

Quicksort

9, 2, 3, 12, 1, 16, 2, 11, 8, 10

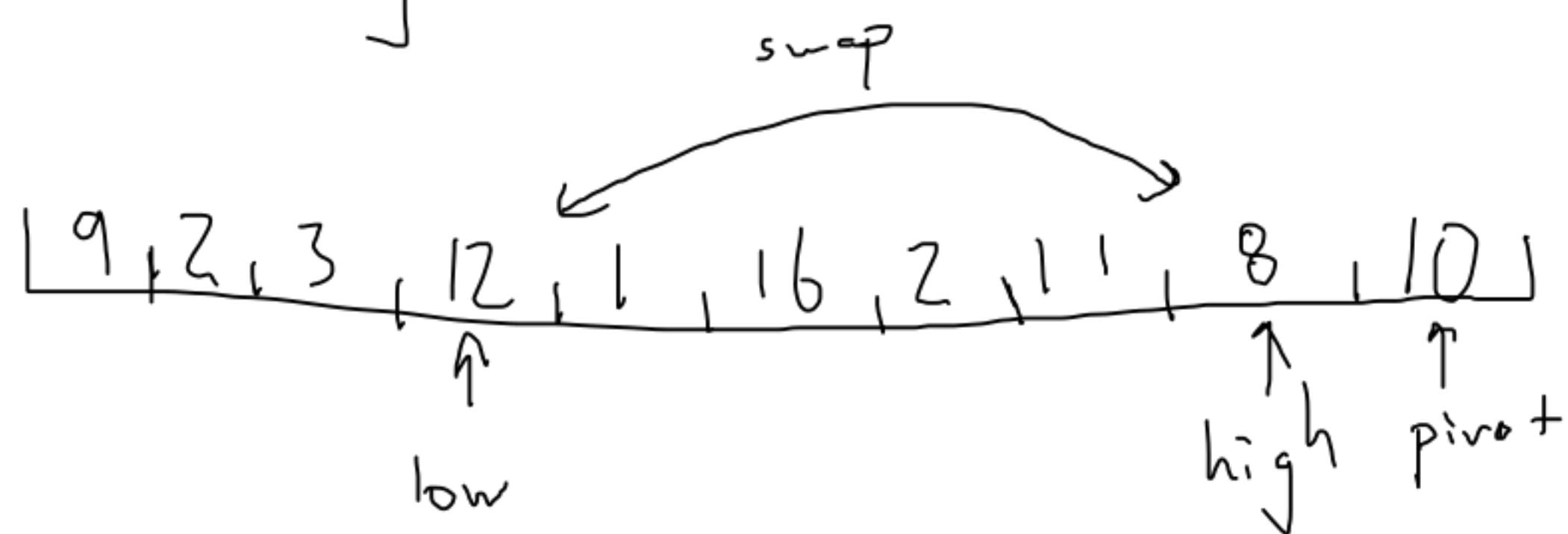
↑
pivot

partition ↓

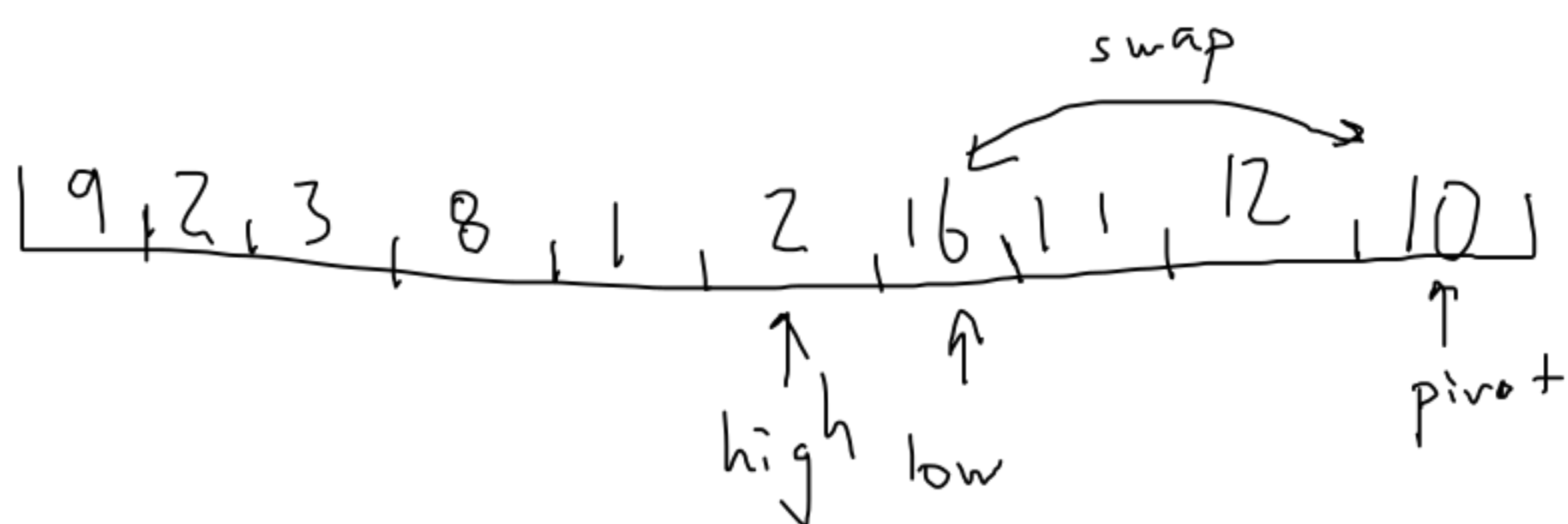
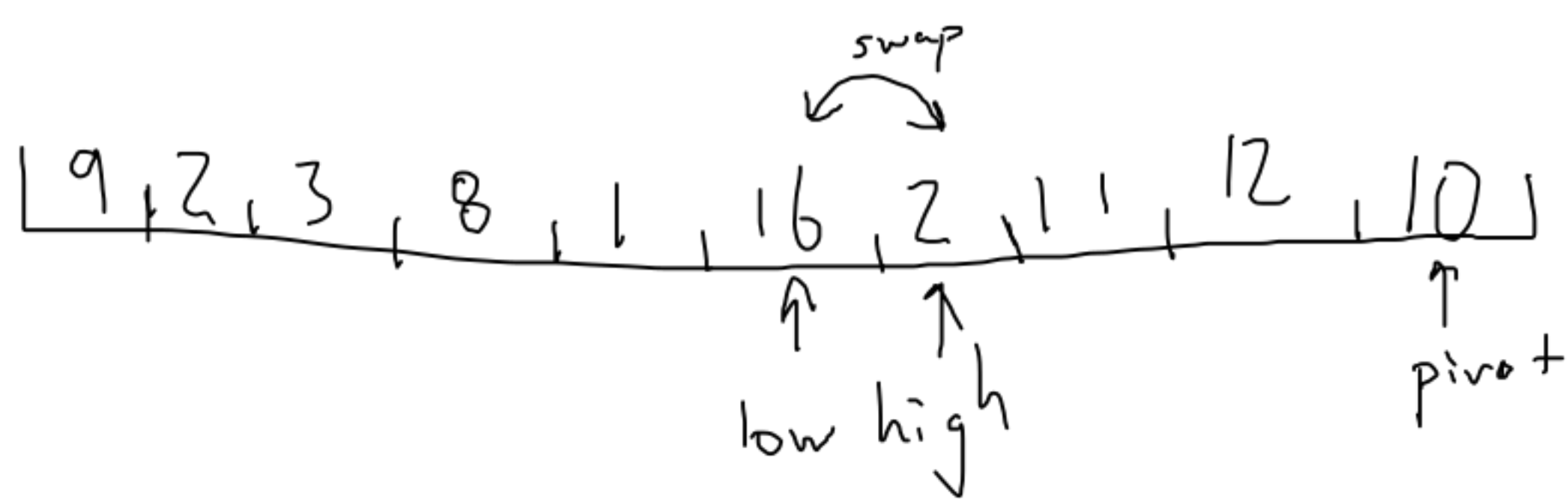
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unsorted ← ↑ pivot → unsorted

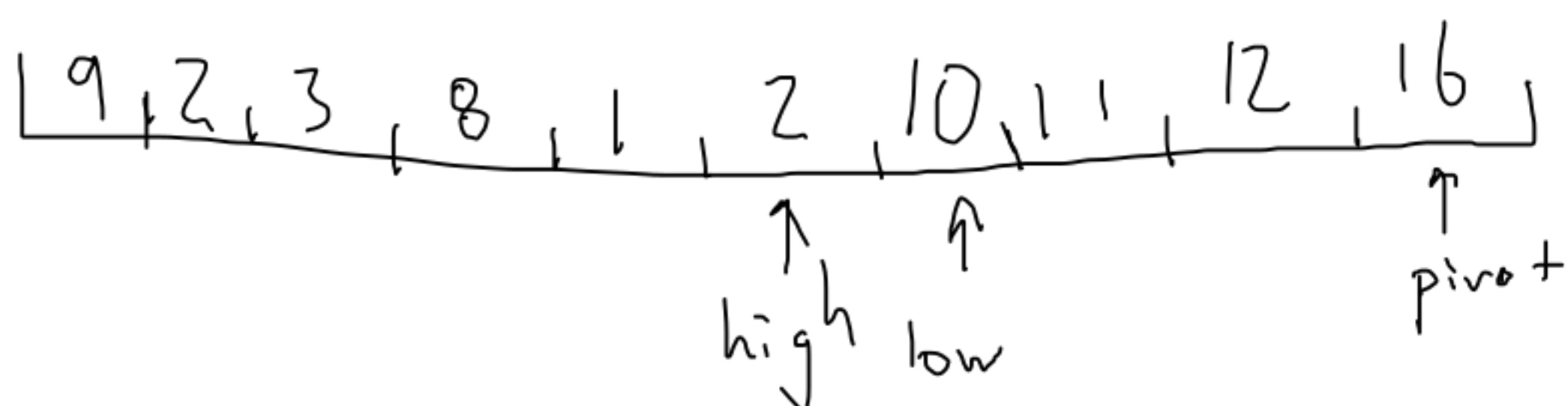
Partitioning



- repeat until $low > high$
- find a $low > pivot$
- find a $high < pivot$
- if $low < high$, swap items at low & $high$

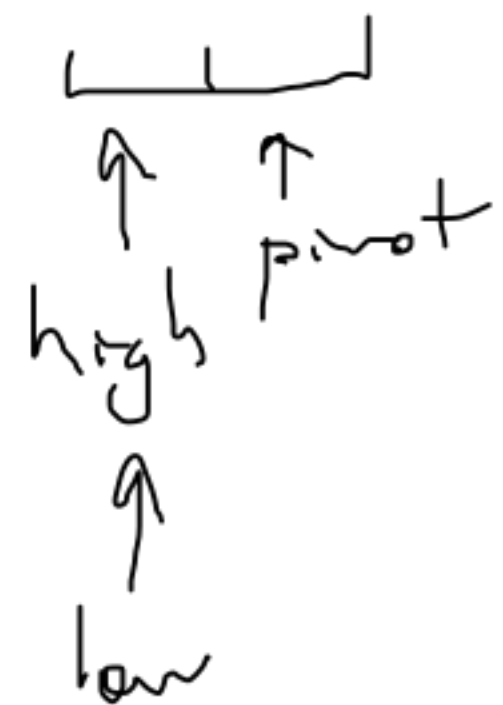


- once low & $high$ cross, swap pivot & low

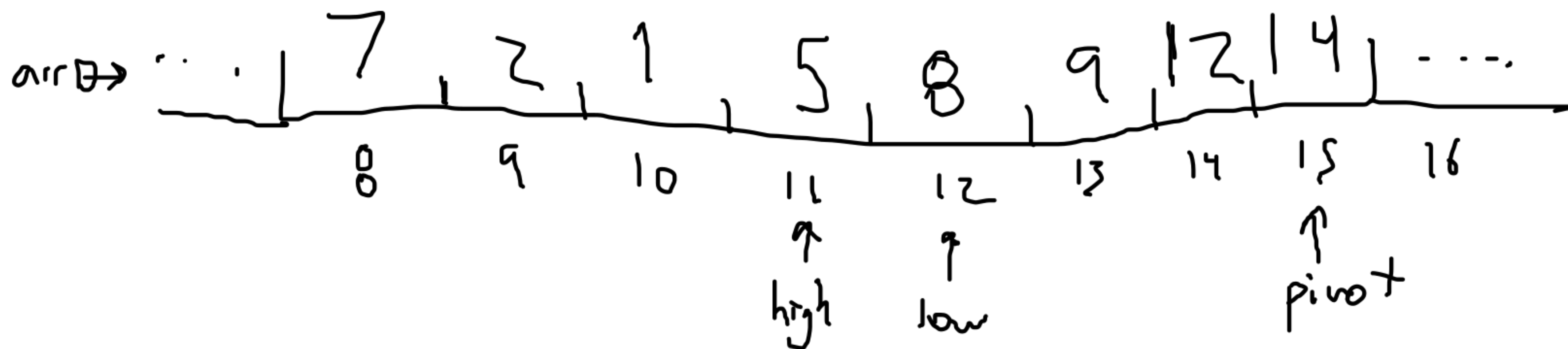


- recursively sort $< low$ & $> low$

Size 2 partitions start.



Partition Tracing



partition(arr, 8, 16)

pivot 15

low ~~8~~~~9~~~~10~~~~11~~ 12

high ~~14~~~~13~~~~12~~ 11

mid becomes
12

Partition Analysis

- let n be the size of array
 - moves of low & high to $\text{tail} \sim n$ $O(n)$
 - up to $\frac{n}{2}$ swaps $O(n)$
 - final pivot swap $O(1)$
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$$O(n)$$

Quicksort Analysis

- with the best case, each partition splits 50/50

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

$$\rightarrow O(n \lg n)$$

- in the worst case, pivot is largest or smallest

$$T(n) = O(n) + T(n-1)$$

$$\rightarrow O(n^2)$$

- on average with random data:

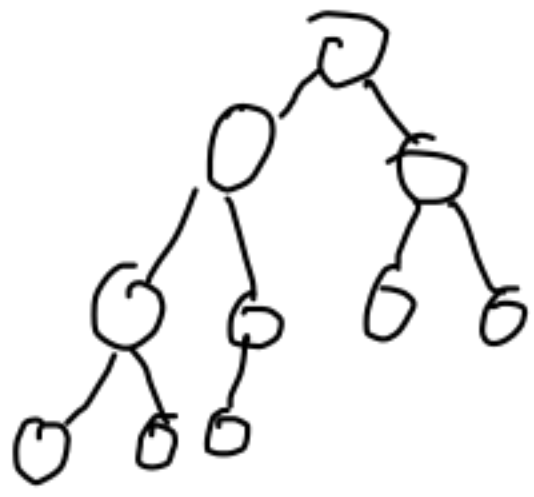
$$O(n \lg n)$$

- due to the big swaps, it is unstable

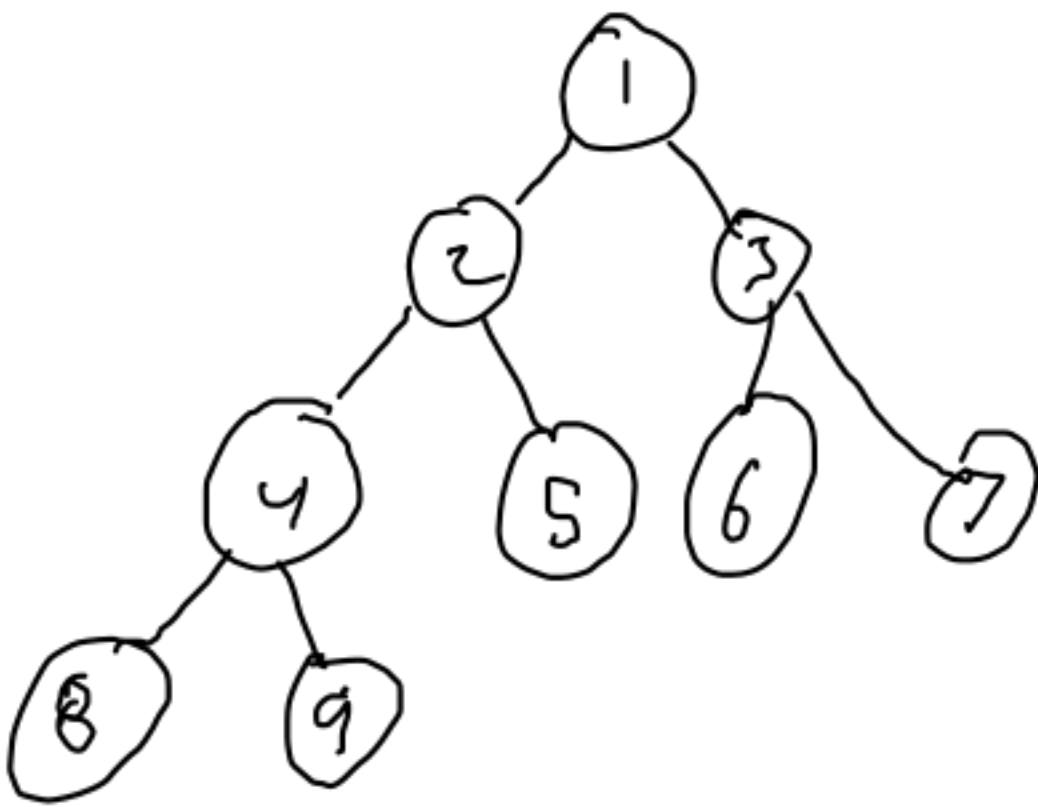
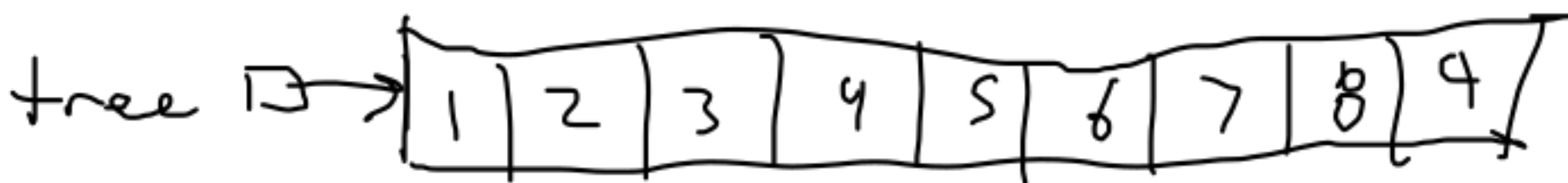
- unlike mergesort, doesn't need second array \rightarrow in place sort

Trees in Arrays

- if you have a left-complete tree, you can store it in an array without wasting space



- the root is index 0
- root's left child is index 1, right child is index 2,
- each level is added left to right



- if a node is at index i , what is the index of its parent and what are the indices of its children