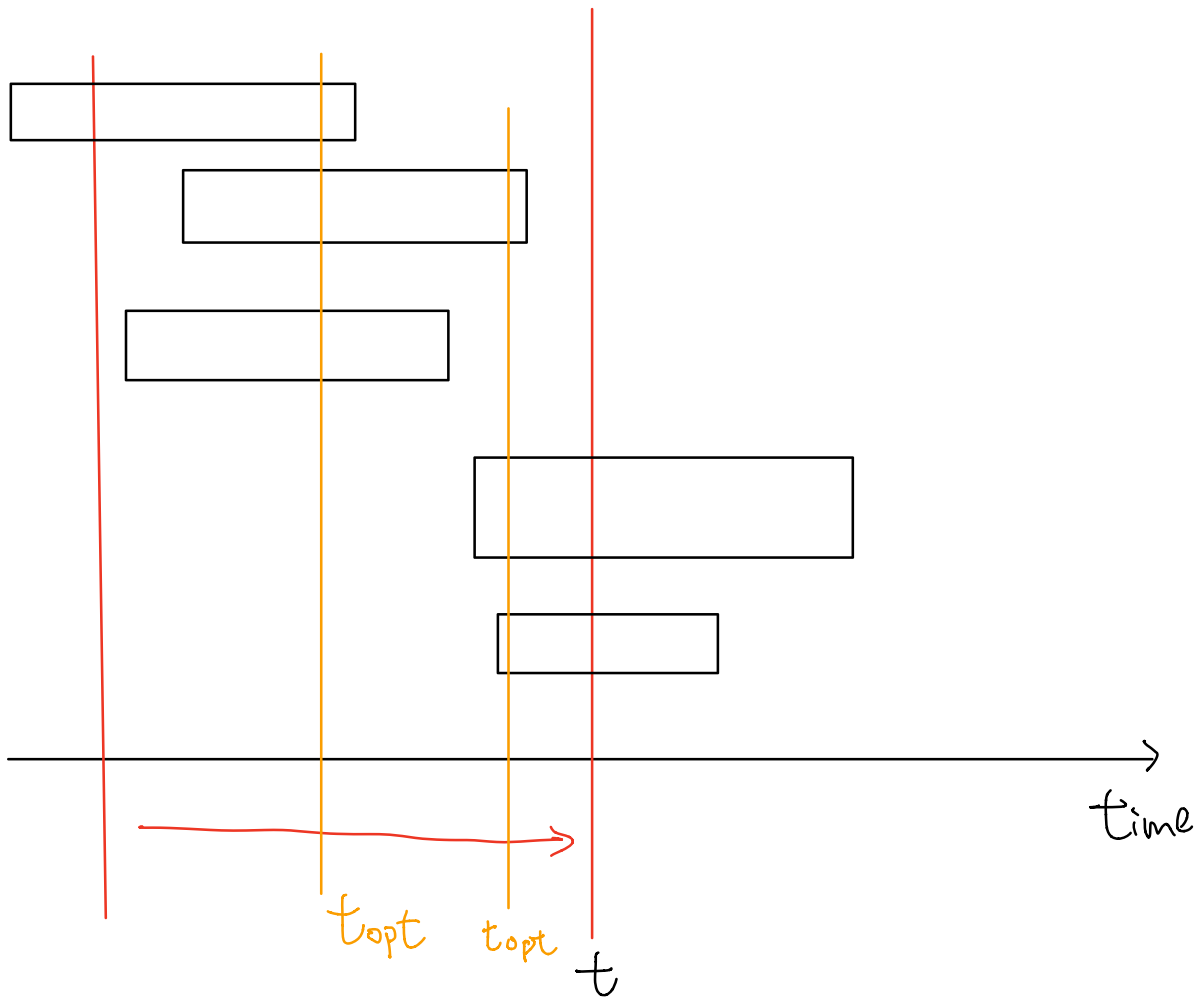


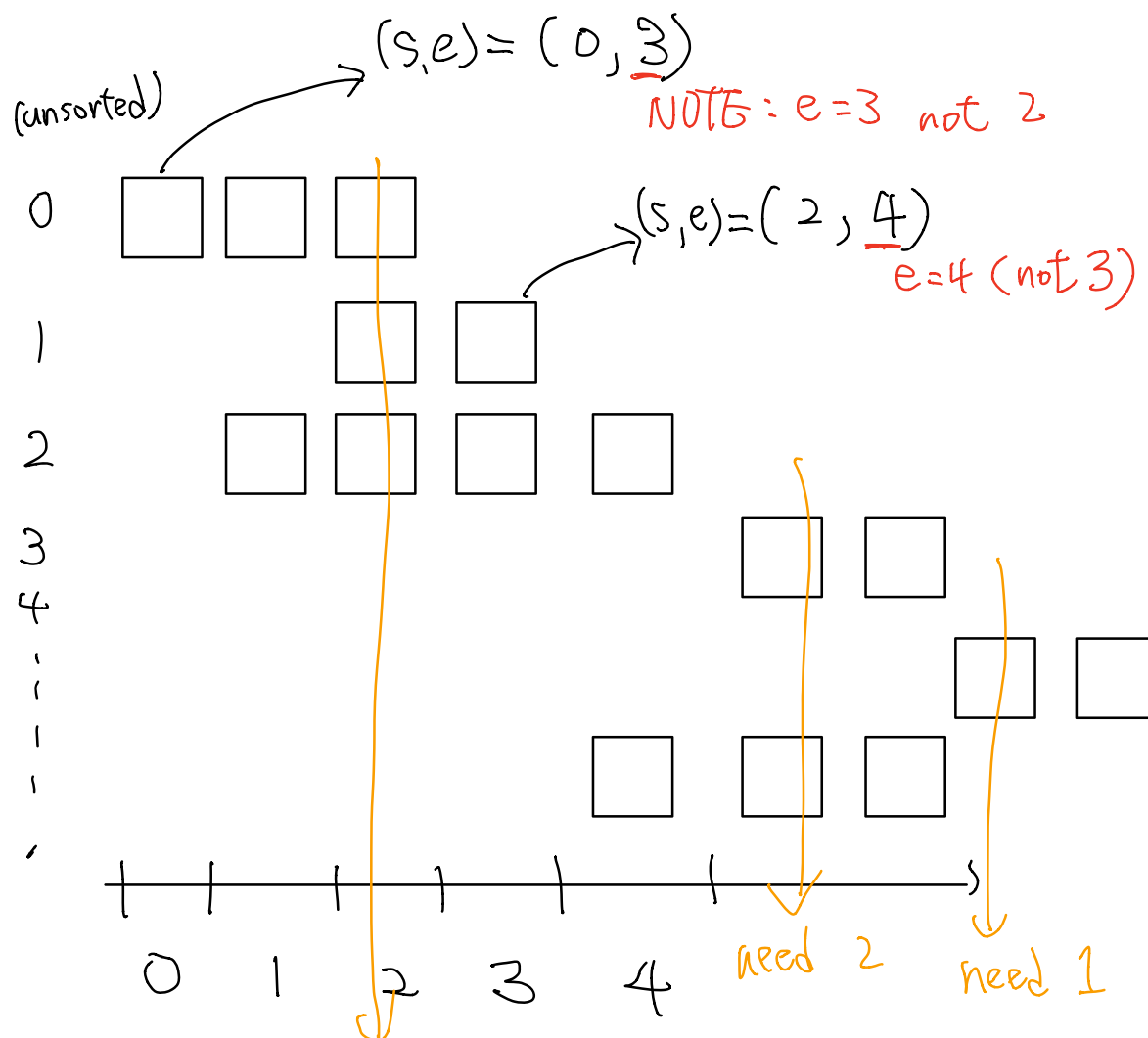
Proof: Why using a PQ will work?



ans =  $\max_t$  ( # of conflicts at each  $t$  )

At  $t_{opt}$ , we need at least 3 rooms

Or more correctly, we can visualize as slots



at this time, we need 3 rooms

Proof: if  $K = \max_t (\# \text{ of conflicts at } t)$

If we only have  $K' < K$  rooms, apparently we will not able to provide enough rooms at  $t = \operatorname{argmax}(\dots)$

If we have exactly  $K$  rooms, because at every  $t$ , there are at most  $K$  slots occupying rooms.

This proves why  $K$  rooms are enough

So the rest of proof is:

Why a sorted intervals (w.r.t  $s$ )

+ PQ can compute:  $\max_t (\# \text{ of conflicts at each } t)$

A naive solution will be:

for slot in all slots:

check the number of slot collide this slot  
(including itself)

A slight improvement will be

slots.sort()

for  $i$  in range(len(slots)):

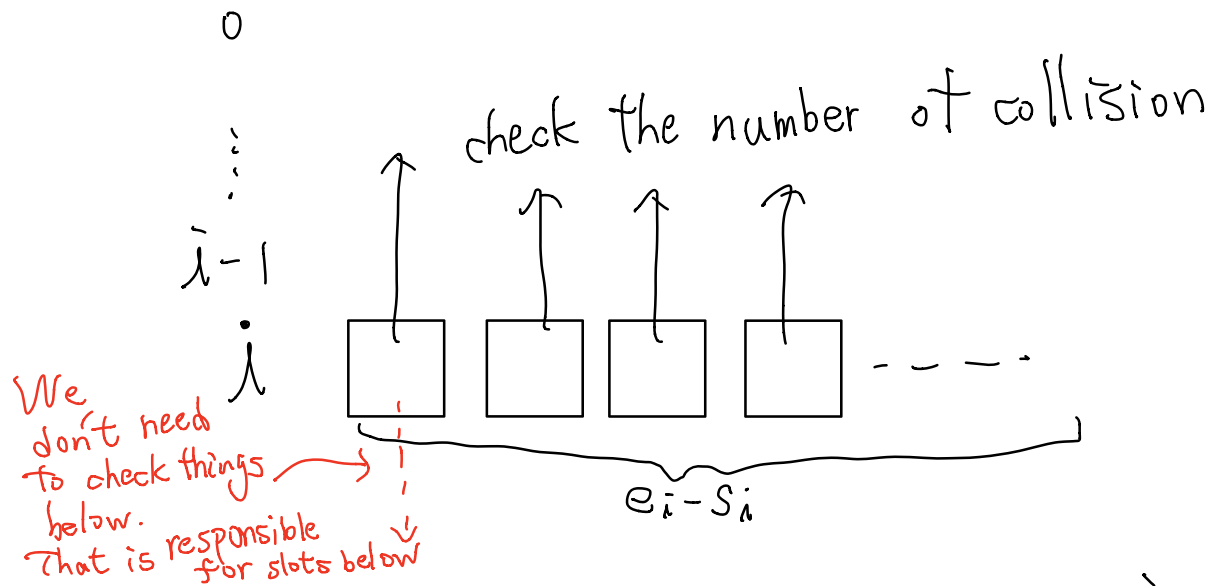
for  $j$  in range(0,  $i$ ):

check if slot $_i$  collide slot $_j$

( $\because$  Ex. if slots collide slot $_1$ , we only need to consider  
(0, 1) and don't need to consider (1, 0) )

Using the idea above and observe that the number of slots are huge.

⇒ Try using  $(s, e)$  pair to compute it.



Let's assume  $(s_0, e_0) \dots (s_{n-1}, e_{n-1})$  is sorted w.r.t. 's'

When our current index is  $i$ , and we have seen  $[0, i)$

Because  $[0, i]$  are sorted w.r.t.  $s$ ,

all  $j < i$ ,  $s_j \leq s_i$

if we open a new room, that must be caused by

$[s_i, s_{i+1})$  grid collide other grids in the existing rooms.

\* If  $[s_i, s_{i+1}]$  does not collide all existing rooms,  
We will need to remove the smallest end times  
from the queue because it is **useless**!

We have a new meeting added and rooms  
are the same. We must **update** the largest  
end times in the rooms!

\* If  $[s_i, s_{i+1}]$  collide all existing rooms,  
We will need to open a room.

Finally, because our intervals  $\max_t (\# \text{ of conflicts at } t)$  is fixed

and greedy will **ONLY** open a room when  
a meeting collides **ALL** rooms

$\Rightarrow$  This greedy algorithm is correct

More about the proof:

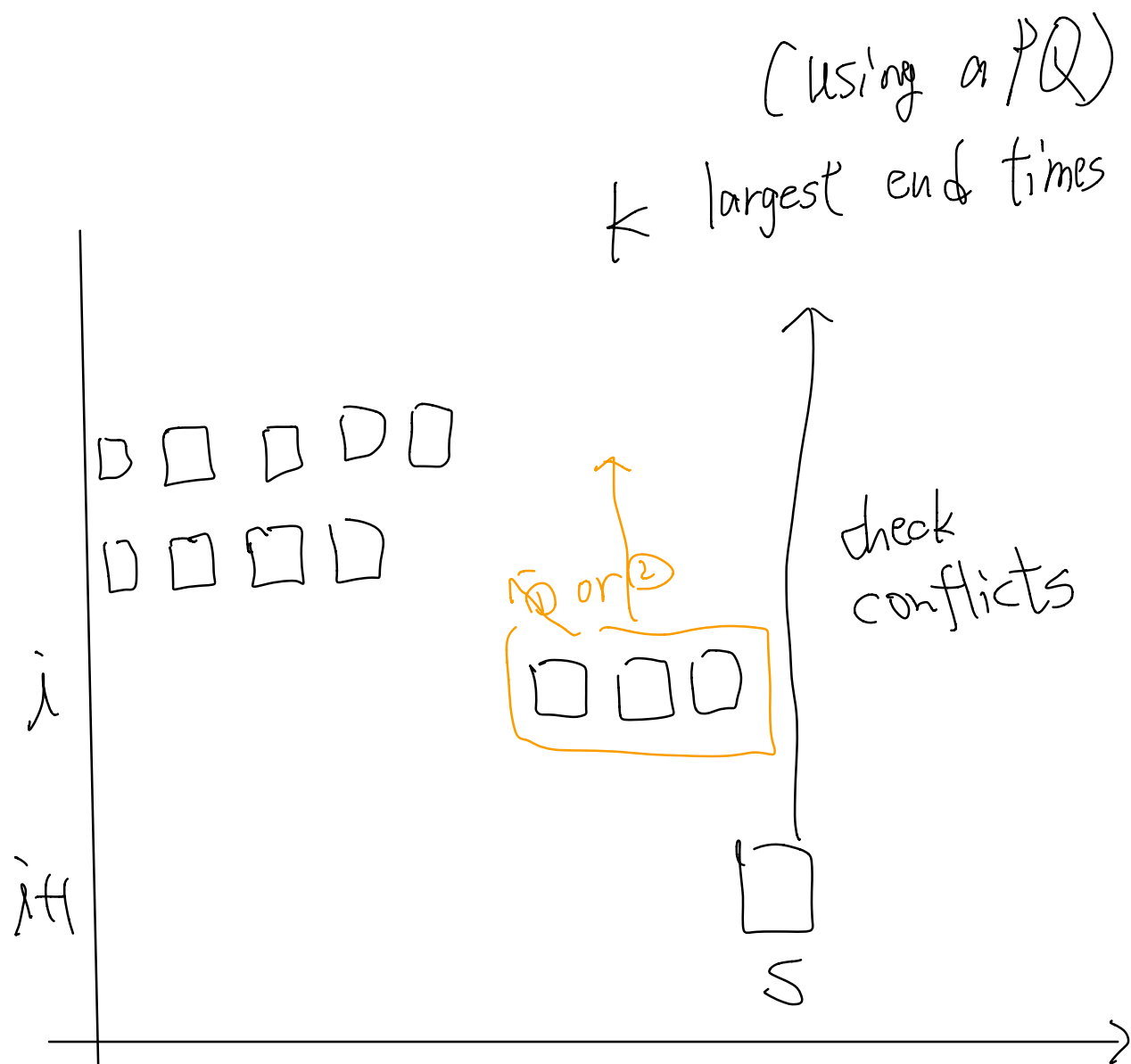
① Because the greedy algorithm **never** arrange two conflicting meeting in the same room.

$$\Rightarrow \# \text{ rooms found by greedy } \geq \max_t (\# \text{ of conflicts at } t)$$

② Greedy only open a room when one meeting collides meetings "above"  $([0, i)$  for  $i$ )

$$\Rightarrow \# \text{ rooms found by greedy } \leq \max_t (\# \text{ of conflicts of } t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \# \text{ rooms found by greedy} \\ = \max_t ( \dots )$$



I think the reason why we choose

① over ② is that:

Even ② can produce an optimal sol,  
but ① will not be worse!