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Week 3: Algorithms

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Questions before we begin?

- What are **structs?**
- How do we define and use our own **functions**?
- What is **Big *O* notation**?

Structs

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string name = “Joe Biden”;
int votes = 10;
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string name = “Joe Biden”;
int votes = 10;


??? president[2] = {“Joe Biden”, 10};
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string name = “Joe Biden”;
int votes = 1
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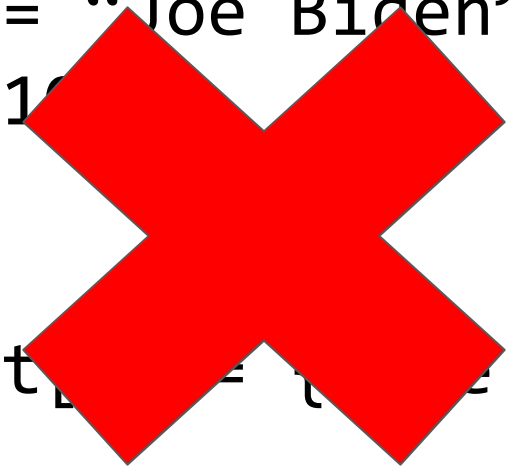

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??? president = {
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   int votes;
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candidate president;
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candidate president;
president.name = "Alyssa";
president.votes = 10;
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candidate candidates[2];

candidates[0].name = “Gabe”;
candidates[0].votes = 3;

candidates[1].name = “Remy”;
candidates[1].votes = 10000000;
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candidate candidates[2];

candidates[0].name = “Gabe
candidates[0].votes = 3;

candidates[1].name = “Re
candidates[1].votes = 1
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name	Alice	Bob	Charlie
votes	2	1	3

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candidates[0];
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name	Alice	Bob	Charlie
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candidates[0].name;
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candidates[0].votes;
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What are algorithms?

You've already been using them.

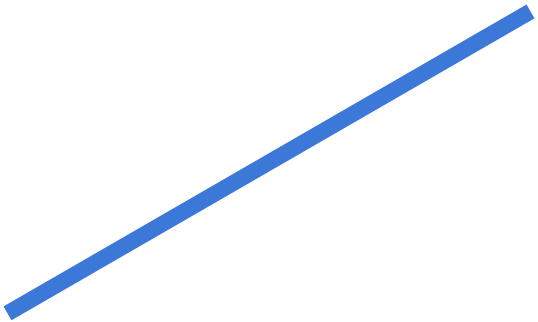
Runtime analysis

O(N) — "worst case" definition

In the worst case, I need to do approximately N steps for an input of size N.

O(N) — "scaling" definition

For every new item that gets added to my algorithm's input, the algorithm needs to do a fixed number of new steps. We say "our runtime scales **linearly** with the size of our input".



Ω(N) — "best case" definition

No matter the input size, I'll always have to do approximately n steps.

Sorting

Bubble Sort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```
Repeat for every element in our list, except last:
    Look at each element from first to second-to-last:
        If current and next elements out of order:
            Swap them
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Repeat n - 1 times
    For j from 0 to n - 2
        If j'th and j + 1'th elements out of order
            Swap them
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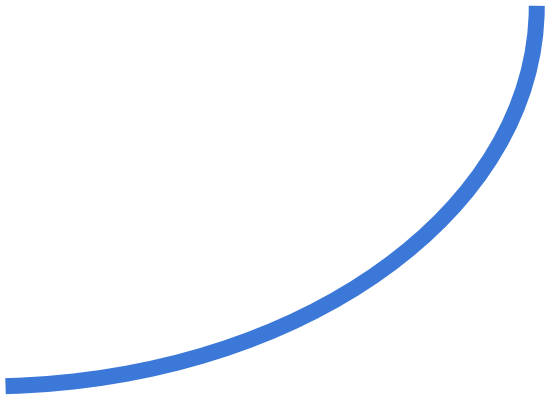
$O(N^2)$ — "worst case" definition

In the worst case, I need to do approximately N^2 steps if my input size is N.

$O(N^2)$ — "scaling" definition

For every new item that gets added to my input, I need to do approximately **N** new steps.



Ω(N) — "best case" definition

In the best case, I need to do approximately N steps if my input size is N.

Selection Sort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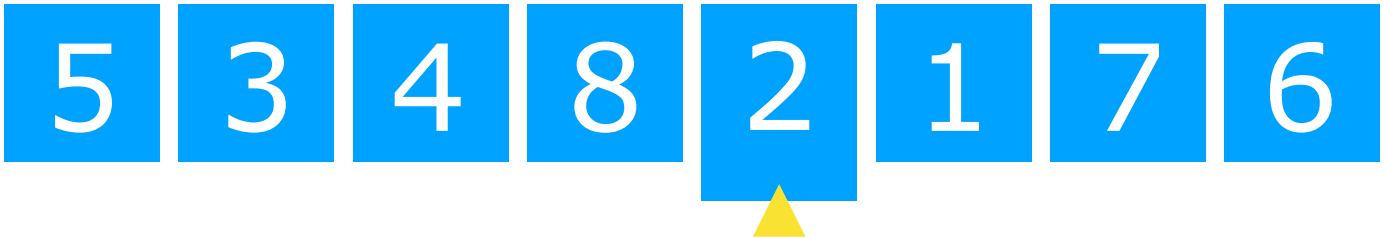
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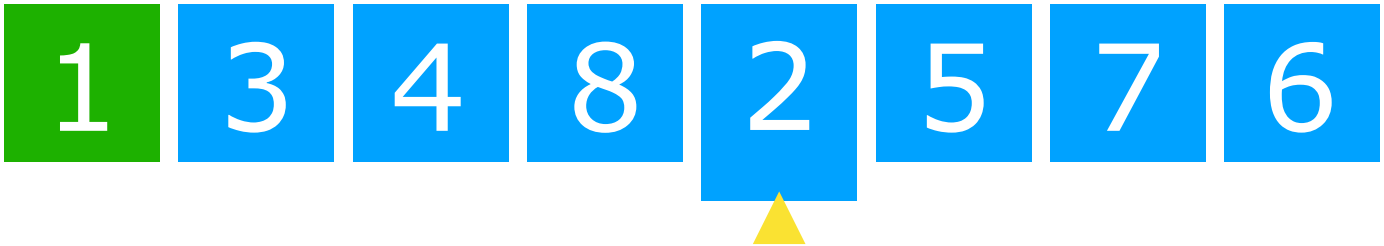
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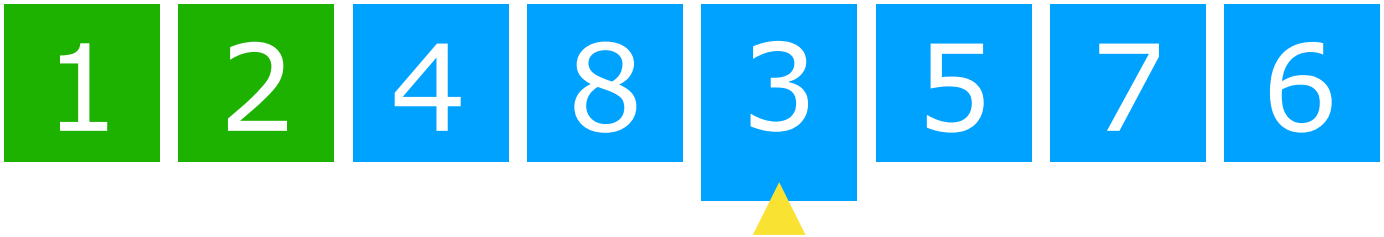
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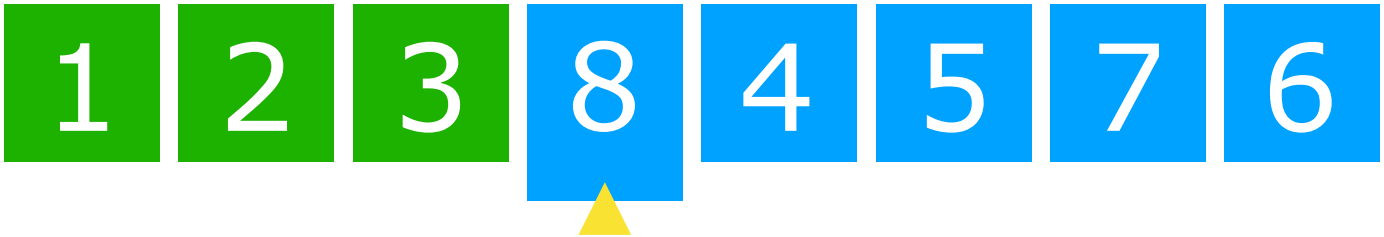
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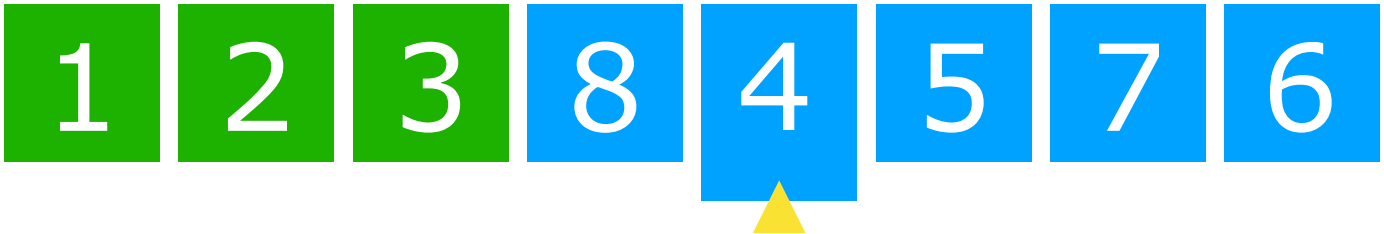
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In the worst case, I need to do approximately N^2 steps if my input size is N.

$\Omega(N^2)$ — "best case" definition

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Merge Sort


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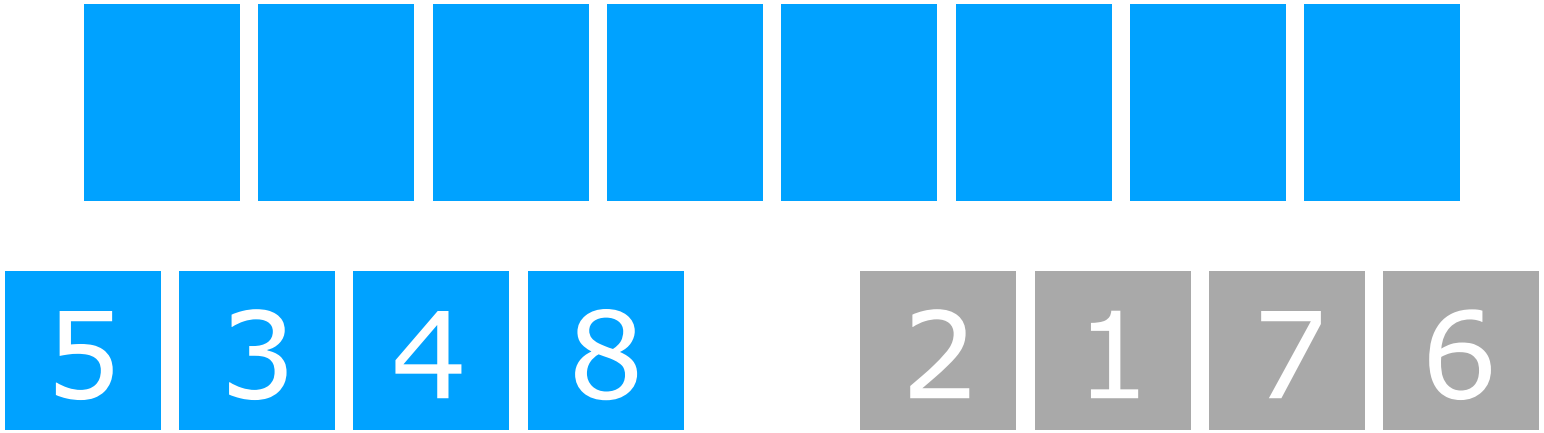
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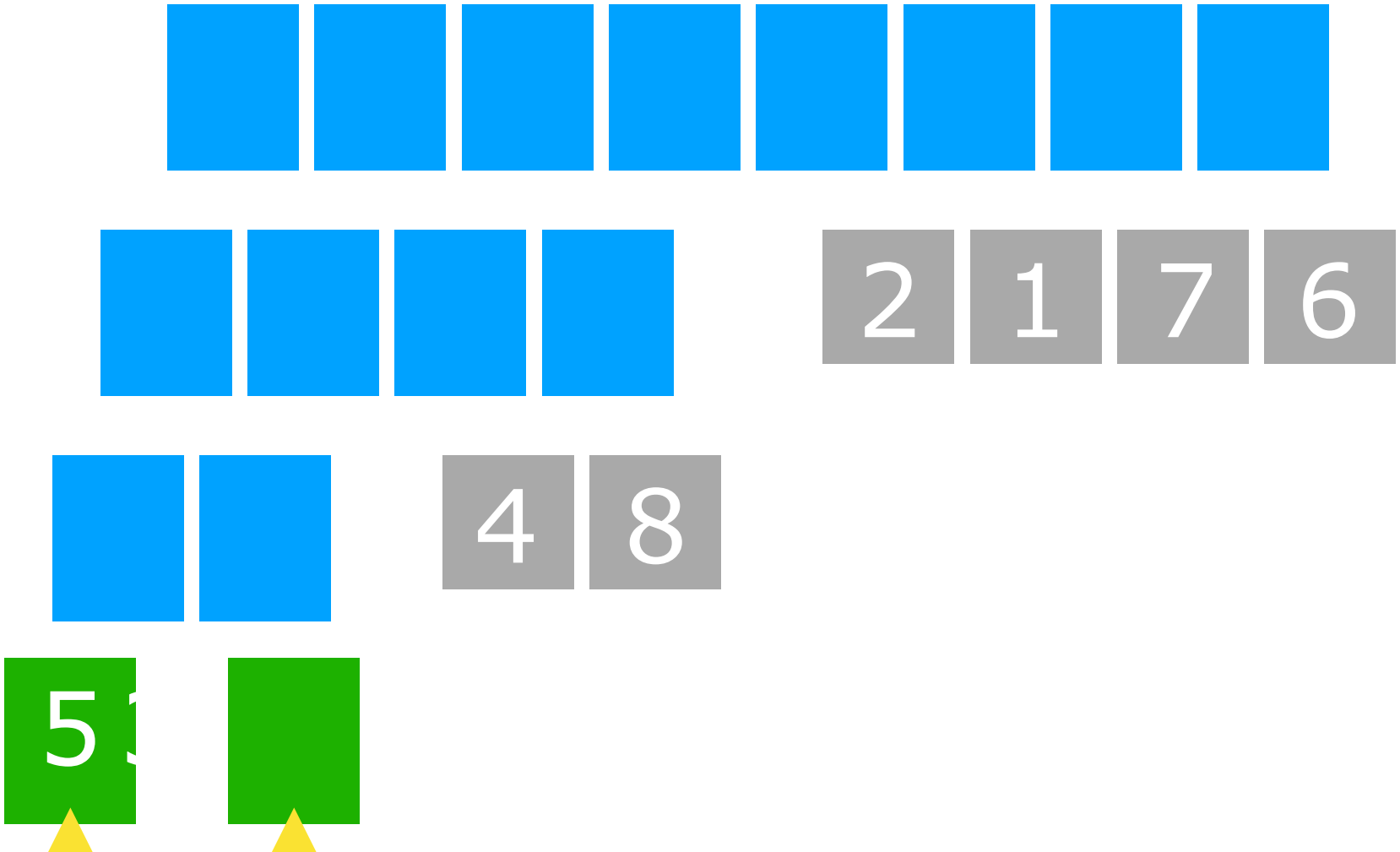
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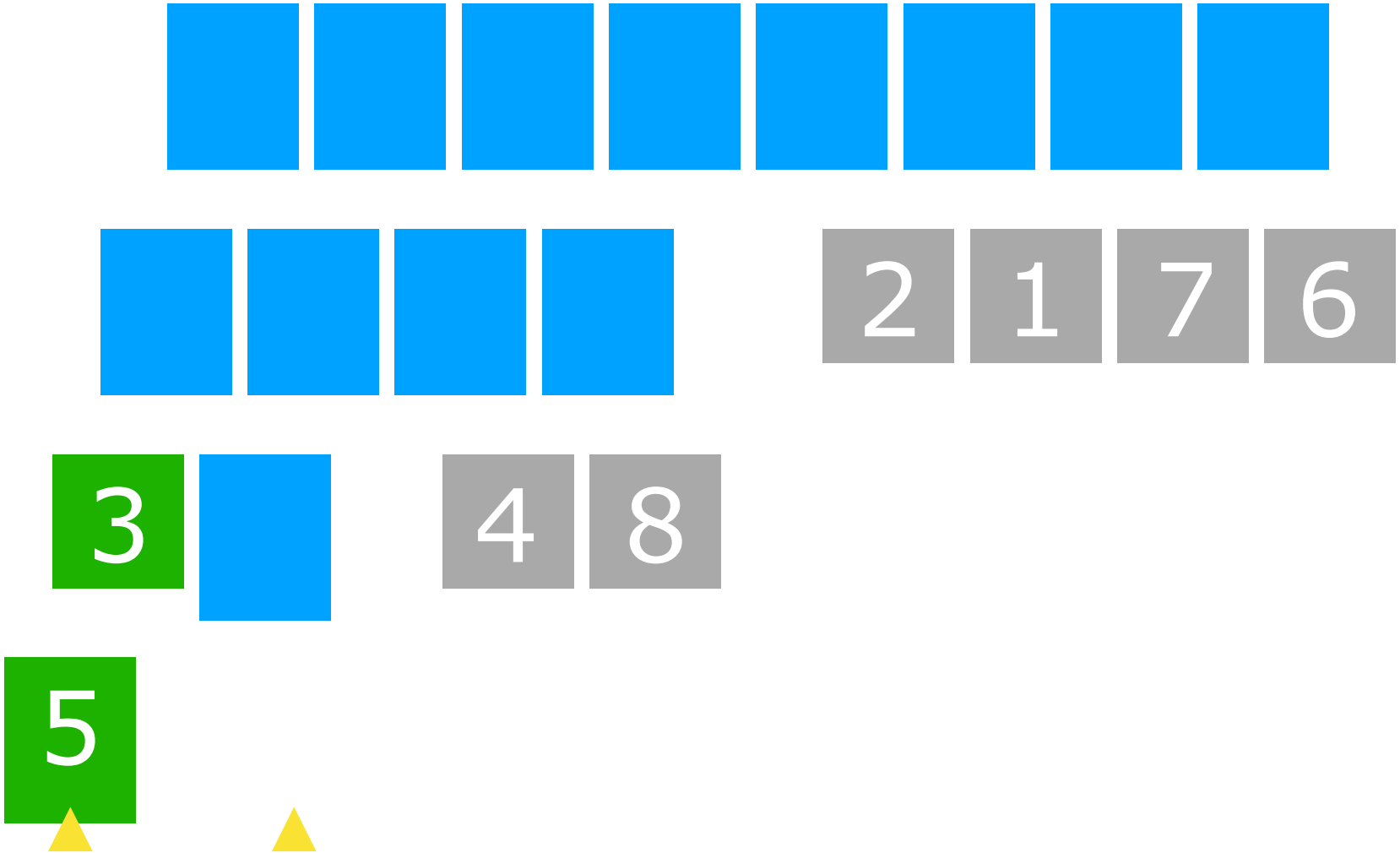
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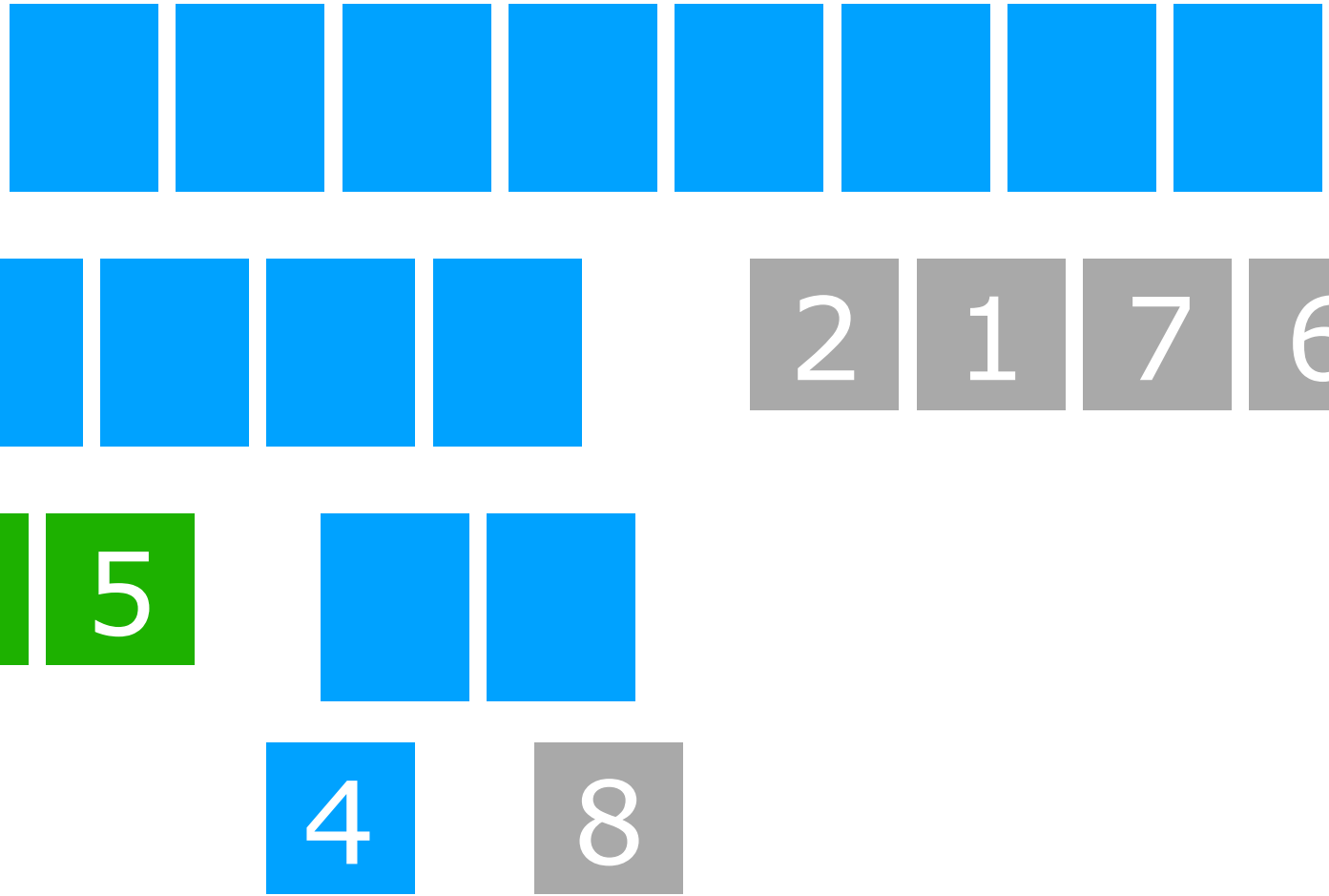
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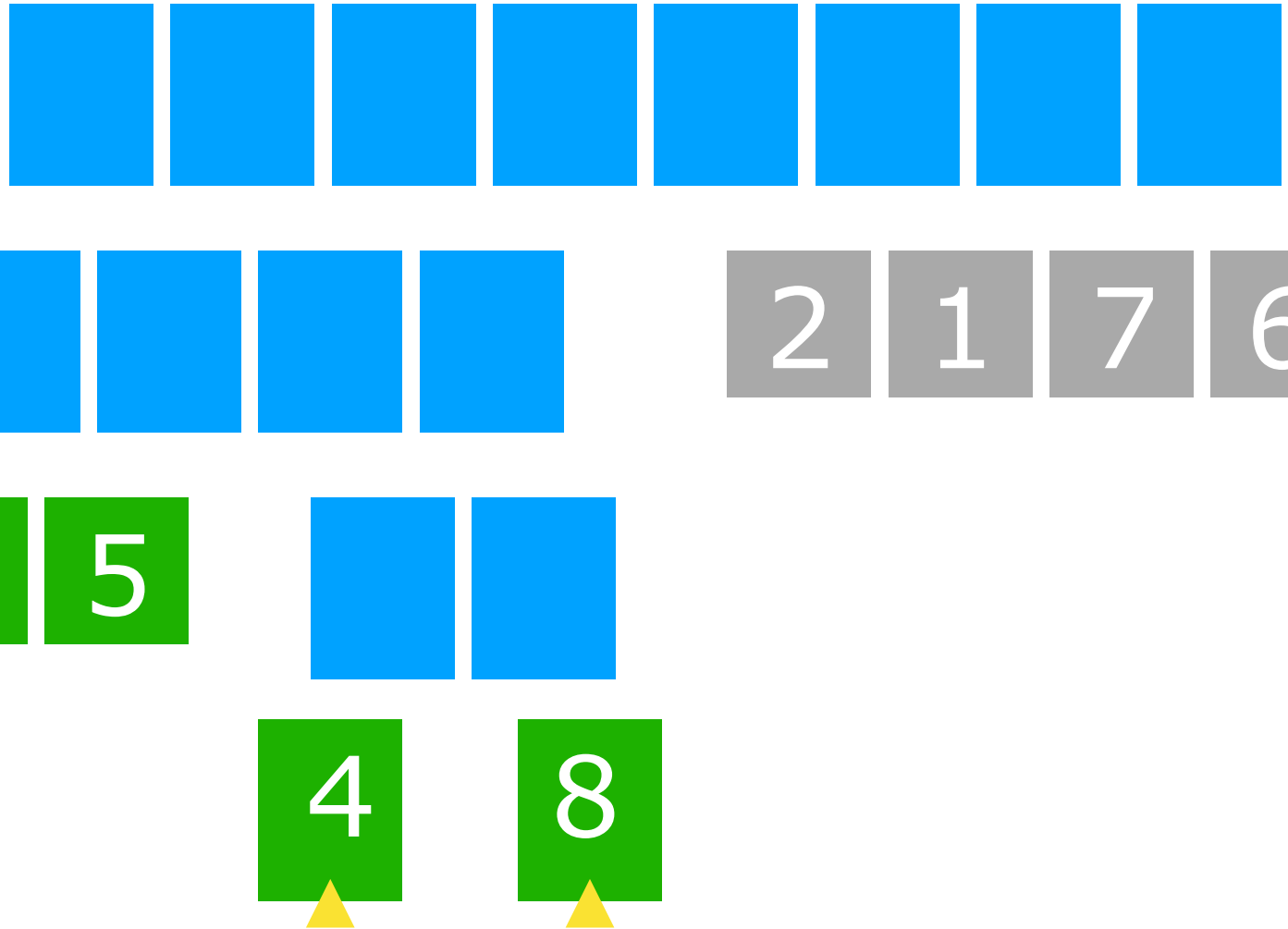
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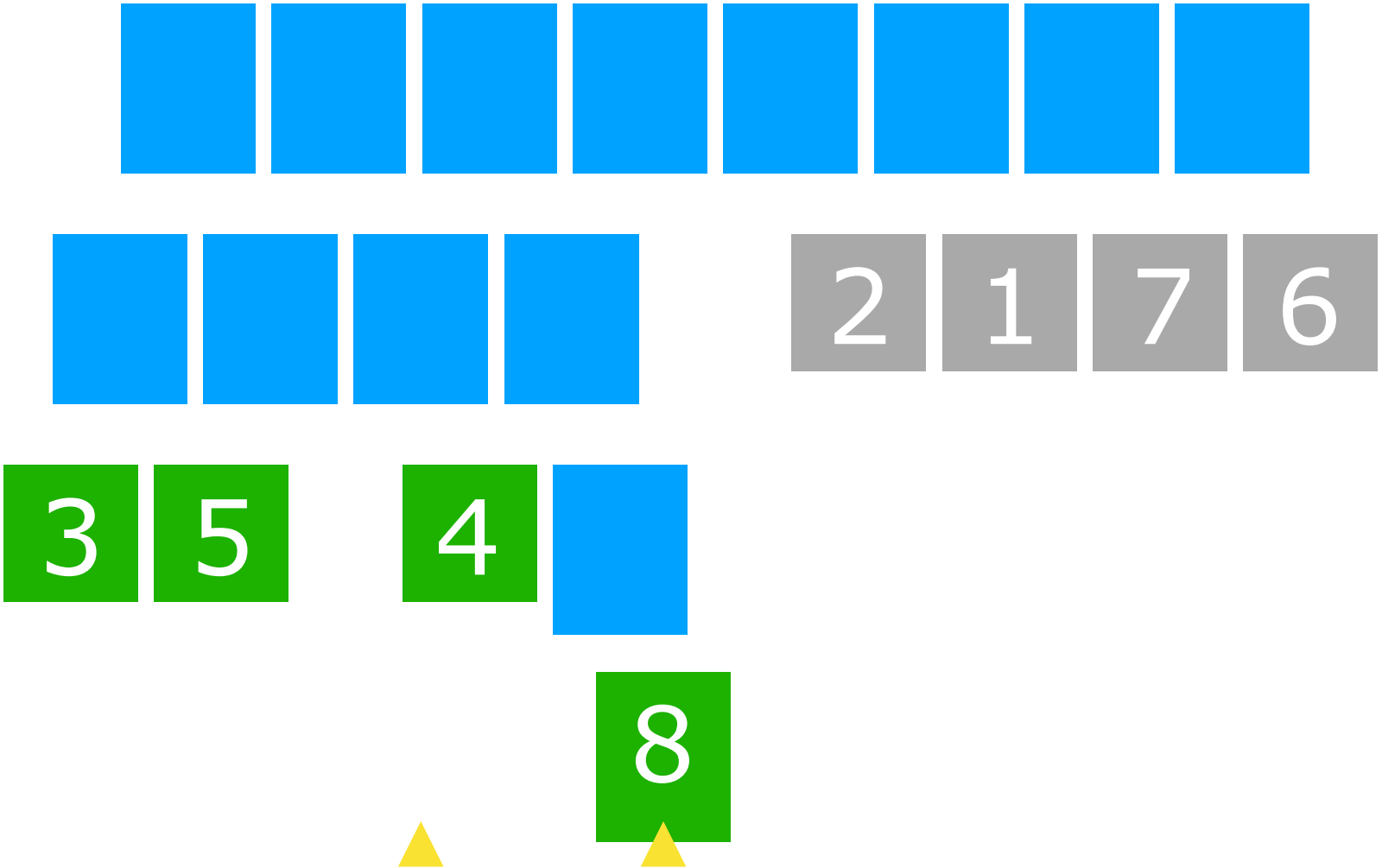
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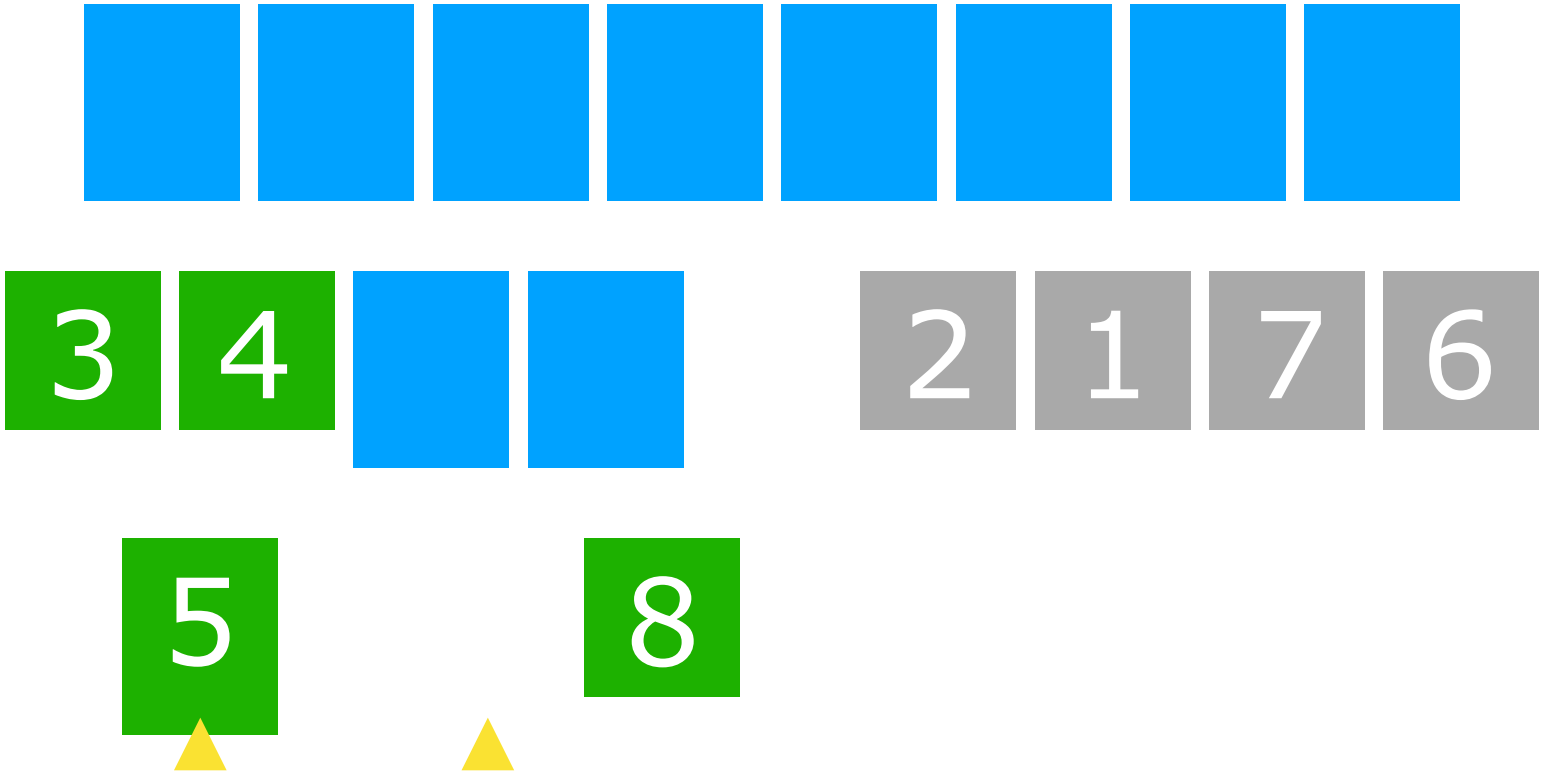
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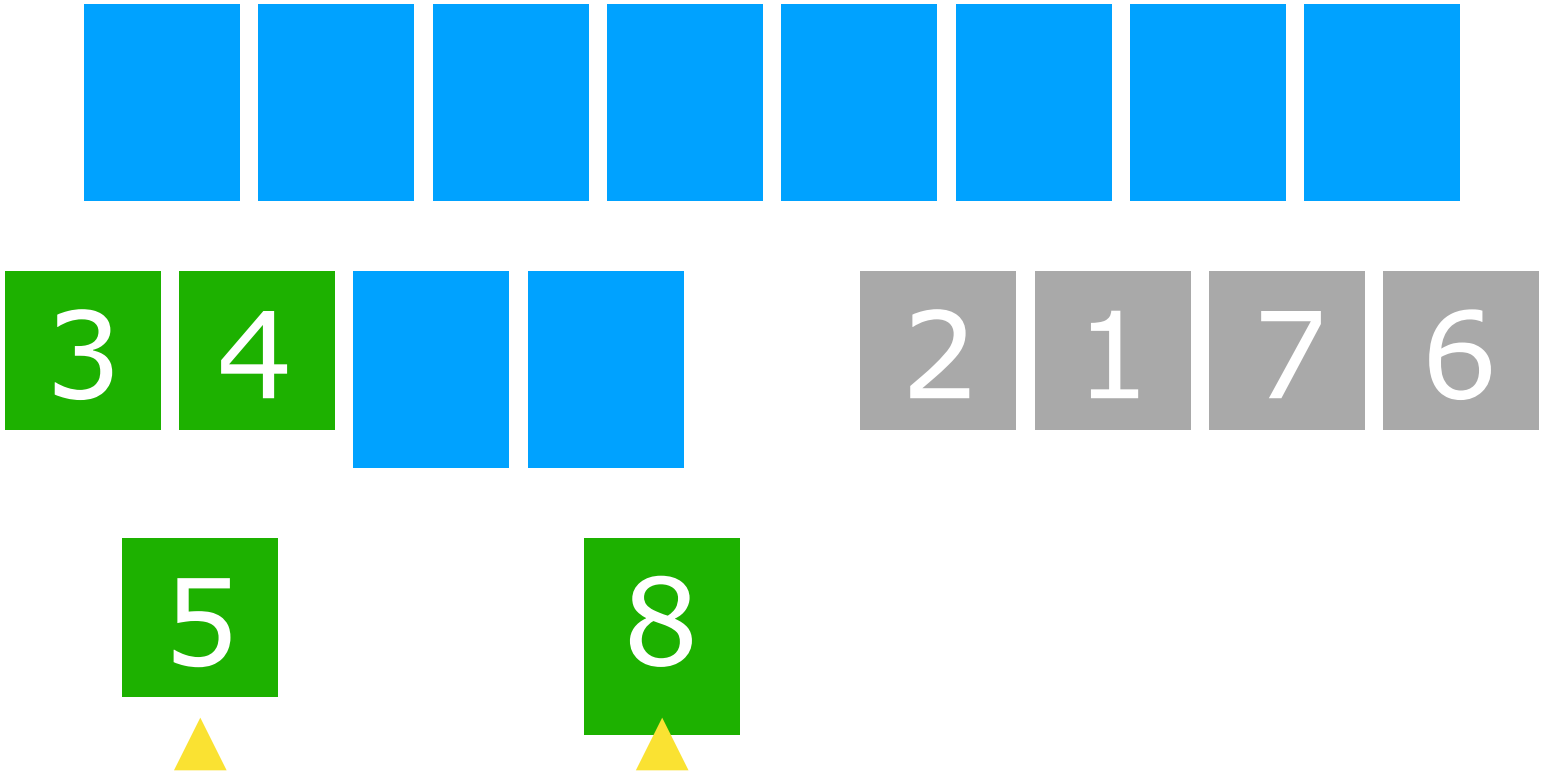
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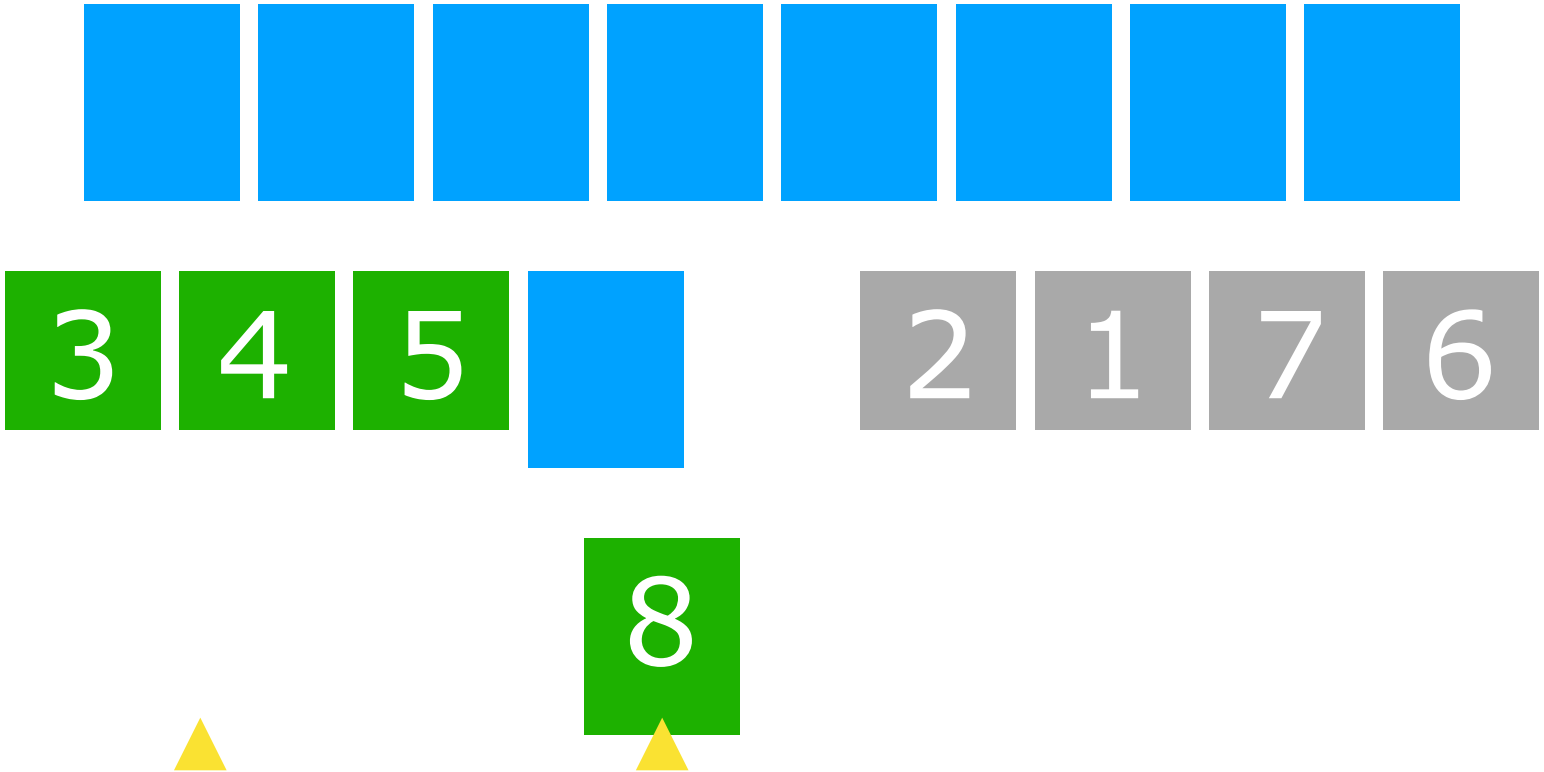
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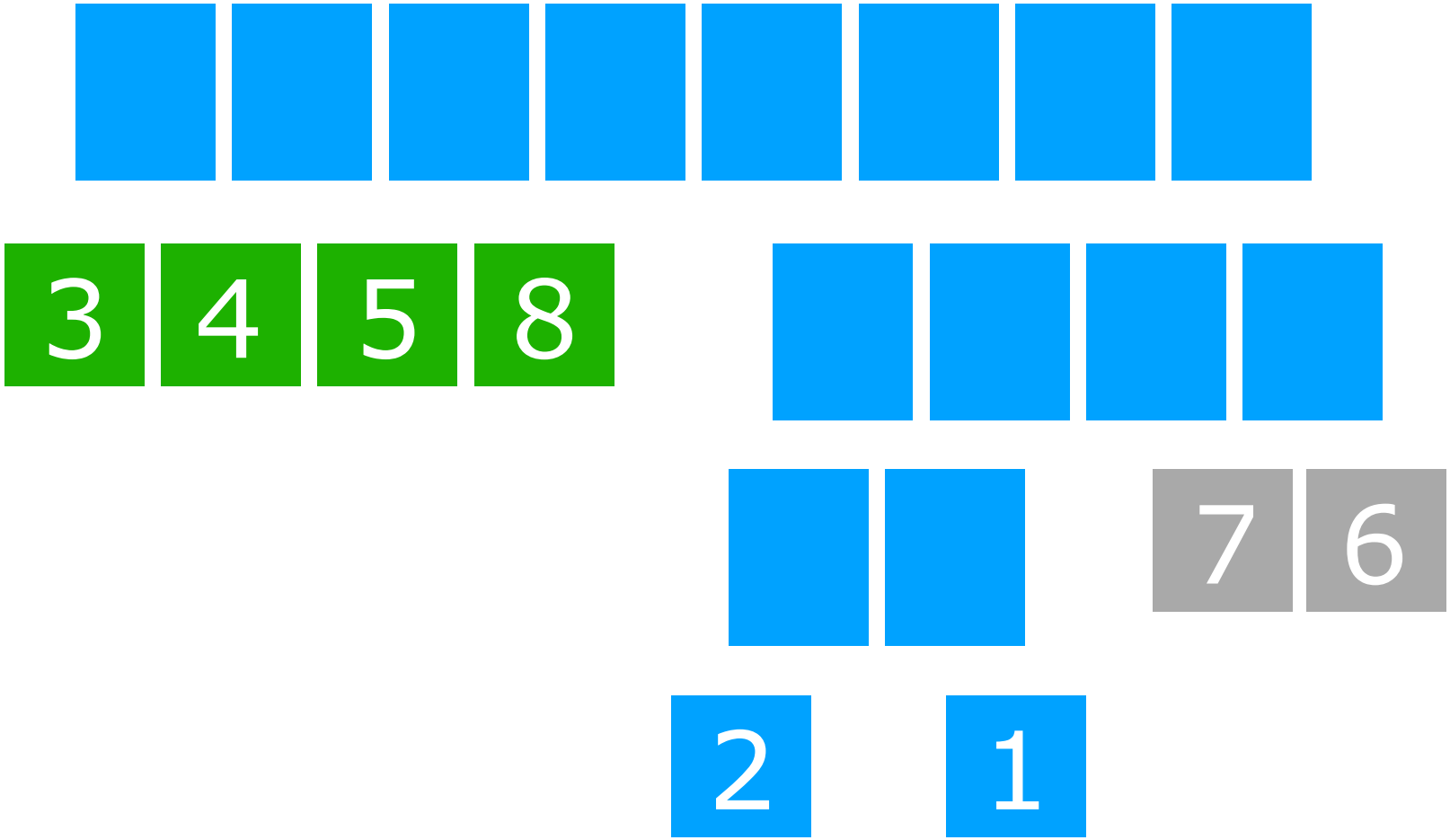
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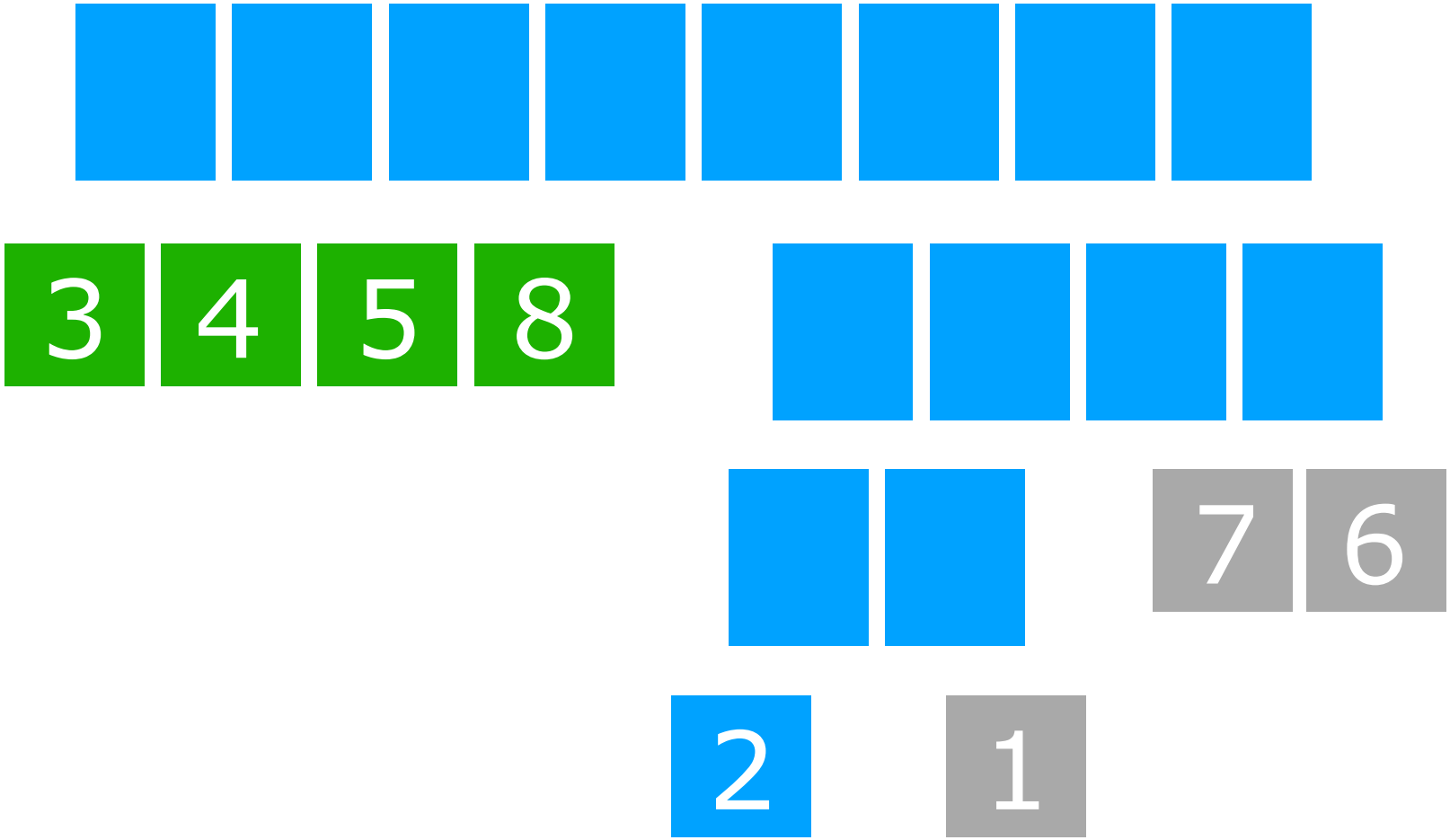
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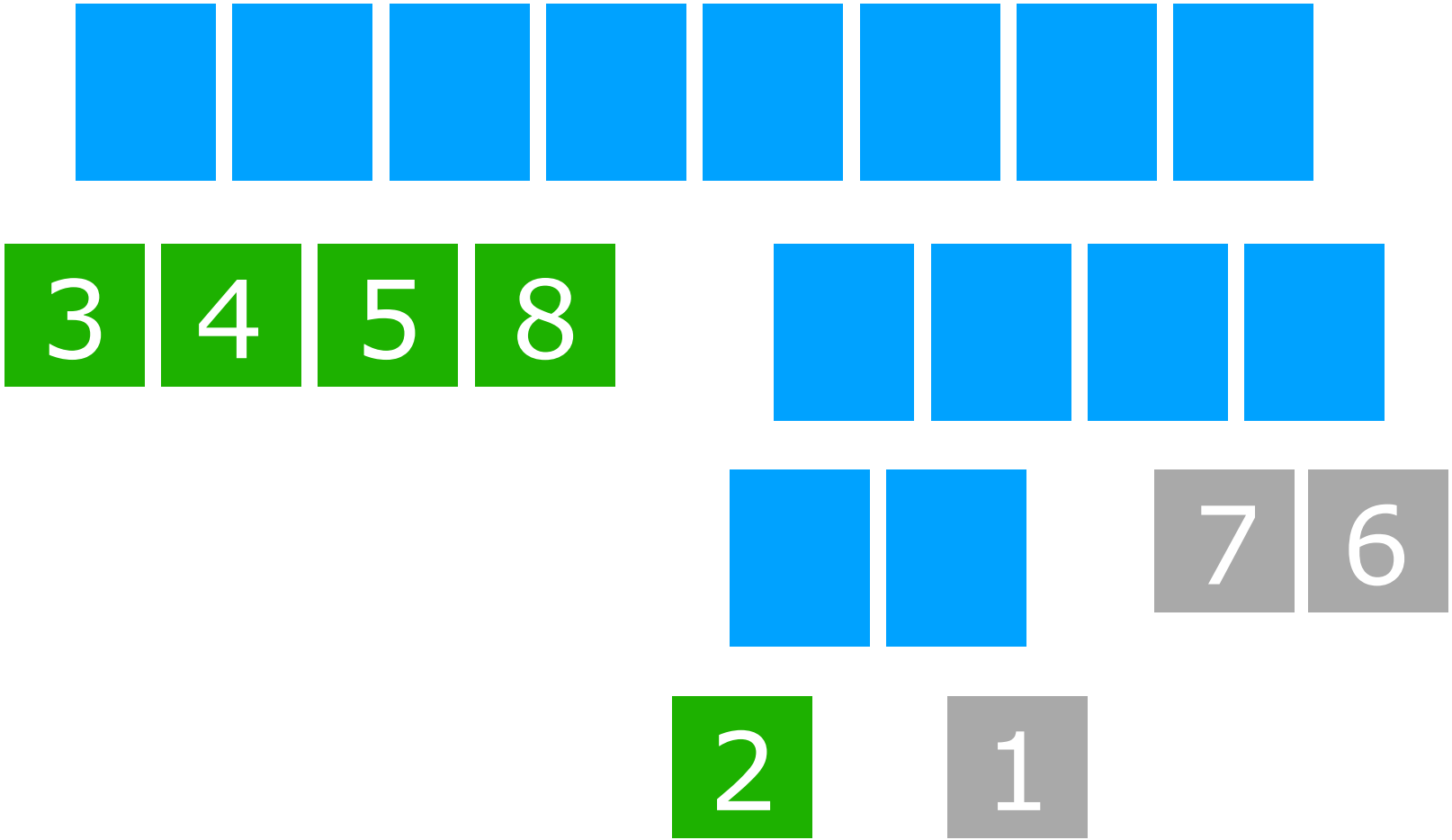
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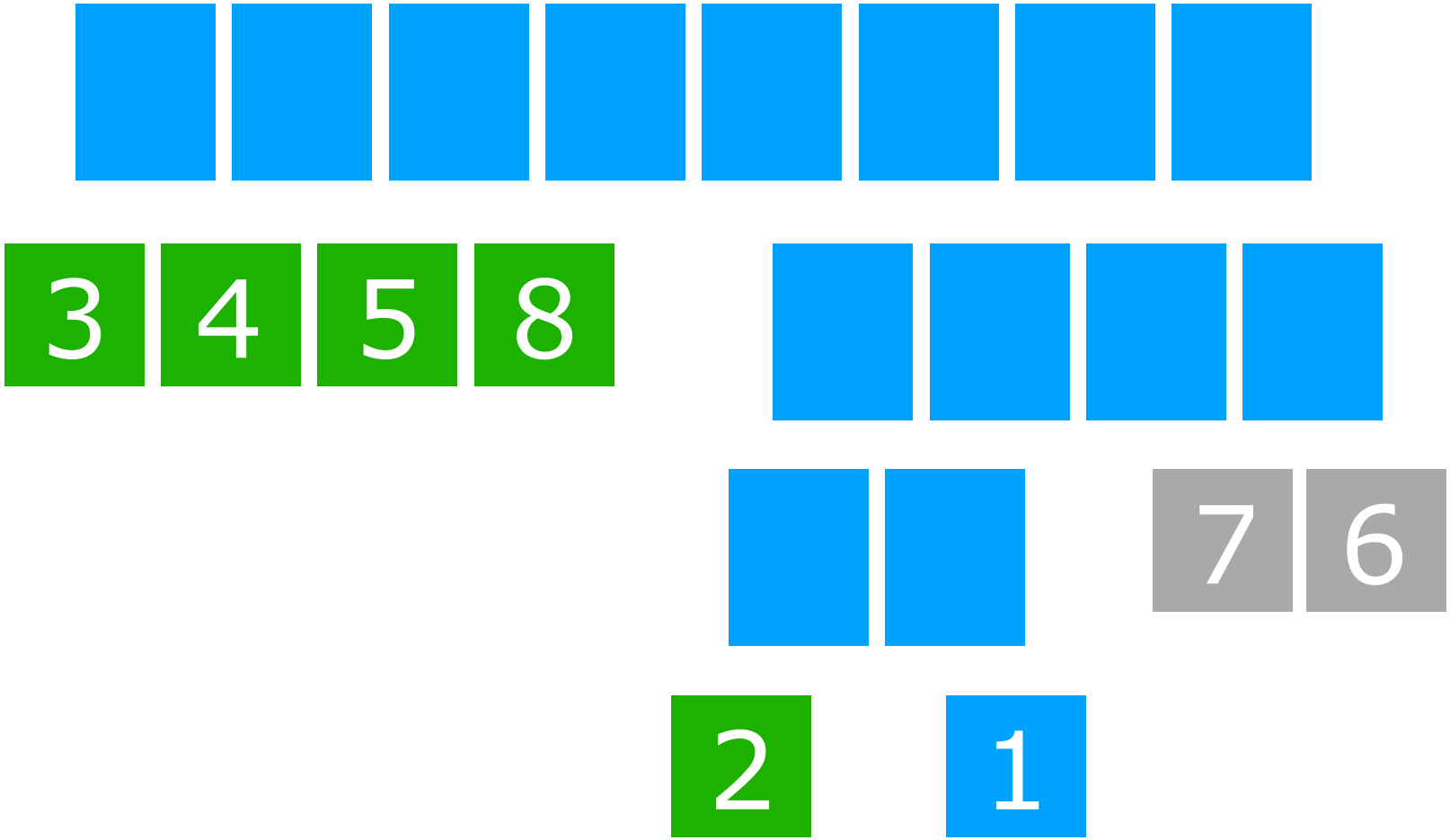
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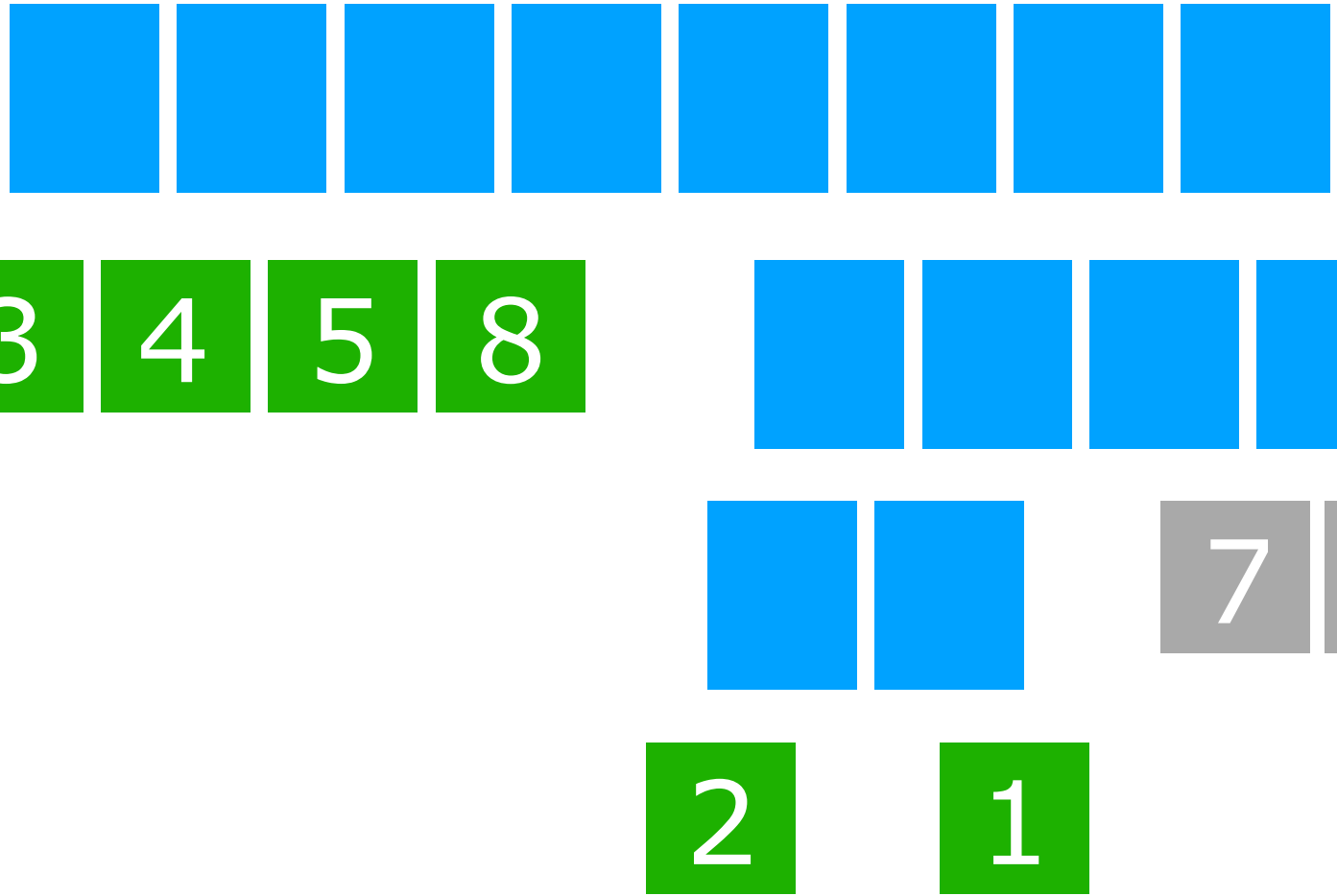
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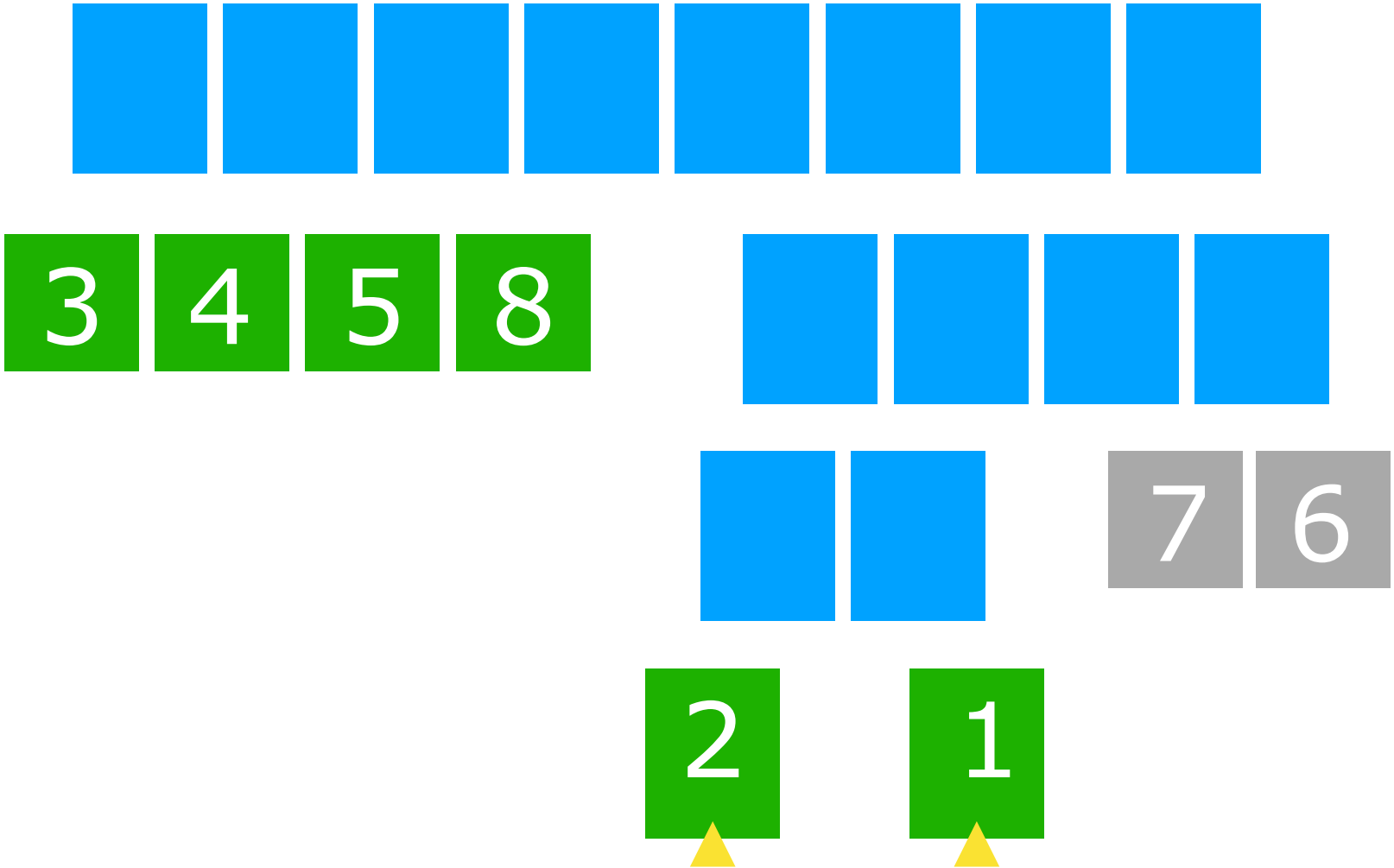
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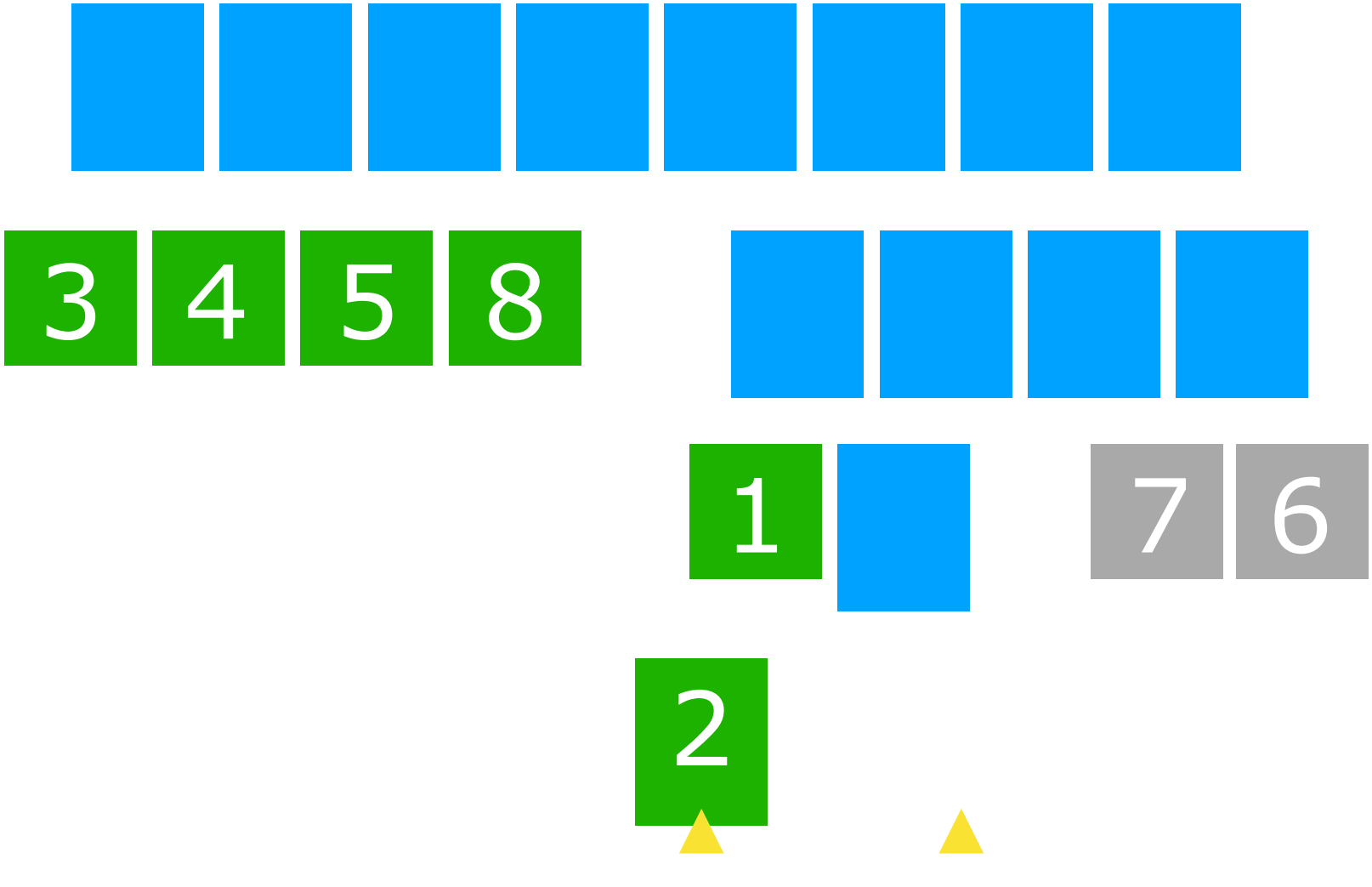
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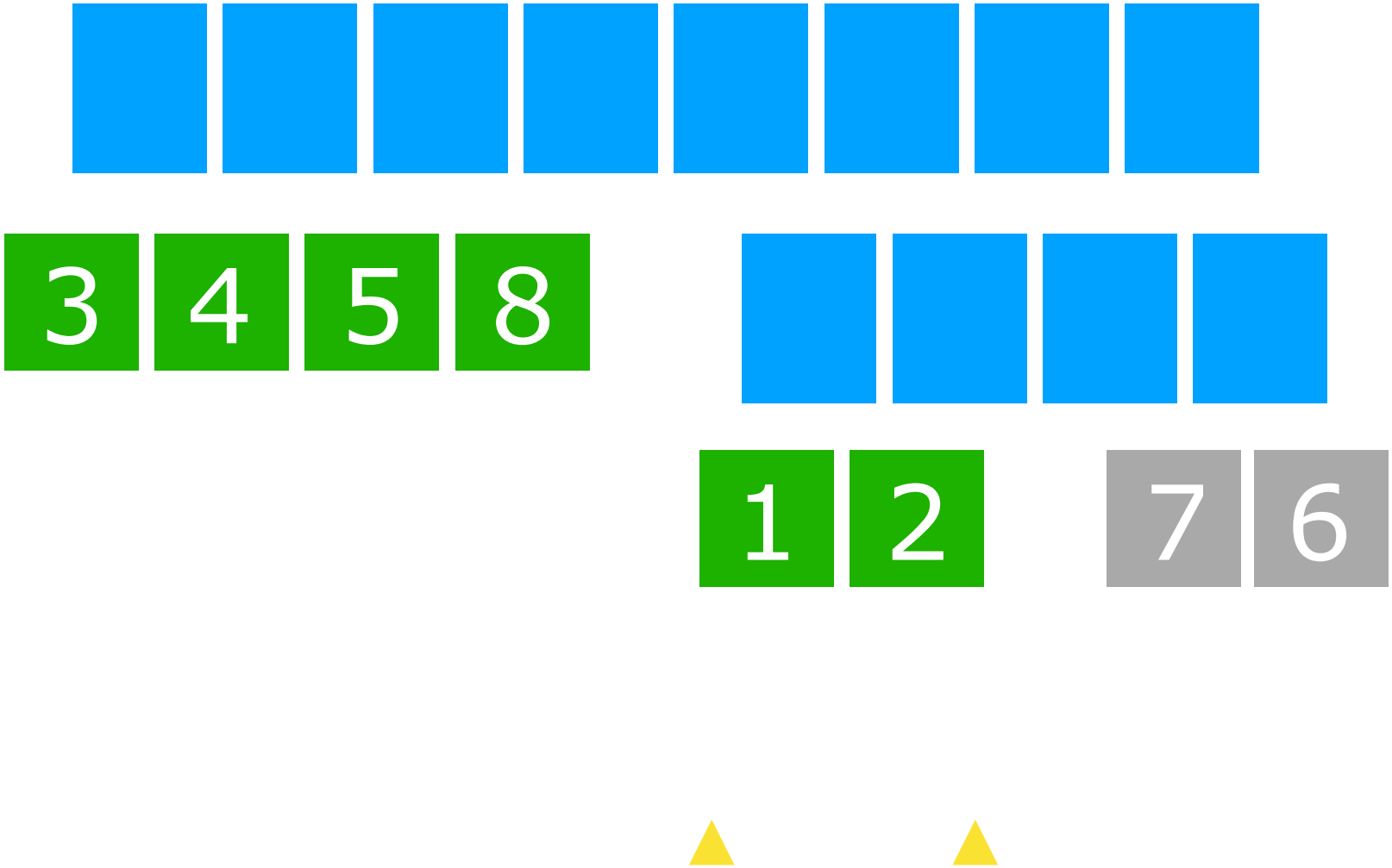
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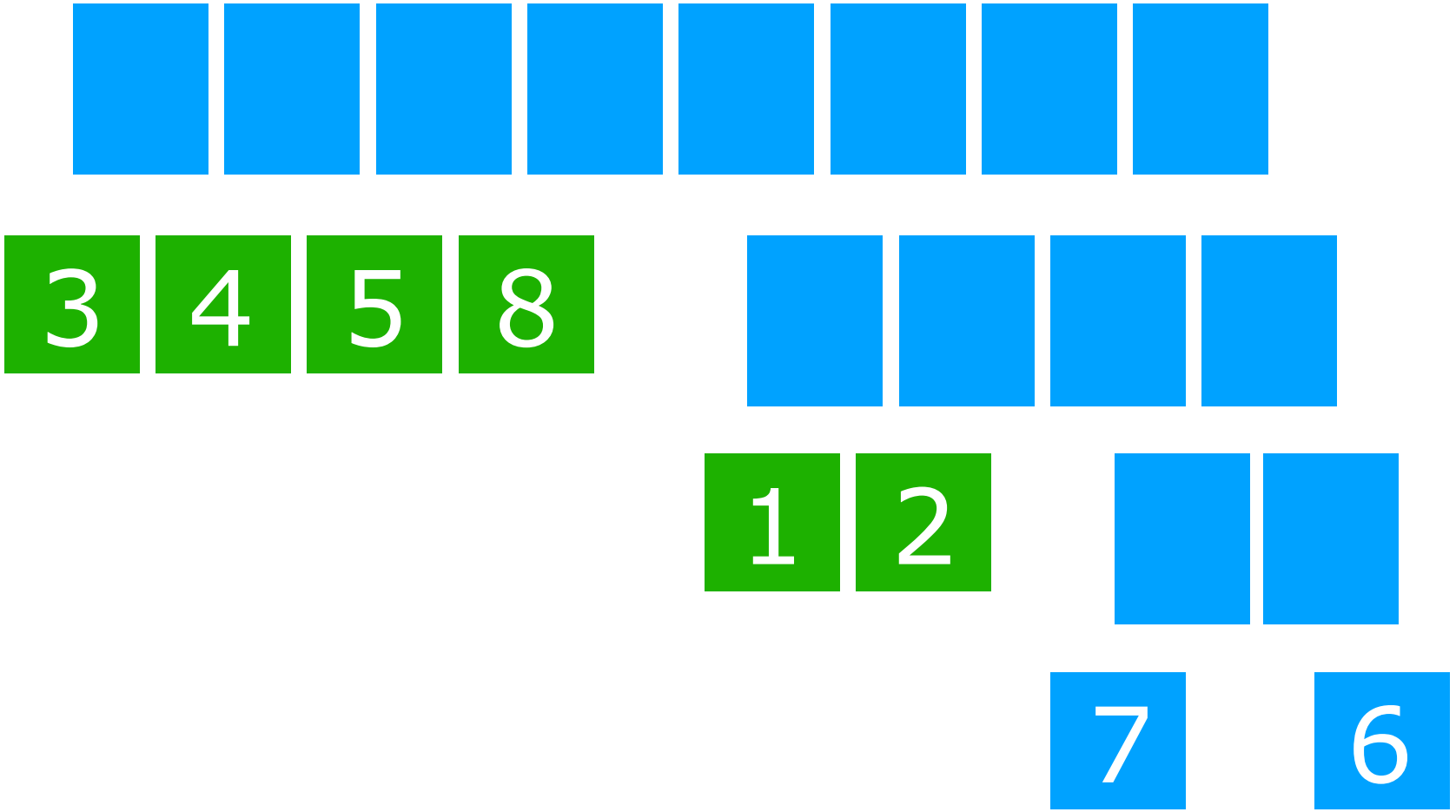
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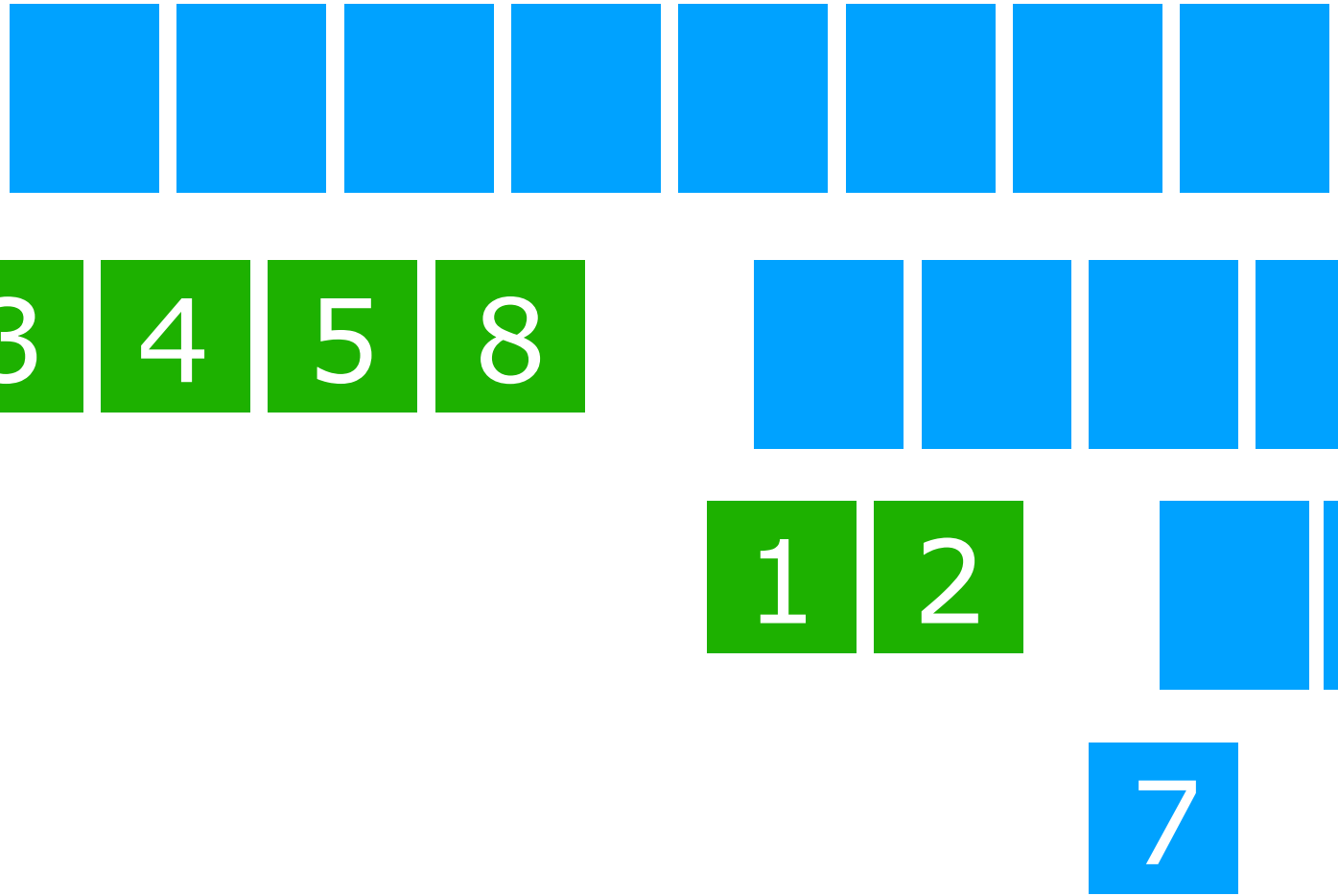
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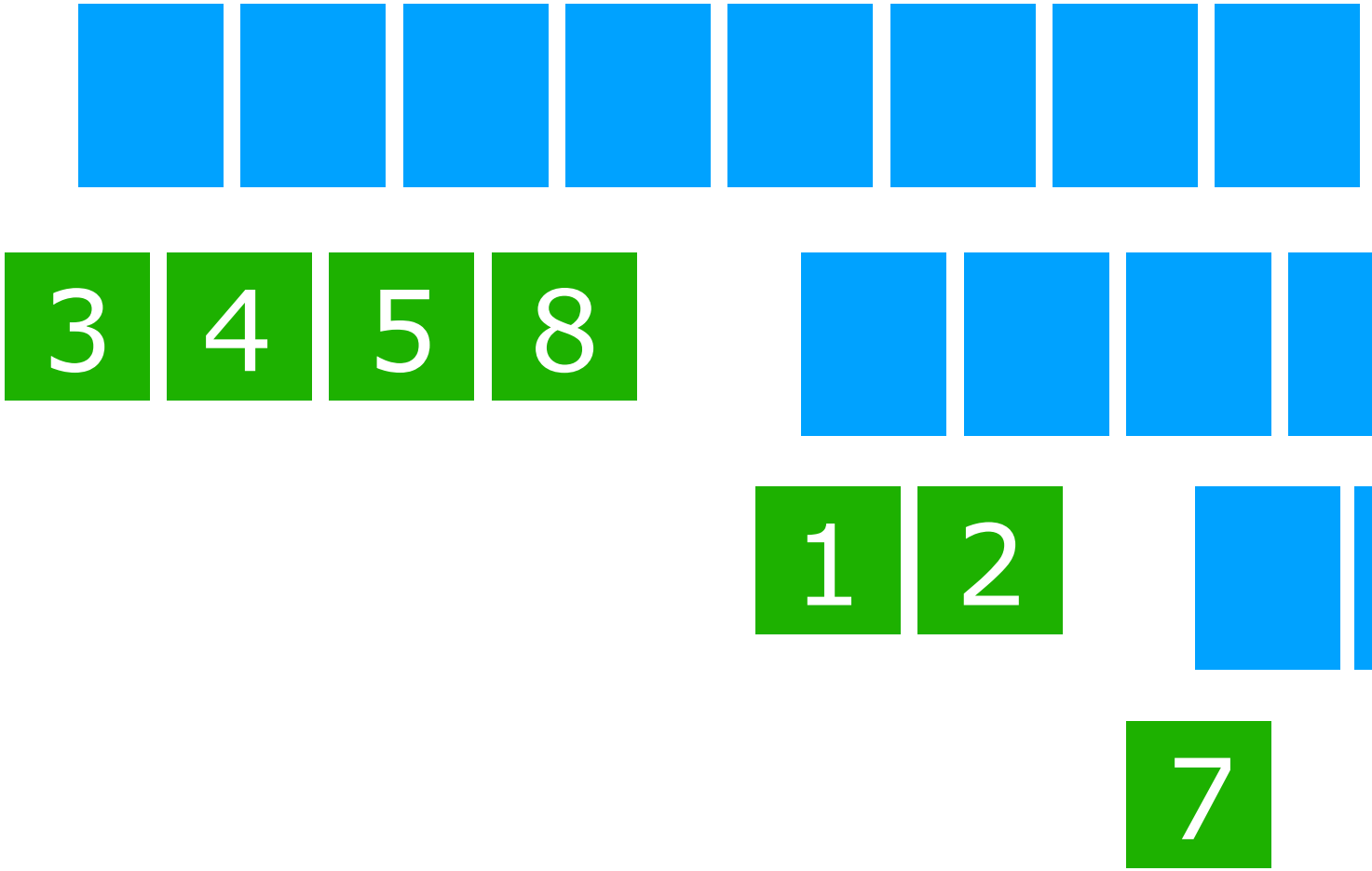
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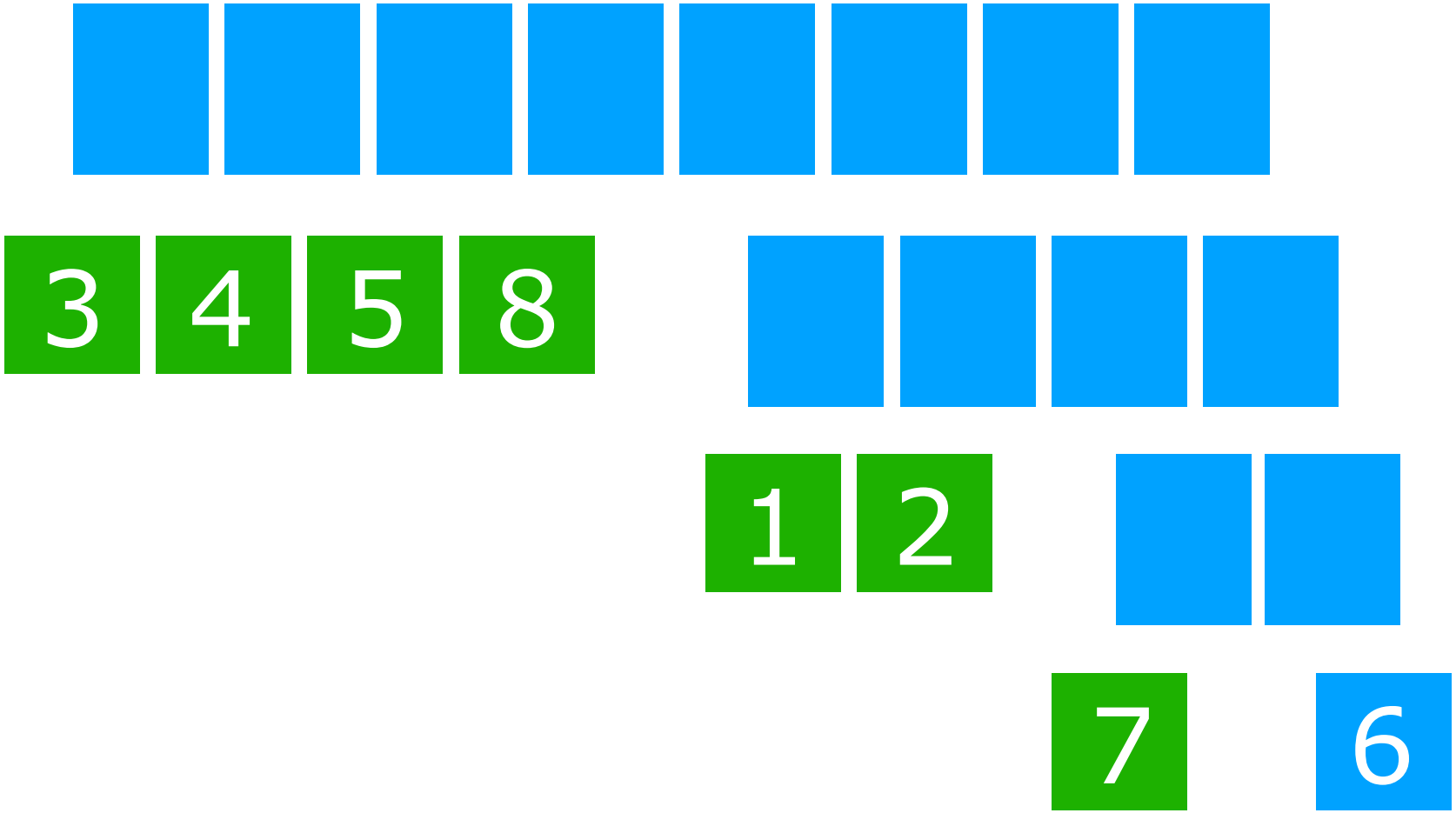
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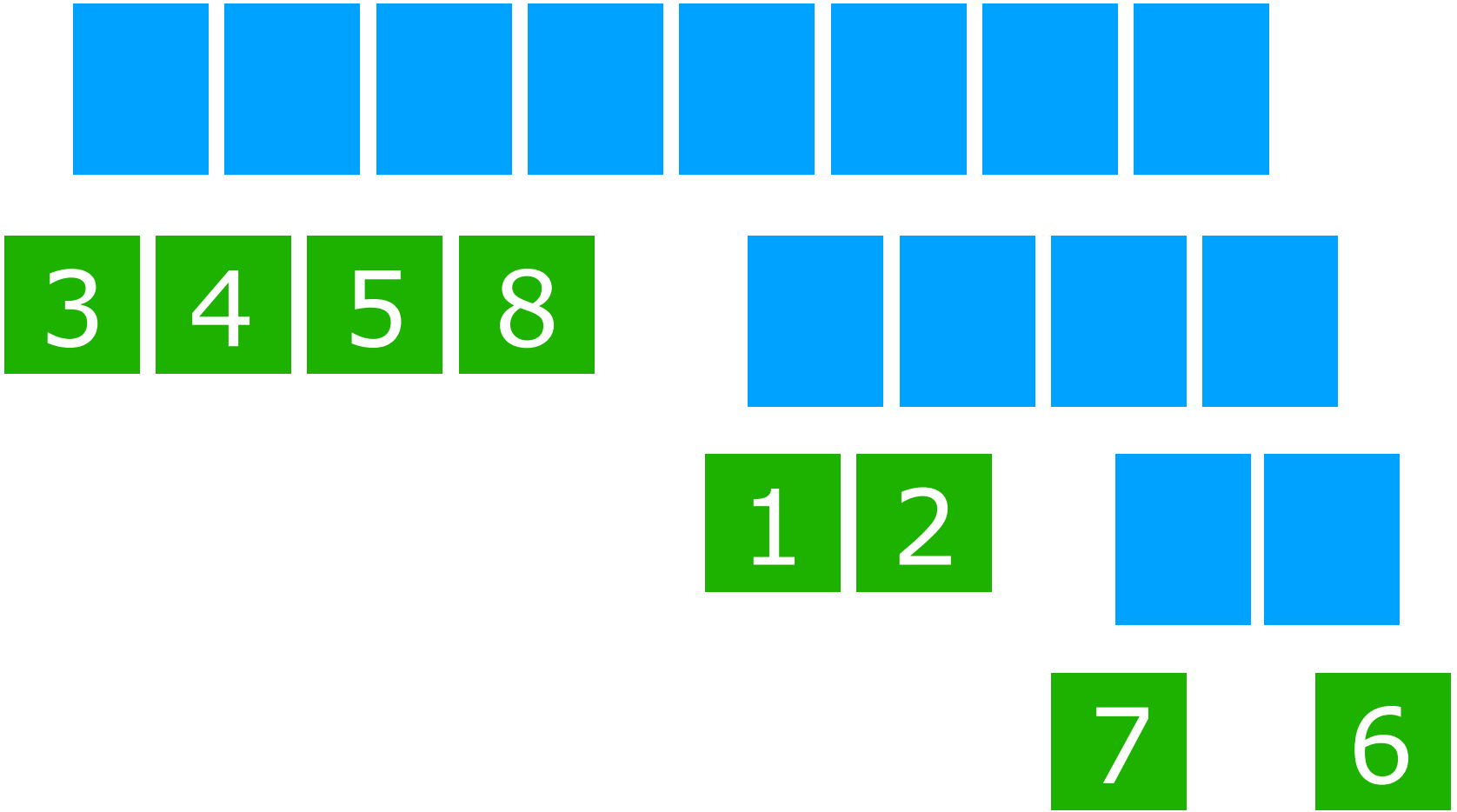
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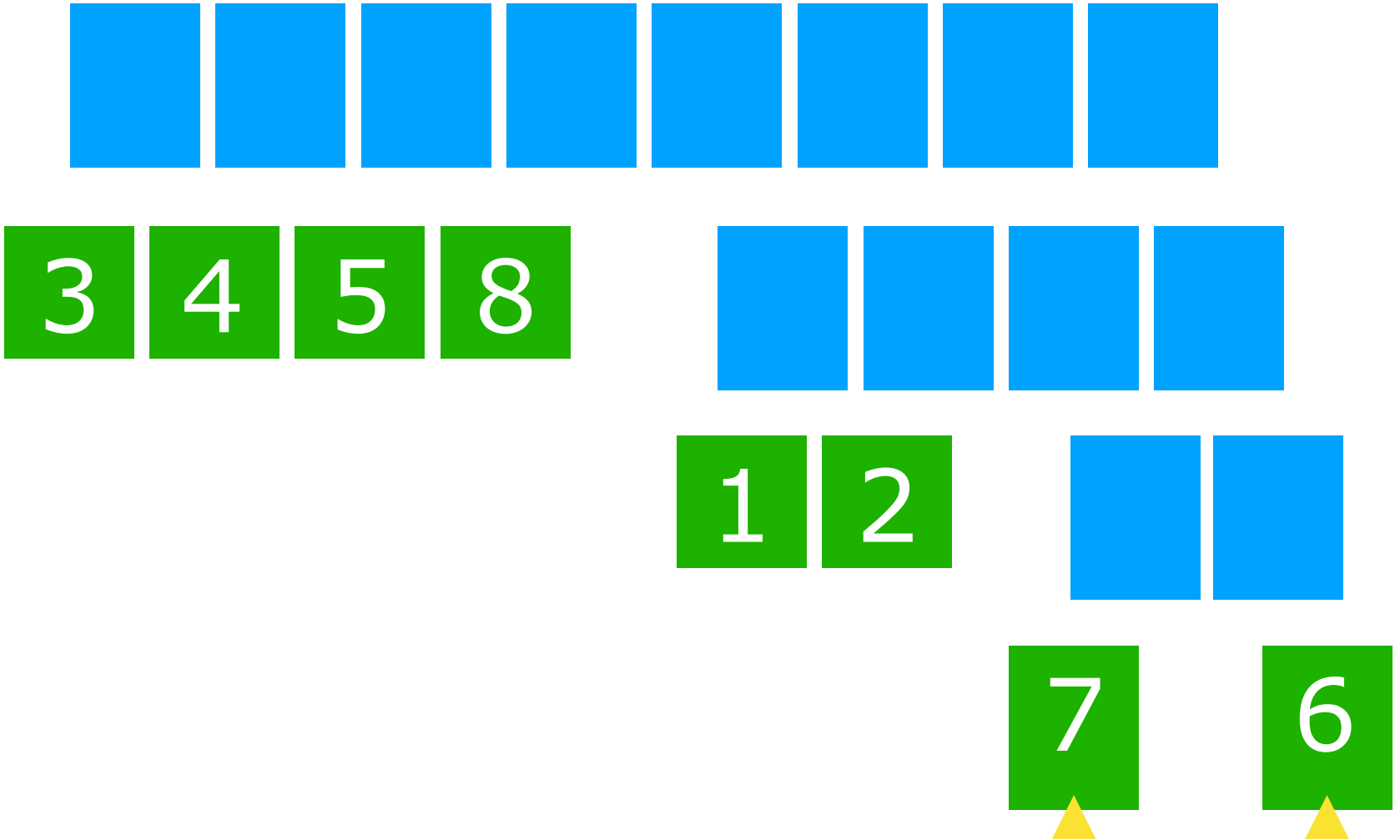
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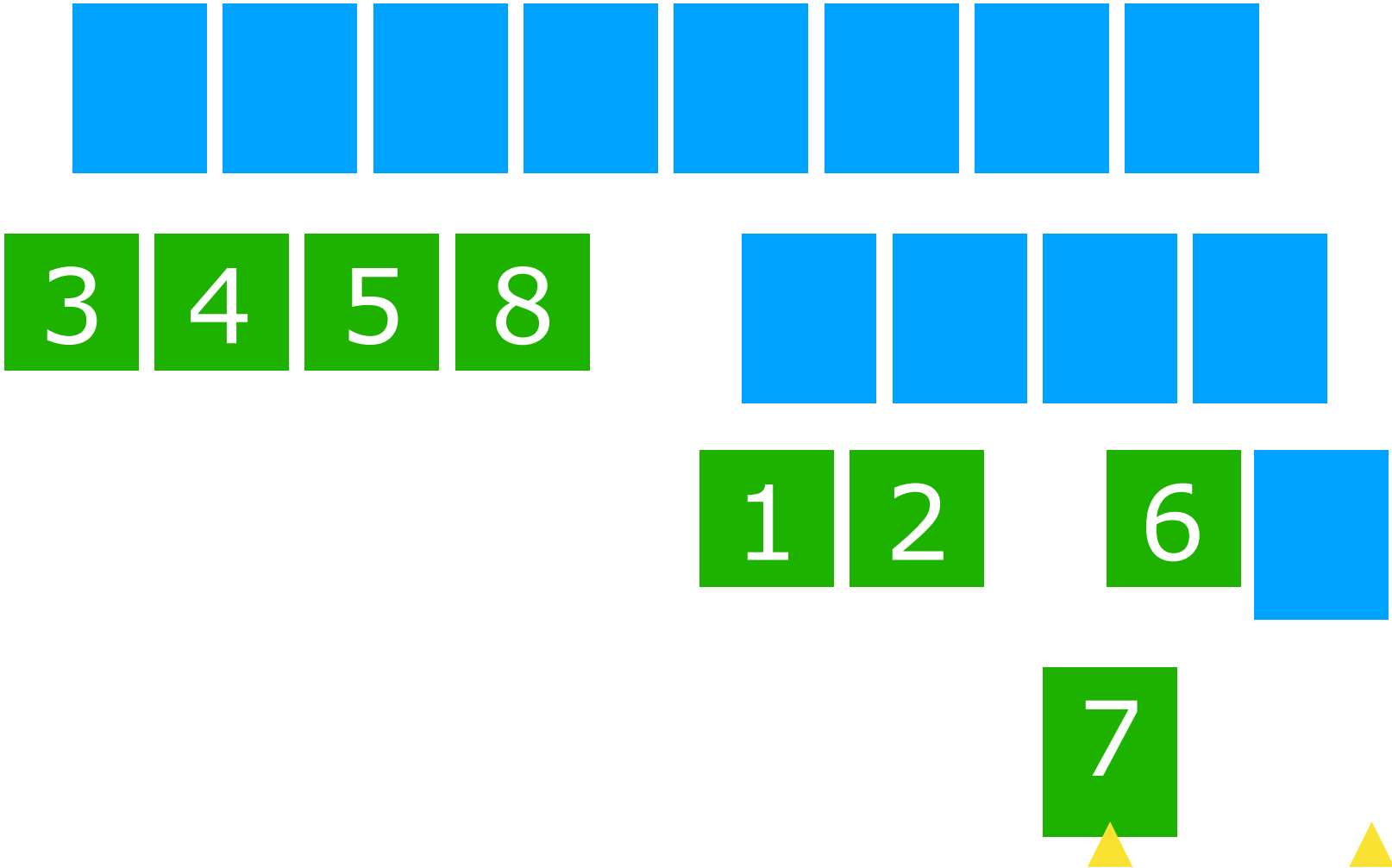
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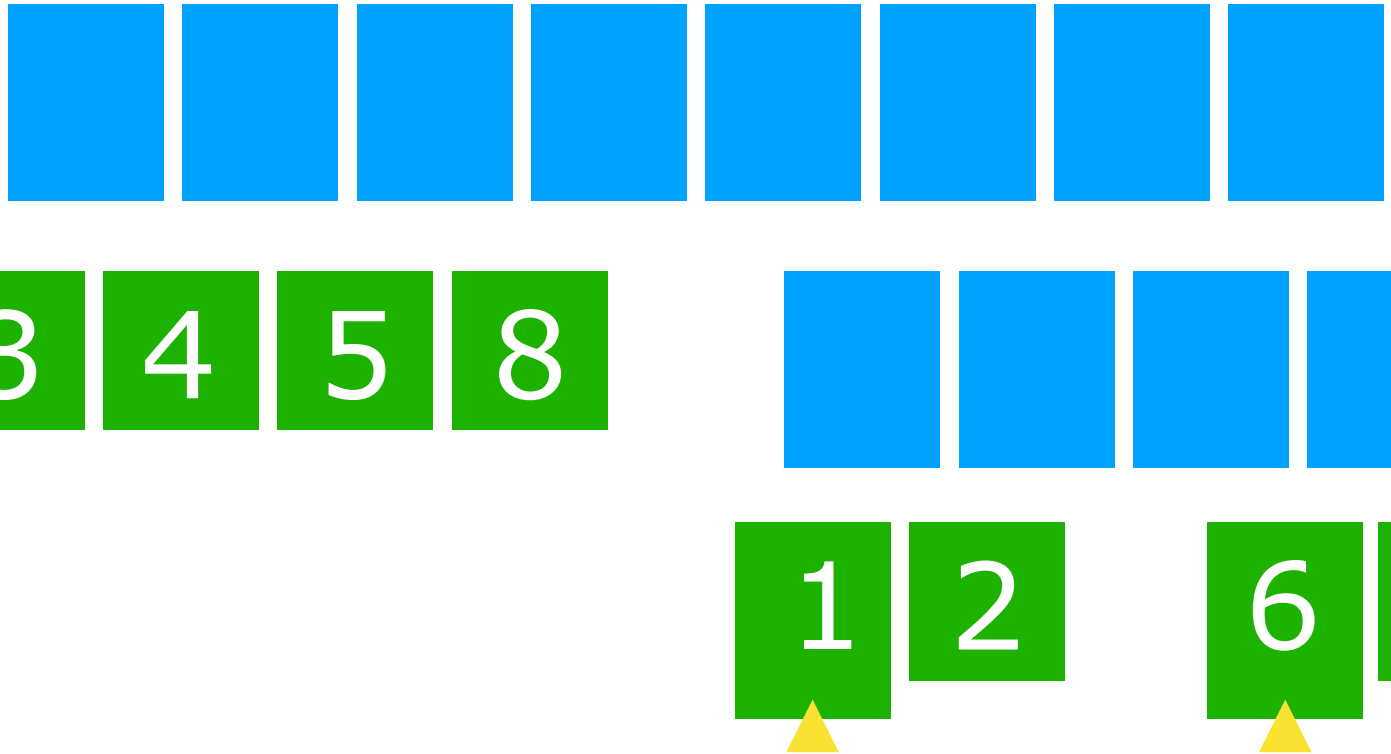
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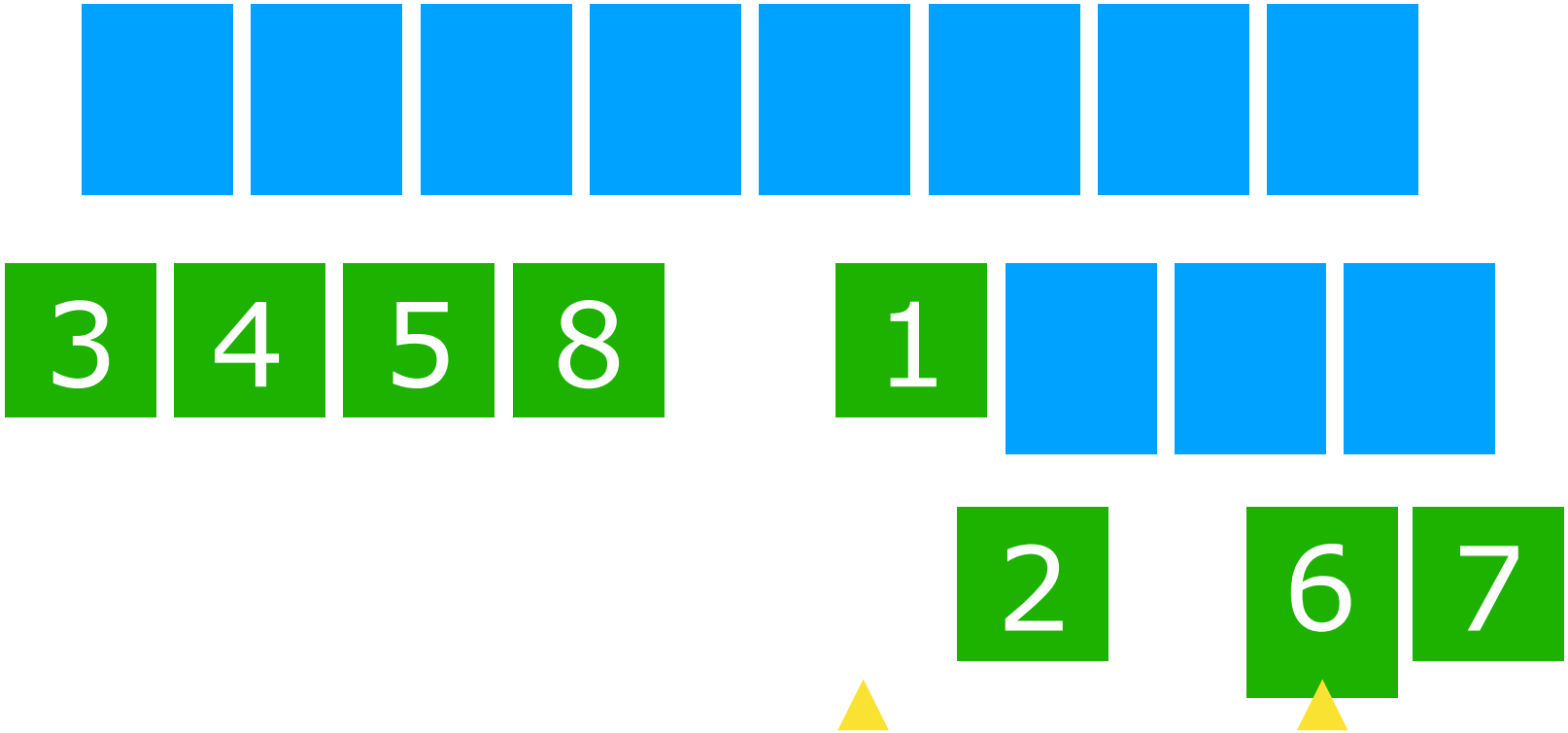
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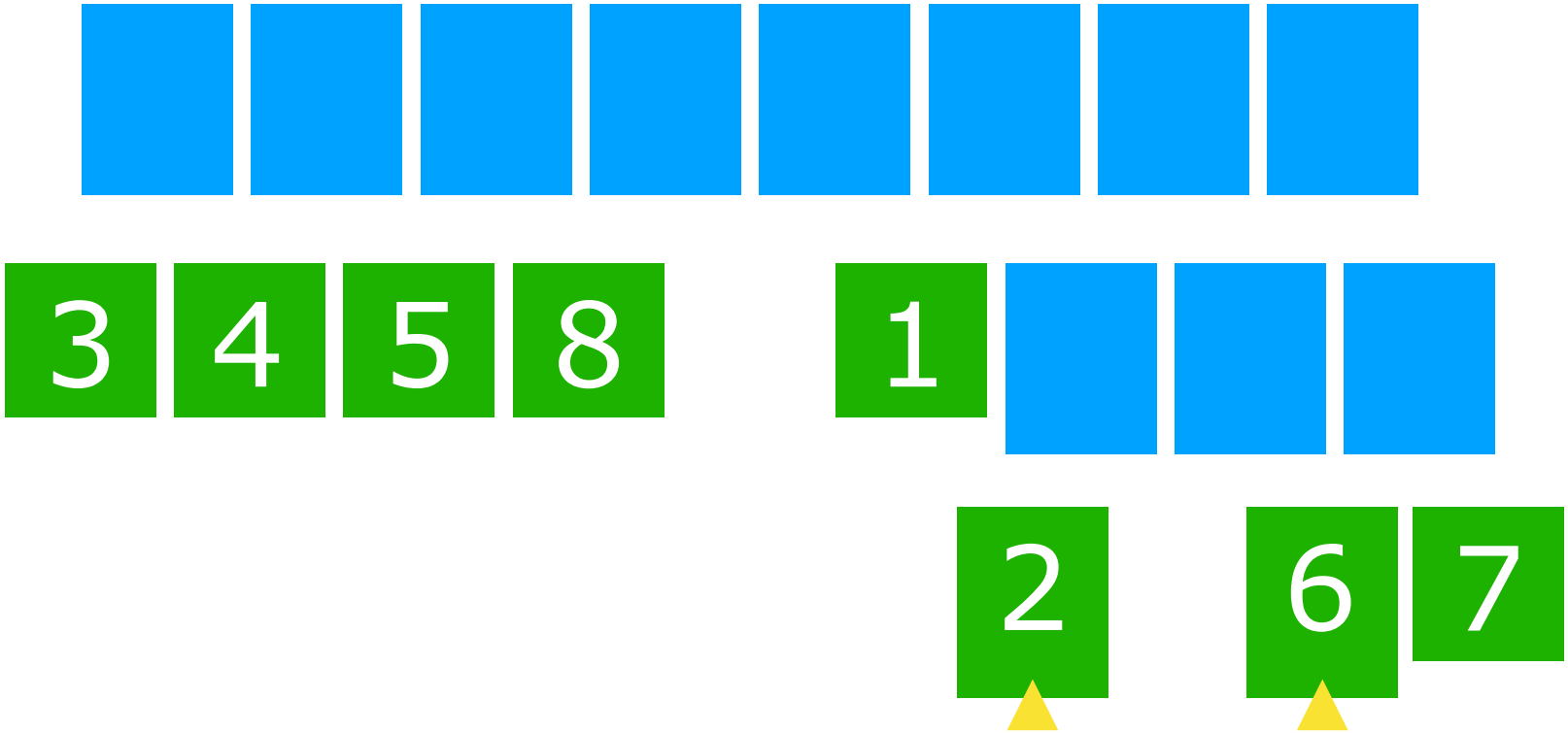
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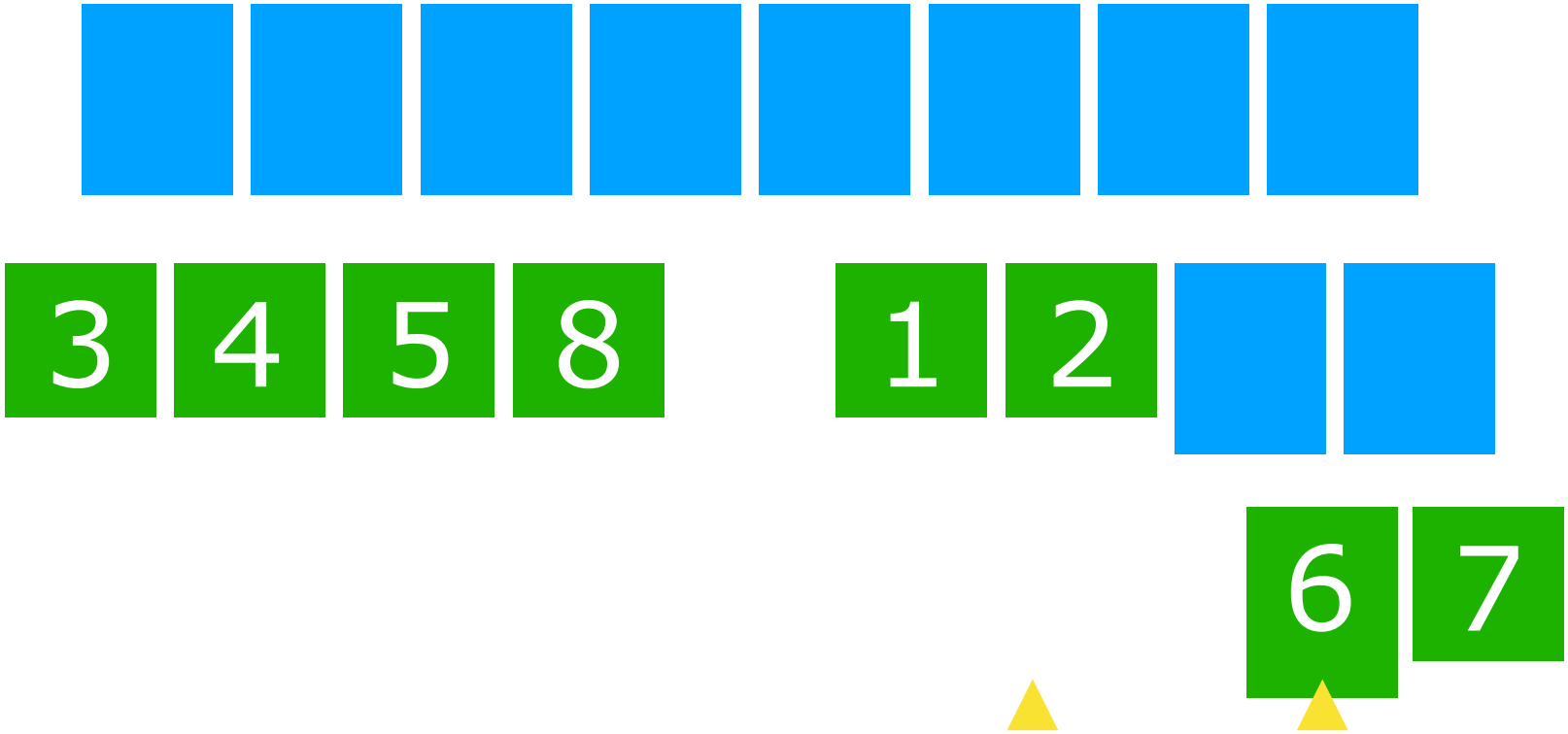
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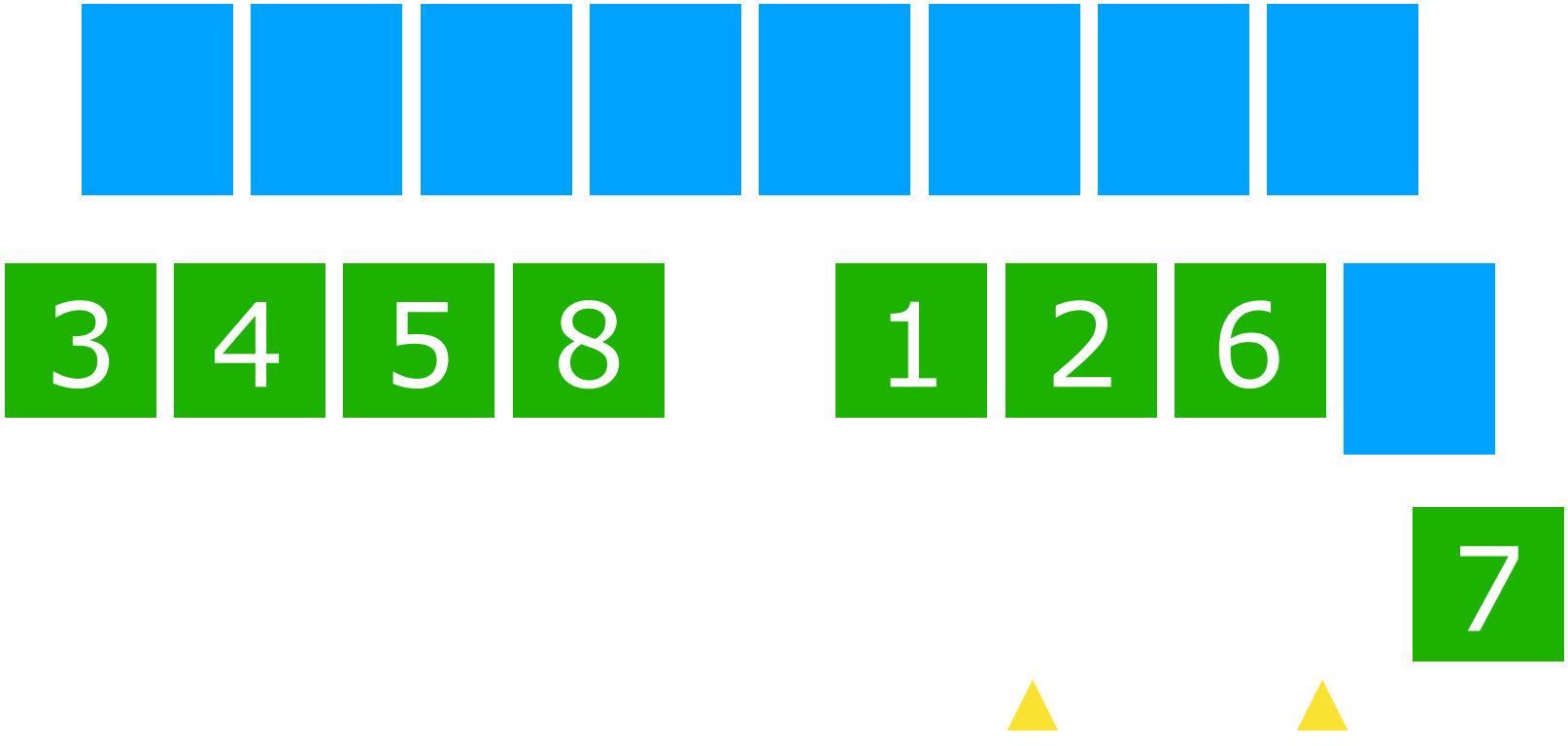
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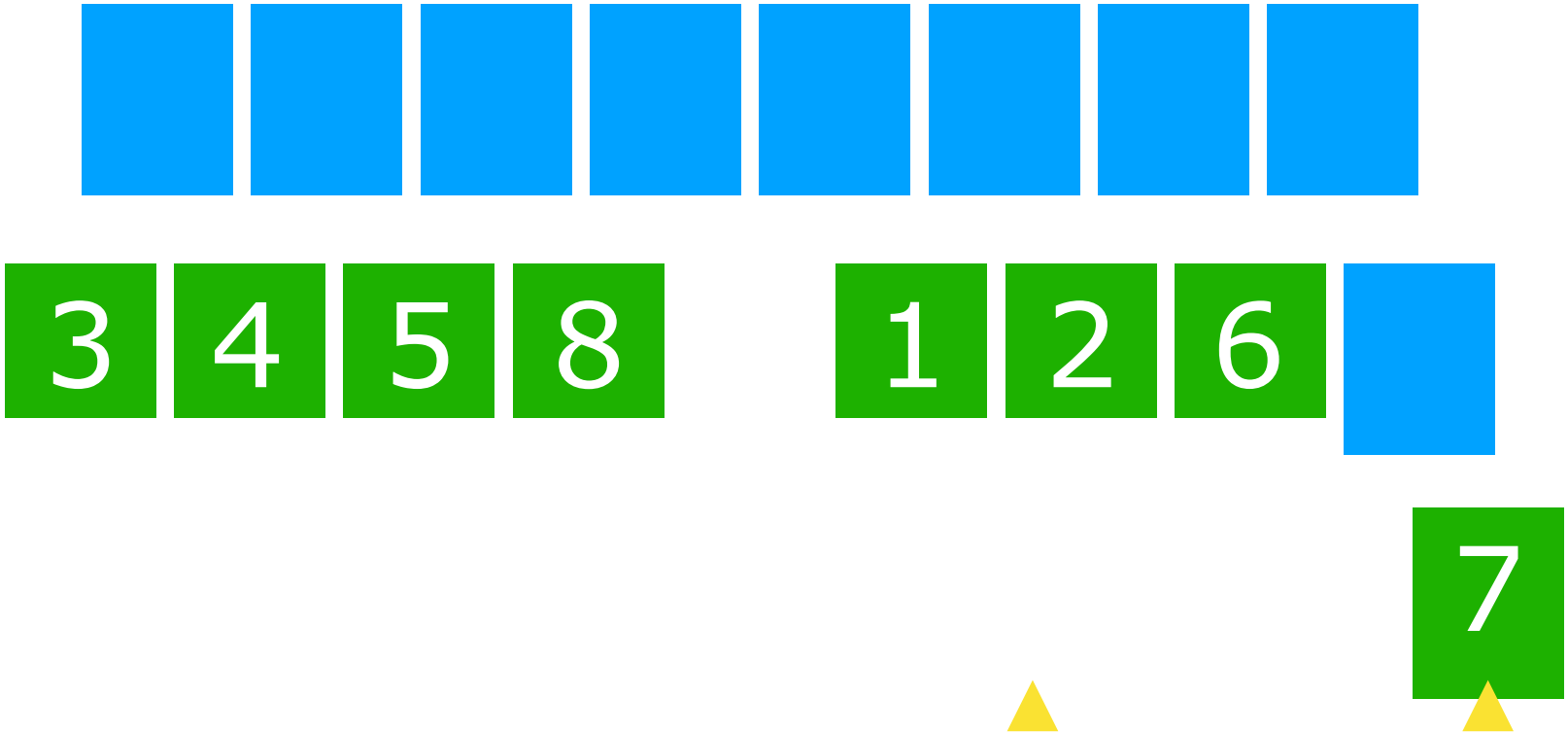
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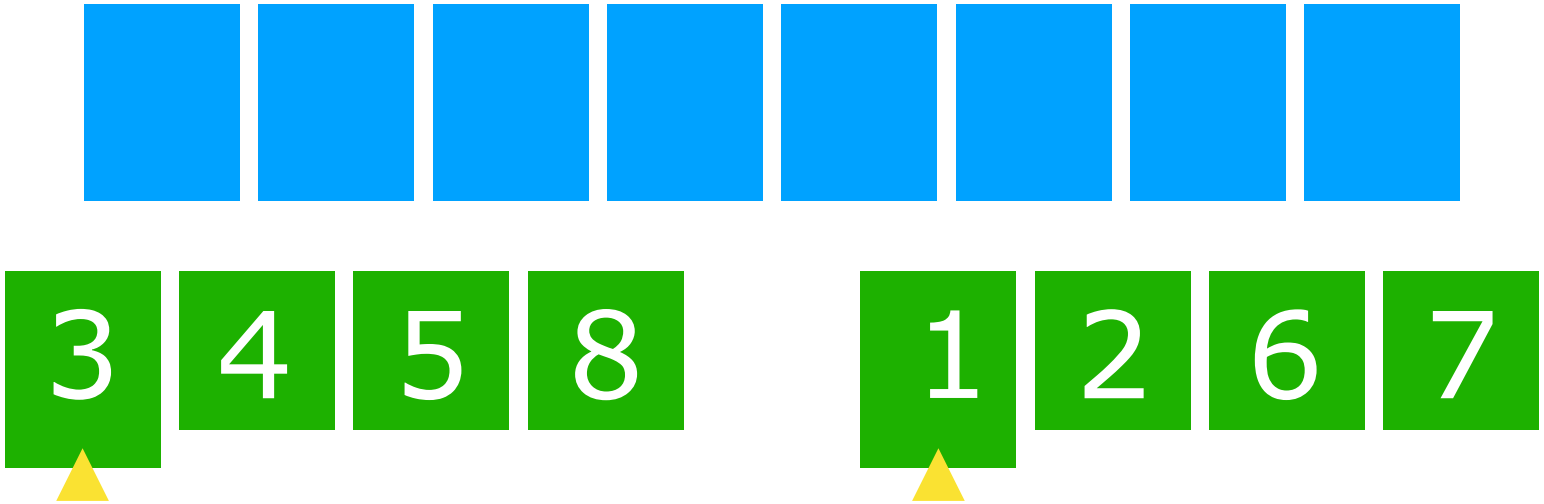
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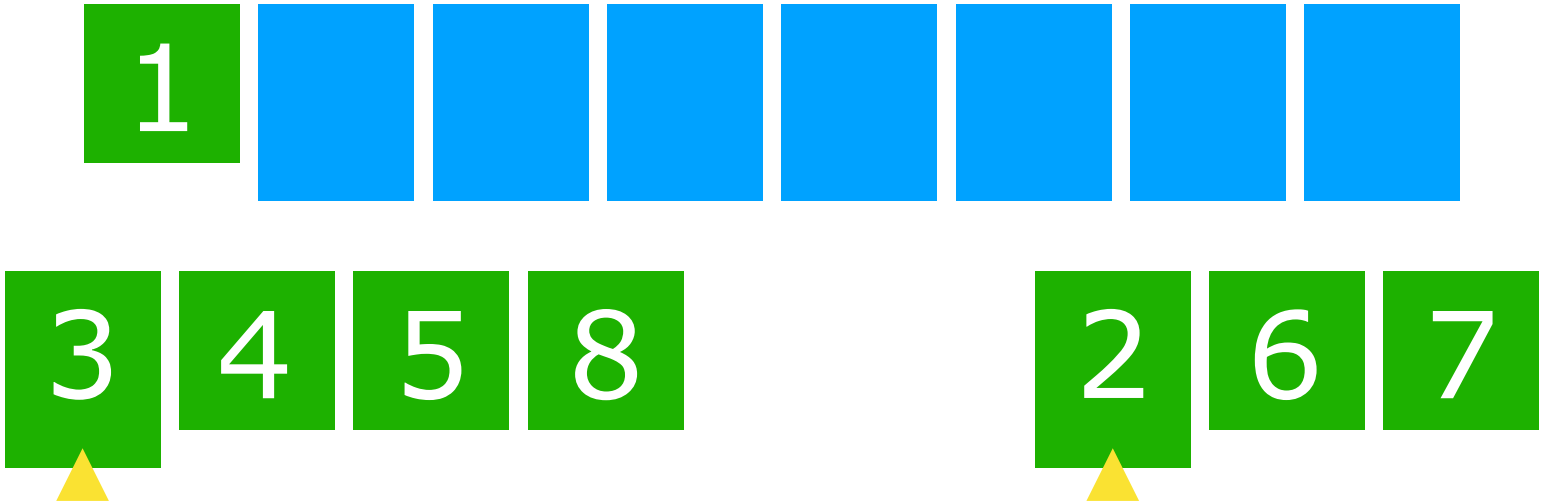
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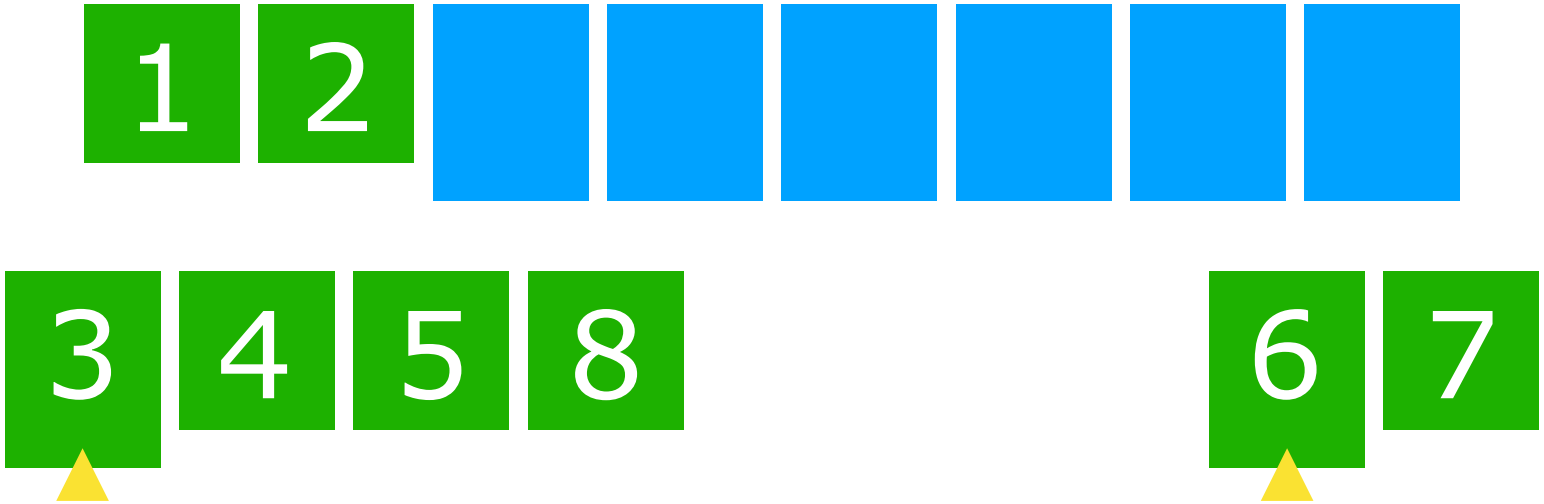
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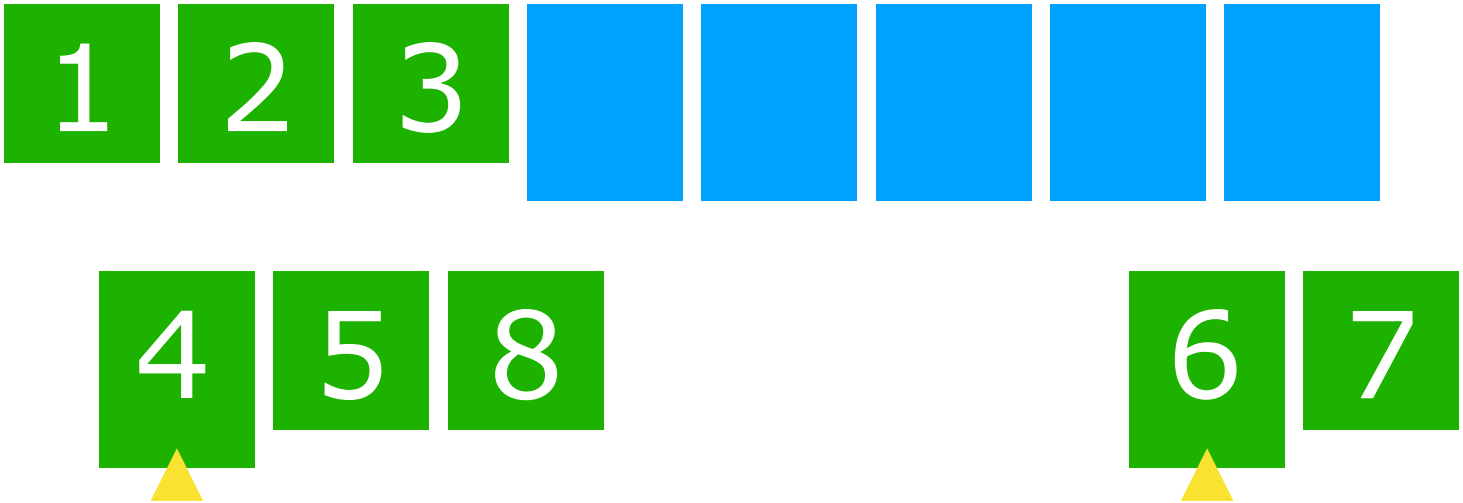
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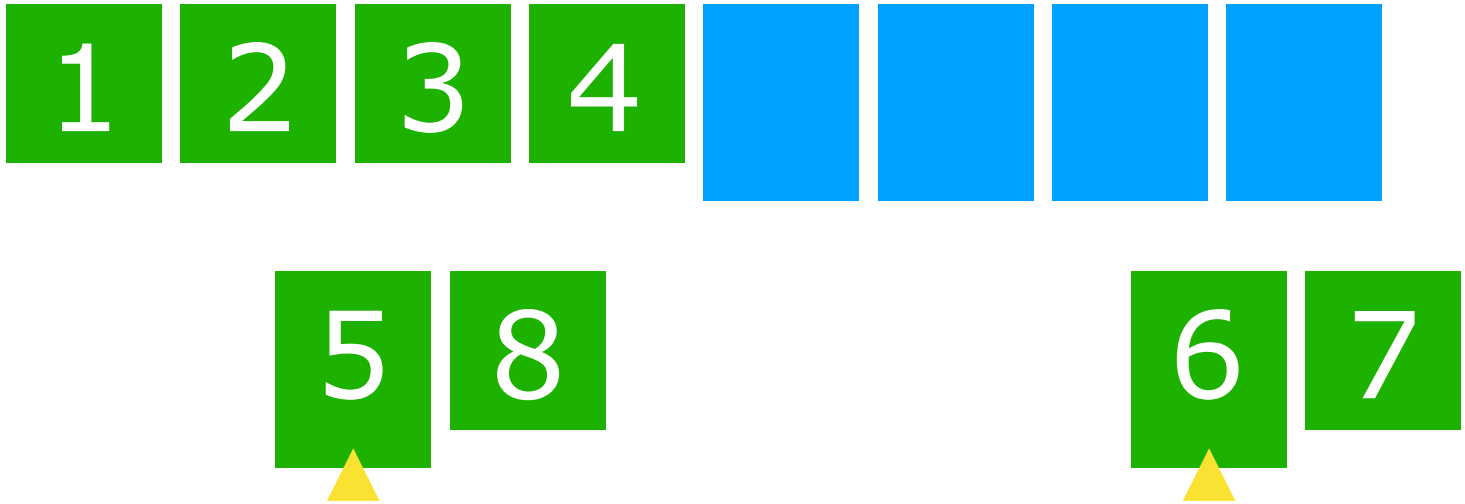
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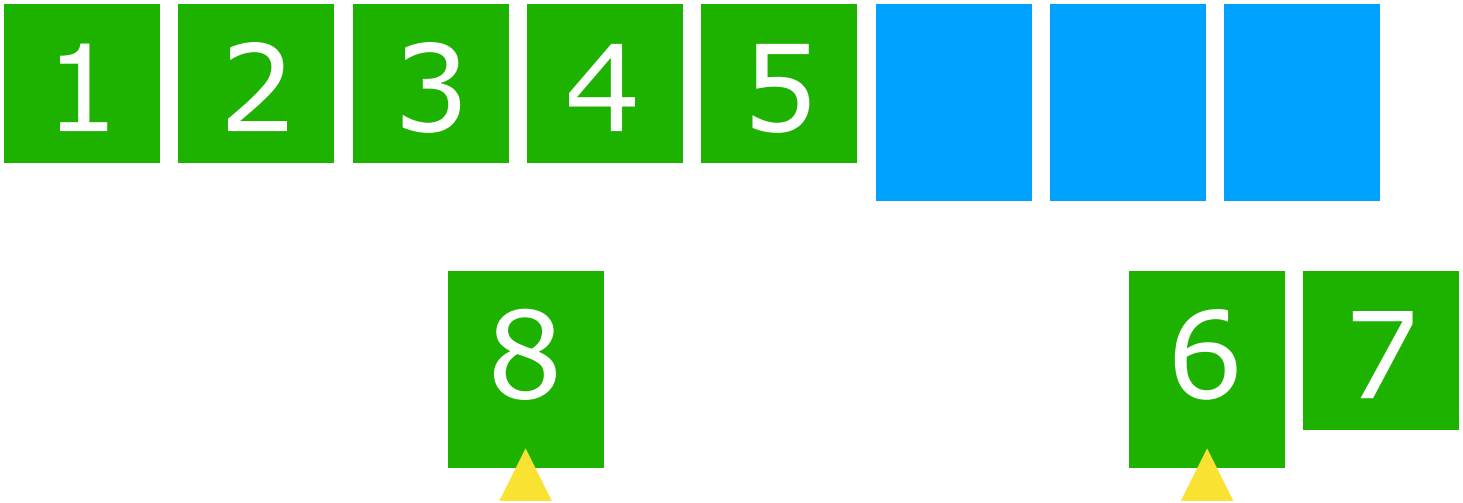
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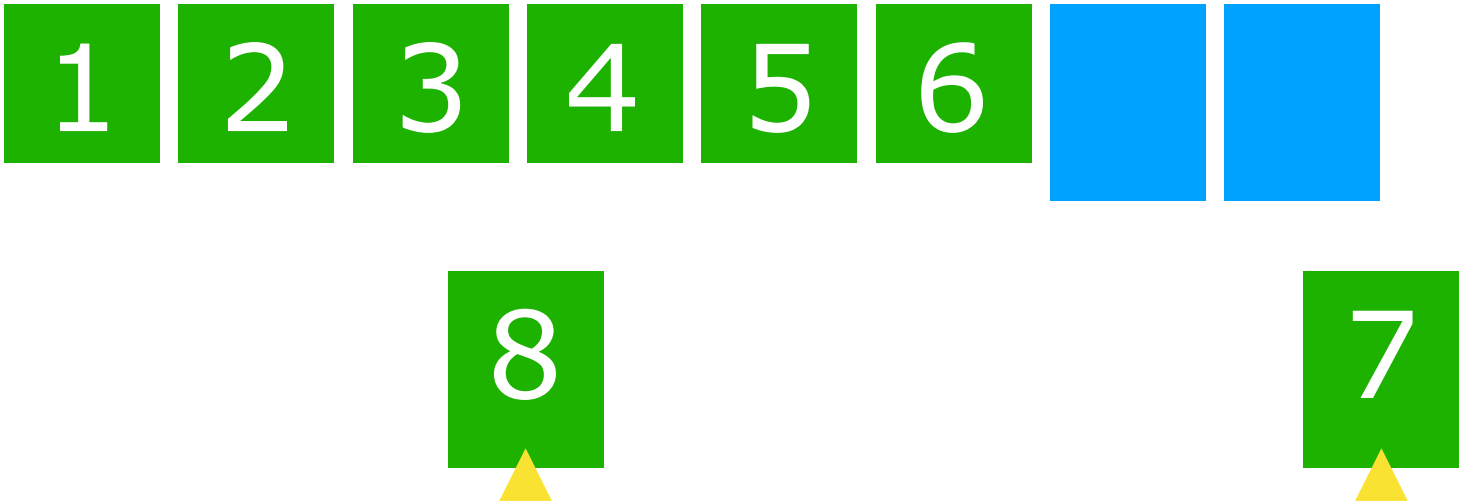
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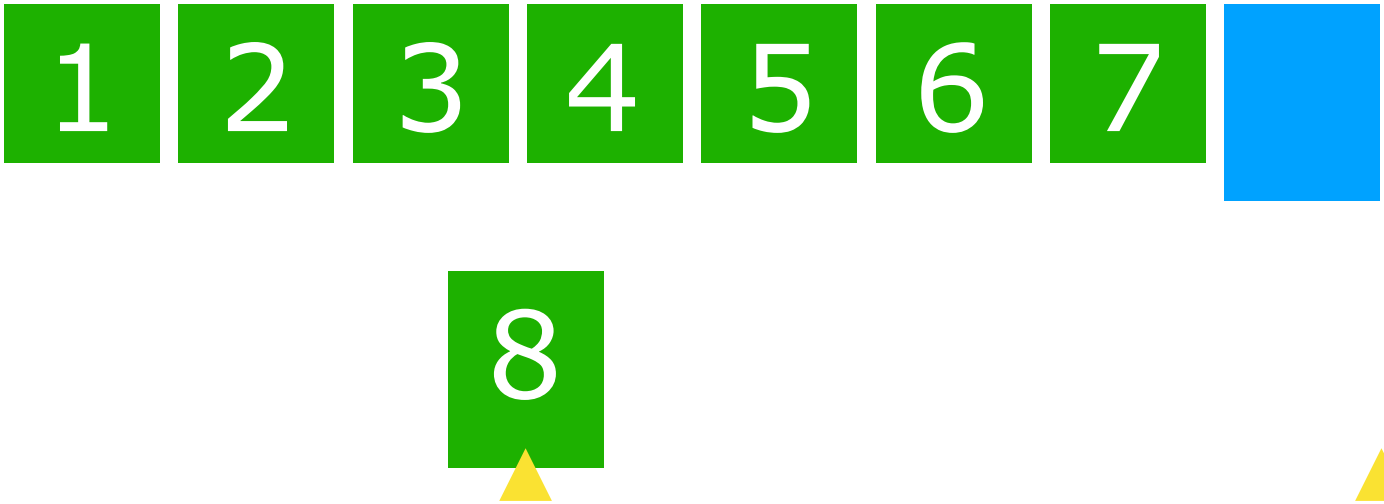
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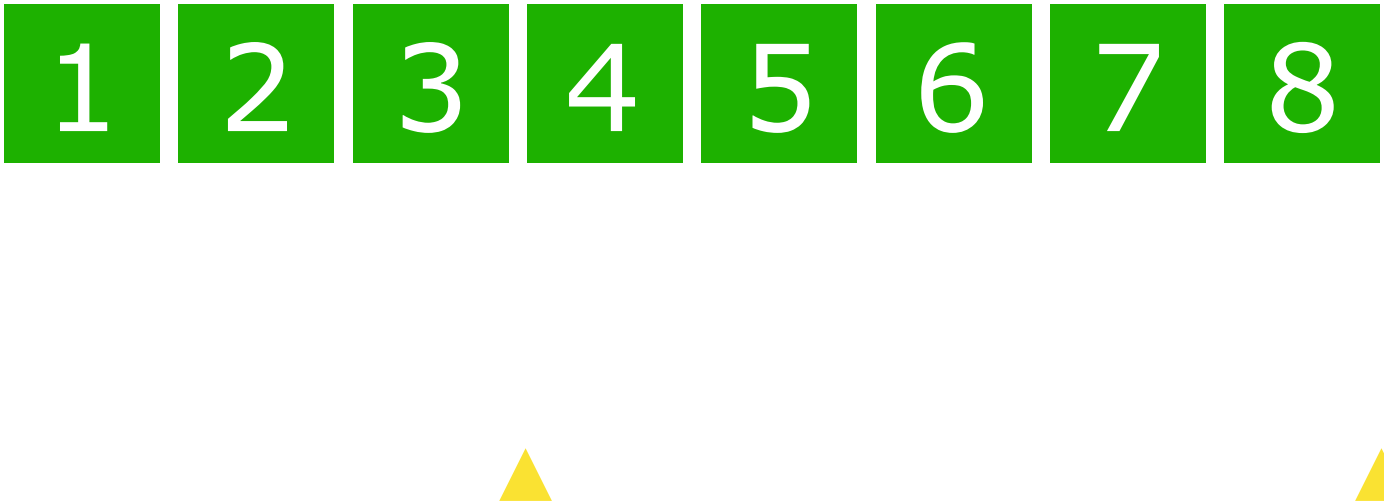
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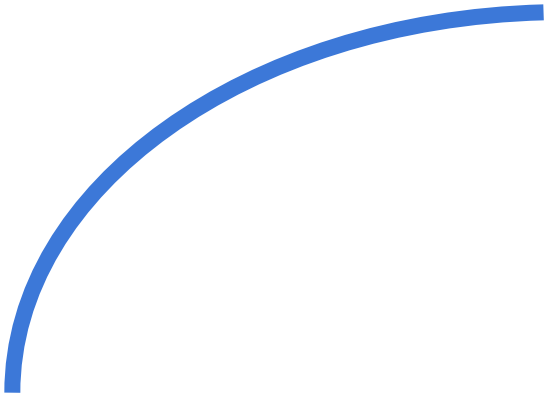
$O(n\log_2(n))$ — "worst case" definition

In the worst case, I need to do about $\log_2(n)$ steps to find my solution.

$O(n\log_2(n))$ — "scaling" definition

I don't need to take another step in my algorithm until I double my input.



$\Omega(n\log_2(n))$ — "best case" definition

In the best case, I need to do about $\log_2(n)$ steps to find my solution.

Sort

Summary

Selection Sort	Bubble Sort	Merge Sort
$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n \log n)$
$\Omega(n^2)$	$\Omega(n)$	$\Omega(n \log n)$

Recursion Functions

Call yourself… within yourself. (Crazy!)

Two Parts:

1. Base Case
2. Recursive Call

Factorial

Write a recursive function `factorial` that computes the factorial of a number n. Note that 0! = 1.

Factorial

```
int factorial(int n)
{
    if (n == 0)
        return 1;
    return n * factorial(n - 1);
}
```

Factorial

factorial(1)

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int factorial(int n)
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Factorial

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false

Factorial

factorial(1)

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int factorial(int n)
{
    if (n == 0)
        return 1;
    return n * factorial(n - 1);
}
```

1 * factorial(0)

Factorial

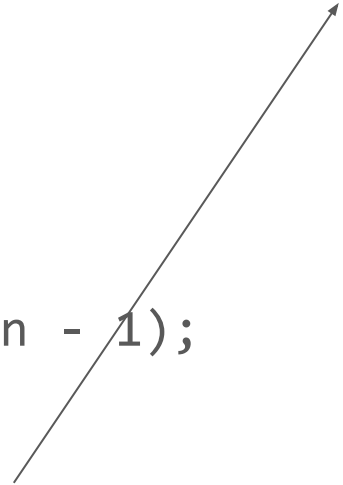
```
int factorial(int n)
{
    if (n == 0)
        return 1;
    return n * factorial(n - 1);
}
```

factorial(1)

n = 0

```
if (n == 0)
   return 1;
return n * factorial(n - 1);
```

1 * factorial(0)



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}
```

1 * factorial(0)

factorial(1)

n = 0

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if (n == 0)
    return 1;
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```

TRUE, return 1

Factorial

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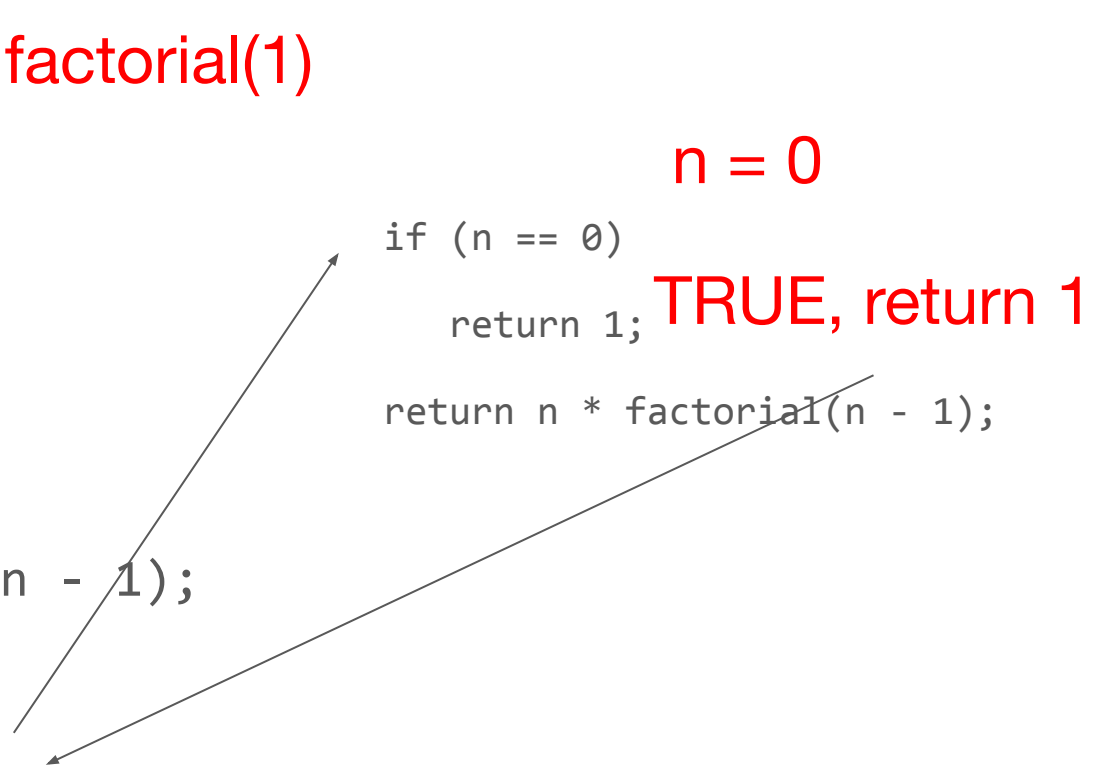

Factorial

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1 * 1

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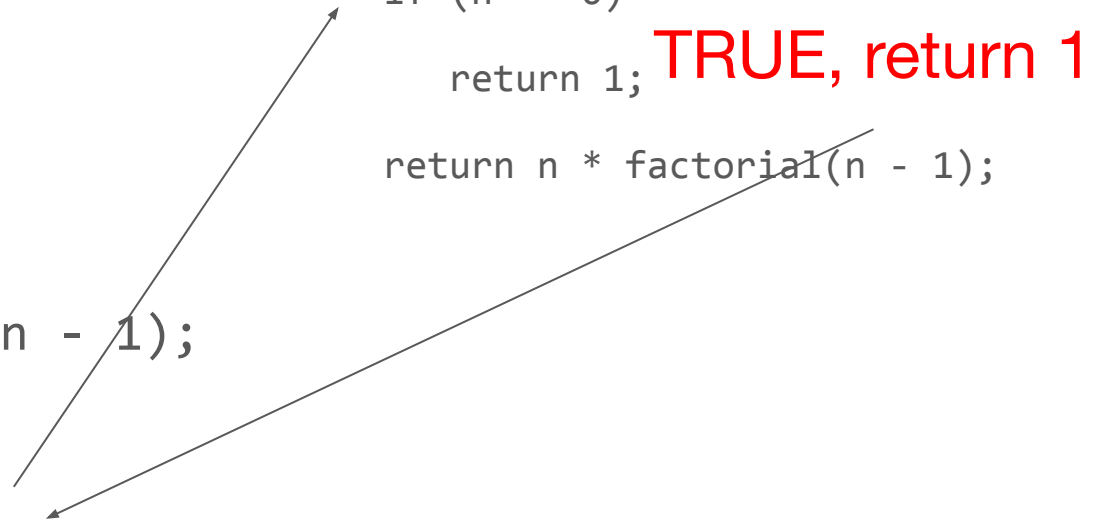

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factorial(1)

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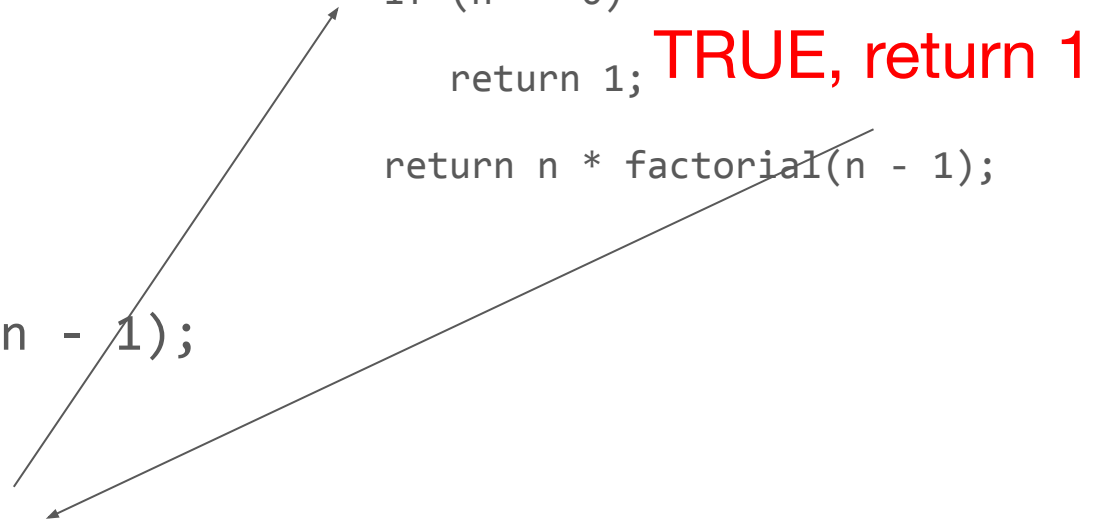

Fibonacci

Write a recursive function `fib` that computes the `n`th Fibonacci number. The 0th Fibonacci number is 0, the 1st Fibonacci number is 1, and every subsequent Fibonacci number is sum of the two preceding Fibonacci numbers.

Fibonacci

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