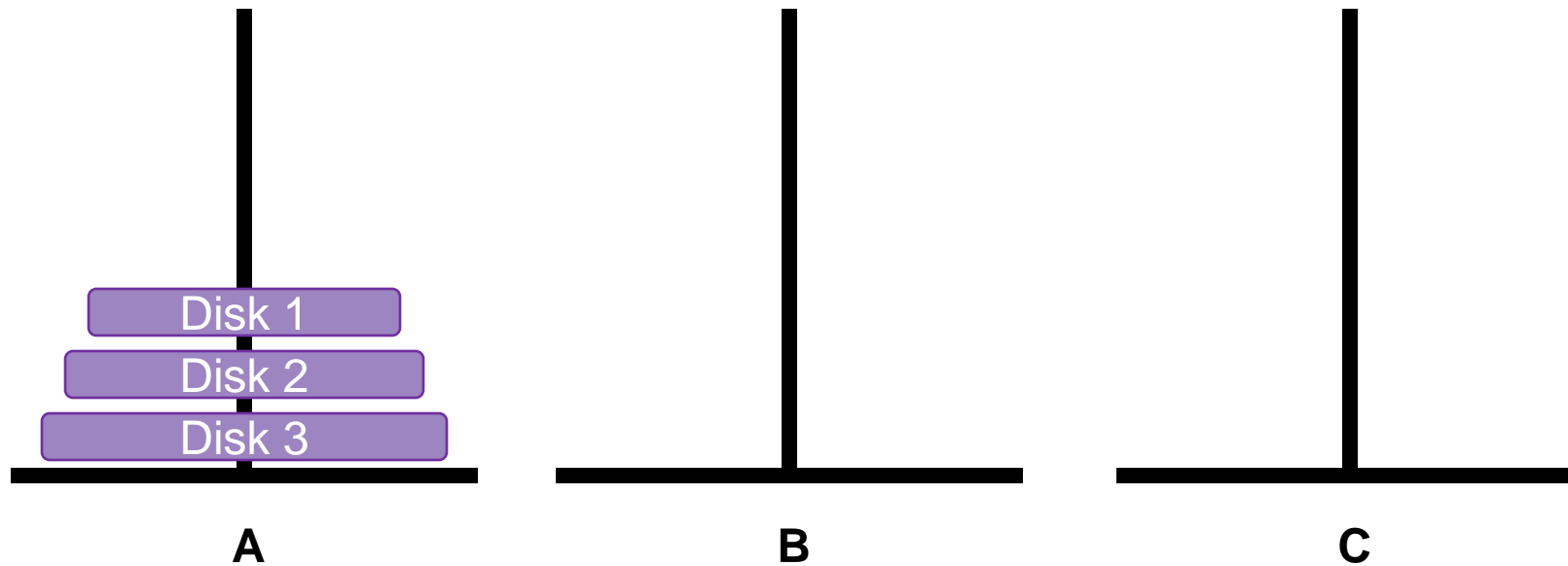
- Move 1 from A to B
- Move 2 from A to C
- Move 1 from B to C

→ 3 moves in total



# Hanoi(3)

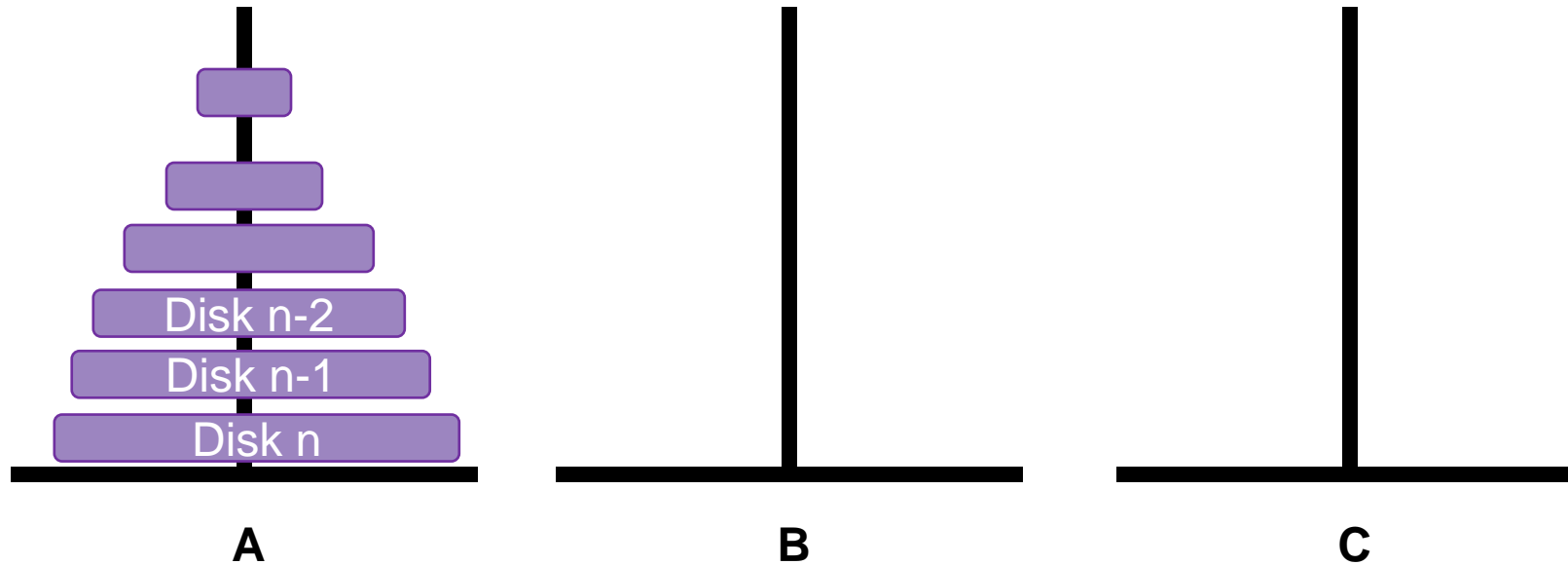
- How to move 3 disks?
- How many moves in total?





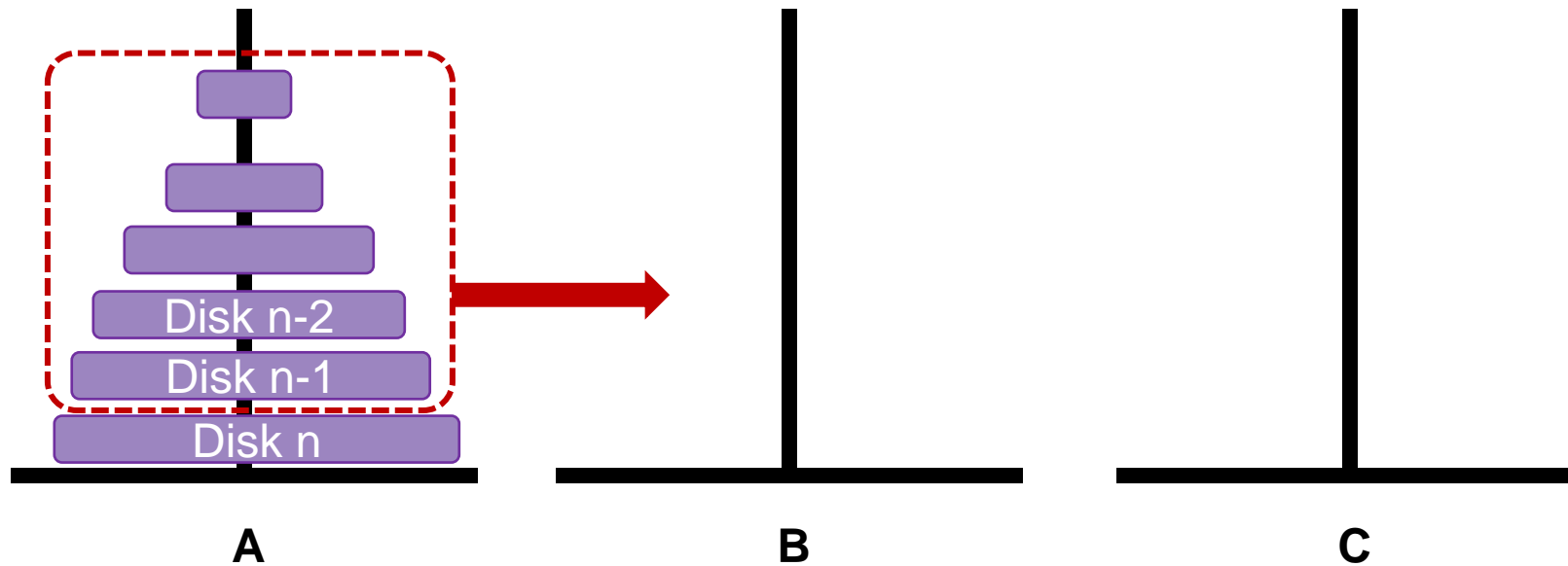
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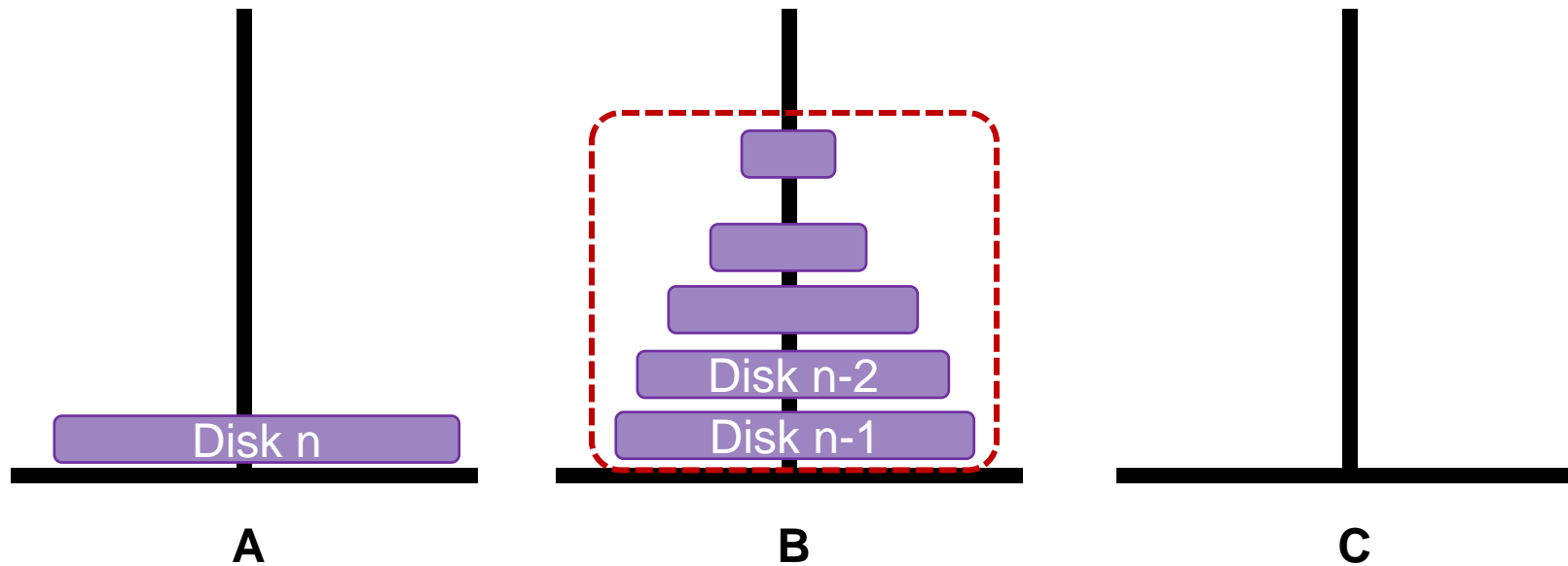
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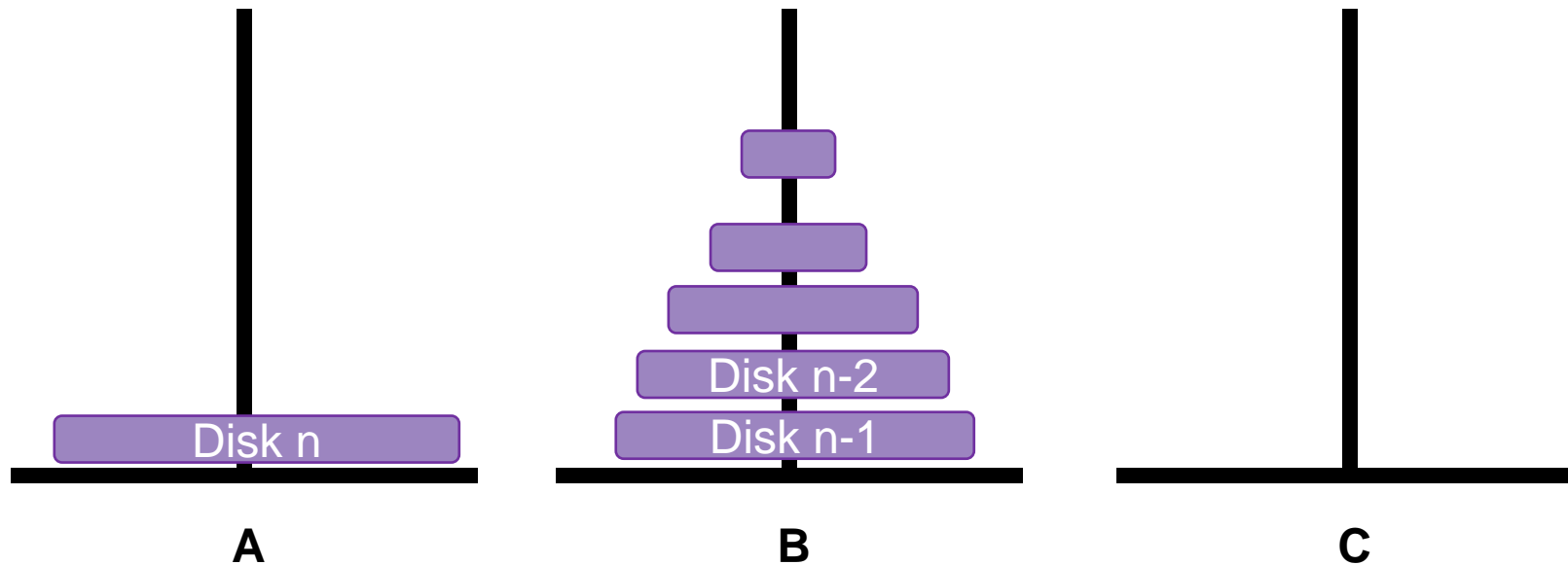
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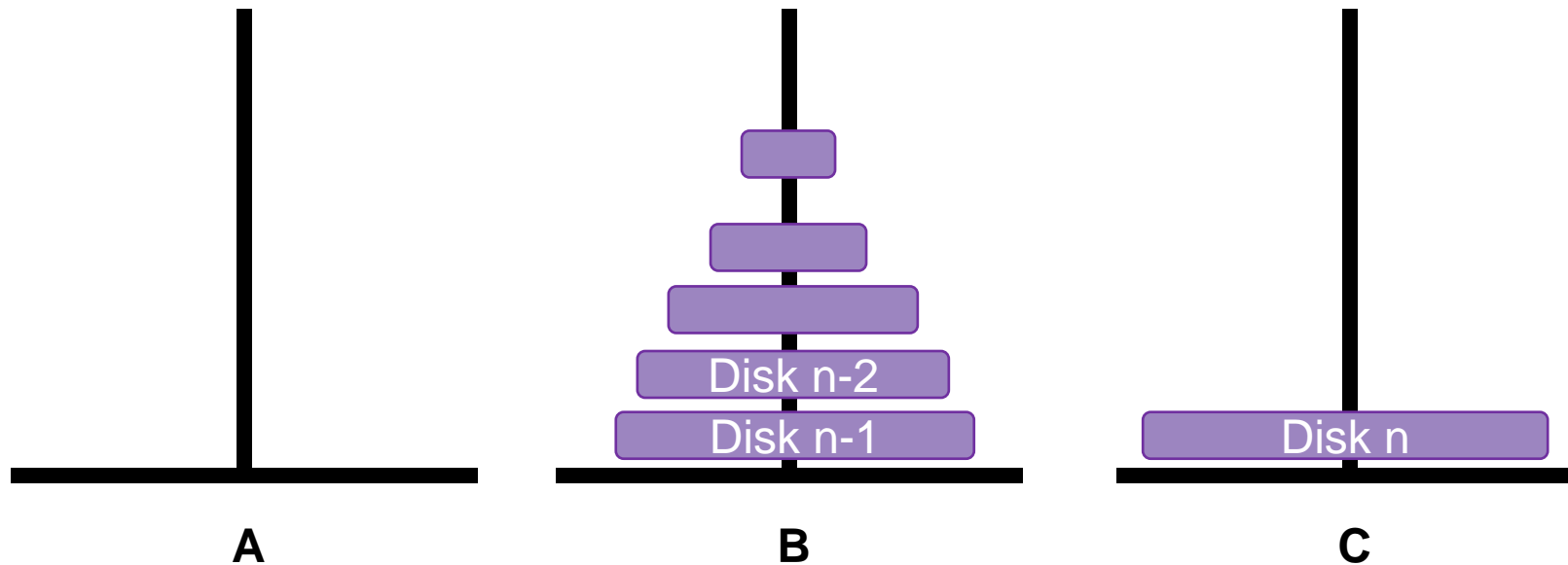
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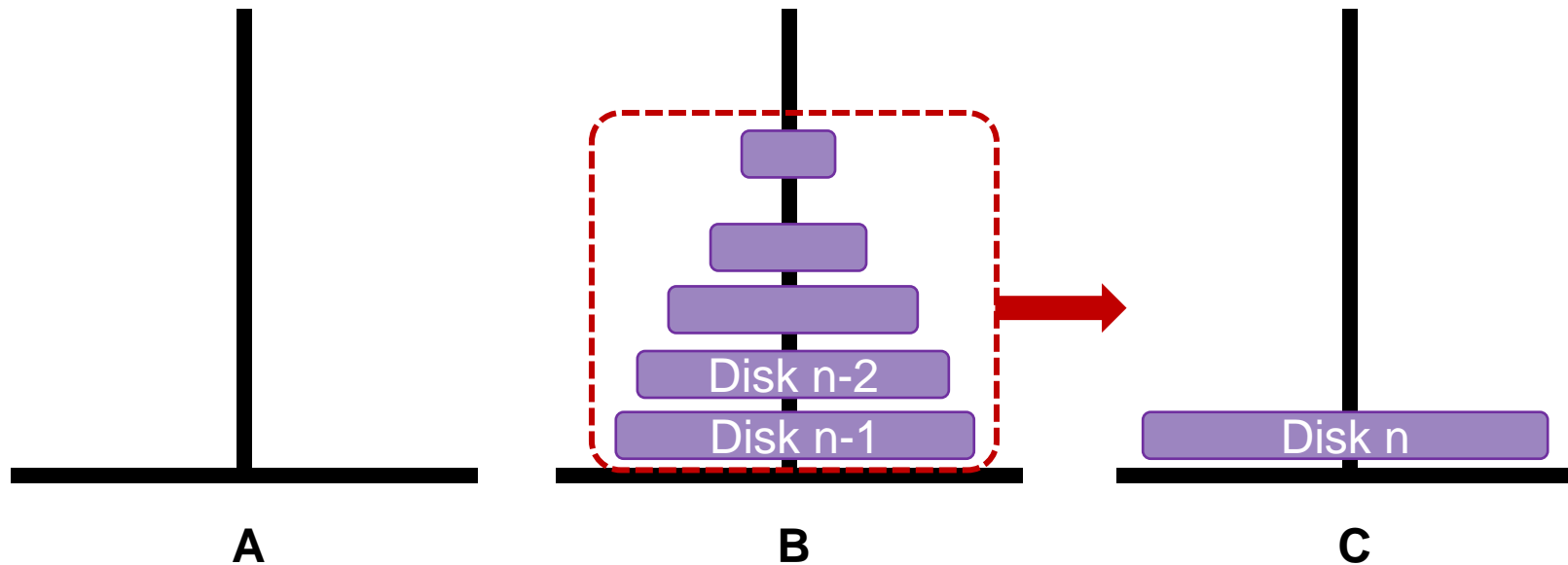
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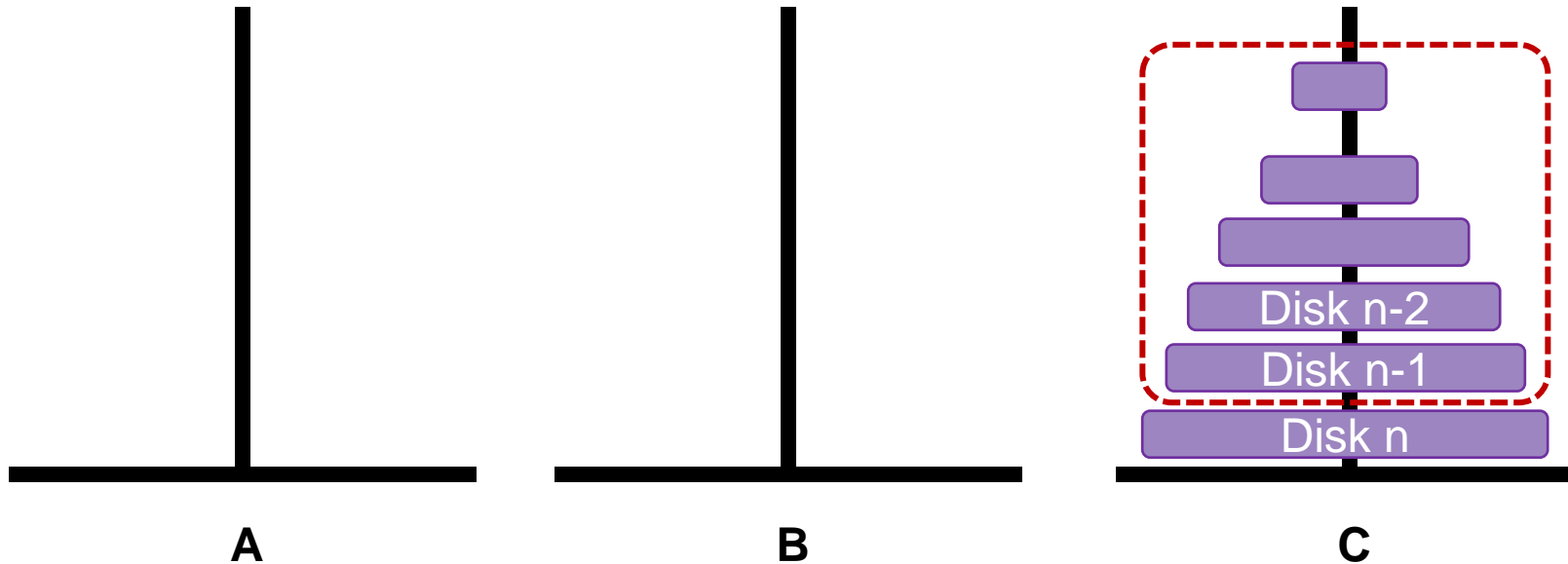


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3. Move Disk 1~ $n-1$  from B to C

→  $2\text{Hanoi}(n-1) + 1$  moves in total  
**recursive case**

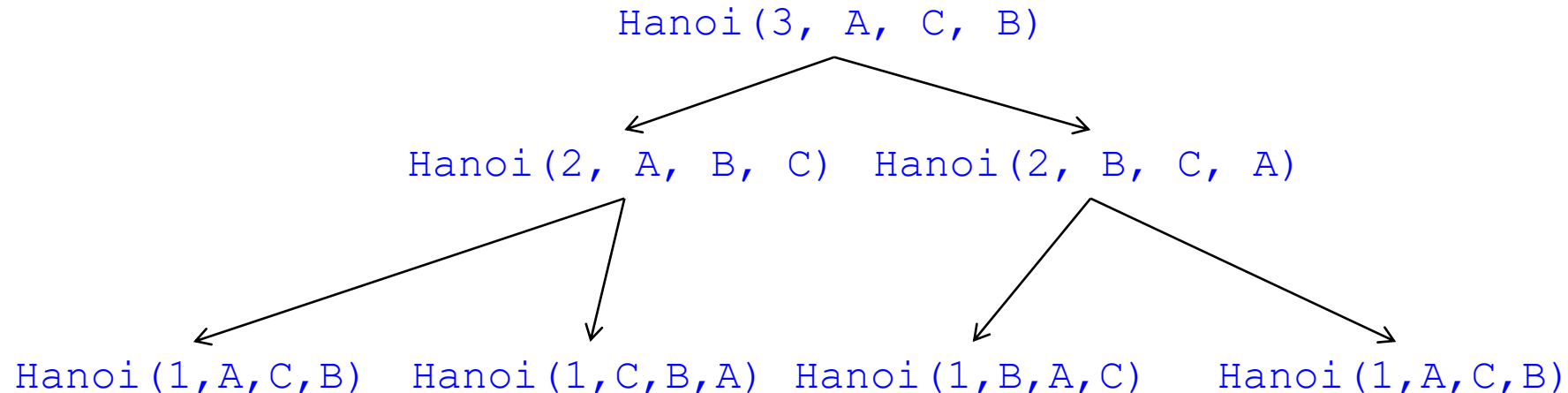


# Pseudocode for Hanoi

```
Hanoi(n, src, dest, spare)
  if n==1 // base case
    Move disk from src to dest
  else // recursive case
    Hanoi(n-1, src, spare, dest)
    Move disk from src to dest
    Hanoi(n-1, spare, dest, src)
```

No need to combine the results in this case

- Call tree





# Algorithm Time Complexity

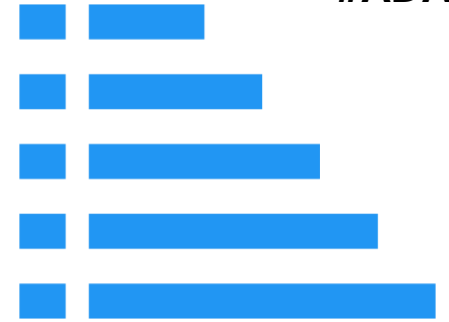
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```

- $T(n)$  = #moves with  $n$  disks
  - Base case:  $T(1) = 1$
  - Recursive case ( $n > 1$ ):  $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1$
- We will learn how to derive  $T(n)$  later

$$T(n) = 2^n - 1 = O(2^n)$$

# Further Questions

- Q1: Is  $O(2^n)$  tight for Hanoi? Can  $T(n) < 2^n - 1$ ?
- Q2: What about more than 3 pegs?
- Q3: Double-color Hanoi problem
  - Input: 2 interleaved-color towers
  - Output: 2 same-color towers



# D&C #2: Merge Sort

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Textbook Chapter 2.3.1 – The divide-and-conquer approach



# Sorting Problem



Input: unsorted list of size  $n$

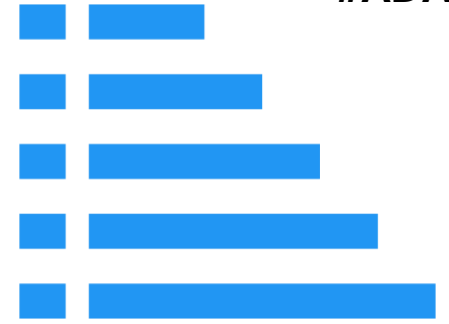


What are the **base case**  
and **recursive case**?



Output: sorted list of size  $n$

# Divide-and-Conquer



- Base case ( $n = 1$ )
  - Directly output the list
- Recursive case ( $n > 1$ )
  - Divide the list into two sub-lists
  - Sort each sub-list recursively
  - Merge the two sorted lists

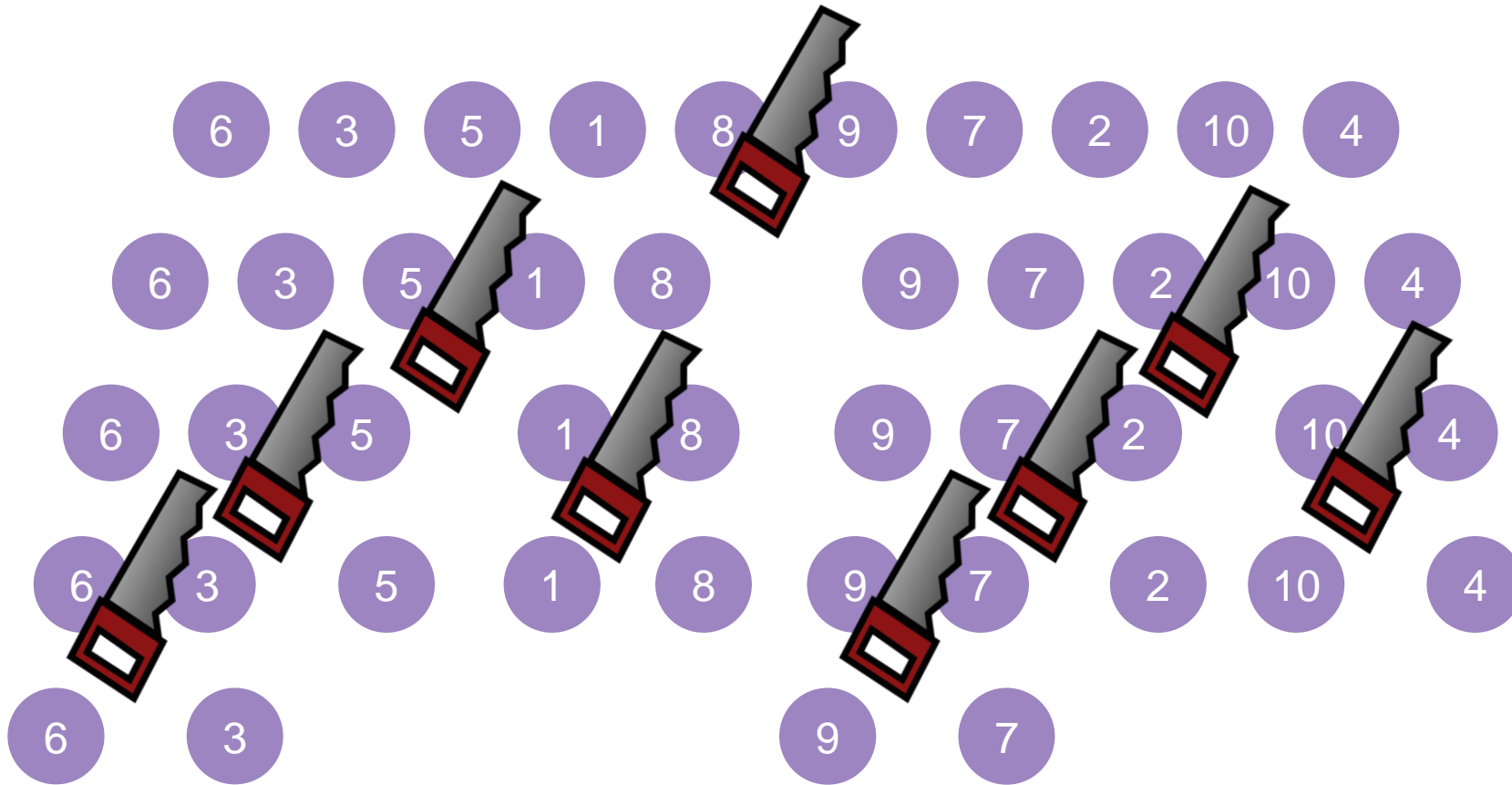


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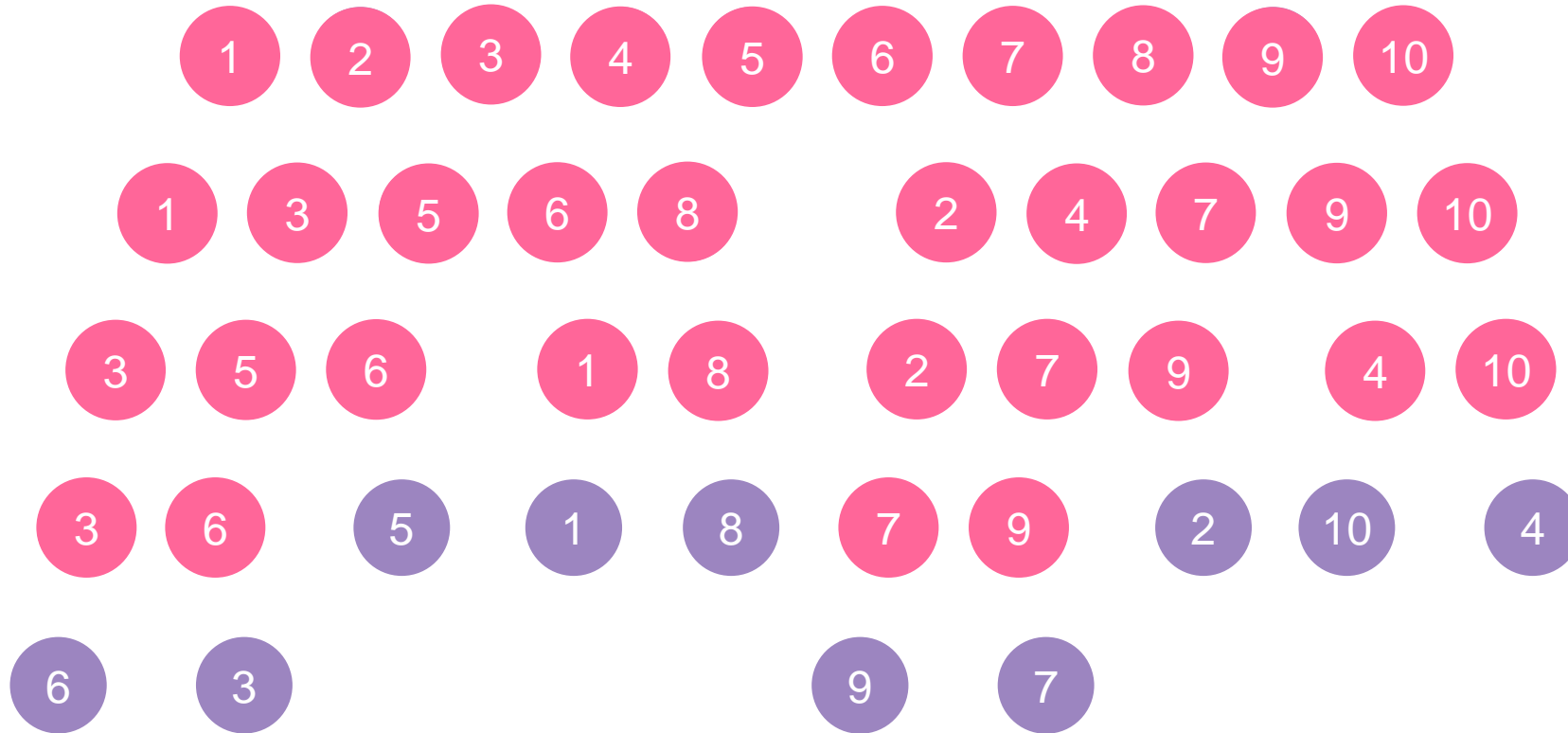
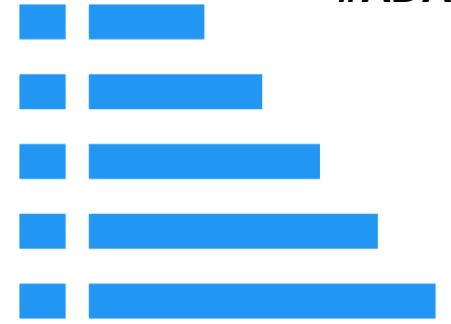
2 sublists of size  $n/2$

# of comparisons =  $\Theta(n)$

# Illustration for $n = 10$



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# Pseudocode for Merge Sort

```
MergeSort(A, p, r)
// base case
if p == r
    return
// recursive case
// divide
q = [(p+r-1)/2]
// conquer
MergeSort(A, p, q)
MergeSort(A, q+1, r)
// combine
Merge(A, p, q, r)
```

1. Divide



2. Conquer



3. Combine

- Divide a list of size  $n$  into 2 sublists of size  $n/2$
- Recursive case ( $n > 1$ )
  - Sort 2 sublists ***recursively*** using ***merge sort***
- Base case ( $n = 1$ )
  - Return itself
- Merge 2 sorted sublists into one sorted list in **linear** time



# Time Complexity for Merge Sort

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1. Divide

2. Conquer

3. Combine

- Divide a list of size  $n$  into 2 sublists of size  $n/2$   $\Theta(1)$
- Recursive case ( $n > 1$ )  $T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$ 
  - Sort 2 sublists **recursively** using **merge sort**
- Base case ( $n = 1$ )  $\Theta(1)$ 
  - Return itself
- Merge 2 sorted sublists into one sorted list in **linear** time  $\Theta(n)$

▪  $T(n)$  = time for running MergeSort(A, p, r) with  $r - p + 1 = n$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + O(n) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

# Time Complexity for Merge Sort

- Simplify recurrences
- Ignore floors and ceilings (boundary conditions)
- Assume base cases are constant (for small  $n$ )

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 2T(n/2) + O(n) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\leq 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn && \text{1st expansion} \\ &\leq 2\left[2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + c\frac{n}{2}\right] + cn = 4T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 2cn && \text{2nd expansion} \\ &\leq 4\left[2T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + c\frac{n}{4}\right] + 2cn = 8T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 3cn \\ &\vdots \\ &\leq 2^k T\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) + kcn && \text{kth expansion} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\leq nT(1) + cn \log_2 n \\ &= O(n) + O(n \log n) \\ &= O(n \log n) \end{aligned}$$

The expansion stops when  $2^k = n$

# Theorem 1

- Theorem

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + O(n) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

- Proof

- There exists positive constant  $a, b$  s.t.  $T(n) \leq \begin{cases} a & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + b \cdot n & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$

- Use induction to prove  $T(n) \leq 2b \cdot n \log_2 n + a \cdot n$

- $n = 1$ , trivial

- $n > 1, \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \leq \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$T(n) \leq T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + b \cdot n$$

Inductive hypothesis  $\leq 2b \cdot (\lceil n/2 \rceil \log_2 \lceil n/2 \rceil) + a \cdot \lceil n/2 \rceil + 2b \cdot (\lfloor n/2 \rfloor \log_2 \lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + a \cdot \lfloor n/2 \rfloor + b \cdot n$

$$\leq 2b \cdot (\lceil n/2 \rceil \log_2 \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}}) + a \cdot \lceil n/2 \rceil + 2b \cdot (\lfloor n/2 \rfloor \log_2 \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}}) + a \cdot \lfloor n/2 \rfloor + b \cdot n$$

$$= 2b \cdot n(\log n - \log_2 \sqrt{2}) + a \cdot n + b \cdot n = 2b \cdot n \log_2 n + a \cdot n$$

# How to Solve Recurrence Relations?

## 1. Substitution Method (取代法)

- Guess a bound and then prove by induction

## 2. Recursion-Tree Method (遞迴樹法)

- Expand the recurrence into a tree and sum up the cost

## 3. Master Method (套公式大法/大師法)

- Apply Master Theorem to a specific form of recurrences

Let's see more examples first and come back to this later



# D&C #3: Bitonic Champion Problem

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# Bitonic Champion Problem

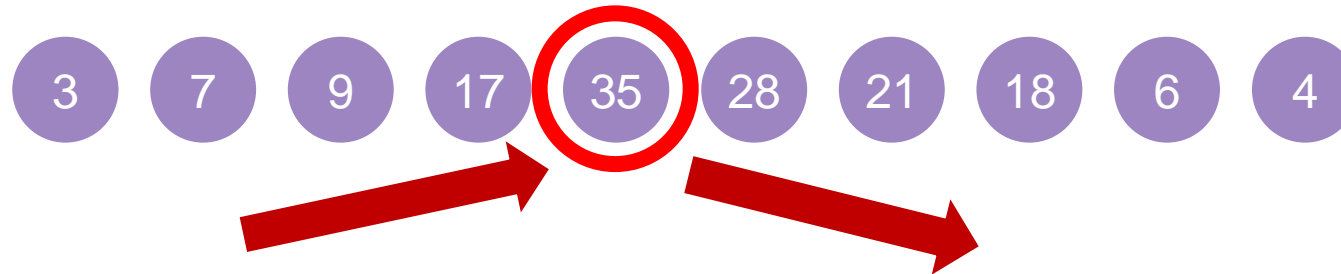


## The bitonic champion problem

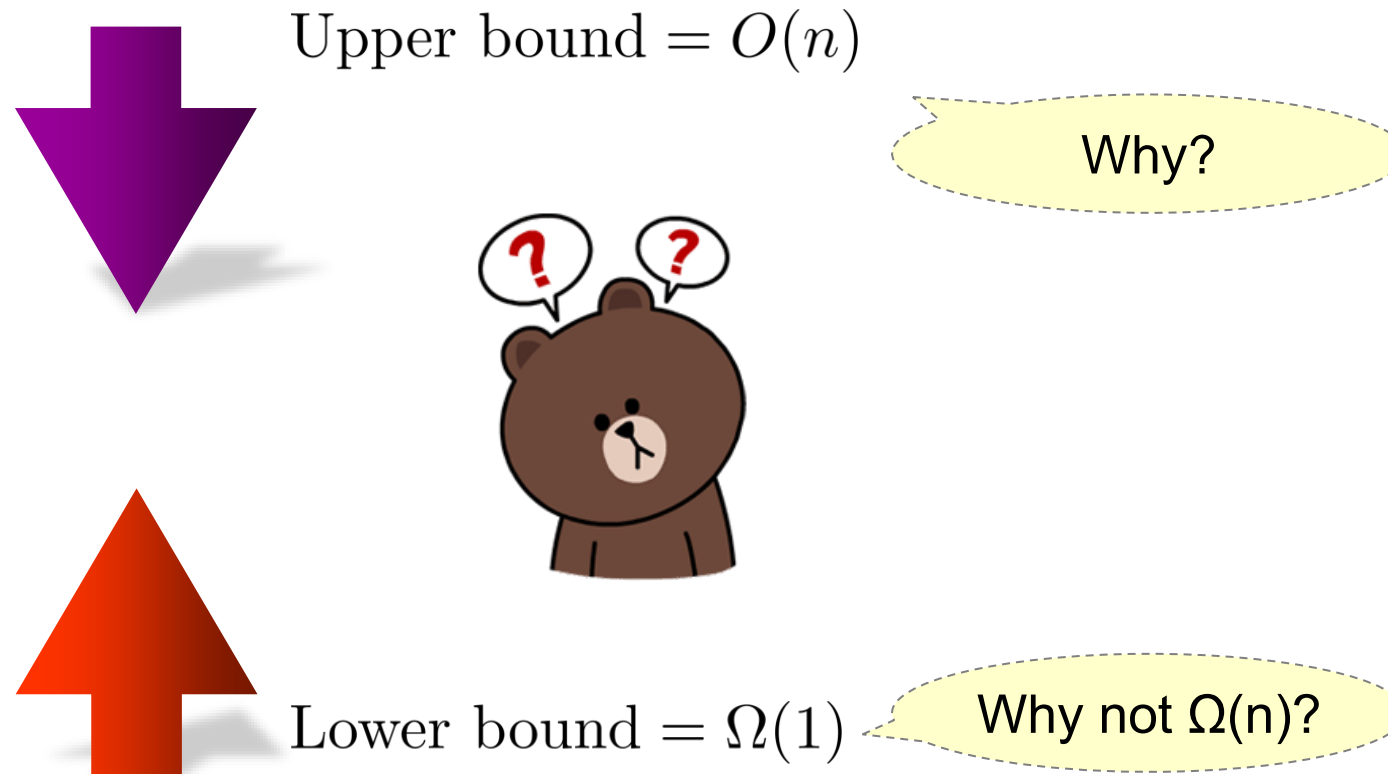
- Input: A **bitonic** sequence  $A[1], A[2], \dots, A[n]$  of distinct positive integers.
- Output: the index  $i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq n$  such that

$$A[i] = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} A[j].$$

The **bitonic** sequence means “increasing before the champion and decreasing after the champion” (冠軍之前遞增、冠軍之後遞減)

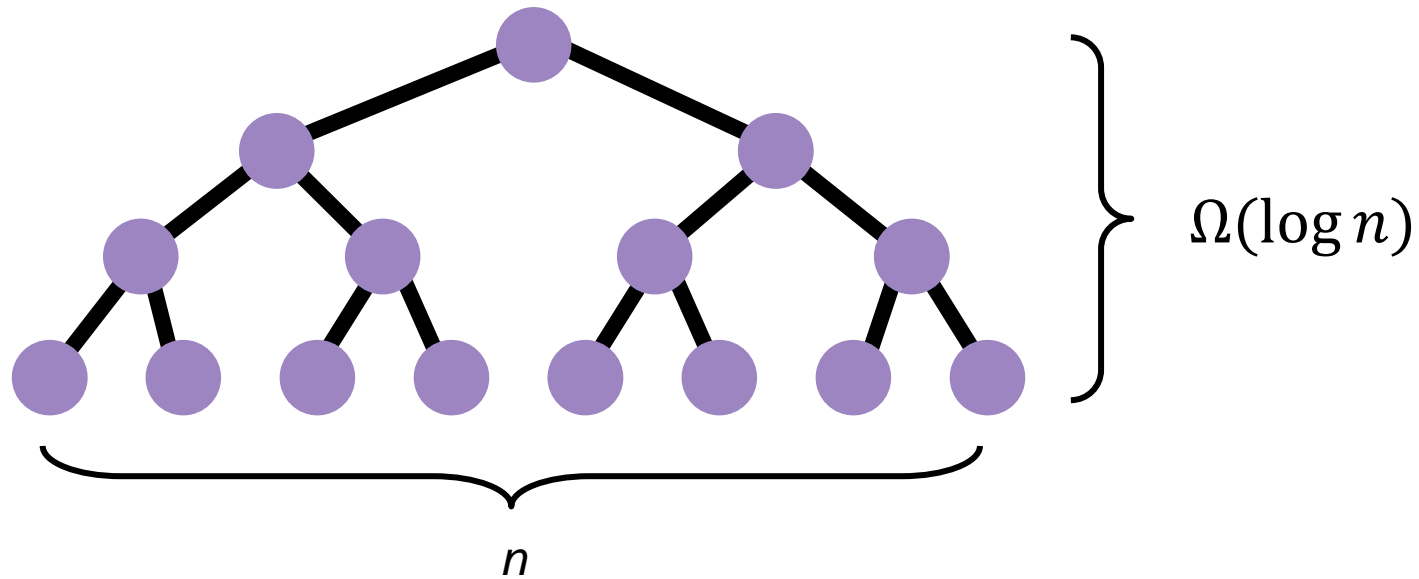


# Bitonic Champion Problem Complexity



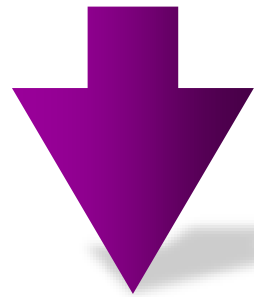
# Bitonic Champion Problem Complexity

- When there are  $n$  inputs, any solution has  $n$  different outputs
- Any comparison-based algorithm needs  $\Omega(\log n)$  time in the worst case





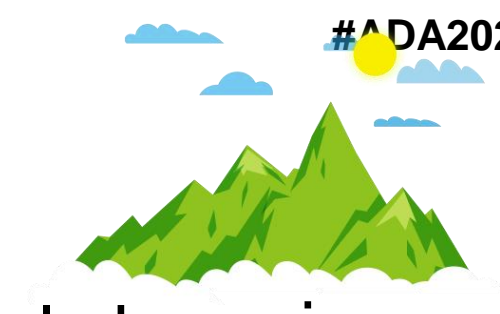
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Upper bound =  $O(n)$



Lower bound =  $\Omega(\log n)$   
Lower bound =  $\Omega(1)$



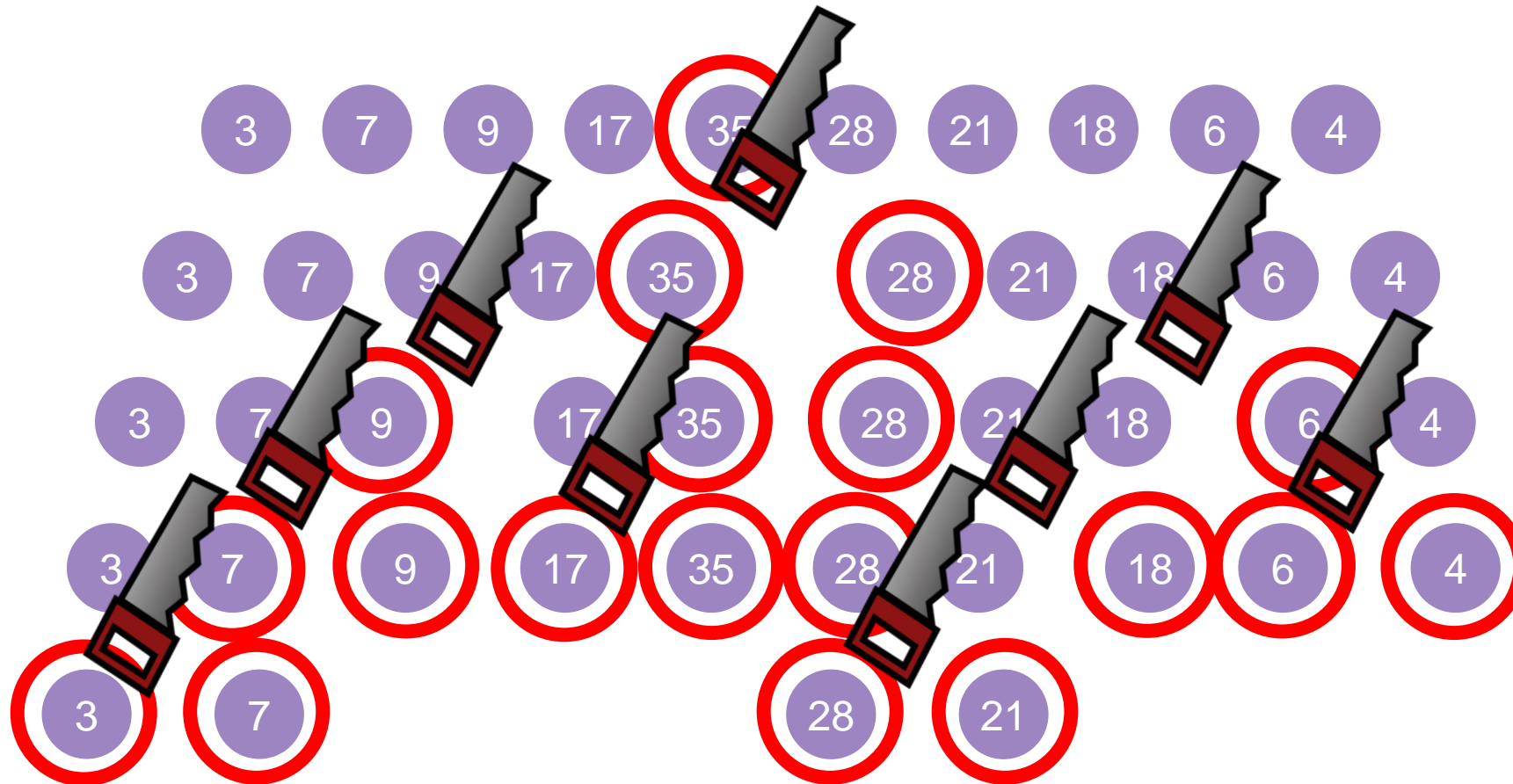
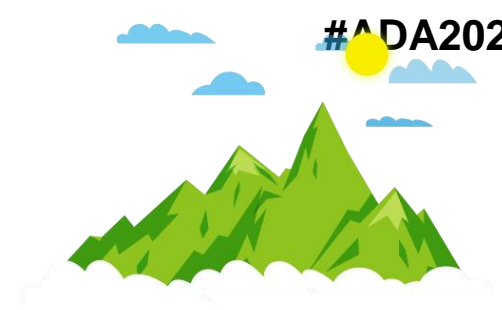
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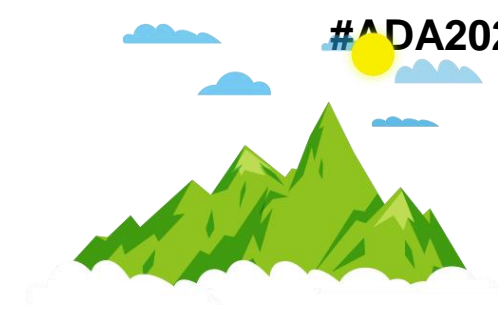
- Idea: divide  $A$  into two subproblems and then find the final champion based on the champions from two subproblems

Output = `Champion(1, n)`

```
Champion(i, j)
    if i==j // base case
        return i
    else // recursive case
        k = floor((i+j)/2)
        l = Champion(i, k)
        r = Champion(k+1, j)
        if A[l] > A[r]
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# Illustration for $n = 10$





# Proof of Correctness

- Practice by yourself!

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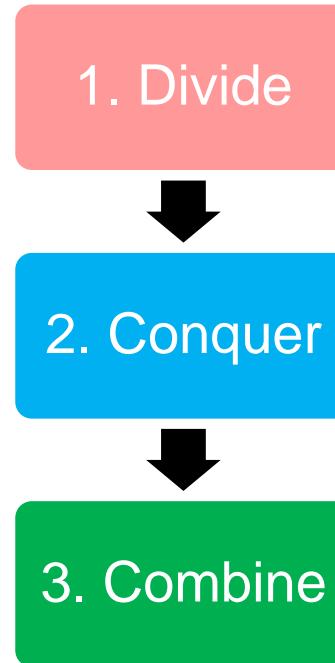
Hint: use induction on  $(j - i)$  to prove `Champion(i, j)` can return the champion from  $A[i \dots j]$

# Algorithm Time Complexity

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- Divide a list of size  $n$  into 2 sublists of size  $n/2$   $\Theta(1)$
- Recursive case
  - Find champions from 2 sublists **recursively**  $T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$
- Base case
  - Return itself  $\Theta(1)$
- Choose the final champion by a single comparison  $\Theta(1)$

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# Theorem 2

- Theorem

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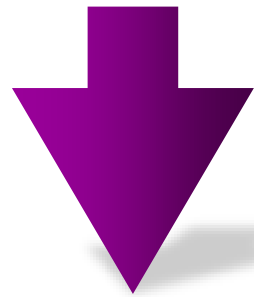
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- $n > 1$ ,  $T(n) \leq T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + b$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Inductive hypothesis} & \leq a \cdot \lceil n/2 \rceil + b \cdot (\lceil n/2 \rceil - 1) + a \cdot \lfloor n/2 \rfloor + b \cdot (\lfloor n/2 \rfloor - 1) + b \\ & \leq a \cdot n + b \cdot (n - 1) \end{aligned}$$

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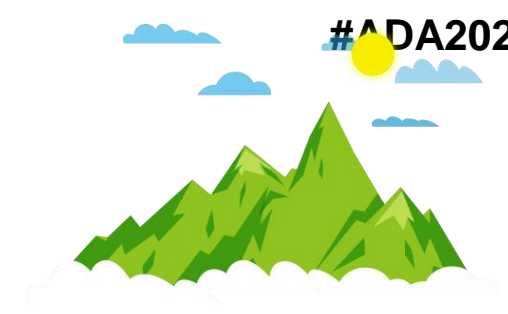
Upper bound =  $O(n)$



Can we have a better algorithm by using the **bitonic sequence property**?



Lower bound =  $\Omega(\log n)$



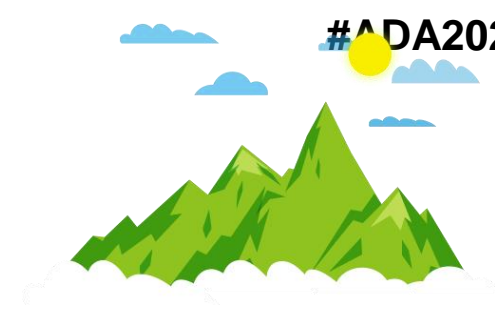
# Improved Algorithm

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    r = Champion(k+1, j)
    if A[l] > A[r]
      return l
    if A[l] < A[r]
      return r
```

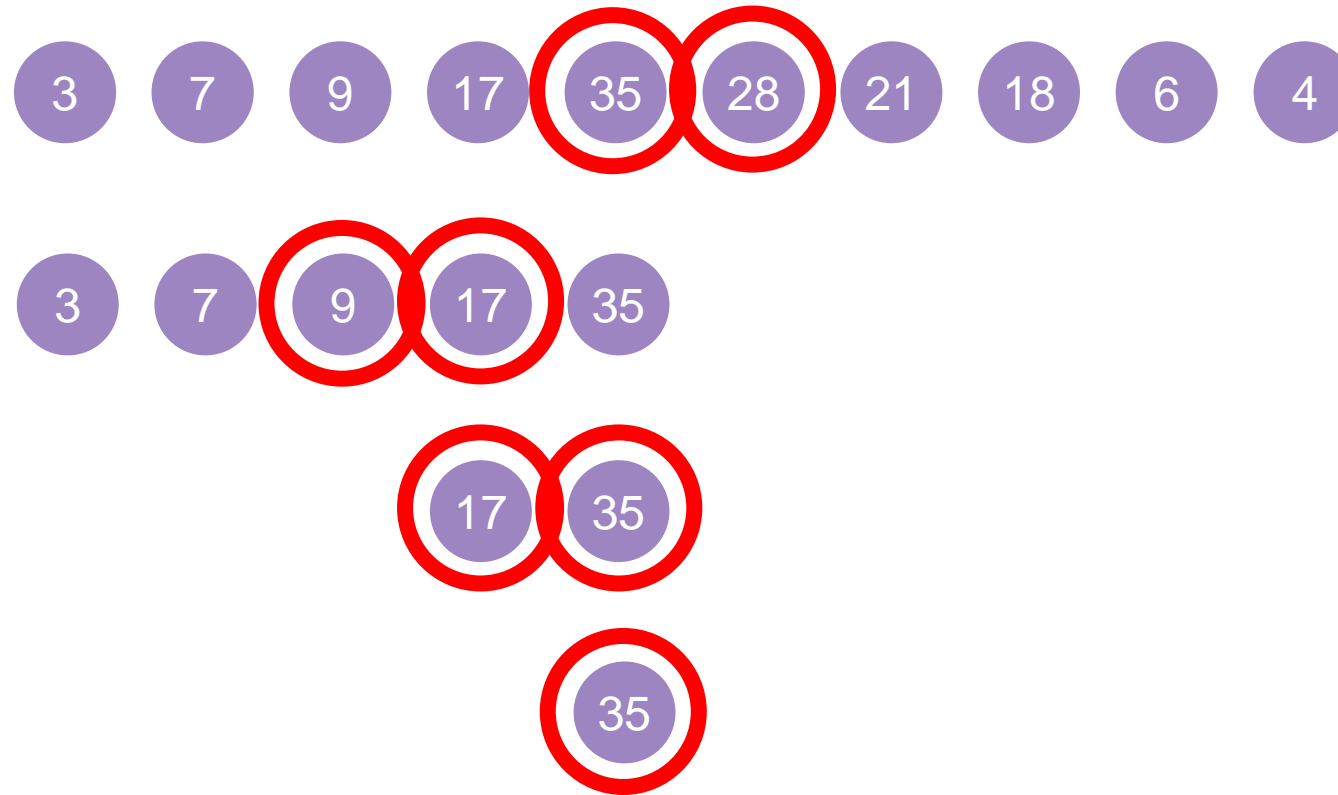


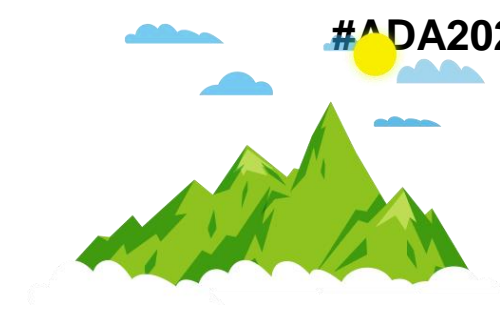
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Champion-2(i, j)
  if i==j // base case
    return i
  else // recursive case
    k = floor((i+j)/2)
    if A[k] > A[k+1]
      return Champion(i, k)
    if A[k] < A[k+1]
      return Champion(k+1, j)
```





# Illustration for $n = 10$





# Correctness Proof

- Practice by yourself!

Output = `Champion-2(1, n)`

```
Champion-2(i, j)
  if i==j // base case
    return i
  else // recursive case
    k = floor((i+j)/2)
    if A[k] > A[k+1]
      return Champion(i, k)
    if A[k] < A[k+1]
      return Champion(k+1, j)
```

## Two crucial observations:

- If  $A[1 \dots n]$  is bitonic, then so is  $A[i, j]$  for any indices  $i$  and  $j$  with  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$ .
- For any indices  $i, j$ , and  $k$  with  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$ , we know that  $A[k] > A[k + 1]$  if and only if the maximum of  $A[i \dots j]$  lies in  $A[i \dots k]$ .

# Algorithm Time Complexity

```

Champion-2(i, j)
  if i==j // base case
    return i
  else // recursive case
    k = floor((i+j)/2)
    if A[k] > A[k+1]
      return Champion(i, k)
    if A[k] < A[k+1]
      return Champion(k+1, j)

```

1. Divide

- Divide a list of size  $n$  into 2 sublists of size  $n/2$   $\Theta(1)$

2. Conquer

- Recursive case  $T(\lceil n/2 \rceil)$ 
  - Find champions from 1 sublists **recursively**

3. Combine

- Base case  $\Theta(1)$ 
  - Return itself
- Return the champion  $\Theta(1)$

- $T(n)$  = time for running `Champion-2(i, j)` with  $j - i + 1 = n$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + O(1) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

# Algorithm Time Complexity

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Champion-2(i, j)
  if i==j // base case
    return i
  else // recursive case
    k = floor((i+j)/2)
    if A[k] > A[k+1]
      return Champion(i, k)
    if A[k] < A[k+1]
      return Champion(k+1, j)

```

The algorithm time complexity is  $O(\log n)$

- each recursive call reduces the size of  $(j - i)$  into half
- there are  $O(\log n)$  levels
- each level takes  $O(1)$

- $T(n)$  = time for running `Champion-2(i, j)` with  $j - i + 1 = n$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + O(1) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

# Theorem 3

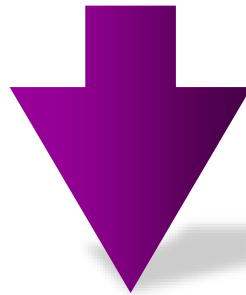
- Theorem

$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + O(1) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow T(n) = O(\log n)$$

- Proof

Practice to prove by induction

# Bitonic Champion Problem Complexity



Upper bound =  $O(n)$

Upper bound =  $O(\log n)$



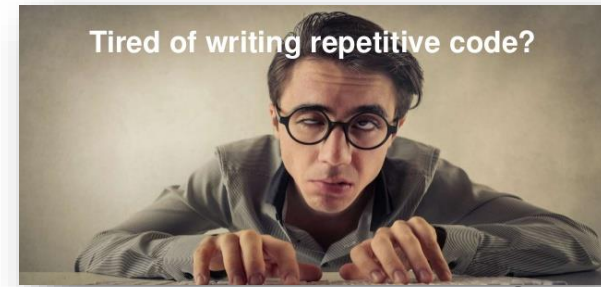
Lower bound =  $\Omega(\log n)$

# D&C #4: Maximum Subarray

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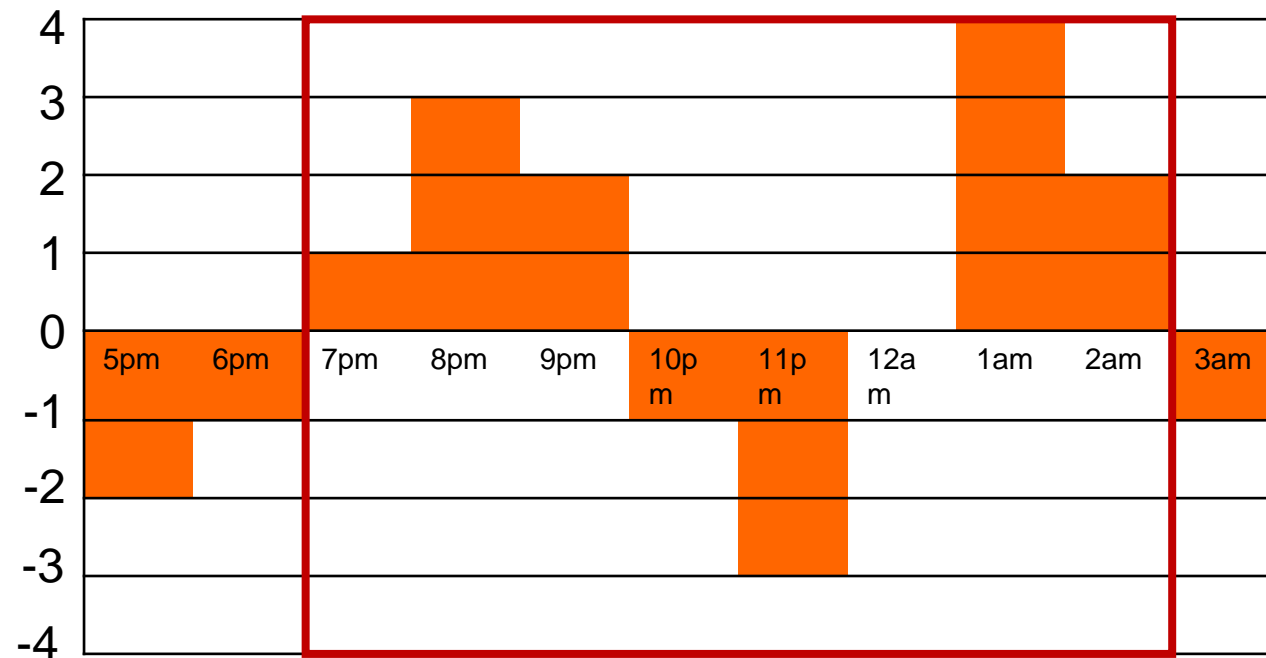
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# Coding Efficiency



- How can we find the most efficient time interval for continuous coding?

Coding power  
戦闘力 (K)



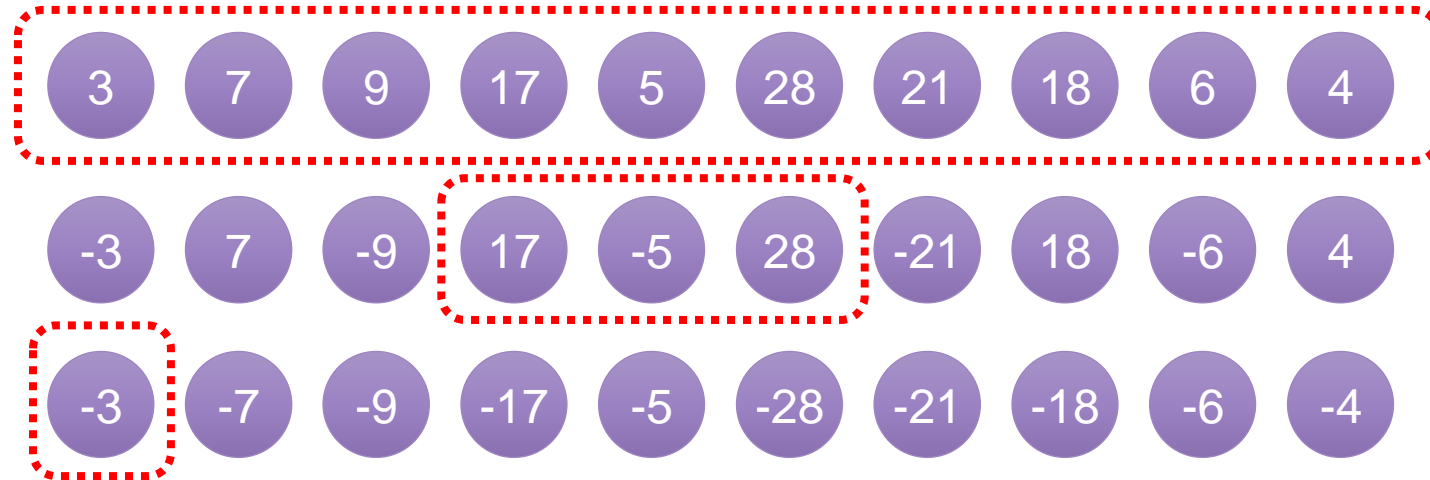
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Coding power= 8k



# Maximum Subarray Problem

- Input: A sequence  $A[1], A[2], \dots, A[n]$  of integers.
- Output: Two indices  $i$  and  $j$  with  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$  that maximize

$$A[i] + A[i + 1] + \dots + A[j].$$



# $O(n^3)$ Brute Force Algorithm

```
MaxSubarray-1(i, j)
  for i = 1, ..., n
    for j = 1, ..., n
      S[i][j] = -∞
      O(n²)

  for i = 1, ..., n
    for j = i, i+1, ..., n
      S[i][j] = A[i] + A[i+1] + ... + A[j]
    } O(n³)

  return Champion(S)
      O(n²)
```

# $O(n^2)$ Brute Force Algorithm

```

MaxSubarray-2(i, j)
  for i = 1, ..., n
    for j = 1, ..., n
      S[i][j] = -∞
       $O(n^2)$ 

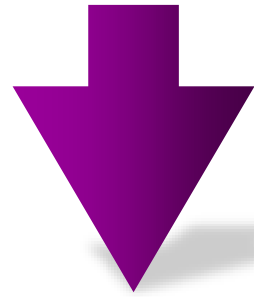
  R[0] = 0
  for i = 1, ..., n
    R[i] = R[i-1] + A[i]
     $\left. \begin{array}{l} R[n] \text{ is the sum over } A[1..n] \end{array} \right\} O(n)$ 

  for i = 1, ..., n
    for j = i+1, i+2, ..., n
      S[i][j] = R[j] - R[i-1]
       $\left. \begin{array}{l} \end{array} \right\} O(n^2)$ 

  return Champion(S)
   $O(n^2)$ 

```

# Max Subarray Problem Complexity



Upper bound =  $O(n^2)$



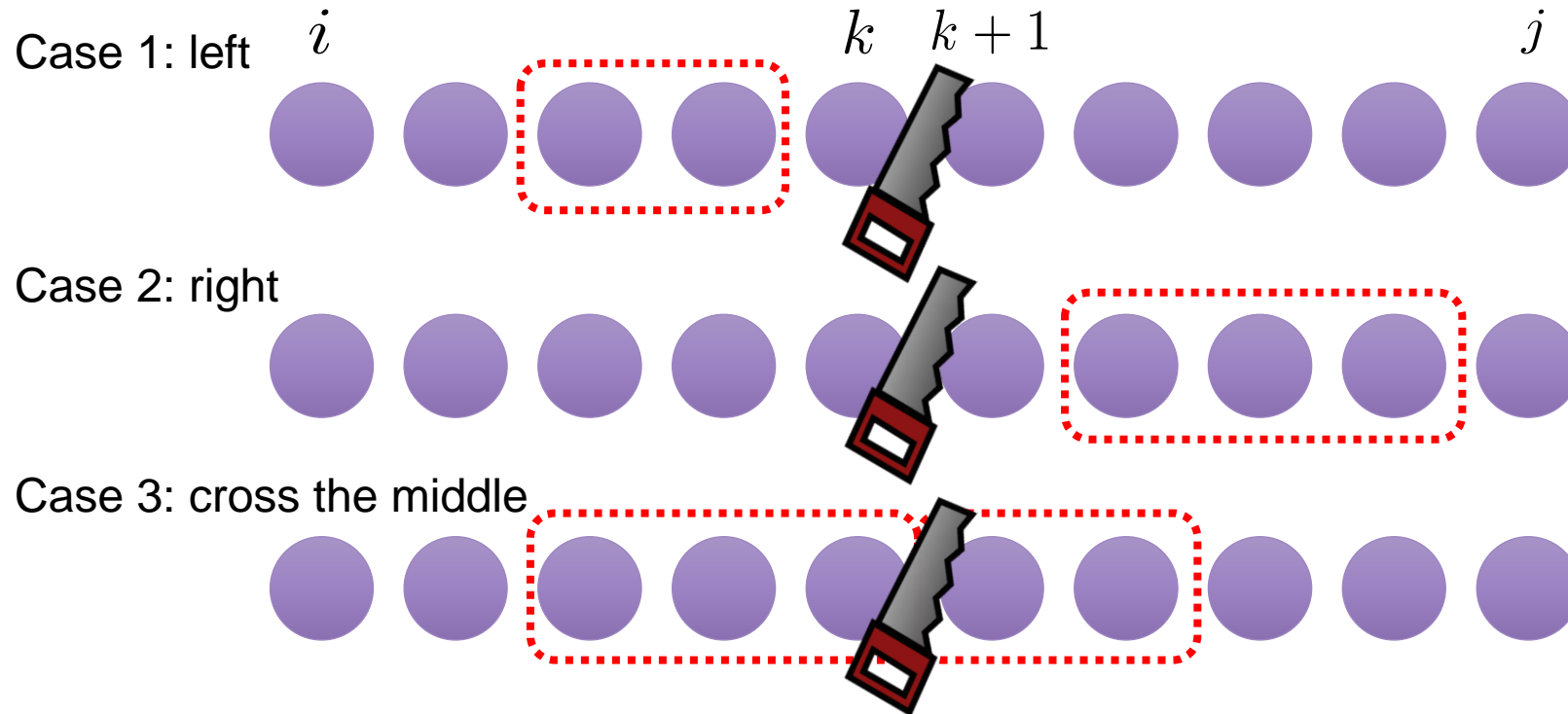
Lower bound =  $\Omega(n)$

# Divide-and-Conquer

- Base case ( $n = 1$ )
  - Return itself (maximum subarray)
- Recursive case ( $n > 1$ )
  - Divide the array into two sub-arrays
  - Find the maximum sub-array recursively
  - Merge the results **How?**

# Where is the Solution?

- The maximum subarray for any input must be in one of following cases:



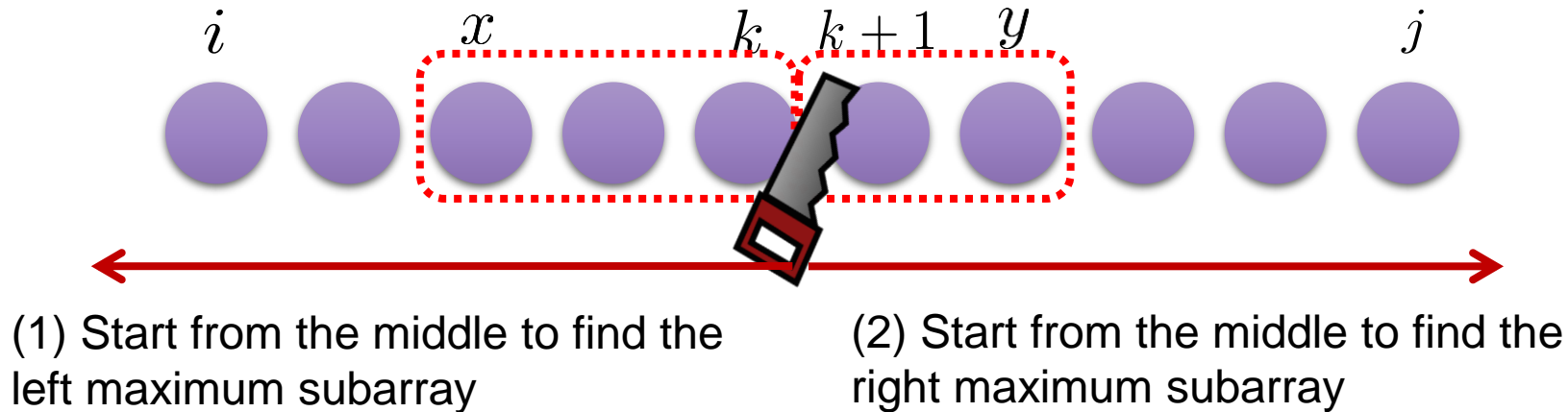
Case 1:  $\text{MaxSub}(A, i, j) = \text{MaxSub}(A, i, k)$

Case 2:  $\text{MaxSub}(A, i, j) = \text{MaxSub}(A, k+1, j)$

Case 3:  $\text{MaxSub}(A, i, j)$  cannot be expressed using  $\text{MaxSub}$ !

# Case 3: Cross the Middle

- Goal: find the maximum subarray that crosses the middle



The solution of Case 3 is the combination of (1) and (2)

- Observation
  - The sum of  $A[x \dots k]$  must be the maximum among  $A[i \dots k]$  (left:  $i \leq k$ )
  - The sum of  $A[k + 1 \dots y]$  must be the maximum among  $A[k + 1 \dots j]$  (right:  $j > k$ )
  - Solvable in linear time  $\rightarrow \Theta(n)$

# Divide-and-Conquer Algorithm

```
MaxCrossSubarray(A, i, k, j)
  left_sum =  $-\infty$ 
  sum=0
  for p = k downto i           $O(k - i + 1)$ 
    sum = sum + A[p]
    if sum > left_sum
      left_sum = sum
      max_left = p

  right_sum =  $-\infty$ 
  sum=0
  for q = k+1 to j            $O(j - k)$ 
    sum = sum + A[q]
    if sum > right_sum
      right_sum = sum
      max_right = q
  return (max_left, max_right, left_sum + right_sum)
```

$\left. \begin{array}{l} O(k - i + 1) \\ O(j - k) \end{array} \right\} = O(j - i + 1)$



# Divide-and-Conquer Algorithm

```
MaxSubarray(A, i, j)
  if i == j // base case
    return (i, j, A[i])
  else // recursive case
    k = floor((i + j) / 2)
```

Divide

```
(l_low, l_high, l_sum) = MaxSubarray(A, i, k)
(r_low, r_high, r_sum) = MaxSubarray(A, k+1, j)
(c_low, c_high, c_sum) = MaxCrossSubarray(A, i, k, j)
```

Conquer

```
  if l_sum >= r_sum and l_sum >= c_sum // case 1
    return (l_low, l_high, l_sum)
  else if r_sum >= l_sum and r_sum >= c_sum // case 2
    return (r_low, r_high, r_sum)
  else // case 3
    return (c_low, c_high, c_sum)
```

Combine

# Divide-and-Conquer Algorithm

```

MaxSubarray(A, i, j)
    if i == j // base case
        return (i, j, A[i])
    else // recursive case
        k = floor((i + j) / 2)
        (l_low, l_high, l_sum) = MaxSubarray(A, i, k)
        (r_low, r_high, r_sum) = MaxSubarray(A, k+1, j)
        (c_low, c_high, c_sum) = MaxCrossSubarray(A, i, k, j)

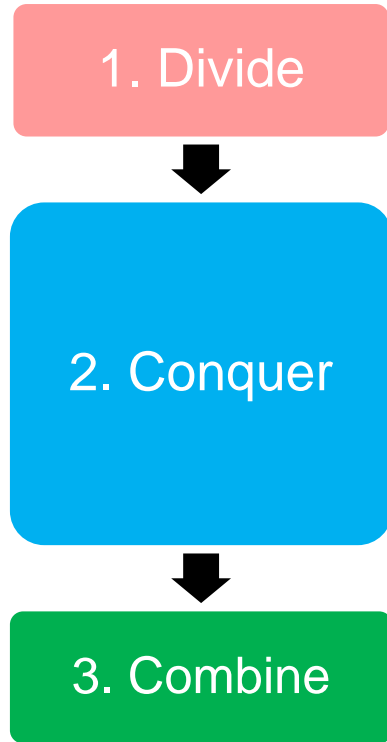
        if l_sum >= r_sum and l_sum >= c_sum // case 1
            return (l_low, l_high, l_sum)
        else if r_sum >= l_sum and r_sum >= c_sum // case 2
            return (r_low, r_high, r_sum)
        else // case 3
            return (c_low, c_high, c_sum)

```

Complexity analysis for the recursive calls:

- Base case:  $O(1)$
- Left recursive call:  $T(k - i + 1)$
- Right recursive call:  $T(j - k)$
- Cross recursive call:  $O(j - i + 1)$
- Case 1:  $O(1)$
- Case 2:  $O(1)$
- Case 3:  $O(1)$

# Algorithm Time Complexity



- Divide a list of size  $n$  into 2 subarrays of size  $n/2$   $\Theta(1)$
- Recursive case ( $n > 1$ )  $T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$ 
  - find **MaxSub** for each subarrays
- Base case ( $n = 1$ )  $\Theta(1)$ 
  - Return itself
- Find **MaxCrossSub** for the original list  $\Theta(n)$
- Pick the subarray with the maximum sum among 3 subarrays  $\Theta(1)$

▪  $T(n)$  = time for running `MaxSubarray(A, i, j)` with  $j - i + 1 = n$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + O(n) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

# Theorem 1

- Theorem

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + O(n) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

- Proof

- There exists positive constant  $a, b$  s.t.  $T(n) \leq \begin{cases} a & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + b \cdot n & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$

- Use induction to prove  $T(n) \leq 2b \cdot n \log_2 n + a \cdot n$

- $n = 1$ , trivial

- $n > 1, \frac{n+1}{2} \leq \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$T(n) \leq T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + b \cdot n$$

Inductive hypothesis  $\leq 2b \cdot (\lceil n/2 \rceil \log_2 \lceil n/2 \rceil + a \cdot \lceil n/2 \rceil) + 2b \cdot (\lfloor n/2 \rfloor \log_2 \lfloor n/2 \rfloor + a \cdot \lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + b \cdot n$

$$\leq 2b \cdot (\lceil n/2 \rceil \log_2 \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}} + a \cdot \lceil n/2 \rceil) + 2b \cdot (\lfloor n/2 \rfloor \log_2 \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}} + a \cdot \lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + b \cdot n$$

$$= 2b \cdot n(\log n - \log_2 \sqrt{2}) + a \cdot n + b \cdot n = 2b \cdot n \log_2 n + a \cdot n$$

# Theorem 1 (Simplified)

- Theorem

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 2T(n/2) + O(n) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

- Proof

- There exists positive constant  $a, b$  s.t.  $T(n) \leq \begin{cases} a & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 2T(n/2) + bn & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$

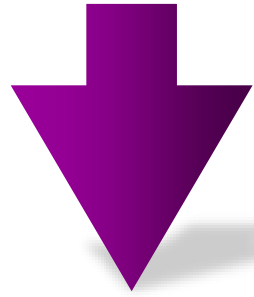
- Use induction to prove  $T(n) \leq b \cdot n \log n + a \cdot n$

- $n = 1$ , trivial

- $n > 1$ ,  $T(n) \leq 2T(n/2) + bn$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Inductive hypothesis } &\leq 2\left[b \cdot \frac{n}{2} \log \frac{n}{2} + a \cdot \frac{n}{2}\right] + b \cdot n \\ &= b \cdot n \log n - b \cdot n + a \cdot n + b \cdot n \\ &= b \cdot n \log n + a \cdot n \end{aligned}$$

# Max Subarray Problem Complexity



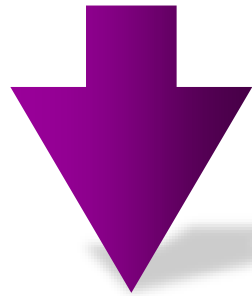
Upper bound =  $O(n^2)$

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



Lower bound =  $\Omega(n)$

# Max Subarray Problem Complexity



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

Upper bound =  $O(n)$

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Lower bound =  $\Omega(n)$



# To Be Continue...

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