
MERGE SORT

Merge Sort

- Merge Sort applies the **Divide and Conquer** algorithm.
- It divides input array in two halves, calls itself for the two halves and then merges the two sorted halves.
- Has a runtime value of **O(nLogn)**

Divide and Conquer Algorithm

- **Divide**: This involves dividing the main problem into a series of smaller sub-problems via recursion
- **Conquer**: The sub-problems are then further divided via recursion until all sub-problems are in simple forms that allows it to be solved directly
- **Combine**: The solutions to each sub-problem are then combined and then returned in each recursion to find the solution to the main problem.

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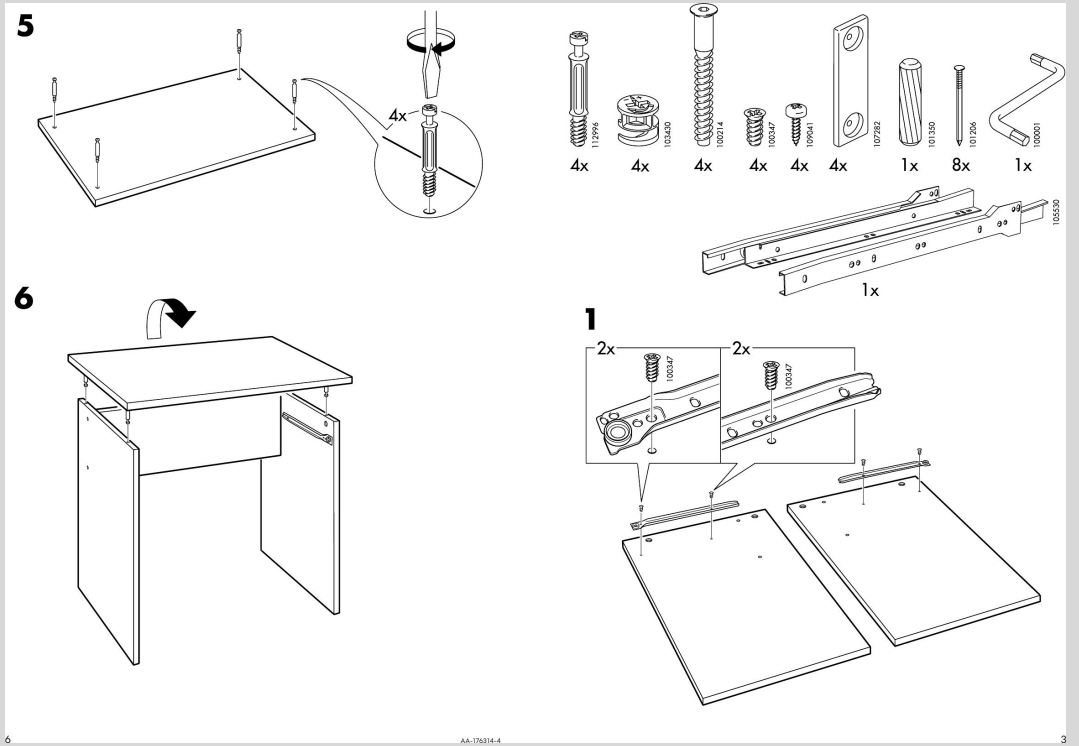
Divide and Conquer Algorithm

Almost like **assembling a piece of furniture**

- **Divide**: Main problem already divided (unassembled desk) into series of sub-problems (desk legs, tabletop)
- **Conquer**: Directly solve each sub-problem (attach screws and pins to tabletop and the desk legs)
- **Combine**: Combine each sub-problem solution in order to solve the main problem (connect the tabletop to the legs)



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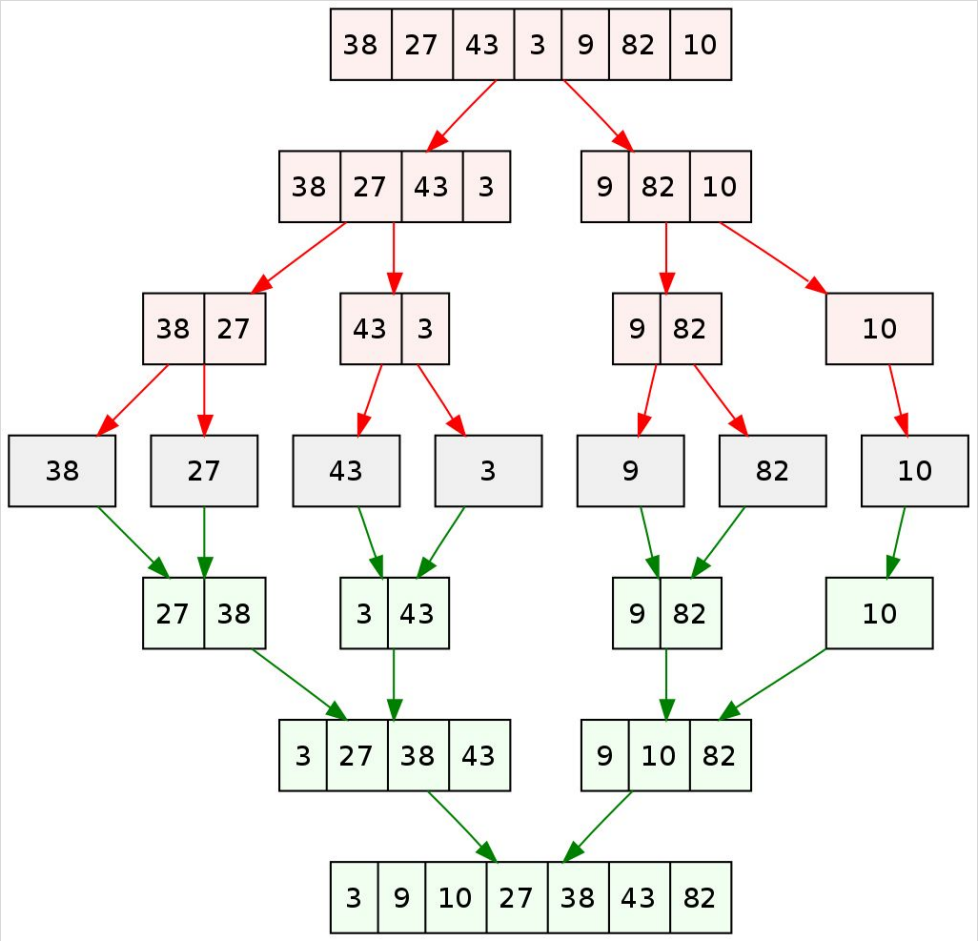

Functions

- **mergeSort(int arr[], int l, int r)**
  - Divides the input array into halves

- **merge(int arr[], int l, int m, int r)**
  - Merges the two sorted halves

mergeSort function

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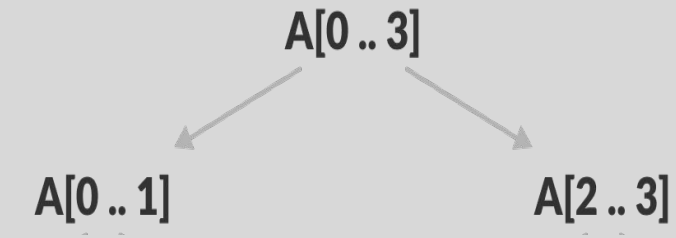

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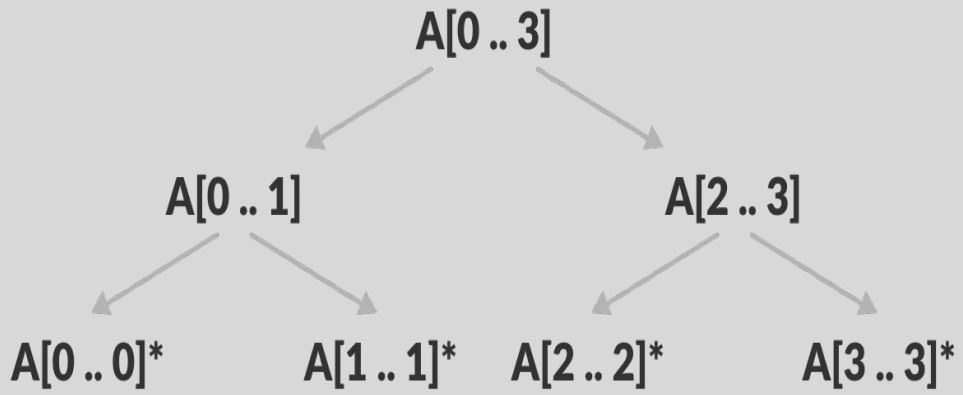

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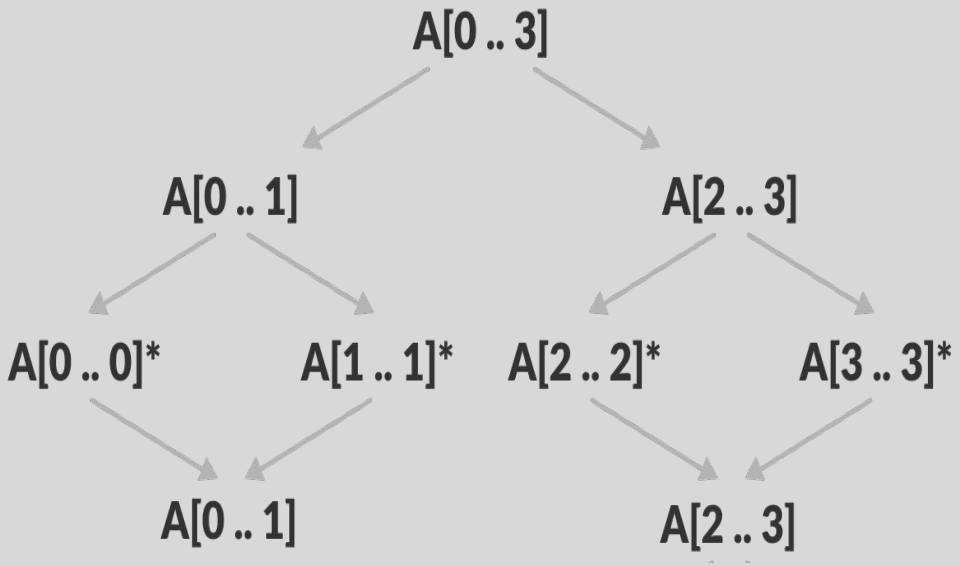

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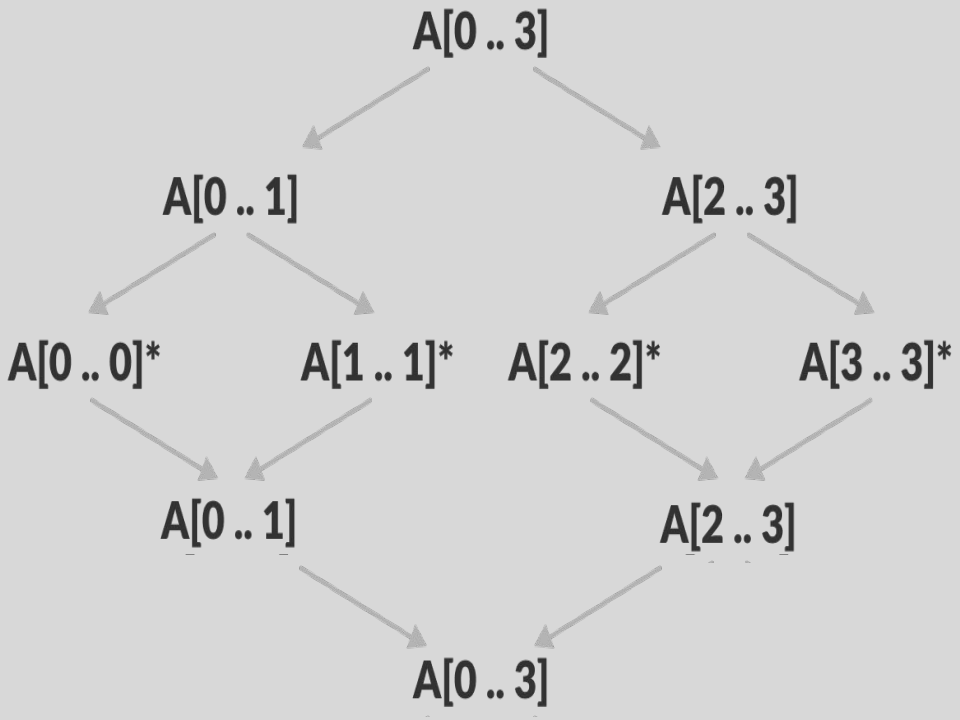

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   int i, j, k, size1, size2;

   size1 = m-l+1;
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   int L[size1], R[size2];

   for(i=0; i<size1; i++) {
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while(i<size1 && j<size2) {
   if(L[i] < R[j]) {
      arr[k] = L[i];
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   }

   while(j<size2) {
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      j++;
   }
}
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```
MergeSort(arr[], l,  r)
If r > l
     1. Find the middle point to divide the array into two halves:
             middle m = (l+r)/2
     2. Call mergeSort for first half:
             Call mergeSort(arr, l, m)
     3. Call mergeSort for second half:
             Call mergeSort(arr, m+1, r)
     4. Merge the two halves sorted in step 2 and 3:
             Call merge(arr, l, m, r)
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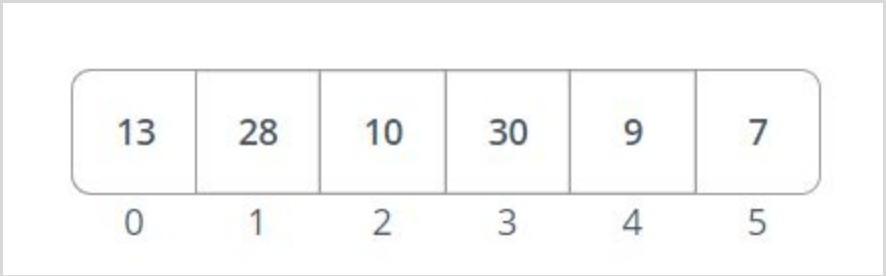
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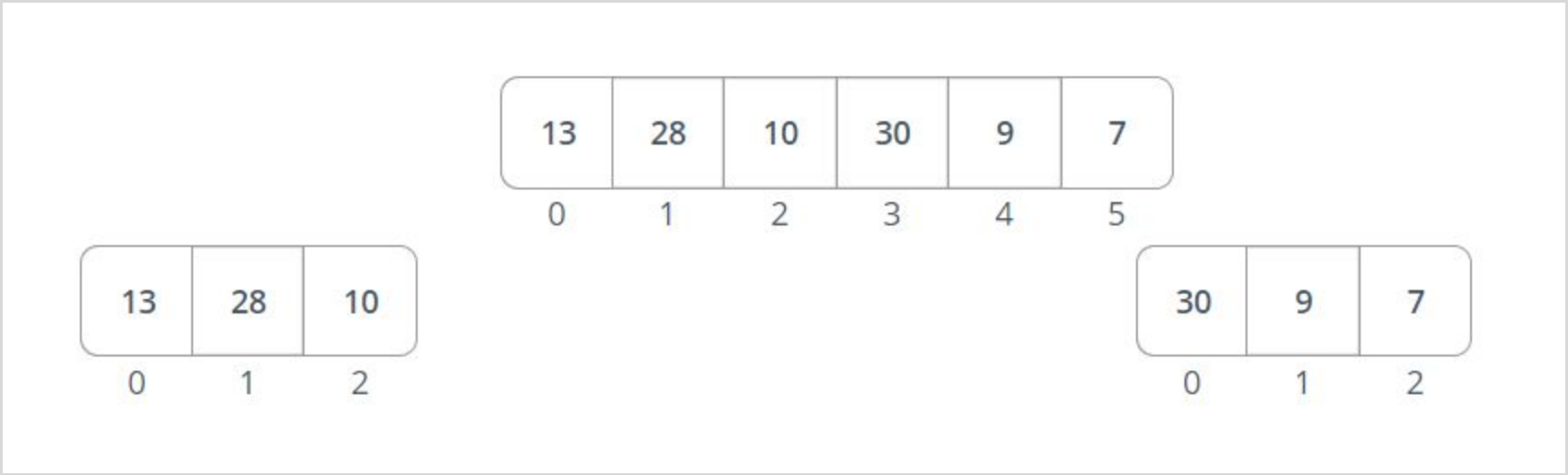
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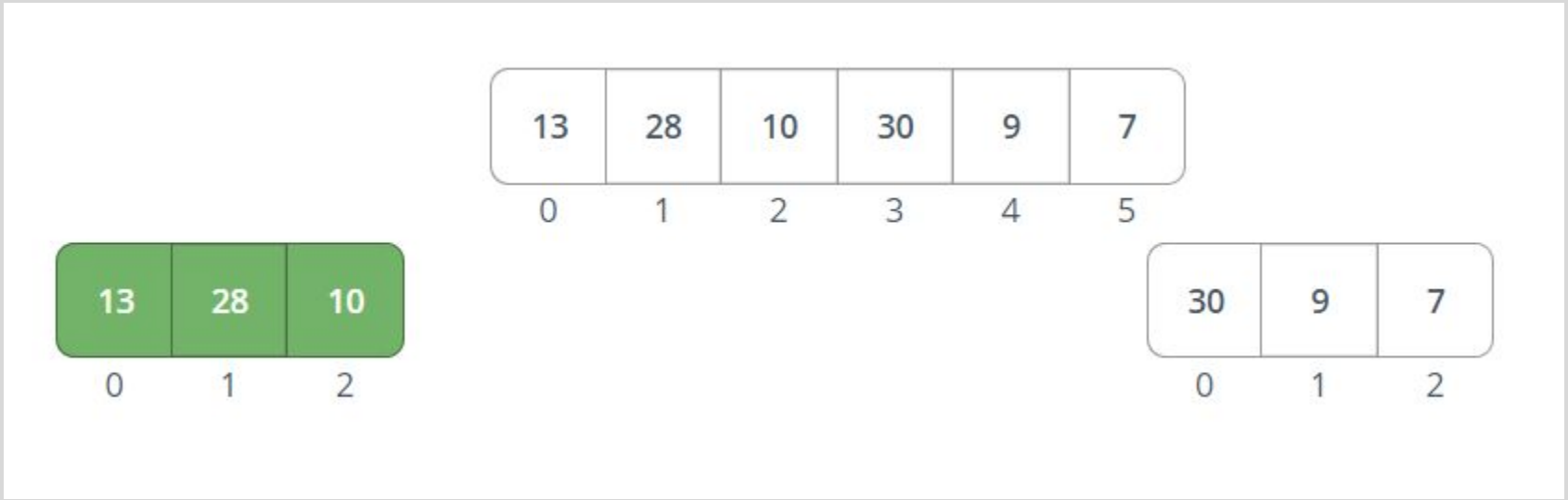
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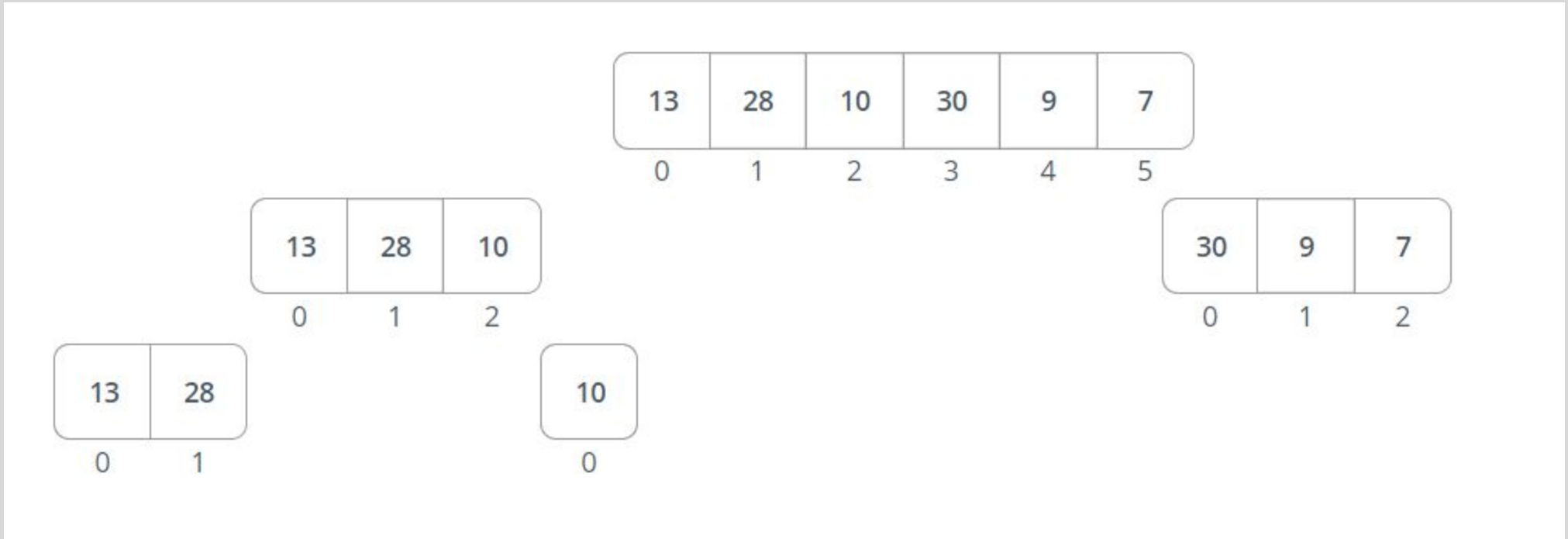
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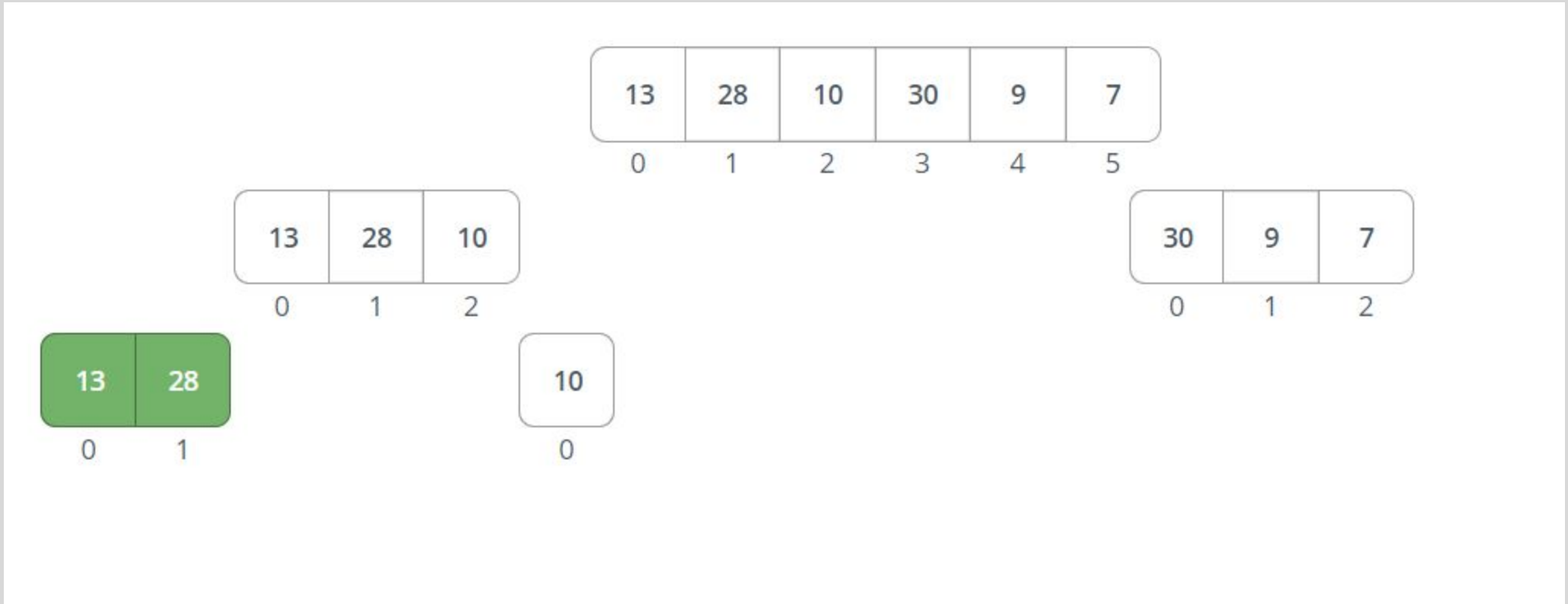
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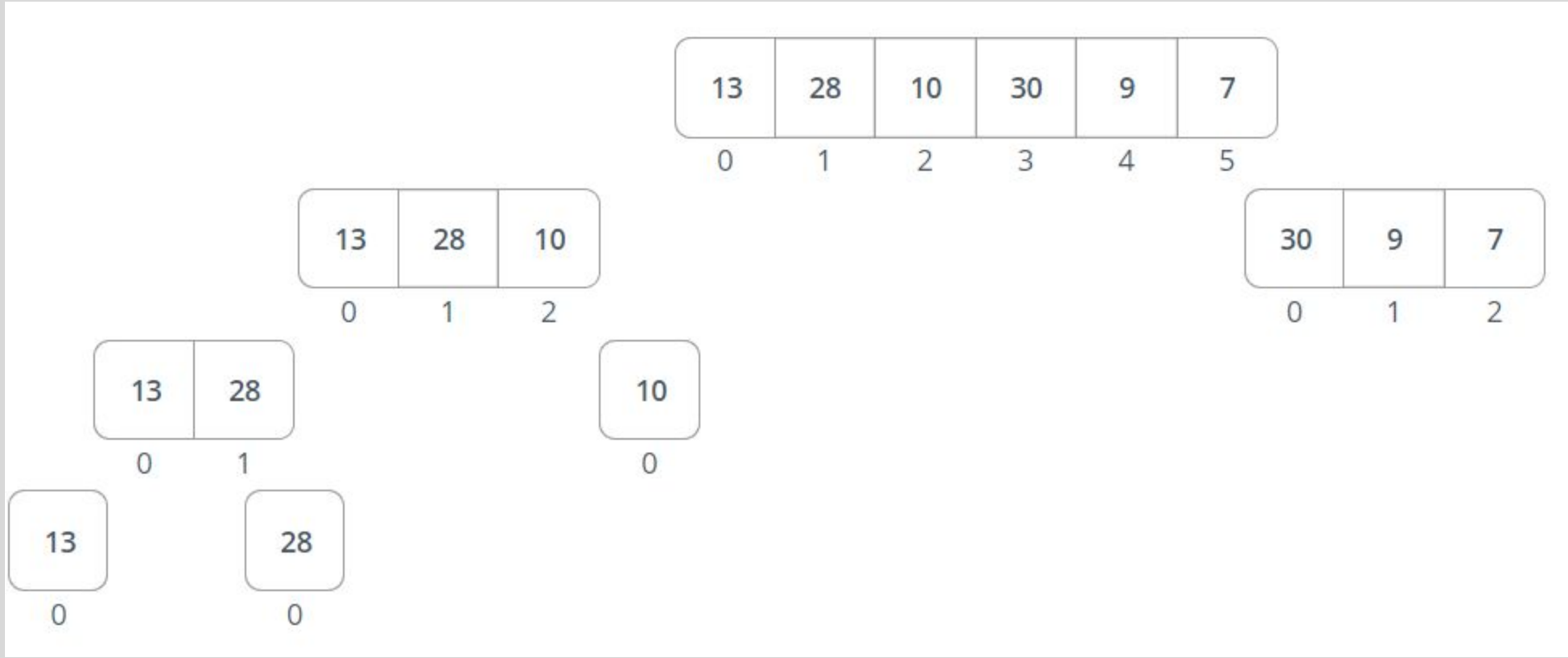
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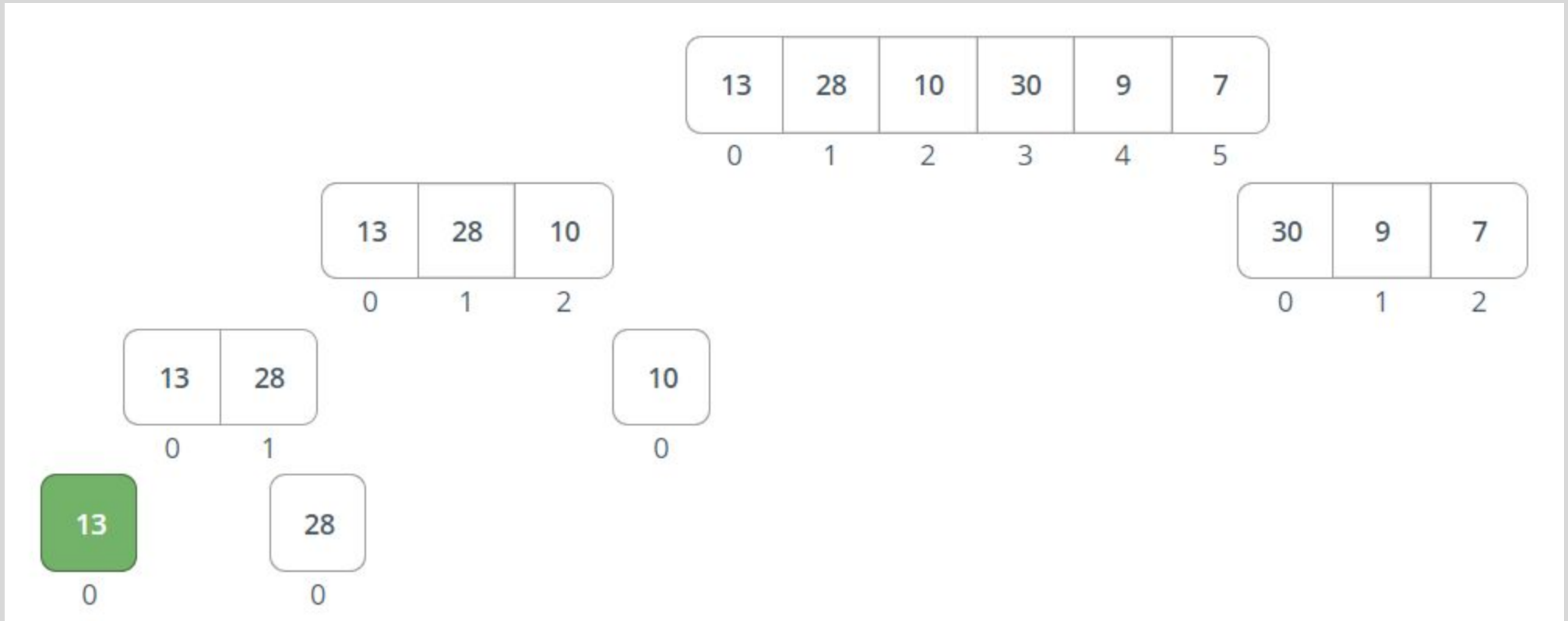
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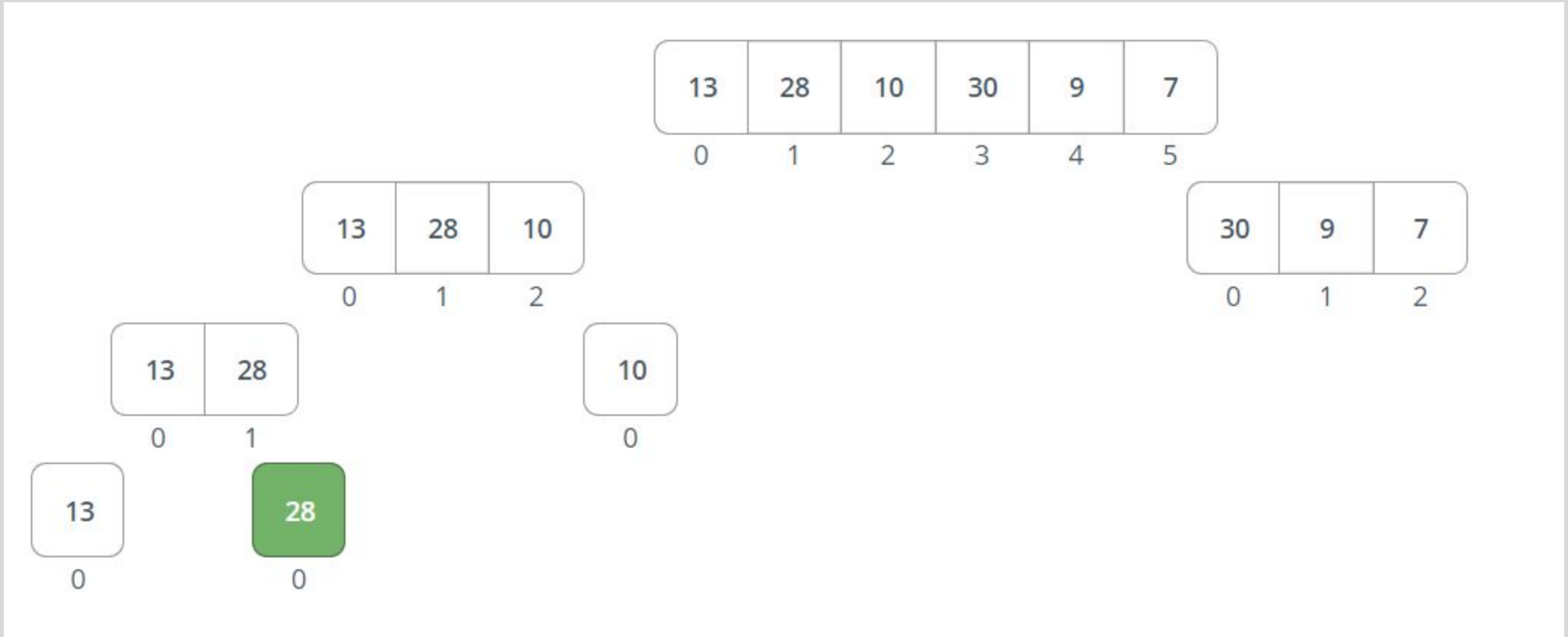
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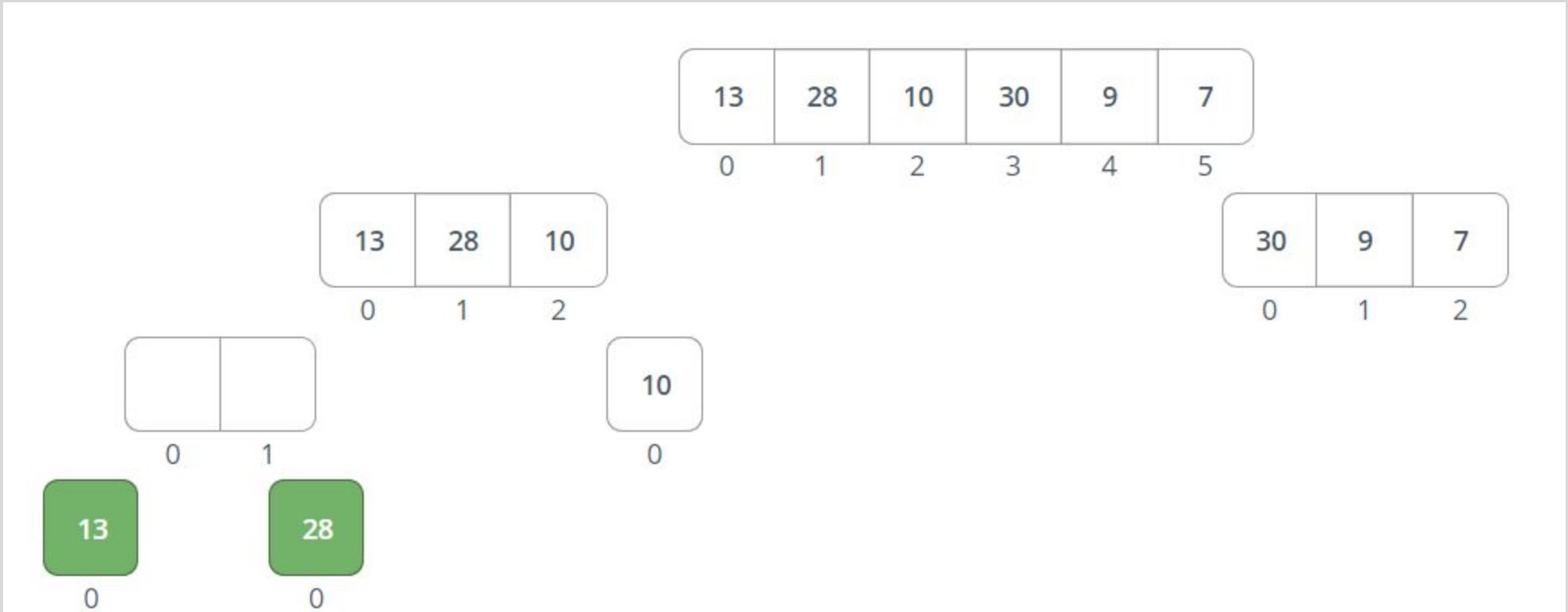
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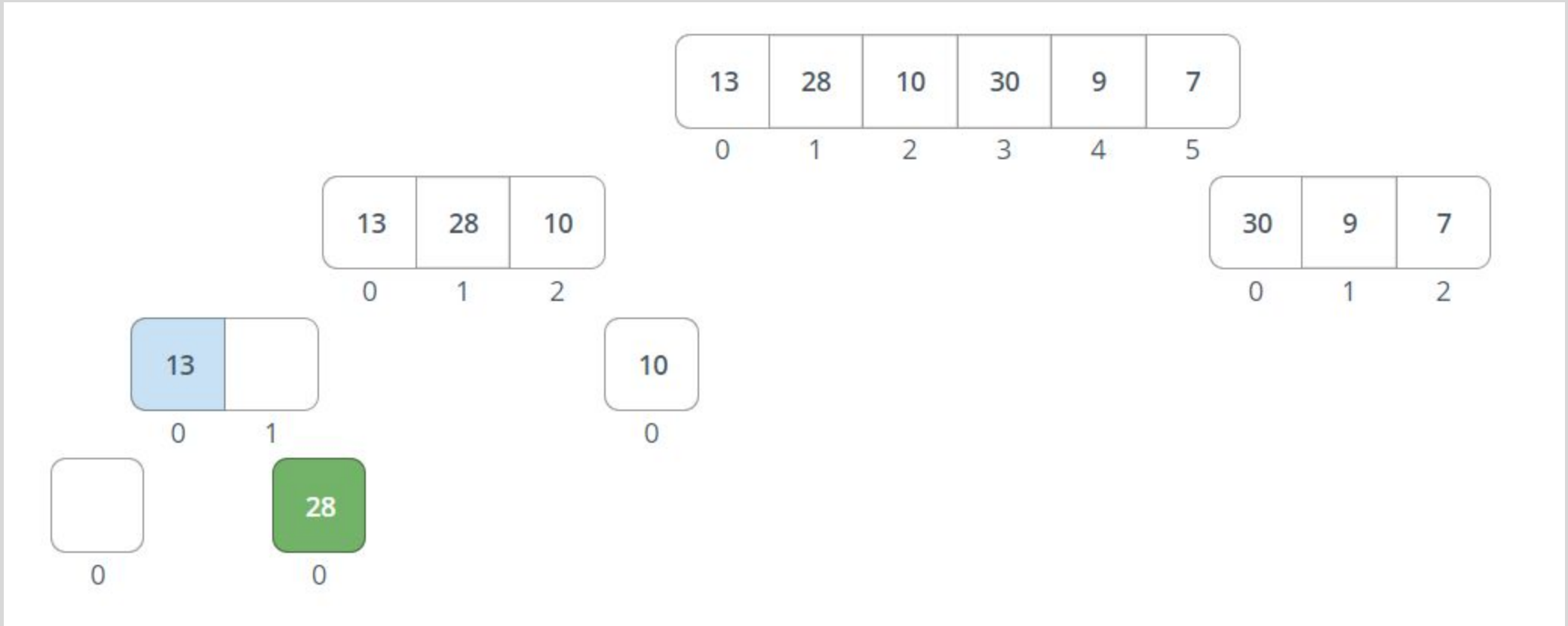
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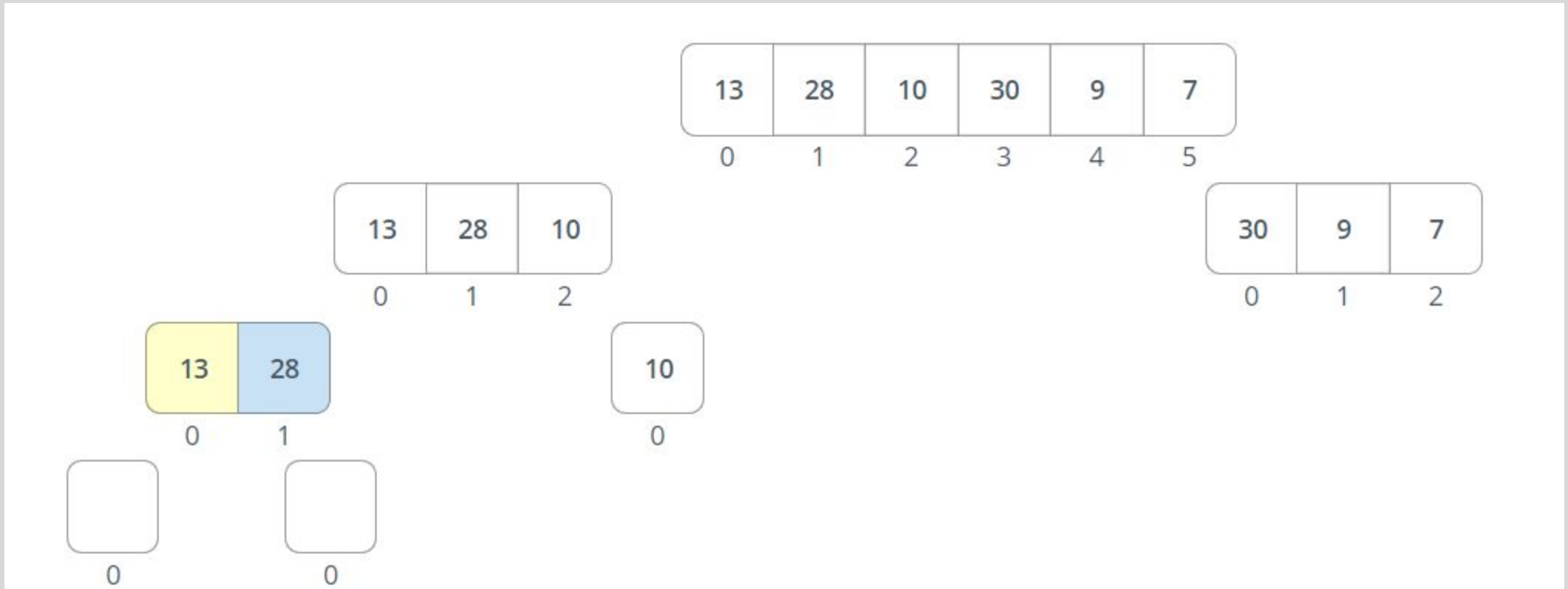
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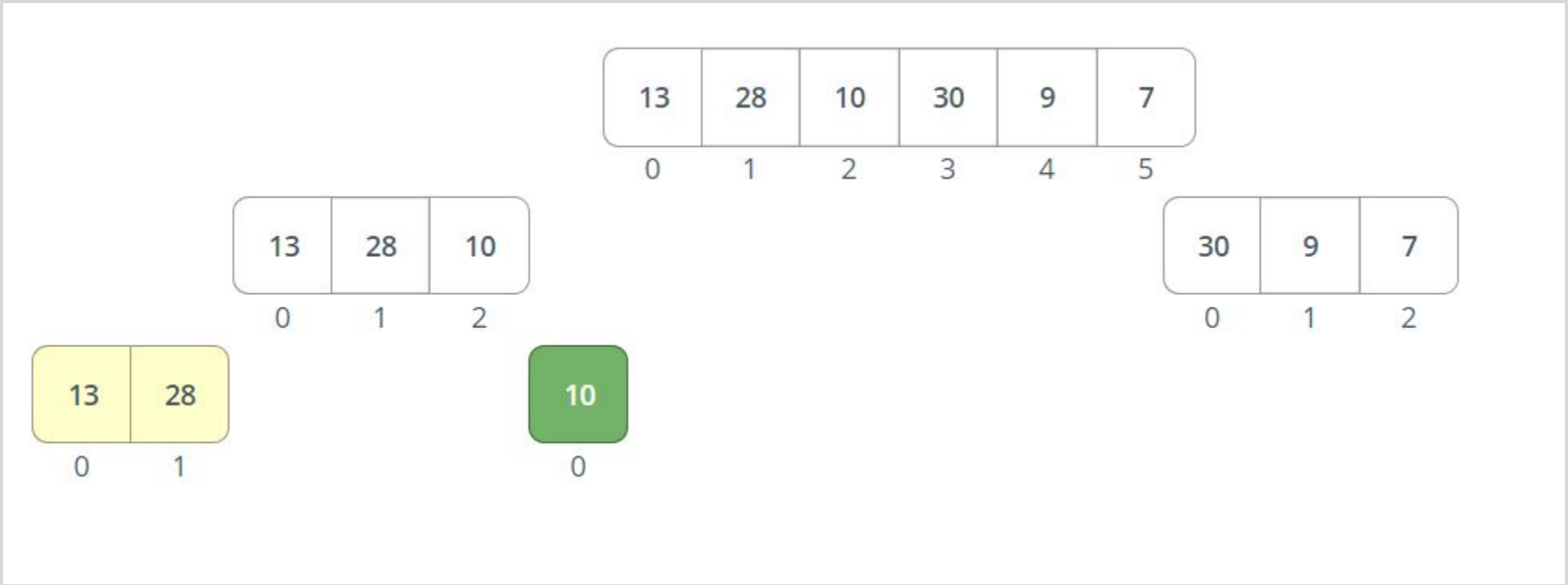
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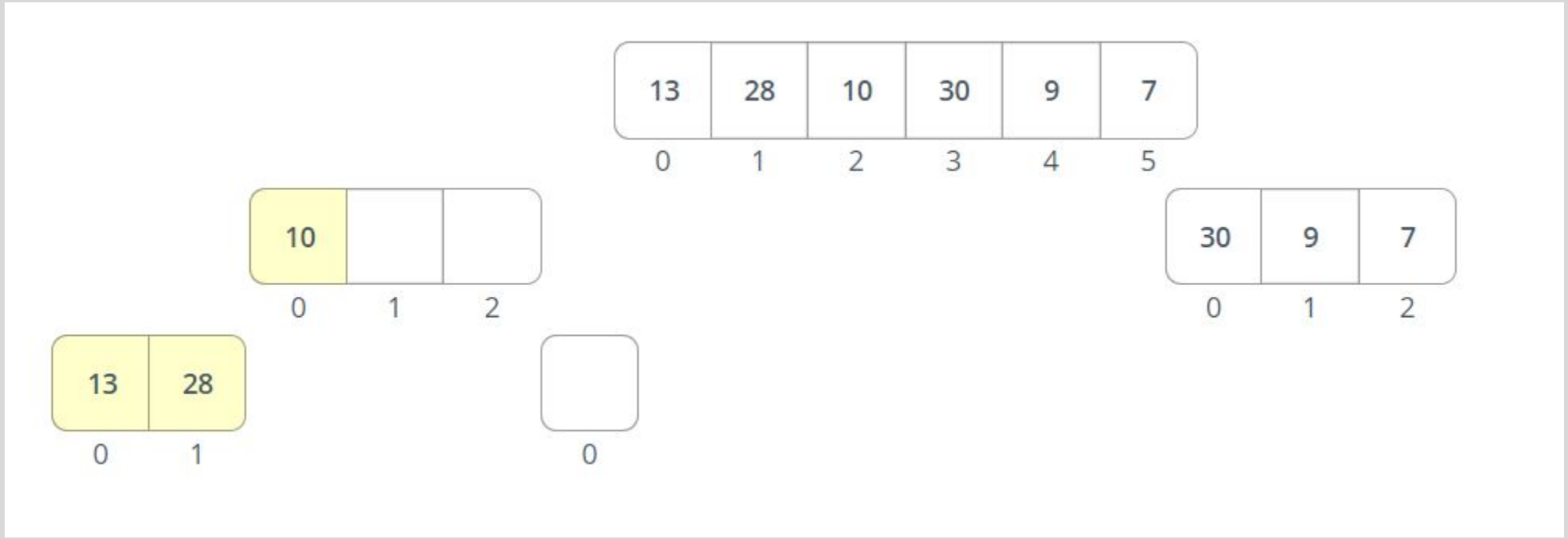
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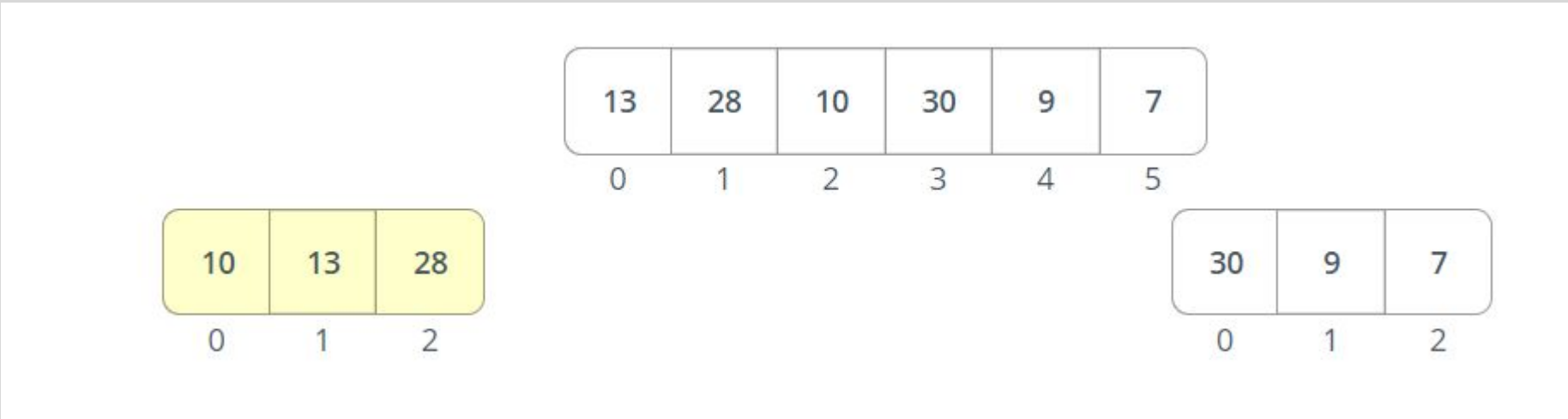
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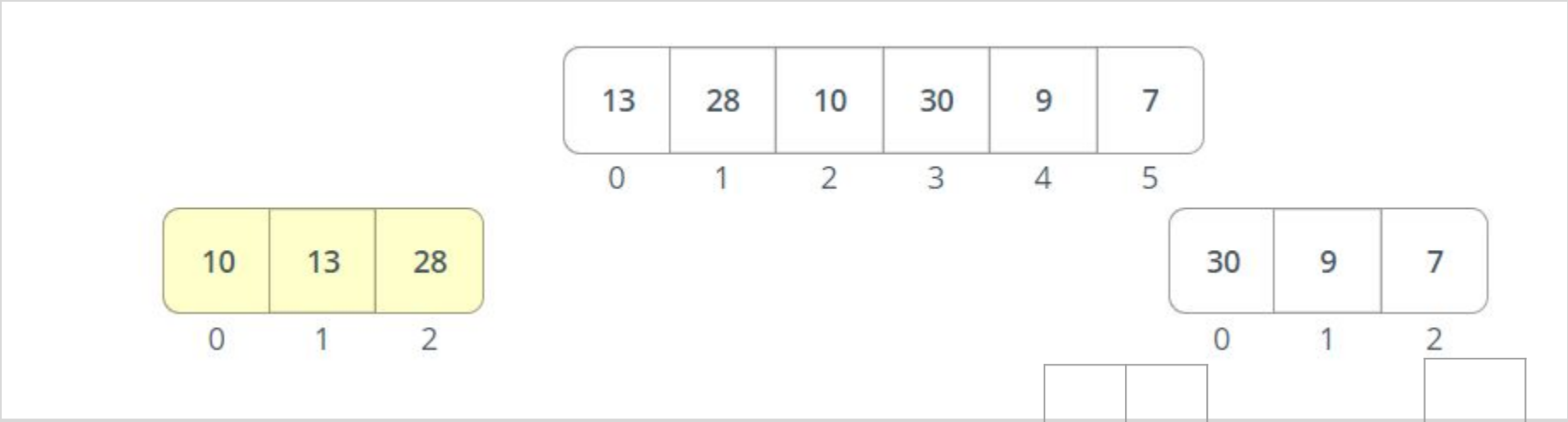

Additional Activity for simulation