

# Divide-and-Conquer: Searching in an Array

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# Outline

- ① Main Idea of Divide-and-Conquer
- ② Linear Search
- ③ Binary Search



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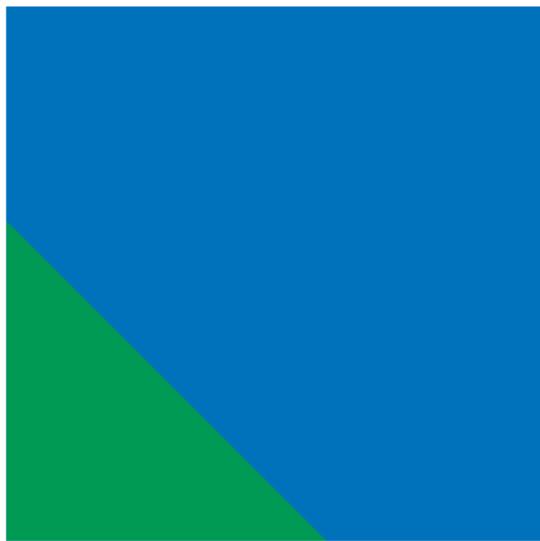
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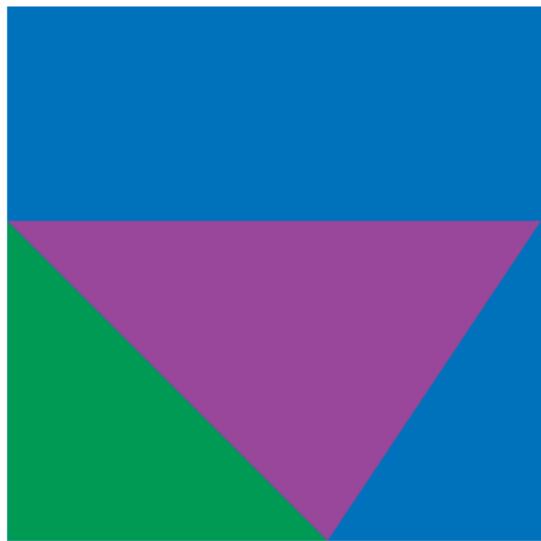


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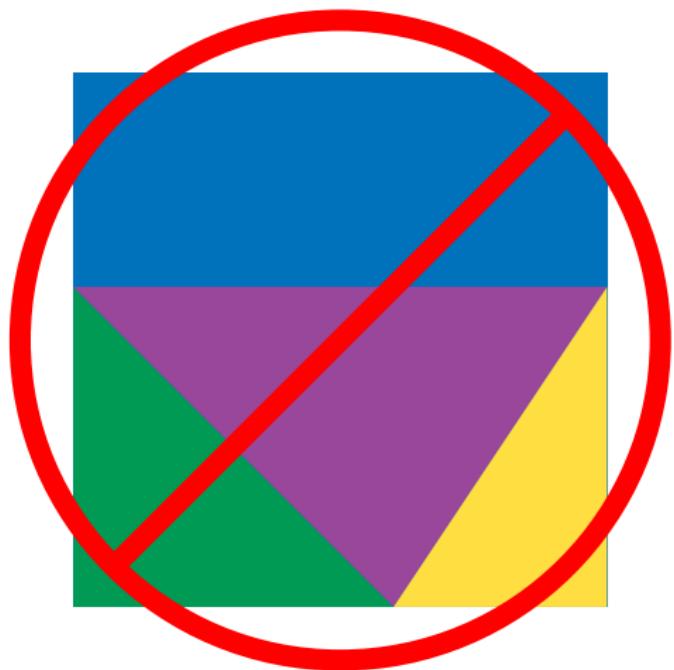












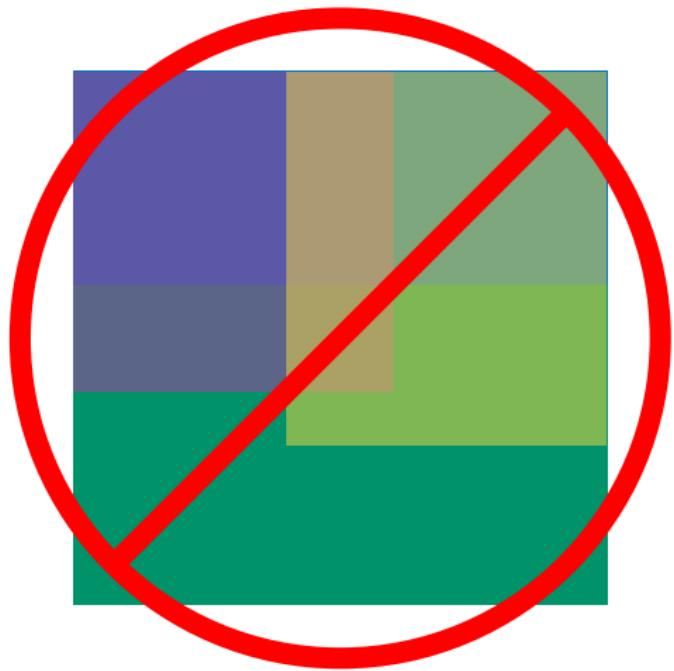
not the  
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overlapping

Divide: break apart



# Conquer: solve subproblems

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# Conquer: combine



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- 1 Break into non-overlapping subproblems of the same type
- 2 Solve subproblems
- 3 Combine results

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# Linear Search in Array

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# Real-life Example

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## Searching in an array

**Input:** An array  $A$  with  $n$  elements.  
A key  $k$ .

**Output:** An index,  $i$ , where  $A[i] = k$ .  
If there is no such  $i$ , then  
NOT\_FOUND.

# Recursive Solution

LinearSearch( $A$ ,  $low$ ,  $high$ ,  $key$ )

```
if  $high < low$ :
    return NOT_FOUND
if  $A[low] = key$ :
    return  $low$ 
return LinearSearch( $A$ ,  $low + 1$ ,  $high$ ,  $key$ )
```

## Definition

A recurrence relation is an equation recursively defining a sequence of values.

## Fibonacci recurrence relation

$$F(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ F(n - 1) + F(n - 2) & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ...

## LinearSearch( $A$ , $low$ , $high$ , $key$ )

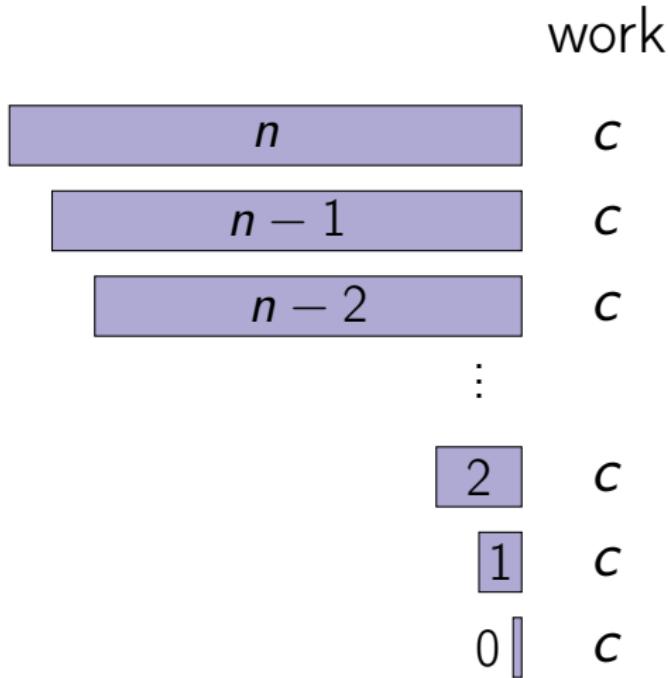
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Recurrence defining worst-case time:

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

$$T(0) = c$$

# Runtime of Linear Search



Total:  $\sum_{i=0}^n c = \underline{\Theta(n)}$

# Iterative Version

LinearSearchIt( $A, low, high, key$ )

```
for  $i$  from  $low$  to  $high$ :  
    if  $A[i] = key$ :  
        return  $i$   
return NOT_FOUND
```

# Summary

- Create a recursive solution
- Define a corresponding recurrence relation,  $T$
- Determine  $T(n)$ : worst-case runtime
- Optionally, create iterative solution

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# Searching Sorted Data

**dictatorial** /diktə'tɔ:rɪəl/ adj.  
like a dictator. 2 overbearing. □  
**orially** adv. [Latin: related  
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**dition** /'dɪkʃ(ə)n/ n. manner  
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# Searching in a sorted array

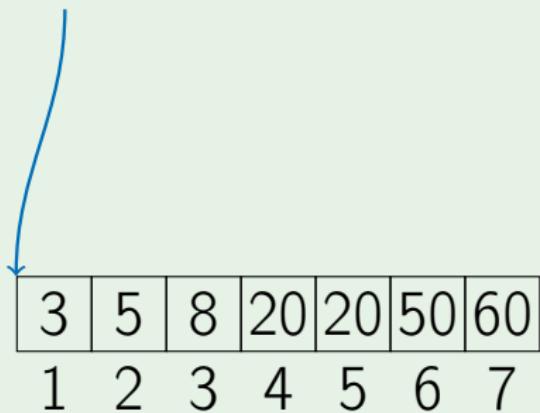
**Input:** A **sorted array**  $A[low \dots high]$   
 $(\forall low \leq i < high : A[i] \leq A[i + 1]).$   
A key  $k$ .

**Output:** An index,  $i$ , ( $low \leq i \leq high$ ) where  
 $A[i] = k$ .  
Otherwise, the greatest index  $i$ ,  
where  $A[i] < k$ .  
Otherwise ( $k < A[low]$ ), the result is  
 $low - 1$ .

# Searching in a Sorted Array

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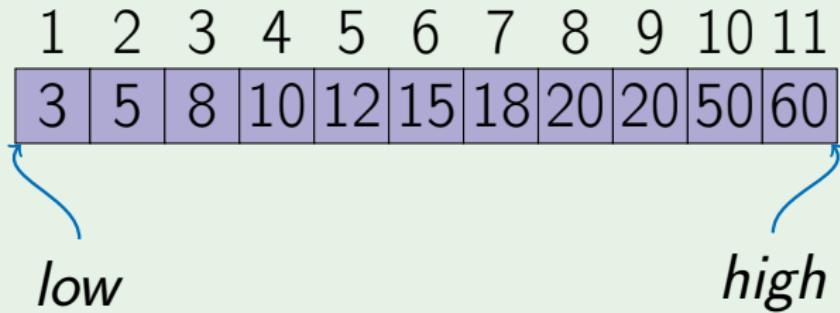
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## BinarySearch(*A*, *low*, *high*, *key*)

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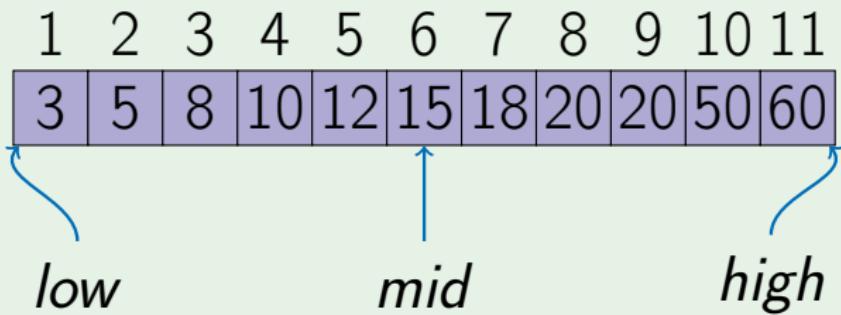
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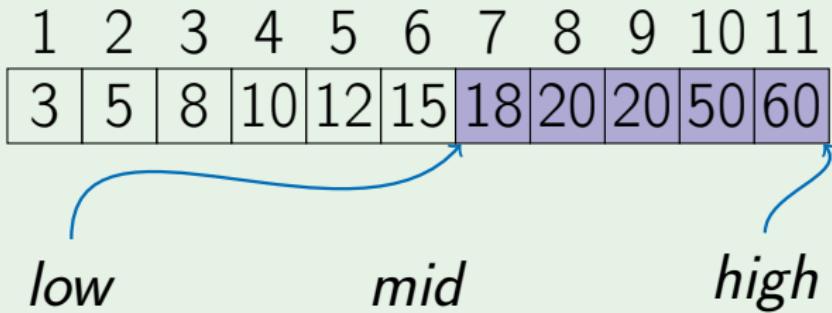
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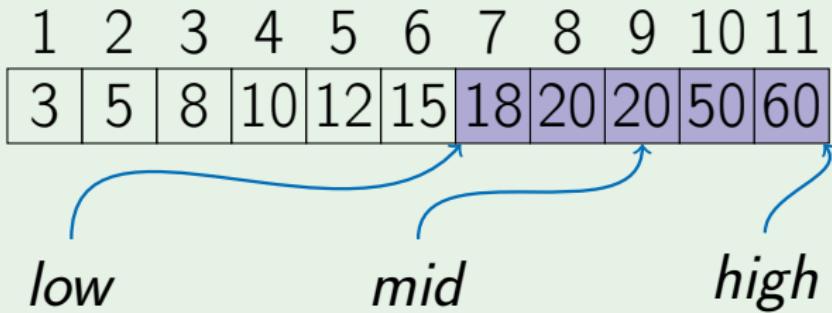
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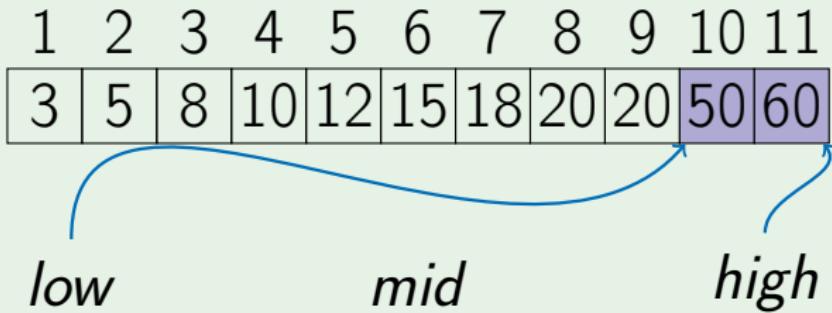


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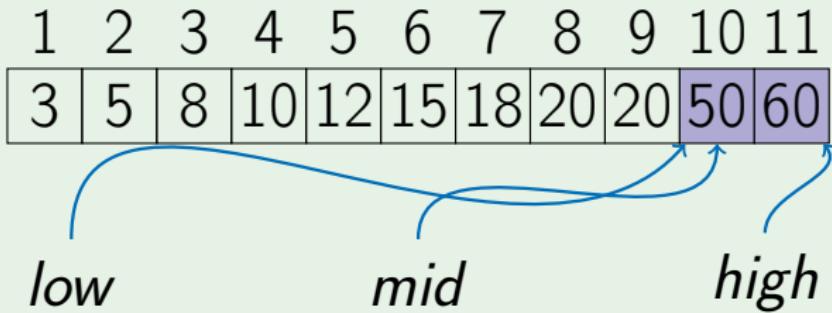


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BinarySearch( $A$ , 10, 11, 50) → 10

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3	5	8	10	12	15	18	20	20	50	60

# Summary

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- Recursively solve those subproblems.
- Combine results of subproblems.

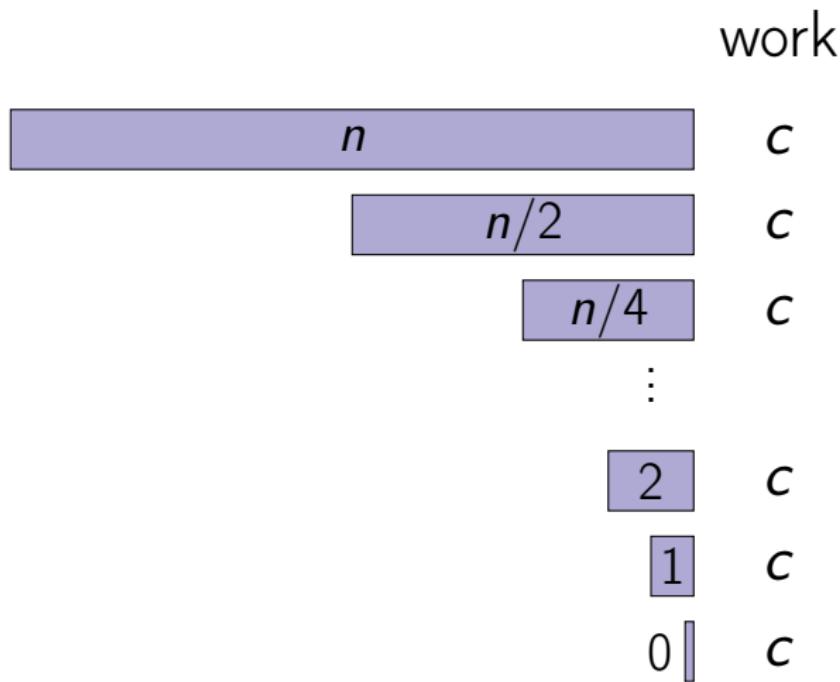
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else:
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# Binary Search Recurrence Relation

$$\frac{T(n) = T\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + c}{T(0) = c}$$

# Runtime of Binary Search



$$\text{Total: } \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} c = \Theta(\log_2 n)$$

# Iterative Version

BinarySearchIt( $A, low, high, key$ )

while  $low \leq high$ :

$$mid \leftarrow \left\lfloor low + \frac{high - low}{2} \right\rfloor$$

if  $key = A[mid]$ :

    return  $mid$

else if  $key < A[mid]$ :

$high = mid - 1$

else:

$low = mid + 1$

return  $low - 1$

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sorted

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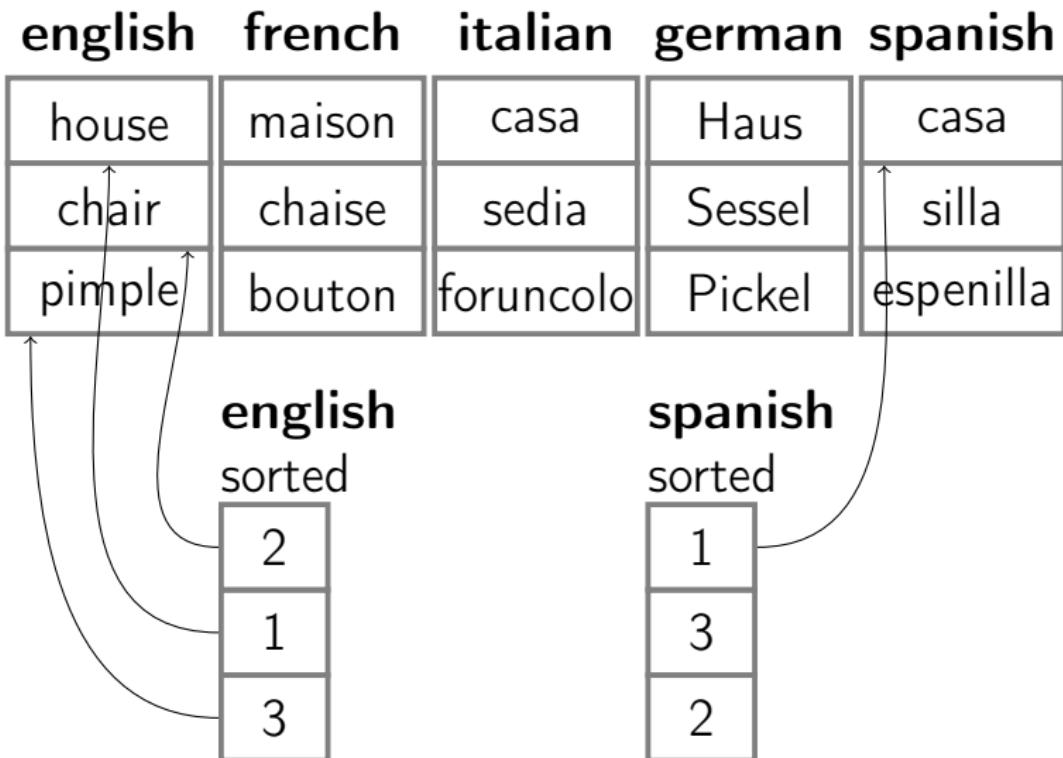
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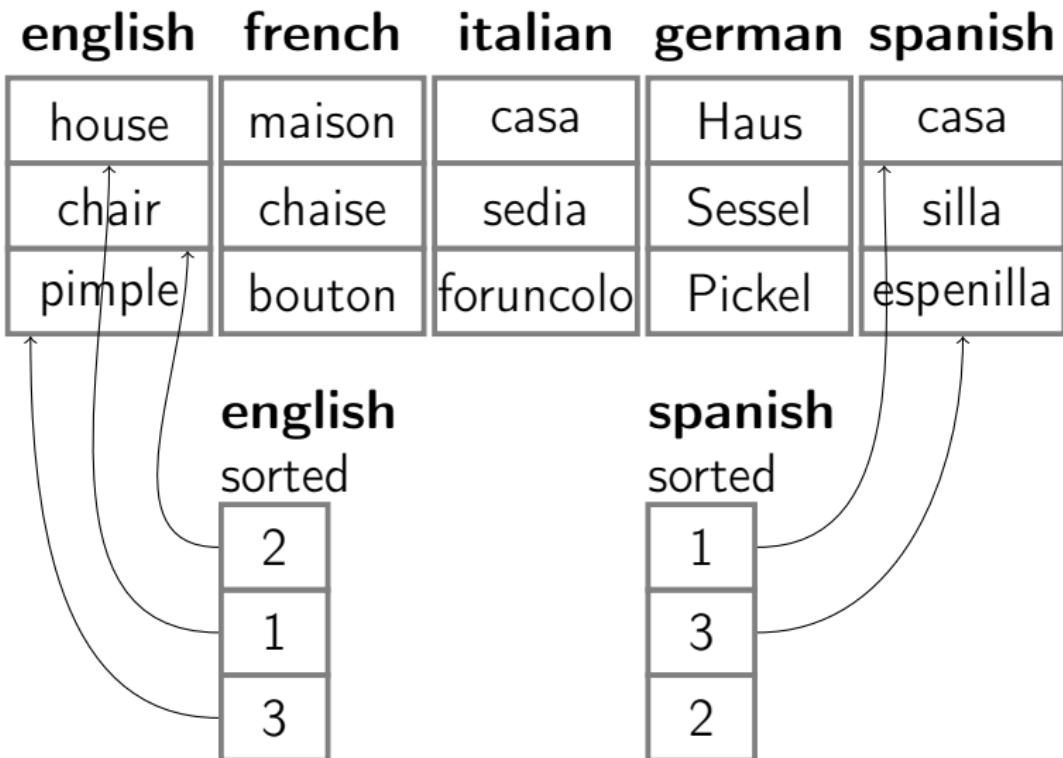
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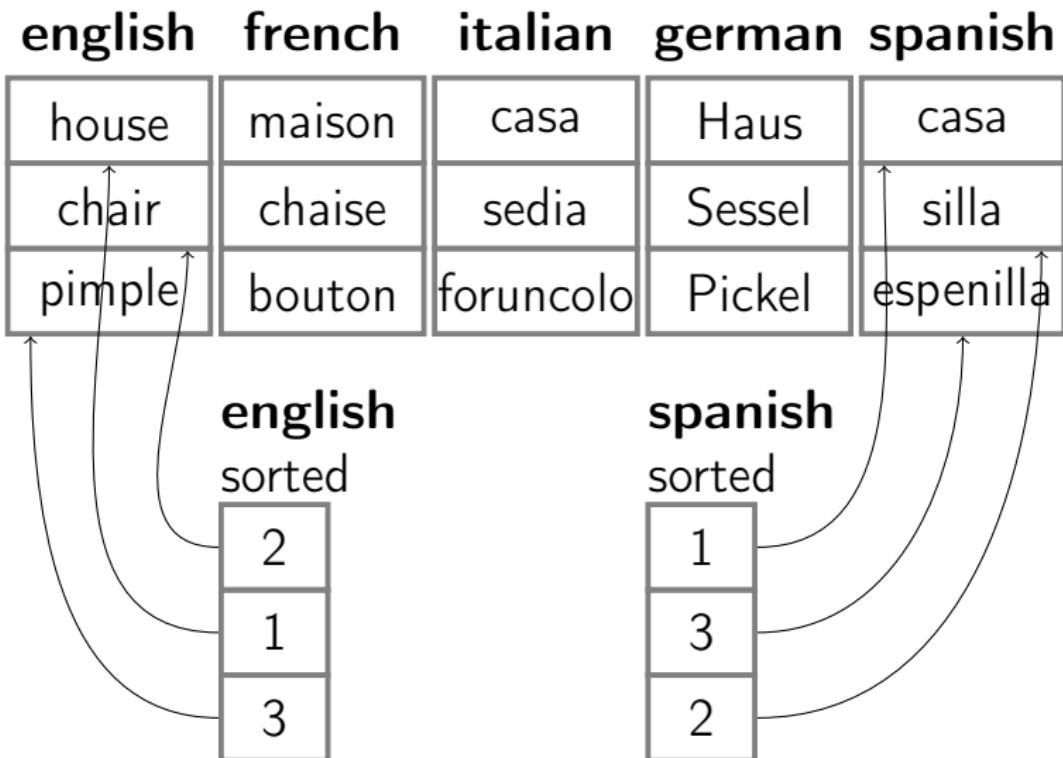
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# Summary

The runtime of binary search is  $\Theta(\log n)$ .

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# Divide-and-Conquer: Polynomial Multiplication

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# Outline

- ① Problem Overview
- ② Naïve Algorithm
- ③ Naïve Divide and Conquer Algorithm
- ④ Faster Divide and Conquer

# Uses of multiplying polynomials

- Error-correcting codes
- Large-integer multiplication
- Generating functions
- Convolution in signal processing

# Multiplying Polynomials

## Example

$$A(x) = 3x^2 + 2x + 5$$

$$B(x) = 5x^2 + x + 2$$

$$A(x)B(x) = 15x^4 + 13x^3 + 33x^2 + 9x + 10$$

# Multiplying polynomials

**Input:** Two  $n - 1$  degree polynomials:

$$a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + a_{n-2}x^{n-2} + \cdots + a_1x + a_0$$

$$b_{n-1}x^{n-1} + b_{n-2}x^{n-2} + \cdots + b_1x + b_0$$

**Output:** The product polynomial:

$$c_{2n-2}x^{2n-2} + c_{2n-3}x^{2n-3} + \cdots + c_1x + c_0$$

where:

$$c_{2n-2} = a_{n-1}b_{n-1}$$

$$c_{2n-3} = a_{n-1}b_{n-2} + a_{n-2}b_{n-1}$$

...

$$c_2 = a_2b_0 + a_1b_1 + a_0b_2$$

$$c_1 = a_1b_0 + a_0b_1$$

$$c_0 = a_0b_0$$

# Multiplying Polynomials

## Example

Input:  $n = 3, A = (3, 2, 5), B = (5, 1, 2)$

$$A(x) = 3x^2 + 2x + 5$$

$$B(x) = 5x^2 + x + 2$$

$$A(x)B(x) = 15x^4 + 13x^3 + 33x^2 + 9x + 10$$

Output:  $C = (15, 13, 33, 9, 10)$

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## MultPoly( $A, B, n$ )

```
pair ← Array[n][n]
for i from 0 to n - 1:
    for j from 0 to n - 1:
        pair[i][j] ← A[i] * B[j]
product ← Array[2n - 1]
for i from 0 to 2n - 1:
    product[i] ← 0
for i from 0 to n - 1:
    for j from 0 to n - 1:
        product[i + j] ← product[i + j] + pair[i][j]
return product
```

# Multiplying Polynomials

Naïve Solution:  $O(n^2)$

- Multiply all  $a_i b_j$  pairs ( $n^2$  multiplications)
- Sum needed pairs ( $n^2$  additions)

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- Let  $A(x) = \underline{D_1(x)x^{\frac{n}{2}} + D_0(x)}$  where  
 $D_1(x) = a_{n-1}x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} + a_{n-2}x^{\frac{n}{2}-2} + \dots + a_{\frac{n}{2}}$   
 $D_0(x) = a_{\frac{n}{2}-1}x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} + a_{\frac{n}{2}-2}x^{\frac{n}{2}-2} + \dots + a_0$
- Let  $B(x) = \underline{E_1(x)x^{\frac{n}{2}} + E_0(x)}$  where  
 $E_1(x) = b_{n-1}x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} + b_{n-2}x^{\frac{n}{2}-2} + \dots + b_{\frac{n}{2}}$   
 $E_0(x) = b_{\frac{n}{2}-1}x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} + b_{\frac{n}{2}-2}x^{\frac{n}{2}-2} + \dots + b_0$
- $AB = (D_1x^{\frac{n}{2}} + D_0)(E_1x^{\frac{n}{2}} + E_0)$   
 $= (D_1E_1)x^n + (D_1E_0 + D_0E_1)x^{\frac{n}{2}} + D_0E_0$
- Calculate  $\underline{D_1E_1}$ ,  $\underline{D_1E_0}$ ,  $\underline{D_0E_1}$ , and  $\underline{D_0E_0}$

Recurrence:  $T(n) = 4T(\frac{n}{2}) + kn.$

## Polynomial Mult: Divide & Conquer

$$A(x) = \textcolor{red}{4x^3 + 3x^2} + 2x + 1$$

$$B(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 4$$

$$D_1(x) = \textcolor{red}{4x + 3}$$

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$$D_0 E_0 = 6x^2 + 11x + 4$$

$$)x^2 +$$

## Polynomial Mult: Divide & Conquer

$$A(x) = 4x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 1$$

$$B(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 4$$

$$D_1(x) = 4x + 3$$

$$D_0(x) = 2x + 1$$

$$E_1(x) = x + 2$$

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$$6x^2 + 11x + 4$$

$$= 4x^6 + 11x^5 + 20x^4 + 30x^3 + 20x^2 + 11x + 4$$

## Function Mult2( $A, B, n, a_l, b_l$ )

$R = \text{array}[0..2n - 2]$

if  $n = 1$ :

$R[0] = A[a_l] * B[b_l]$  ; return  $R$

$R[0..n - 2] = \text{Mult2}(A, B, \frac{n}{2}, a_l, b_l)$

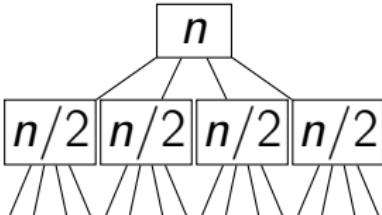
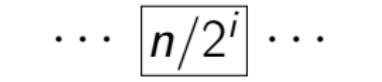
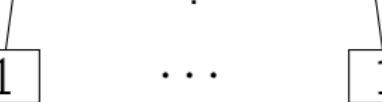
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$D_1 E_0 = \text{Mult2}(A, B, \frac{n}{2}, a_l + \frac{n}{2}, b_l)$

$R[\frac{n}{2}..n + \frac{n}{2} - 2] += D_1 E_0 + D_0 E_1$

return  $R$

level		#	work
0		1	$kn$
1		4	$4k\frac{n}{2} = k2n$
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
$i$	$\cdots$  $\cdots$	$4^i$	$4^i k \frac{n}{2^i} = k2^i n$
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
$\log_2 n$		$4^{\log_2 n}$	$k4^{\log_2 n} = kn^2$
Total: $\sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} 4^i k \frac{n}{2^i} = \Theta(n^2)$			

# Outline

- 1 Problem Overview
- 2 Naïve Algorithm
- 3 Naïve Divide and Conquer Algorithm
- 4 Faster Divide and Conquer

## Karatsuba approach

$$A(x) = a_1x + a_0$$

$$B(x) = b_1x + b_0$$

$$C(x) = \textcolor{orange}{a_1} \textcolor{orange}{b_1} x^2 + (\textcolor{green}{a_1} \textcolor{green}{b_0} + \textcolor{pink}{a_0} \textcolor{pink}{b_1})x + \textcolor{purple}{a_0} \textcolor{purple}{b_0}$$

Needs 4 multiplications

## Karatsuba approach

$$A(x) = a_1x + a_0$$

$$B(x) = b_1x + b_0$$

$$C(x) = a_1b_1x^2 + (a_1b_0 + a_0b_1)x + a_0b_0$$

Needs 4 multiplications

Rewrite as:

$$C(x) = a_1b_1x^2 +$$

$$((a_1 + a_0)(b_1 + b_0) - a_1b_1 - a_0b_0)x +$$

$$a_0b_0$$

## Karatsuba approach

$$A(x) = a_1x + a_0$$

$$B(x) = b_1x + b_0$$

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$$\textcolor{violet}{a_0b_0}$$

Needs 3 multiplications

## Karatsuba Example

$$A(x) = 4x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 1$$

$$B(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 4$$

$$D_1(x) = 4x + 3$$

## Karatsuba Example

$$A(x) = 4x^3 + 3x^2 + \textcolor{red}{2x} + 1$$

$$B(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 4$$

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$$D_0(x) = \textcolor{red}{2x} + 1$$

## Karatsuba Example

$$A(x) = 4x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 1$$

$$B(x) = \textcolor{red}{x^3 + 2x^2} + 3x + 4$$

$$D_1(x) = 4x + 3$$

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$$E_1(x) = \textcolor{red}{x + 2}$$

## Karatsuba Example

$$A(x) = 4x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 1$$

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## Karatsuba Example

$$A(x) = 4x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 1$$

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## Karatsuba Example

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$$(D_1 + D_0)(E_1 + E_0) =$$

## Karatsuba Example

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$$E_0(x) = 3x + 4$$

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$$D_0 E_0 = 6x^2 + 11x + 4$$

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$$D_1 E_1 = 4x^2 + 11x + 6$$

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$$(D_1 + D_0)(E_1 + E_0) = (6x + 4)(\textcolor{red}{4x + 6})$$

## Karatsuba Example

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$$D_0 E_0 = 6x^2 + 11x + 4$$

$$(D_1 + D_0)(E_1 + E_0) = (6x + 4)(4x + 6)$$

$$= 24x^2 + 52x + 24$$

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$$= 24x^2 + 52x + 24$$

$$AB = (4x^2 + 11x + 6)x^4 +$$

$$(24x^2 + 52x + 24 - (\textcolor{red}{4x^2 + 11x + 6}))$$

$$)x^2 +$$

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$$(24x^2 + 52x + 24 - (4x^2 + 11x + 6))$$

$$- (\color{red}{6x^2 + 11x + 4})x^2 +$$

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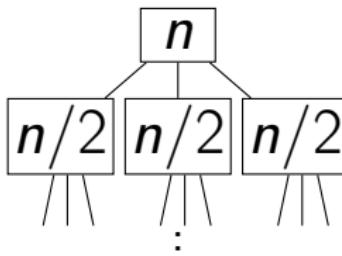
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$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$i$	$\dots$ $n/2^i$ $\dots$	$3^i$	$3^i k \frac{n}{2^i} = k(\frac{3}{2})^i n$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\log_2 n$	$1$	$3^{\log_2 n}$	$k3^{\log_2 n} = kn^{\log_2 3}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Total: } & \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} 3^i k \frac{n}{2^i} = \Theta(n^{\log_2 3}) \\
 & = \Theta(n^{1.58})
 \end{aligned}$$

# Divide-and-Conquer: Master Theorem

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# Outline

- ① What is the Master Theorem
- ② Proof of Master Theorem

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(1)$$



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

$$T(n) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$



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

$$T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$



$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 3})$$

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$



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

# Master Theorem

## Theorem

If  $T(n) = aT\left(\lceil \frac{n}{b} \rceil\right) + O(n^d)$  (for constants  $a > 0, b > 1, d \geq 0$ ), then:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^d) & \text{if } d > \log_b a \\ O(n^d \log n) & \text{if } d = \log_b a \\ O(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } d < \log_b a \end{cases}$$

## Master Theorem Example 1

$$T(n) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

$$a = 4$$

$$b = 2$$

$$d = 1$$

Since  $d < \log_b a$ ,  $T(n) = O(n^{\log_b a}) = O(n^2)$

## Master Theorem Example 2

$$T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

$$a = 3$$

$$b = 2$$

$$d = 1$$

Since  $d < \log_b a$ ,

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_b a}) = O(n^{\log_2 3})$$

## Master Theorem Example 3

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

$$a = 2$$

$$b = 2$$

$$d = 1$$

Since  $d = \log_b a$ ,

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

## Master Theorem Example 4

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(1)$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = 2$$

$$d = 0$$

Since  $d = \log_b a$ ,  $T(n) = O(n^d \log n) = O(n^0 \log n) = O(\log n)$

## Master Theorem Example 5

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n^2)$$

$$a = 2$$

$$b = 2$$

$$d = 2$$

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# Outline

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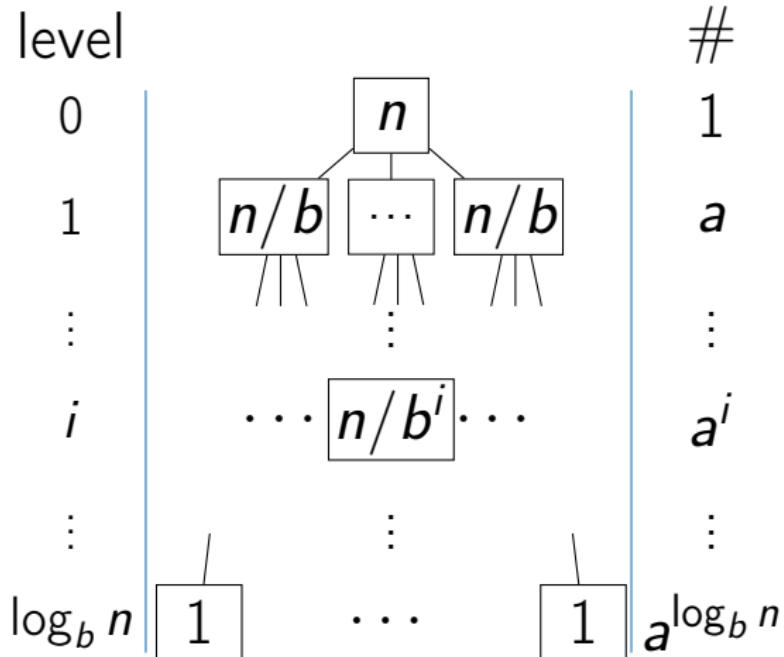
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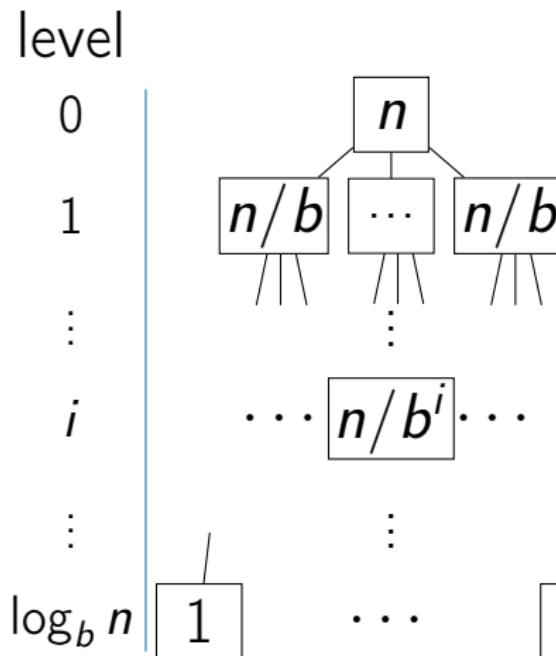
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$$T(n) = aT\left(\left\lceil \frac{n}{b} \right\rceil\right) + O(n^d)$$



$$T(n) = aT\left(\lceil \frac{n}{b} \rceil\right) + O(n^d)$$



work  
 $O(n^d)$

$$aO\left(\frac{n}{b}\right)^d = O(n^d)\frac{a}{b^d}$$

$$a^i O\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right)^d = O(n^d)\left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)$$

$$a^{\log_b n} = O(n^{\log_b a})$$

$$\text{Total: } \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} O(n^d) \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^i$$

# Geometric Series

For  $r \neq 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \cdots + ar^{n-1} \\ &= a \frac{1 - r^n}{1 - r} \\ &= \begin{cases} O(a) & \text{if } r < 1 \\ O(ar^{n-1}) & \text{if } r > 1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Case 1:  $\frac{a}{b^d} < 1$  ( $d > \log_b a$ )

$$\begin{aligned}& \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} O(n^d) \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^i \\&= O(n^d)\end{aligned}$$

Case 2:  $\frac{a}{b^d} = 1$  ( $d = \log_b a$ )

$$\begin{aligned}& \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} O(n^d) \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^i \\&= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} O(n^d) \\&= (1 + \log_b n) O(n^d) \\&= O(n^d \log n)\end{aligned}$$

Case 3:  $\frac{a}{b^d} > 1$  ( $d < \log_b a$ )

$$\begin{aligned}& \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} O(n^d) \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^i \\&= O\left(O(n^d) \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{\log_b n}\right) \\&= O\left(O(n^d) \frac{a^{\log_b n}}{b^{d \log_b n}}\right) \\&= O\left(O(n^d) \frac{n^{\log_b a}}{n^d}\right) \\&= O(n^{\log_b a})\end{aligned}$$

# Summary

Master theorem is a shortcut:

## Theorem

If  $T(n) = aT\left(\lceil \frac{n}{b} \rceil\right) + O(n^d)$  (for constants  $a > 0, b > 1, d \geq 0$ ), then:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^d) & \text{if } d > \log_b a \\ O(n^d \log n) & \text{if } d = \log_b a \\ O(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } d < \log_b a \end{cases}$$

# Divide-and-Conquer: Sorting Problem

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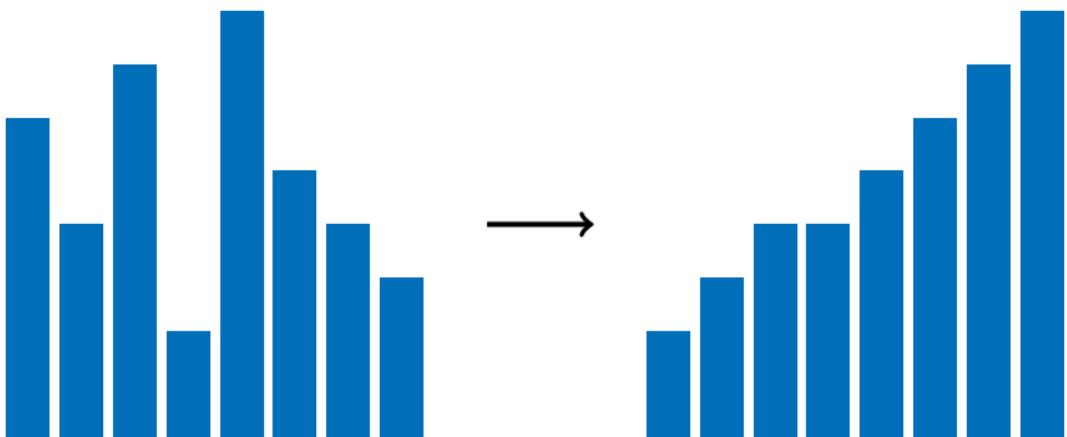
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# Sorting Problem



## Sorting

Input: Sequence  $A[1 \dots n]$ .

Output: Permutation  $A'[1 \dots n]$  of  $A[1 \dots n]$   
in non-decreasing order.

# Why Sorting?

- Sorting data is an important step of many efficient algorithms.
- Sorted data allows for more efficient queries.

# Outline

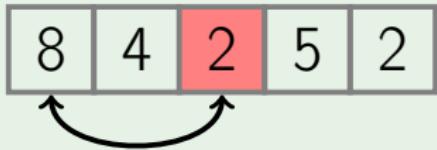
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## Selection sort: example

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- Find a minimum by scanning the array

## Selection sort: example



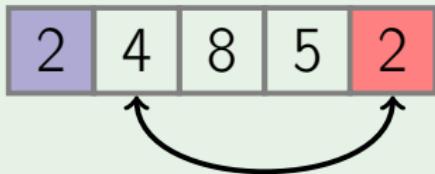
- Find a minimum by scanning the array
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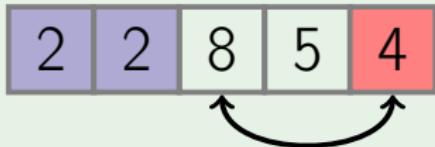
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## SelectionSort( $A[1 \dots n]$ )

for  $i$  from 1 to  $n$ :

$minIndex \leftarrow i$

for  $j$  from  $i + 1$  to  $n$ :

if  $A[j] < A[minIndex]$ :

$minIndex \leftarrow j$

{ $A[minIndex] = \min A[i \dots n]$ }

swap( $A[i], A[minIndex]$ )

{ $A[1 \dots i]$  is in final position}

Online visualization: selection sort

## Lemma

The running time of  
SelectionSort( $A[1 \dots n]$ ) is  $O(n^2)$ .

## Proof

$n$  iterations of outer loop, at most  $n$   
iterations of inner loop.



# Too Pessimistic Estimate?

- As  $i$  grows, the number of iterations of the inner loop decreases:  $j$  iterates from  $i + 1$  to  $n$ .
- A more accurate estimate for the total number of iterations of the inner loop is  $(n - 1) + (n - 2) + \dots + 1$ .
- We will show that this sum is  $\Theta(n^2)$  implying that our initial estimate is actually tight.

# Arithmetic Series

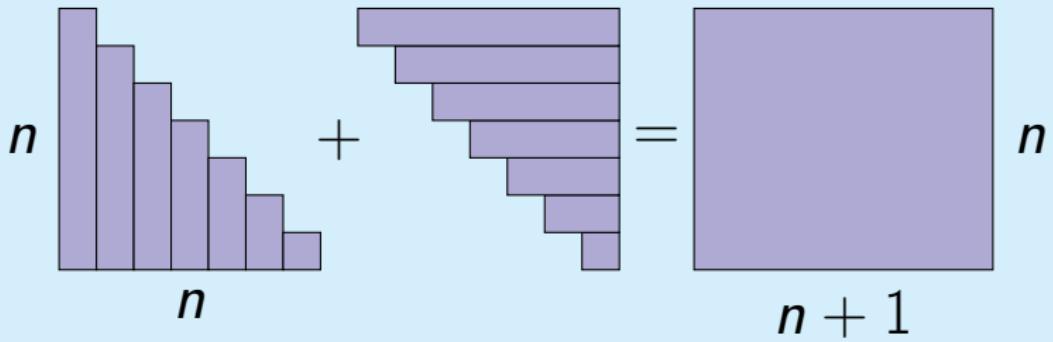
Lemma

$$1 + 2 + \cdots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Proof

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & \cdots & n \\ n & n-1 & \cdots & 1 \\ \hline n+1 & n+1 & \cdots & n+1 \end{array} = n(n+1) \quad \square$$

## Alternative proof



□

# Selection Sort: Summary

- Selection sort is an easy to implement algorithm with running time  $O(n^2)$ .
- Sorts **in place**: requires a constant amount of extra memory.
- There are many other quadratic time sorting algorithms: e.g., insertion sort, bubble sort.

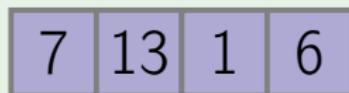
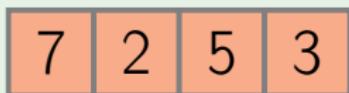
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## Example: merge sort



split the array into two halves



sort the halves recursively



merge the sorted halves into one array



## MergeSort( $A[1 \dots n]$ )

```
if  $n = 1$ :  
    return  $A$   
 $m \leftarrow \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$   
 $B \leftarrow \text{MergeSort}(\underline{A[1 \dots m]})$   
 $C \leftarrow \text{MergeSort}(\underline{A[m + 1 \dots n]})$   
 $A' \leftarrow \text{Merge}(B, C)$   
return  $A'$ 
```

# Merging Two Sorted Arrays

Merge( $B[1 \dots p]$ ,  $C[1 \dots q]$ )

{ $B$  and  $C$  are sorted}

$D \leftarrow$  empty array of size  $p + q$

while  $B$  and  $C$  are both non-empty:

$b \leftarrow$  the first element of  $B$

$c \leftarrow$  the first element of  $C$

    if  $b \leq c$ :

        move  $b$  from  $B$  to the end of  $D$

    else:

        move  $c$  from  $C$  to the end of  $D$

move the rest of  $B$  and  $C$  to the end of  $D$

return  $D$

# Merge sort: example



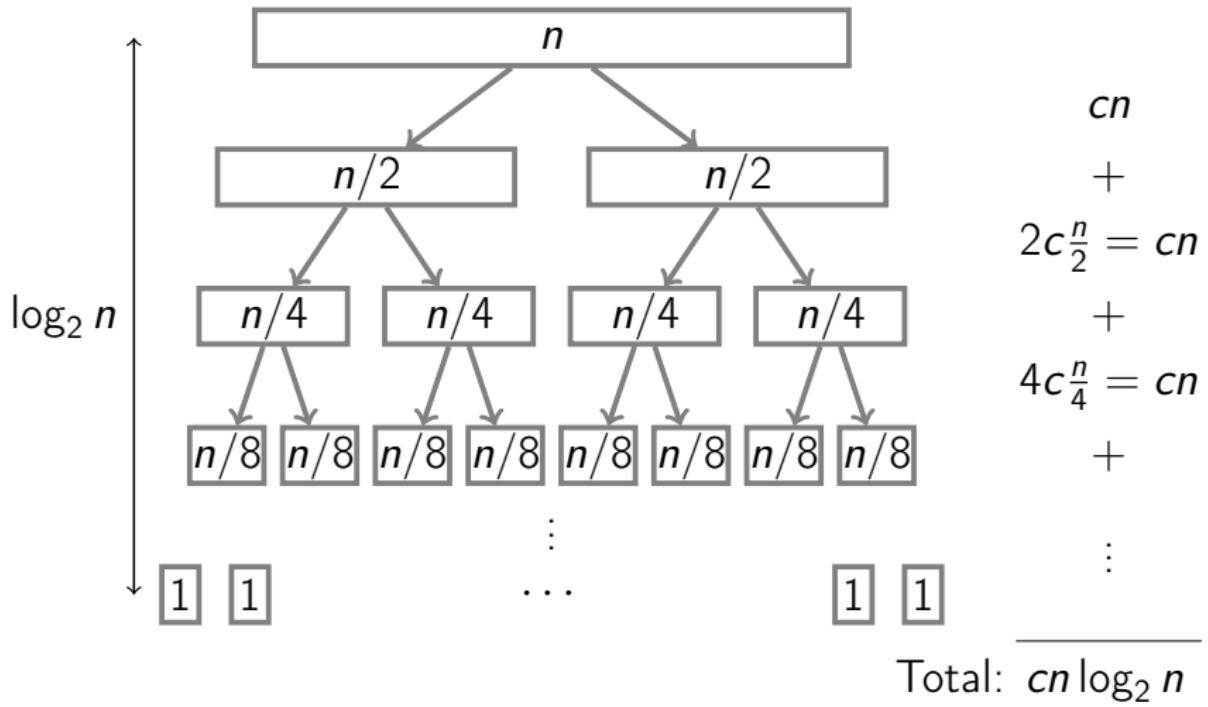
## Lemma

The running time of  $\text{MergeSort}(A[1 \dots n])$  is  $O(n \log n)$ .

## Proof

- The running time of merging  $B$  and  $C$  is  $O(n)$ .
- Hence the running time of  $\text{MergeSort}(A[1 \dots n])$  satisfies a recurrence  $T(n) \leq 2T(n/2) + O(n)$ .

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## Definition

A comparison based sorting algorithm sorts objects by comparing pairs of them.

## Example

Selection sort and merge sort are comparison based.

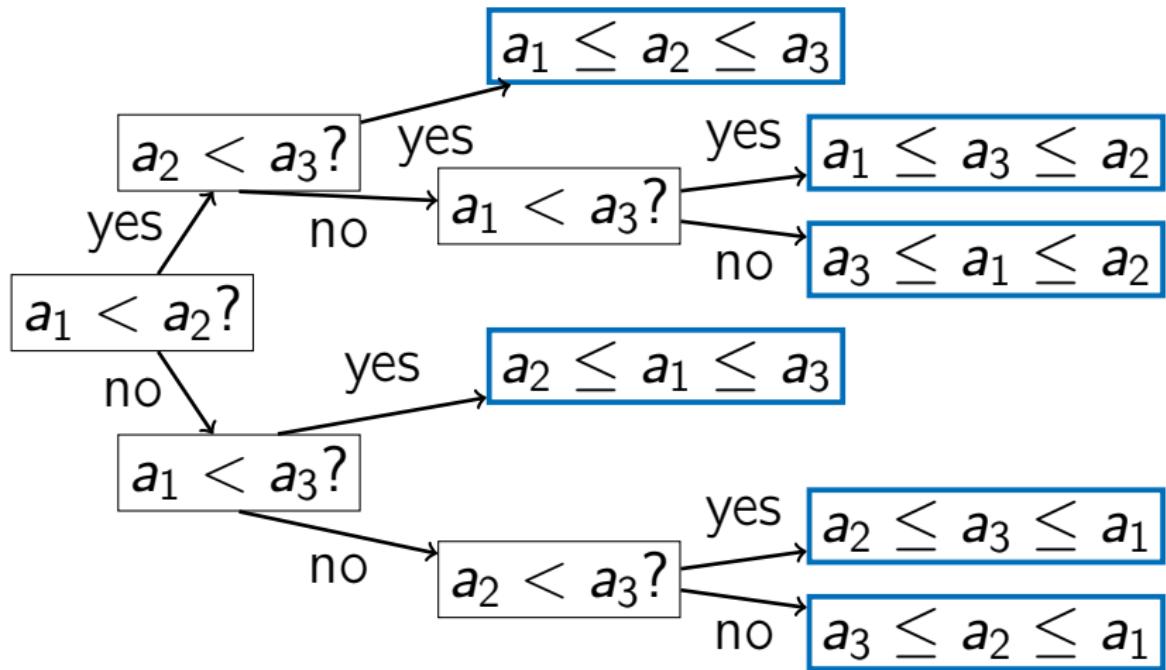
## Lemma

Any comparison based sorting algorithm performs  $\Omega(n \log n)$  comparisons in the worst case to sort  $n$  objects.

## In other words

For any comparison based sorting algorithm, there exists an array  $A[1 \dots n]$  such that the algorithm performs at least  $\Omega(n \log n)$  comparisons to sort  $A$ .

# Decision Tree



# Estimating Tree Depth

- the number of leaves  $\ell$  in the tree must be at least  $n!$  (the total number of permutations)
- the worst-case running time of the algorithm (the number of comparisons made) is at least the depth  $d$
- $d \geq \log_2 \ell$  (or, equivalently,  $2^d \geq \ell$ )
- thus, the running time is at least

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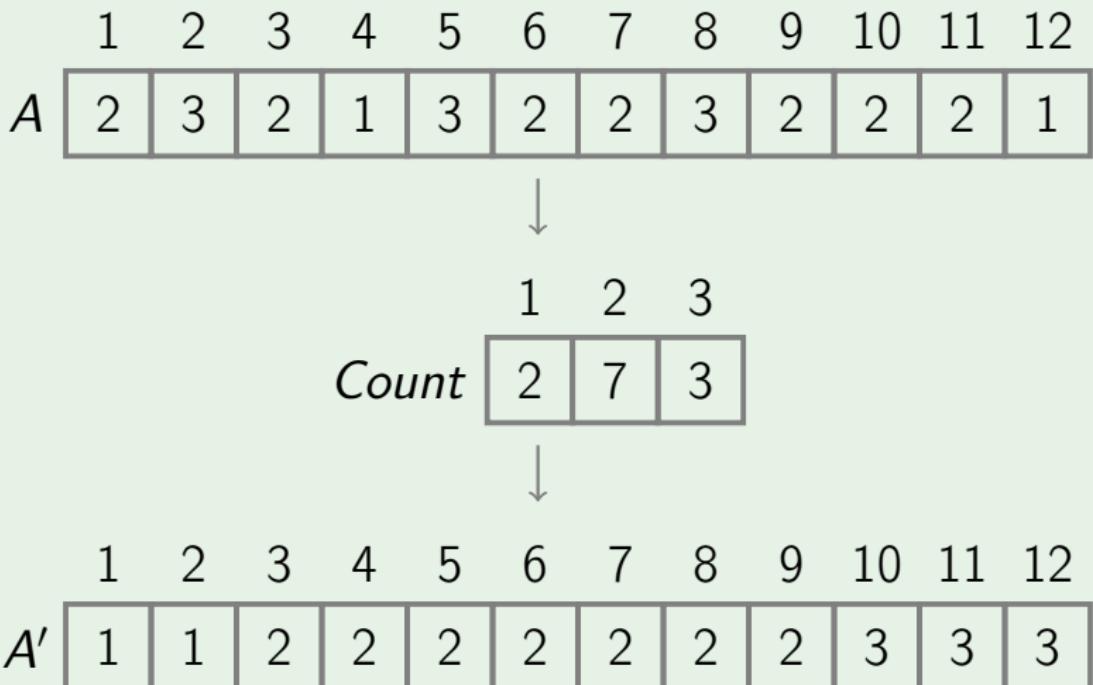
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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	2	3	2	1	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	1

we have sorted these numbers without actually comparing them!

↓

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$A'$	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3

# Counting Sort: Ideas

- Assume that all elements of  $A[1 \dots n]$  are integers from 1 to  $M$ .
- By a single scan of the array  $A$ , count the number of occurrences of each  $1 \leq k \leq M$  in the array  $A$  and store it in  $Count[k]$ .
- Using this information, fill in the sorted array  $A'$ .

## CountSort( $A[1 \dots n]$ )

$Count[1 \dots M] \leftarrow [0, \dots, 0]$

for  $i$  from 1 to  $n$ :

$Count[A[i]] \leftarrow Count[A[i]] + 1$

{ $k$  appears  $Count[k]$  times in  $A$ }

$Pos[1 \dots M] \leftarrow [0, \dots, 0]$

$Pos[1] \leftarrow 1$

for  $j$  from 2 to  $M$ :

$Pos[j] \leftarrow Pos[j - 1] + Count[j - 1]$

{ $k$  will occupy range  $[Pos[k] \dots Pos[k + 1] - 1]$ }

for  $i$  from 1 to  $n$ :

$A'[Pos[A[i]]] \leftarrow A[i]$

$Pos[A[i]] \leftarrow Pos[A[i]] + 1$

## Lemma

Provided that all elements of  $A[1 \dots n]$  are integers from 1 to  $M$ ,  $\text{CountSort}(A)$  sorts  $A$  in time  $O(n + M)$ .

## Remark

If  $M = O(n)$ , then the running time is  $O(n)$ .

# Summary



- Merge sort uses the divide-and-conquer strategy to sort an  $n$ -element array in time  $O(n \log n)$ .
- No comparison based algorithm can do this (asymptotically) faster.
- One **can** do faster if something is known about the input array in advance (e.g., it contains small integers).

# Divide-and-Conquer: Quick Sort

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# Quick Sort

- comparison based algorithm
- running time:  $O(n \log n)$  (on average)
- efficient in practice

## Example: quick sort

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partition with respect to  $x = A[1]$   
in particular,  $x$  is in its final position

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sort the two parts recursively

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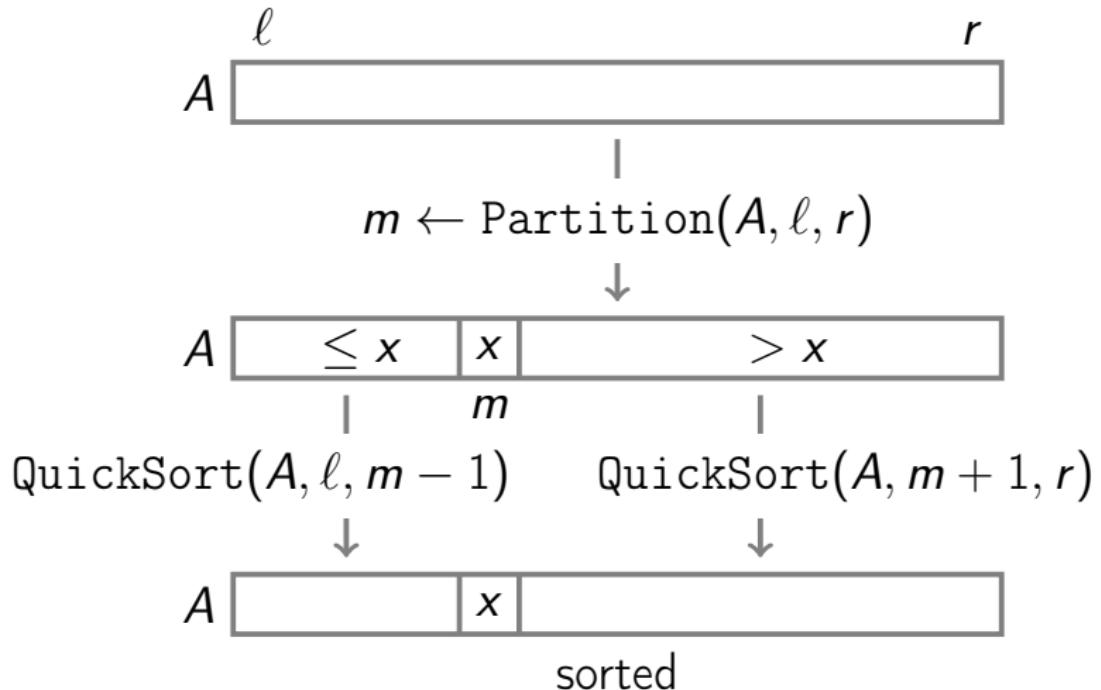
    return

$m \leftarrow \text{Partition}(A, \ell, r)$

{ $A[m]$  is in the final position}

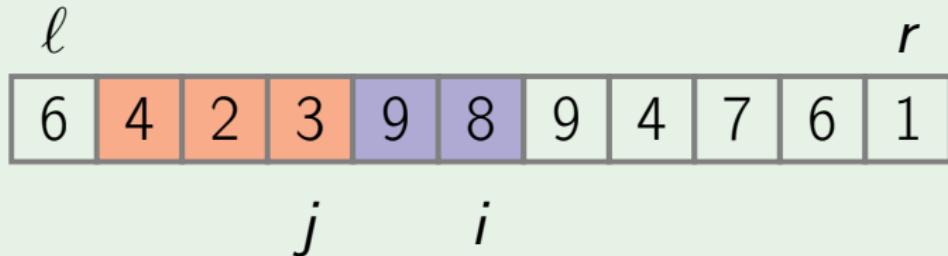
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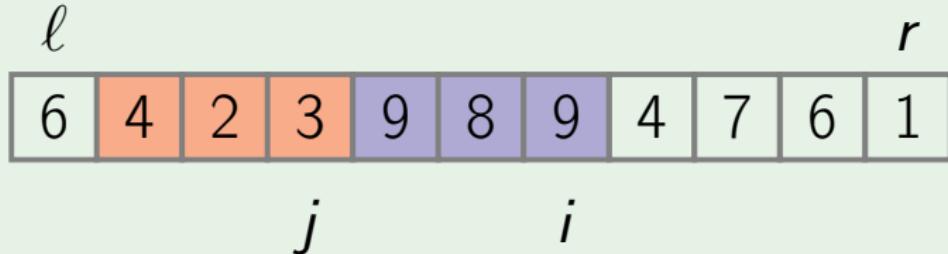
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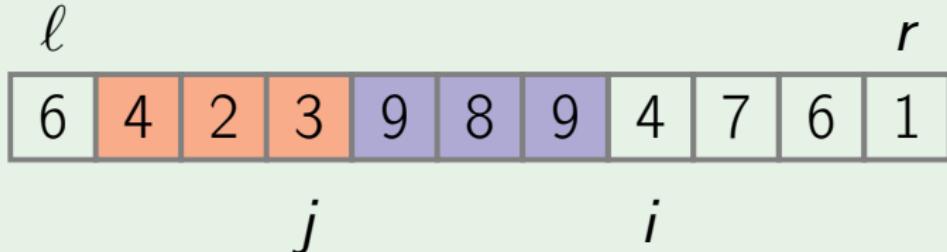
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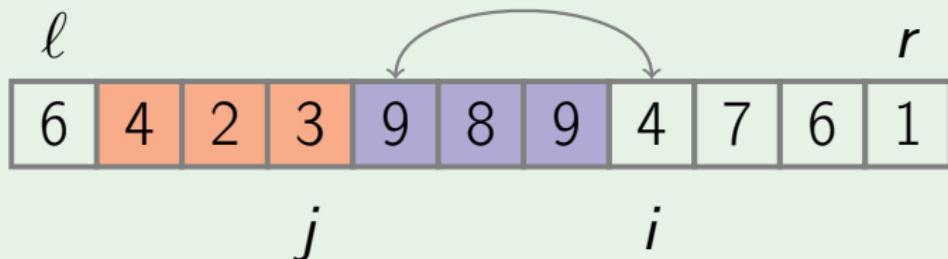
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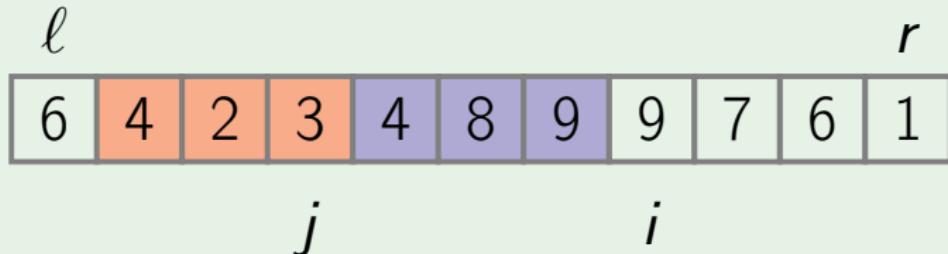
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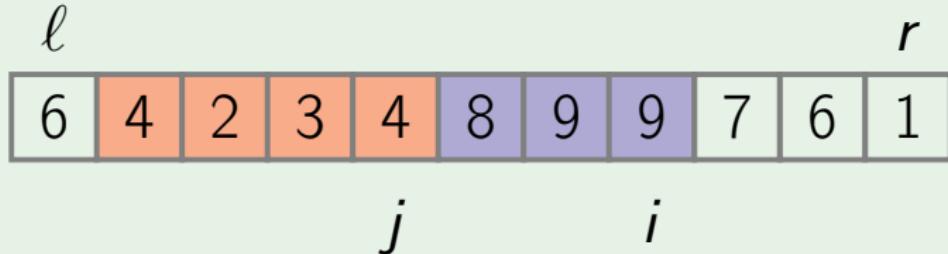
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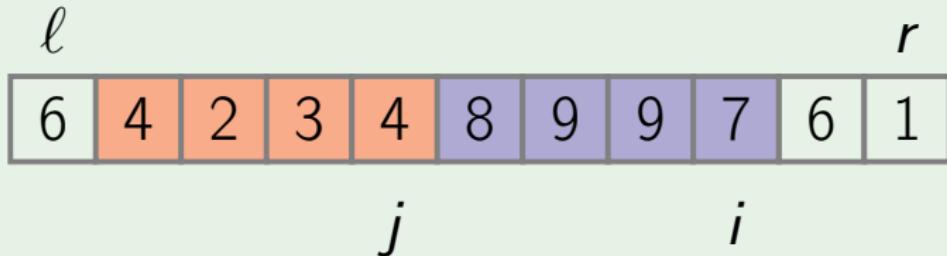
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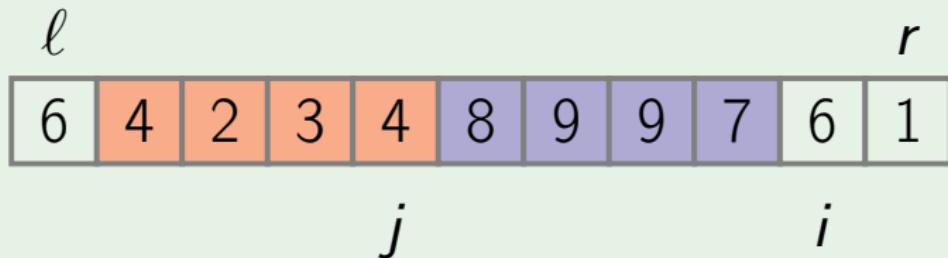
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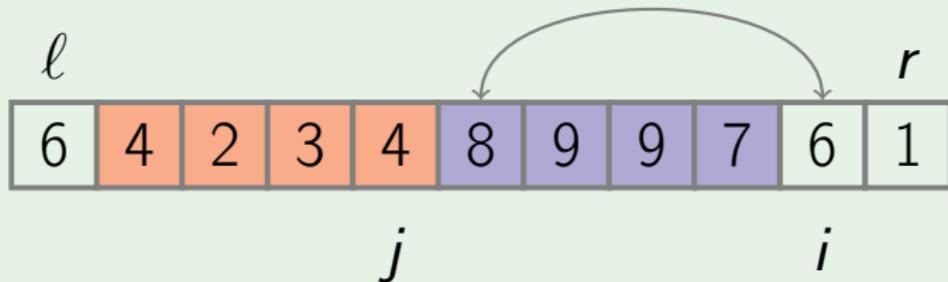
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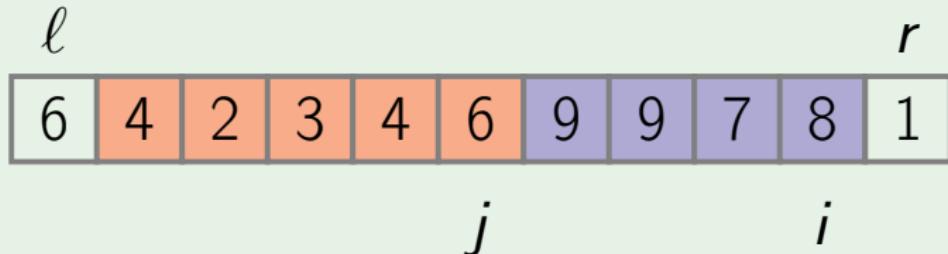
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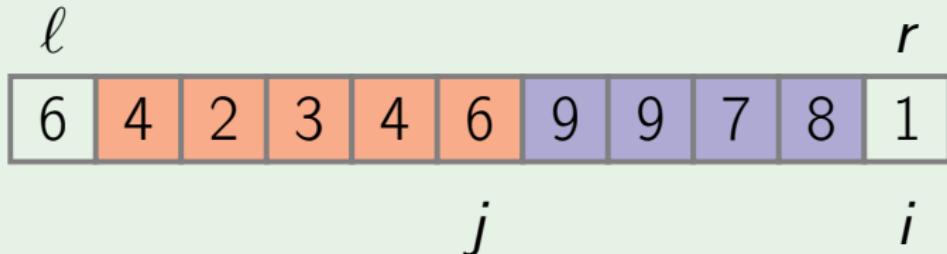
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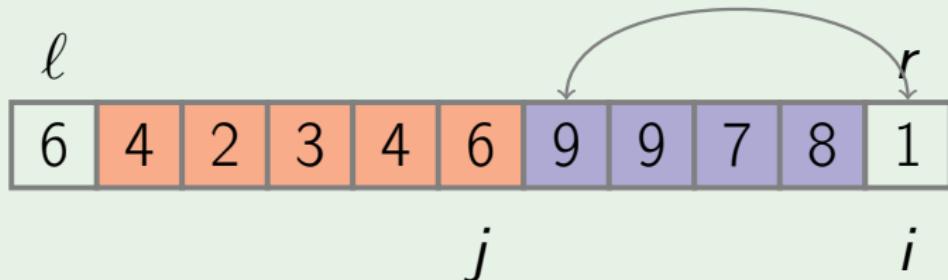
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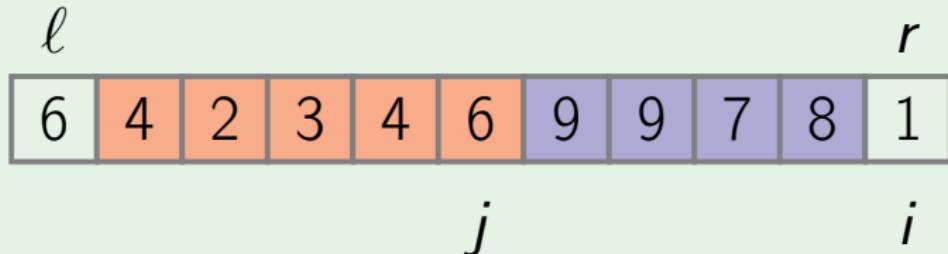
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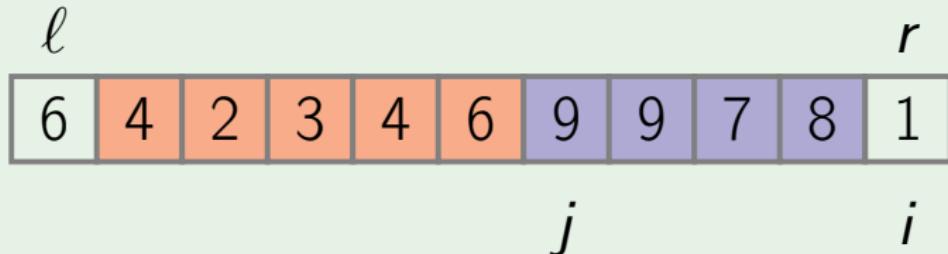
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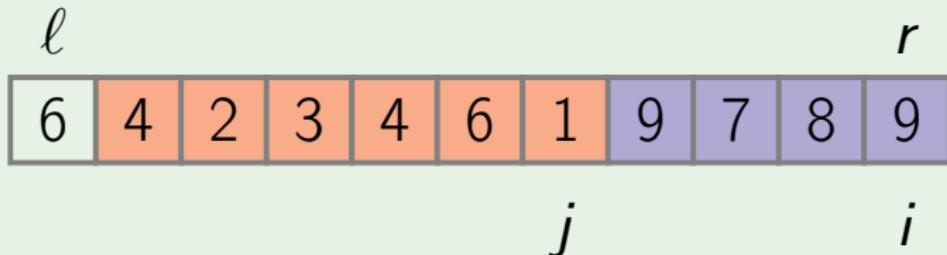
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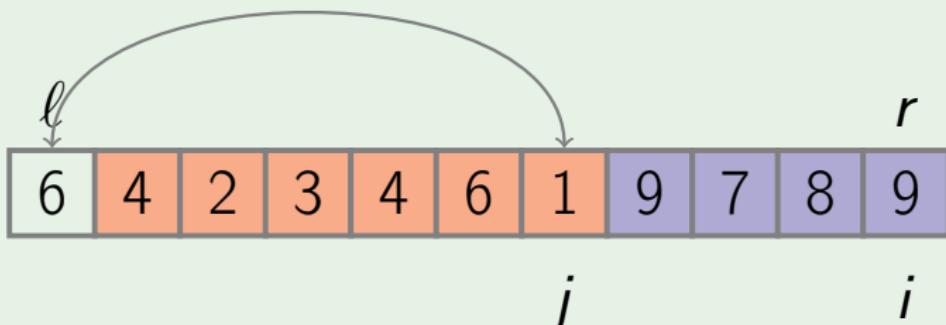
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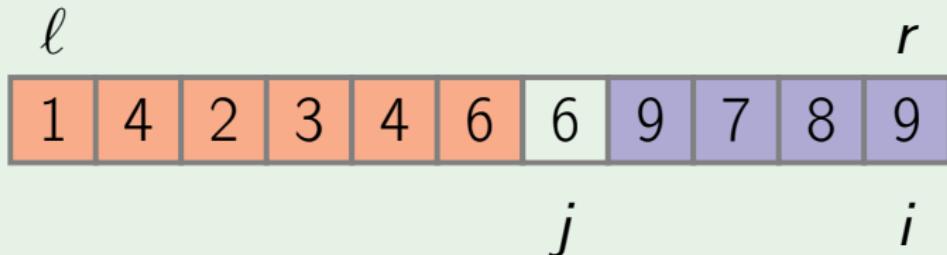
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## Partition( $A, \ell, r$ )

$x \leftarrow A[\ell]$  {pivot}

$j \leftarrow \ell$

for  $i$  from  $\ell + 1$  to  $r$ :

if  $A[i] \leq x$ :

$j \leftarrow j + 1$

swap  $A[j]$  and  $A[i]$

{ $A[\ell + 1 \dots j] \leq x, A[j + 1 \dots i] > x$ }

swap  $A[\ell]$  and  $A[j]$

return  $j$

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# Unbalanced Partitions

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

$$T(n) = n + (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots = \Theta(n^2)$$

- $T(n) = n + T(n - 5) + T(4)$ :

$$T(n) \geq n + (n-5) + (n-10) + \dots = \Theta(n^2)$$

# Balanced Partitions

- $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n$ :

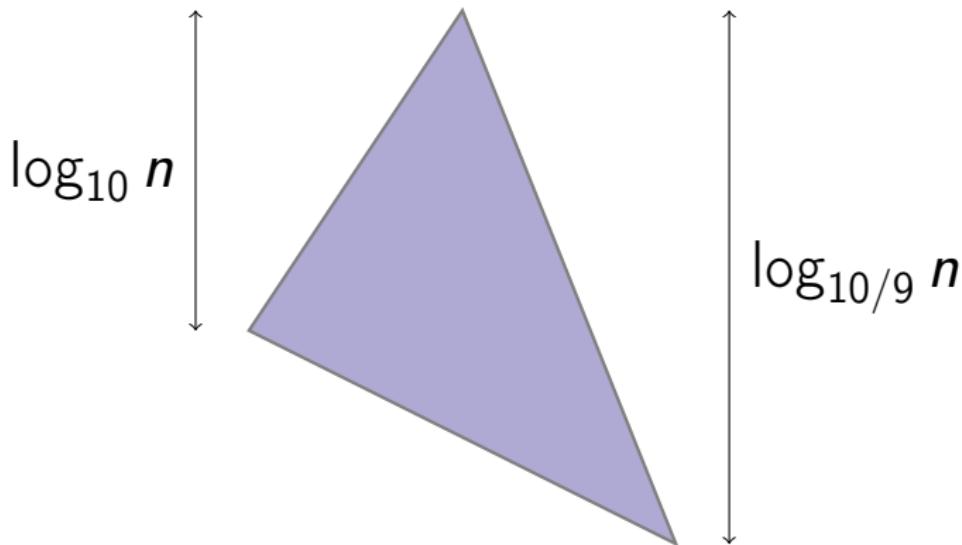
$$T(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$$

- $T(n) = T(n/10) + T(9n/10) + n$ :

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# Balanced Partitions

$$T(n) = T(n/10) + T(9n/10) + O(n)$$



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

# Random Pivot

RandomizedQuickSort( $A, \ell, r$ )

```
if  $\ell \geq r$ :  
    return  
 $k \leftarrow$  random number between  $\ell$  and  $r$   
swap  $A[\ell]$  and  $A[k]$   
 $m \leftarrow$  Partition( $A, \ell, r$ )  
 $\{A[m]$  is in the final position}  
RandomizedQuickSort( $A, \ell, m - 1$ )  
RandomizedQuickSort( $A, m + 1, r$ )
```

# Why Random?

half of the elements of  $A$  guarantees a balanced partition:



## Theorem

Assume that all the elements of  $A[1 \dots n]$  are pairwise different. Then the average running time of  $\text{RandomizedQuickSort}(A)$  is  $O(n \log n)$  while the worst case running time is  $O(n^2)$ .

## Remark

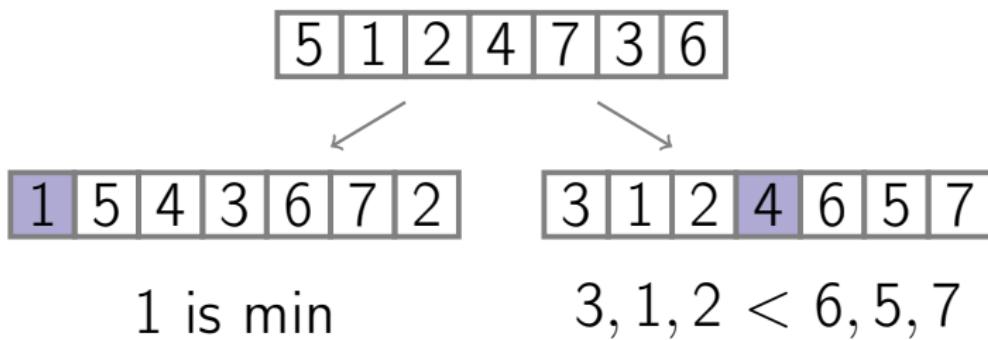
Averaging is over random numbers used by the algorithm, but not over the inputs.

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# Proof Ideas: Comparisons

- the running time is proportional to the number of comparisons made
- balanced partition are better since they reduce the number of comparisons needed:



# Proof Ideas: Probability

$A$	5	1	8	9	2	4	7	3	6
$A'$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

$$\text{Prob}(1 \text{ and } 9 \text{ are compared}) = \frac{2}{9}$$

$$\text{Prob}(3 \text{ and } 4 \text{ are compared}) = 1$$

# Proof

- let, for  $i < j$ ,

$$\chi_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & A'[i] \text{ and } A'[j] \text{ are compared} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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- for all  $i < j$ ,  $A'[i]$  and  $A'[j]$  are either compared exactly once or not compared at all (as we compare with a pivot)
- this, in particular, implies that the worst case running time is  $\underline{O(n^2)}$

# Proof (continued)

- crucial observation:  $\chi_{ij} = 1$  iff the first selected pivot in  $A'[i \dots j]$  is  $A'[i]$  or  $A'[j]$
  - then  $\text{Prob}(\chi_{ij}) = \frac{2}{j-i+1}$  and  
 $E(\chi_{ij}) = \frac{2}{j-i+1}$
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## Proof (continued)

Then (the expected value of) the running time is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \chi_{ij} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \mathbb{E}(\chi_{ij}) \\ &= \sum_{i < j} \frac{2}{j - i + 1} \\ &\leq 2n \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \right) \\ &= \Theta(n \log n) \end{aligned}$$

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# Equal Elements

- what if all the elements of the given array are equal to each other?
- quick sort visualization
- the array is always split into two parts of size  $0$  and  $n - 1$
- $T(n) = n + T(n - 1) + T(0)$  and hence  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)!$

To handle equal elements, we replace the line

$$m \leftarrow \text{Partition}(A, \ell, r)$$

with the line

$$(m_1, m_2) \leftarrow \text{Partition3}(A, \ell, r)$$

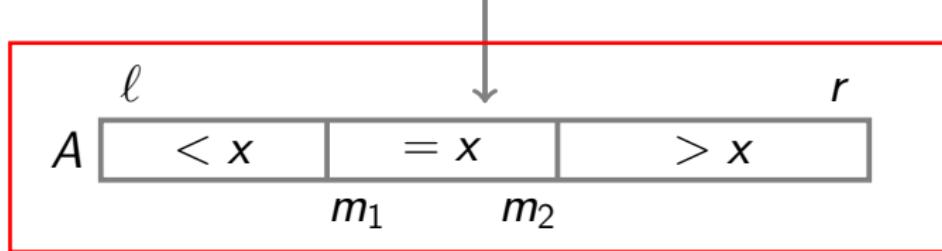
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such that

- for all  $\ell \leq k \leq m_1 - 1$ ,  $A[k] < x$
  - for all  $m_1 \leq k \leq m_2$ ,  $A[k] = x$
  - for all  $m_2 + 1 \leq k \leq r$ ,  $A[k] > x$
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$(m_1, m_2) \leftarrow \text{Partition3}(A, \ell, r)$



## RandomizedQuickSort( $A, \ell, r$ )

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if  $\ell \geq r$ :  
    return  
 $k \leftarrow$  random number between  $\ell$  and  $r$   
swap  $A[\ell]$  and  $A[k]$   
 $(m_1, m_2) \leftarrow \text{Partition3}(A, \ell, r)$   
 $\{A[m_1 \dots m_2]$  is in final position}  
RandomizedQuickSort( $A, \ell, m_1 - 1$ )  
RandomizedQuickSort( $A, m_2 + 1, r$ )
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# Tail Recursion Elimination

QuickSort( $A, \ell, r$ )

while  $\ell < r$ :

$m \leftarrow \text{Partition}(A, \ell, r)$

QuickSort( $A, \ell, m - 1$ )

$\ell \leftarrow m + 1$

## QuickSort( $A, \ell, r$ )

while  $\ell < r$ :

$m \leftarrow \text{Partition}(A, \ell, r)$

if  $(m - \ell) < (r - m)$ :

QuickSort( $A, \ell, m - 1$ )

$\ell \leftarrow m + 1$

else:

QuickSort( $A, m + 1, r$ )

$r \leftarrow m - 1$

Worst-case space requirement:  $O(\log n)$

# Intro Sort

- runs quick sort with a simple deterministic pivot selection heuristic (say, median of the first, middle, and last element)
- if the recursion depth exceeds a certain threshold  $c \log n$  the algorithm switches to heap sort
- the running time is  $O(n \log n)$  in the worst case

# Conclusion



- Quick sort is a comparison based algorithm
- Running time:  $O(n \log n)$  on average,  
 $O(n^2)$  in the worst case
- Efficient in practice