

CS2040S

Data Structures and Algorithms

Welcome!

Last Time: Sorting

Sorting algorithms

- BubbleSort
- SelectionSort
- InsertionSort
- MergeSort

Properties

- Running time
- Space usage
- Stability

Today: more sorting!

QuickSort:

- Divide-and-Conquer
- Partitioning
- Duplicates
- Choosing a pivot
- Randomization
- Analysis

QuickSort

History:

- Invented by C.A.R. Hoare in 1960
 - Turing Award: 1980
- Visiting student at Moscow State University
- Used for machine translation (English/Russian)

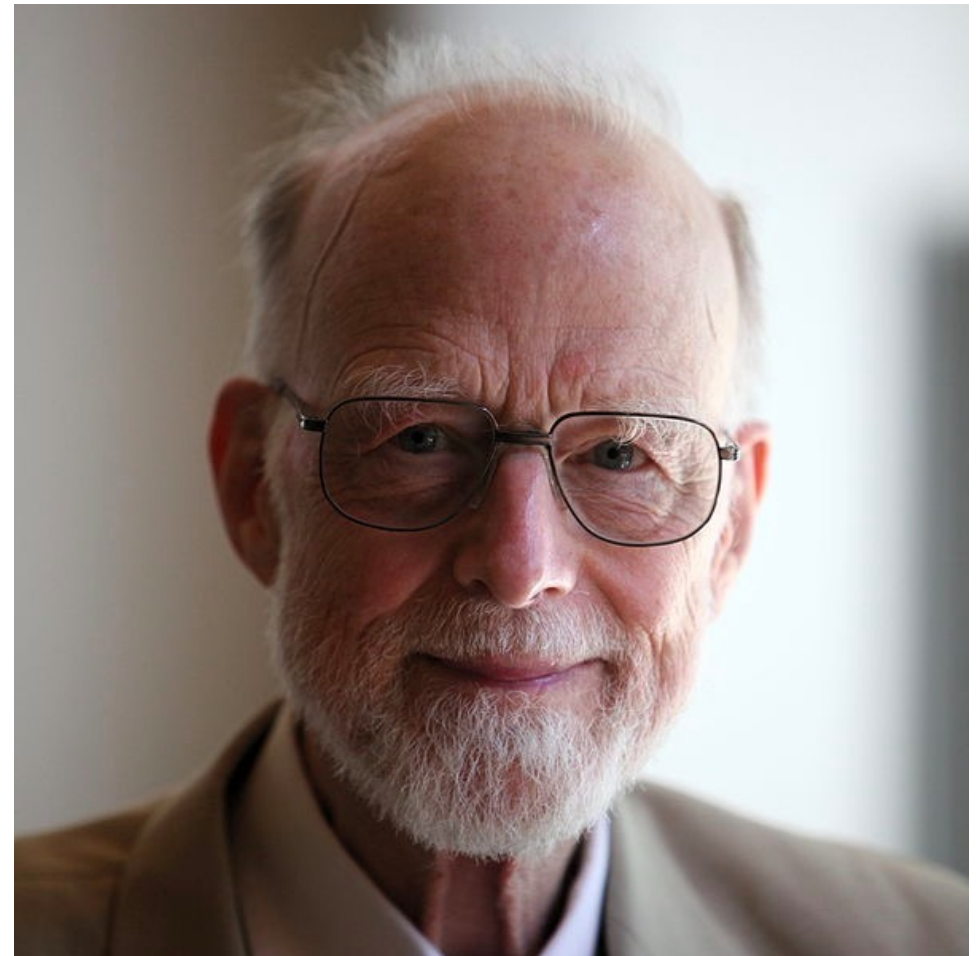


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In practice:

- Very fast
- Many optimizations
- In-place (i.e., no extra space needed)
- Good caching performance
- Good parallelization

QuickSort Today

1960: Invented by Hoare

1979: Adopted everywhere (e.g., Unix qsort)

1993: Bentley & McIlroy improvements

2009: Vladimir Yaroslavskiy: Dual Pivot QS

2023: ??

QuickSort

QuickSort(A[1..n], n)

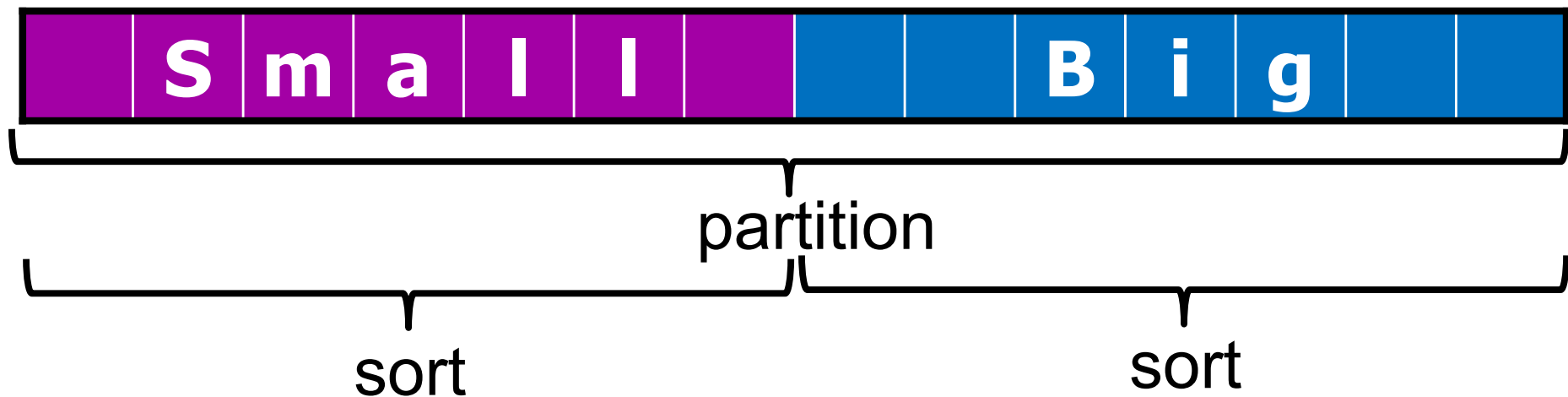
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else

p = **partition**(A[1..n], n)

x = **QuickSort**(A[1..p-1], p-1)

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Partitioning an Array “in-place”

Example: partition around 22



low
 < 22

high
 > 22



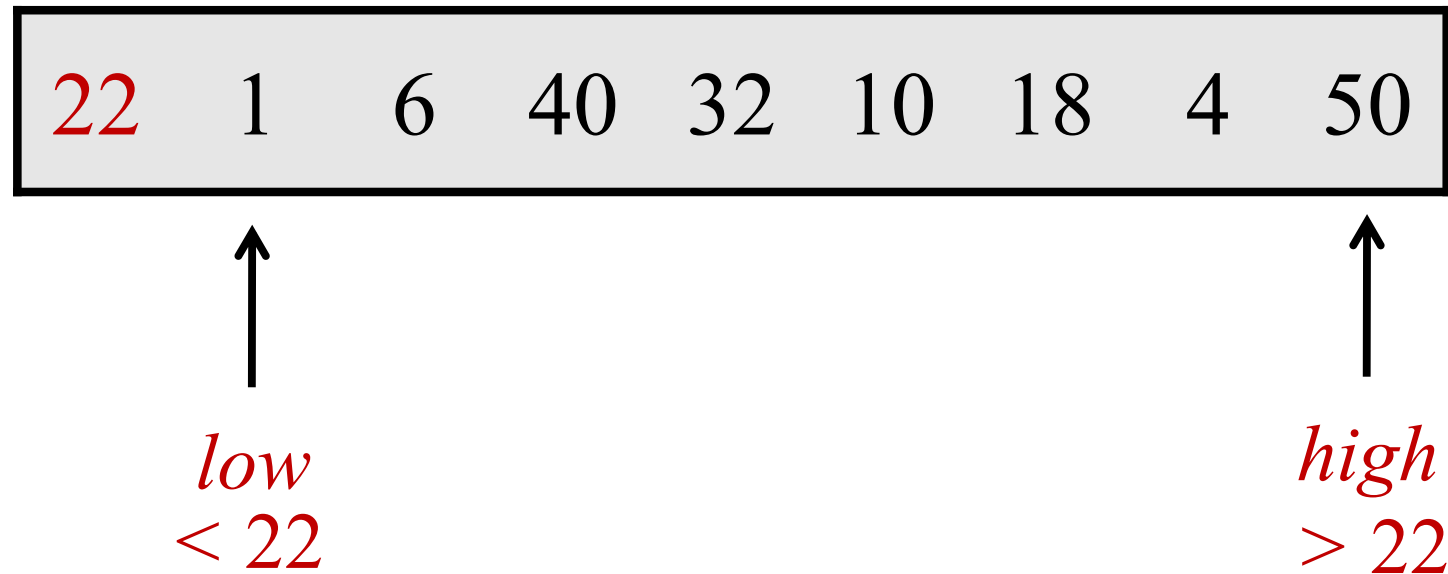
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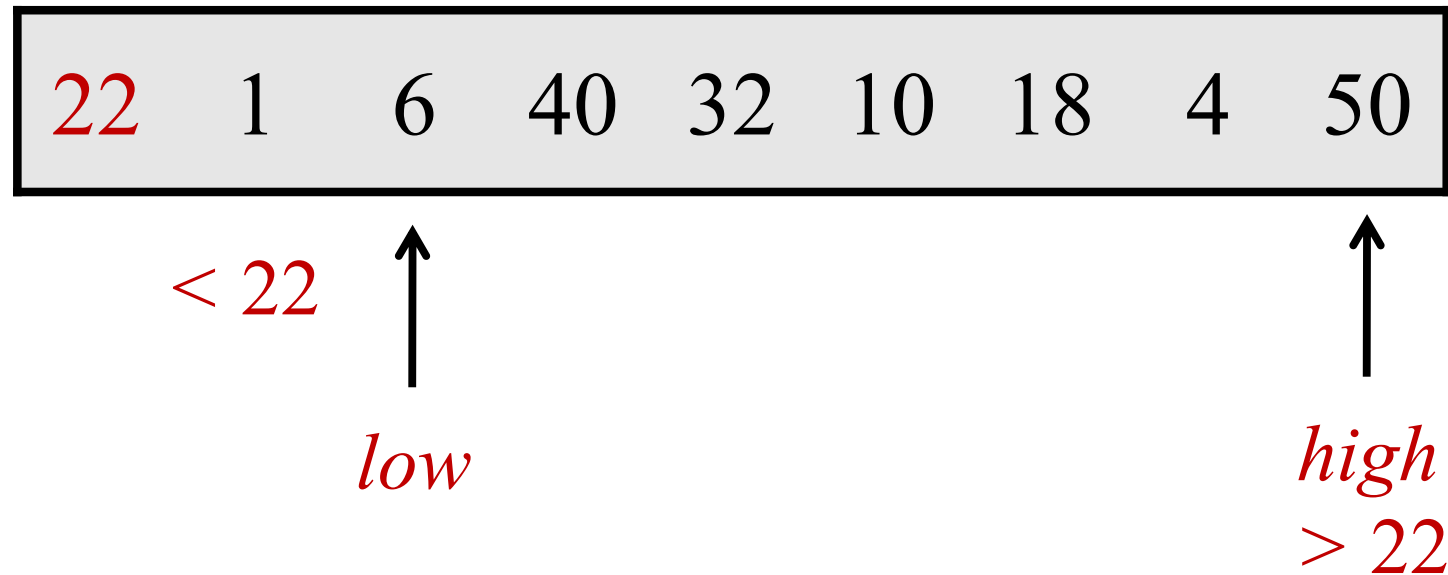
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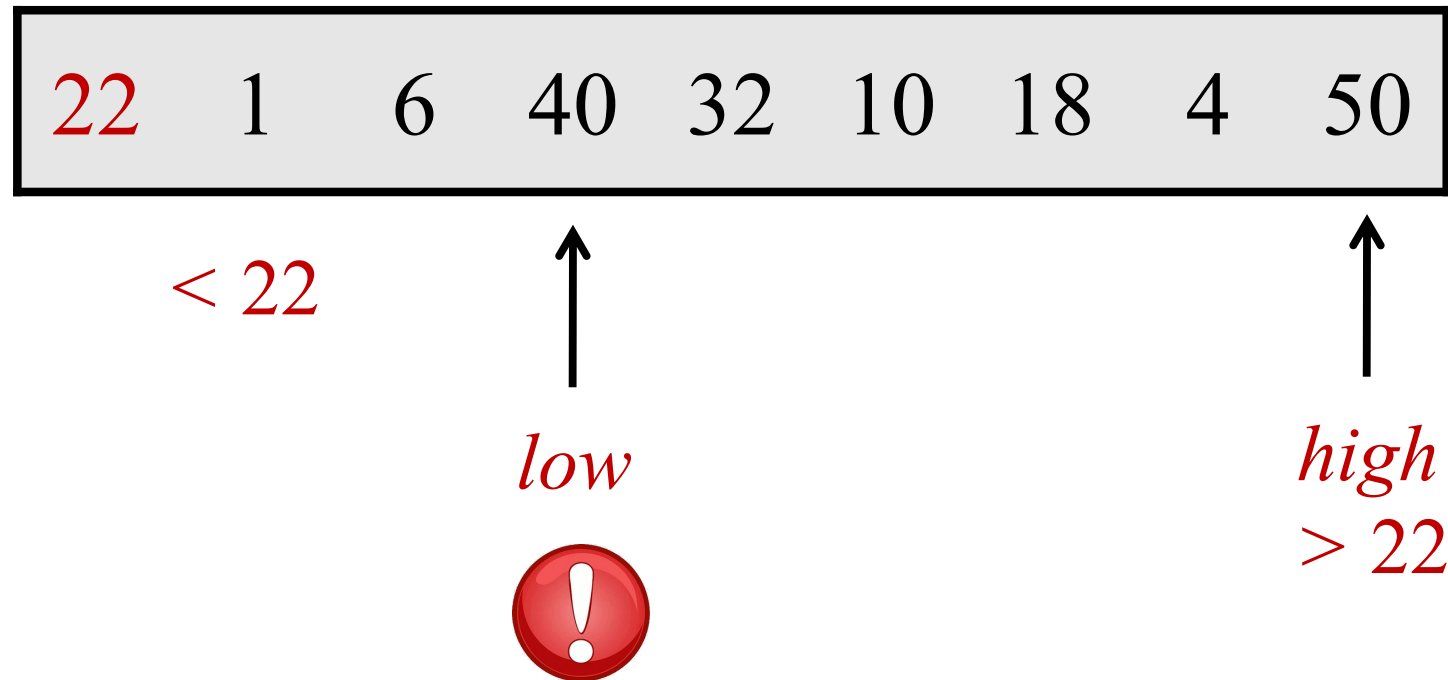
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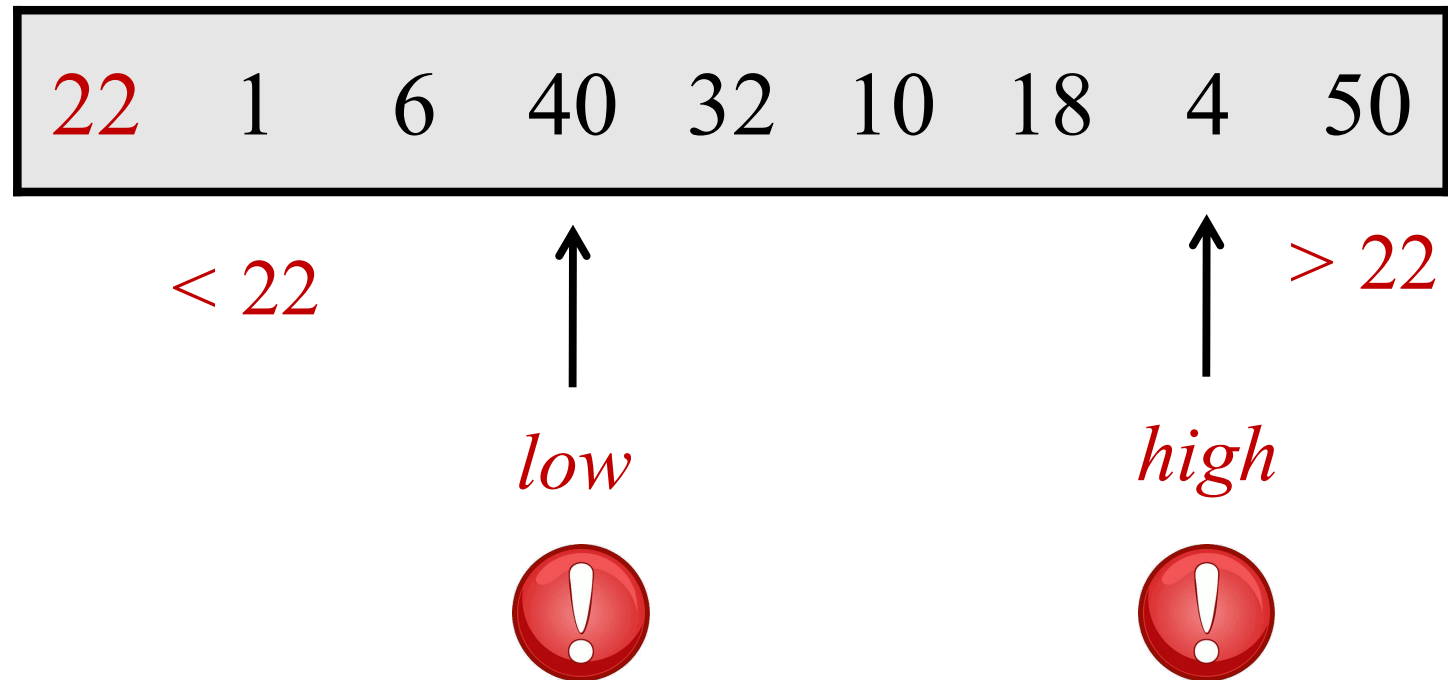
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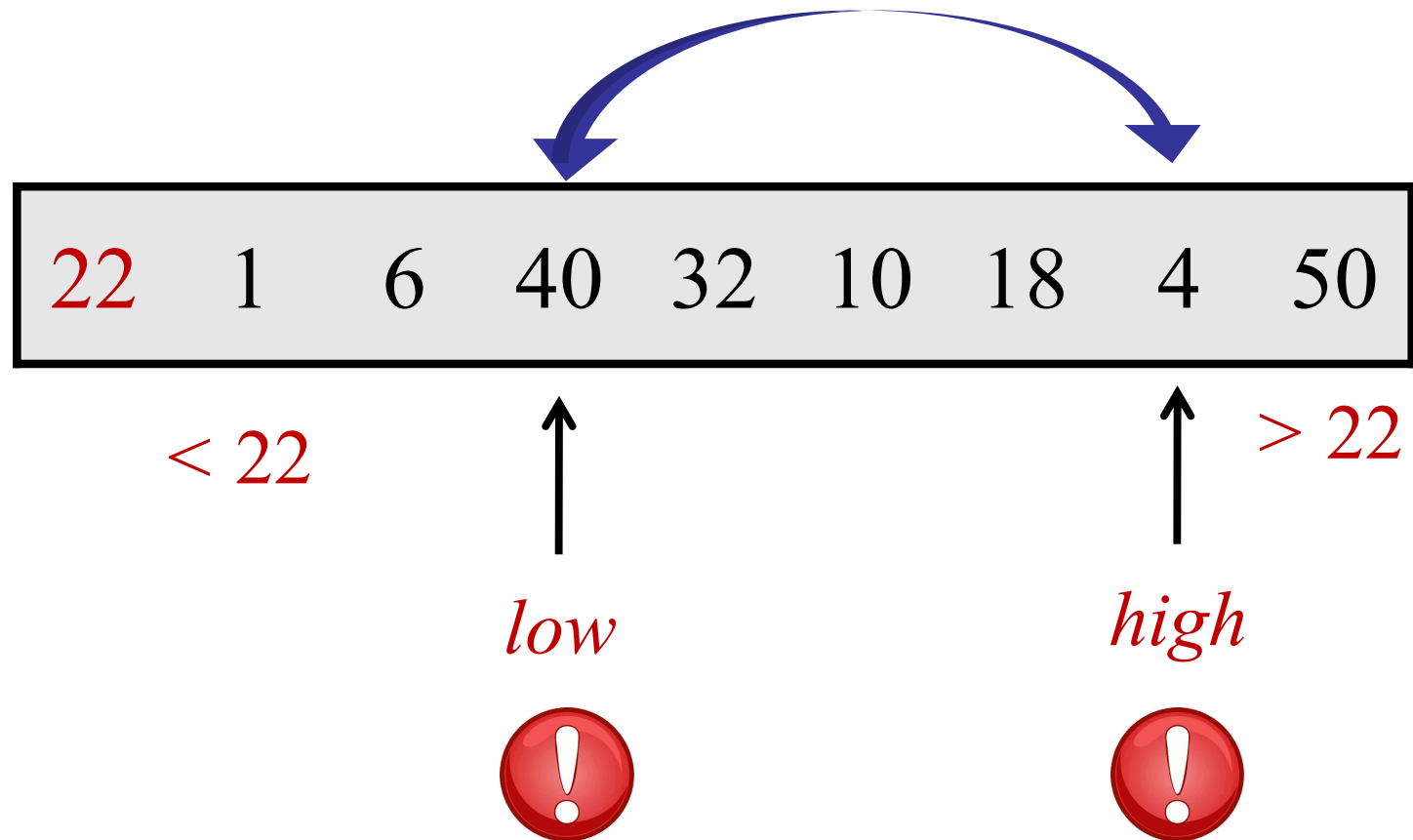
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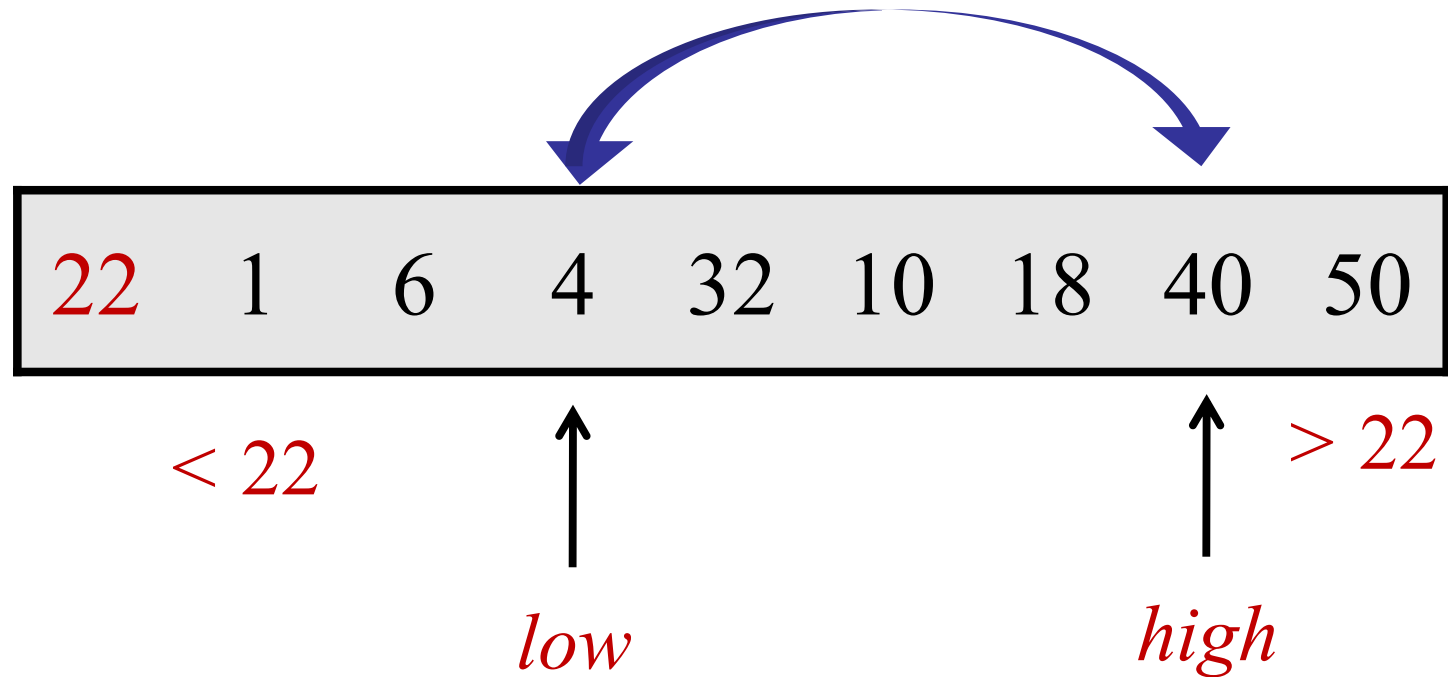
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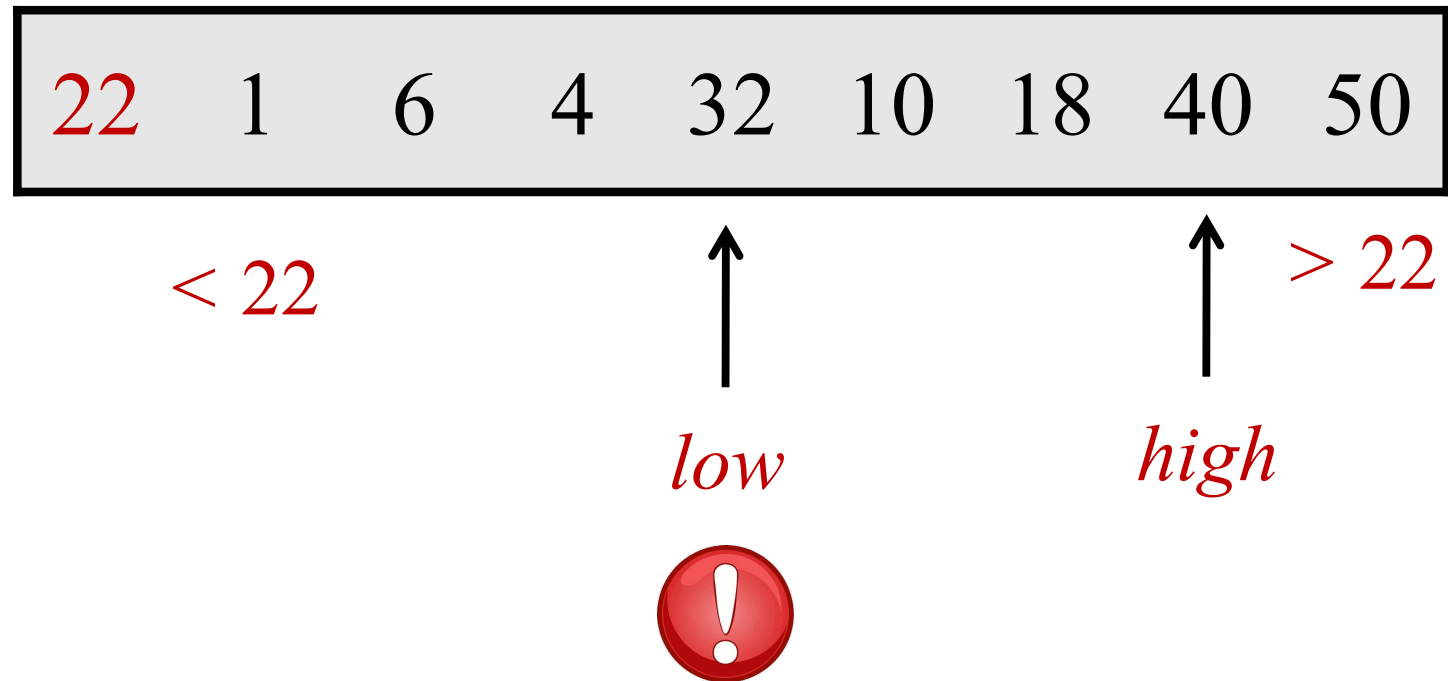
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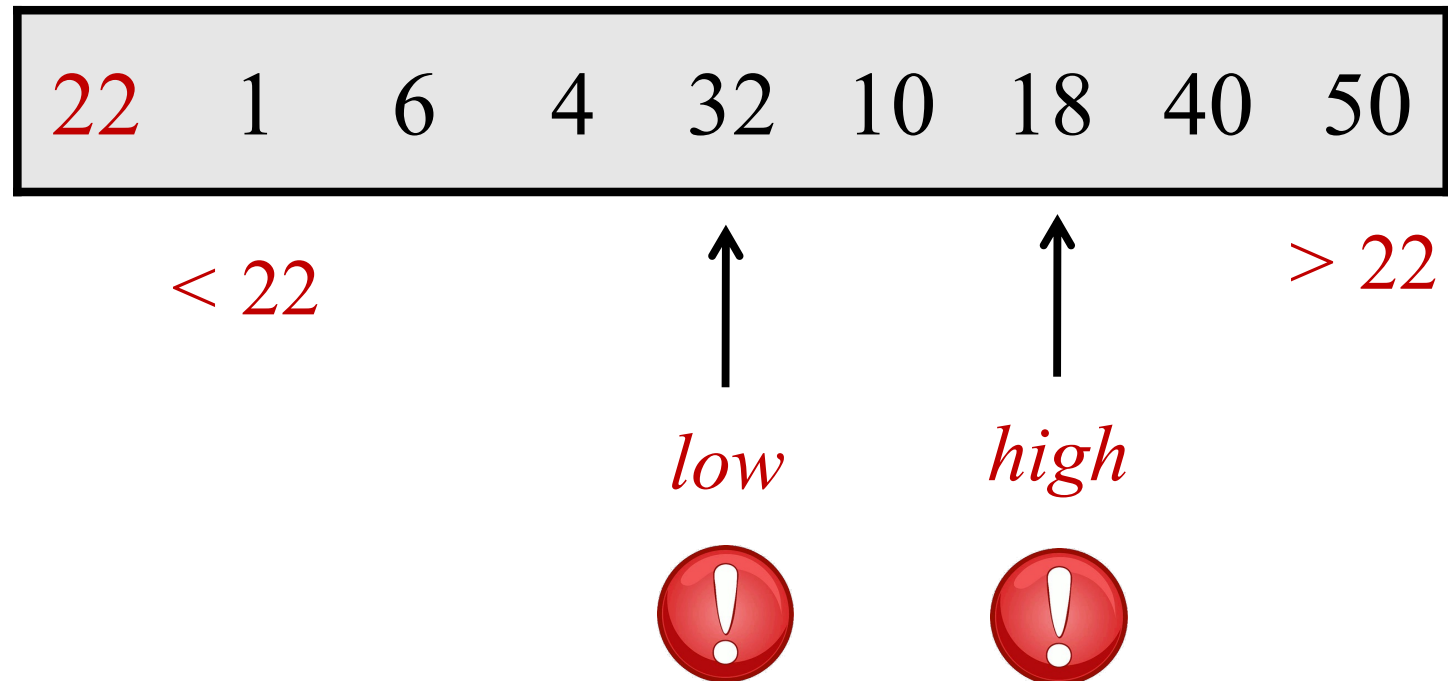
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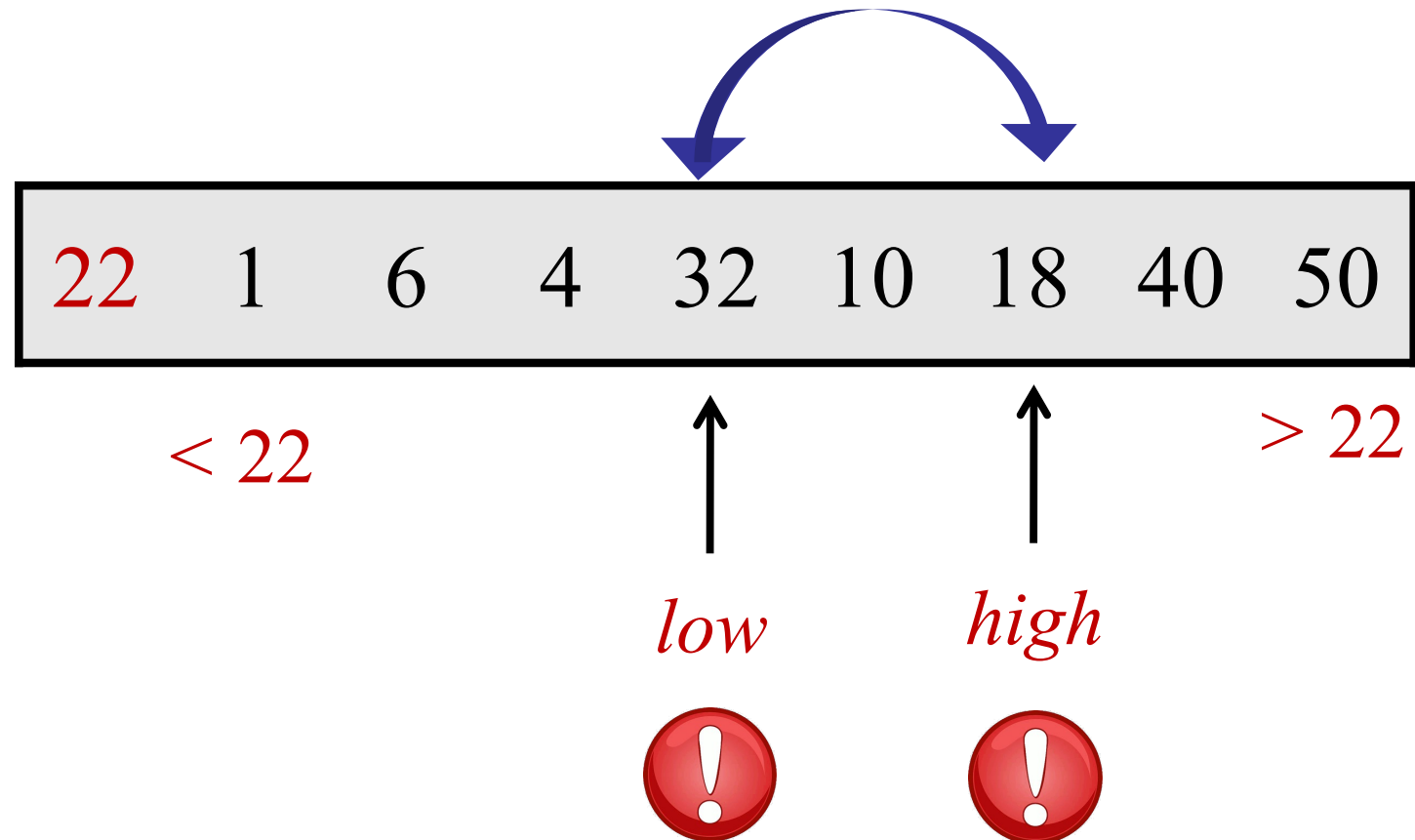
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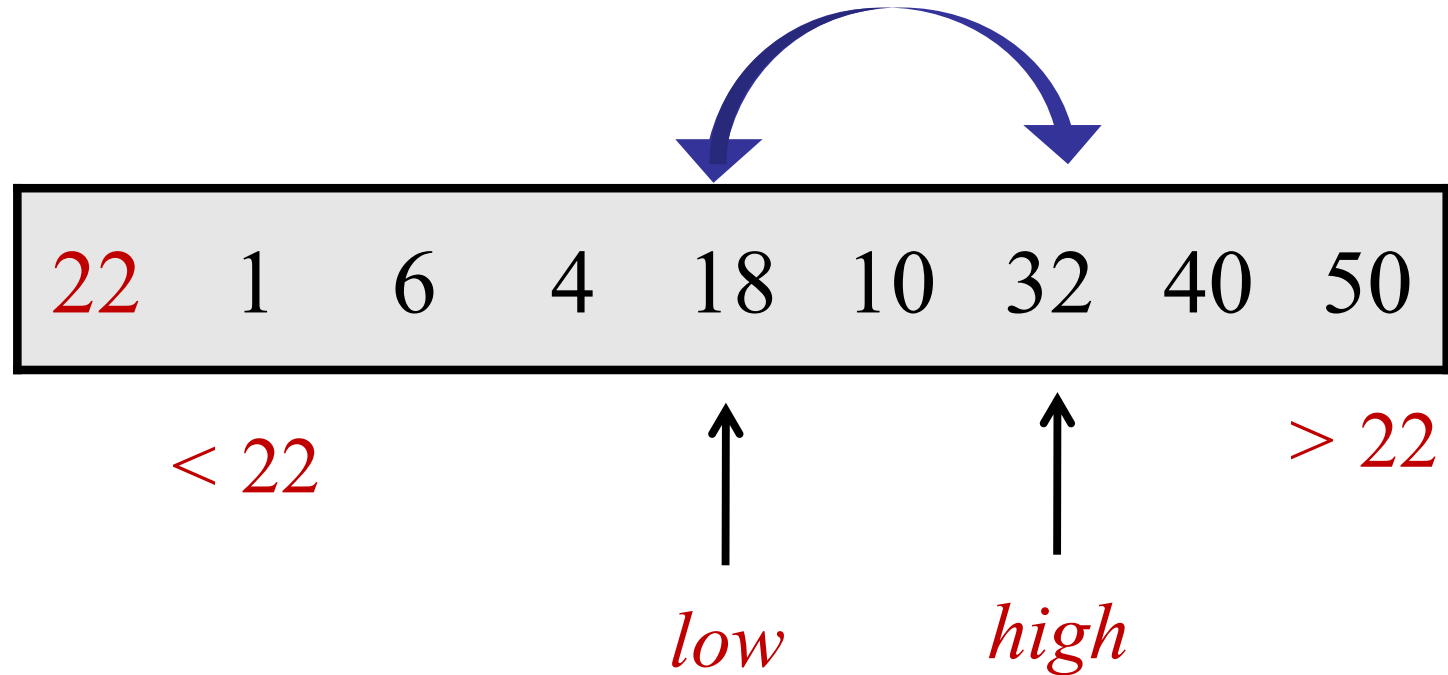
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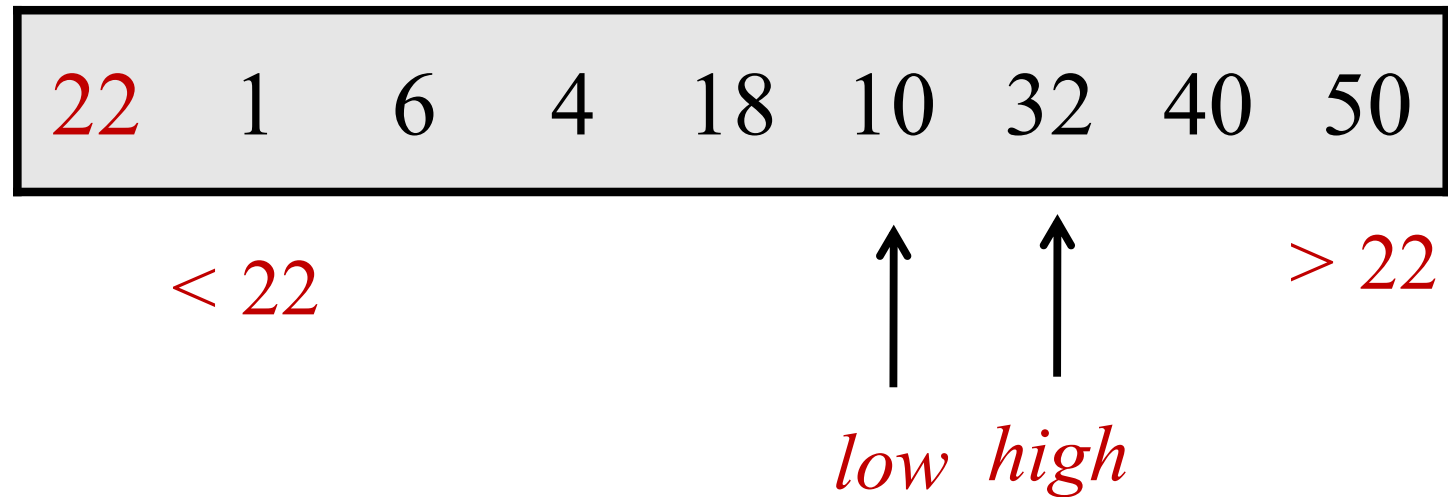
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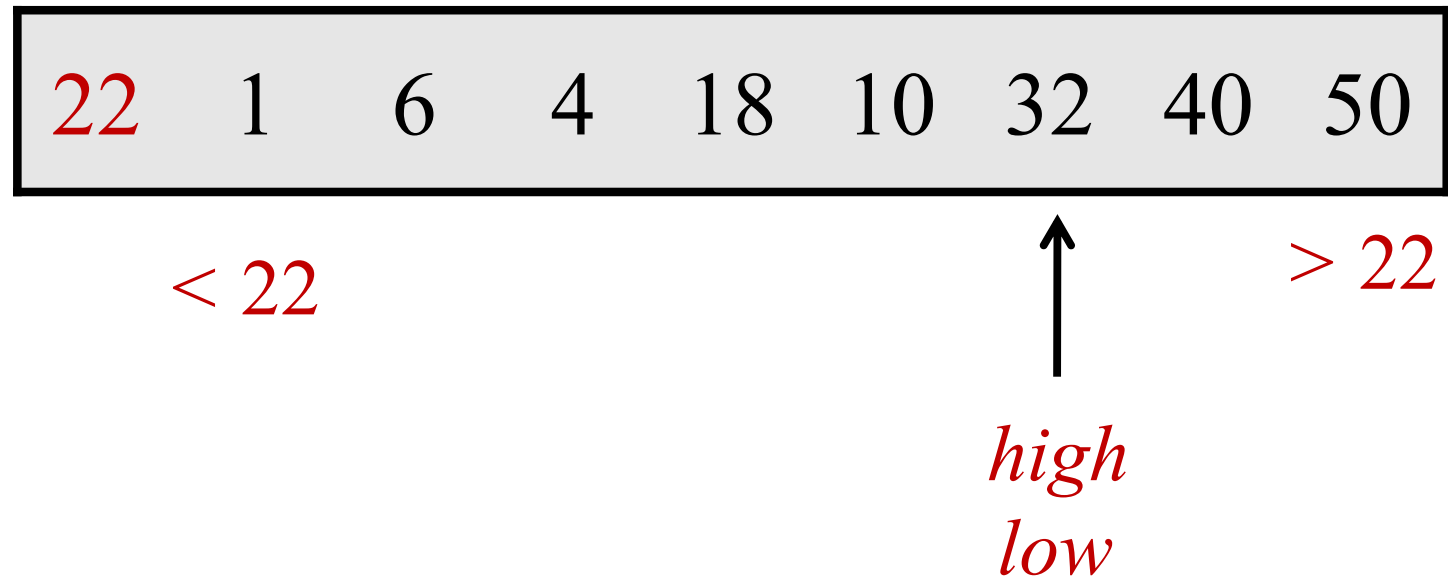
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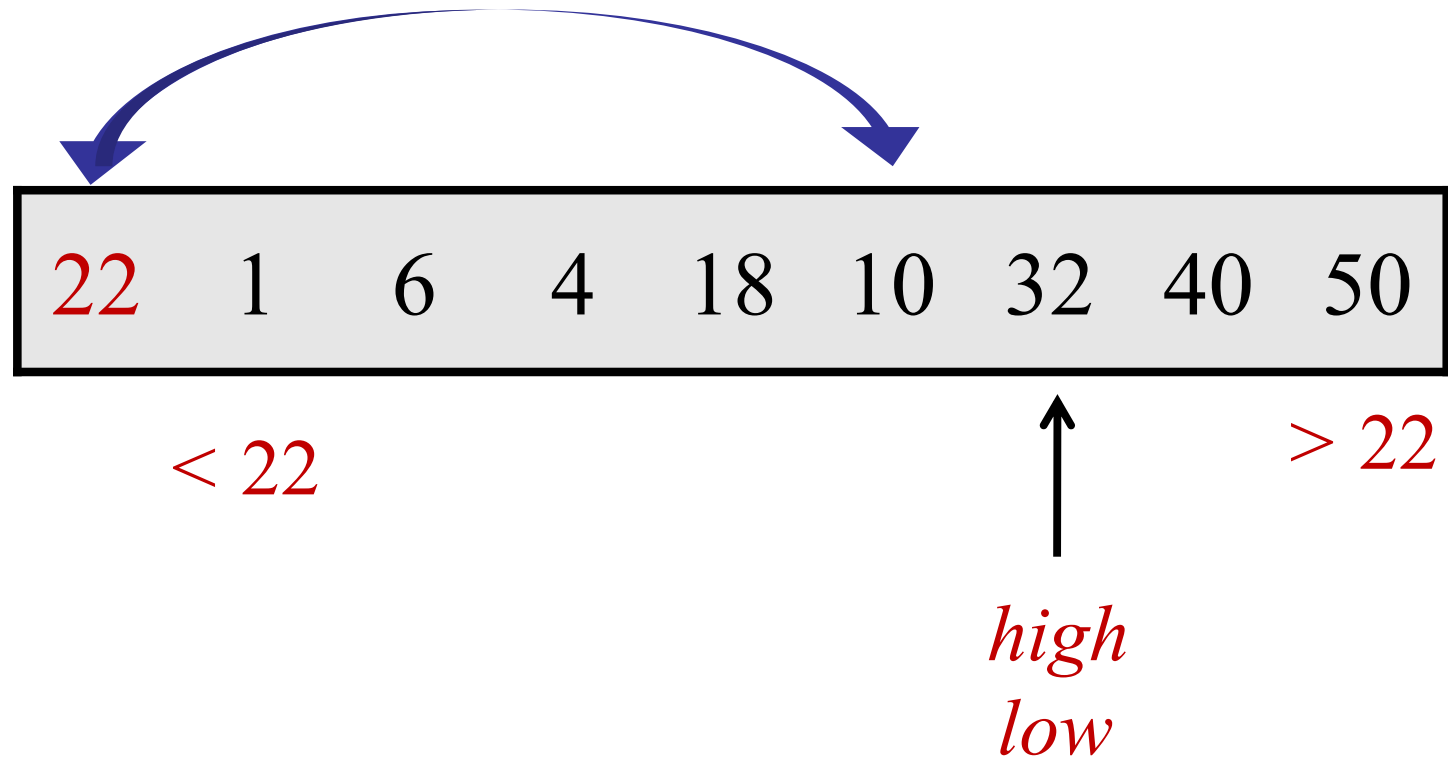
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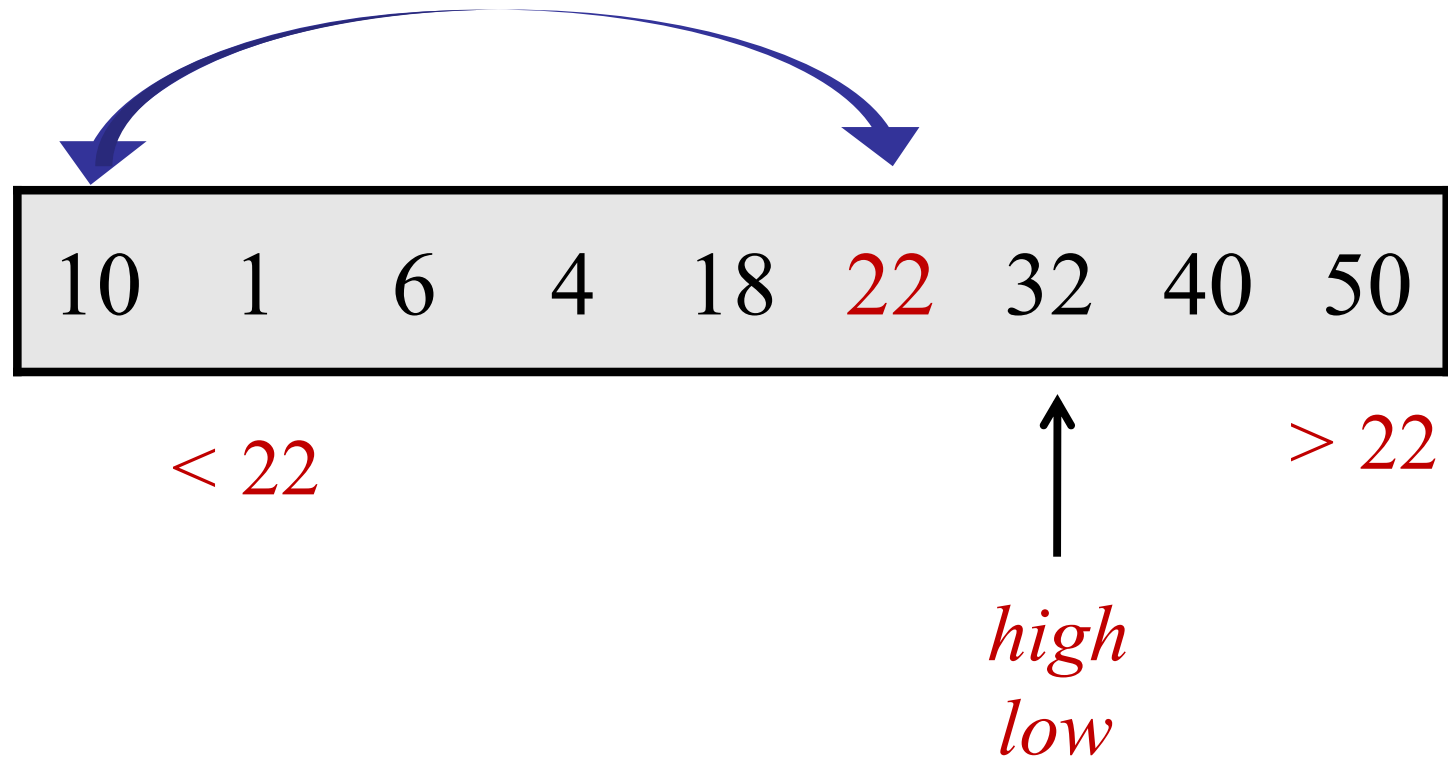
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partition($A[1..n]$, n , $pIndex$)

$pivot = A[pIndex];$

swap($A[1]$, $A[pIndex]$);

$low = 2;$

$high = n+1;$

while ($low < high$)

while ($A[low] < pivot$) **and** ($low < high$) **do** $low++$;

while ($A[high] > pivot$) **and** ($low < high$) **do** $high--$;

if ($low < high$) **then** **swap**($A[low]$, $A[high]$);

swap($A[1]$, $A[low-1]$);

return $low-1$;

Running time:

$O(n)$

QuickSort

What happens if there are duplicates?

Quicksort

Example:

Running time:

$O(n^2)$

[illegible]

Duplicates

QuickSort($A[1..n]$, n)

if ($n==1$) **then** return;

else

Choose pivot index $pIndex$.

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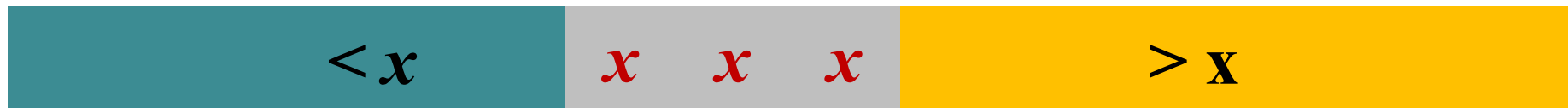
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Pivot

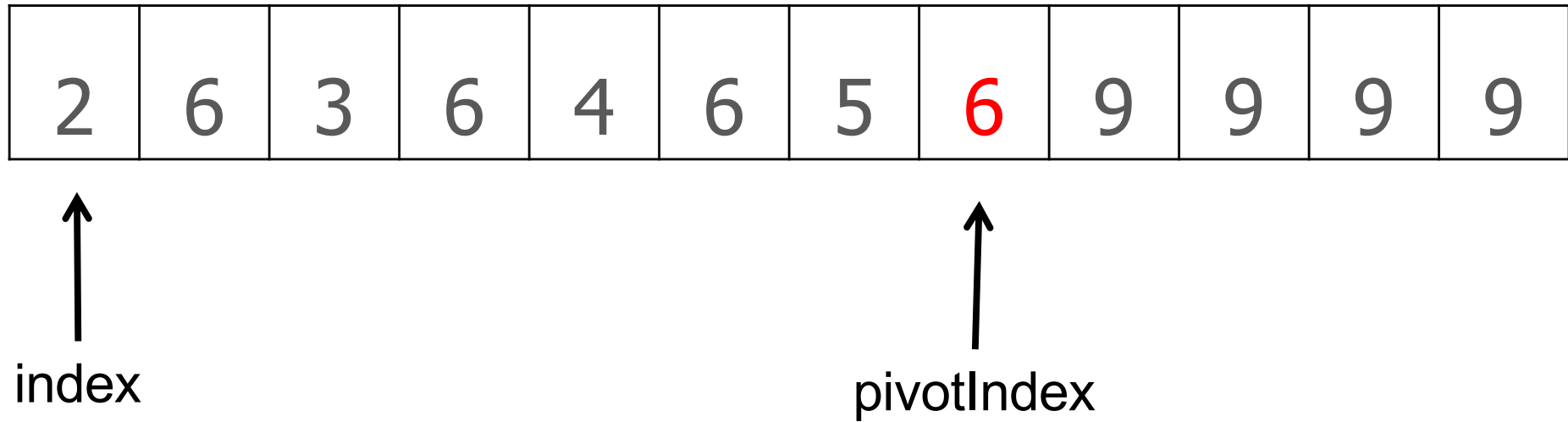
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3-Way Partitioning

- Option 1: two pass partitioning
 1. Regular partition.
 2. Pack duplicates.

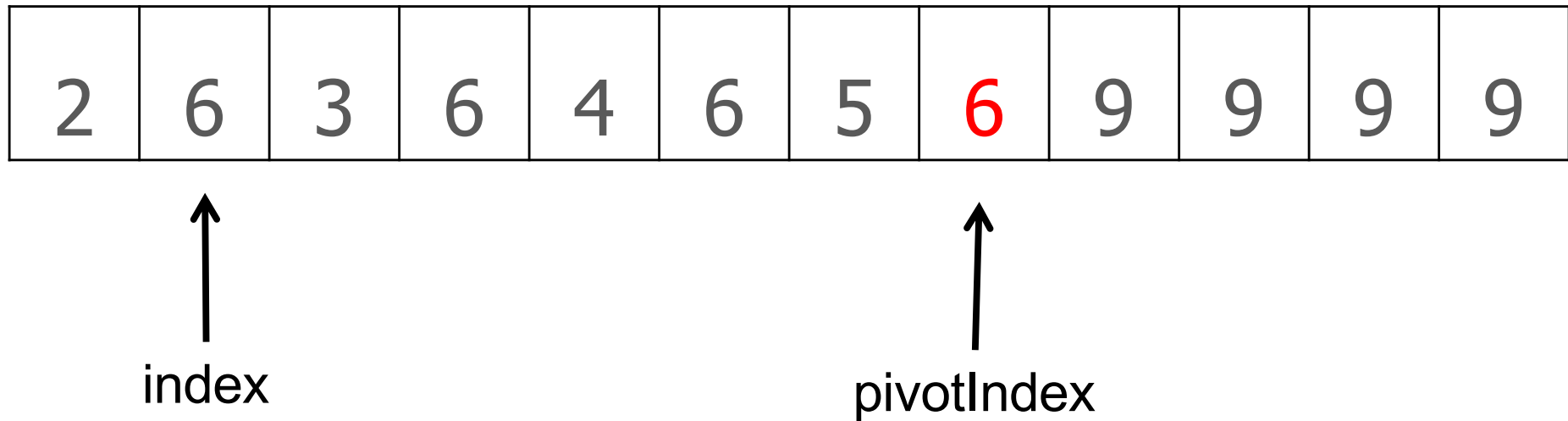
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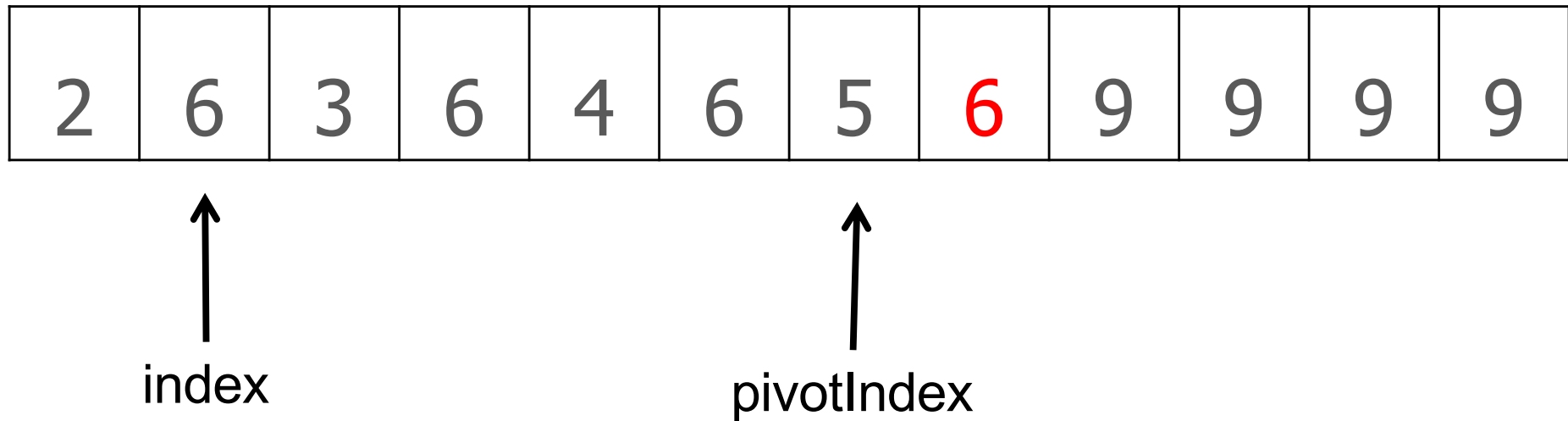
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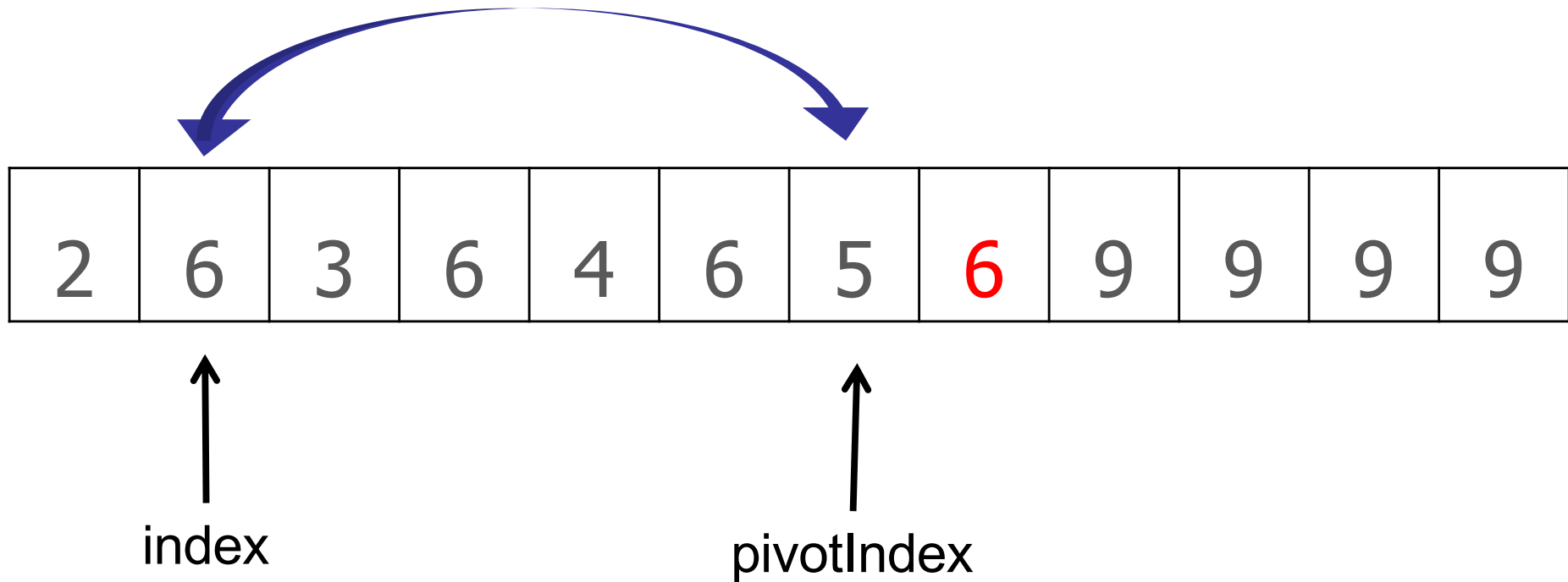
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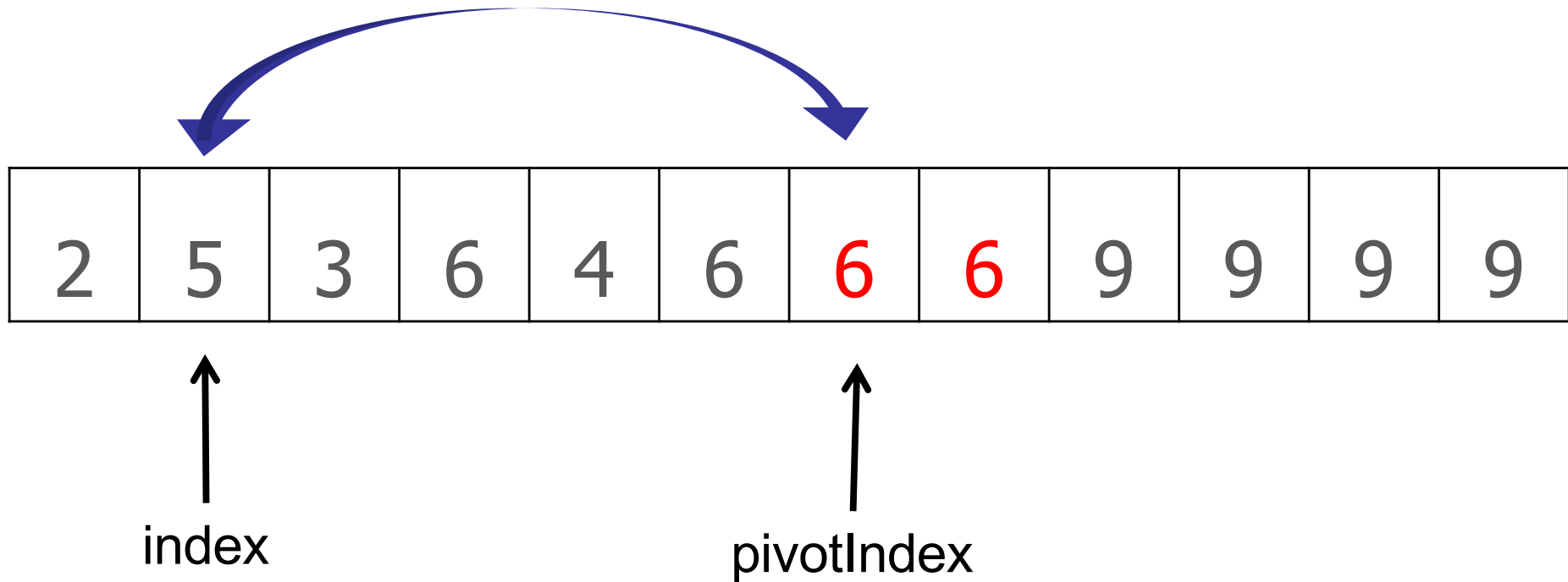
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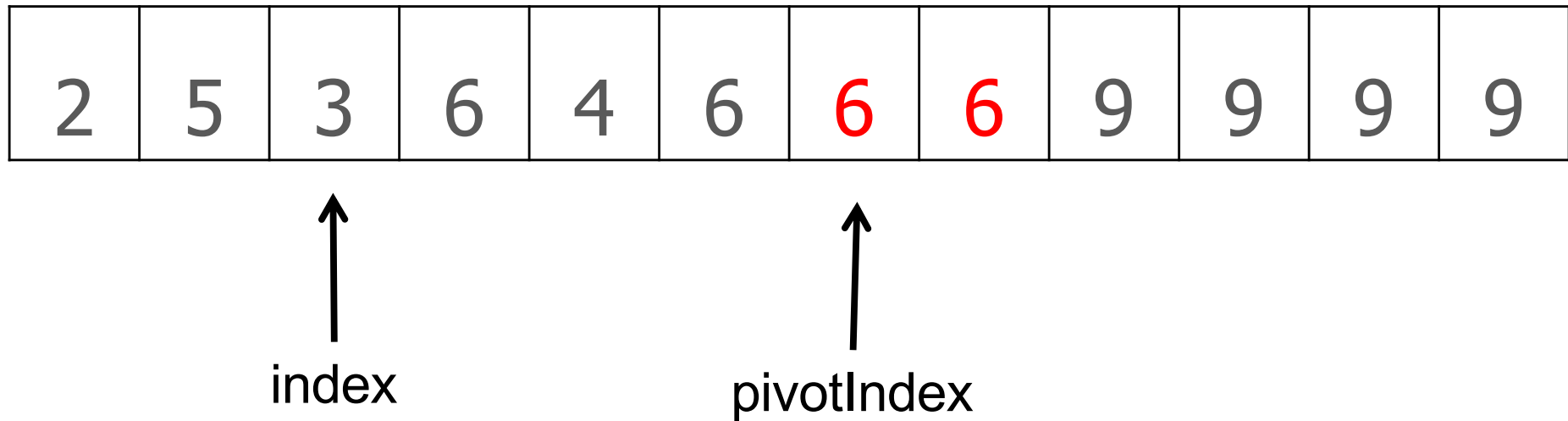
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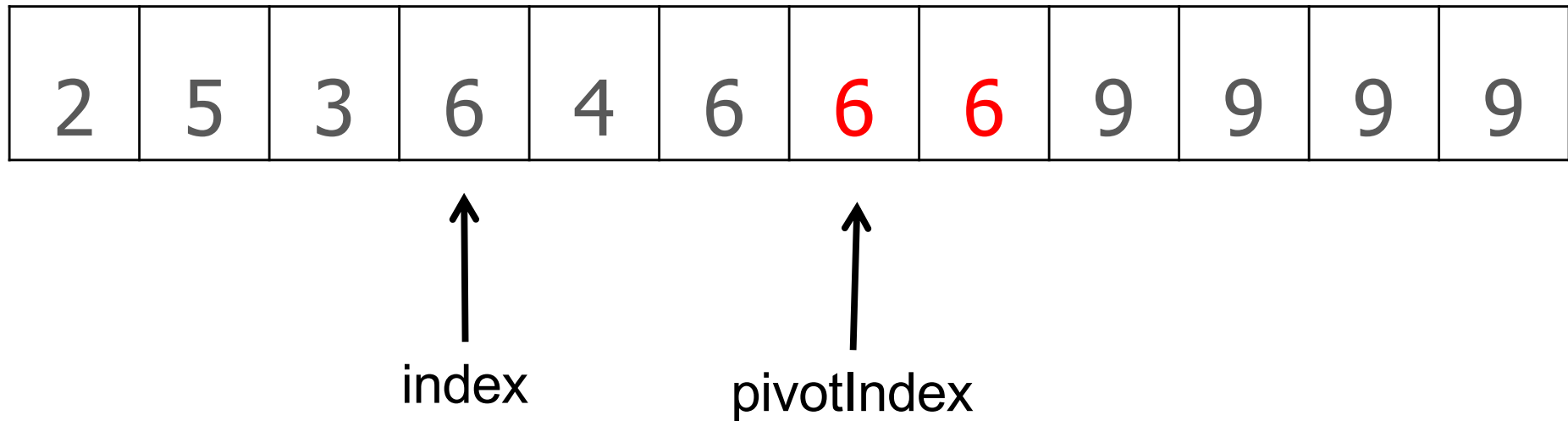
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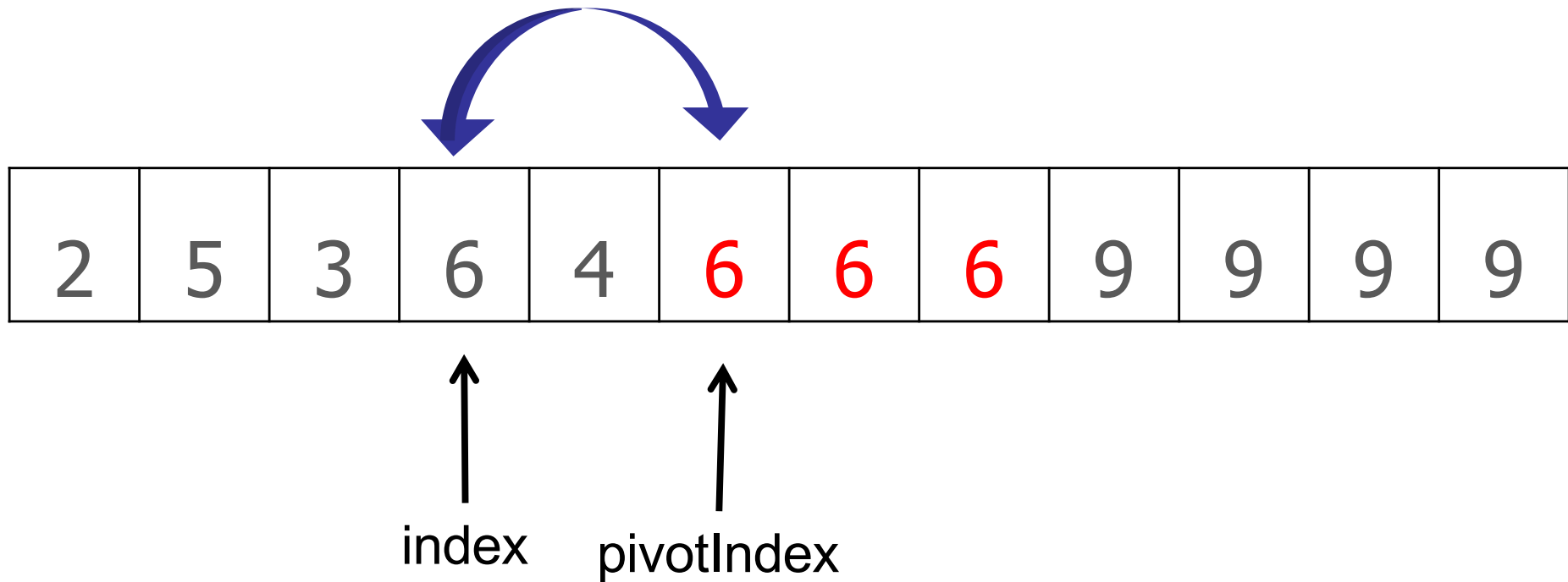
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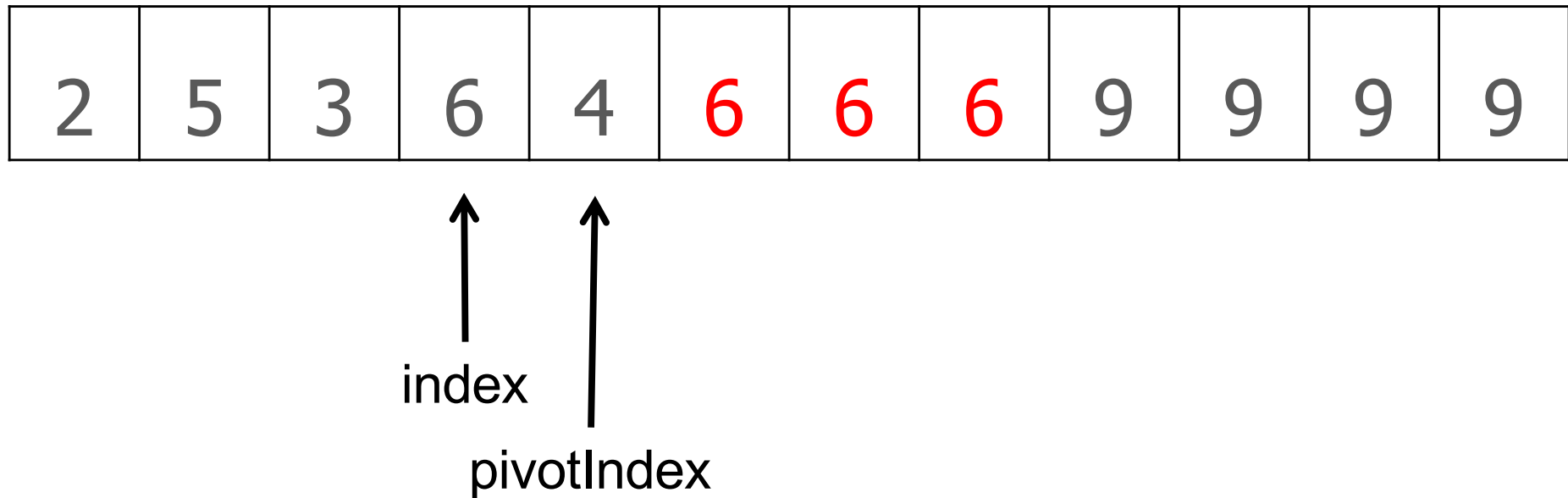
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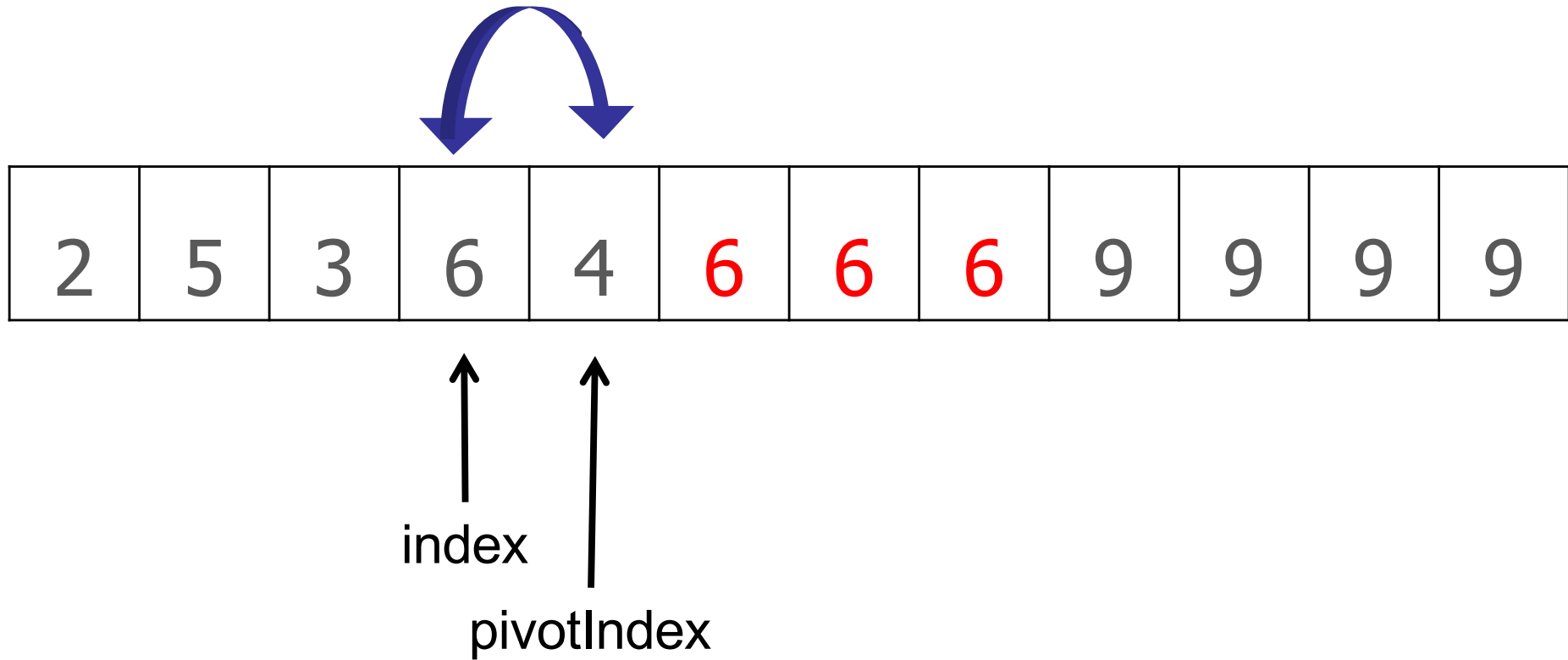
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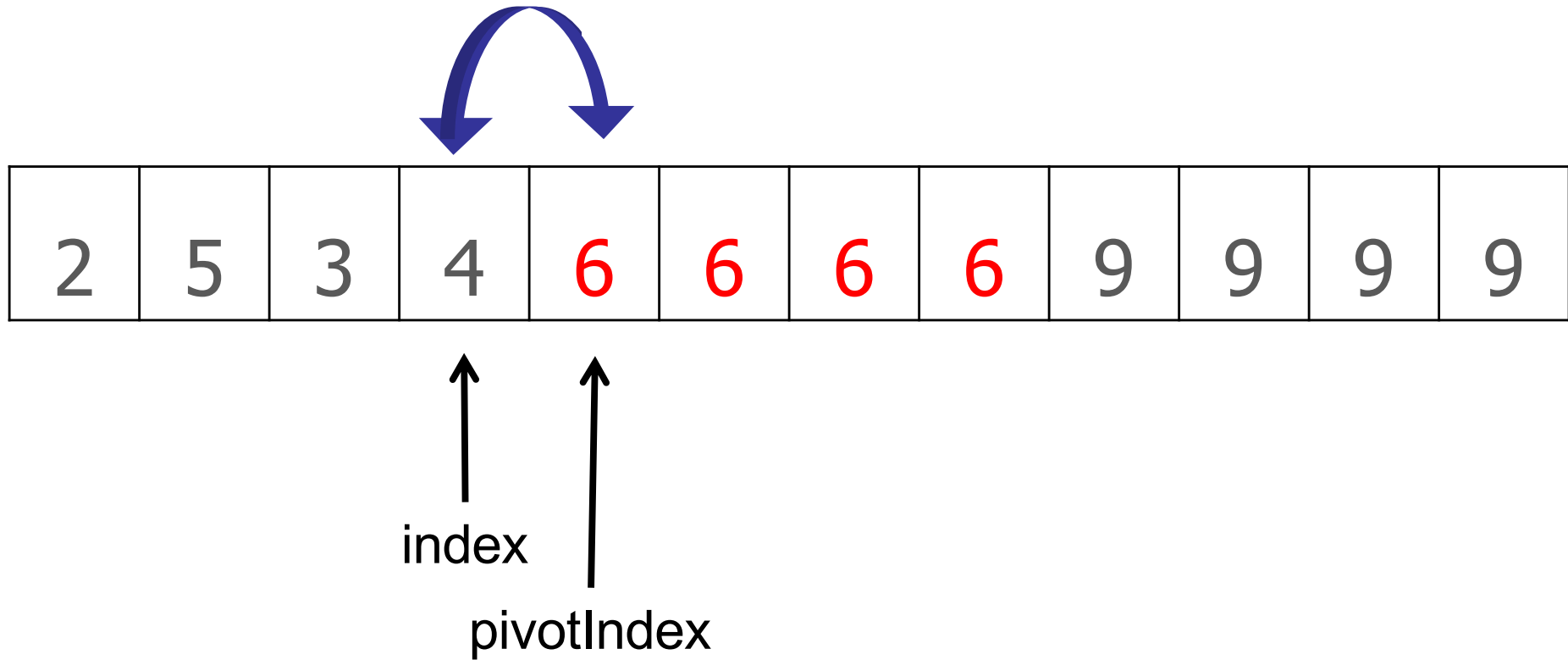
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index
pivotIndex

Duplicates

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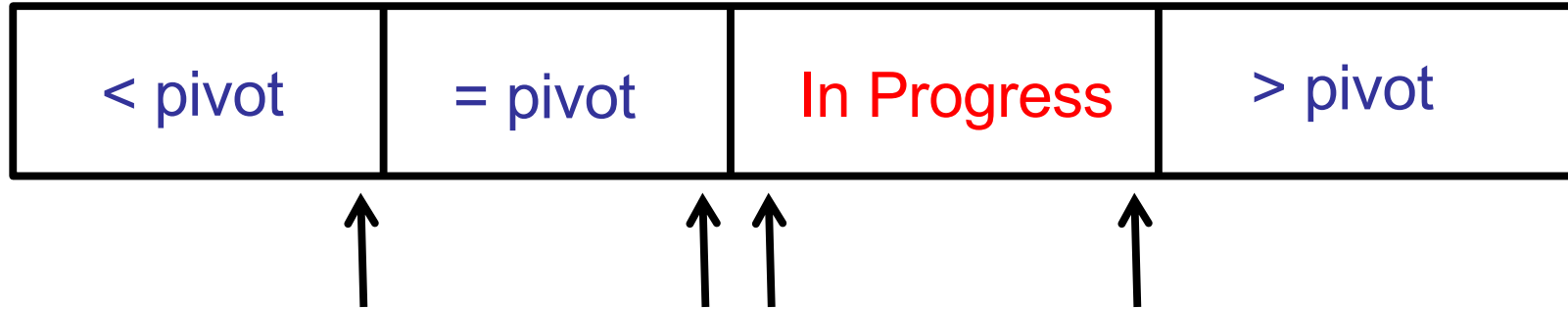
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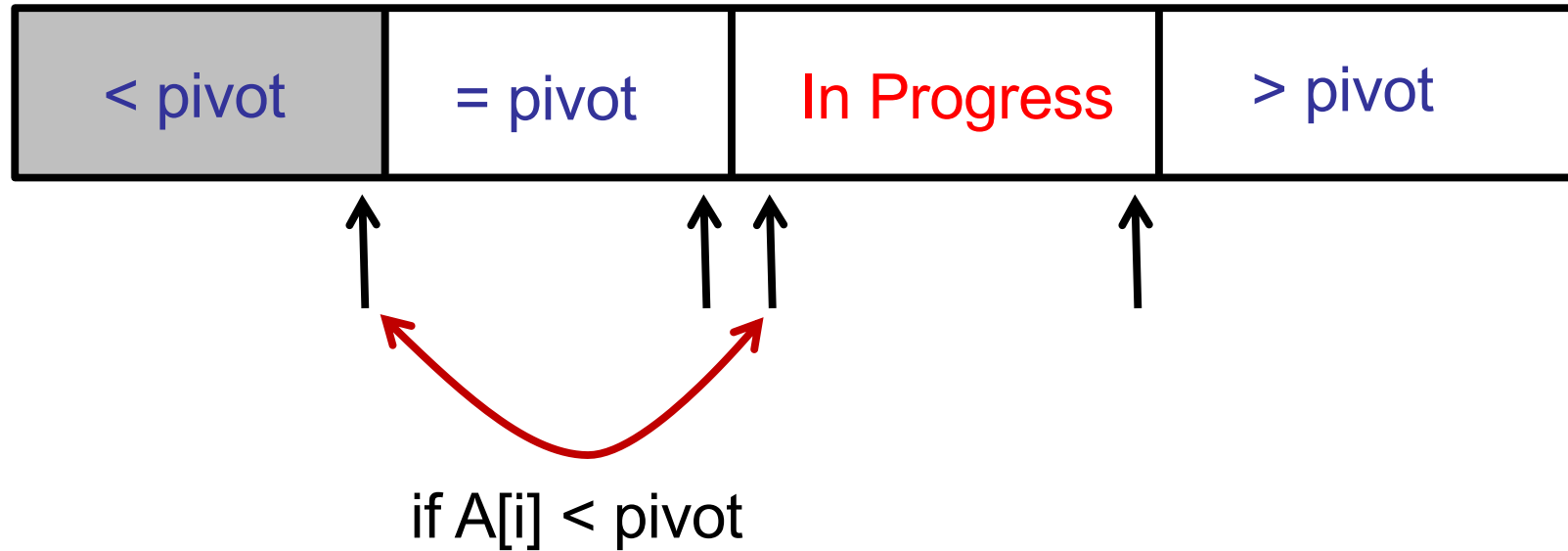
- Option 1: two pass partitioning
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- Option 2: one pass partitioning
 - More complicated.
 - Maintain four regions of the array

3-Way Partitioning

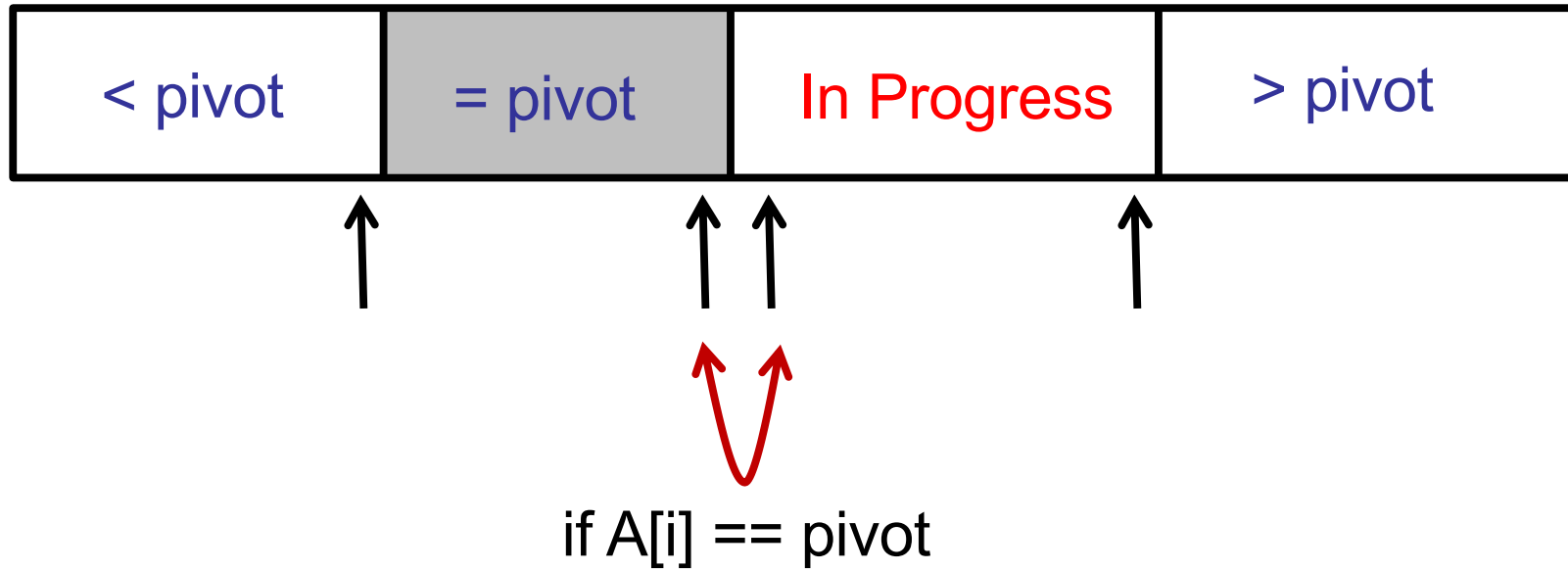


(Note: think about array in terms of invariants!)

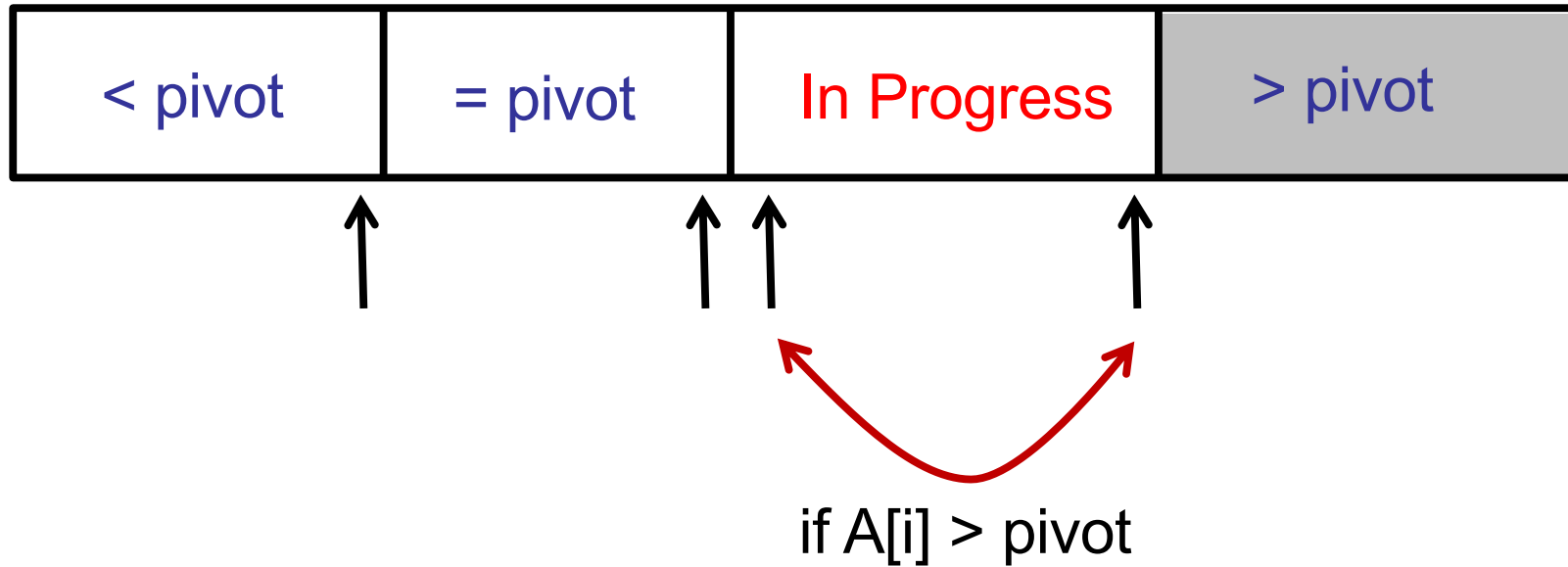
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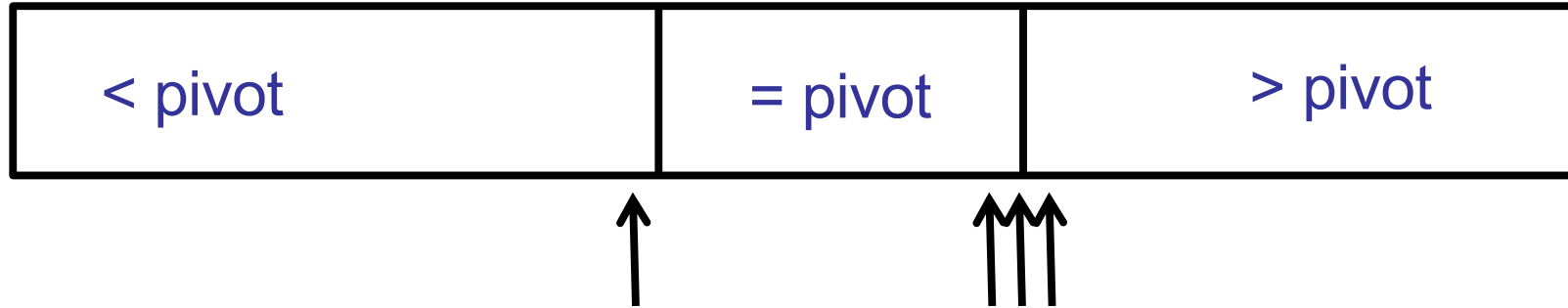
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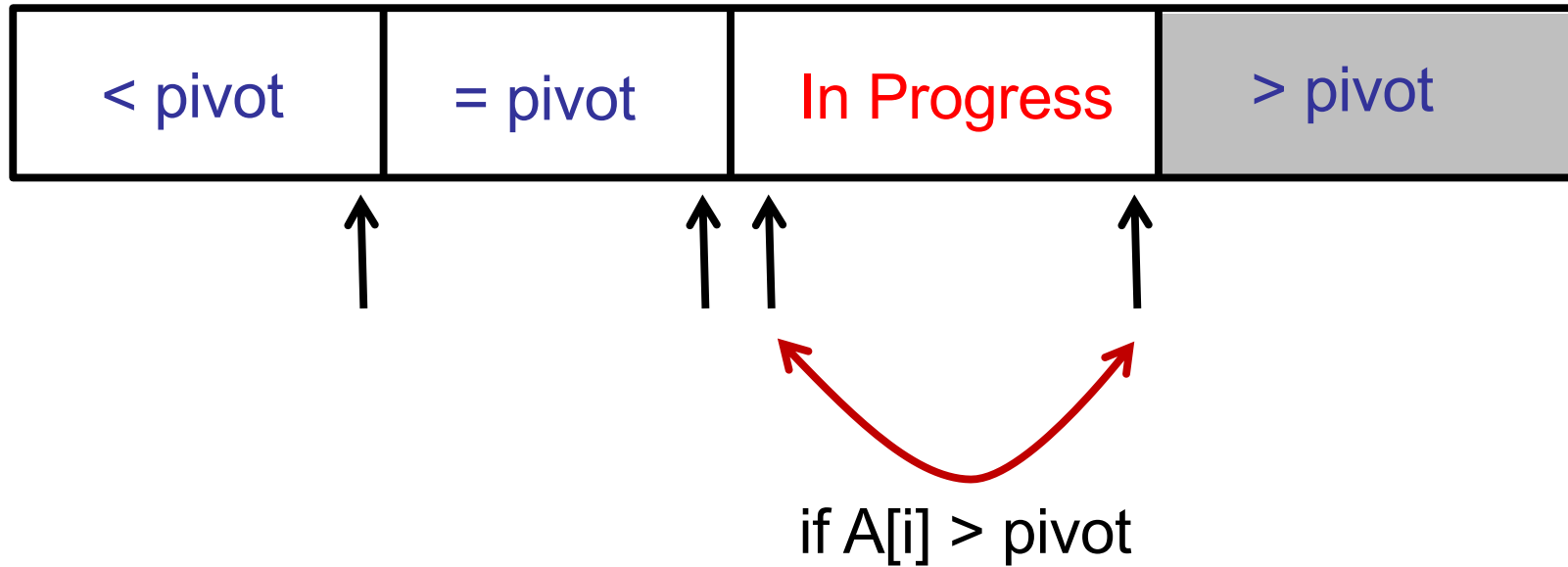
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Is QuickSort stable?

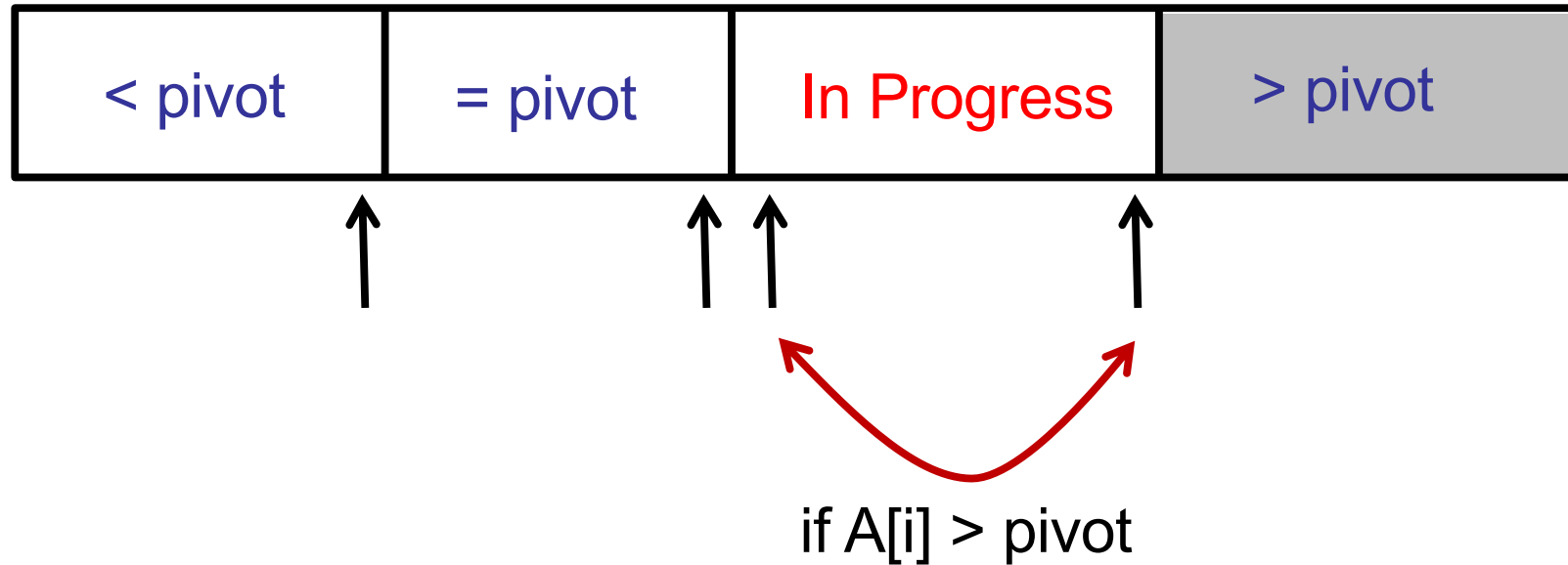
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is open

QuickSort is not stable



QuickSort is not stable



Very tricky to achieve all desirable properties at once:

- Stable
- In-place
- Efficient (time)

Sorting, continued

QuickSort

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Choice of Pivot

Options:

- first element: $A[1]$
- last element: $A[n]$
- middle element: $A[n/2]$
- median of $(A[1], A[n/2], A[n])$

Which option is best?

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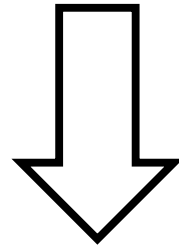
In the worst case, it does not matter!

All options are equally bad.

Choice of Pivot

Choose $A[1]$ for pivot:

100 99 98 97 96 95 94 93 92

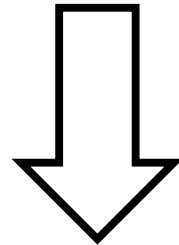


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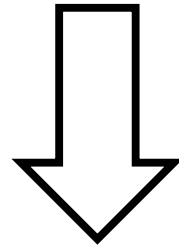


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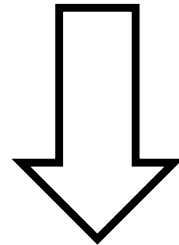


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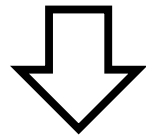
Choice of Pivot

Sorting the array takes n executions of **partition**.

- Each call to **partition** sorts one element.
- Each call to **partition** of size k takes: $\geq k$

Total: $n + (n-1) + (n-2) + (n-3) + \dots = O(n^2)$

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Deterministic QuickSort

QuickSort Recurrence:

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

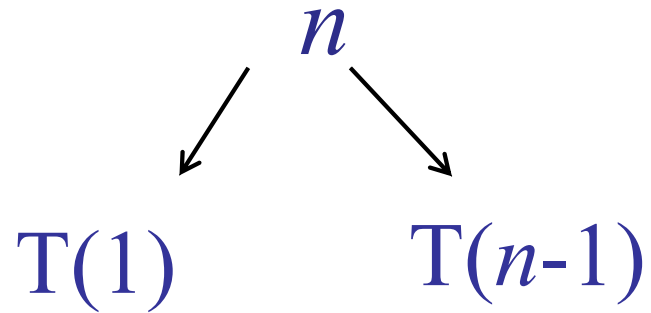
Cost of partition on n elements

Cost of QuickSort on 1 element

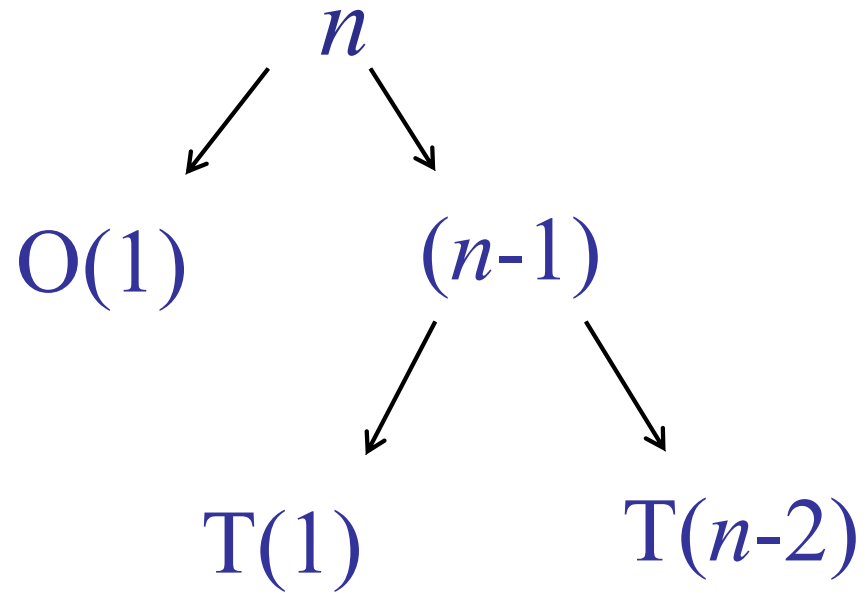
Cost of QuickSort on $n - 1$ elements

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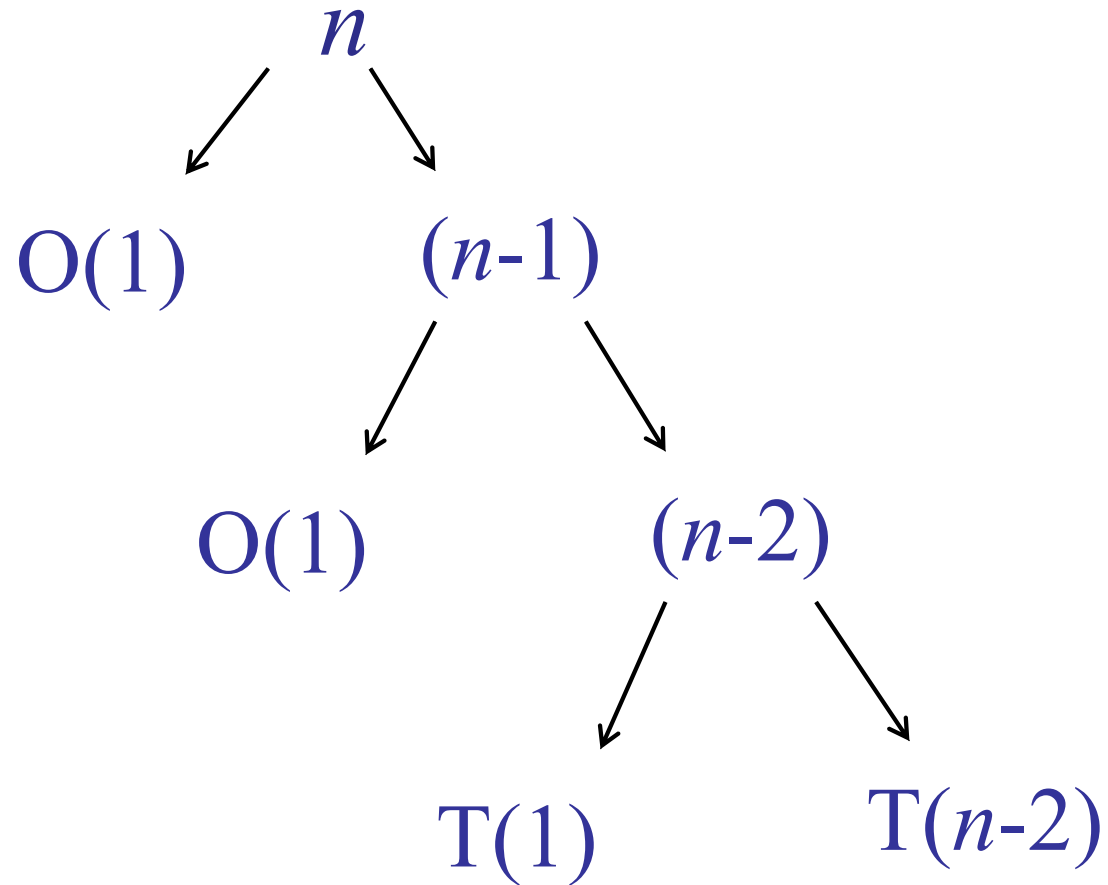
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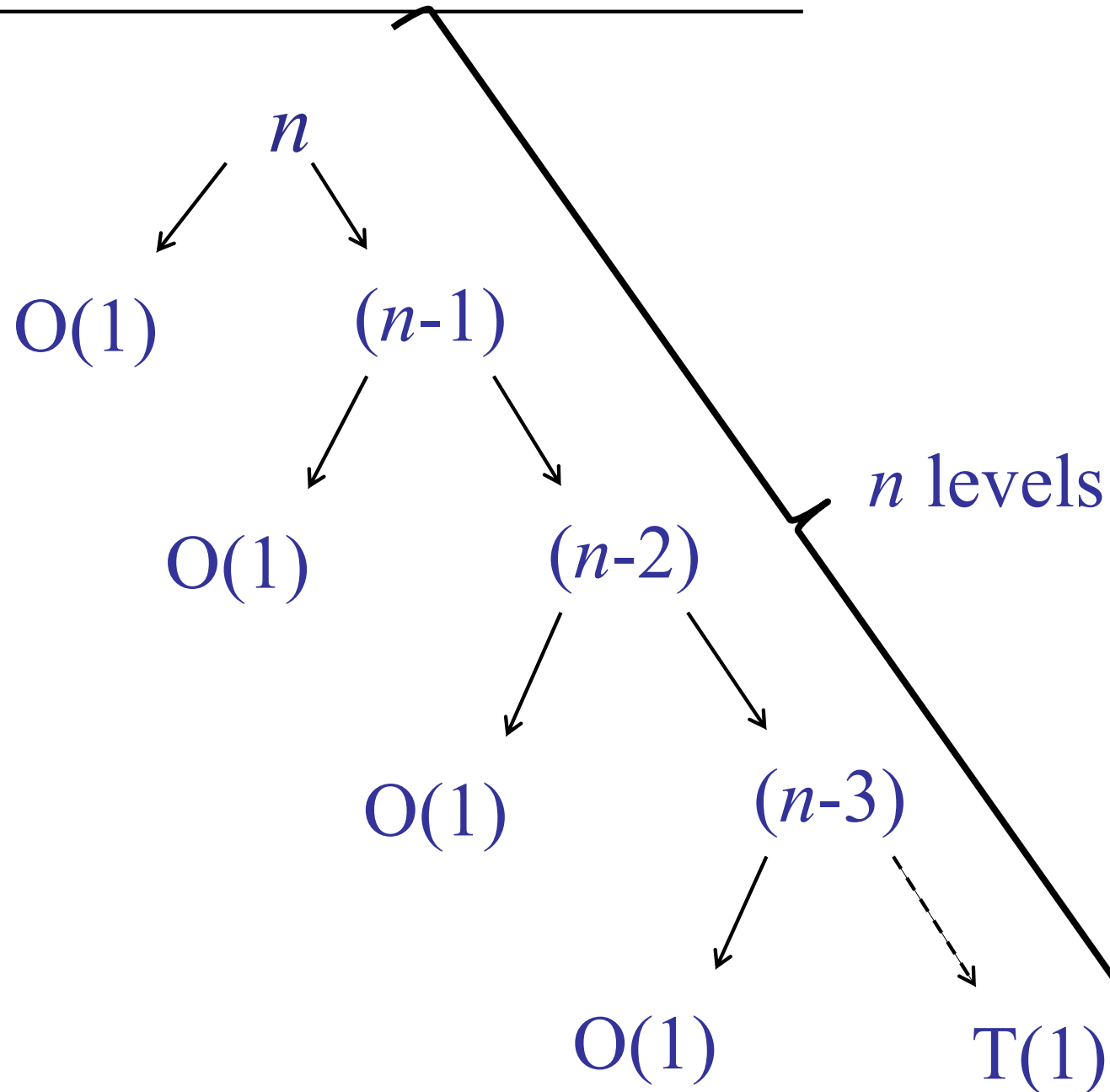
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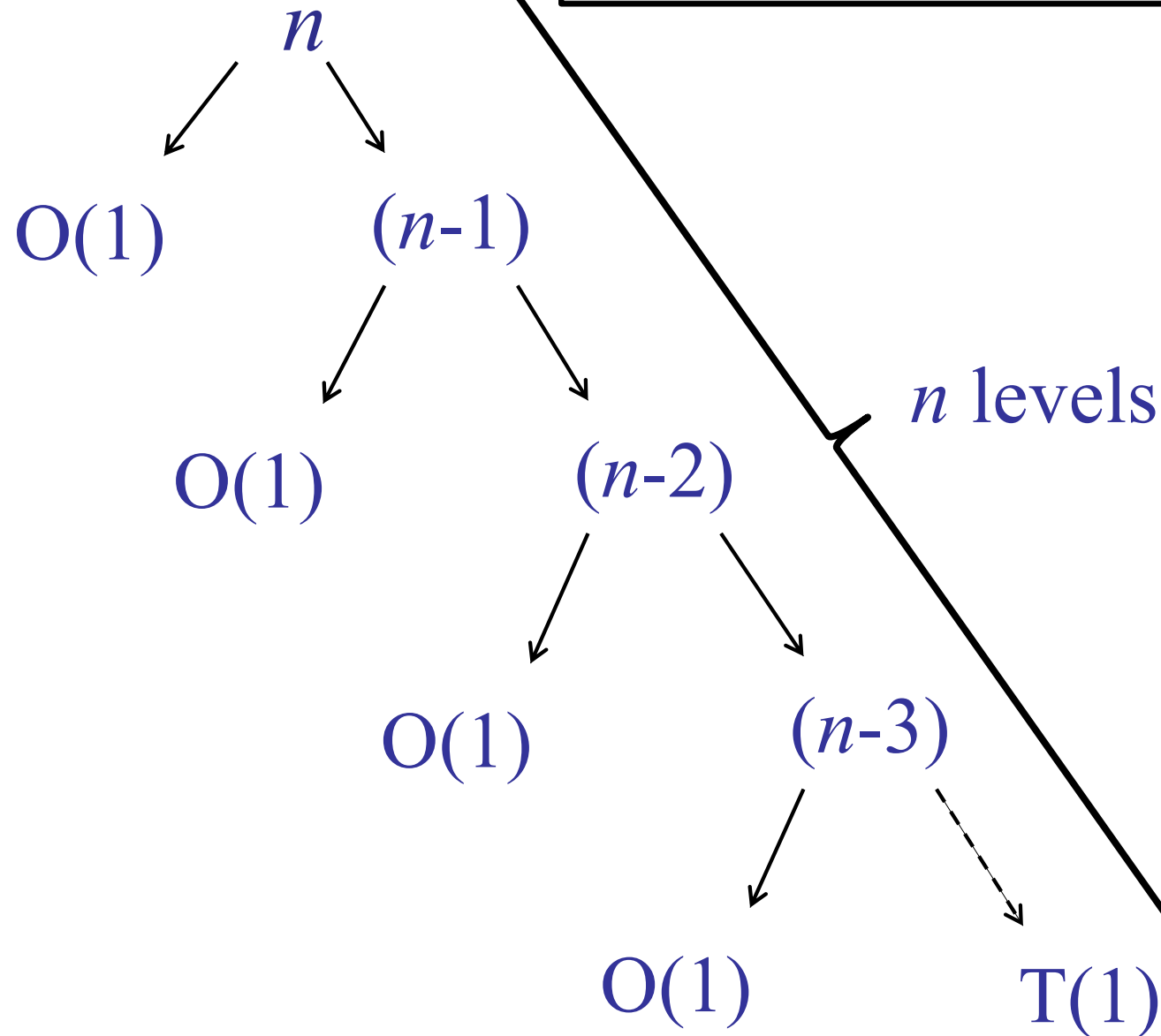


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QuickSort

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Ideally: partition should split the array evenly.

n/2 elements

x

n/2 elements

Better QuickSort

What if we chose the *median* element for the pivot?

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

Cost of partition on n elements

Cost of QuickSort on *high* elements

Cost of QuickSort on *low* elements

Cost of QuickSort on n elements

Better QuickSort

If we split the array evenly:

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= T(n/2) + T(n/2) + cn \\&= 2T(n/2) + cn \\&= O(n \log n)\end{aligned}$$

QuickSort Summary

- If we choose the pivot as $A[1]$:
 - Bad performance: $\Omega(n^2)$
- If we could choose the median element:
 - Good performance: $O(n \log n)$
- If we could split the array $(1/10) : (9/10)$
 - ??

Note: 10 is an arbitrary integer!

QuickSort Pivot Choice

Define sets L (low) and H (high):

- $L = \{A[i] : A[i] < pivot\}$
- $H = \{A[i] : A[i] > pivot\}$



What if the *pivot* is chosen so that:

1. $L > n/10$
2. $H > n/10$

Note: 10 is an arbitrary integer!

QuickSort

$$k = \min(|L|, |H|)$$

QuickSort with interesting *pivot* choice:

$$T(n) = T(n-k) + T(k) + n$$

Cost of partition on n elements

Assume: $9n/10 > k > n/10$

Assume: $9n/10 > (n - k) > n/10$

Cost of QuickSort on n elements

QuickSort

Tempting solution:

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= T(n-k) + T(k) + n \\&< T(9n/10) + T(9n/10) + n \\&< 2T(9n/10) + n \\&< O(n \log n)\end{aligned}$$

What is wrong?

QuickSort

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Too loose an estimate.

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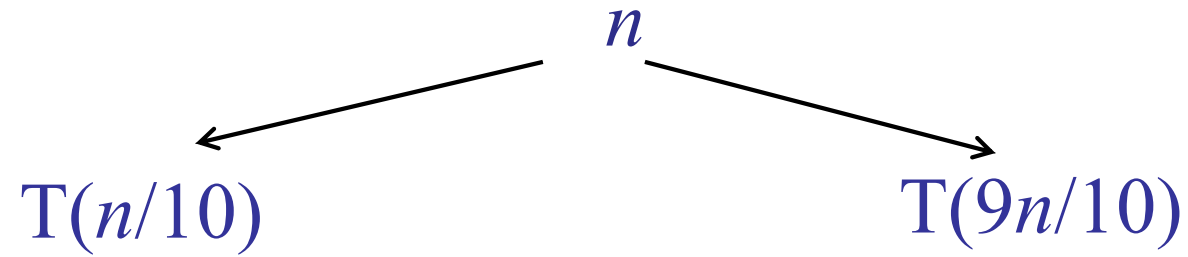


What if the *pivot* is chosen so that:

1. $L = n(1/10)$
2. $H = n(9/10)$ (or *vice versa*)

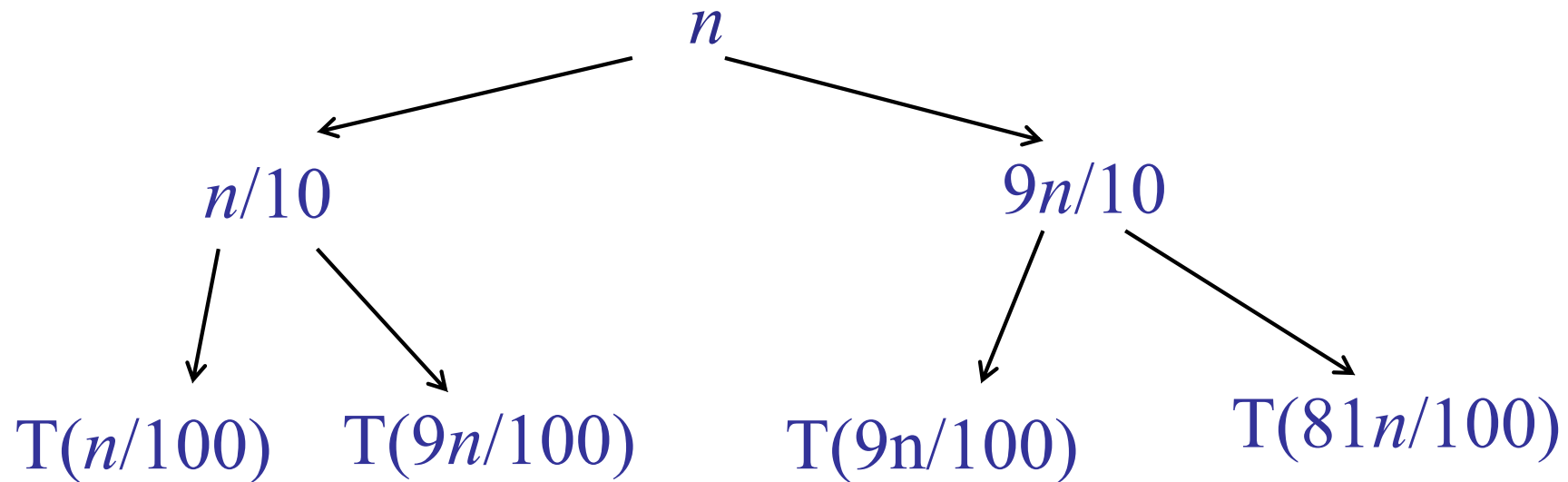
QuickSort Analysis

$$k = n/10$$



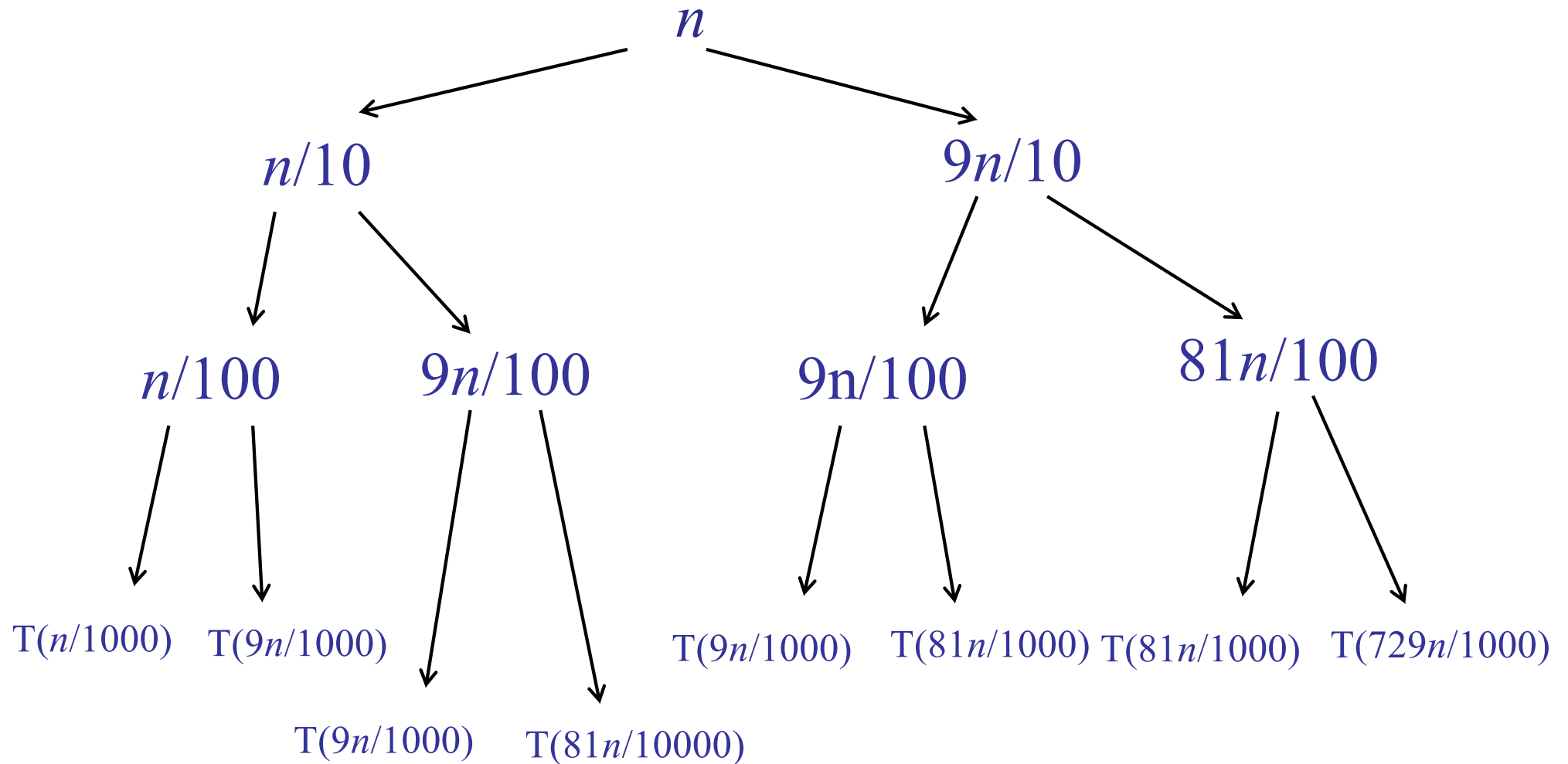
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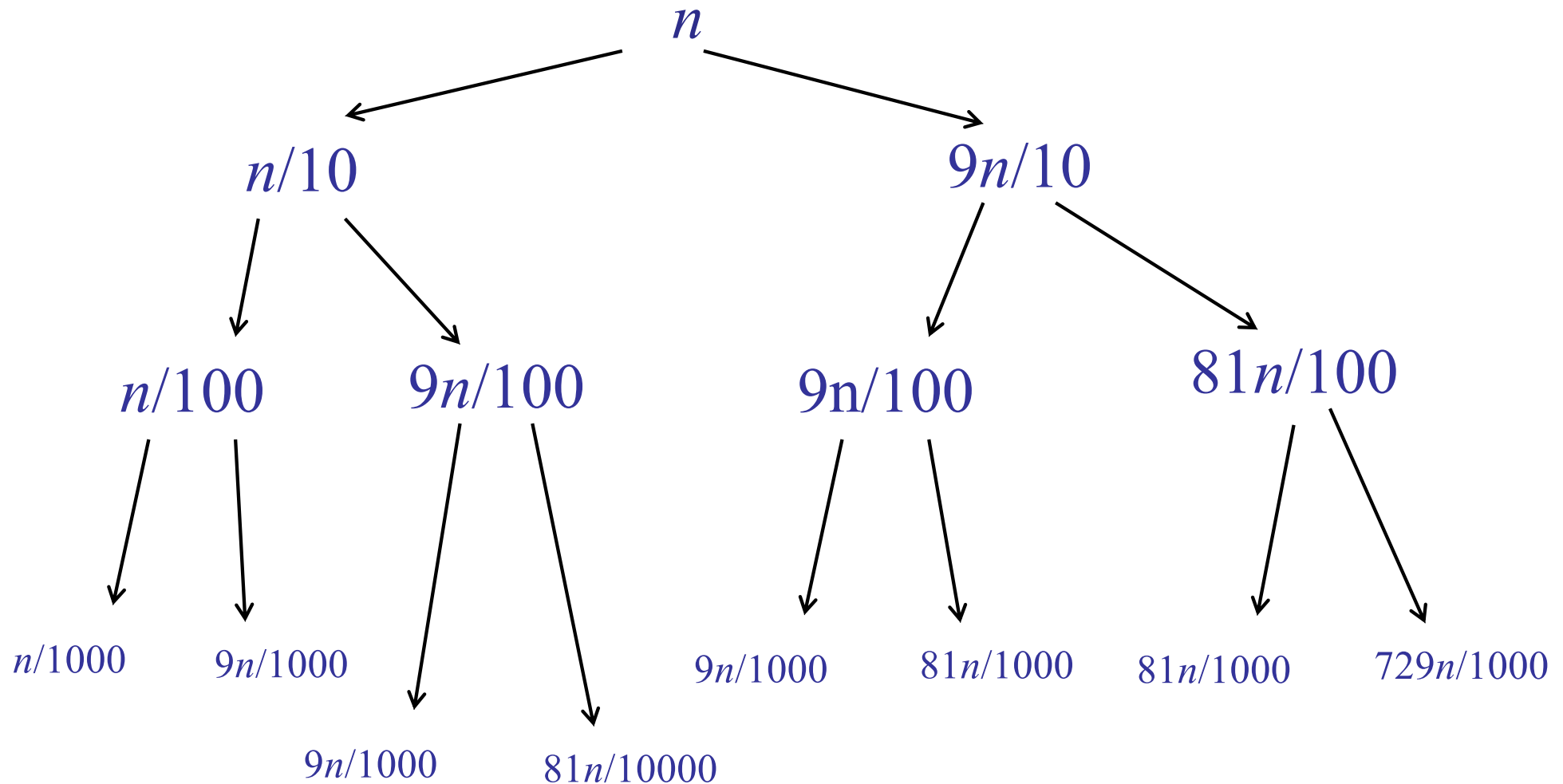
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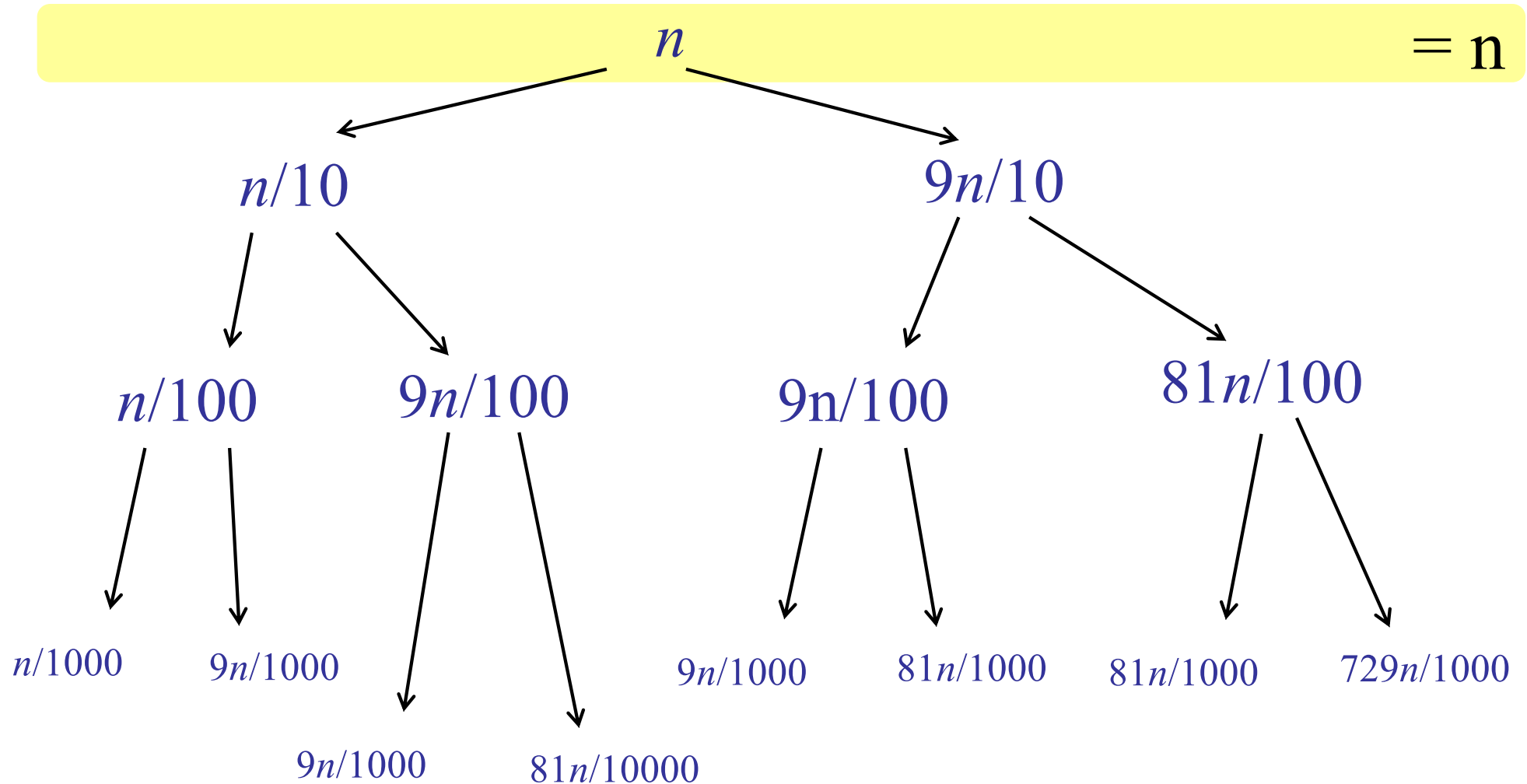


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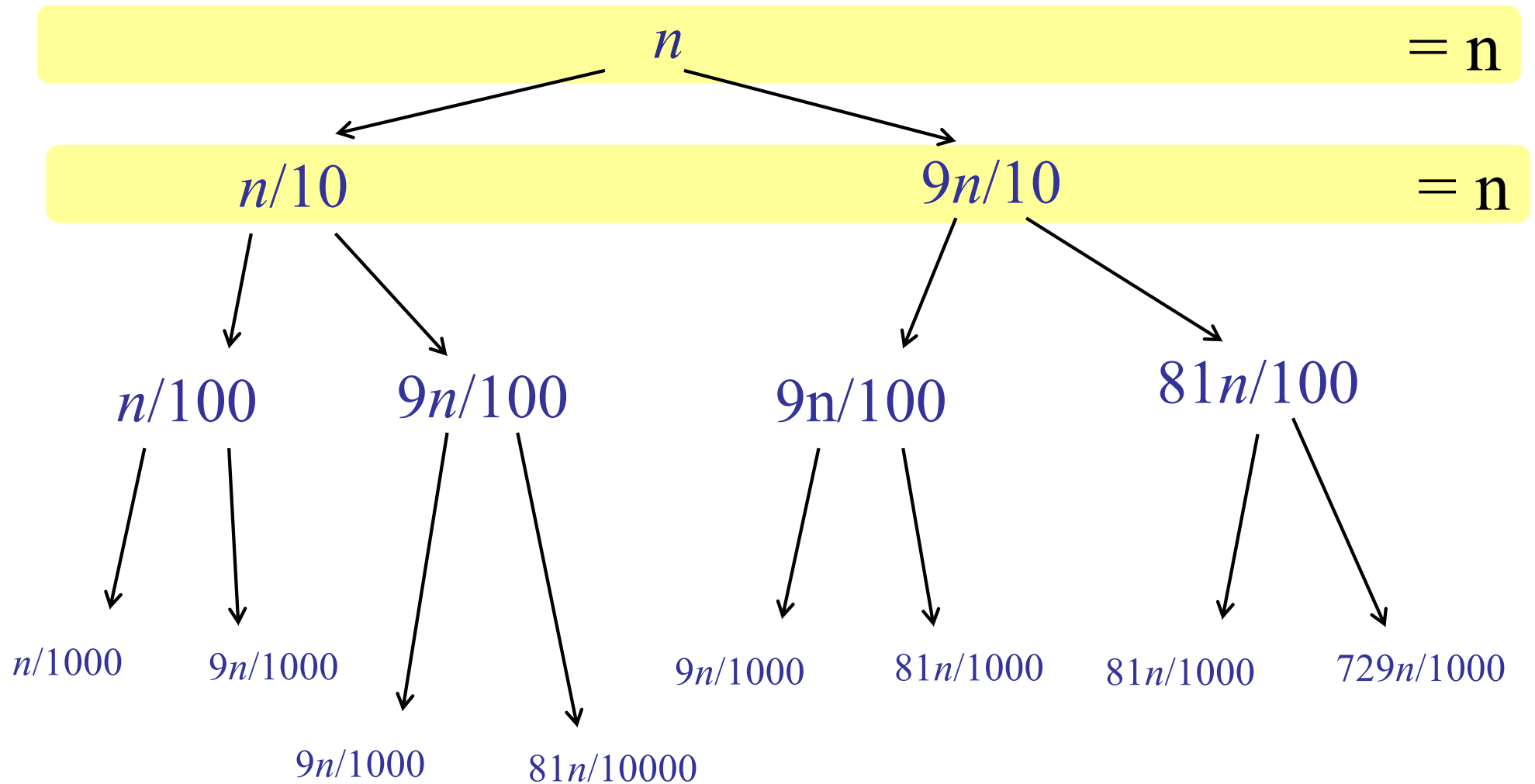
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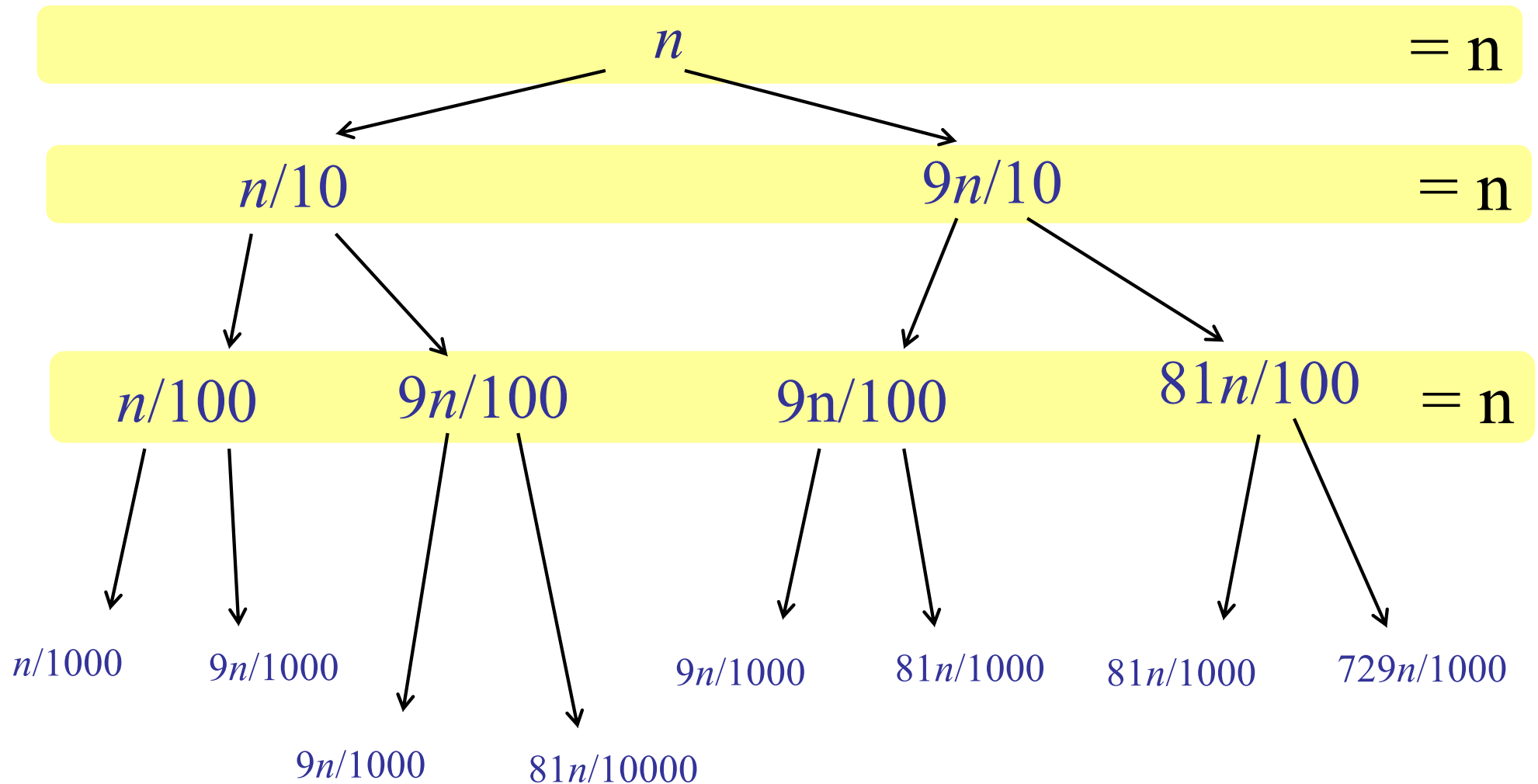
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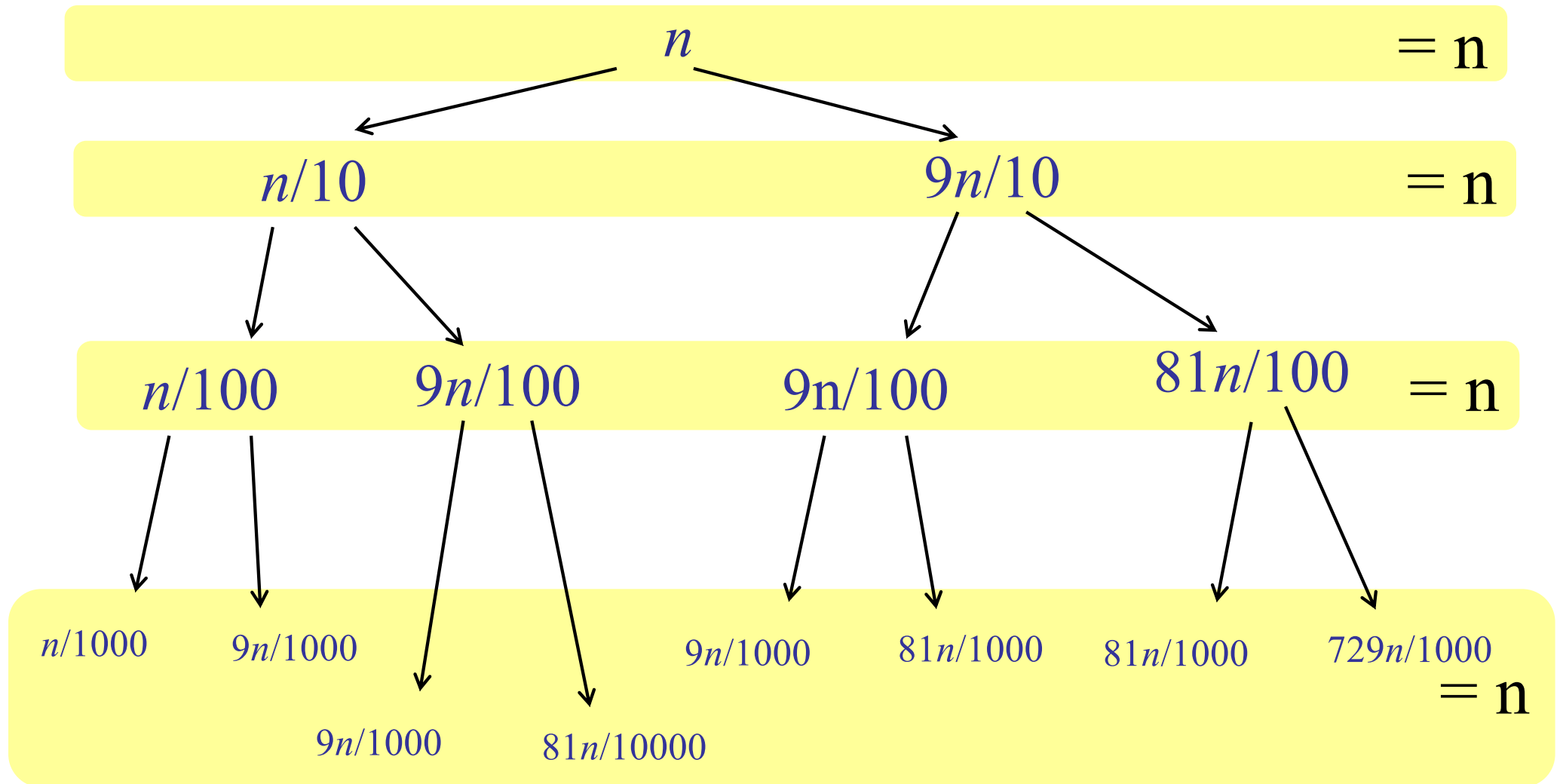
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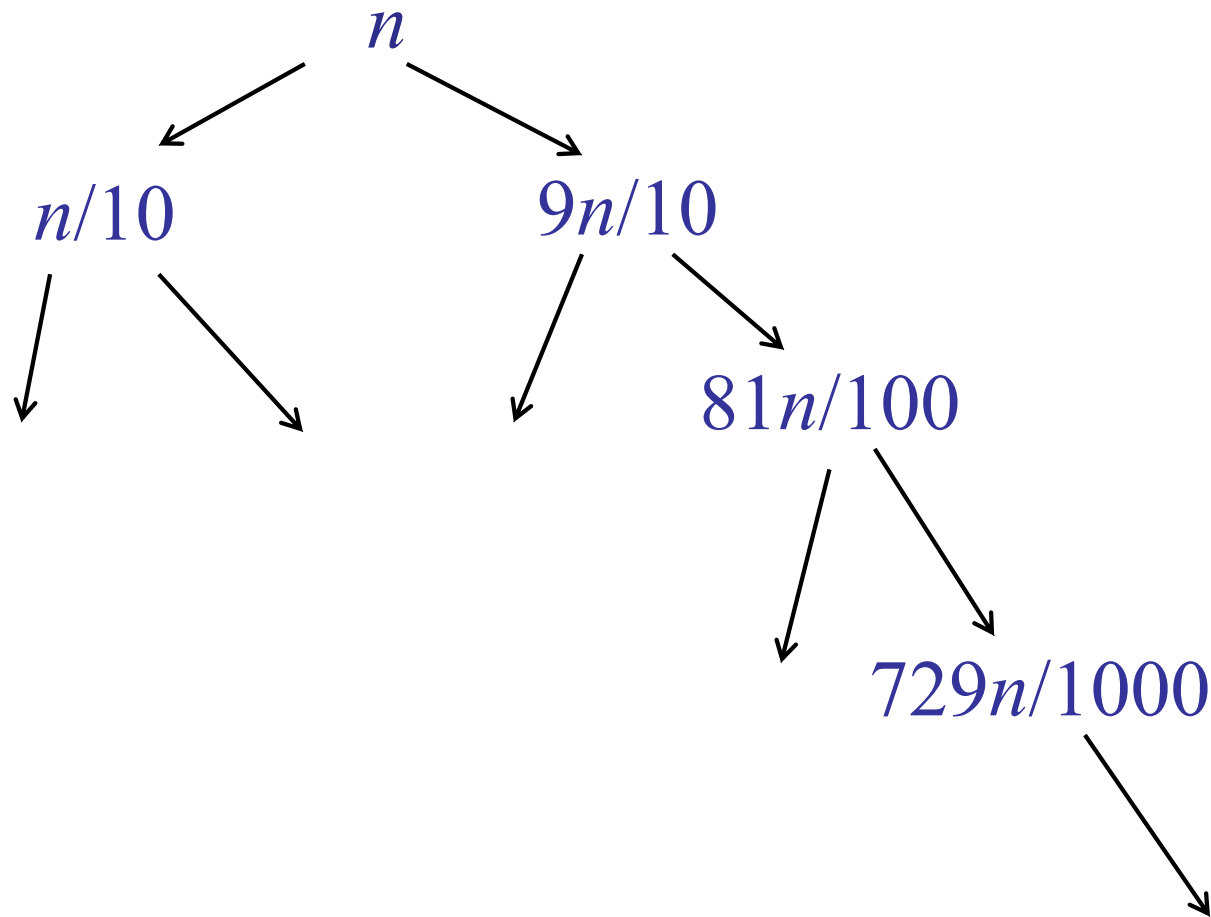
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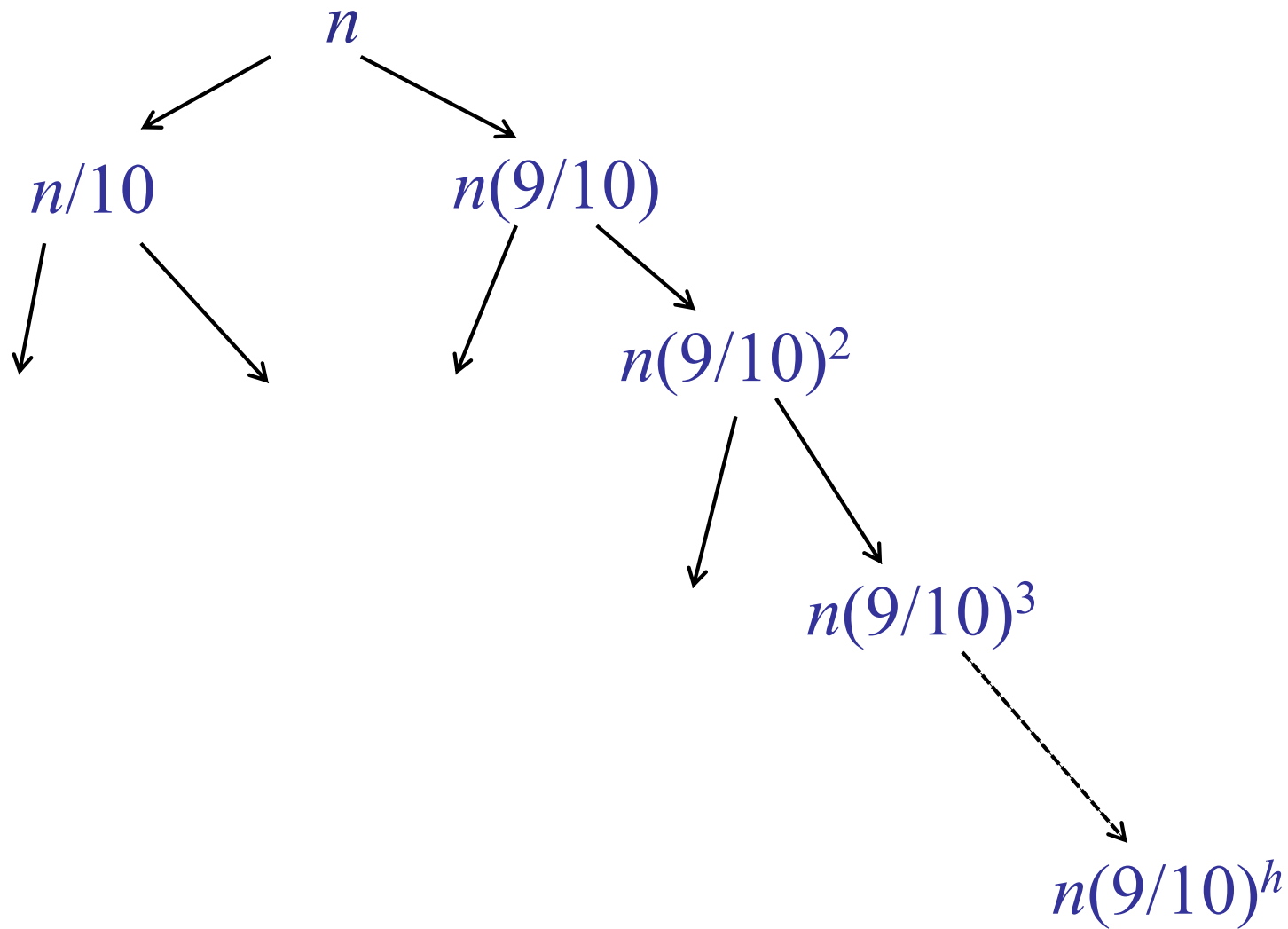


QuickSort Analysis



How many levels??

QuickSort Analysis



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QuickSort Analysis

Maximum number of levels:

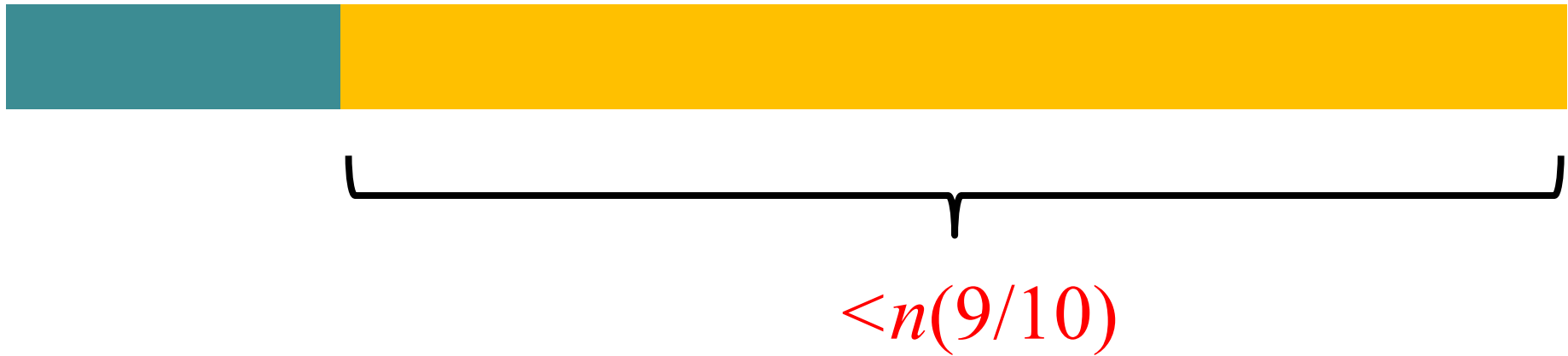
$$1 = n(9/10)^h$$

$$(10/9)^h = n$$

$$h = \log_{10/9}(n) = O(\log n)$$

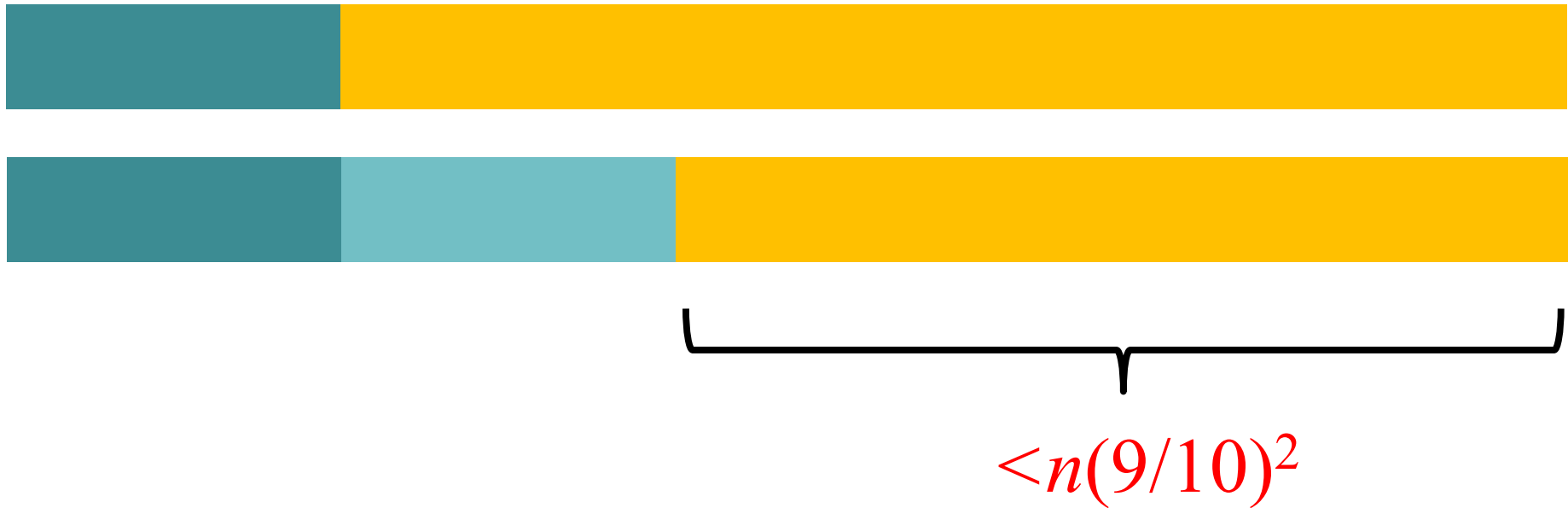
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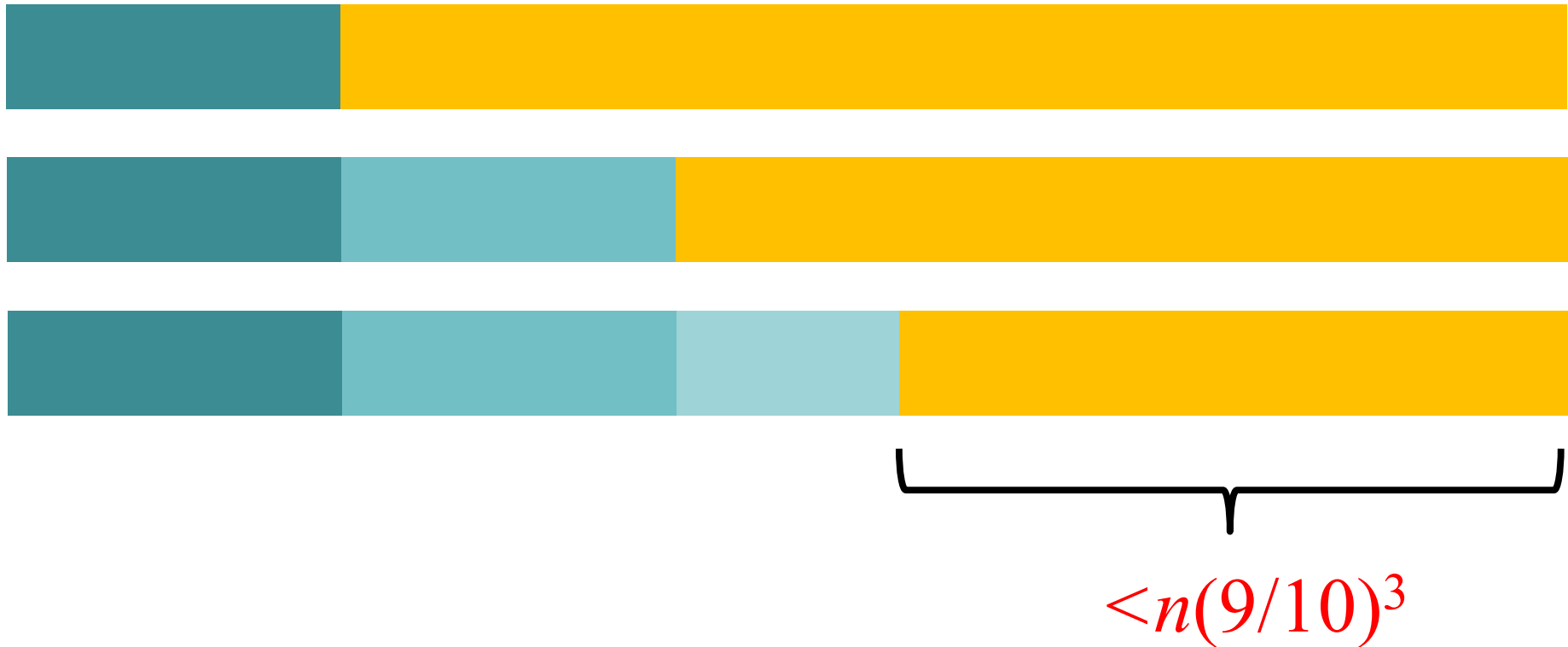
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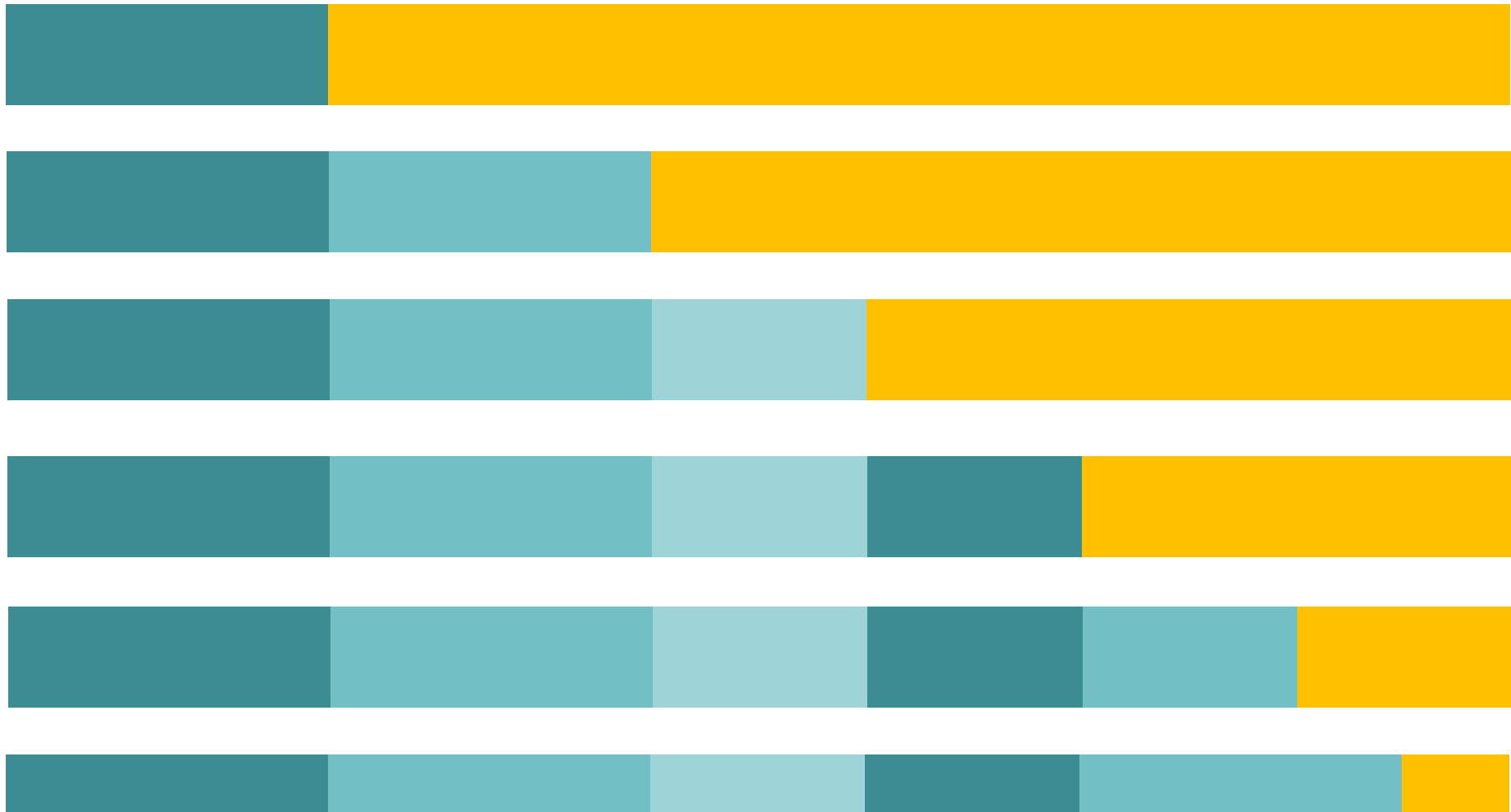
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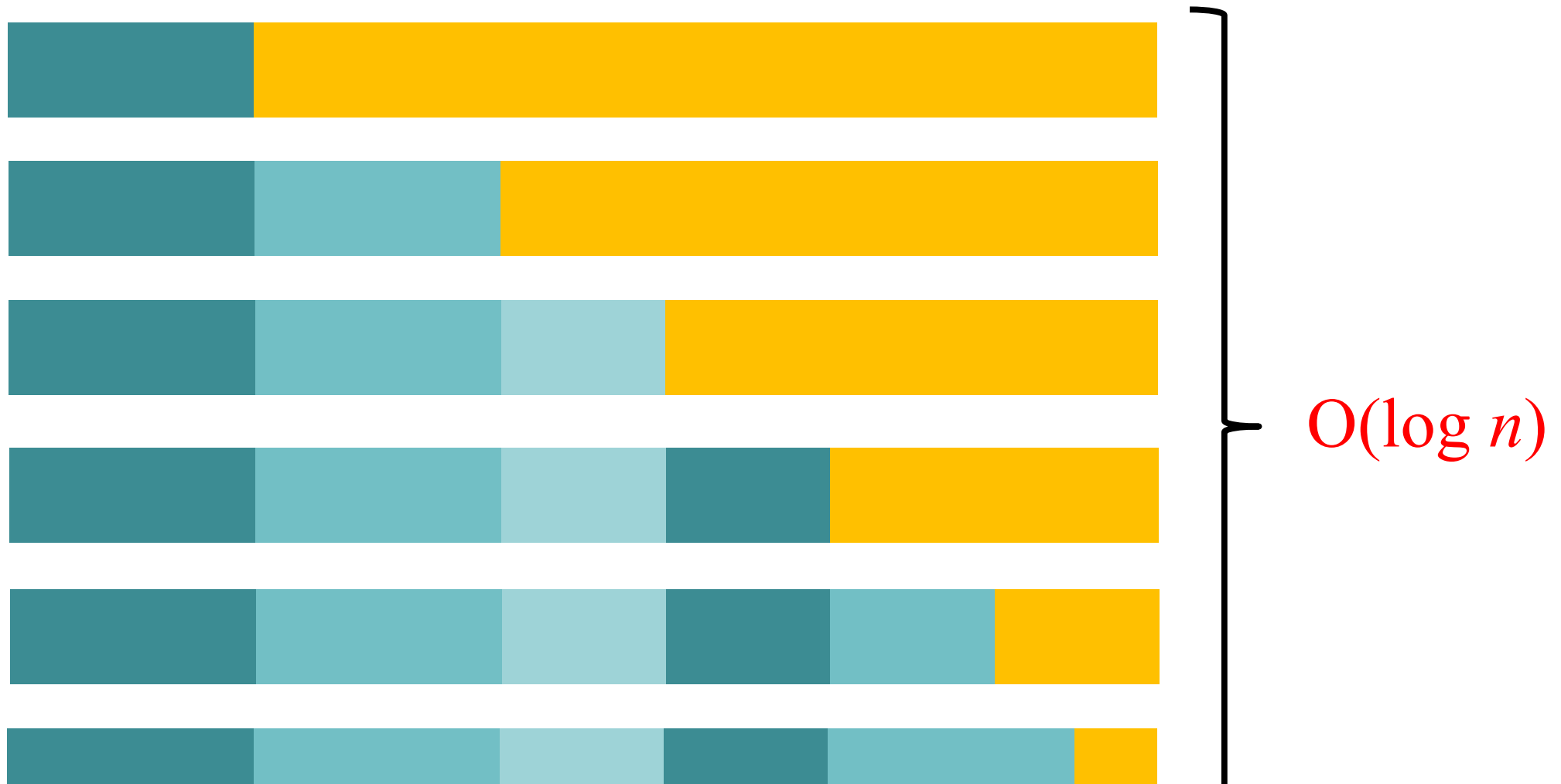
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QuickSort Summary

- If we choose the pivot as $A[1]$:
 - Bad performance: $\Omega(n^2)$
- If we could choose the median element:
 - Good performance: $O(n \log n)$
- If we could split the array $(1/10) : (9/10)$
 - Good performance: $O(n \log n)$

QuickSort

QuickSort($A[1..n]$, n)

if ($n==1$) **then** return;

else

Choose pivot index $pIndex$.

$p = \text{partition}(A[1..n], n, pIndex)$

$x = \text{QuickSort}(A[1..p-1], p-1)$

$y = \text{QuickSort}(A[p+1..n], n-p)$

$< x$

x

$> x$

QuickSort

Key Idea:

- Choose the pivot at random.
- Most of the time: split will be at least $\frac{9}{10} : \frac{1}{10}$

Randomized Algorithms:

- Algorithm makes decision based on random coin flips.
- Can “fool” the adversary (who provides bad input)
- Running time is a *random variable*.

Randomization

What is the difference between:

- Randomized algorithms
- Average-case analysis

Randomization

Randomized algorithm:

- Algorithm makes random choices
- For every input, there is a good probability of success.

Average-case analysis:

- Algorithm (may be) deterministic
- “Environment” chooses random input
- Some inputs are good, some inputs are bad
- For most inputs, the algorithm succeeds

QuickSort(A[1..n], n)

if (n == 1) **then** return;

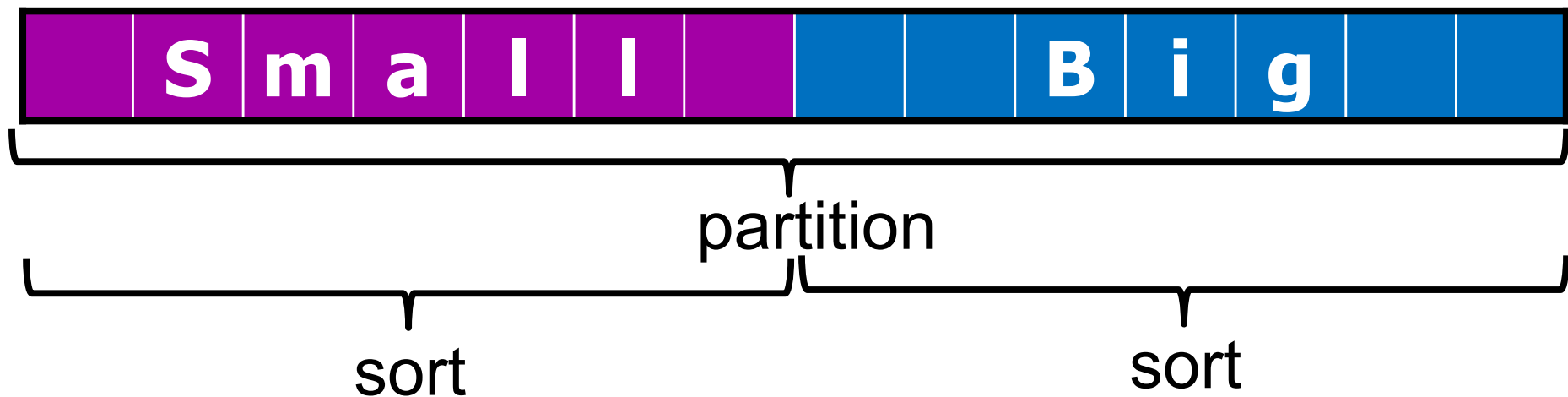
else

pIndex = **random**(1, n)

p = **3WayPartition**(A[1..n], n, pindex)

x = **QuickSort**(A[1..p-1], p-1)

y = **QuickSort**(A[p+1..n], n-p)



Paranoid QuickSort

ParanoidQuickSort($A[1..n]$, n)

if ($n == 1$) **then** return;

else

repeat

$pIndex = \text{random}(1, n)$

$p = \text{partition}(A[1..n], n, pIndex)$

until $p > (1/10)n$ **and** $p < (9/10)n$

$x = \text{QuickSort}(A[1..p-1], p-1)$

$y = \text{QuickSort}(A[p+1..n], n-p)$

Paranoid QuickSort

Easier to analyze:

- Every time we recurse, we reduce the problem size by at least $(1/10)$.
- We have already analyzed that recurrence!

Note: non-paranoid QuickSort works too

- Analysis is a little trickier (but not much).

Paranoid QuickSort

ParanoidQuickSort($A[1..n]$, n)

if ($n == 1$) **then** return;

else

repeat

$pIndex = \text{random}(1, n)$

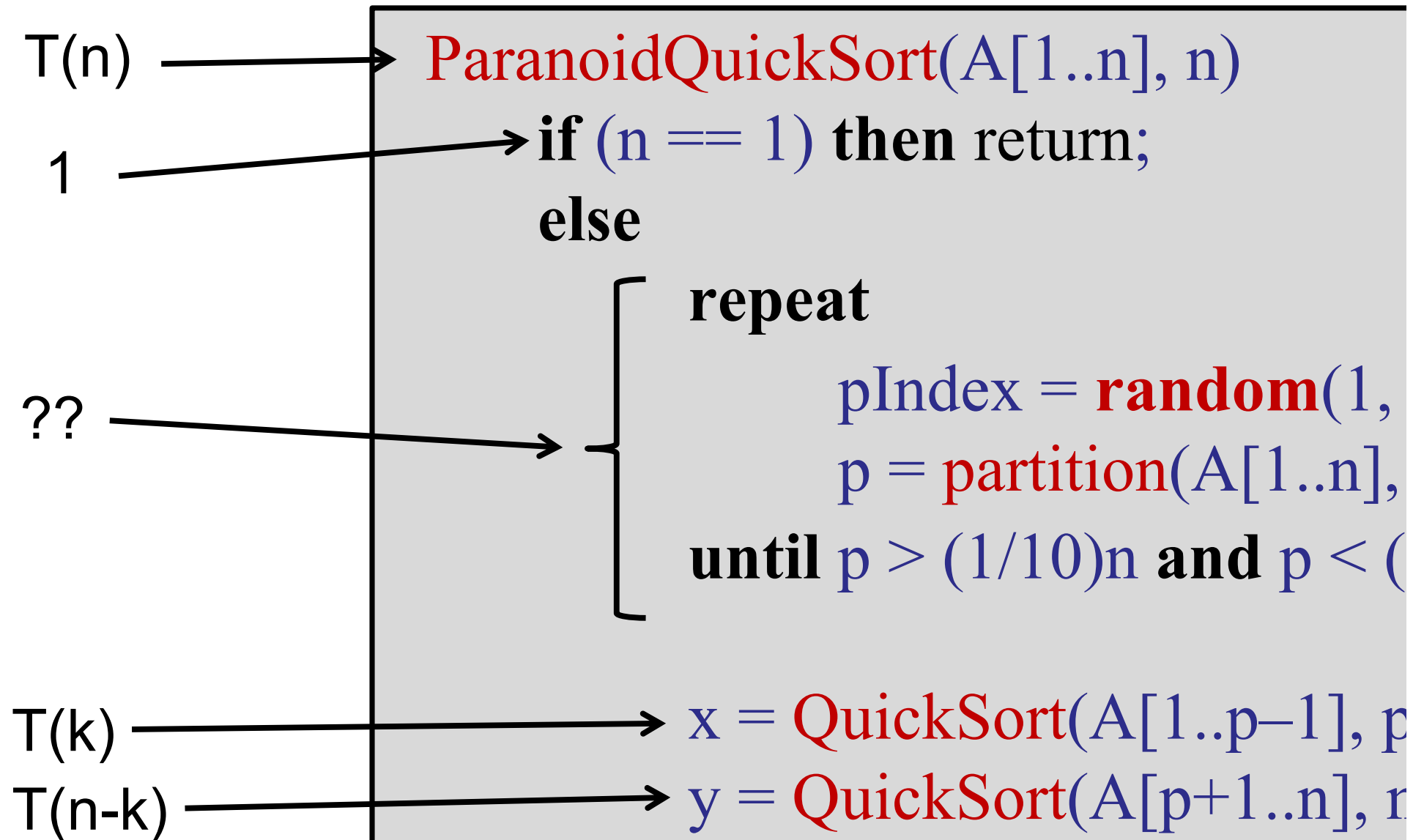
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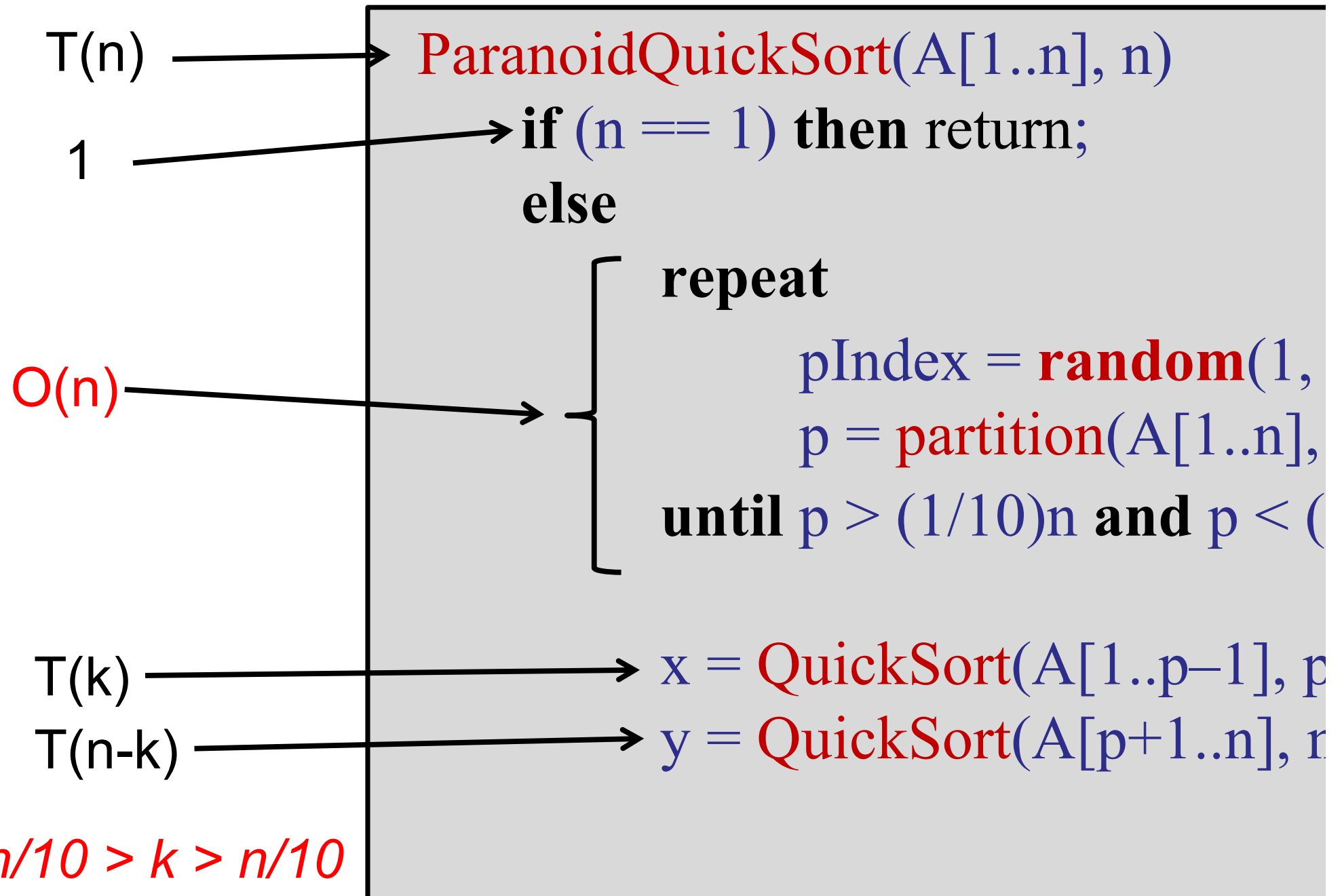
$y = \text{QuickSort}(A[p+1..n], n-p)$

Paranoid QuickSort



$$9n/10 > k > n/10$$

Paranoid QuickSort



Paranoid QuickSort

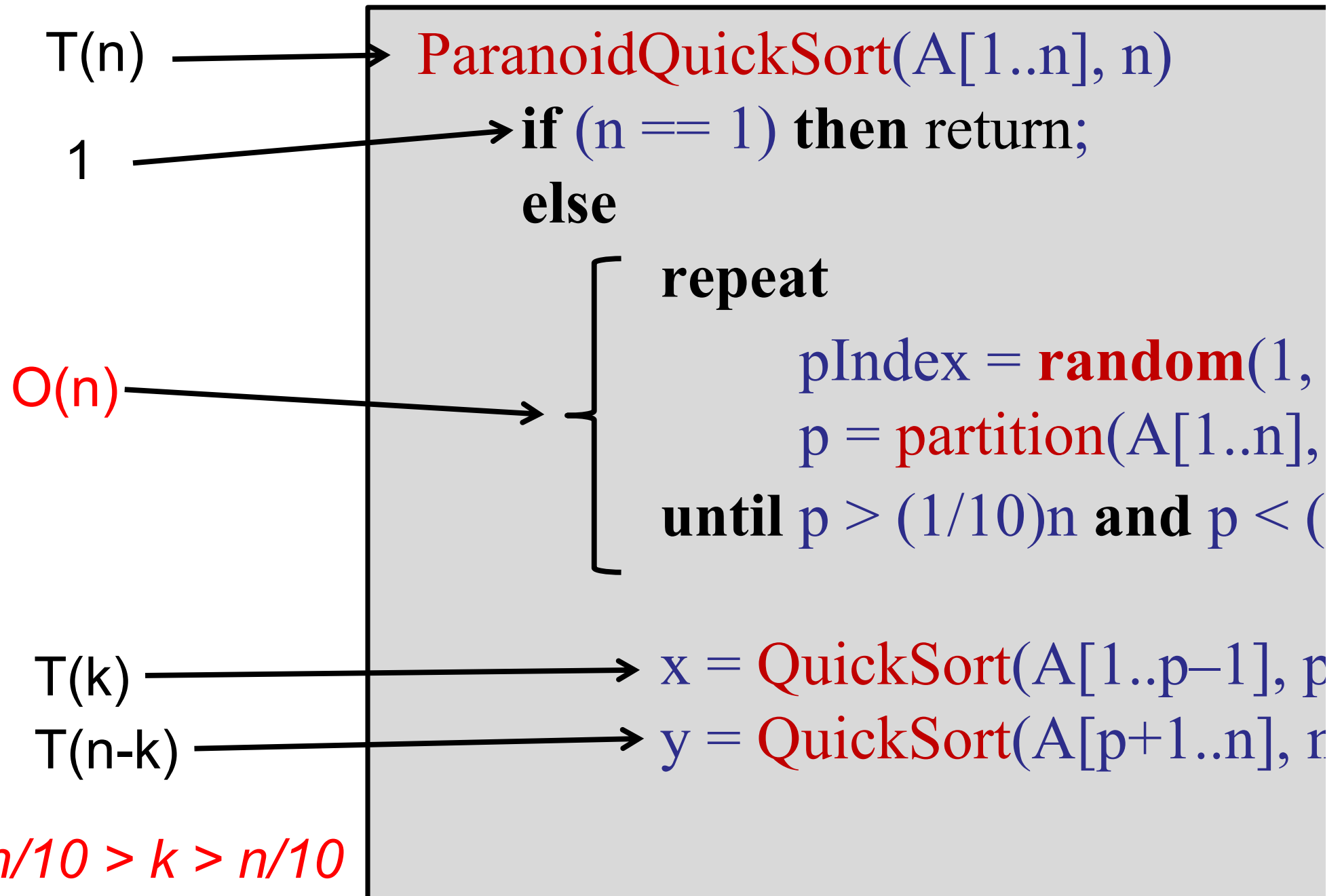
Key claim:

- We only execute the **repeat** loop $O(1)$ times (in expectation).

Then we know:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\leq T(n/10) + T(9n/10) + n(\text{\# iterations of repeat}) \\ &= O(n \log n) \end{aligned}$$

Paranoid QuickSort



Probability Theory

CS1231S review!

Probability Theory

Flipping a coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = 1/2$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = 1/2$

Coin flips are independent:

- $\Pr(\text{heads} \rightarrow \text{heads}) = 1/2 * 1/2 = 1/4$
- $\Pr(\text{heads} \rightarrow \text{tails} \rightarrow \text{heads}) = 1/2 * 1/2 * 1/2 = 1/8$

You flip a coin 8 times. Which is more likely?

- a. 4 heads, followed by 4 tails
- b. 8 heads in a row
- c. Alternating heads, tails, heads, tails, ...
- ✓ d. All of the above are the same
- e. Incomparable

Probability Theory

Flipping a coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = 1/2$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = 1/2$

Set of uniform events ($e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_k$):

- $\Pr(e_1) = 1/k$
- $\Pr(e_2) = 1/k$
- ...
- $\Pr(e_k) = 1/k$

Probability Theory

Events **A**, **B**:

- $\Pr(\mathbf{A}), \Pr(\mathbf{B})$
- **A** and **B** are independent
(e.g., unrelated random coin flips)

Then:

- $\Pr(\mathbf{A} \text{ and } \mathbf{B}) = \Pr(\mathbf{A})\Pr(\mathbf{B})$

How many times do you have to flip a coin before it comes up heads?

Poorly defined question...

Probability Theory

Expected value:

- Weighted average

Example: event **A** has two outcomes:

- $\Pr(\mathbf{A} = 12) = \frac{1}{4}$
- $\Pr(\mathbf{A} = 60) = \frac{3}{4}$

Expected value of A:

$$E[A] = (\frac{1}{4})12 + (\frac{3}{4})60 = 48$$

Probability Theory

Set of outcomes for $X = (e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_k)$:

- $\Pr(e_1) = p_1$
- $\Pr(e_2) = p_2$
- ...
- $\Pr(e_k) = p_k$

Expected outcome:

$$E[X] = e_1p_1 + e_2p_2 + \dots + e_kp_k$$

Probability Theory

Flipping a coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = \frac{1}{2}$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = \frac{1}{2}$

In two coin flips: I expect one heads.

Probability Theory

Define event **A**:

- **A** = number of heads in two coin flips

In two coin flips: I expect one heads.

- | | | | |
|--|-----------|-----|-------|
| – $\text{Pr}(\text{heads, heads}) = 1/4$ | $2 * 1/4$ | $=$ | $1/2$ |
| – $\text{Pr}(\text{heads, tails}) = 1/4$ | $1 * 1/4$ | $=$ | $1/4$ |
| – $\text{Pr}(\text{tails, heads}) = 1/4$ | $1 * 1/4$ | $=$ | $1/4$ |
| – $\text{Pr}(\text{tails, tails}) = 1/4$ | $0 * 1/4$ | $=$ | 0 |

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Probability Theory

Flipping a coin:

- $\text{Pr}(\text{heads}) = 1/2$
- $\text{Pr}(\text{tails}) = 1/2$

In two coin flips: I expect one heads.

- If you repeated the experiment many times, on average after two coin flips, you will have one heads.

Goal: calculate expected time of QuickSort

Worst-Case Analysis

Randomized algorithm:

- Algorithm makes random choices
- For every input, there is a good probability of success.

Expected worst-case running time:

- For all possible inputs, which one yields the maximum *expected* running time.

Probability Theory

Linearity of Expectation:

- $E[A + B] = E[A] + E[B]$

Example:

- $A = \# \text{ heads in 2 coin flips: } E[A] = 1$
- $B = \# \text{ heads in 2 coin flips: } E[B] = 1$
- $A + B = \# \text{ heads in 4 coin flips}$

$$E[A+B] = E[A] + E[B] = 1 + 1 = 2$$

Probability Theory

Flipping an (unfair) coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = p$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = (1 - p)$

How many flips to get at least one head?

$\mathbf{E}[X]$ = expected number of flips to get one head

Example: $X = 7$

T T T T T T H

Probability Theory

Flipping an (unfair) coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = p$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = (1 - p)$

How many flips to get at least one head?

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}[X] = & \Pr(\text{heads after 1 flip}) * 1 + \\ & \Pr(\text{heads after 2 flips}) * 2 + \\ & \Pr(\text{heads after 3 flips}) * 3 + \\ & \Pr(\text{heads after 4 flips}) * 4 + \\ & \dots \end{aligned}$$

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How many flips to get at least one head?

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}[X] = & \Pr(\text{H}) * 1 + \\ & \Pr(\text{T H}) * 2 + \\ & \Pr(\text{T T H}) * 3 + \\ & \Pr(\text{T T T H}) * 4 + \\ & \dots \end{aligned}$$

Probability Theory

Flipping an (unfair) coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = p$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = (1 - p)$

How many flips to get at least one head?

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}[X] = & p(1) + \\ & (1 - p)(p)(2) + \\ & (1 - p)(1 - p)(p)(3) + \\ & (1 - p)(1 - p)(1 - p)(p)(4) + \\ & \dots \end{aligned}$$

Probability Theory

Flipping an (unfair) coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = p$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = (1 - p)$

How many flips to get at least one head?

$$\mathbf{E}[X] = (p)(1) + (1 - p)(1 + \mathbf{E}[X])$$



How many more flips to get a head?

Idea: If I flip “tails,” the expected number of additional flips to get a “heads” is still $\mathbf{E}[X]$!!

Probability Theory

Flipping an (unfair) coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = p$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = (1 - p)$

How many flips to get at least one head?

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}[X] &= (p)(1) + (1 - p)(1 + \mathbf{E}[X]) \\ &= p + 1 - p + 1\mathbf{E}[X] - p\mathbf{E}[X]\end{aligned}$$

Probability Theory

Flipping an (unfair) coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = p$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = (1 - p)$

How many flips to get at least one head?

$$\mathbf{E}[X] = (p)(1) + (1 - p)(1 + \mathbf{E}[X])$$

$$= p + 1 - p + 1\mathbf{E}[X] - p\mathbf{E}[X]$$

$$\mathbf{E}[X] - \mathbf{E}[X] + p\mathbf{E}[X] = 1$$

Probability Theory

Flipping an (unfair) coin:

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How many flips to get at least one head?

$$\mathbf{E}[X] = (p)(1) + (1 - p)(1 + \mathbf{E}[X])$$

$$= p + 1 - p + 1\mathbf{E}[X] - p\mathbf{E}[X]$$

$$p\mathbf{E}[X] = 1$$

$$\mathbf{E}[X] = 1/p$$

Probability Theory

Flipping an (unfair) coin:

- $\Pr(\text{heads}) = p$
- $\Pr(\text{tails}) = (1 - p)$

How many flips to get at least one head?

If $p = 1/2$, the expected number of flips to get one head equals:

$$\mathbf{E}[X] = 1/p = 1/1/2 = 2$$

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Today: more sorting!

QuickSort:

- Divide-and-Conquer
- Partitioning
- Duplicates
- Choosing a pivot
- Randomization
- Analysis