



# Recursion: Simple Examples

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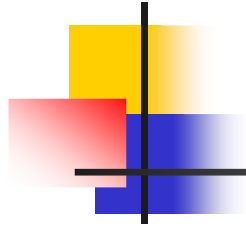
# Maximum of an array

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## ■ Specifications

- Given an array of  $n=2^k$  integers
- Find its maximum and print it on standard output

divide and conquer  
 $a = 2$  and  $n/n' = 2$



## Solution

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Maximum in an array of integers

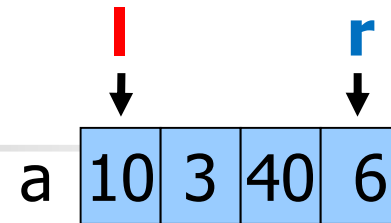
- If  $n=1$ , find maximum explicitly
- If  $n>1$ 
  - Divide array in 2 subarrays, each being half the original array
  - Recursively search for maximum in each subarray
  - Compare results and return bigger one

# Solution

In the main program (initial call #0):

```
result = max(a, 0, 3);
```

**l** = 0 **r** = 3

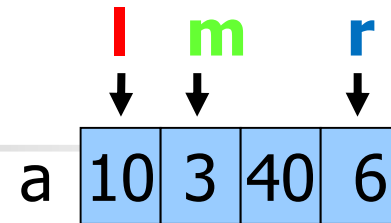


$n = 2^2$

```
int max(int a[], int l, int r){  
    int u, v;  
    int m = (l + r)/2;  
    if (l == r)  
        return a[l];  
    u = max(a, l, m);  
    v = max(a, m+1, r);  
    if (u > v)  
        return u;  
    else  
        return v;  
}
```

# Solution

max(a, 0, 3);



`l` = 0 `r` = 3 `m` = 1

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        return u;  
    else  
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}
```

max(a, 0, 1);

# Solution

a 10 3 40 6

**l** = 0 **r** = 3 **m** = 1

Recursive call #1

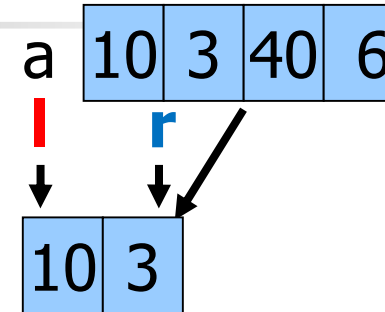
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}
```

max(a, 0, 1);

# Solution

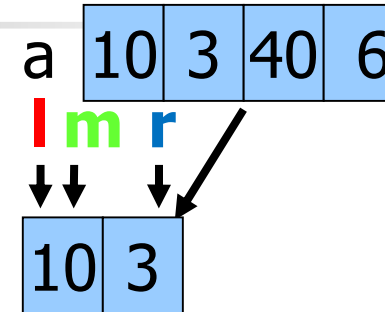
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## Solution



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max(a, 0, 1);

# Solution

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10 3

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}
```

Recursive call #2

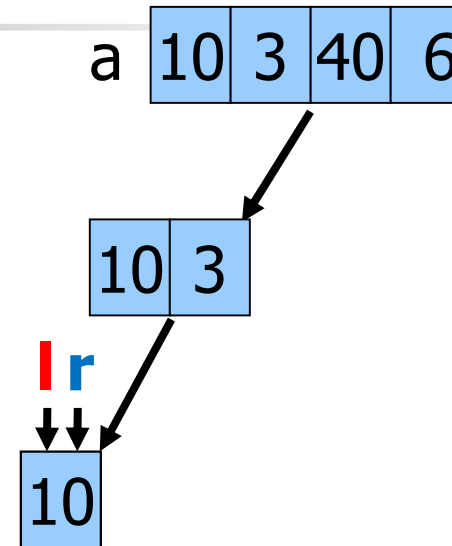
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# Solution

**l** = 0 **r** = 0

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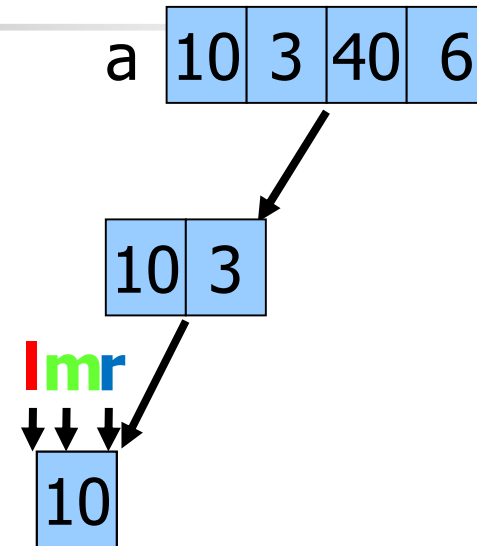


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## Solution

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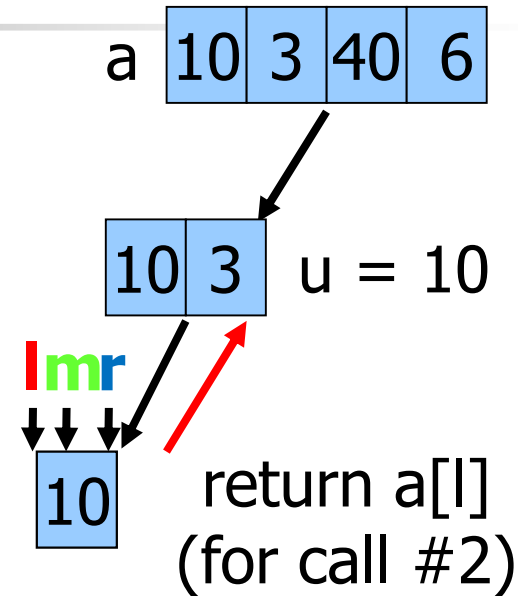


max(a, 0, 0);

# Solution

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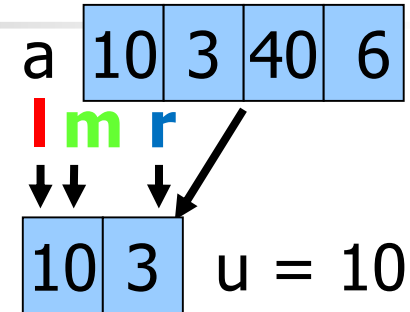
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max(a, 0, 1);

## Solution

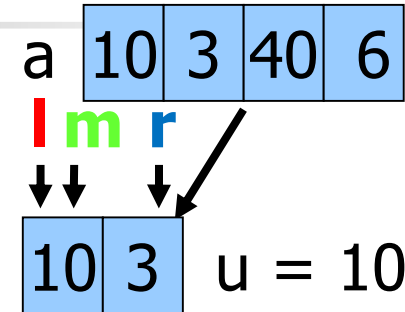
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}
```

max(a, 0, 1);

# Solution



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```

Recursive call #3

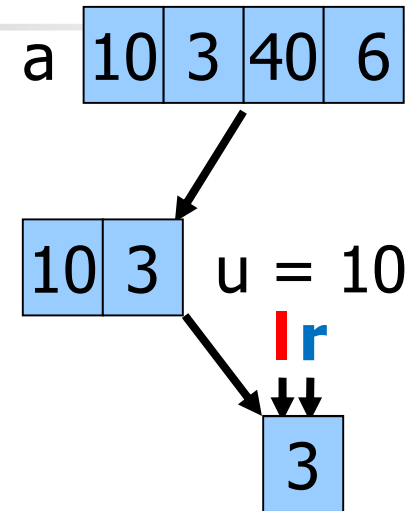
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max(a, 1, 1);

# Solution

**l** = 1 **r** = 1

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}
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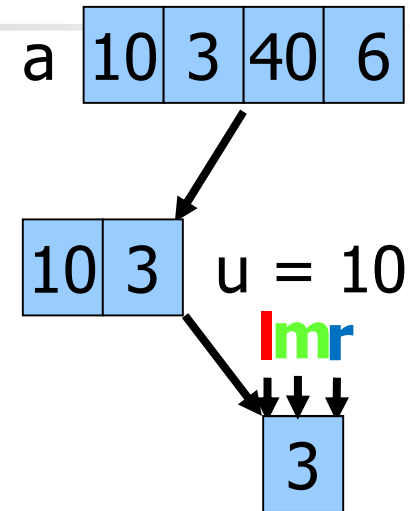


max(a, 1, 1);

# Solution

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```





# Solution

max(a, 1, 1);

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        return u;  
    else  
        return v;  
}
```

a 10 3 40 6

10 3 u = 10 v = 3

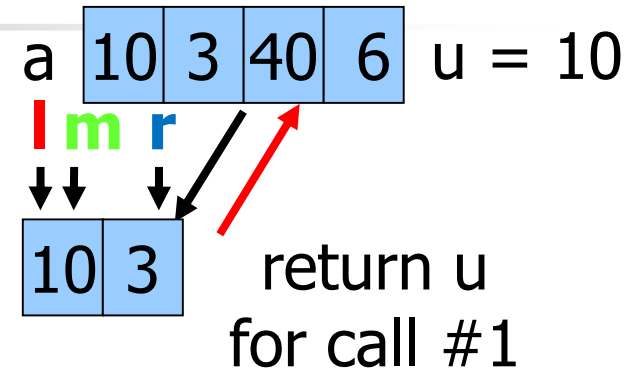
return a[l]  
for call #3

3

max(a, 0, 1);

## Solution

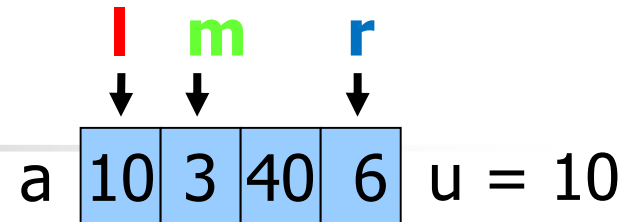
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}
```

# Solution

`max(a, 0, 3);`

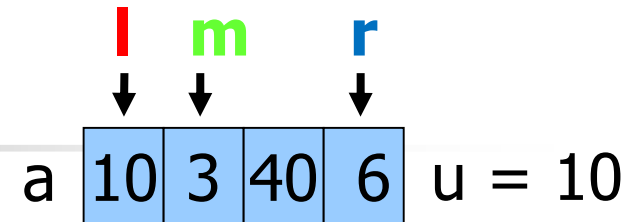


`l = 0` `r = 3` `m = 1`

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int max(int a[], int l, int r){
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        return a[l];
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}
```

# Solution

max(a, 0, 3);



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}
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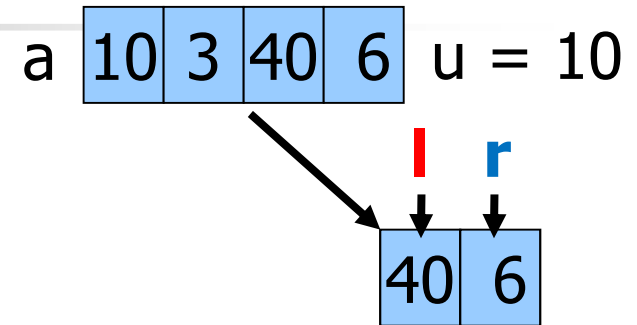
Recursive call #4

max(a, 2, 3);

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## Solution

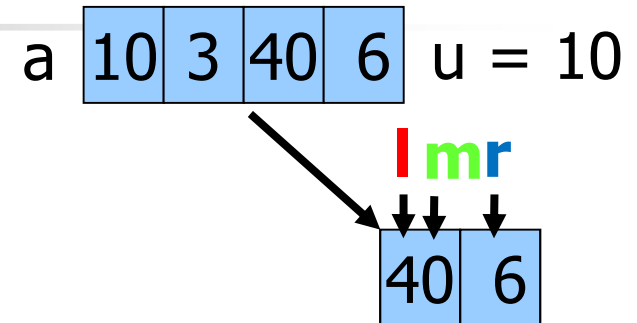
**l** = 2 **r** = 3



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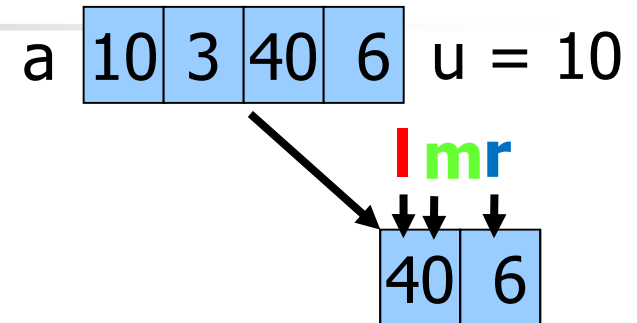


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max(a, 2, 3);

## Solution



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}
```

Recursive call #5

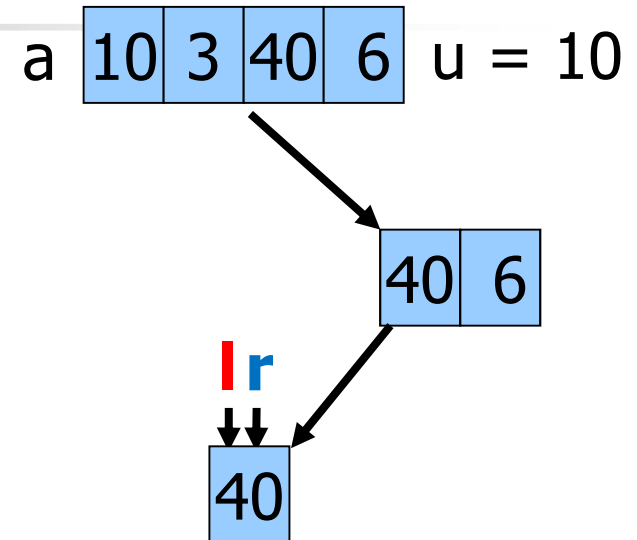
max(a, 2, 2);

max(a, 2, 2);

## Solution

**l** = 2 **r** = 2

```
int max(int a[], int l, int r){  
    int u, v;  
    int m = (l + r)/2;  
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}
```



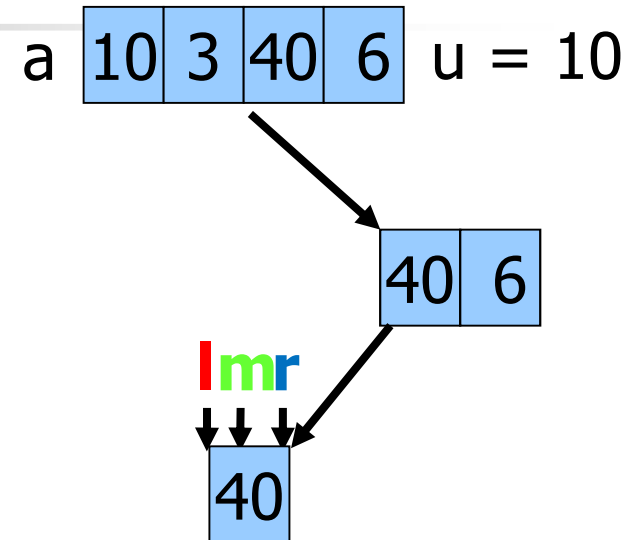


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## Solution

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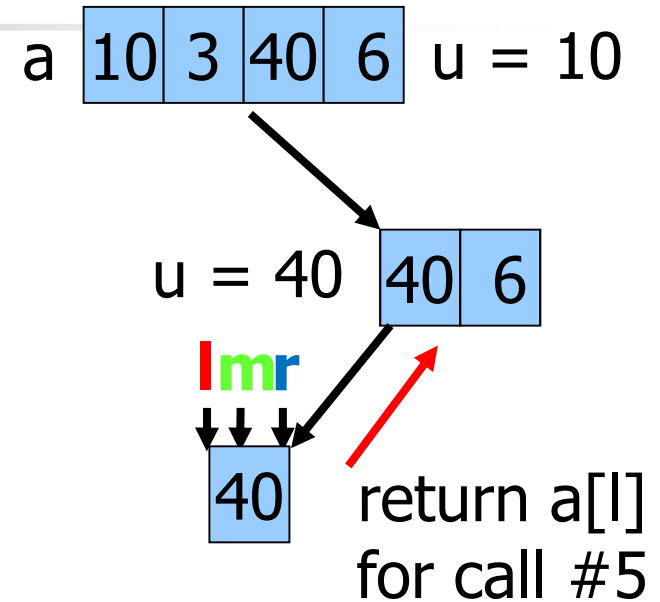


max(a, 2, 2);

## Solution

**l** = 2 **r** = 2 **m** = 2

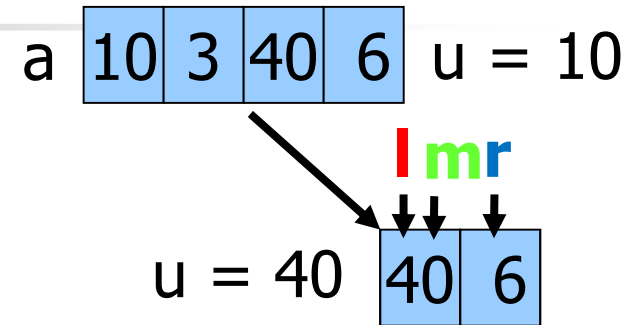
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max(a, 2, 3);

## Solution

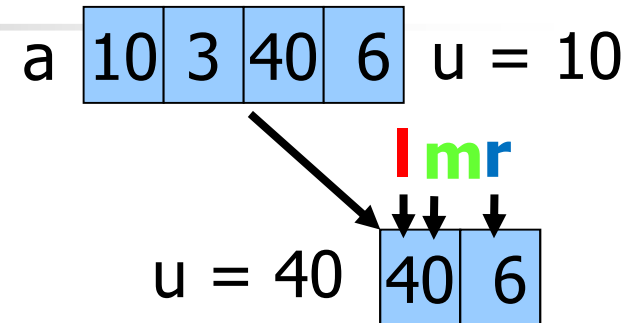
**l** = 2 **r** = 3 **m** = 2



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```

max(a, 2, 3);

## Solution



**l** = 2 **r** = 3 **m** = 2

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        return u;
    else
        return v;
}
```

Recursive call #6

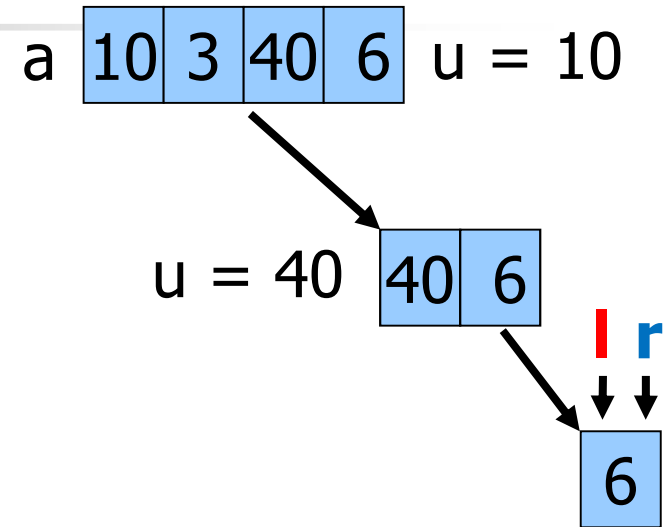
max(a, 3, 3);

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## Solution

**l** = 3 **r** = 3

```
int max(int a[], int l, int r){  
    int u, v;  
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        return v;  
}
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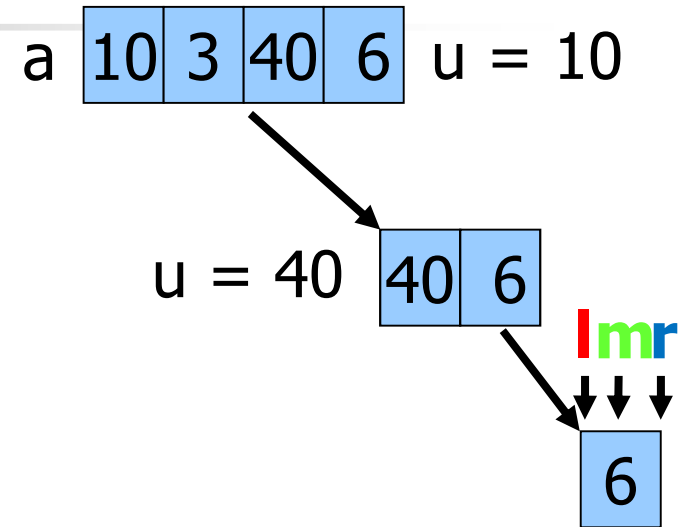


max(a, 3, 3);

## Solution

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}
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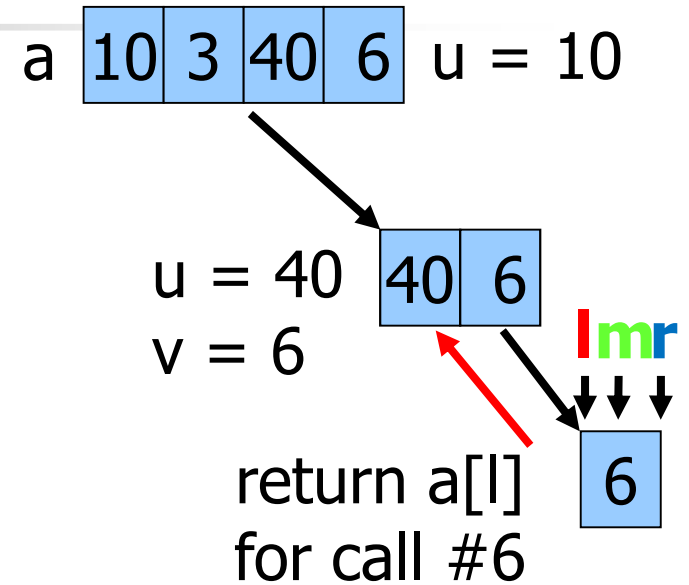


max(a, 3, 3);

## Solution

**l** = 3 **r** = 3 **m** = 3

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}
```



max(a, 2, 3);

## Solution

**l** = 2 **r** = 3 **m** = 2

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    int u, v;  
    int m = (l + r)/2;  
    if (l == r)  
        return a[l];  
    u = max (a, l, m);  
    v = max (a, m+1, r);  
    if (u > v)  
        return u;  
    else  
        return v;  
}
```

a 


10	3	40	6
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 $u = 10$   
 $v = 40$

return u  
for call #4

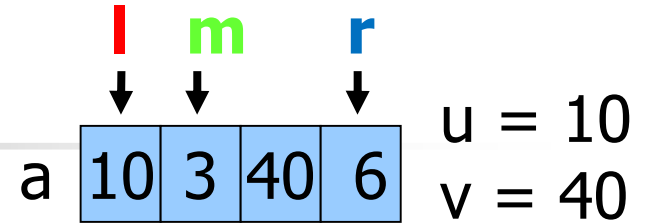
$u = 40$   
 $v = 6$



```
result = max (A, 0, 3);  result = 40
```



# Solution



**l** = 0   **r** = 3   **m** = 1

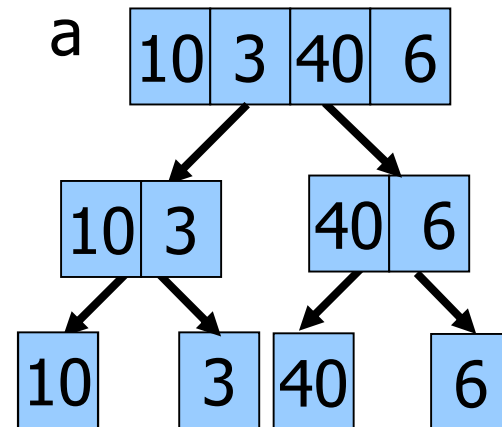
```
return v
```

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# Solution

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# Complexity Analysis

divide and conquer  
 $a = 2$   $b = 2$

- Complexity analysis

- $D(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $C(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $a = 2, b = 2$

Divide – Recur - Combine

- Recurrence equation

- $T(n) = D(n) + a T(n/b) + C(n)$

- That is

- $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 1$
- $T(1) = 1$

$n > 1$

$n=1$



# Complexity Analysis

## ■ Resolution by unfolding

- $T(n) = 1 + 2T(n/2)$
- $T(n/2) = 1 + 2T(n/4)$
- $T(n/4) = 1 + 2T(n/8)$

Termination  
condition  
 $n/2^i = 1$   
 $i = \log_2 n$

## ■ Replacing in $T(n)$

- $$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 1 + 2 + 4 + 2^3 T(n/8) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} 2^i = (2^{\log_2 n + 1} - 1) / (2 - 1) \\ &= 2 \cdot 2^{\log_2 n} - 1 = 2n - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^k x^i = (x^{k+1} - 1) / (x - 1)$$

## ■ Thus

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



# Factorials

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- Factorial (iterative definition)

- $n! \equiv \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (n - i) = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot 2 \cdot 1$

- Factorial (recursive definition)

- $n! \equiv n \cdot (n-1)! \quad n \geq 1$
  - $0! \equiv 1$

Decrease and conquer  
 $a = 1 \quad k_i = 1$



## Example: 5!

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$$\begin{aligned} 5! &= 5 \cdot 4! = 120 \\ &\quad \swarrow \\ 4! &= 4 \cdot 3! = 24 \\ &\quad \swarrow \\ 3! &= 3 \cdot 2! = 6 \\ &\quad \swarrow \\ 2! &= 2 \cdot 1! = 2 \\ &\quad \swarrow \\ 1! &= 1 \cdot 0! = 1 \\ &\quad \swarrow \\ 0! &= 1 \end{aligned}$$



# Solution

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```
#include <stdio.h>

long fact(int n);

main() {
    long n;
    printf("Input n:  ");
    scanf("%d", &n);
    printf("%d != %d\n", n, fact(n));
}

long fact(long n) {
    if(n == 0)
        return(1);
    return(n * fact(n-1));
}
```



# Complexity Analysis

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## ■ Complexity analysis

- $D(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $C(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $a = 1$
- $k_i = 1$

## ■ Recurrence equation

- $T(n) = D(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} T(n - k_i) + C(n)$

## ■ That is

- $T(n) = 1 + T(n-1) \quad n > 1$
- $T(1) = 1$





# Complexity Analysis

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## ■ Resolution by unfolding

- $T(n) = 1 + T(n-1)$
- $T(n-1) = 1 + T(n-2)$
- $T(n-2) = 1 + T(n-3)$
- ...

## ■ Replacing in $T(n)$

- $T(n) = 1+1+1+T(n-3) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 1 = 1 + (n-1) = n$

Termination

$$n-i = 1$$

$$i = n - 1$$

## ■ Thus

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



# Fibonacci Numbers

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## ■ Fibonacci numbers

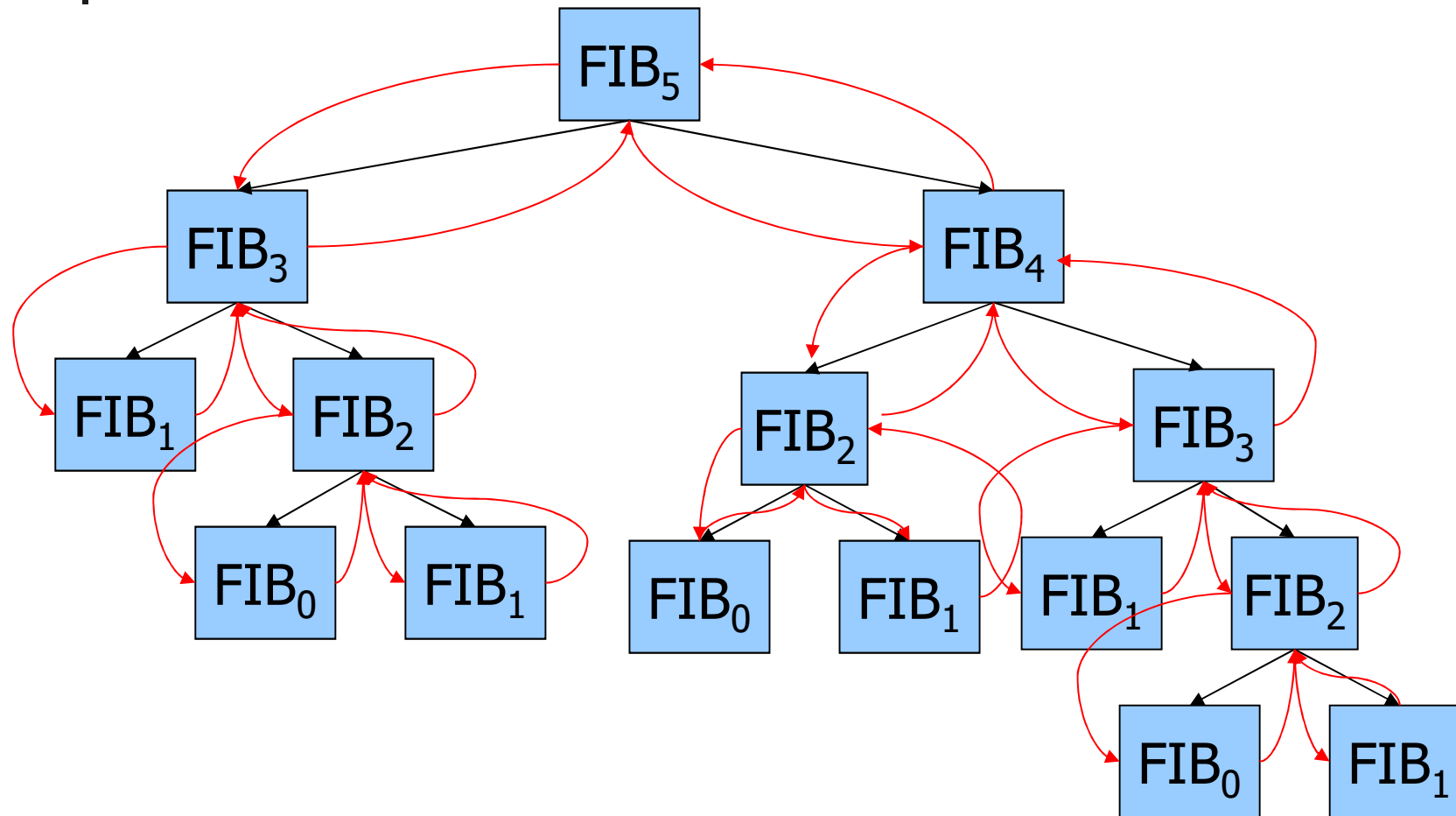
- $FIB_n = FIB_{n-2} + FIB_{n-1} \quad n > 1$
- $FIB_0 = 0$
- $FIB_1 = 1$

## ■ Example

- 0 1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 ...

Decrease and conquer  
 $a = 2 \quad k_i = 1 \quad k_{i-1} = 2$

## Example: Computing $\text{FIB}_5$





# Solution

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```
#include <stdio.h>

long fib(long n);

main() {
    long n;
    printf("Input n:  ");
    scanf("%d", &n);
    printf("Fibonacci of %d is: %d \n", n, fib(n));
}

long fib(long n) {
    if(n == 0 || n == 1)
        return (n);
    return (fib(n-2) + fib(n-1));
}
```



# Complexity Analysis

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## ■ Complexity Analysis

- $D(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $C(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $a = 2$
- $k_i = 1$
- $k_{i-1} = 2$

## ■ Recurrence equation

- $T(n) = D(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} T(n-k_i) + C(n)$



# Complexity Analysis

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## ■ That is

- $T(n) = 1 + T(n-1) + T(n-2)$   $n > 1$
- $T(0) = 1$
- $T(1) = 1$
- ...

## ■ Conservative approximation

- $T(n-2) \leq T(n-1)$ 
  - Replace  $T(n-2)$  with  $T(n-1)$
- $T(n) = 1 + 2T(n-1)$   $n > 1$
- $T(n) = 1$



# Complexity Analysis

## ■ Resolution by unfolding

- $T(n) = 1 + 2T(n-1)$
- $T(n-1) = 1 + 2T(n-2)$
- $T(n-2) = 1 + 2T(n-3)$
- ...

## ■ Replacing in $T(n)$

- $T(n) = 1 + 2 + 4 + 2^3T(n-3) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^i = 2^n - 1$

## ■ Thus

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

Termination  
 $n-i = 1$   
 $i = n - 1$

$$\sum_{i=0}^k x^i = (x^{k+1} - 1)/(x - 1)$$



# Binary search

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## ■ Binary search

- Does key  $k$  belong to the sorted array  $v[n]$ ?  
Yes/No

## ■ Approach

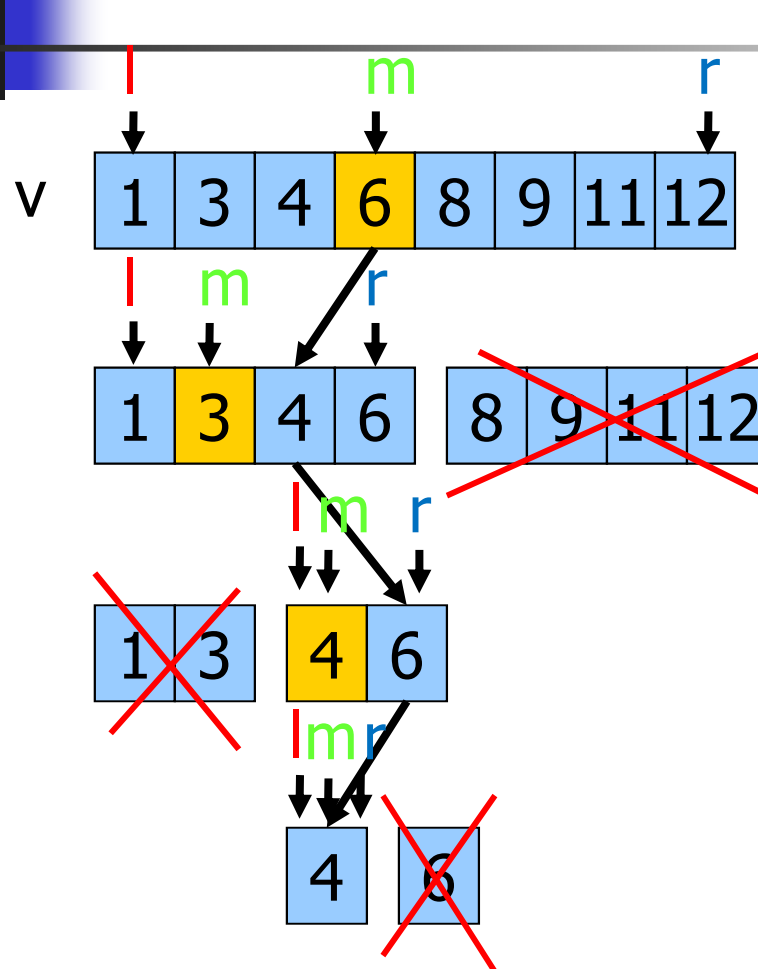
- At each step: compare  $k$  with middle element in the array:
  - $=$ : Termination with success
  - $<$ : Search continues in left sub-array
  - $>$ : Search continues in right sub-array

Assumption:  $n = 2^p$

Divide and conquer  
 $a = 1 \quad b = 2$



# Example

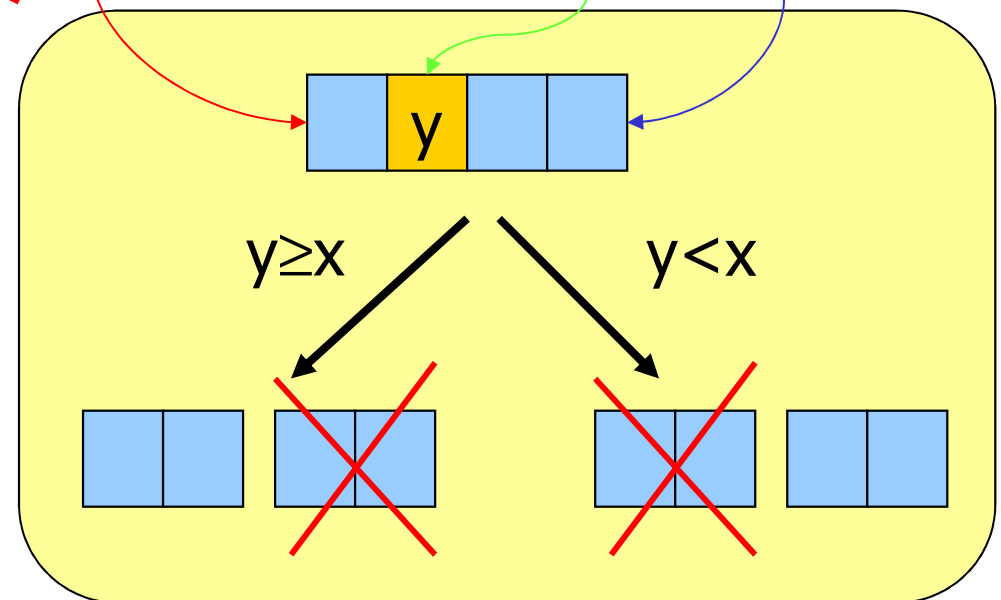


$y$  = middle element

$l$  = leftmost index

$r$  = rightmost index

$m$  = index of middle element





# Solution

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```
int BinSearch(int v[], int l, int r, int k){
    int m;

    if (l > r)
        return(-1);

    m = (l+r) / 2;

    if (k < v[m])
        return(BinSearch(v, l, m-1, k));
    if (k > v[m])
        return(BinSearch(v, m+1, r, k));

    return m;
}
```



# Complexity Analysis

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- Complexity analysis

- $D(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $C(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $a = 1, b = 2$

- Recurrence equation

- $T(n) = D(n) + a T(n/b) + C(n)$

- That is

- $T(n) = T(n/2) + 1$   $n > 1$
- $T(1) = 1$   $n=1$



# Complexity Analysis

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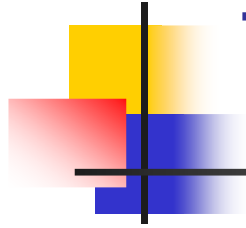
## ■ Resolution by unfolding

- $T(n/2) = T(n/4) + 1$
- $T(n/4) = T(n/8) + 1$
- $T(n/8) = \dots$

## ■ Replacing in $T(n)$

- $T(n) = 1 + 1 + 1 + T(n/8)$   
 $= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2 n} 1$   
 $= 1 + \log_2 n$
- $T(n) = O(\log n)$

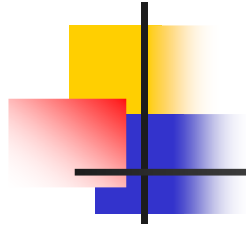
Termination:  
 $n/2^i = 1$   
 $i = \log_2 n$



# The ruler

- Draw one mark at each point between 0 and  $2^n$  (excepted boundaries) where
  - The middle mark is  $n$  units high
  - The 2 marks in the middle of the 2 left and right halves are  $n-1$  units high
  - etc.
  - Function  $\text{mark}(x, h)$  draws a mark of height  $h$  in position  $x$

Divide and conquer  
 $a = 2 \quad b = 2$



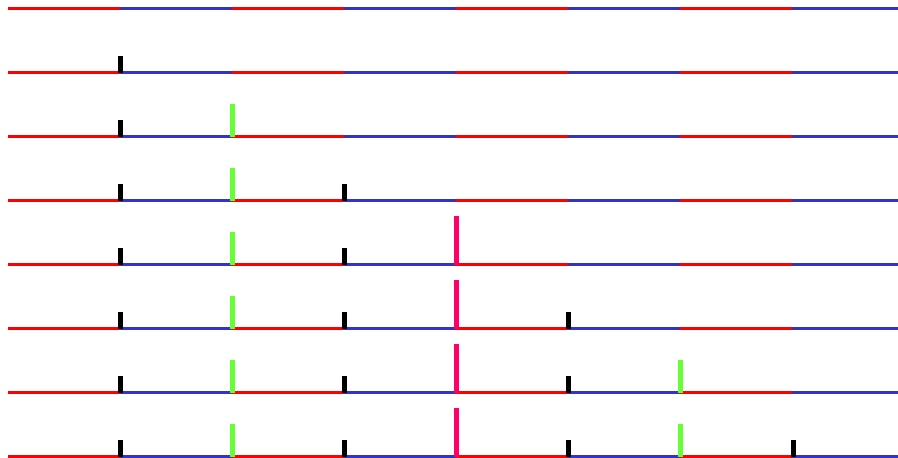
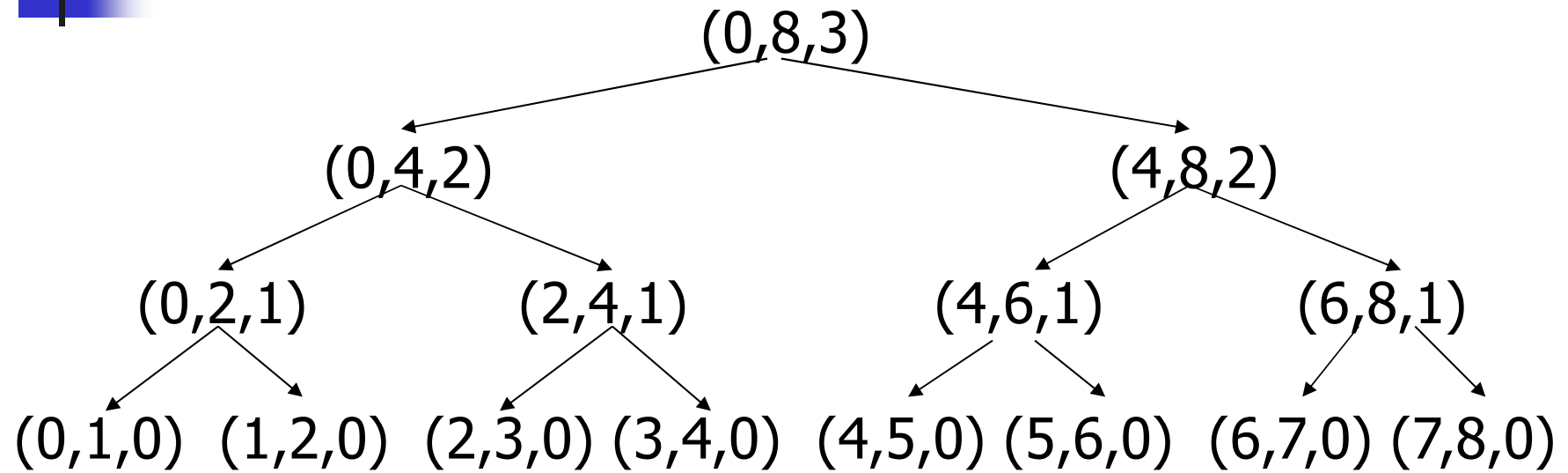
# Solution

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## ■ Algorithm

- Divide interval in 2
- Recursively draw (shorter) marks in left half
- Draw (higher) mark in the middle
- Recursively draw (shorter) marks in right half
- Termination condition: marks of height 0

# Solution



# Solution

```
void ruler(int l, int r, int h) {  
    int m;  
    m = (l + r)/2;  
    if (h > 0) {  
        ruler(l, m, h-1);  
        mark(m, h);  
        ruler(m, r, h-1);  
    }  
}
```

Division

Recursive  
descent/termination

recursive call

elementary solution

```
void mark(int m, int h) {  
    int i;  
    printf("%d \t", m);  
    for (i = 0; i < h; i++)  
        printf("*");  
    printf("\n");  
}
```

recursive call





# Complexity Analysis

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- Complexity analysis

- $D(n) = \Theta(1), C(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $a = 2, b = 2$

- Recurrence equation

- $T(n) = D(n) + a T(n/b) + C(n)$

- That is

- $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 1$   $n > 1$
- $T(1) = 1$   $n=1$

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



# Reverse printing

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- Read a string from input
- Print it in reverse order (starting from last character and moving back to first one)

Decrease and conquer  
 $a = 1 \quad k_i = 1$



# Solution

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```
main() {
    char str[max+1];
    printf("Input string: ");
    scanf("%s", str);
    printf("Reverse string is: ");
    reverse_print(str);
}

void reverse_print(char *s) {
    if(*s != '\0') {
        reverse_print(s+1);
        putchar(*s);
    }
    return;
}
```



# Complexity Analysis

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- Complexity analysis

- $D(n) = \Theta(1), C(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $a = 1, k_i = 1$

- Recurrence equation

- $T(n) = D(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} T(n - k_i) + C(n)$

- That is

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

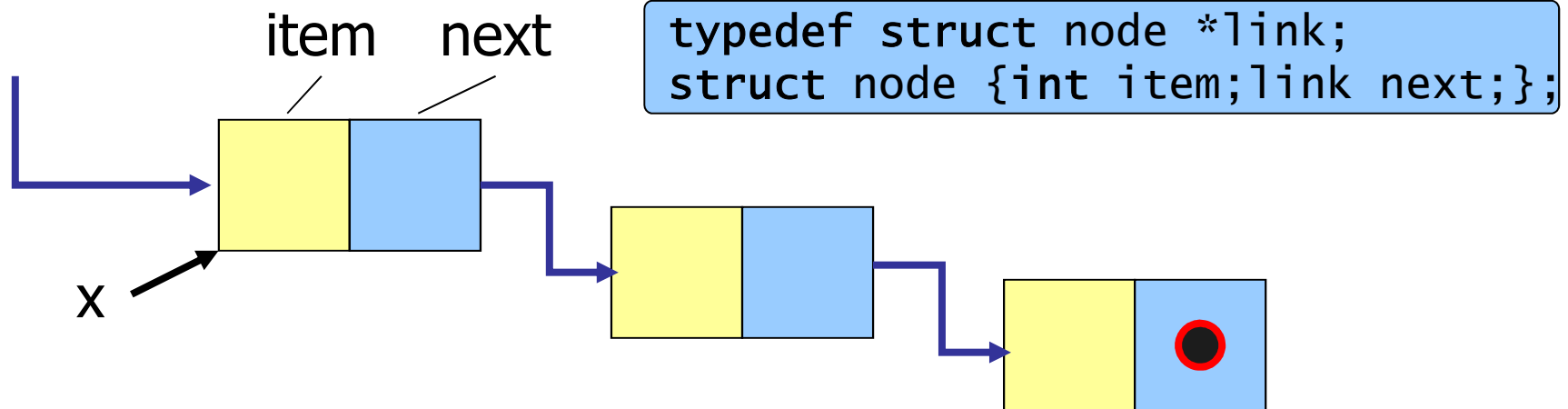
- Then

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

# List processing

decrease and conquer  
 $a = 1 \quad k_i = 1$

Linked list



## ■ Recursive list processing

- Count the number of elements in a list
- Traverse a list in order
- Traverse a list in reverse order
- Delete an element from the list



# Solution

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```
int count (link x) {
    if (x == NULL)
        return 0;
    return 1 + count(x->next);
}
void traverse (link h) {
    if (h == NULL)
        return;
    printf("%d", h->item);
    traverse(h->next);
}
void traverseR (link h) {
    if (h == NULL)
        return;
    traverseR(h->next);
    printf("%d", h->item);
}
```



# Solution

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```
link delete(link x, Item v) {  
    if (x == NULL)  
        return NULL;  
    if ( x->item == v) {  
        link t = x->next;  
        free(x);  
        return t;  
    }  
    x->next = delete(x->next, v);  
    return x;  
}
```



# Complexity Analysis

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- Complexity analysis

- $D(n) = \Theta(1), C(n) = \Theta(1)$
- $a = 1, k_i = 1$

- Recurrence equation

- $T(n) = D(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} T(n - k_i) + C(n)$

- That is

- $T(n) = 1 + T(n-1) \qquad n > 1$
- $T(1) = 1$

- Then

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





# Greatest Common Divisor

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- The greatest common divisor *gcd* of 2 non 0 integers  $x$  and  $y$  is the greatest among the common divisors of  $x$  and  $y$
- Inefficient algorithm based on decomposition in prime factors
  - $x = p_1^{e_1} \cdot p_2^{e_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_r^{e_r}$
  - $y = p_1^{f_1} \cdot p_2^{f_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_r^{f_r}$
  - $\gcd(x, y) = p_1^{\min(e_1, f_1)} \cdot p_2^{\min(e_2, f_2)} \cdot \dots \cdot p_r^{\min(e_r, f_r)}$

Decrease and conquer  
a = 1 variable  $k_i$

Common factors with  
the minimum exponent



# Euclid's Algorithm: Version 1

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- Version 1 is based on subtraction

if  $x > y$

$$\text{gcd}(x, y) = \text{gcd}(x-y, y)$$

else

$$\text{gcd}(x, y) = \text{gcd}(x, y-x)$$

- Termination

if  $x=y$

return  $x$



# Examples

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- $\text{gcd}(20, 8) =$   
     $= \text{gcd}(20-8, 8) = \text{gcd}(12, 8)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(12-8, 8) = \text{gcd}(4, 8)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(4, 8-4) = \text{gcd}(4, 4)$   
     $= 4 \rightarrow \text{return } 4$
- $\text{gcd}(600, 54) =$   
     $= \text{gcd}(600-54, 54) = \text{gcd}(546, 54)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(546-54, 54) = \text{gcd}(492, 54) \dots$   
     $= \text{gcd}(6, 54) = \text{gcd}(6, 54-6) \dots$   
     $= \text{gcd}(6, 12) = \text{gcd}(6, 6)$   
     $= 6 \rightarrow \text{return } 6$



# Solution 1

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```
#include <stdio.h>
int gcd(int x, int y);

main() {
    int x, y;
    printf("Input x and y:  ");
    scanf("%d%d", &x, &y);
    printf("gcd of %d and %d: %d \n", x, y, gcd(x, y));
}

int gcd(int x, int y) {
    if (x == y)
        return (x);
    if (x > y)
        return gcd (x-y, y);
    else
        return gcd (x, y-x);
}
```



## Euclid's Algorithm: Version 2

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- Version 2 is based on the remainder of integer divisions
  - if  $y > x$ 
    - swap ( $x, y$ ) // that is;  $\text{tmp}=x; x=y; y=\text{tmp};$
    - $\text{gcd}(x, y) = \text{gcd}(y, x \% y)$
- Termination
  - if  $y = 0$ 
    - return  $x$



# Examples

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- $\text{gcd}(20, 8) =$   
     $= \text{gcd}(8, 20 \% 8) = \text{gcd}(8, 4)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(4, 8 \% 4) = \text{gcd}(4, 0)$   
     $= 4 \rightarrow \text{return } 4$
- $\text{gcd}(600, 54) =$   
     $= \text{gcd}(54, 600 \% 54) = \text{gcd}(54, 6)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(6, 54 \% 6) = \text{gcd}(6, 0)$   
     $= 6 \rightarrow \text{return } 6$



## Examples

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- $\text{gcd}(314159, 271828) =$   
     $= \text{gcd}(271828, 314159 \% 271828) = \text{gcd}(271828, 42331)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(42331, 271828 \% 42331) = \text{gcd}(42331, 17842)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(17842, 42331 \% 17842) = \text{gcd}(17842, 6647)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(6647, 17842 \% 6647) = \text{gcd}(6647, 4548)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(4548, 6647 \% 4548) = \text{gcd}(4548, 2099)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(2099, 4548 \% 2099) = \text{gcd}(2099, 350)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(350, 2099 \% 350) = \text{gcd}(350, 349)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(349, 350 \% 349), \text{gcd}(349, 1)$   
     $= \text{gcd}(1, 349 \% 1) = \text{gcd}(1, 0)$   
     $= 1 \rightarrow \text{return } 1$
- 314159 are 271828 mutually prime



## Solution 2

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```
#include <stdio.h>
int gcd(int m, int n);
main() {
    int m, n, r;
    printf("Input m and n: ");
    scanf("%d%d", &m, &n);
    if (m>n)
        r = gcd(m, n);
    else
        r = gcd(n, m);
    printf("gcd of (%d, %d) = %d\n", m, n, r);
}
int gcd(int m, int n) {
    if(n == 0)
        return(m);
    return gcd(n, m % n);
}
```






# Complexity Analysis

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## ■ Complexity analysis

- $D(x,y) = \Theta(1)$
- $C(x,y) = \Theta(1)$
- $a = 1$
- Variable reduction



Termination:  
n steps

## ■ Worst case

- x and y are 2 consecutive Fibonacci numbers
- $x = \text{FIB}(n+1)$
- $y = \text{FIB}(n)$



# Complexity Analysis

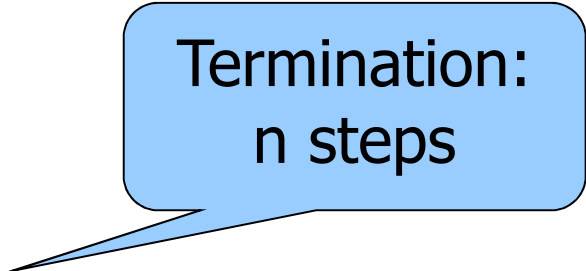
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- Recurrence equation

- $T(x,y) = T(\text{FIB}(n+1), \text{FIB}(n))$   
 $= 1 + T(\text{FIB}(n), \text{FIB}(n+1) \% \text{FIB}(n))$
- $T(x,0) = 1$

- But by construction

- $\text{FIB}(n+1) \% \text{FIB}(n) = \text{FIB}(n-1)$



Termination:  
n steps



# Complexity Analysis

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- $T(x, y) = T(\text{FIB}(n+1), \text{FIB}(n))$   
 $= 1 + T(\text{FIB}(n), \text{FIB}(n+1) \% \text{FIB}(n))$   
 $= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 1 = n$
- $T(x, y) = O(n)$ 
  - But, as  $y = \text{FIB}(n) = (\varphi^n - \varphi'^n) / \sqrt{5} = \Theta(\varphi^n)$
  - Then  $n$  is a function of  $\log_{\varphi}(y)$
- Thus
  - $T(n) = O(\log(y))$



# Determinant of a (n·n) matrix

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- Laplace Algorithm with unfolding on row I
  - Square matrix M (n·n) with indices from 1 to n
- Computation
  - $\det(M) = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n} (-1)^{i+j} M[i][j] \cdot \det(M_{\text{minor } i, j})$
  - Where  $M_{\text{minor } i, j}$  is obtained from M eliminating row i and column j

Divide and conquer  
 $a = n \quad k_i = 2n-1$

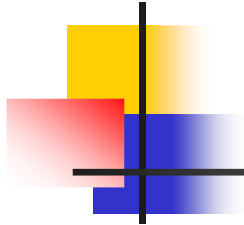


## Example

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$$M = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(M) = & (-1)^{1+1} \cdot (-2) \cdot \det(M_{\text{minor } 1, 1}) + \\ & (-1)^{1+2} \cdot (2) \cdot \det(M_{\text{minor } 1, 2}) + \\ & (-1)^{1+3} \cdot (-3) \cdot \det(M_{\text{minor } 1, 3}) \end{aligned}$$



# Example

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$$M_{\text{minor } 1, 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cancel{2} & \cancel{2} & \cancel{3} \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_{\text{minor } 1, 2} = \begin{bmatrix} \cancel{2} & \cancel{1} & \cancel{3} \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_{\text{minor } 1, 3} = \begin{bmatrix} \cancel{2} & \cancel{2} & \cancel{3} \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Example

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- Elementary case

- Square matrix M 2x2
- $\det(M) = M[1][1] \cdot M[2][2] - M[1][2] \cdot M[2][1]$

$$\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = -1 - 0 = -1$$

$$\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 1 - 6 = -5$$

$$\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 0 - 2 = -2$$



## Example

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■ Then

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\det(M) = (-1)^{1+1} \cdot (-2) \cdot \det(M_{\text{minor } 1, 1}) +$   
 $(-1)^{1+2} \cdot (2) \cdot \det(M_{\text{minor } 1, 2}) +$   
 $(-1)^{1+3} \cdot (-3) \cdot \det(M_{\text{minor } 1, 3})$   
 $= (1) \cdot (-2) \cdot (-1) + (-1) \cdot (2) \cdot (-5) + (1) \cdot (-3) \cdot (-2)$   
 $= 18$





## Solution

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- Recursive algorithm (indices ranging between 0 and  $n-1$ )
- If  $n = 2$ , compute
  - $M[0][0] \cdot M[1][1] - M[0][1] \cdot M[1][0]$
- If  $n > 2$ 
  - With  $\text{row}=0$  and column ranging from 0 and  $n-1$
  - Store in  $\text{tmp}$  the value of  $M_{\text{minor } 0, j}$
  - Recursively compute  $\det(M_{\text{minor } i, j})$
  - Store result results in
    - $\text{sum} = \text{sum} + M[0][k] * \text{pow}(-1, k) * \det(\text{tmp}, n-1)$



# Solution

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```
int det2x2(int m[][MAX]) {  
    return(m[0][0]*m[1][1] - m[0][1]*m[1][0]);  
}  
  
void minor(int m[][MAX],int i,int j,int n,int m2[][MAX]){  
    int r, c, rr, cc;  
  
    for (rr = 0, r = 0; r < n; r++)  
        if (r != i) {  
            for (cc = 0, c = 0; c < n; c++) {  
                if (c != j) {  
                    m2[rr][cc] = m[r][c];  
                    cc++;  
                }  
                rr++;  
            }  
        }  
}
```



# Solution

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```
int det (int a[][MAX], int n) {
    int sum, k, i, j, r, c;
    int tmp[MAX][MAX];
    sum = 0;

    if (n == 2)
        return (det2x2(a));

    for (k = 0; k < n; k++) {
        minor (a, 0, k, n, tmp);
        sum = sum + a[0][k] * pow(-1,k) * det (tmp,n-1);
    }

    return (sum);
}
```



# Complexity Analysis

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- Demonstration beyond the scope of this course
- $T(n) = O(N!)$



# Hanoi Towers (E. Lucas 1883)

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- Initial configuration
  - 3 pegs, 3 disks
  - Disks of decreasing size on first peg
- Final configuration
  - 3 disks on third peg

Decrease and conquer  
 $a = 2 \quad k_i = 1$



# Hanoi Towers (E. Lucas 1883)

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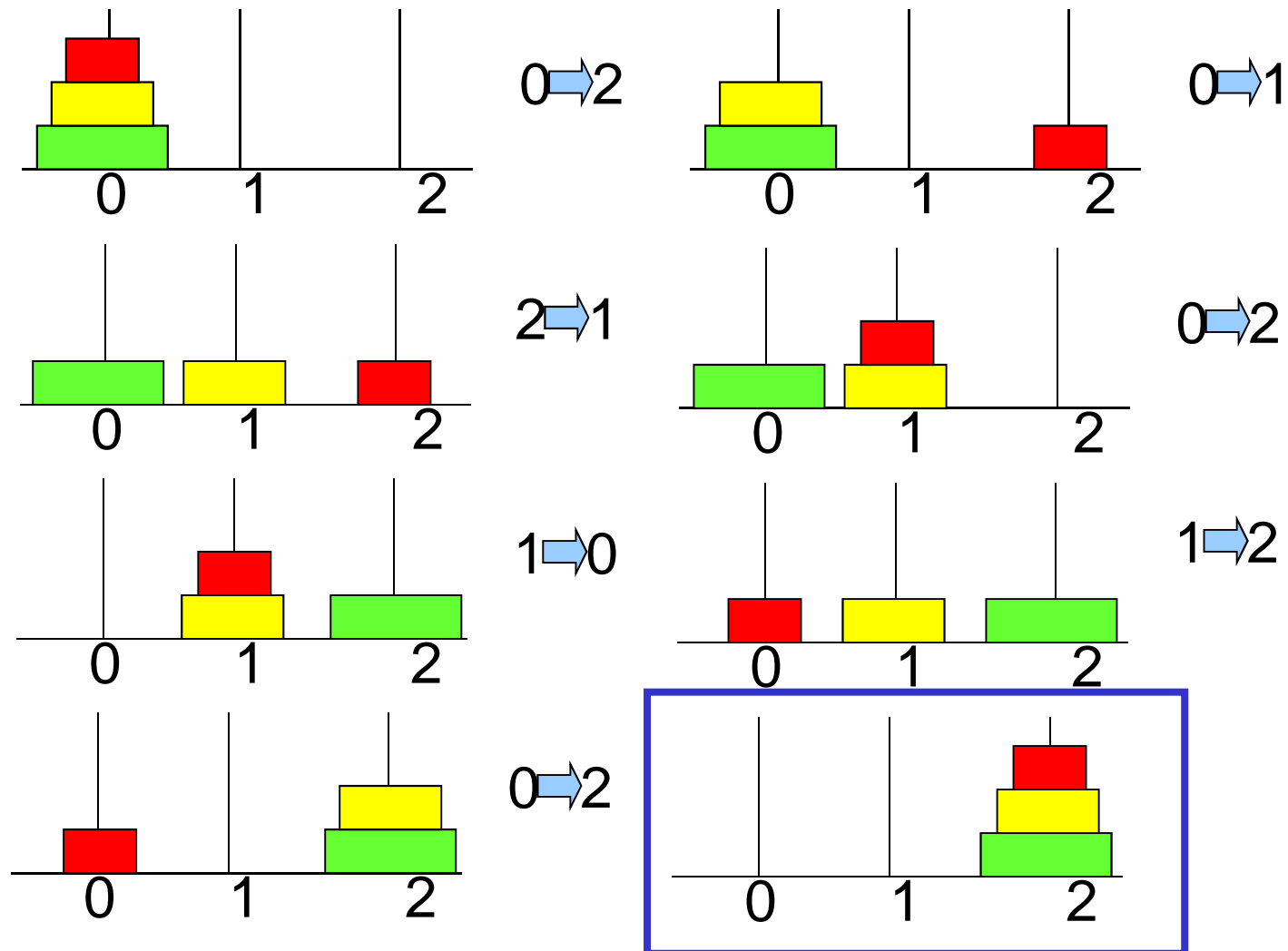
## ■ Rules

- Access only to the top disk
- On each disk overlap only smaller disks

## ■ Generalization

- Work with  $n$  disks and  $k$  pegs

# Example of solution





# Divide and conquer strategy

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- Initial problem
  - Move  $n$  disks from 0 to 2
- Reduction to subproblems
  - Move  $n-1$  disks from 0 to 1, 2 temporary storage
  - Move last disk from 0 to 2
  - Move  $n-1$  disks from 1 to 2, 0 temporary storage
- Termination condition
  - Move just 1 disk





# Solution

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- 0, 1, 2: pegs 0, 1, 2
-  large disk
-  medium disk
-  small disk
-  means small disk on peg 0,  means large disk on peg 2, etc.
- state  
- state transition



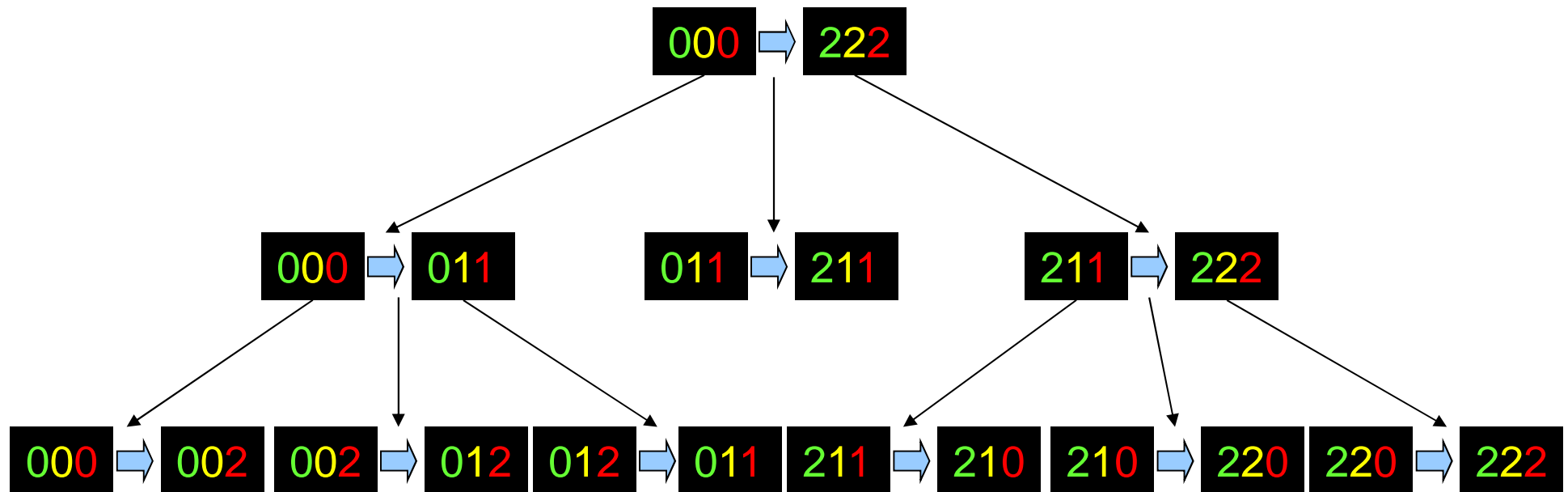
# Solution

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Problem  $000 \Rightarrow 222$  decomposed into 3 subproblems

1. medium and small disks from 0 to 1  $000 \Rightarrow 011$
2. large disk from 0 to 2  $011 \Rightarrow 211$
3. medium and small disks from 1 to 2  $211 \Rightarrow 222$

# Recursion tree





# Solution

```
void Hanoi(int n, int src, int dest) {  
    int aux;
```

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    aux = 3 - (src + dest);
```

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    if (n == 1) {  
        printf("src %d -> dest %d \n", src, dest);  
        return;
```

termination

division

```
    }  
    Hanoi(n-1, src, aux);  
    printf("src %d -> dest %d \n", src, dest);  
    Hanoi(n-1, aux, dest);
```

recursive call

division

elementary solution

recursive call



# Complexity Analysis

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- Divide: consider  $n-1$  disks
  - $D(n) = \Theta(1)$
- Solve: solve 2 subproblems whose size is  $n-1$  each
  - $2T(n-1)$
- Termination: move 1 disk
  - $\Theta(1)$
- Combine: no action
  - $C(n) = \Theta(1)$



# Complexity Analysis

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- Recurrence equation

- $T(n) = D(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} T(n-ki) + C(n)$

- That is

- $T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1$   $n > 1$

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

- Solution

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



# Product of 2 integers

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- Multiplication of 2 integers  $x$  and  $y$  on  $n$  digits
  - $n = 2k$
- If size is 1, compute  $x * y$  (elementary problem)
- If  $N > 1$ 
  - Divide  $x$  in 2:  $x = 10^{n/2} * x_l + x_r$
  - Divide  $y$  in 2:  $y = 10^{n/2} * y_l + y_r$
  - Recursively compute  $x_l * y_l$ ,  $x_l * y_r$ ,  $x_r * y_l$ ,  $x_r * y_r$ ,
  - Compute
    - $x * y = 10^n * x_l * y_l + 10^{n/2} * (x_l * y_r + x_r * y_l) + x_r * y_r$

Divide and conquer  
 $a = 4$   $b = 2$



## Solution

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$$1356 * 2410 = 3.267.960$$

x   

1	3	5	6
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   \*   y   

2	4	1	0
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   n = 4

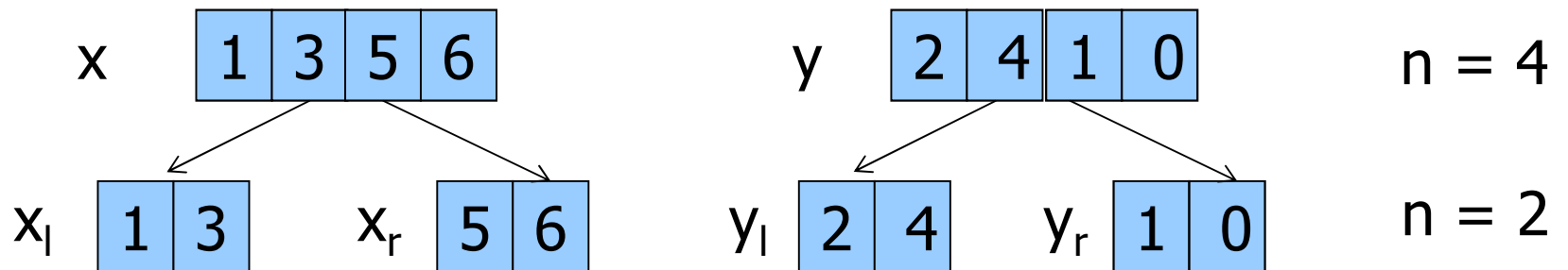




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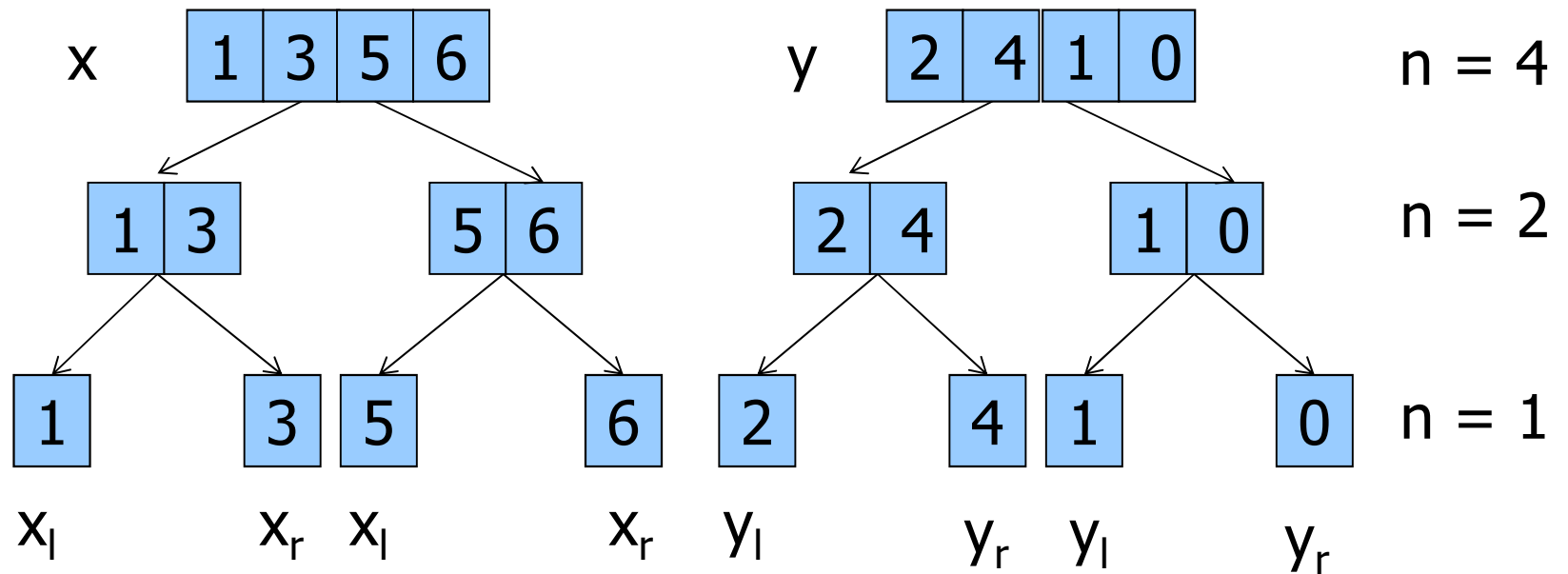
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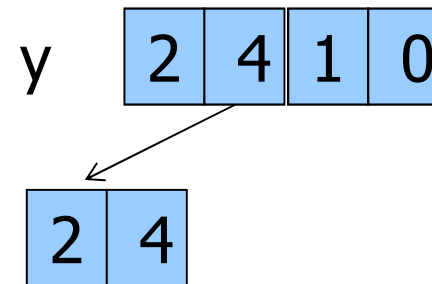
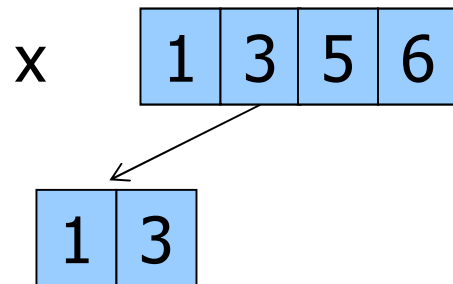
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n = 2

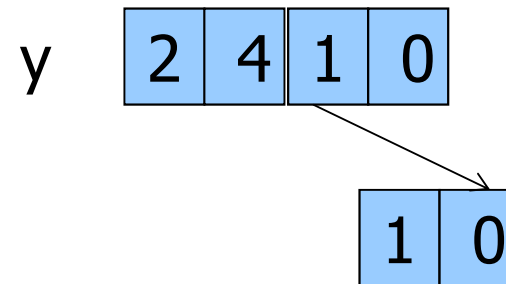
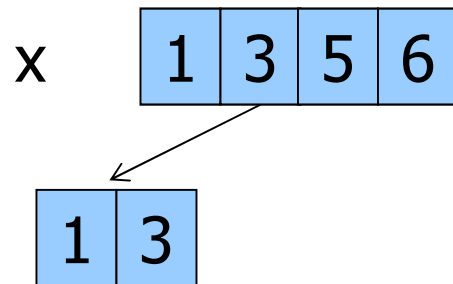
$$10^n \quad x_l \quad y_l \quad 10^{n/2} \quad x_l \quad y_r \quad x_r \quad y_l \quad x_r \quad y_r$$

$$10^2 * \boxed{1} * \boxed{2} + 10^1 * ( \boxed{1} * \boxed{4} + \boxed{3} * \boxed{2} ) + \boxed{3} * \boxed{4}$$

$$13 * 24 = 10^2 * 2 + 10^1 * 10 + 12 = 312$$

# Solution

$$1356 * 2410 = 3.267.960$$



n = 2

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$$13 * 10 = 10^2 * 1 + 10^1 * 3 + 0 = 130$$

# Solution

$$1356 * 2410 = 3.267.960$$

$x$ 

1	3	5	6
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 $y$ 

2	4	1	0
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5	6
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 $*$ 

2	4
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$n = 2$

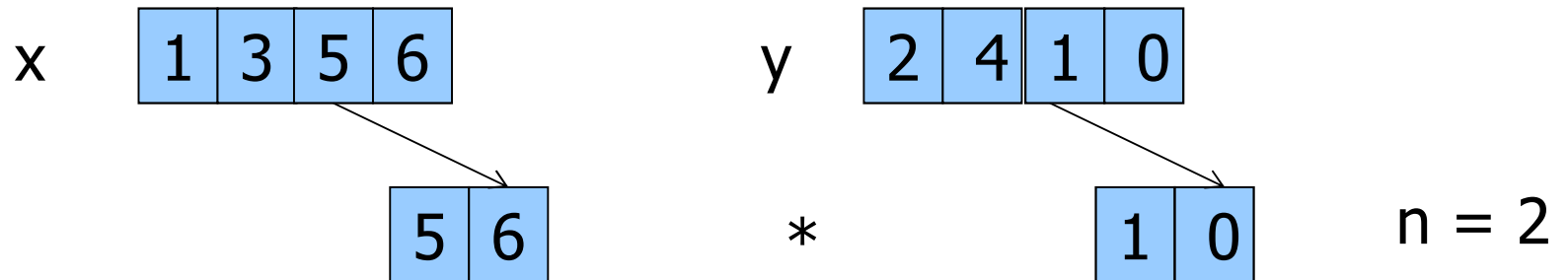
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$$56 * 24 = 10^2 * 10 + 10^1 * 32 + 24 = 1344$$

# Solution

$$1356 * 2410 = 3.267.960$$



$$10^n \quad x_l \quad y_l \quad 10^{n/2} \quad x_l \quad y_r \quad x_r \quad y_l \quad x_r \quad y_r$$

$$10^2 * [5] * [1] + 10^1 * ([5] * [0] + [6] * [1]) + [6] * [0]$$

$$56 * 10 = 10^2 * 5 + 10^1 * 6 + 0 = 560$$



## Solution

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$$1356 * 2410 = 3.267.960$$

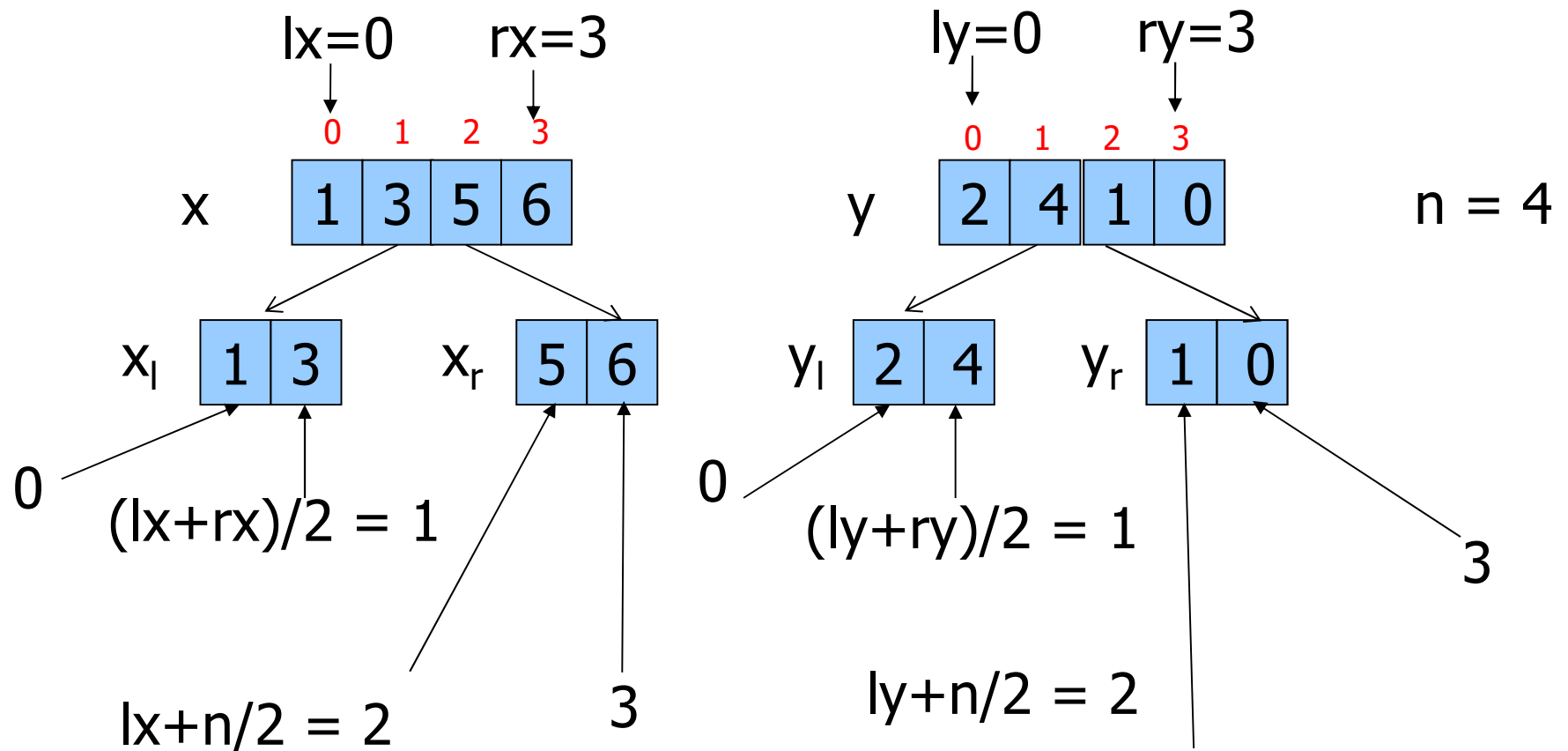
$$x \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 & 5 & 6 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad * \quad y \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 2 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad n = 4$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccc} 10^n & x_l & y_l & 10^{n/2} & x_l & y_r & x_r & y_l & x_r & y_r \\ 10^4 * 13 & * 24 & + 10^2 * ( & 13 & * 10 & + 56 & * 24 & ) + 56 & * 10 \end{array}$$

$$1356 * 2410 = 10^4 * 312 + 10^2 * (130 + 1344) + 560 = 3.267.960$$

# Solution

Identifying left and right subarrays:







# Solution

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```
long prod(int *x,int lx,int rx,int *y,int ly,int ry,int n) {
    int i, t1, t2, t3;
    if (n > 1) {
        t1 = prod(x, lx, (lx+rx)/2, y, ly, (ly+ry)/2, n/2);
        t2 = prod(x, lx, (lx+rx)/2, y, ly+n/2, ry, n/2)
            + prod(x, lx+n/2, rx, y, ly, (ly+ry)/2, n/2);
        t3 = prod(x, lx+n/2, rx, y, ly + n/2, ry, n/2);
        return t1 * pow(10,n) + t2 * pow (10, n/2) + t3;
    }
    else
        return (x[lx]*y[ly]);
}
```



# Complexity Analysis

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- Multiplication by a power of 10
  - Left shift (unit cost) (2 multiplications)
- Addition of numbers on N digits
  - Cost linear in N (3 sums)
- Multiplication
  - Cost of recursion (4 multiplications)



# Complexity Analysis

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- Complexity analysis

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- $D(n) + C(n) = \Theta(n)$
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# Complexity Analysis

Termination:  
 $n/2^i = 1$   
 $i = \log_2 n$

## ■ Resolution by unfolding

- $T(n/2) = 4T(n/4) + n/2$
- $T(n/4) = 4T(n/8) + n/4$
- etc.

$$\sum_{i=0}^k x^i = (x^{k+1} - 1)/(x - 1)$$

## ■ Then

- $$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= n + 4*(n/2) + 4^2 *(n/4) + 4^3 *T(n/8) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq i \leq \log_2 n} 4^i / 2^i * n = n * \sum_{0 \leq i \leq \log_2 n} 2^i \\ &= n*(2^{\log_2 n + 1} - 1)/(2 - 1) = n*(2 * 2^{\log_2 n} - 1) \\ &= 2n^2 - n \end{aligned}$$
- $T(n) = O(n^2)$



## Alternative Solution

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- Karatsuba's algorithm (1962)
- Reducing the number of multiplications
  - $x_l * y_r + x_r * y_l = x_l * y_l + x_r * y_r - (x_l - x_r) * (y_l - y_r)$
  - 3 recursive multiplications instead of 4

Divide and conquer  
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$$T(n) = n + 3*(n/2) + 3^2*(n/4) + 3^3*T(n/8)$$

$$= \sum_{0 \leq i \leq \log_2 n} 3^i / 2^i * n = n * \sum_{0 \leq i \leq \log_2 n} (3/2)^i$$

$$= n * ((3/2)^{\log_2 n + 1} - 1) / (3/2 - 1)$$

$$= 2n * 3/2 * ((3^{\log_2 n} / 2^{\log_2 n}) - 1)$$

$$= 3n * (n^{\log_2 3} / n - 1)$$

$$= 3n^{\log_2 3} - n$$

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

$$\sum_{i=0}^k x^i = (x^{k+1} - 1) / (x - 1)$$

$$a^{\log_b n} = n^{\log_b a}$$