

CS2040S

Data Structures and Algorithms

Welcome!

Admin

Recorded recitation this week!

Recorded tutorial this week!

Part 1: Review (more this week)

Part 2: Harder questions (only one optional this week)

- Check with your tutor on room scheduling.
- Do prepare in advance.
- Do have questions.
- Do take advantage of tutorial to get to know your tutor and other students in your class

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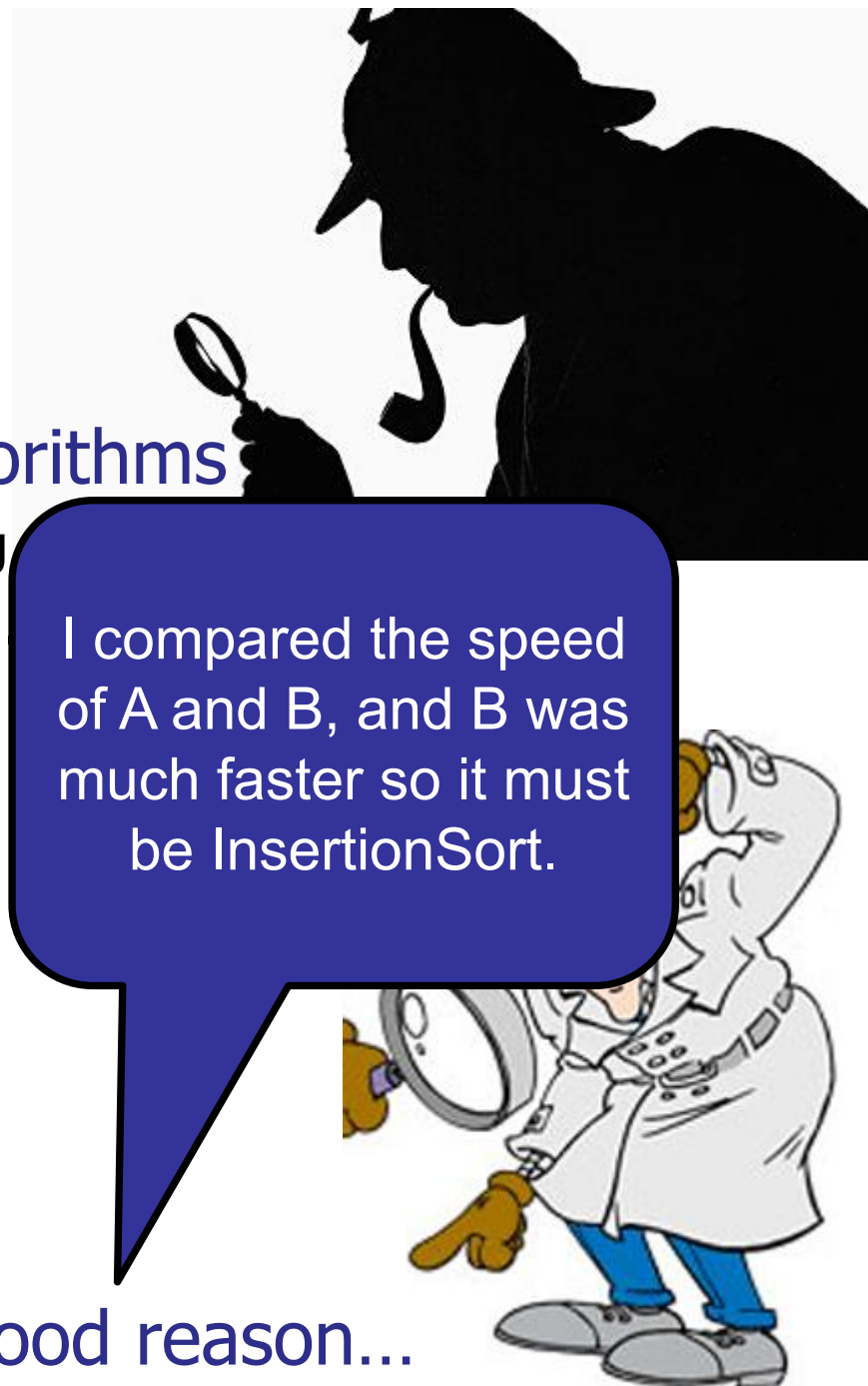
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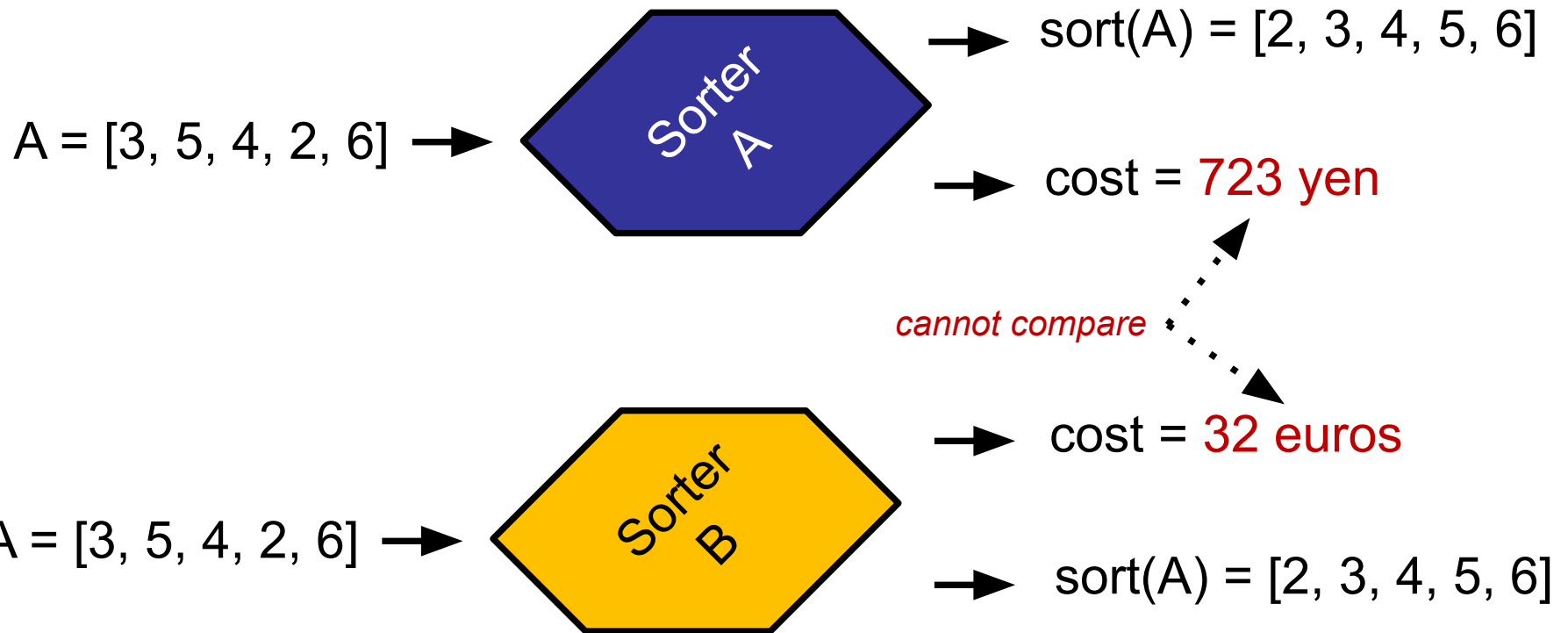
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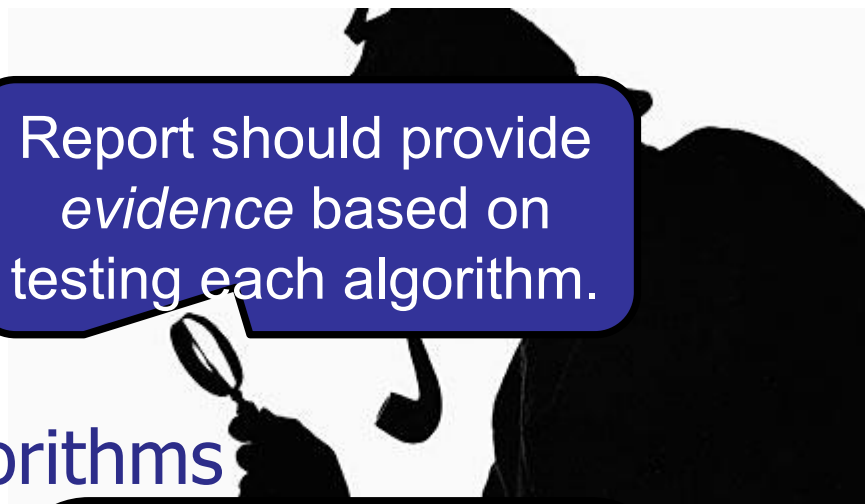
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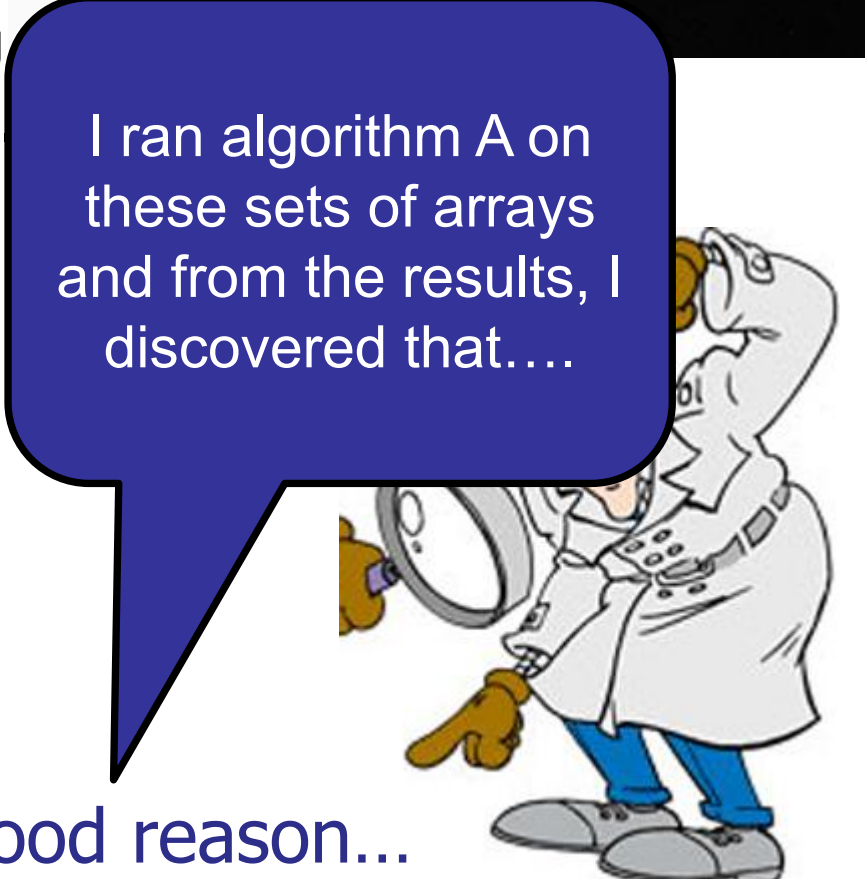
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Report should provide *evidence* based on testing each algorithm.



I ran algorithm A on these sets of arrays and from the results, I discovered that....

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- Running time
- Space usage
- Stability

Key questions:

How to analyze a sorting algorithm?

Invariants

Trade-offs: how to decide which algorithm to use for which problem?

Sorting

Problem definition:

Input: array $A[1..n]$ of words / numbers

Output: array $B[1..n]$ that is a permutation of A
such that:

$$B[1] \leq B[2] \leq \dots \leq B[n]$$

Example:

$$A = [9, 3, 6, 6, 6, 4] \rightarrow [3, 4, 6, 6, 6, 9]$$

Sorting

```
public interface ISort{  
  
    public void sort(int[] dataArray);  
  
}
```

Aside: BogoSort

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QuantumBogoSort (A [1 . . n])

- a) Choose a random permutation of the array A.
- b) If A is sorted, return A.
- c) If A is not sorted, destroy the universe.

What is the expected running time of Quantum BogoSort?

(Remember QuantumBogoSort when you learn about non-deterministic Turing Machines.)

Aside: MaybeBogoSort

MaybeBogoSort($A[1..n]$)

1. Choose a random permutation of the array A .
2. If $A[1]$ is the minimum item in A then:

MaybeBogoSort($A[2..n]$)

Else

MaybeBogoSort($A[1..n]$)

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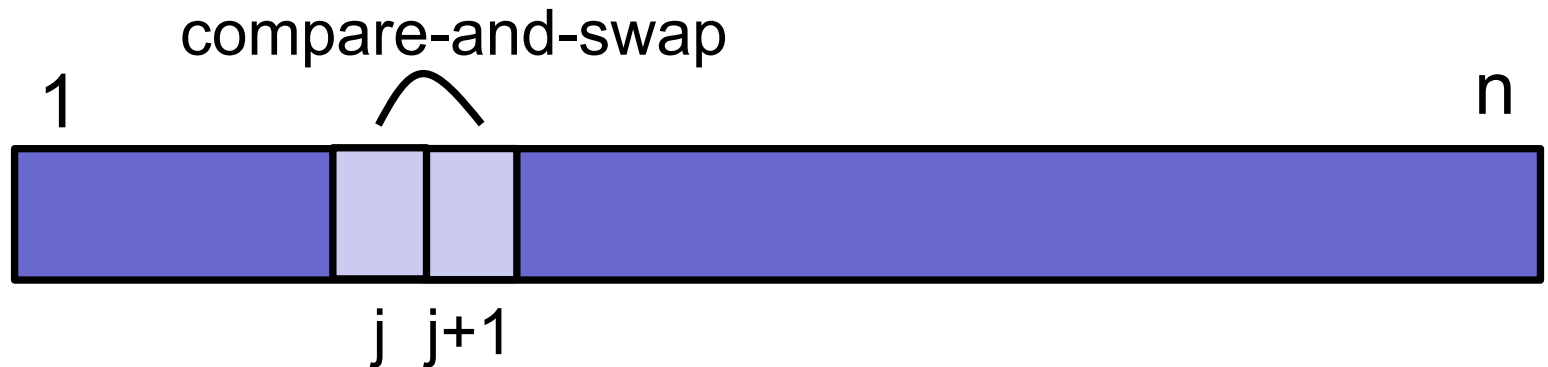
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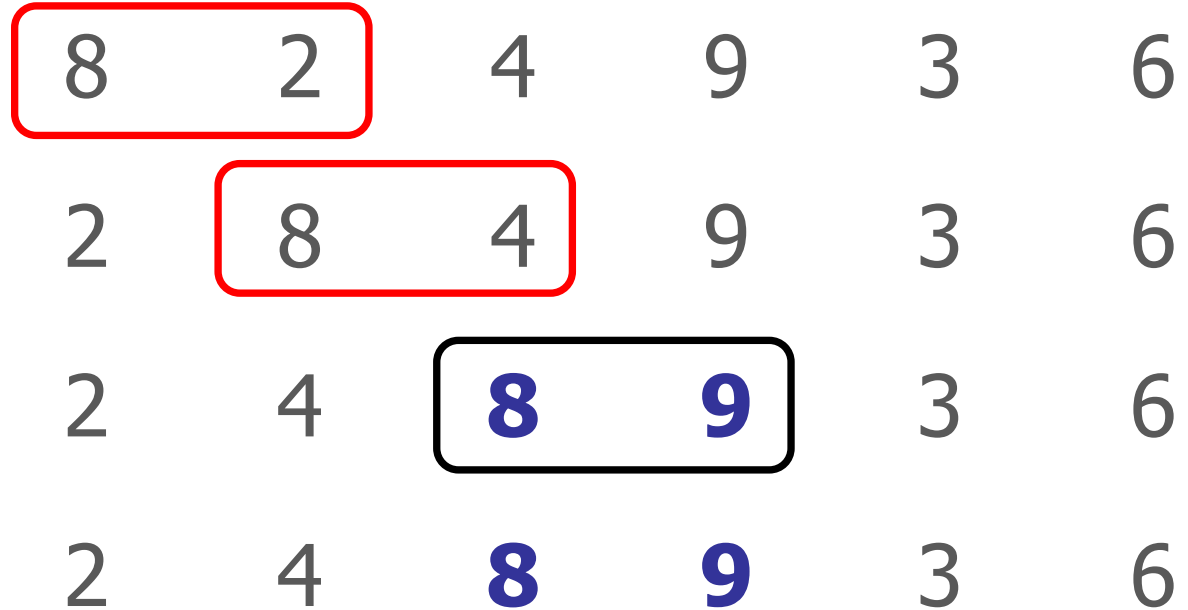
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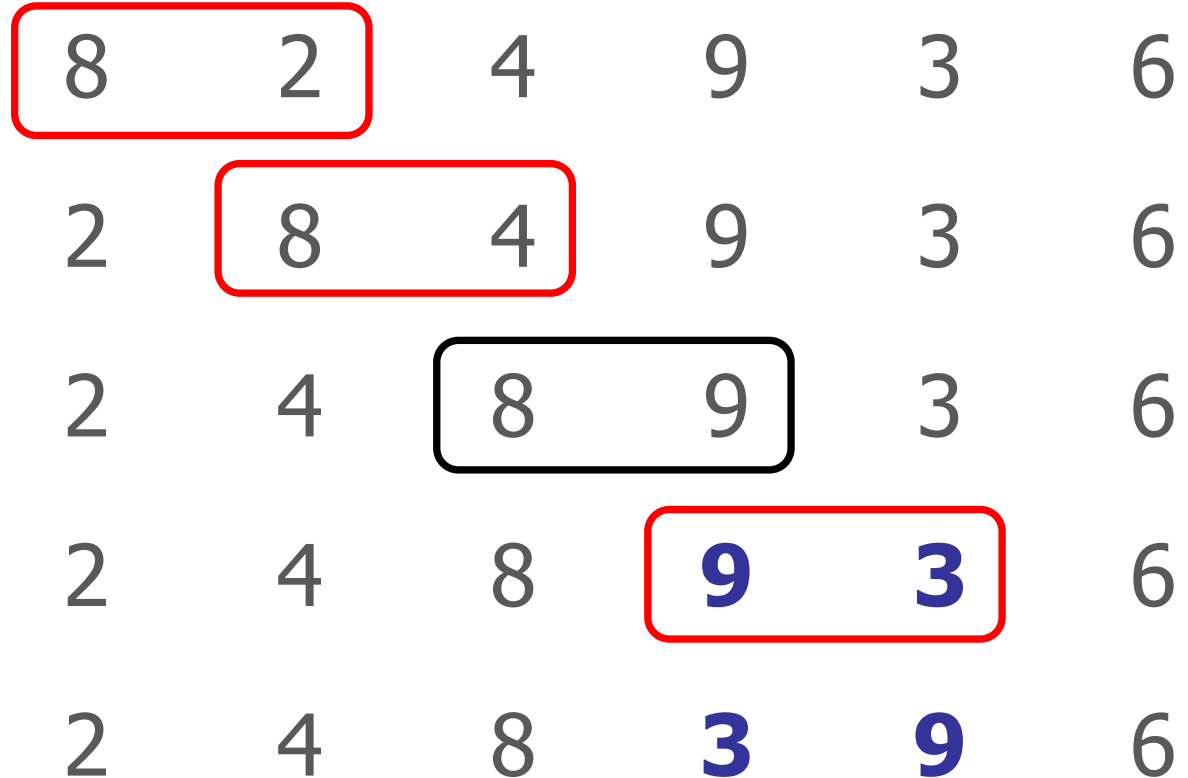
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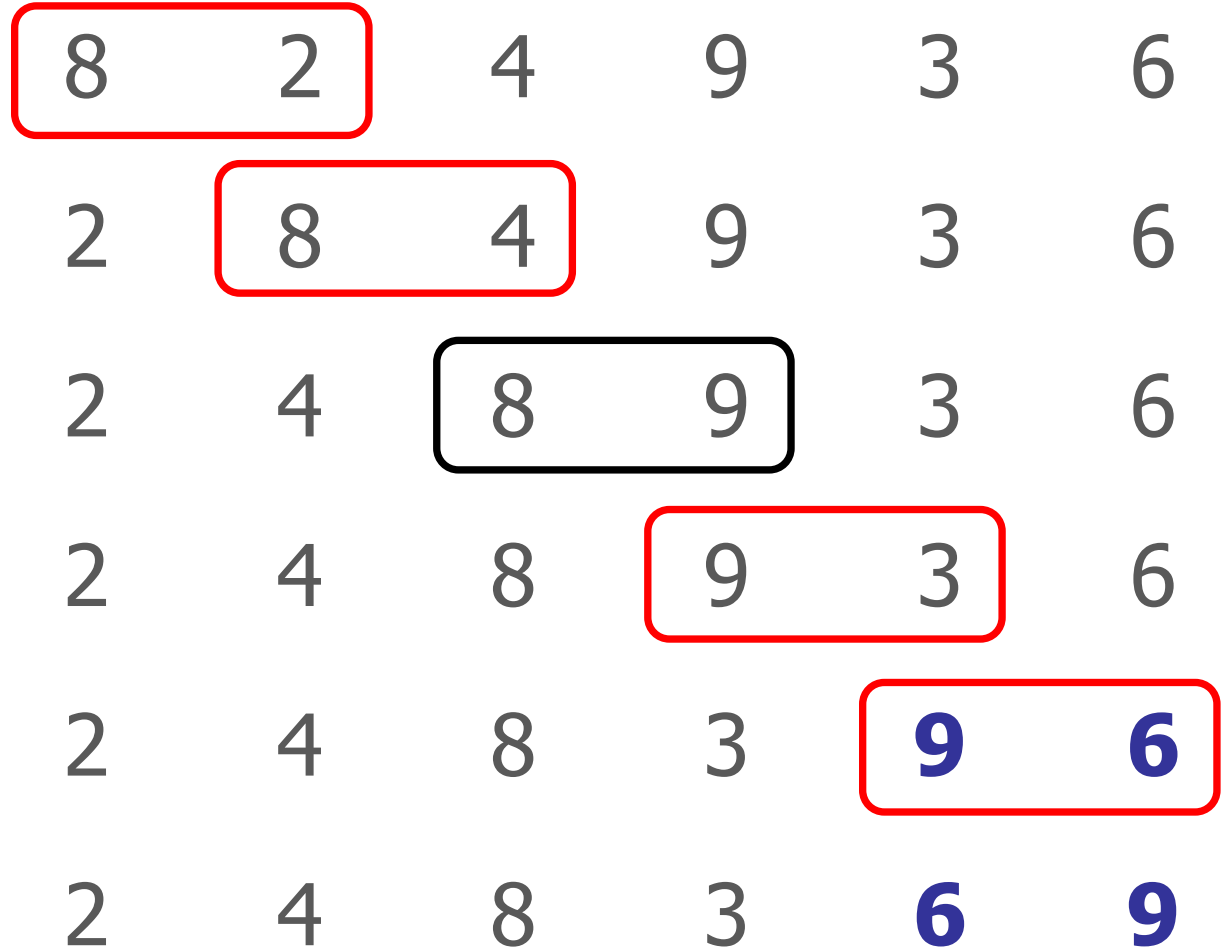
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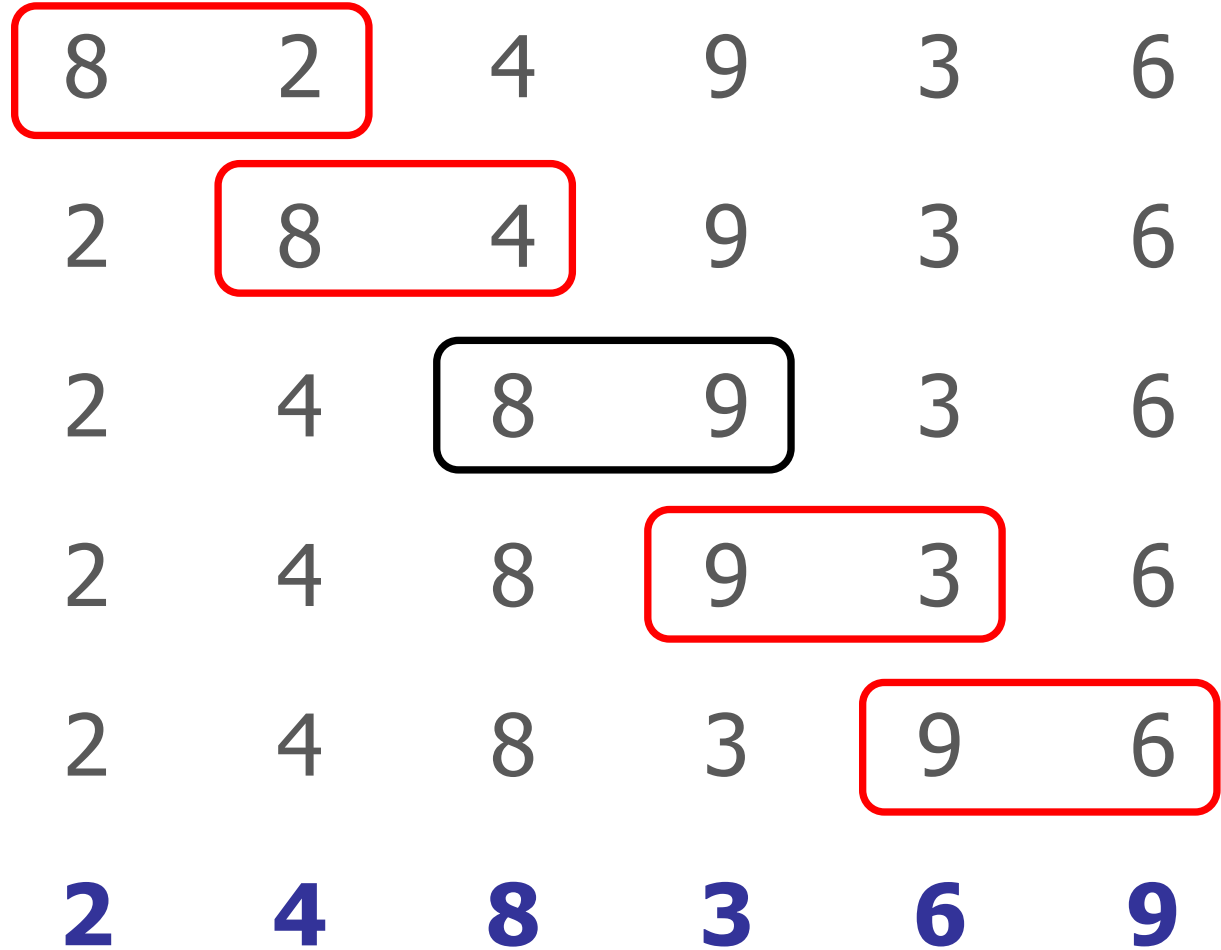
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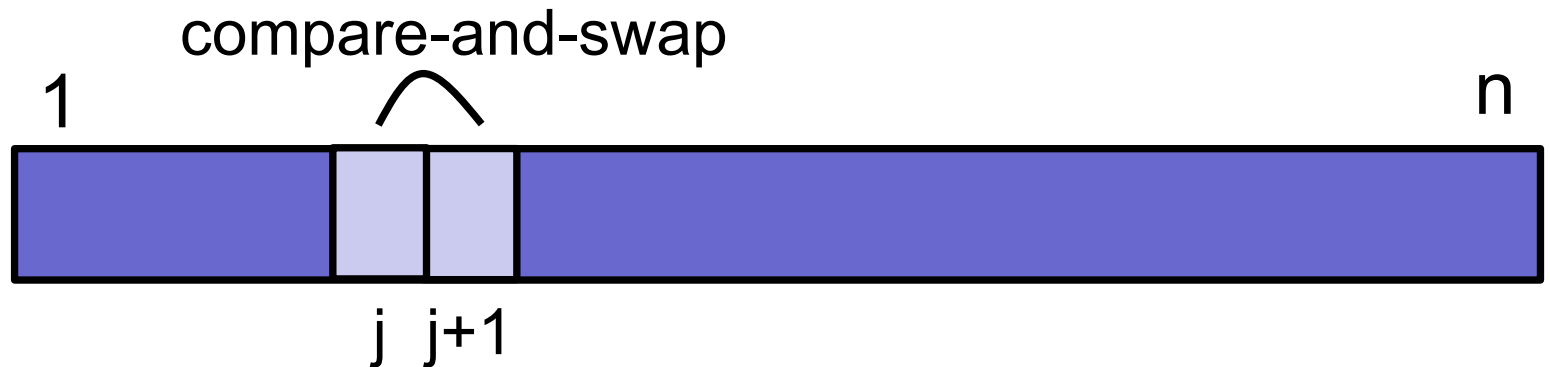
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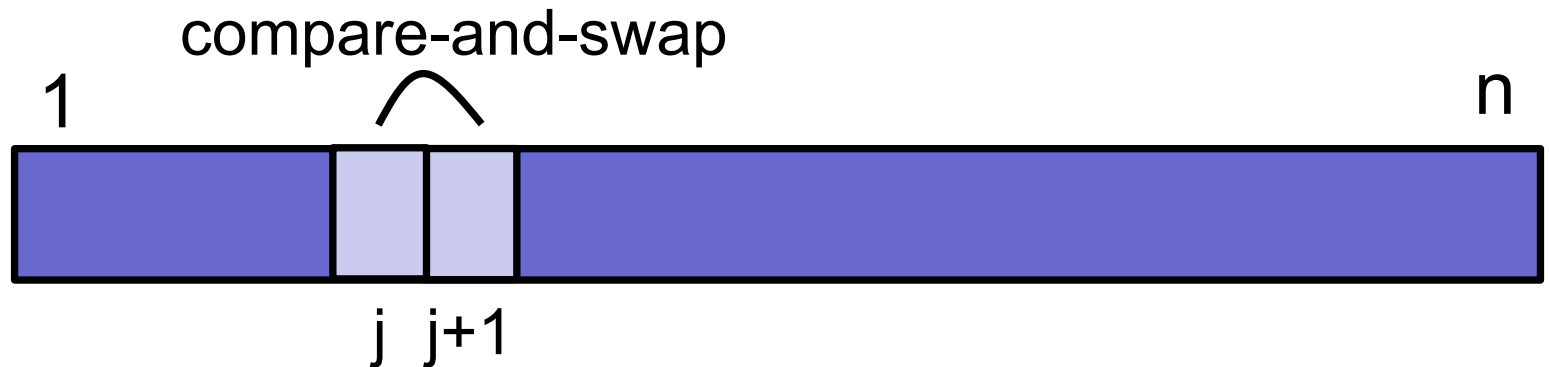
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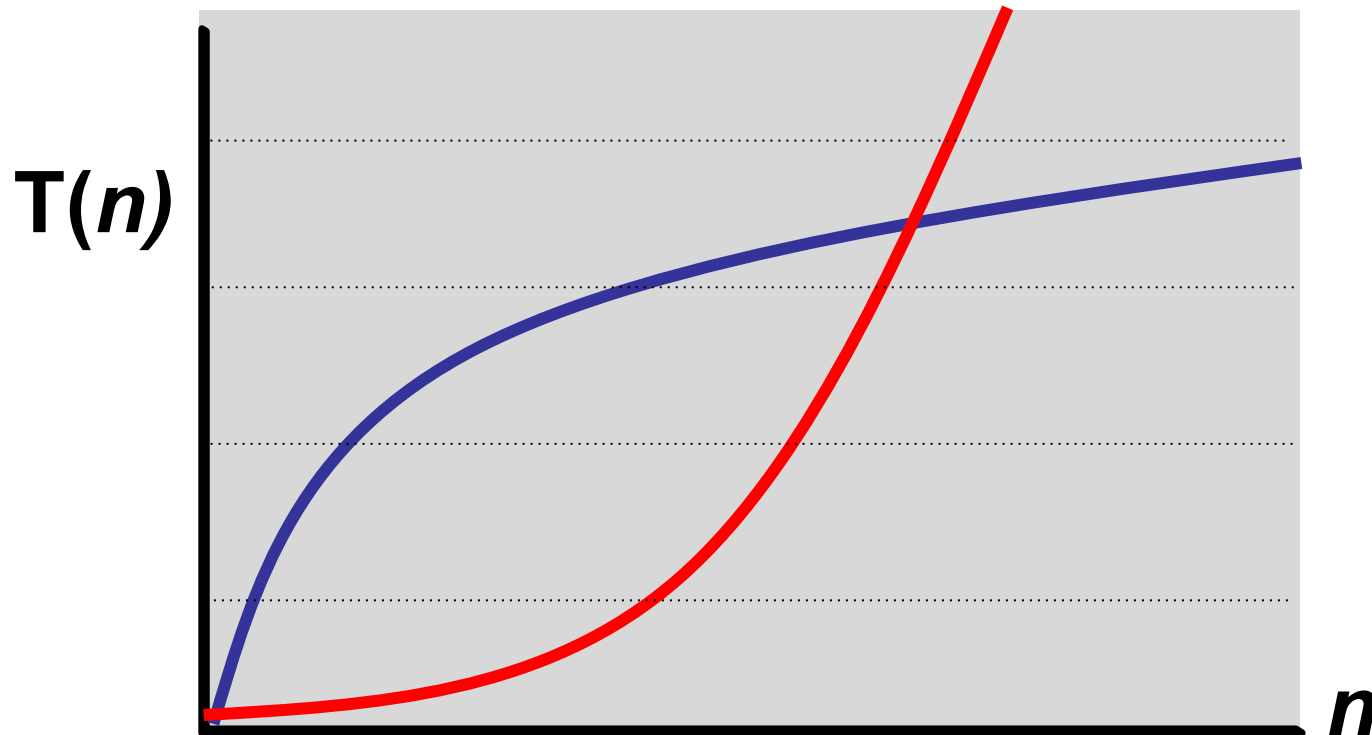
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Big-O Notation

How does an algorithm scale?

- For large inputs, what is the running time?
- $T(n)$ = running time on inputs of size n



What is the running time of BubbleSort?

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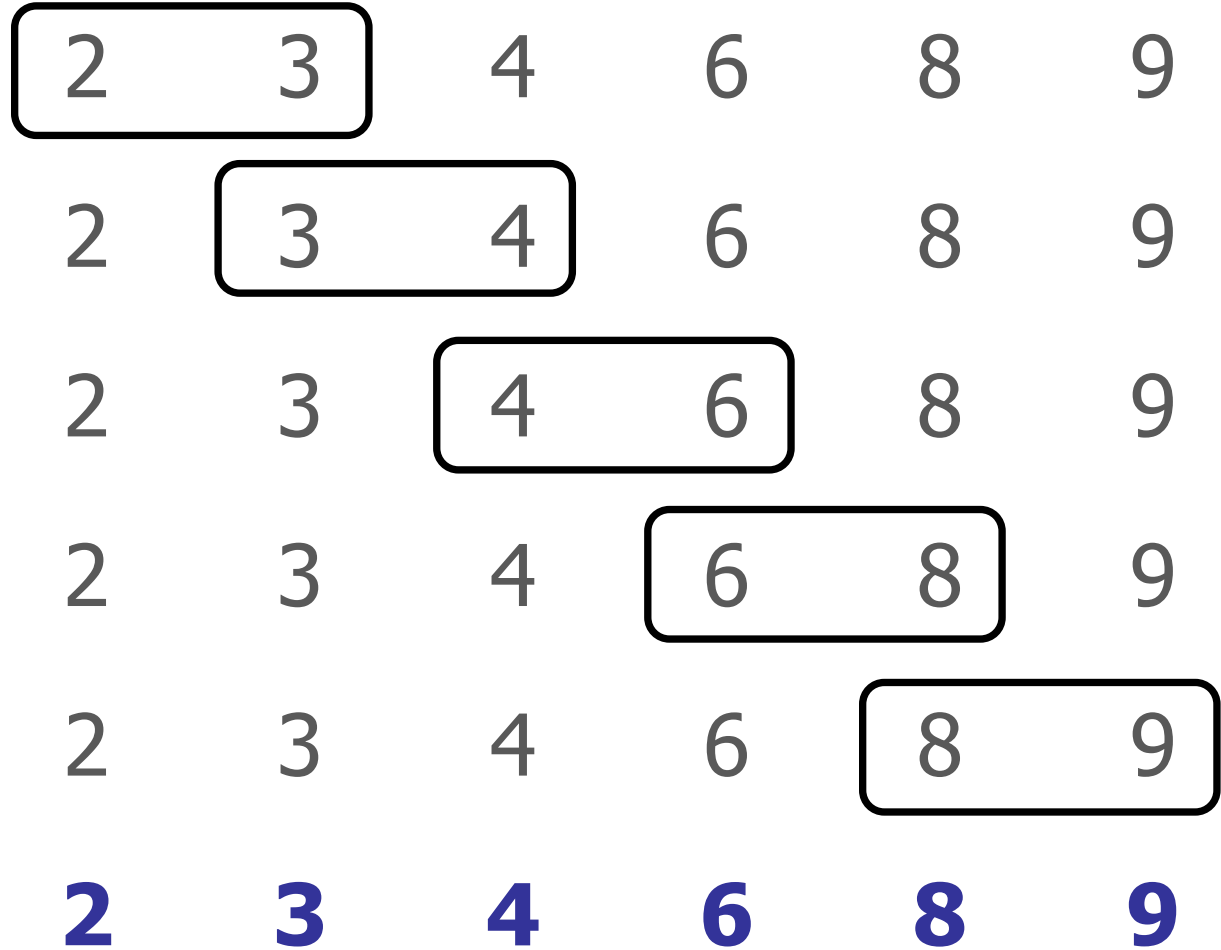
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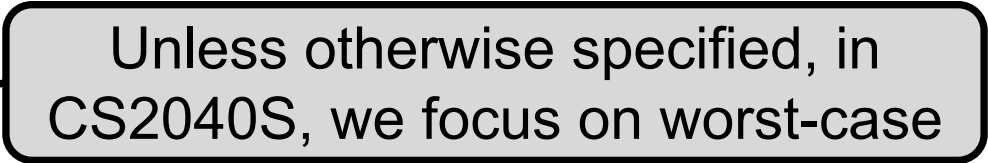
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Unless otherwise specified, in CS2040S, we focus on worst-case

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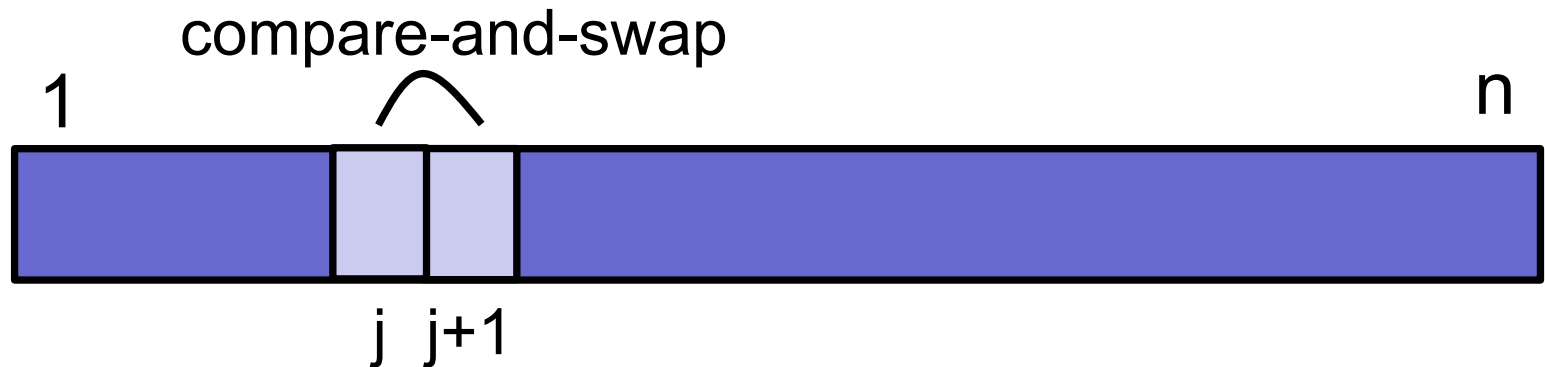
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How many iterations
do we need?

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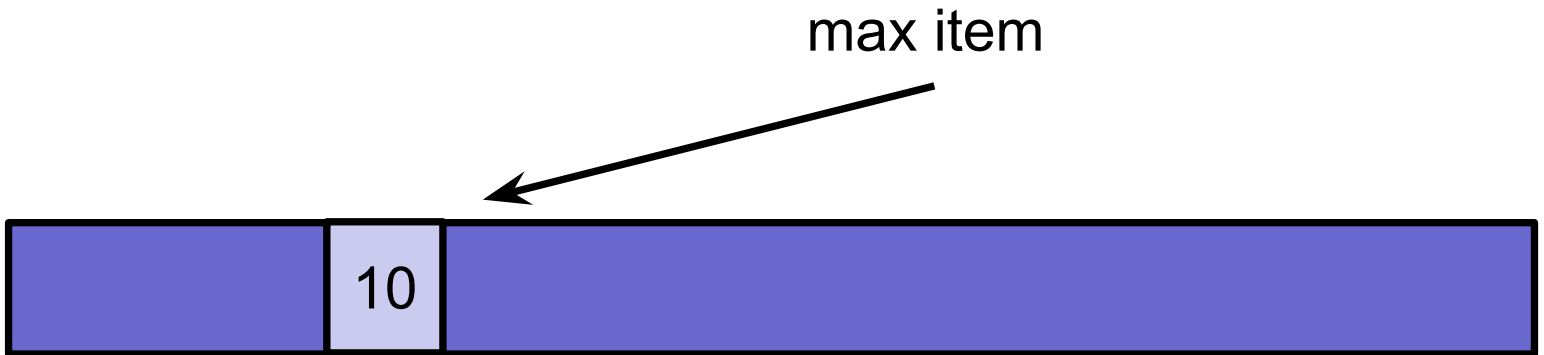
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What is a good loop invariant for BubbleSort?



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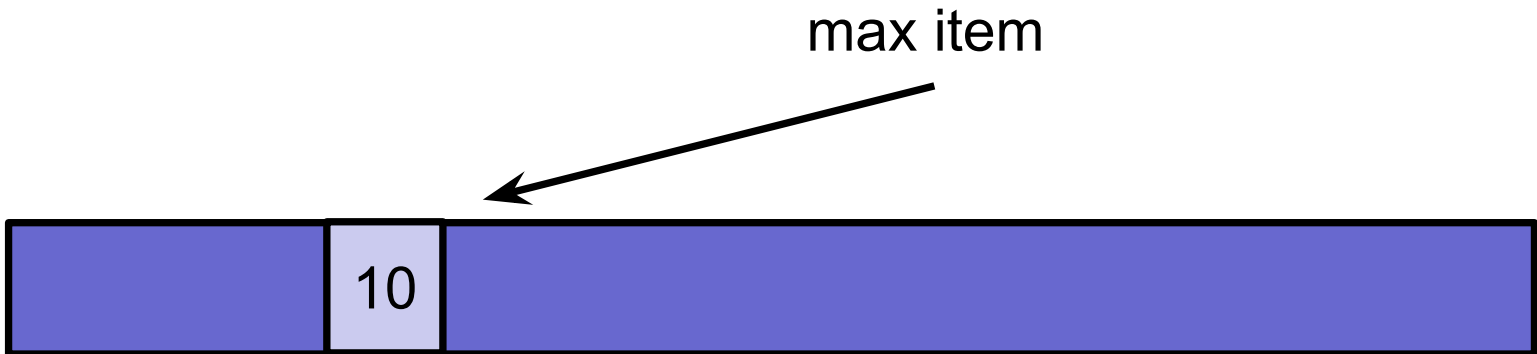
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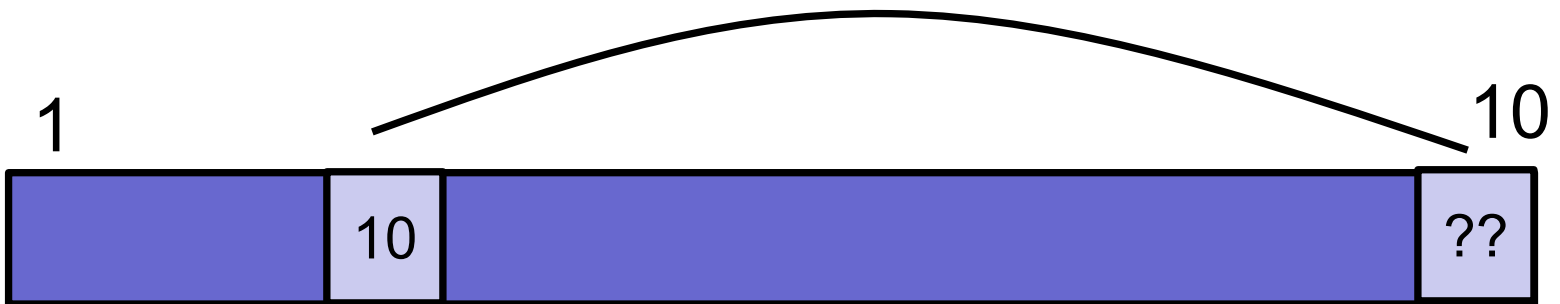
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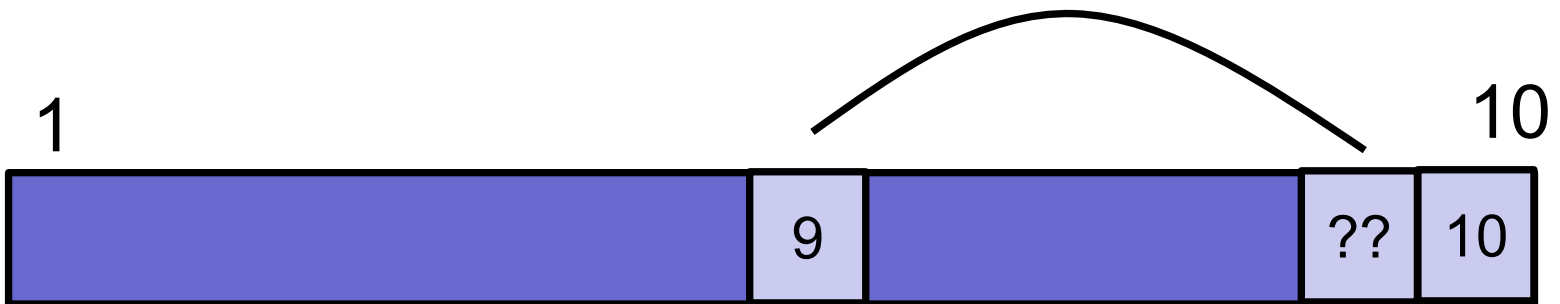
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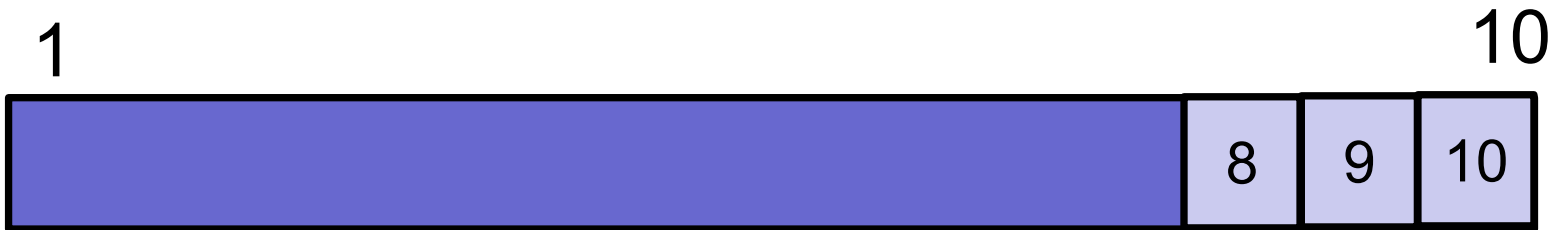
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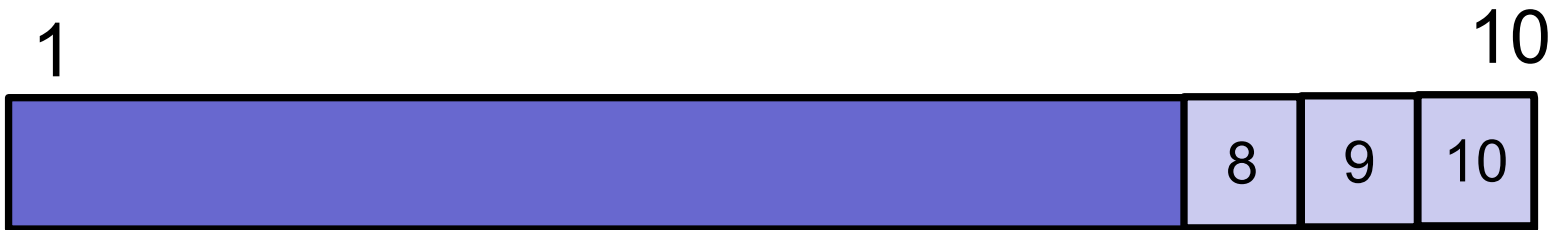
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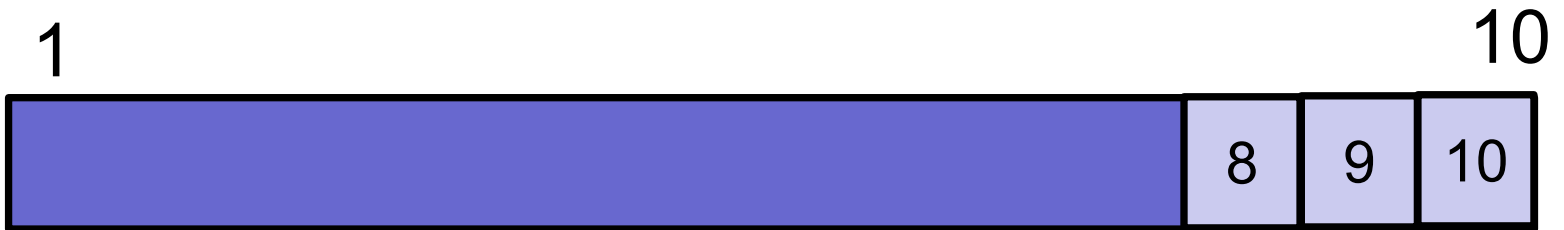


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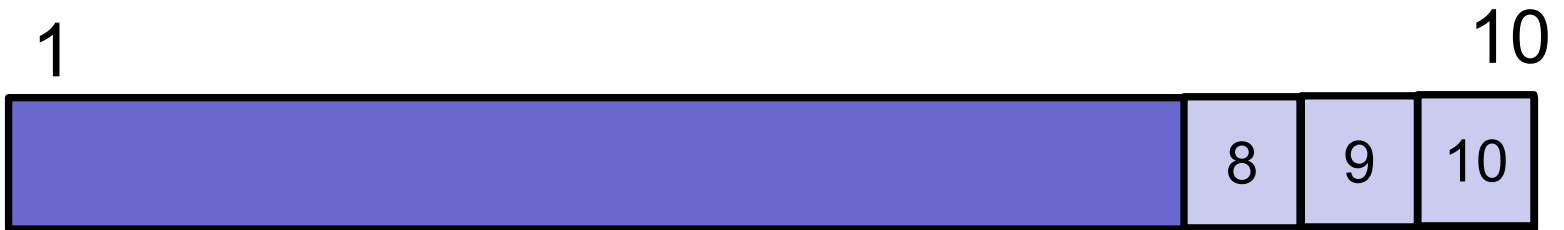


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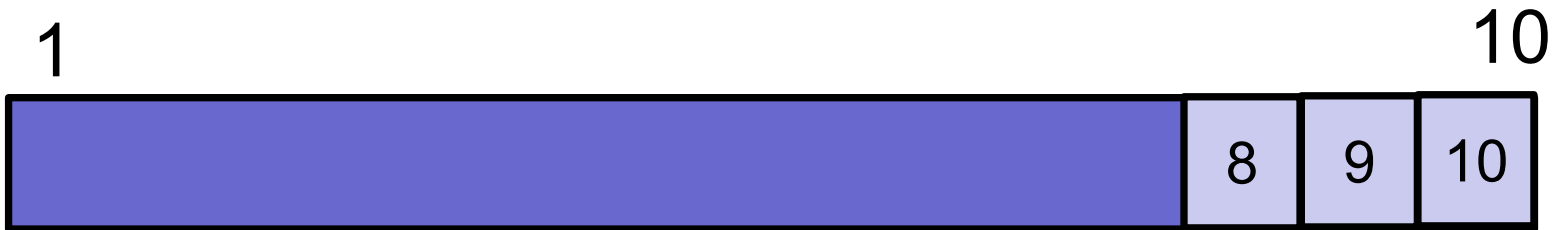


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- Bound on how long it takes.

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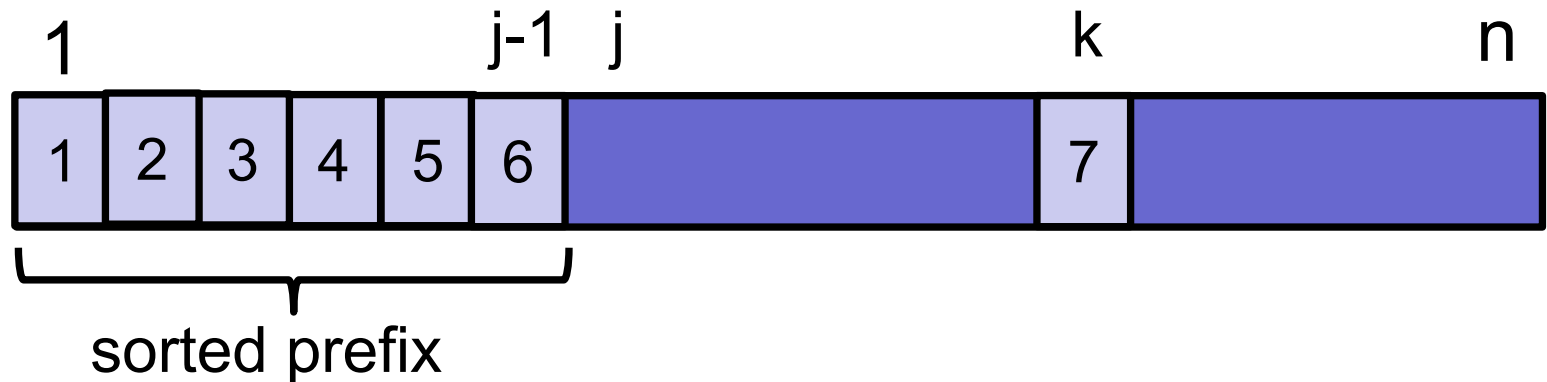
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What is the (worst-case) running time of SelectionSort?

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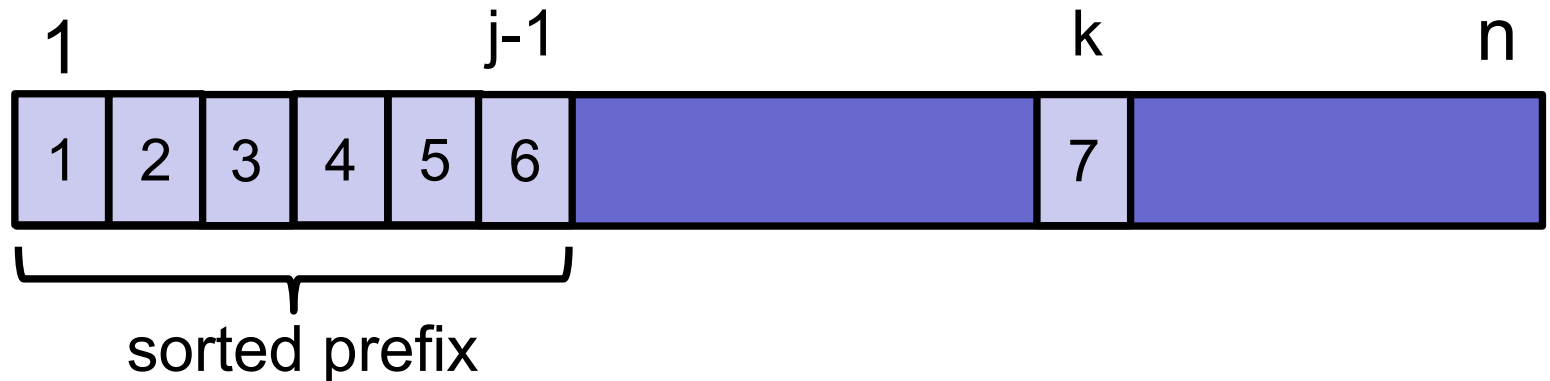
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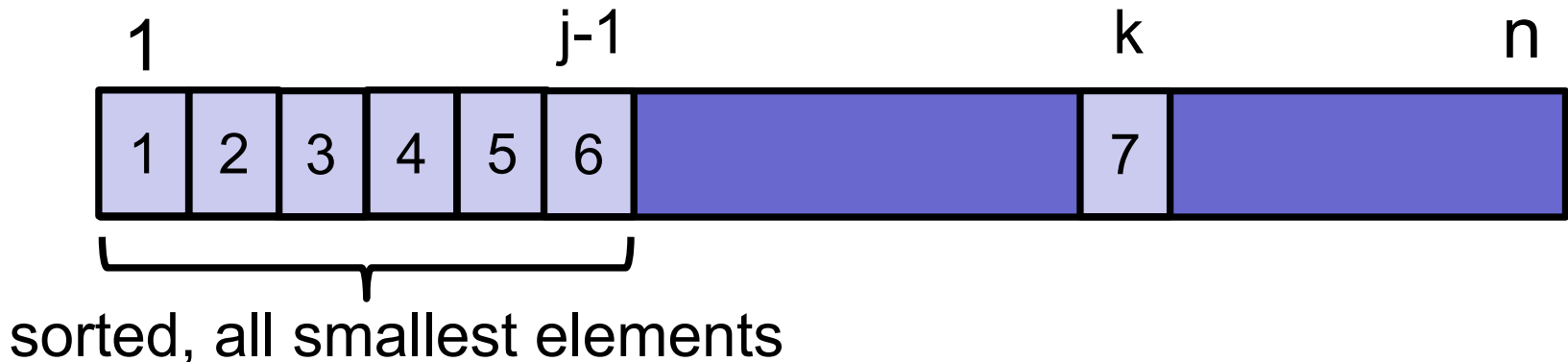
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Running time: $n + (n-1) + (n-2) + (n-3) + \dots$



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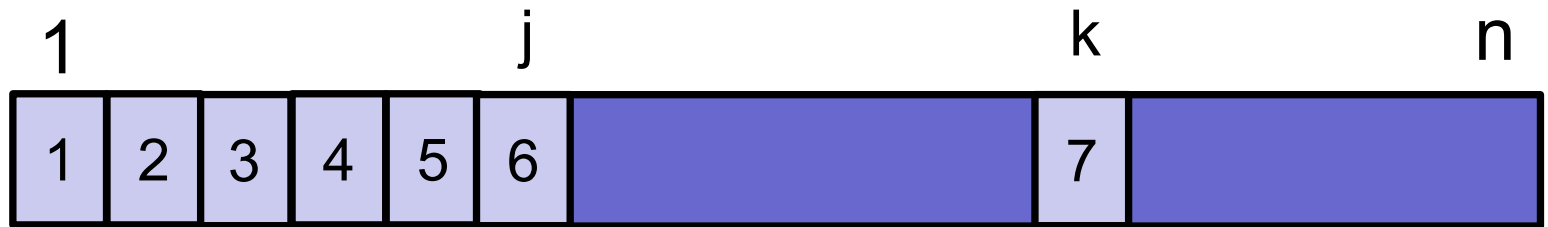
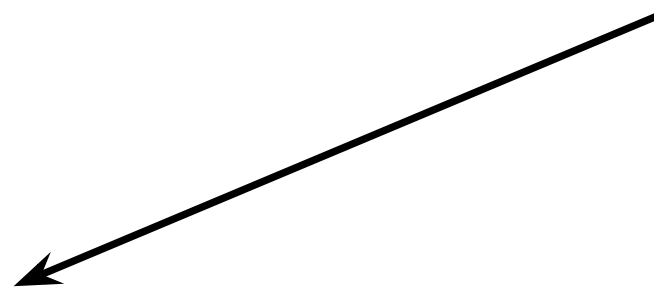
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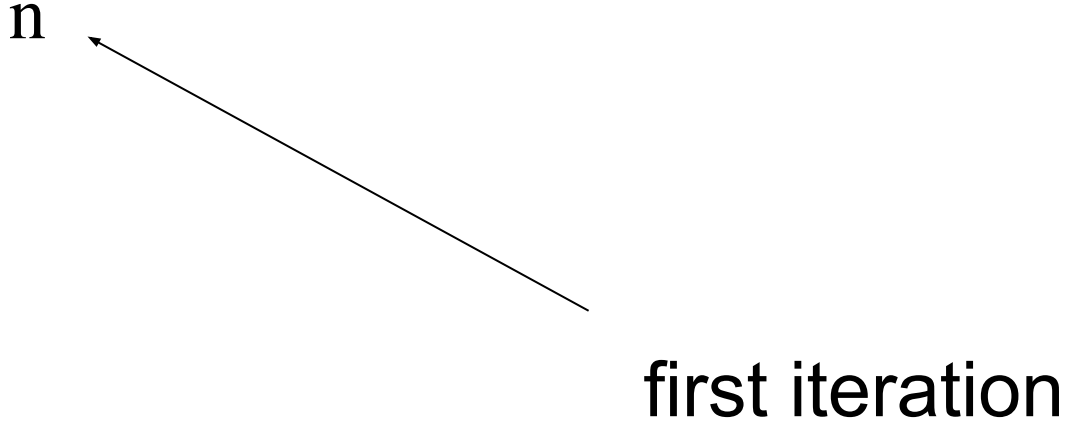
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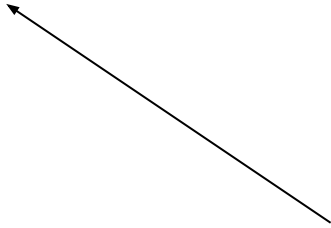
sorted, all smallest elements

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$$n + (n - 1)$$



second iteration

Basic facts

$$n + (n - 1) + (n - 2)$$



third iteration

Basic facts

$$n + (n - 1) + (n - 2) + (n - 3) + \dots + 1 =$$

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$$n + (n - 1) + (n - 2) + (n - 3) + \dots + 1 = (n)(n+1)/2$$

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$$= \Theta(n^2)$$

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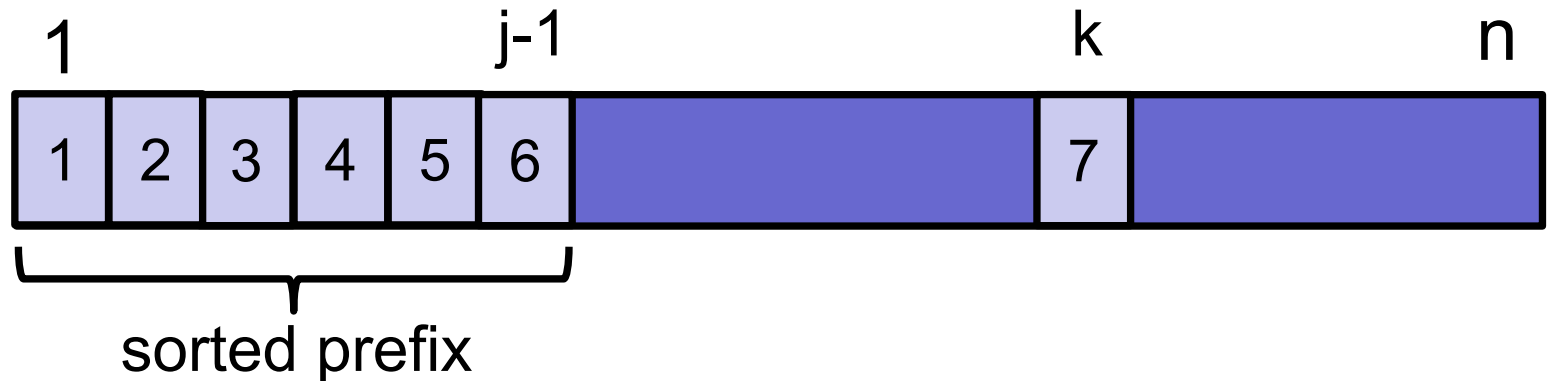
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Running time: $O(n^2)$



What is the BEST CASE running time of SelectionSort?

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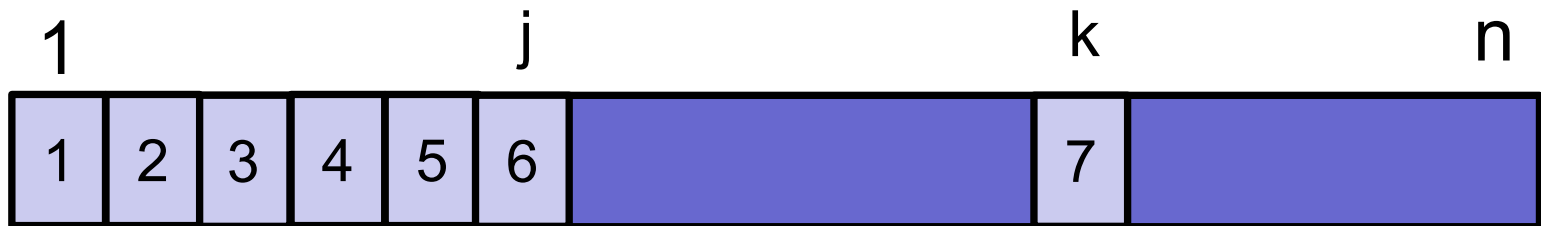
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Running time: $O(n^2)$ (always; in the worst-case)
and $\Omega(n^2)$ (even in the best case)



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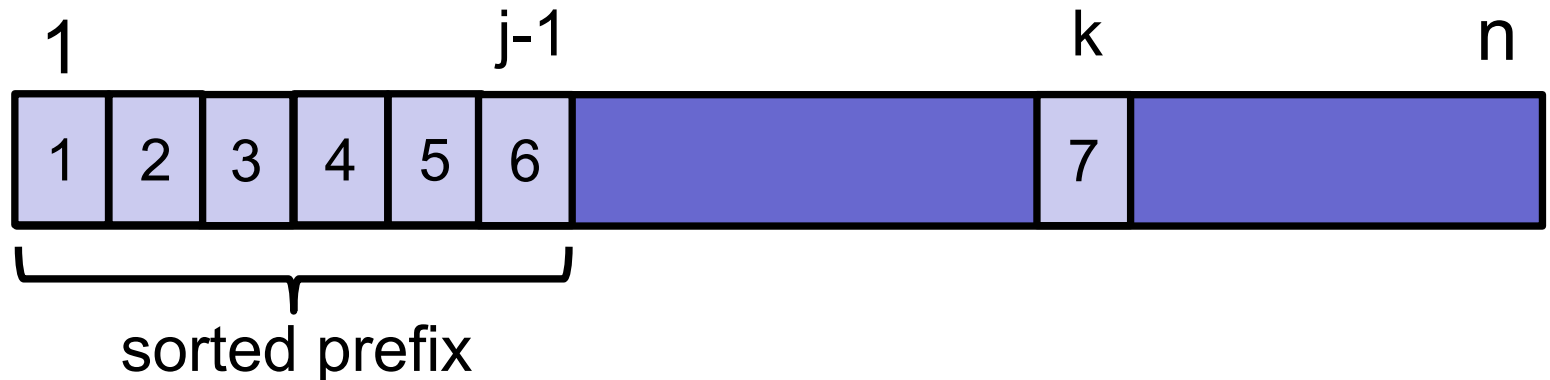
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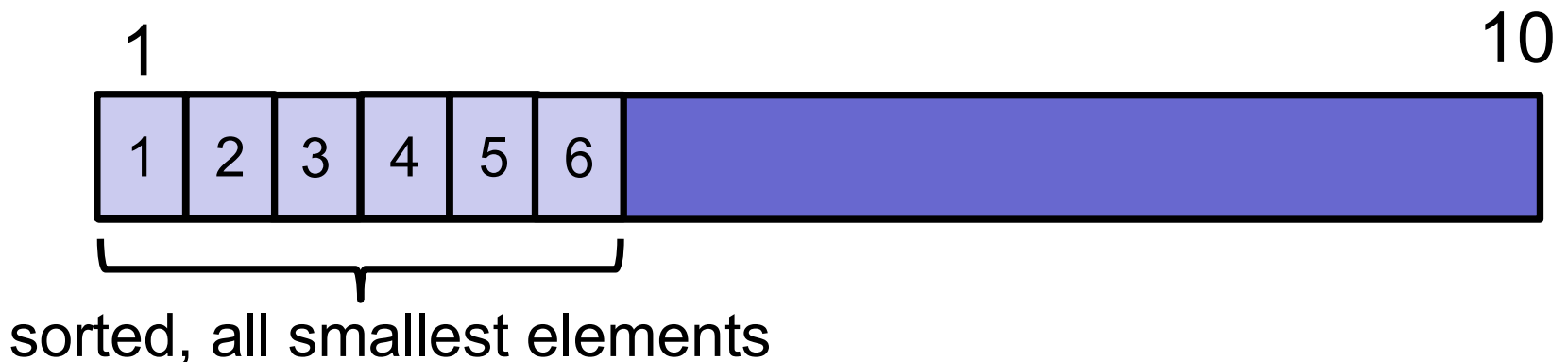
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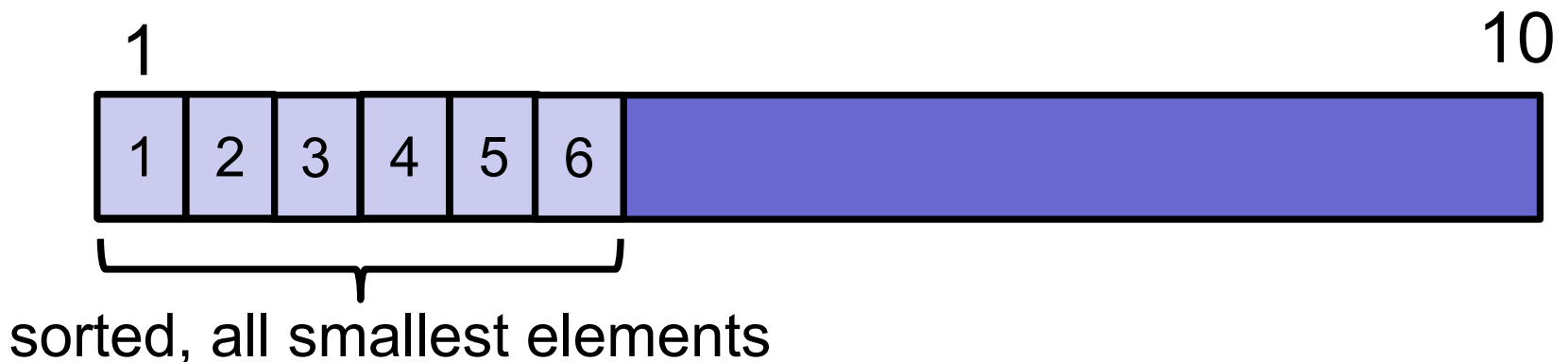
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Loop invariant: (Alternative)

At the **end** of iteration j , for all $i \leq j$, $A[i]$ is the i th smallest element of the entire array.



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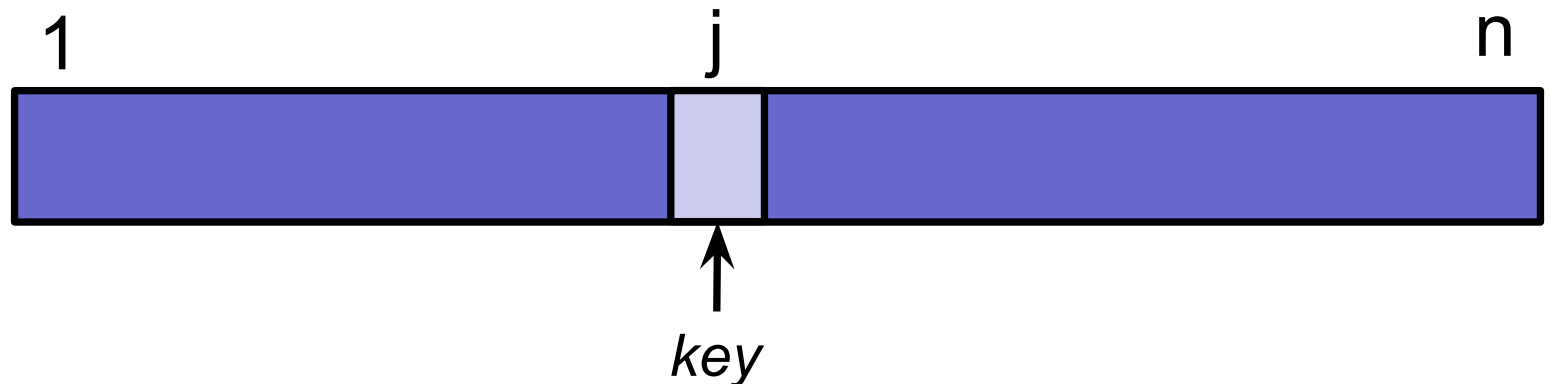
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Illustration: At iteration j



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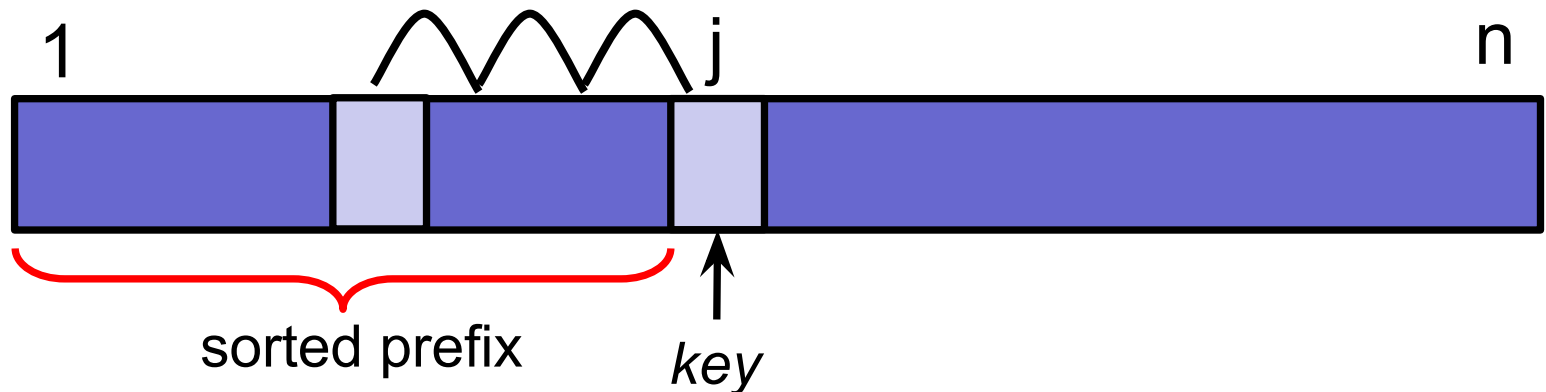
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while $(i > 0)$ **and** $(A[i] > key)$

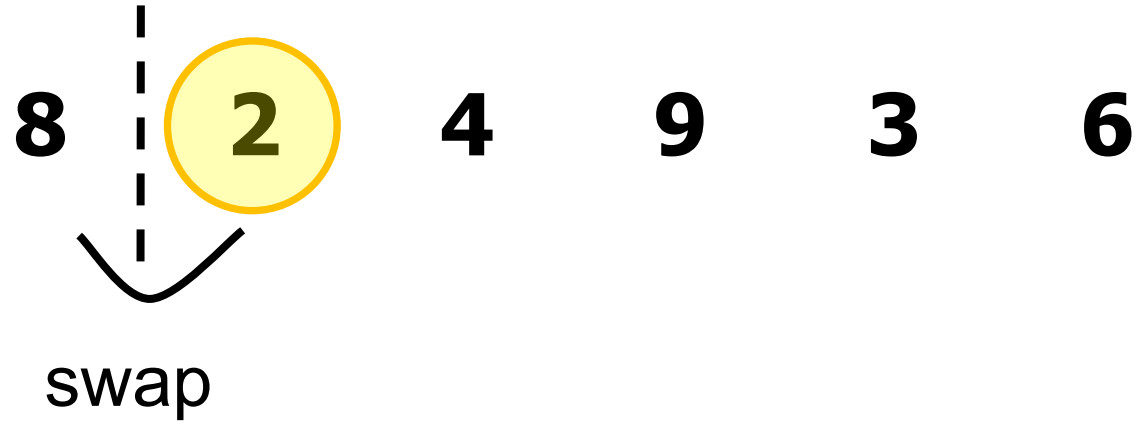
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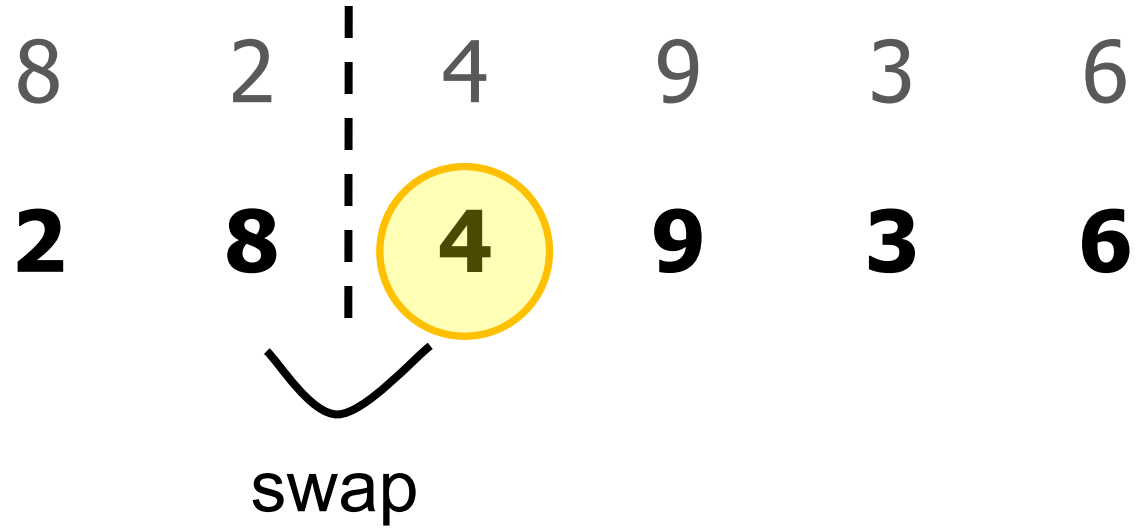
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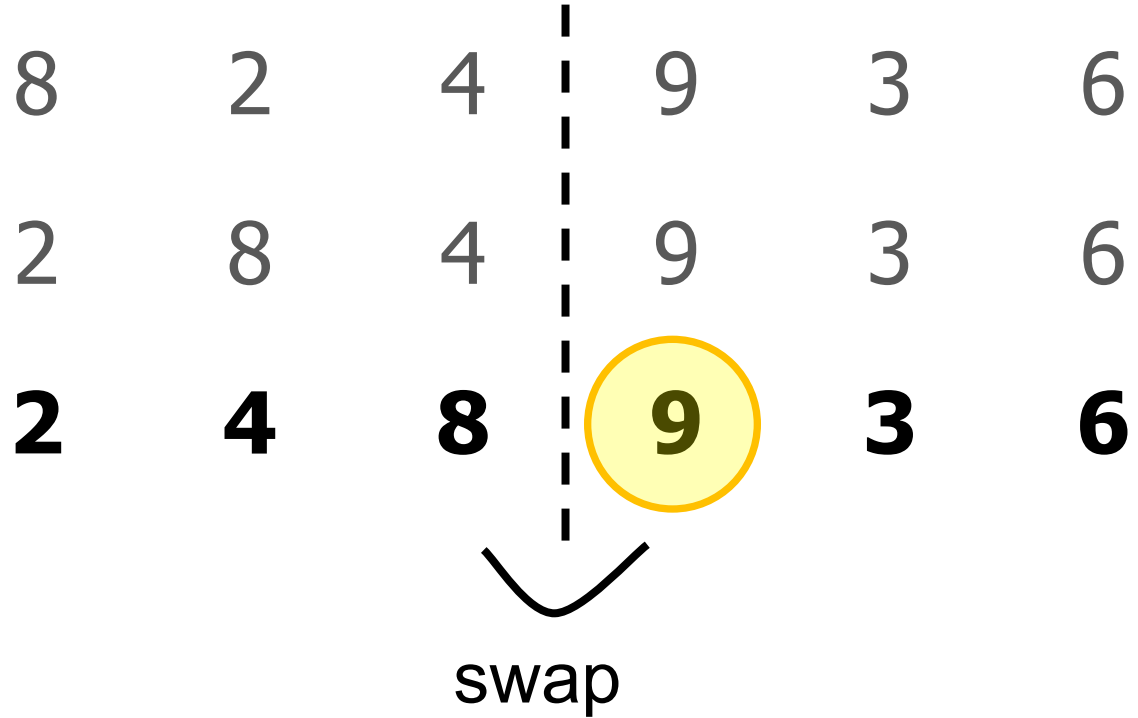
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Insertion Sort

Example:	8	2	4	9	3	6
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	2	3	4	8	9	6
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What is the (worst-case) running time of InsertionSort?

- A. $O(\log n)$
- B. $O(n)$
- C. $O(n \log n)$
- D. $O(n\sqrt{n})$
- E. $O(n^2)$
- F. $O(2^n)$

Insertion Sort

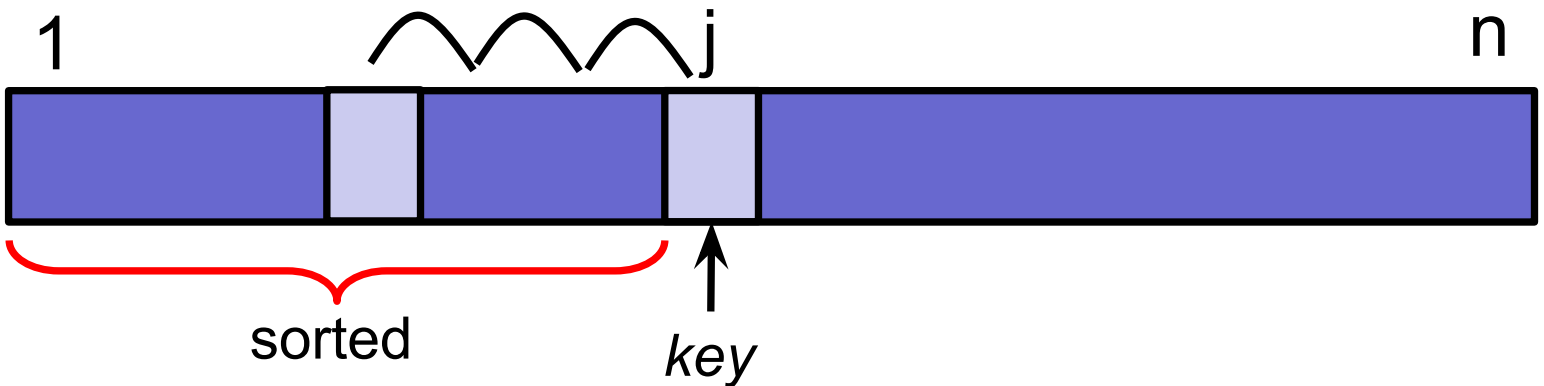
We need to analyse this step:

Insertion-Sort(A, n)

for $j \leftarrow 2$ **to** n

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Insert key into the sorted array $A[1..j-1]$



Insertion Sort

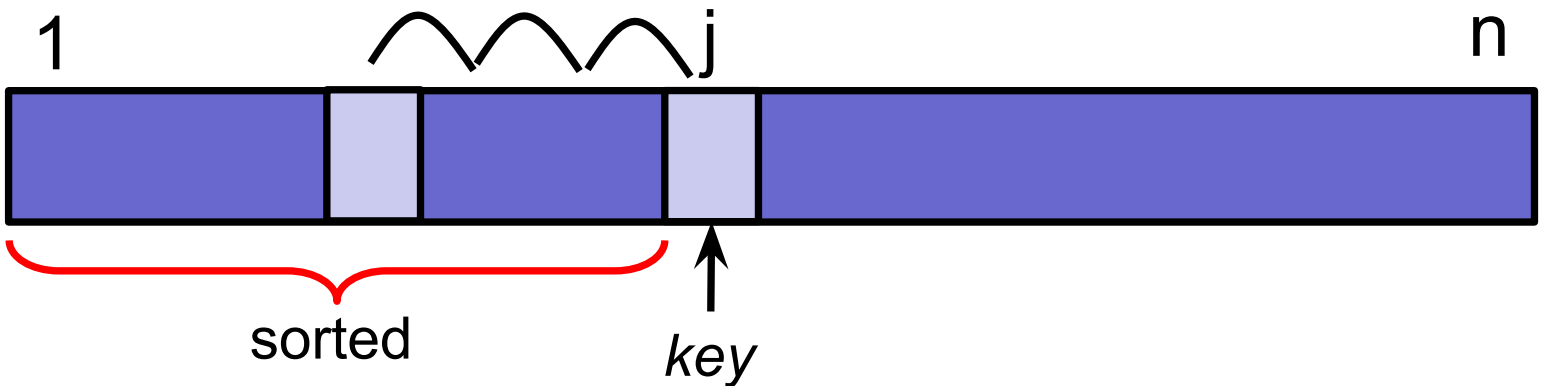
What is the max distance that the key needs to be moved?

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Insertion Sort Analysis

Insertion-Sort(A, n)

for $j \leftarrow 2$ **to** n

$key \leftarrow A[j]$

$i \leftarrow j-1$

while $(i > 0)$ **and** $(A[i] > key)$

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

$i \leftarrow i-1$

$A[i+1] \leftarrow key$

} Repeat
at most
 j times.

Basic facts

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n - 2) + (n - 1) + n = (n)(n+1)/2$$

$$= \Theta(n^2)$$

Insertion Sort

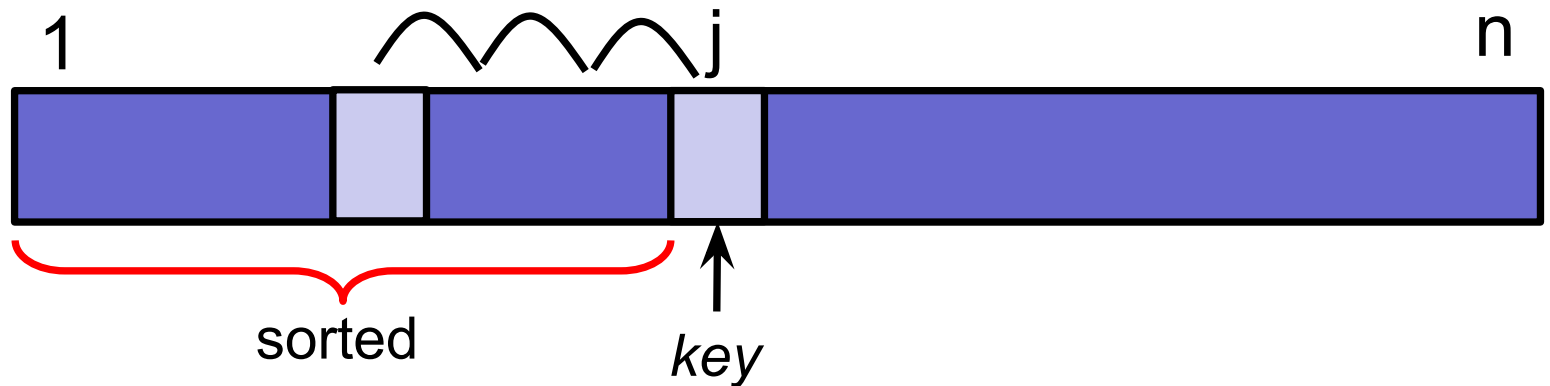
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Running time: $O(n^2)$



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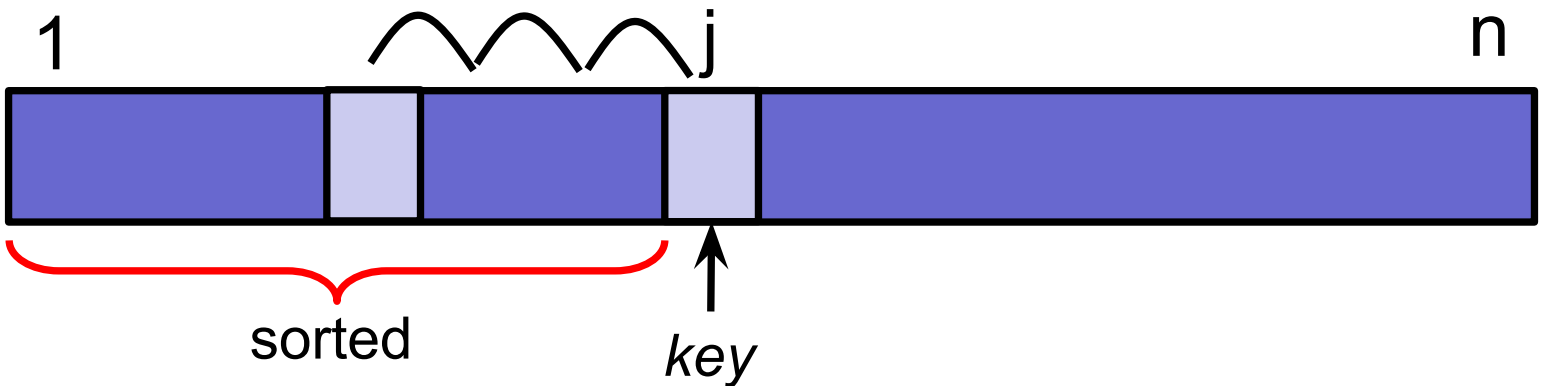
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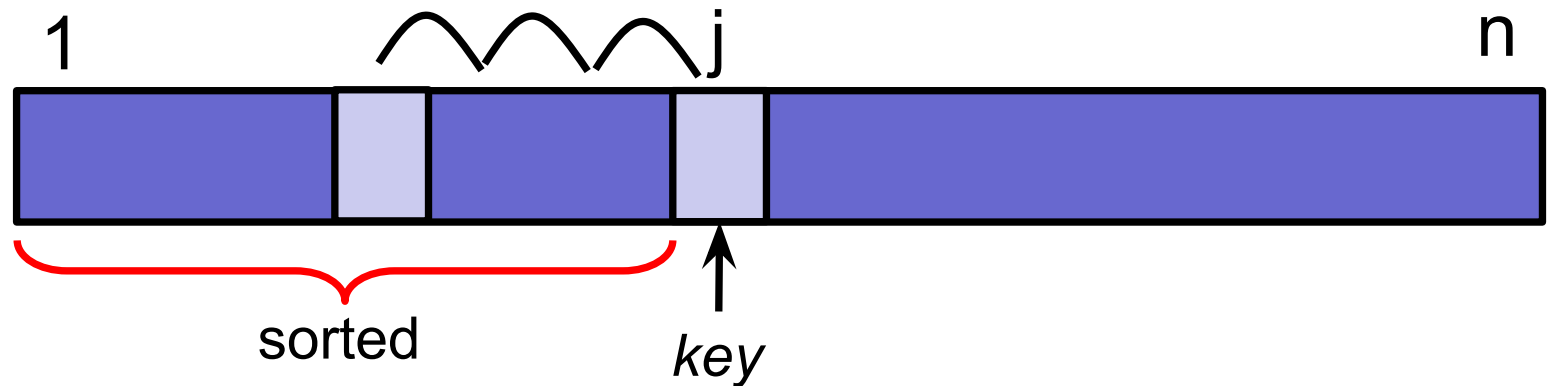
What is a good loop invariant for InsertionSort?



Insertion Sort

Loop invariant:

At the end of iteration j : the first j items in the array are in sorted order.



Insertion Sort

Best-case:

Average-case:

- Random permutation

Worst-case:

Insertion Sort

Best-case:

- Already sorted: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]

Average-case:

- Random permutation?

Worst-case:

- Inverse sorted: [10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1]

Insertion Sort

Best-case: $O(n)$

Very fast!



- Already sorted: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]

Average-case:

- Random permutation?

Worst-case: $O(n^2)$

- Inverse sorted: [10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1]

Insertion Sort Analysis

Average-case analysis:

On average, a key in position j needs to move $j/2$ slots backward (in expectation).

- Assume all inputs equally likely

$$\sum_{j=2}^n \Theta\left(\frac{j}{2}\right) = \Theta(n^2)$$

- In expectation, still $\Theta(n^2)$

Today: Sorting

Sorting algorithms

- BubbleSort
- SelectionSort
- InsertionSort
- MergeSort

Properties

- Running time
- Space usage
- Stability

Puzzle: Slowest Sorting Algorithm

What is the *slowest* sorting algorithm you can think of?

Slower than BogoSort...

But must always sort correctly...

Hint: recursion can be a powerful source of slowness!

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Properties of Sorting Algorithms

Time complexity

- Worst case: $O(n^2)$
- Sorted list:

Properties of Sorting Algorithms

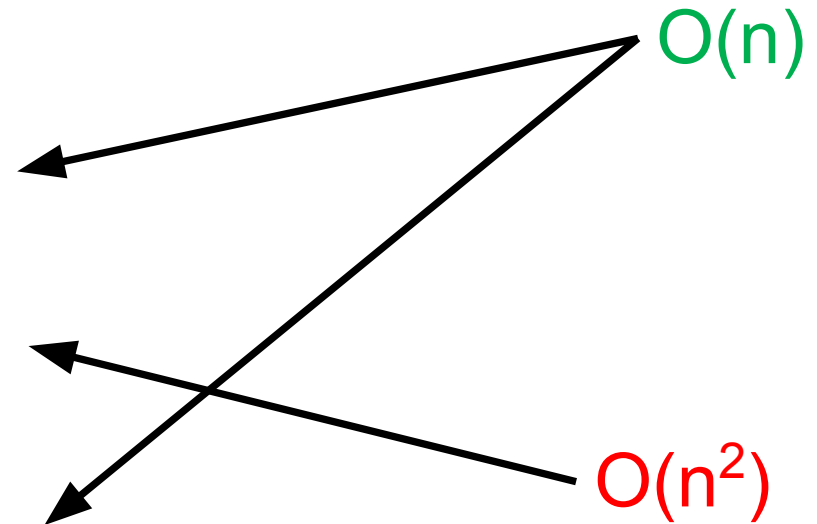
Time complexity

- Worst case: $O(n^2)$

- Sorted list: BubbleSort

SelectionSort

InsertionSort



How expensive is it to sort:

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 6, 8, 9, 10]

How expensive is it to sort:

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 6, 8, 9, 10]

BubbleSort and InsertionSort are fast.

SelectionSort is slow.

Challenge of the Day:

Find a permutation of $[1..n]$ where:

- BubbleSort is **slow**.
- InsertionSort is **fast**.

Or explain why no such sequence exists.

Properties of Sorting Algorithms

Moral:

Different sorting algorithms have different inputs that they are good or bad on.

All $O(n^2)$ algorithms are not the same.

Properties of Sorting Algorithms

Space complexity

- Worst case: $O(n)$

How much space does a sorting algorithm need?

Properties of Sorting Algorithms

Space complexity

- Worst case: $O(n)$
- An **In-place** sorting algorithm:
 - Only $O(1)$ extra space needed.
 - All manipulation happens within the array.

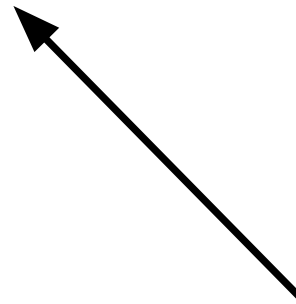
So far:

All sorting algorithms we have seen are in-place.

Subtle issue:

How do you count space?

- Maximum space ever allocated at one time?
- Total space ever allocated.



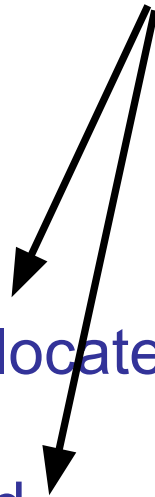
Clarification:

Subtle issue:

There are 2 options here,
they are slightly different.

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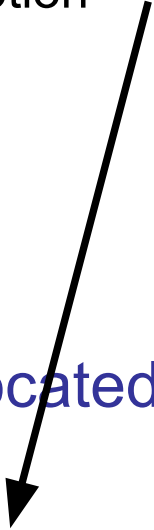


Clarification:

Subtle issue:

In CS2040S, we will use the second option

How do you count space?

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 - Total space ever allocated.
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Properties of Sorting Algorithms

Stability

What happens with repeated elements?

Key	1	2	5	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Value	a	b	C	g	h	D	j	k	l	m

Databases often contain (key, value) pairs.

The key is an index to help organize the data.

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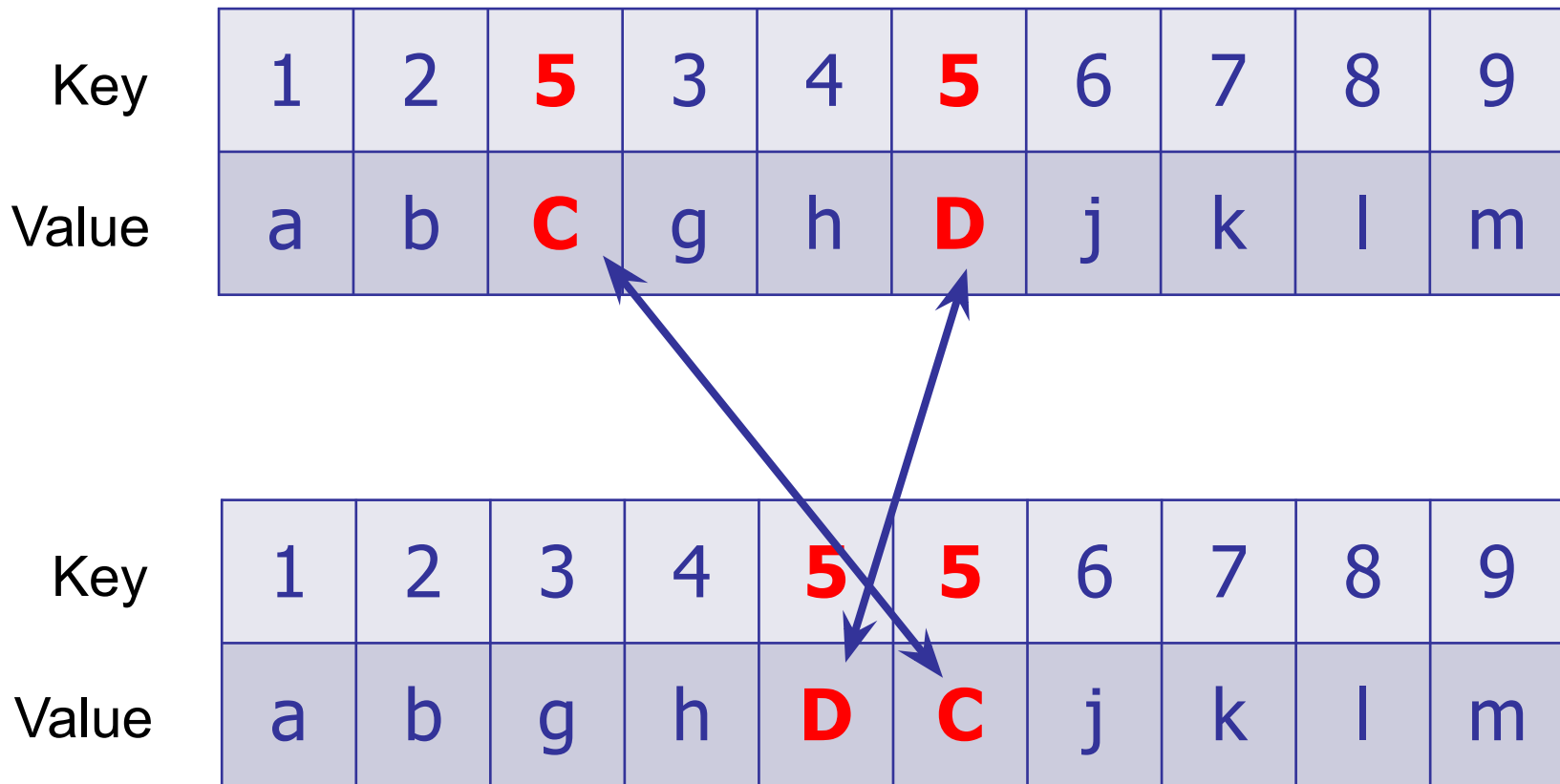


Two values have the same key!

Properties of Sorting Algorithms

Stability

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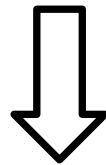


Properties of Sorting Algorithms

Stability

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UNSTABLE

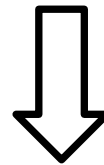
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Properties of Sorting Algorithms

Stability: preserves order of equal elements

What happens with repeated elements?

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STABLE

Key	1	2	3	4	5	5	6	7	8	9
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Which are stable?


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Not stable:

Random permutation
may swap elements!




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Stable:

Only swap elements
that are different.



SelectionSort

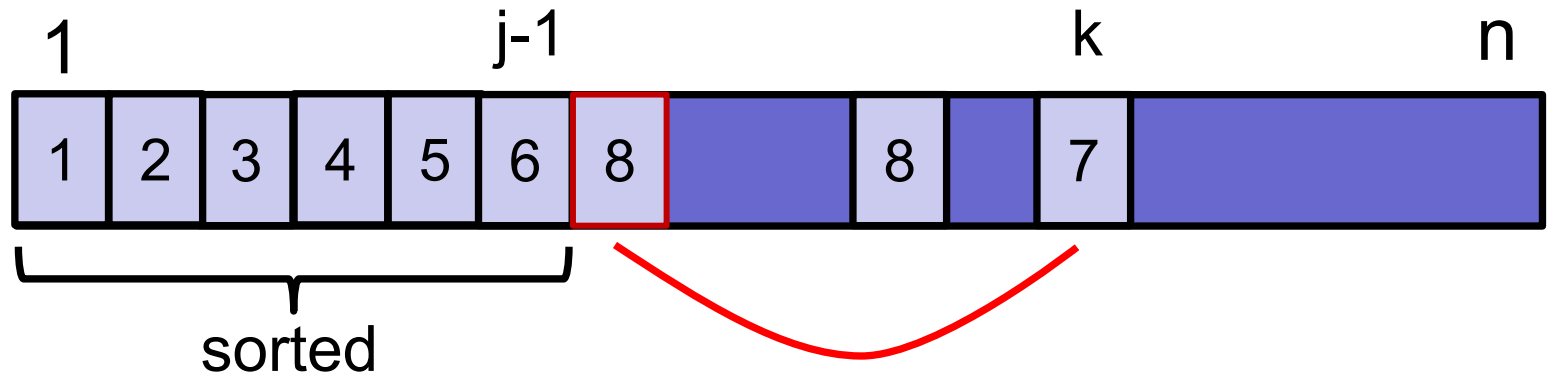
SelectionSort(A, n)

for $j \leftarrow 1$ **to** $n-1$:

 find minimum element $A[j]$ in $A[j..n]$

 swap($A[j]$, $A[k]$)

Not stable: swap changes order



SelectionSort

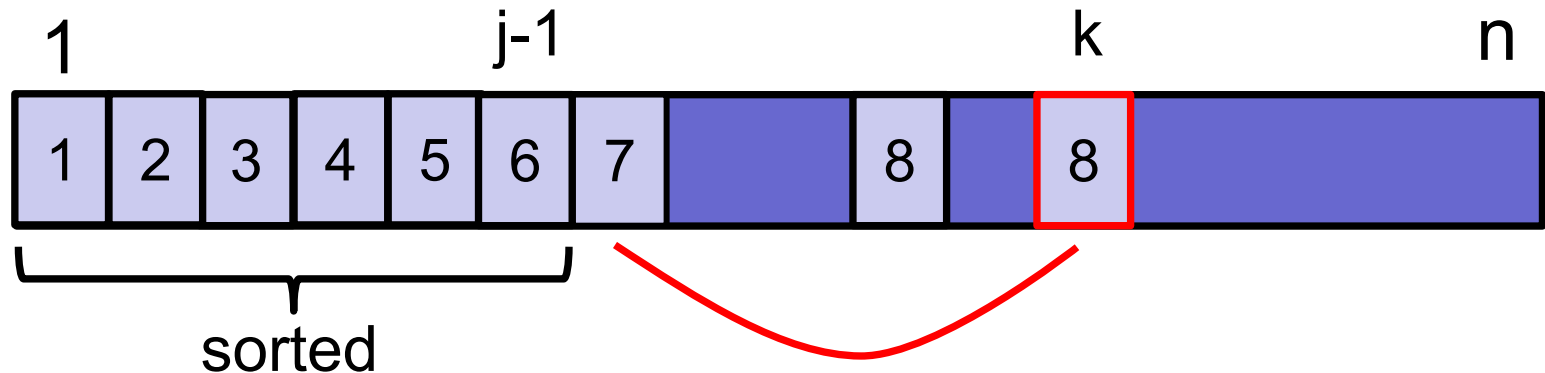
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InsertionSort

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$i \leftarrow j-1$

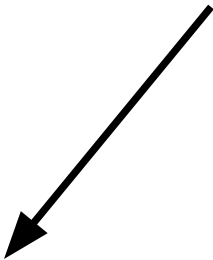
while($i > 0$) **and**($A[i] > key$)

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

$i \leftarrow i-1$

$A[i+1] \leftarrow key$

Stable as long as
we are careful to
implement it
properly!



Sorting Analysis

Summary:

BubbleSort: $O(n^2)$

SelectionSort: $O(n^2)$

InsertionSort: $O(n^2)$

Properties: time, space, stability

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MergeSort

Divide-and-Conquer

1. Divide problem into smaller sub-problems.
2. Recursively solve sub-problems.
3. Combine solutions.

MergeSort

Divide-and-Conquer Sorting

1. Divide: split array into two halves.
2. Recurse: sort the two halves.
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MergeSort

Step 1:
Divide array into two pieces.

MergeSort(A, n)

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

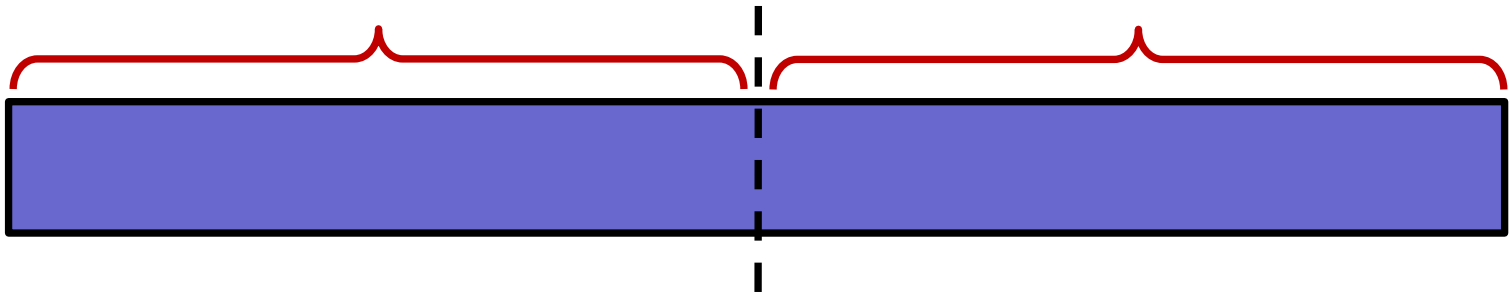
else:

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Merge ($X, Y, n/2$);

return



MergeSort

Step 2:

Recursively sort the two halves.

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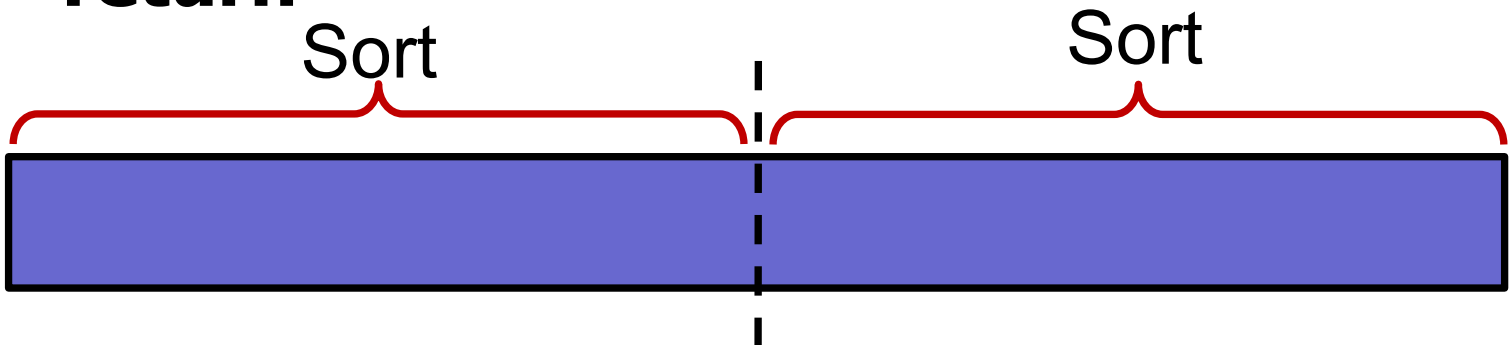
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MergeSort

Step 3:
Merge the two halves into
one sorted array.

MergeSort(A, n)

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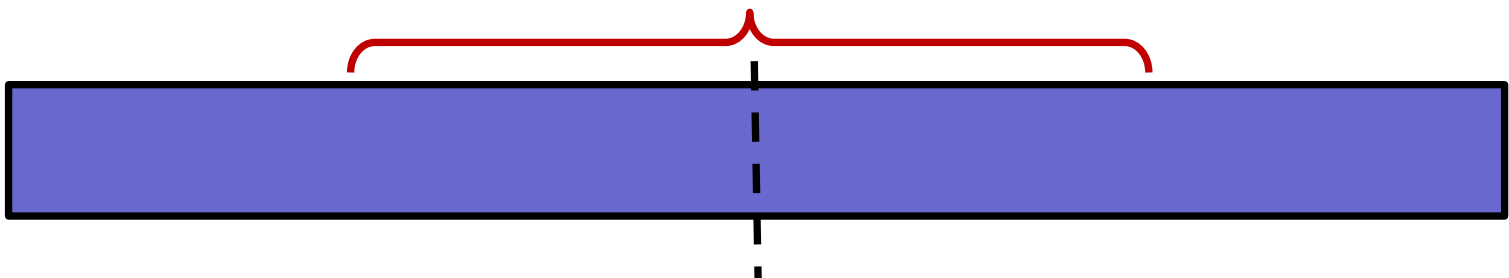
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Merge



MergeSort

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Merge (X, Y, n/2);

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Base case



Recursive “conquer” step

Combine solutions

The only “interesting” part is merging!

MergeSort

Divide-and-Conquer Sorting

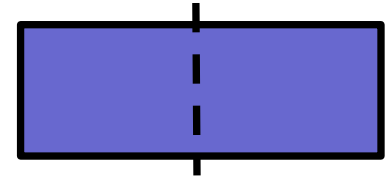
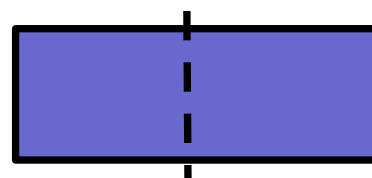
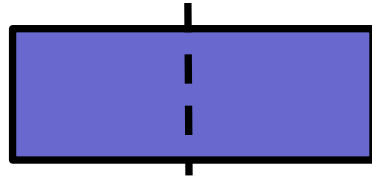
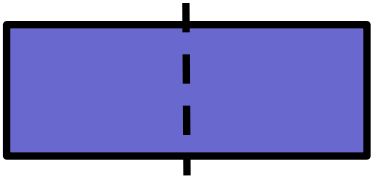
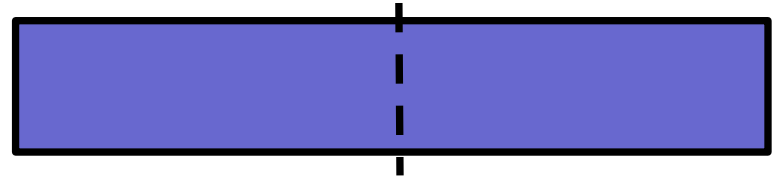
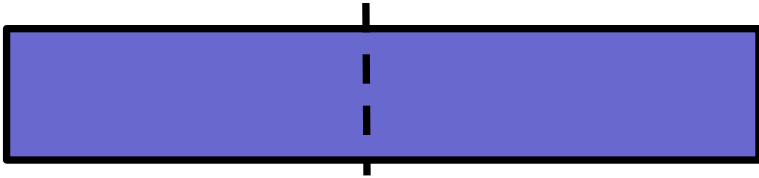
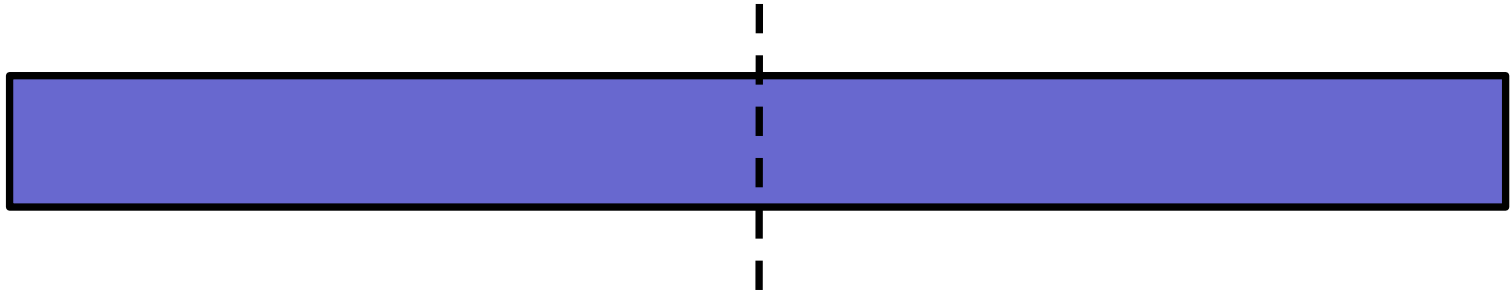
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Divide-and-Conquer



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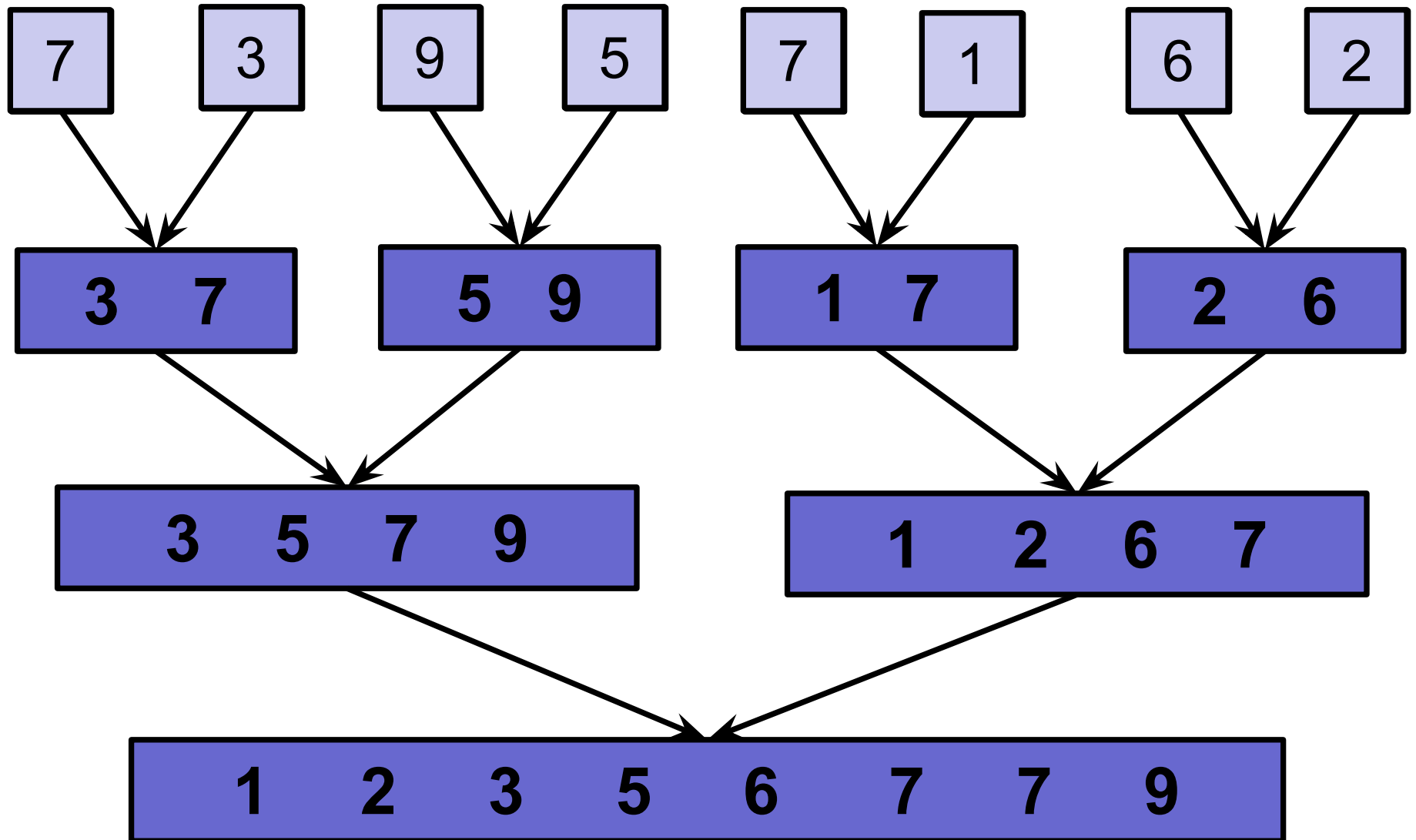
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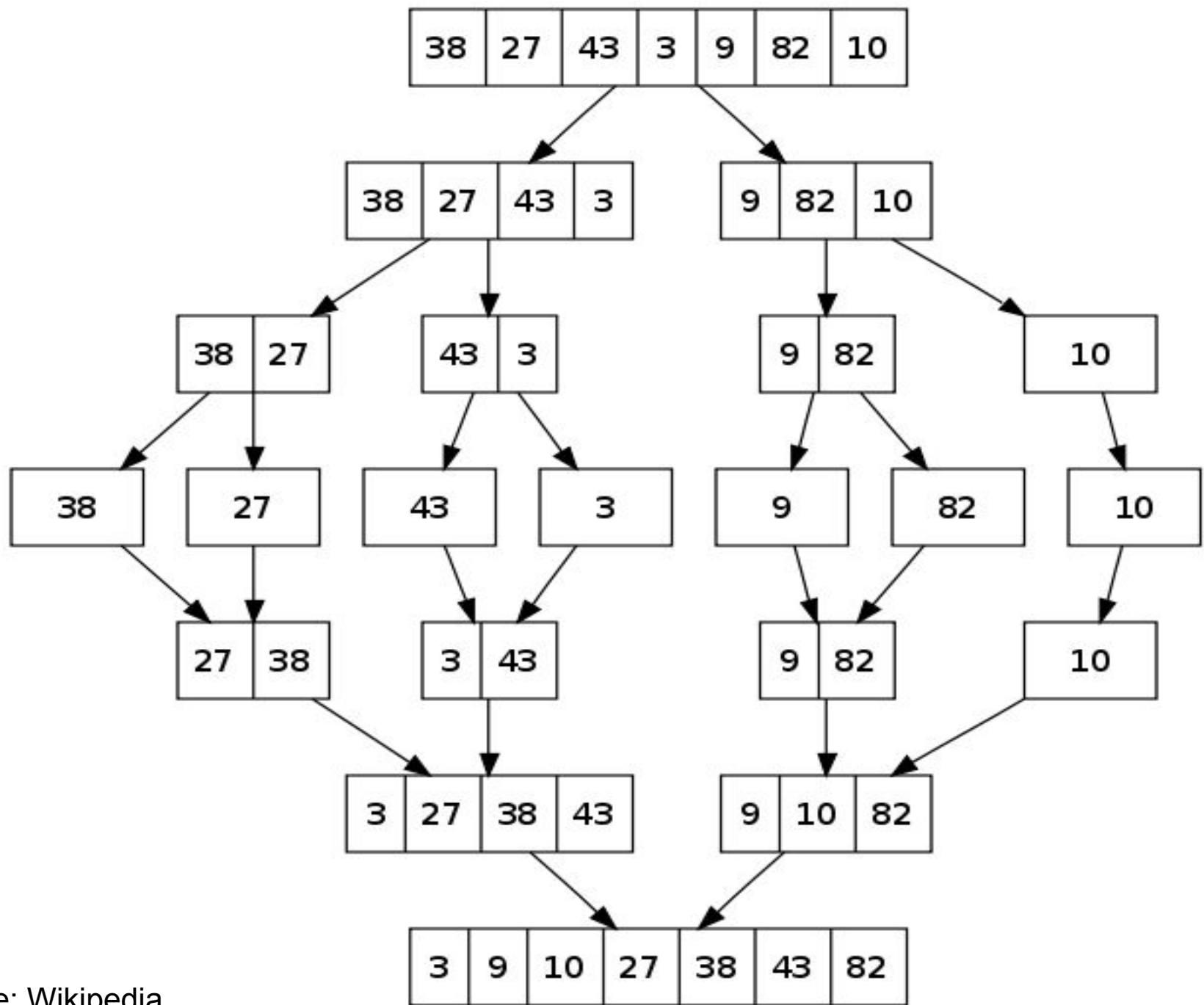
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Merging





Merging Two Sorted Lists

Key subroutine: Merge

- How to merge?
- How fast can we merge?

Merging Two Sorted Lists

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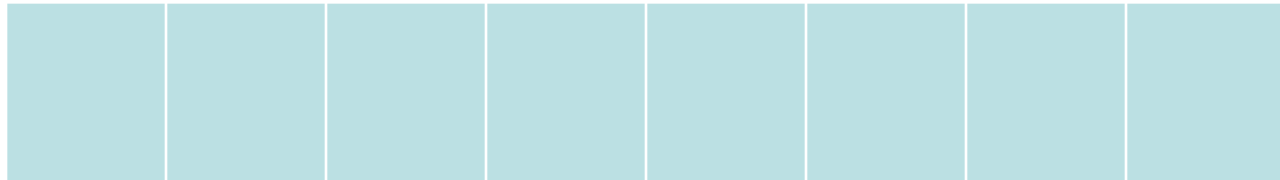


return result of left
recursive call

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return result of
right recursive call



Merging Two Sorted Lists

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Clarification:

We have this (only-once) allocated auxiliary array for the entire algorithm. Size: n

Total space complexity: $O(n)$



Merging Two Sorted Lists

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Clarification:

We will merge the two lists into the allocated array.



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Clarification:

Then we can move the items back into the original array after we're done using it.



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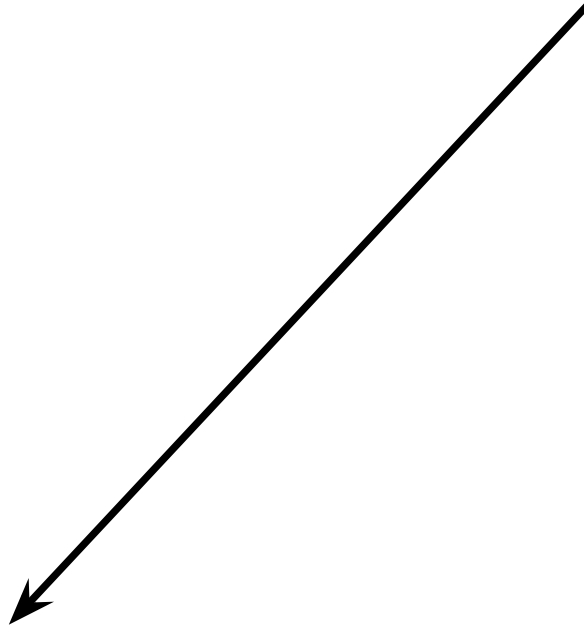
Then we can keep reusing the auxiliary array throughout all of the recursion.



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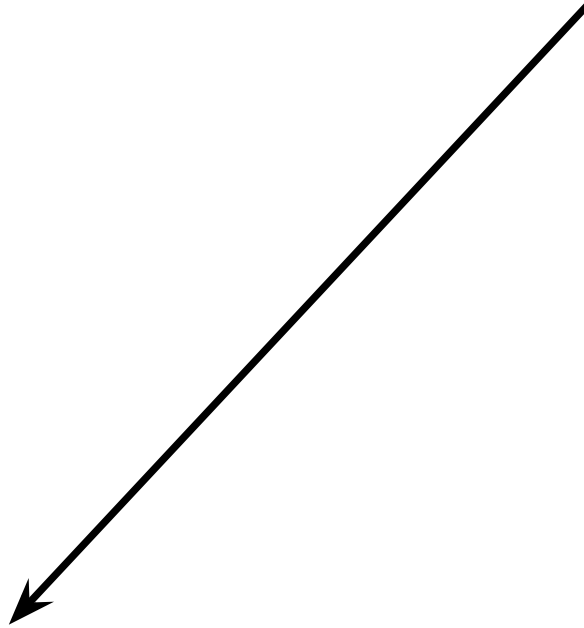


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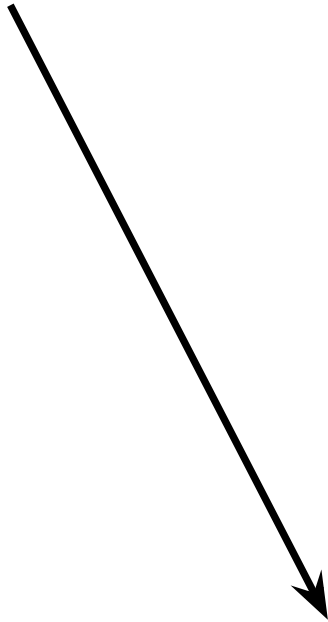


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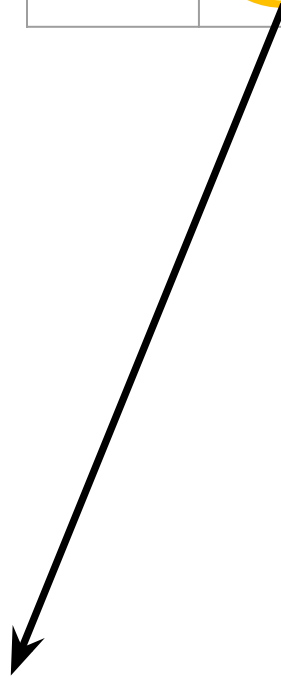
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Merge: Running Time

Given two lists:

- A of size $n/2$
- B of size $n/2$

Total running time: ??

Merge: Running Time

Given two lists:

- A of size $n/2$
- B of size $n/2$

Total running time: $O(n) = cn$

- In each iteration, move *one* element to final list.
- After n iterations, all the items are in the final list.
- Each iteration takes $O(1)$ time to compare two elements and copy one.

Merge-Sort Analysis

Let $T(n)$ be the worst-case running time for an array of n elements.

MergeSort(A, n)

if ($n=1$) **then return;** $\leftarrow \text{----- } \Theta(1)$

else:

$X \leftarrow \text{Merge-Sort}(\dots);$ $\leftarrow \text{----- } T(n/2)$

$Y \leftarrow \text{Merge-Sort}(\dots);$ $\leftarrow \text{----- } T(n/2)$

return Merge ($X, Y, n/2$); $\leftarrow \text{----- } \Theta(n)$

MergeSort Analysis

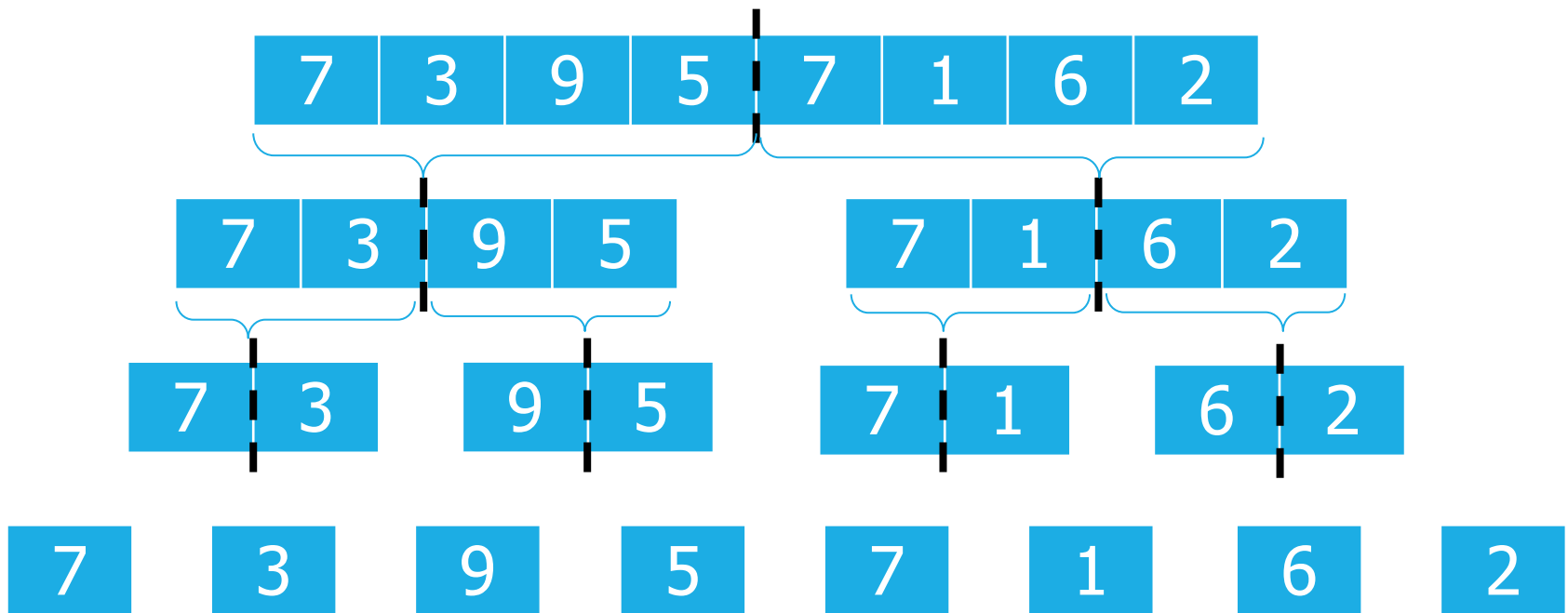
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$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= \Theta(1) && \text{if } (n=1) \\ &= 2T(n/2) + cn && \text{if } (n>1) \end{aligned}$$

Techniques for Solving Recurrences

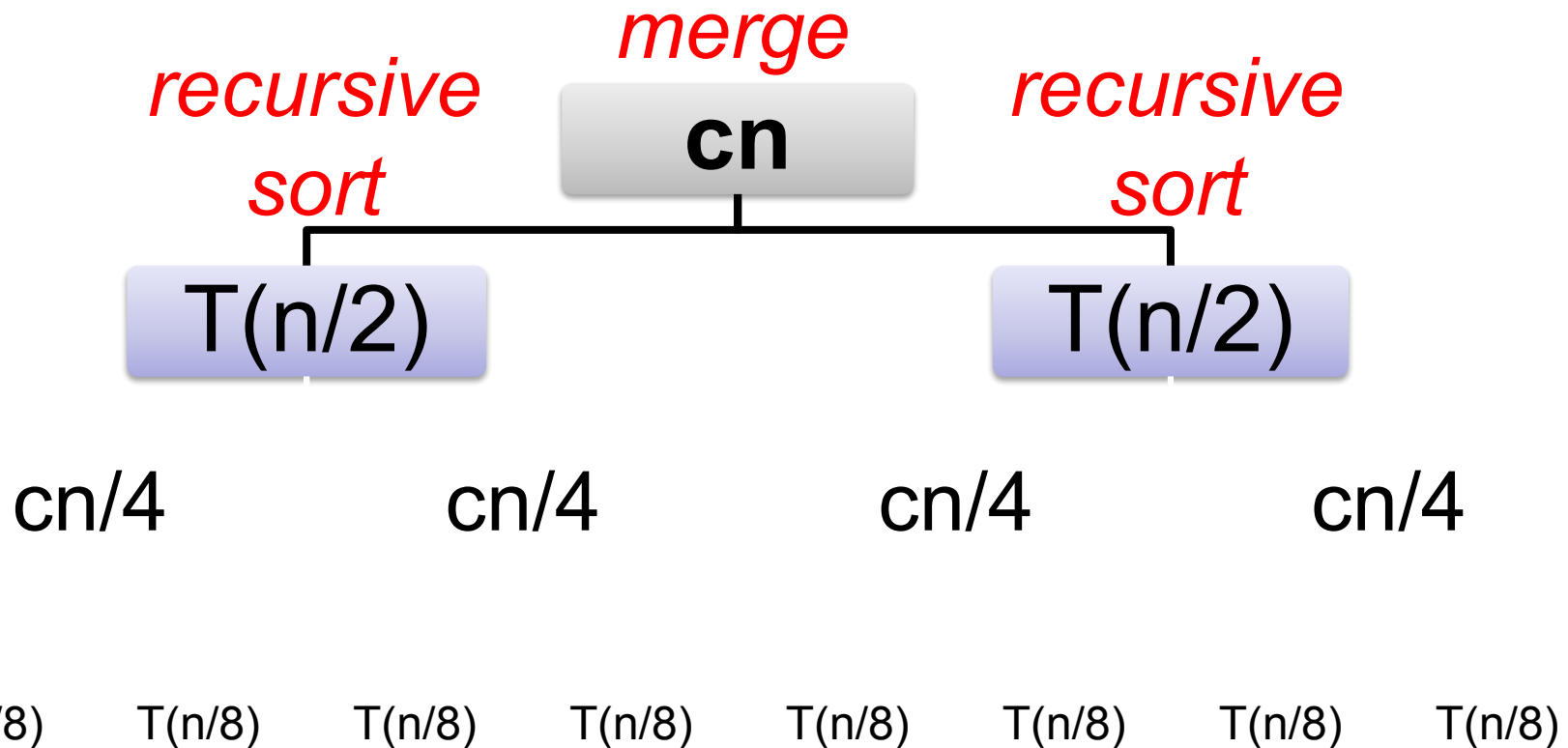
1. Guess and verify (via induction).
2. Draw the recursion tree.
3. Use the Master Theorem (see CS3230) or the Akra–Bazzi Method, or other advanced techniques.

MergeSort: Recurse “downwards”

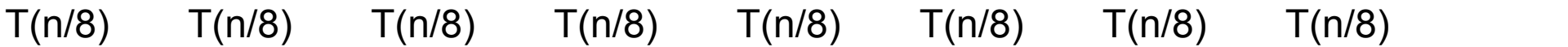


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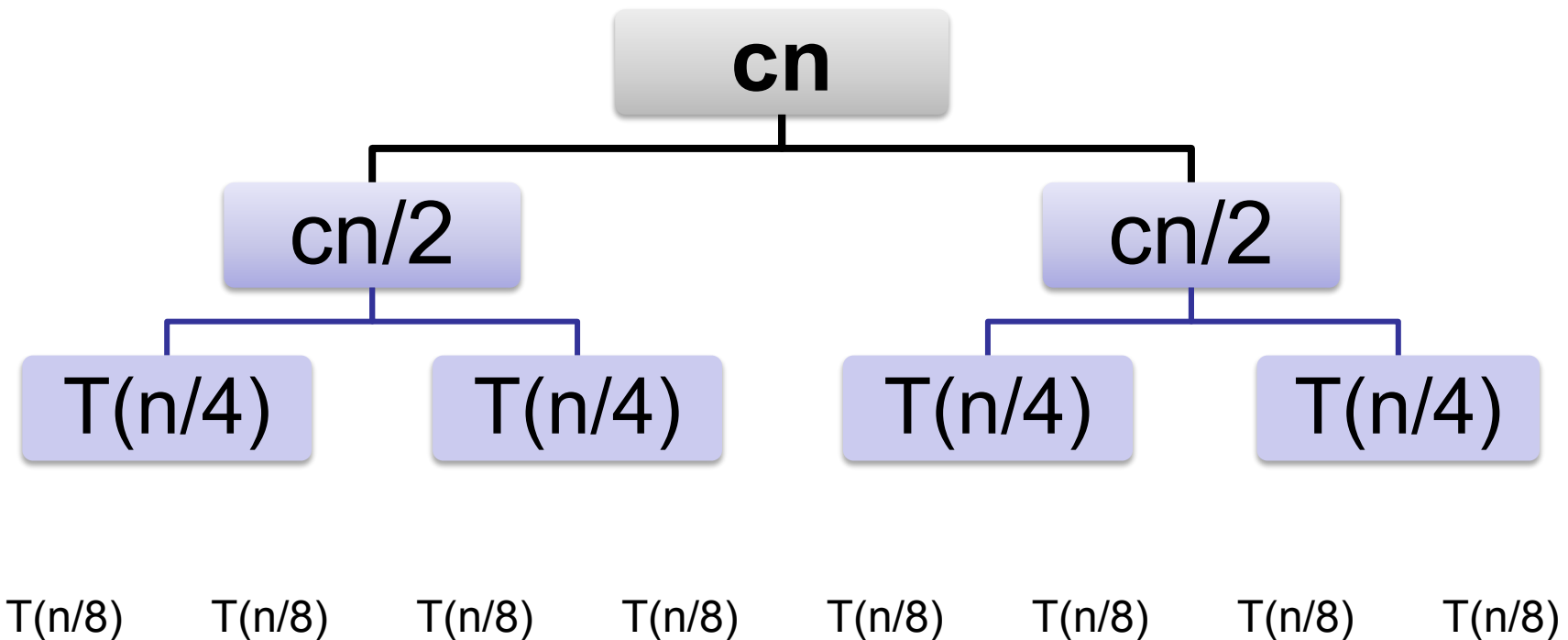


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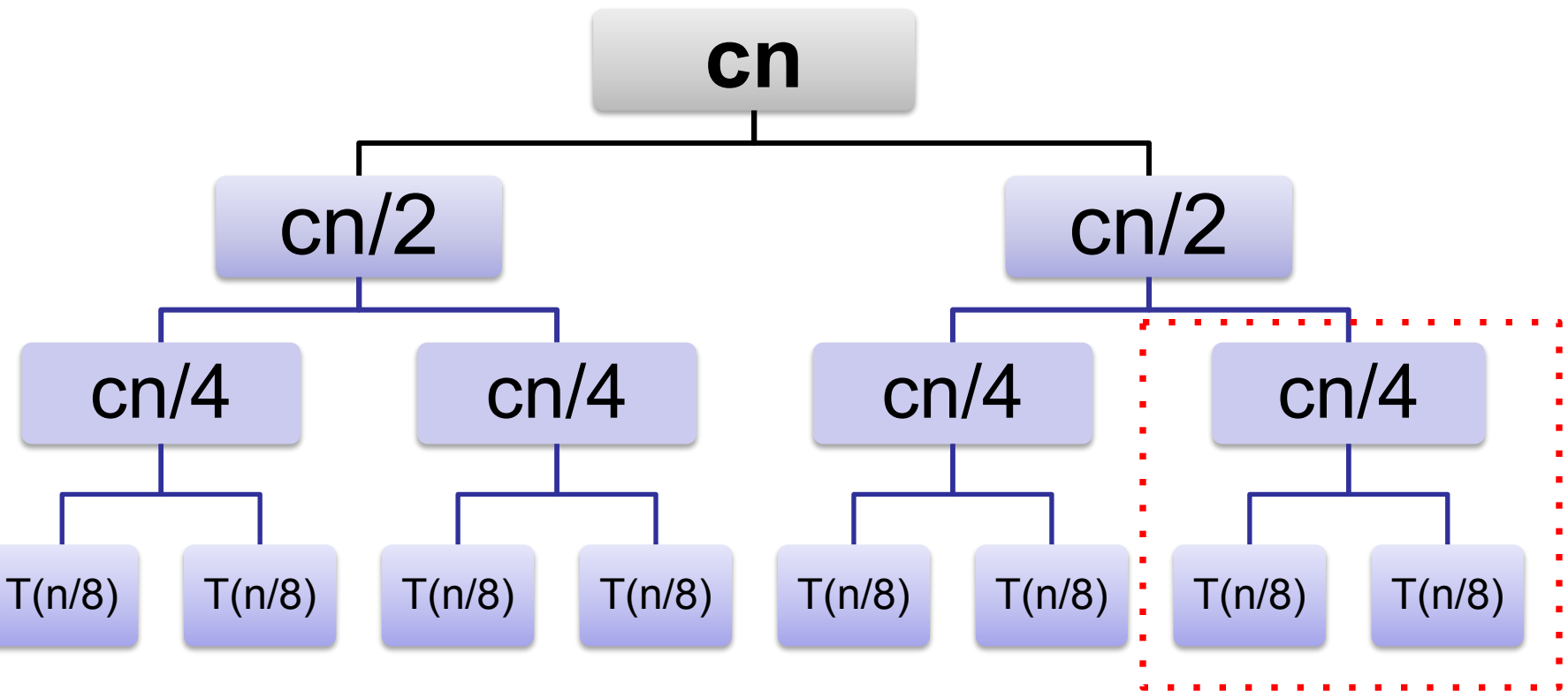
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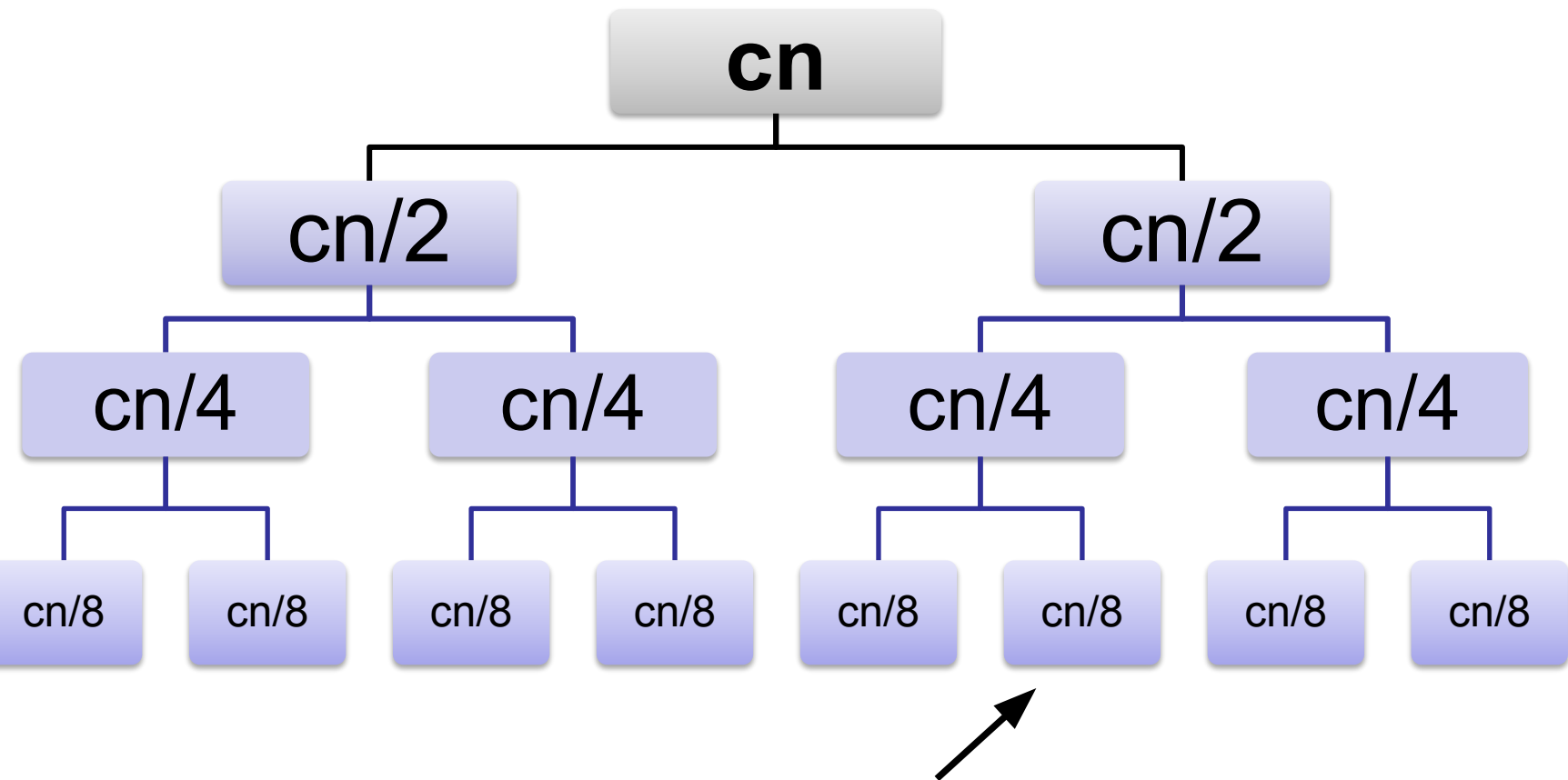
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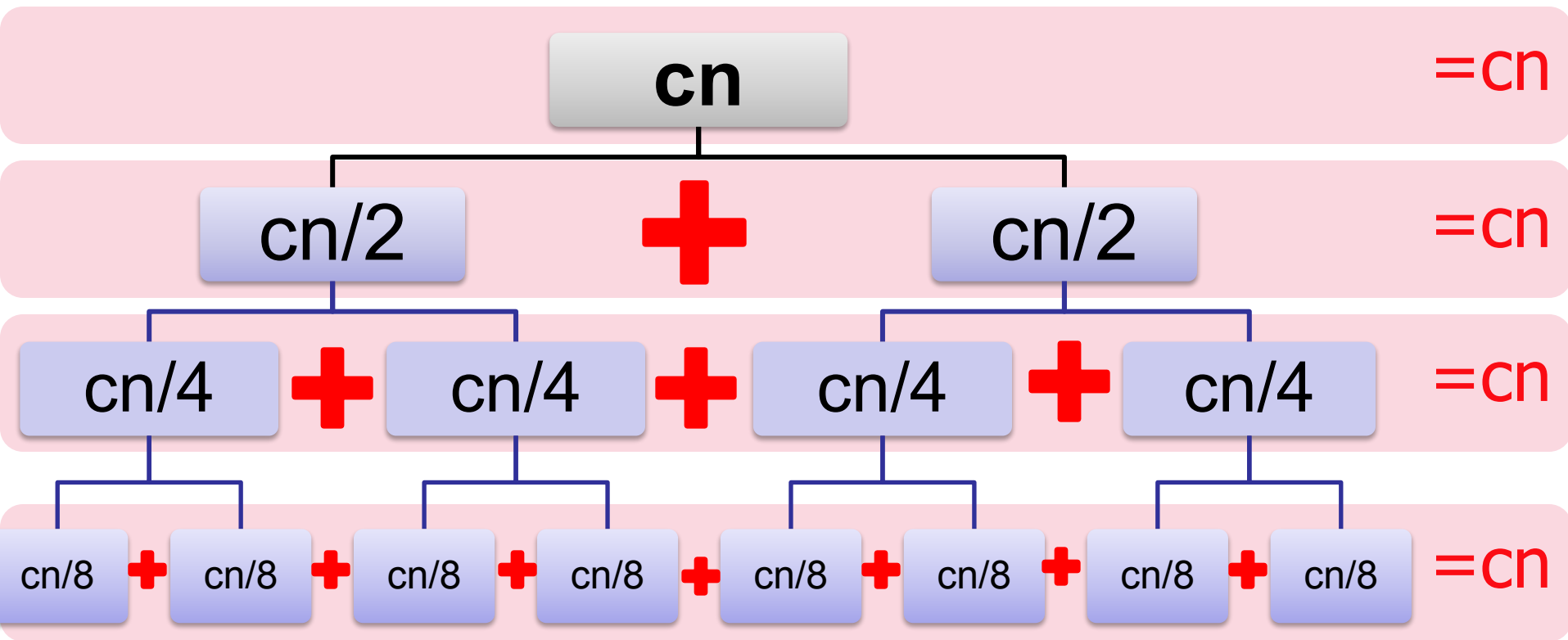
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e.g. array size 8, then this is our base case

MergeSort Analysis

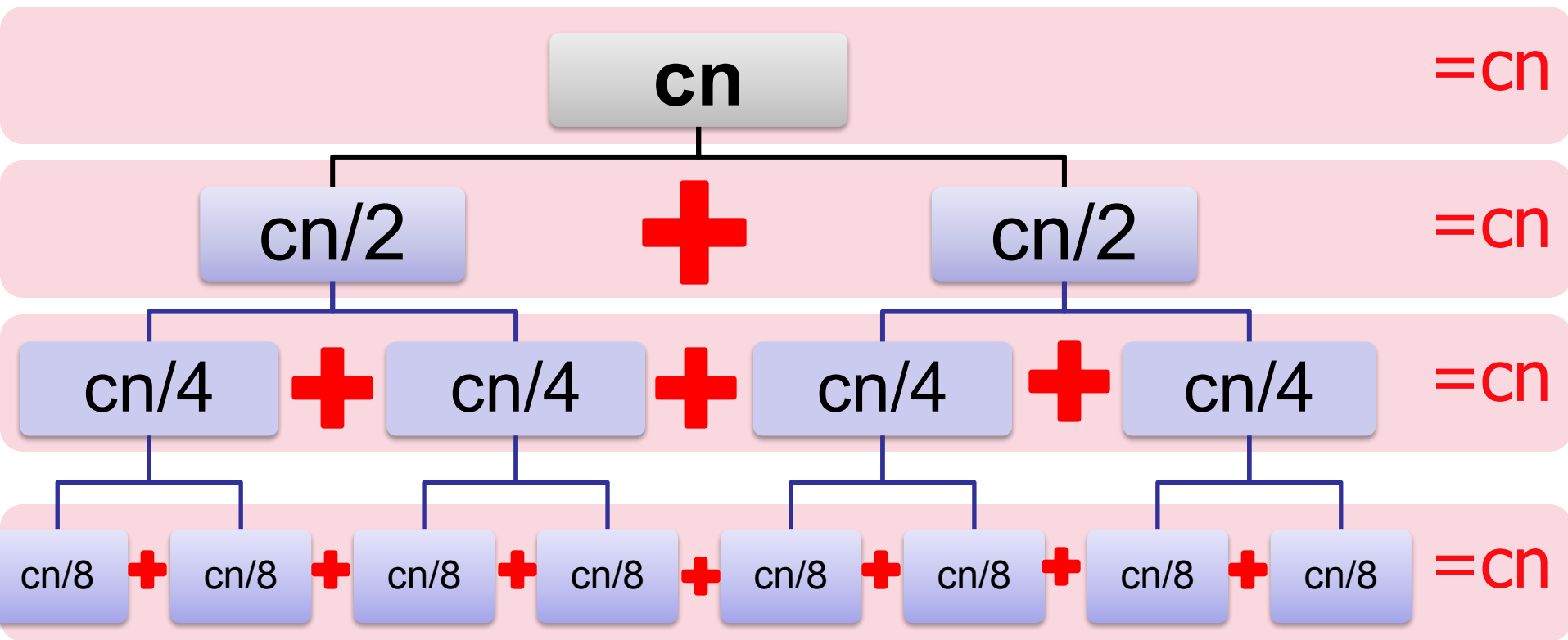
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Each level, we do $O(n)$ work, regardless of level

MergeSort Analysis

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Key question: how many levels?

MergeSort Analysis

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level	number
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1	2
2	4
3	8
4	16
...	...
<i>h</i>	??

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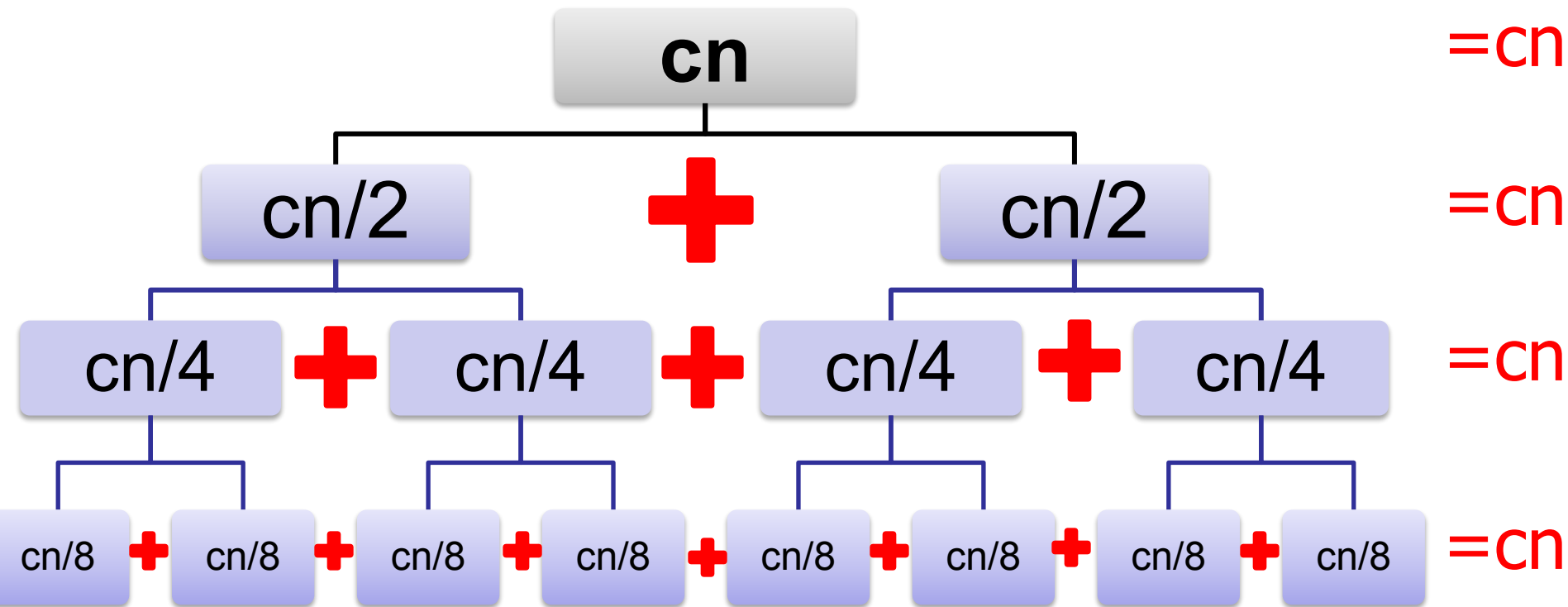
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$$n = 2^h$$

$$\log n = h$$

MergeSort Analysis

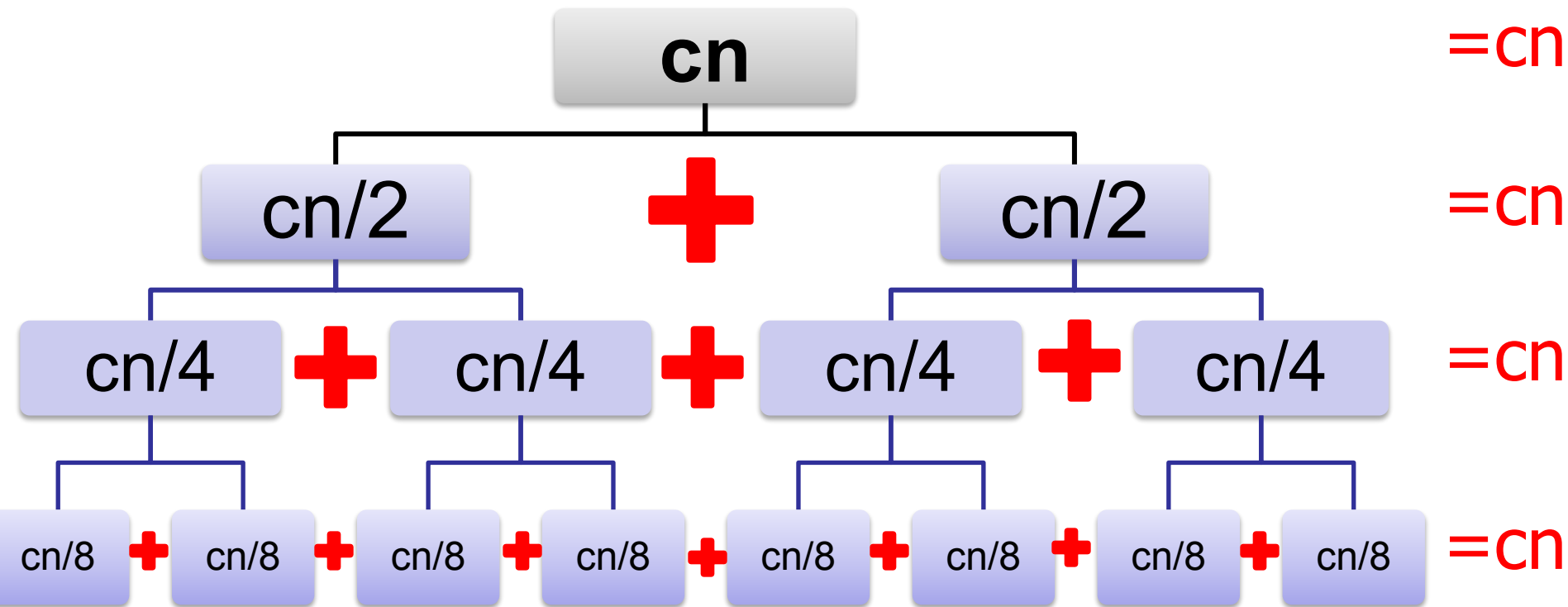
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Total work: work at level 1 + work at level 2 + ...

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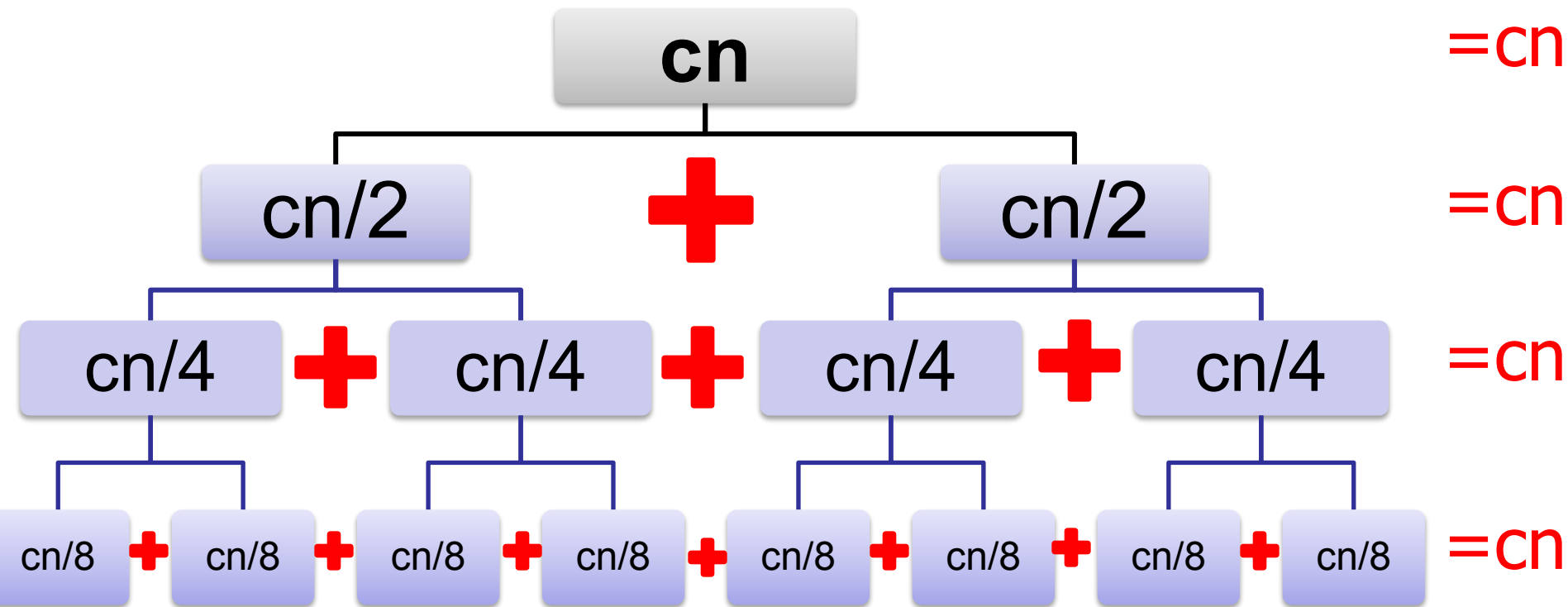
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Since work at each level is same:
(# of levels) x (# total work level 1)

MergeSort Analysis

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$$cn \times O(\log n) = O(n \log n)$$

MergeSortAnalysis

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

MergeSort(A, n)

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

else:

X ← MergeSort(...);

Y ← MergeSort(...);

return Merge (X,Y, n/2);

Techniques for Solving Recurrences

1. Guess and verify (via induction).
2. Draw the recursion tree.
3. Use the Master Theorem (see CS3230) or the Akra–Bazzi Method, or other advanced techniques.

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

Recurrence being analyzed:

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + c \cdot n$$

$$T(1) = c$$

Guess: $T(n) = c \cdot n \log n$

More precise guess:
Fix constant c .

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Guess: $T(n) = c \cdot n \log n$

$$T(1) = c$$

Induction:
Base case

Recurrence being analyzed:

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Guess: $T(n) = c \cdot n \log n$

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$$T(x) = c \cdot x \log x \text{ for all } x < n.$$

Induction:

Assume true for all smaller values.

Recurrence being analyzed:

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + c \cdot n$$

$$T(1) = c$$

Guess: $T(n) = c \cdot n \log n$

Induction:
Prove for n .

$$T(1) = c$$

$$T(x) = c \cdot x \log x \text{ for all } x < n.$$

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

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Induction:
It works!

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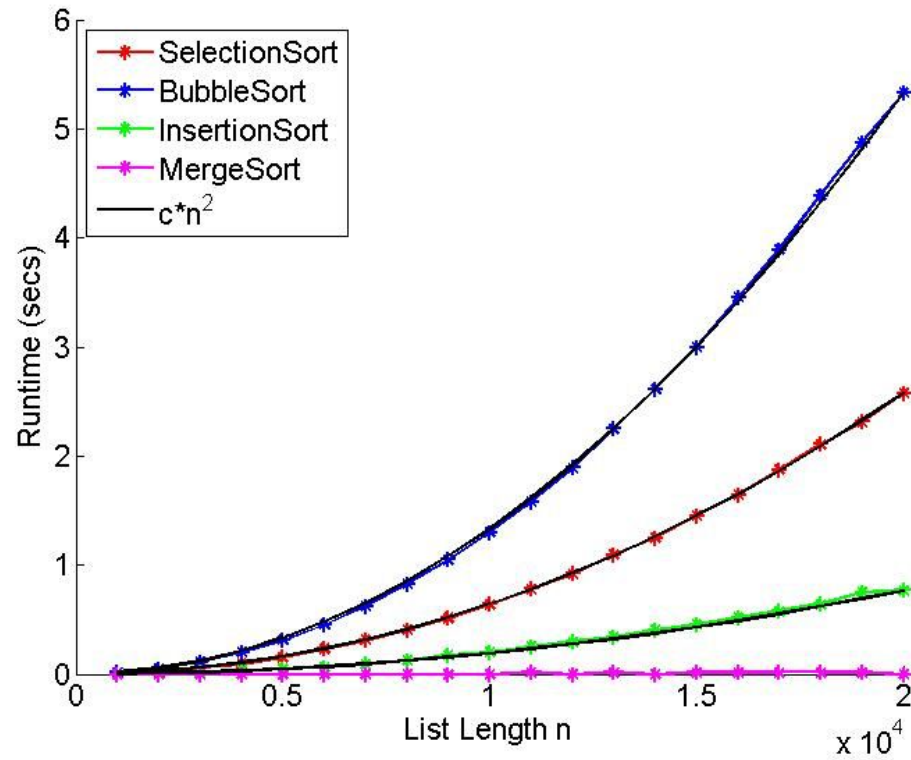
Performance Profiling

(Dracula vs. Lewis & Clark)

Version	Change	Running Time
Version 1		4,311.00s
Version 2	Better file handling	676.50s
Version 3	Faster sorting	6.59s
Version 4	No sorting!	2.35s

V.2  V.3 was using MergeSort instead of SelectionSort.

real world performance



When is it better to use InsertionSort instead of MergeSort?

- A. When there is limited space?
- B. When there are a lot of items to sort?
- C. When there is a large memory cache?
- D. When there are a small number of items?
- E. When the list is mostly sorted?

MergeSort

When the list is mostly sorted:

- InsertionSort is fast!
- MergeSort is $O(n \log n)$

How “close to sorted” should a list be for InsertionSort to be faster?

MergeSort

Small number of items to sort:

- MergeSort is slow!
- Caching performance, branch prediction, etc.
- Use InsertionSort for $n < 1024$, say.

Base case of recursion:

- Use slower sort.

Run an experiment and post on the forum what the best switch-over point is for your machine.

MergeSort

Space usage:

- Need extra space to do merge.
- Merge copies data to new array.
- How much extra space?

Challenge of the Day 2:

How much space does MergeSort need to sort n items?

(Use the version presented today.)

Design a version of MergeSort that minimizes the amount of extra space needed.

MergeSort

Stability:

- MergeSort is stable if “merge” is stable.
- Merge is stable if carefully implemented.

Sorting Analysis

Summary:

BubbleSort: $O(n^2)$

SelectionSort: $O(n^2)$

InsertionSort: $O(n^2)$

MergeSort: $O(n \log n)$

Properties: time, space, stability

Also:

The power of
divide-and-conquer!

How to solve recurrences...

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- Generate all the permutations of the input.

Step 2:

- Sort the permutations (by number of inversions).

Step 3:

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Use BogoSort!

Roughly: $O((n!)!)$

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Recursive instance is larger than original!

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Ingrassia-Kurtz Sort

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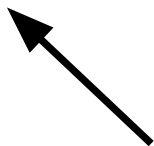
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For next time...

Next Monday class:

More sorting!