CS 580 ALGORITHM DESIGN AND ANALYSIS

Divide and Conquer 1

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PLAN

- Discuss D&C
- MergeSort
- Master Theorem
- Counting inversions

THE STRATEGY

- Template:
 - 1. Break input into k subproblems that are themselves smaller instances of the same problem
 - 2. Recursively solve the subproblems
 - 3. Merge the solutions
 - Typically all the work is #3

INTRO: MERGESORT

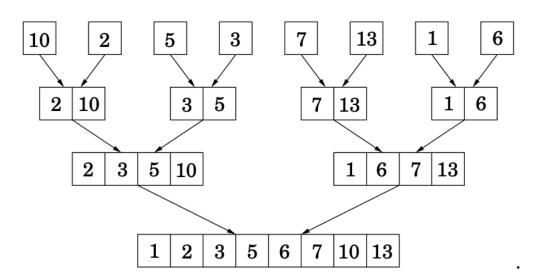
- Input:
 - *n* numbers
- Desired output:
 - the numbers, sorted in an increasing order

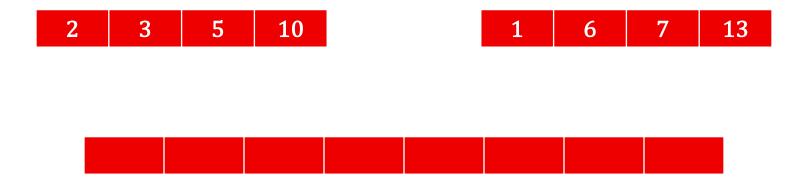
- Divide the numbers into two sets
- Recurse
- Merge the two solutions

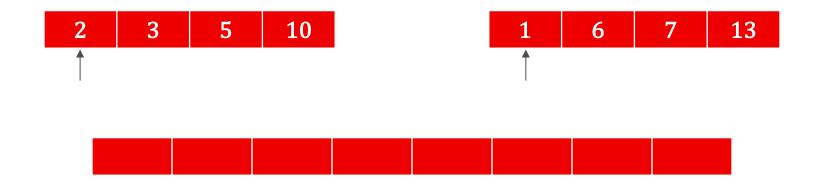


Jon von Neumann (1945)

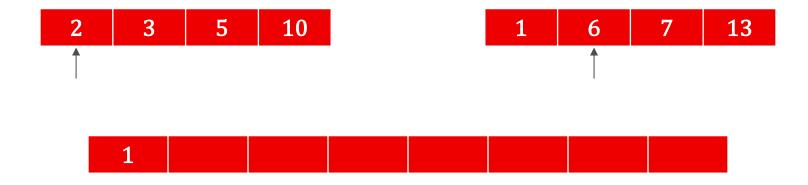
Input: 10 2 5 3 7 13 1 6

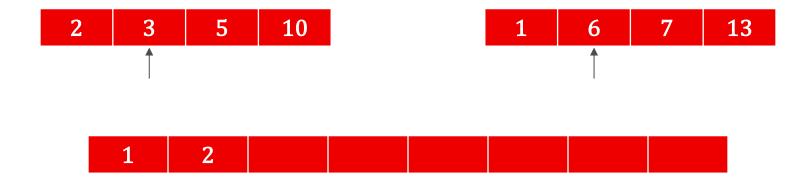


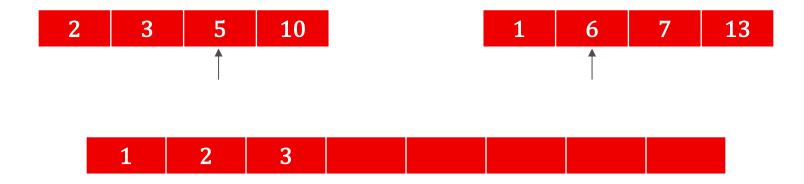




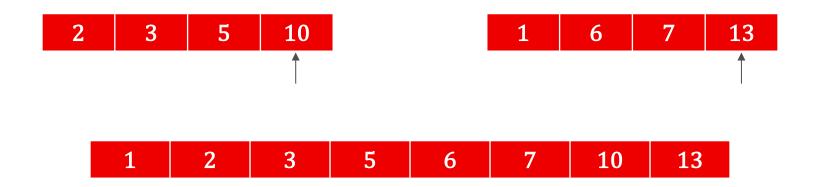








How can we merge efficiently?



• Time O(n)

- Time T(n):
 - \circ Divide O(1)
 - Recurse $2T(\frac{n}{2})$
 - \circ Merge O(n)
- $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + O(n)$
- $T(n) \in O(nlog(n))$
 - We'll see why next

Theorem: If $T(n) = aT(\left\lceil \frac{n}{b} \right\rceil) + \operatorname{cn^d}$, for some constants a, c > 0, b > 1, and $d \ge 0$, then

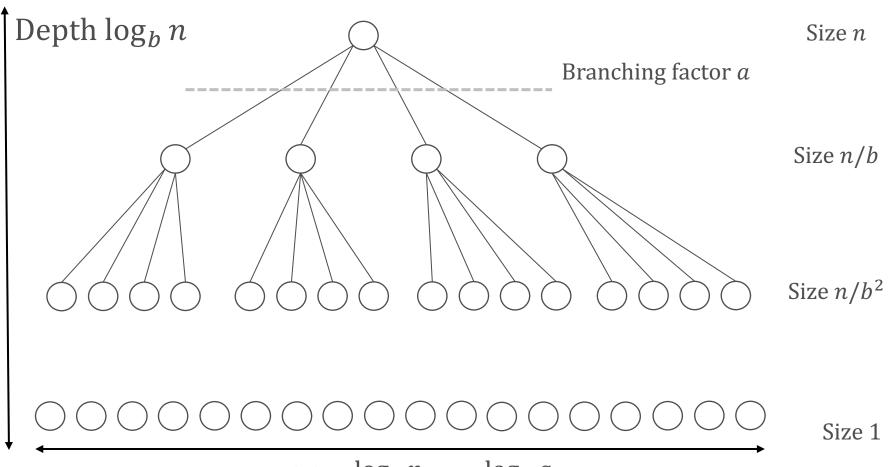
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Comparing n^d with $a^{\log_b n}$

Let's assume that n is a power of b



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

- Total work:
 - \circ cn^d in level zero
 - $\circ a \cdot c \left(\frac{n}{b}\right)^d$ in level one
 - $\circ \ a^k c \left(\frac{n}{b^k}\right)^d = c n^d \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^k \text{ in level } k$
- Overall:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\log_b n} c \, n^d \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^k$$

- Let $r = a/b^d$
- Overall work:

$$cn^{d}(1+r+r^{2}+r^{3}+\cdots+r^{\log_{b}n})$$

- 1. r < 1
 - Series converges to $\frac{1}{(1-r)}$
 - Total work at most $\frac{cn^d}{1-r} \in O(n^d)$

- Let $r = a/b^d$
- Overall work:

$$cn^{d}(1+r+r^{2}+r^{3}+\cdots+r^{\log_{b}n})$$

- 2. r = 1
 - Series adds up to $\log_b n$
 - Total work at most $cn^d \log_b n \in O(n^d \log n)$

- Let $r = a/b^d$
- Overall work:

$$cn^{d}(1+r+r^{2}+r^{3}+\cdots+r^{\log_{b}n})$$

- 3. r > 1
 - Series dominated by last term

$$(1+r+\cdots+r^{\log_b n})=r^{\log_b n}(\frac{1}{r^{\log_b n}}+\ldots+\frac{1}{r}+1)$$

Total work at most

$$\frac{cn^d r^{\log_b n}}{1 - 1/r} \in O\left(n^d \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^{\log_b n}\right) = O\left(\frac{n^d a^{\log_b n}}{n^d}\right)$$

Which is $O(n^{\log_b a})$

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Analysis:

- ∘ 2 subproblems: a = 2
- The size of each subproblem is half the original: b = 2
- Time to merge is linear: d = 1
- $\circ \log_b a = 1 = d$
- Running time is $O(n^d \log n) = O(n \log n)$

- Music site tries to match your song preferences with others
 - You rank n songs
 - Music sites consults database to find people with similar tastes
- Similarity metric: number of inversions between two rankings
 - My rank: 1,2,3, ..., *n*
 - Your rank: $a_1, a_2, ..., a_n$
 - \circ Songs i, j inverted if i < j but $a_i > a_j$

Songs

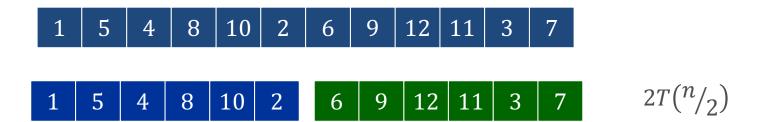
	A	В	С	D	E
Me	1	2	3	4	5
You	1	3	4	2	5

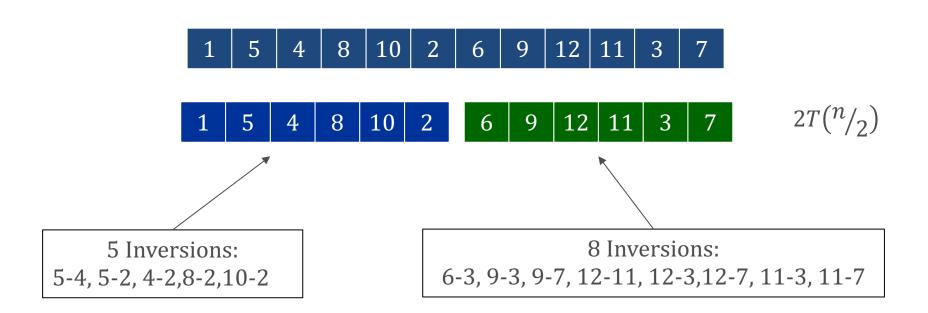
<u>Inversions</u>

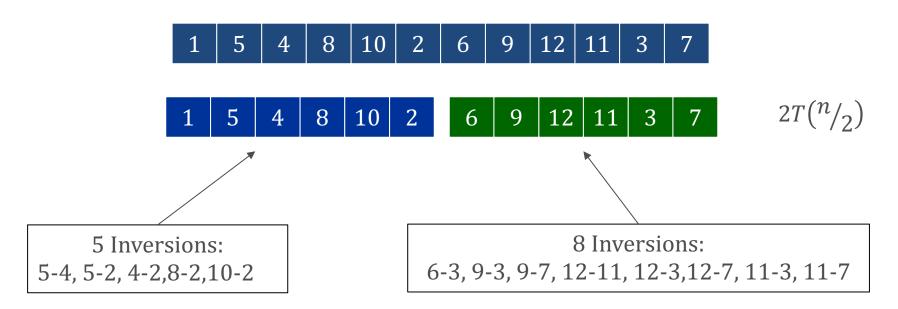
3-2, 4-2

- Also called the Kendall tau distance or bubble-sort distance
 - Many applications in voting theory

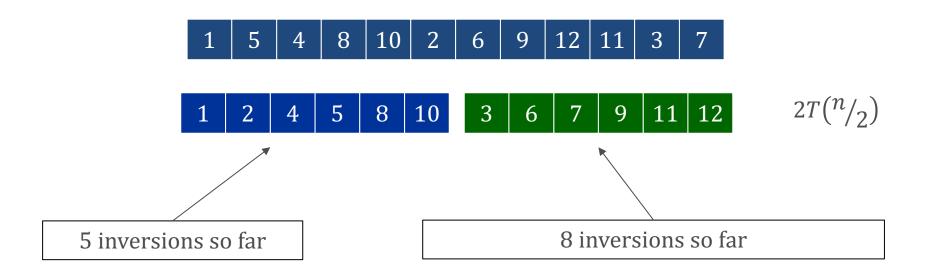
1 | 5 | 4 | 8 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 3 | 7



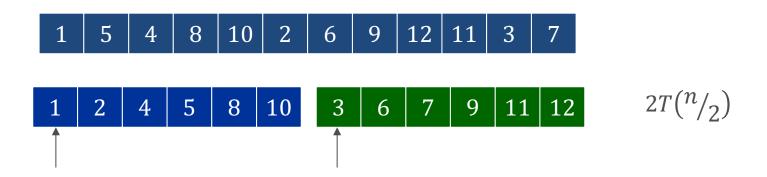


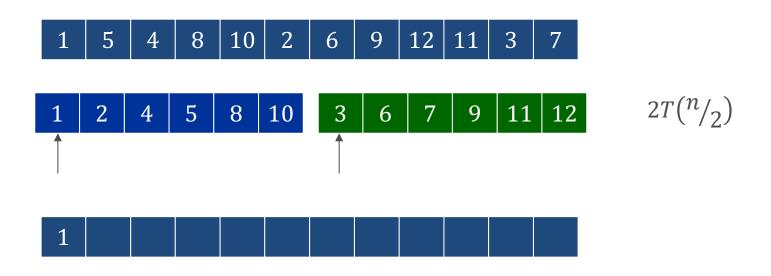


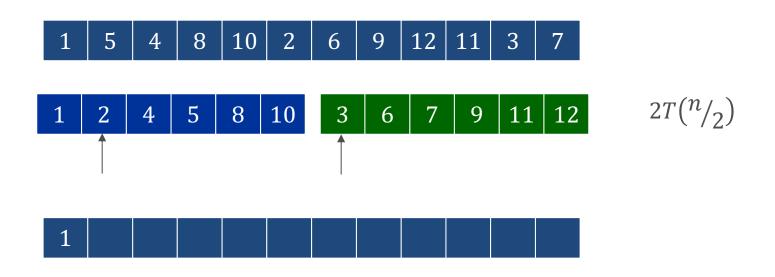
- Merge??
- There is a blue green inversion (a_i, a_j) , $a_i > a_j$, every time a_i is blue and a_j is green
- It'll be easier to sort on the way

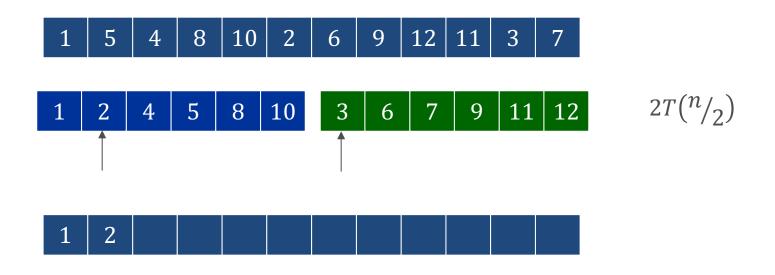


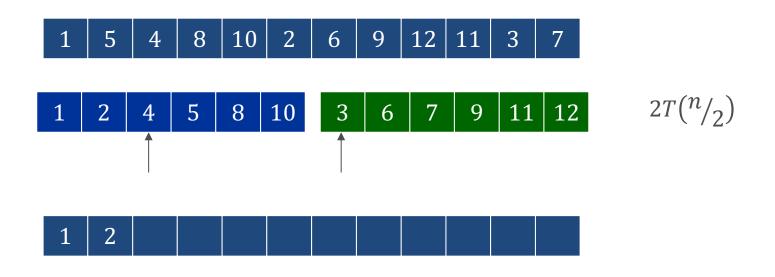
Assume each half comes back sorted

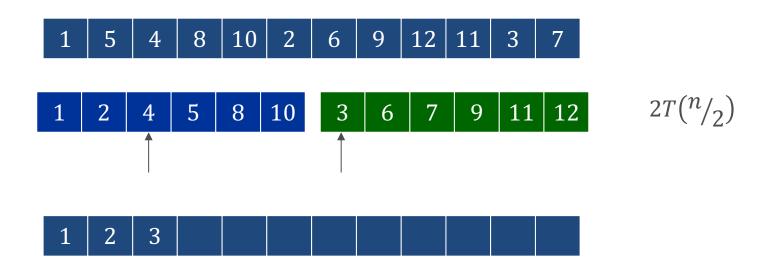


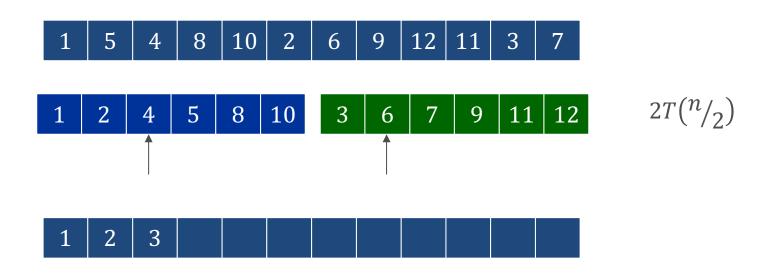


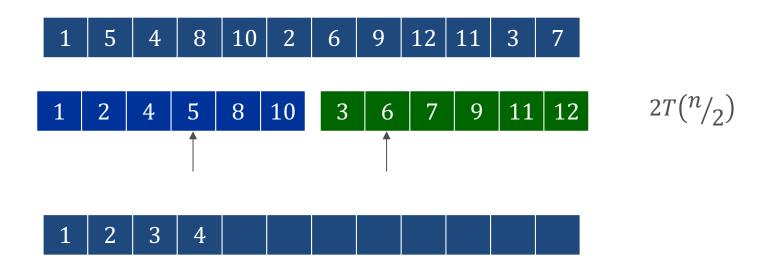


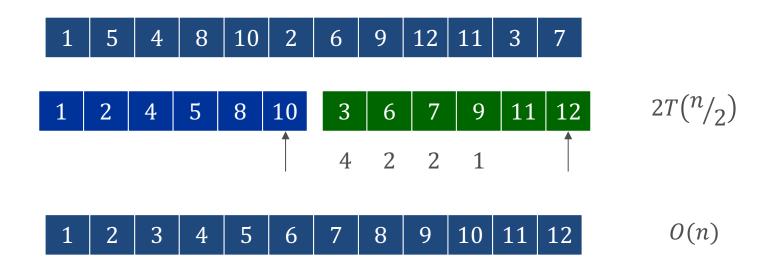


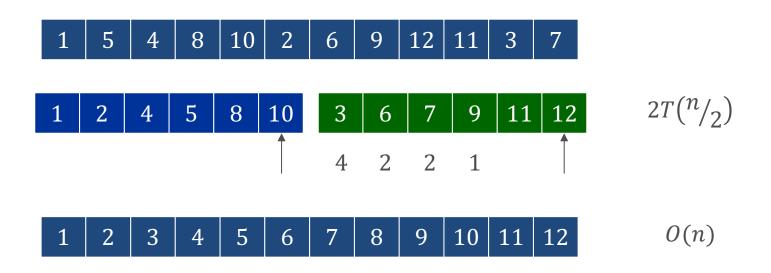












- Inversions so far: 5+8+9
- 2 subproblems of size n/2, plus linear time:
 - Master Theorem: O(nlog(n))

SUMMARY

- Mergesort (5.1 in KT)
- Master Theorem (5.2 KT)
- Counting Inversions (5.3 in KT)