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Module 2 Divide and Conquer Approach

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Module 1 Introduction

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General method

Divide-and-Conquer

- Divide and Conquer is a method of algorithm design that has created such efficient algorithms as Merge Sort.
- In terms or algorithms, this method has three distinct steps: –
- Divide: If the input size is too large to deal with in a straightforward manner, divide the data into two or more disjoint subsets.
- Recur: Use divide and conquer to solve the subproblems associated with the data subsets.
- Conquer: Take the solutions to the subproblems and "merge" these solutions into a solution for the original problem.

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General method

Divide-and-Conquer Algo

```
1. Algo DAC(P)
2. {
    If small (P) then return S(P)
3.
4.
      else
5.
       Divide P into smaller instances P_1, P_2 .... P_k, k \ge 1
6.
       Apply DAC to each of these problem
7.
       Return combine (DAC(P_1), DAC(P_2)...DAC (P_k));
8.
9.
10. }
```



General method

Divide-and-Conquer Algo

The complexity of divide and conquer algo is given by recurrence equation

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Merge sort

- An algorithm is a sequence of unambiguous instructions for solving a problem, i.e., for obtaining a required output for any authorized input in a finite amount of time.
- A mathematical relation between an observed quantity and a variable used in a step-by-step mathematical process to calculate a quantity
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- A procedure for solving a mathematical problem in a finite number of steps that frequently involves repetition of an operation; broadly: a step-by-step procedure for solving a problem or accomplishing some end (Webster's Dictionary)

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Merge Sort Approach

To sort an array A[p..r]: A[1...n]= n=10 n/2=5

Divide

— Divide the n-element sequence to be sorted into two subsequences of n/2 elements each... till the elements are not divisible.. Or single element

Conquer

- Sort the subsequences recursively using merge sort
- When the size of the sequences is 1 there is nothing more to do

Combine

Merge the two sorted subsequences



Merge Sort

Alg.: MERGE-SORT(
$$A$$
, p , r)

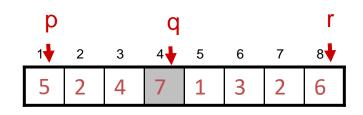
if $p < r$

then $q \leftarrow \lfloor (p + r)/2 \rfloor$

MERGE-SORT(A , p , q)

MERGE-SORT(A , $q + 1$, r)

MERGE(A , p , q , r)

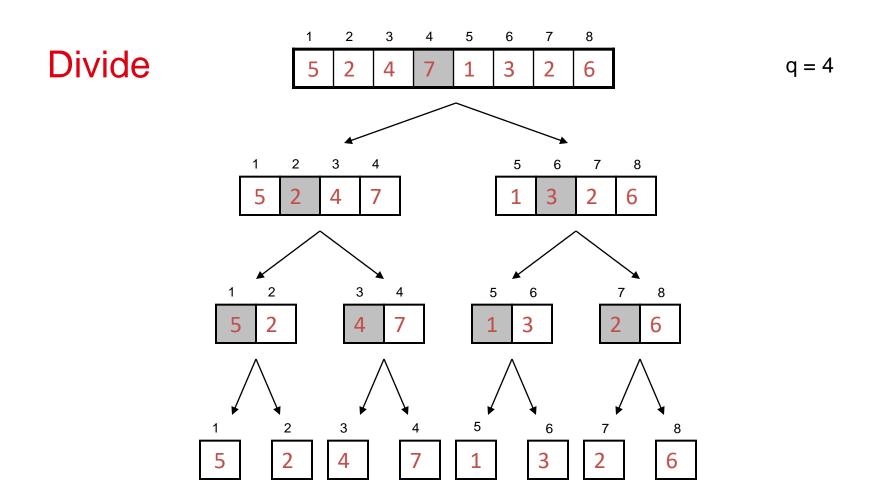


- Divide

Initial call: MERGE-SORT(A, 1, n)



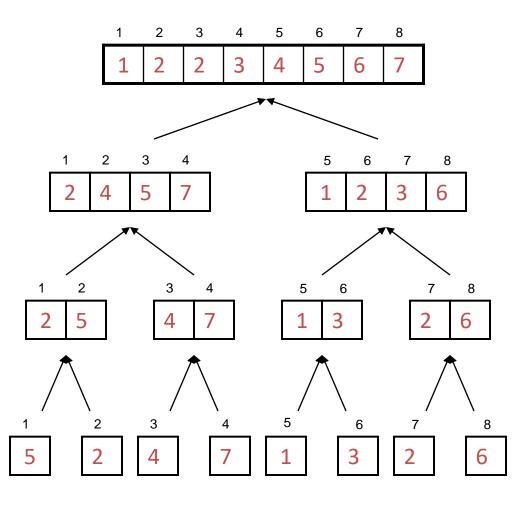
Example – n Power of 2





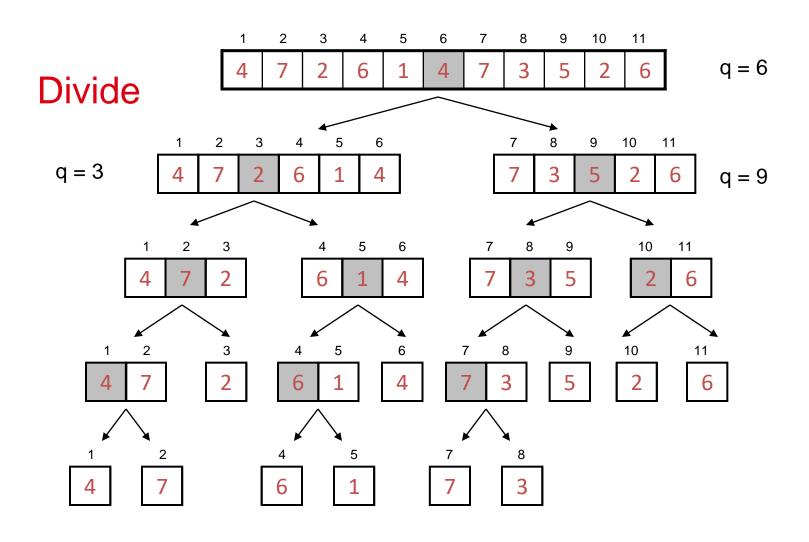
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Conquer and Merge



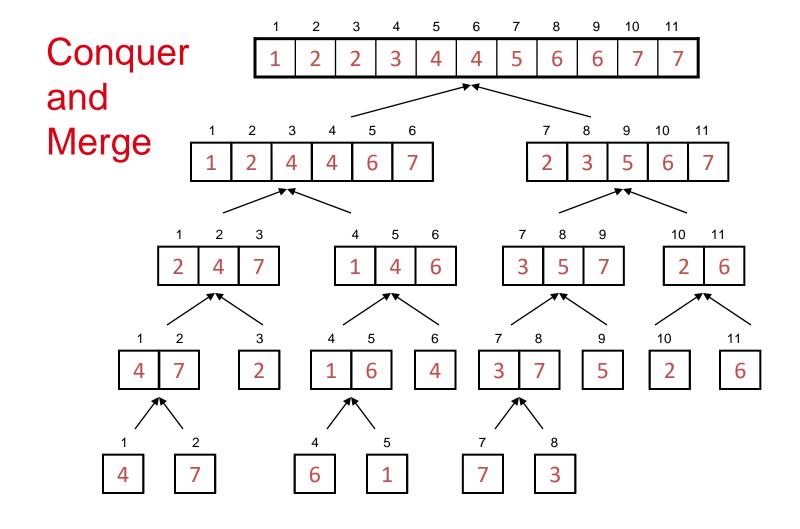


Example – n Not a Power of 2





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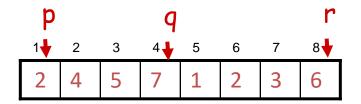


Merging

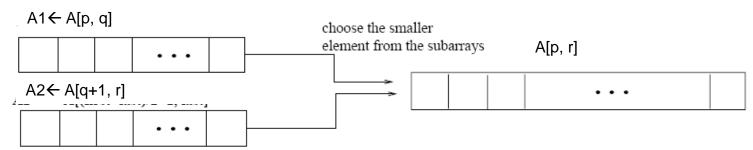
- Input: Array A and indices p, q, r such that
 p ≤ q < r
 - Subarrays A[p..q] and A[q+1..r] are sorted
- Output: One single sorted subarray A[p . . r]

Merging

Idea for merging:

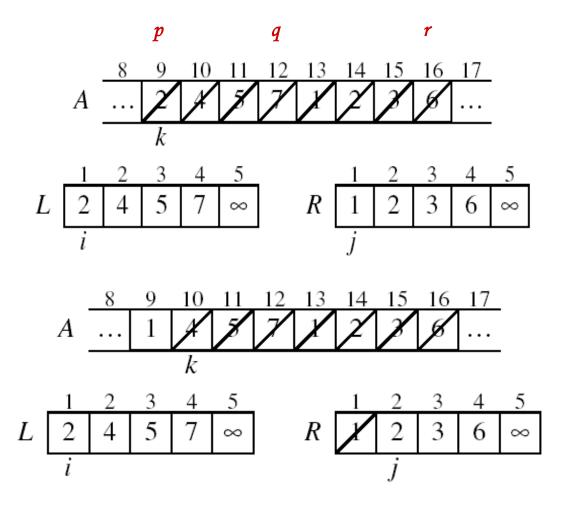


- Two piles of sorted cards
 - Choose the smaller of the two top cards
 - Remove it and place it in the output pile
- Repeat the process until one pile is empty
- Take the remaining input pile and place it face-down onto the output pile



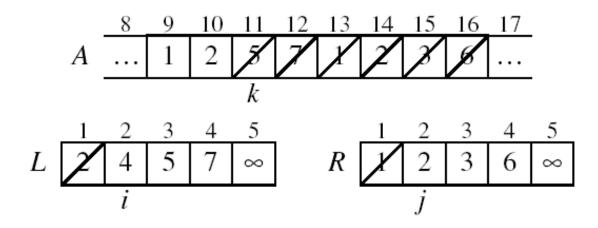


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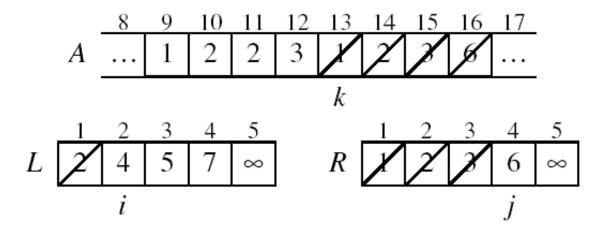


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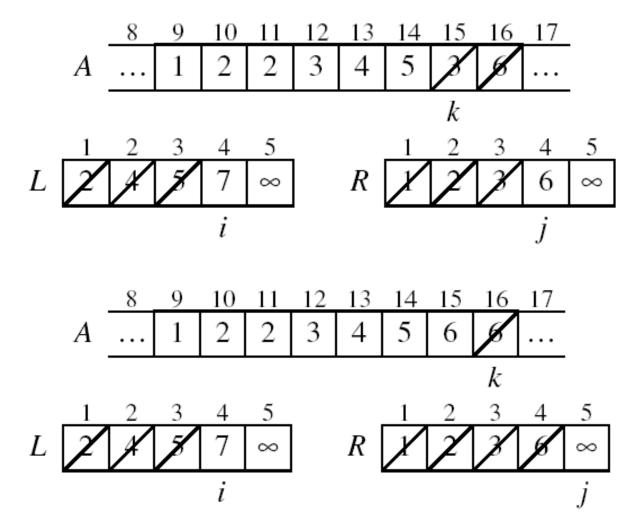


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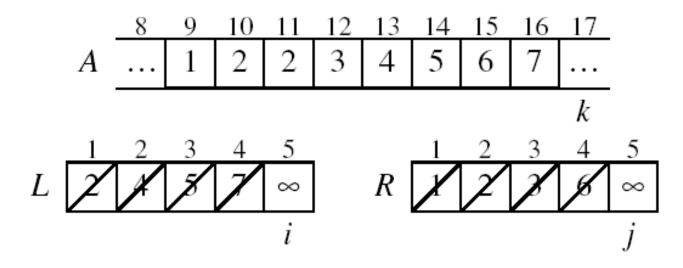


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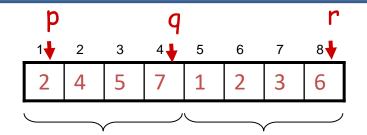
Done!



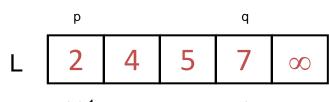
Merge - Pseudocode

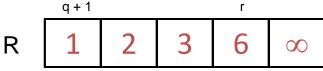
Alg.: MERGE(A, p, q, r)

- 1. Compute n_1 and n_2
- 2. Copy the first n_1 elements into L[1 . . $n_1 + 1$] n_1 and the next n_2 elements into R[1 . . $n_2 + 1$]
- 3. $L[n_1 + 1] \leftarrow \infty$; $R[n_2 + 1] \leftarrow \infty$
- 4. $i \leftarrow 1$; $j \leftarrow 1$
- 5. for $k \leftarrow p$ to r
- 6. do if $L[i] \leq R[j]$
- 7. then $A[k] \leftarrow L[i]$
- 8. $i \leftarrow i + 1$
- 9. else $A[k] \leftarrow R[j]$
- 10. $j \leftarrow j + 1$



 n_2



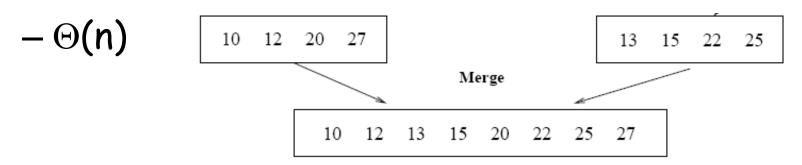


Running Time of Merge (assume last for loop)

Initialization (copying into temporary arrays):

$$-\Theta(n_1+n_2)=\Theta(n)$$

- Adding the elements to the final array:
 - **n** iterations, each taking constant time $\Rightarrow \Theta(n)$
- Total time for Merge:





Analyzing Divide-and Conquer Algorithms

- The recurrence is based on the three steps of the paradigm:
 - -T(n) running time on a problem of size n
 - Divide the problem into a subproblems, each of size
 n/b: takes D(n)
 - Conquer (solve) the subproblems aT(n/b)
 - Combine the solutions C(n)

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & \text{if } n \le c \\ aT(n/b) + D(n) + C(n) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



MERGE-SORT Running Time

- Divide:
 - compute q as the average of p and r: $D(n) = \Theta(1)$
- Conquer:
 - recursively solve 2 subproblems, each of size $n/2 \Rightarrow 2T (n/2)$
- Combine:
 - MERGE on an **n**-element subarray takes $\Theta(\mathbf{n})$ time $\Rightarrow C(\mathbf{n}) = \Theta(\mathbf{n})$

$$\Theta(n)$$

$$\Theta(1) \qquad \text{if } n = 1$$

$$2T(n/2) + \Theta(n) + \Theta(1) \quad \text{if } n > 1$$

$$\Theta(1) \qquad \text{if } n = 1$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) \qquad \text{if } n = 1 \\ 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n) \qquad \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$



Solve the Recurrence

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

Use Master's Theorem:

Compare n with f(n) = cn

Case 2: $T(n) = \Theta(n|gn)$



Merge Sort - Discussion

Running time insensitive of the input

- Advantages:
 - Guaranteed to run in $\Theta(nlgn)$

- Disadvantage
 - Requires extra space ≈N



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- Another divide-and-conquer sorting algorithm
- To understand quick-sort, let's look at a high-level description of the algorithm
- Divide: If the sequence S has 2 or more elements, select an element x from S to be your pivot. Any arbitrary element, like the last, will do. Remove all the elements of S and divide them into 3 sequences:
 - L, holds S's elements less than x
 - E, holds S's elements equal to x
 - G, holds S's elements greater than x
- 2) Recurse: Recursively sort L and G
- Conquer: Finally, to put elements back into S in order, first inserts the elements of L, then those of E, and those of G.

Here are some diagrams....

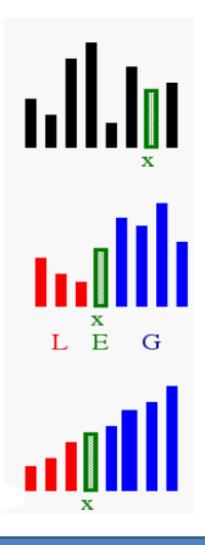
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Idea of Quick Sort

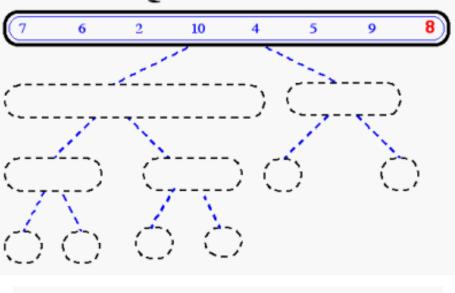
1) Select: pick an element

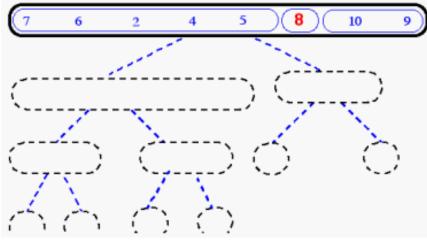
- 2) **Divide**: rearrange elements so that x goes to its final position E
- 3) Recurse and Conquer: recursively sort





Quick-Sort Tree





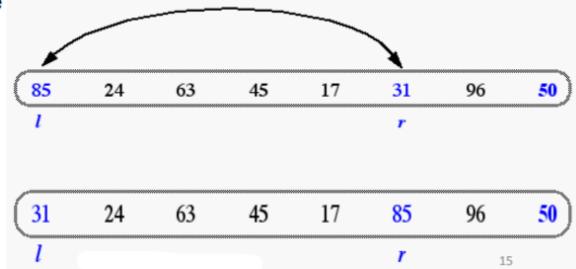


In-Place Quick-Sort

Divide step: I scans the sequence from the left, and r from the right.

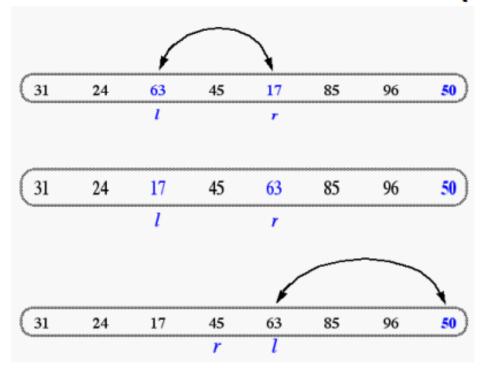
A swap is performed when I is at an element larger than the pivot and r is at

one smaller than the

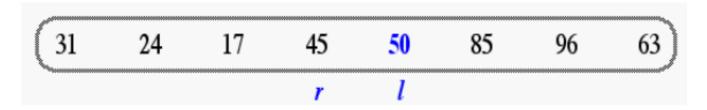




In Place Quick Sort (cont'd)



A final swap with the pivot completes the divide step





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QUICKSORT(A, p, r)

1 if p < r

2 then q \leftarrow \text{PARTITION}(A, p, r)

3 QUICKSORT(A, p, q - 1)

4 QUICKSORT(A, q + 1, r)
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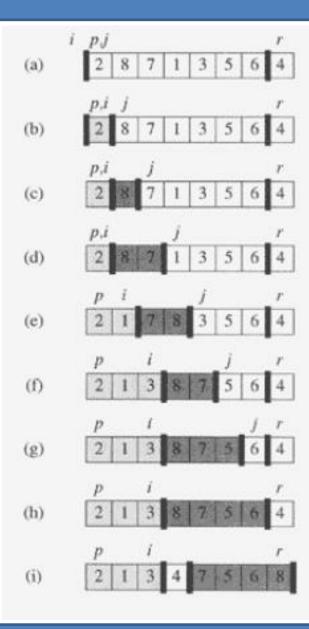
3:



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PARTITION (A, p, r)
  x \leftarrow A[r]
2 \quad i \leftarrow p-1
3 for j \leftarrow p to r-1
           do if A[j] \leq x
                  then i \leftarrow i + 1
                         exchange A[i] \leftrightarrow A[j]
    exchange A[i + 1] \leftrightarrow A[r]
    return i+1
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3:



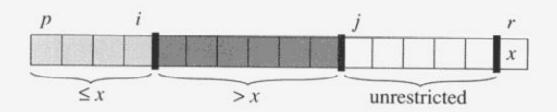


Figure 7.2 The four regions maintained by the procedure PARTITION on a subarray A[p..r]. The values in A[p..i] are all less than or equal to x, the values in A[i+1..j-1] are all greater than x, and A[r] = x. The values in A[j..r-1] can take on any values.



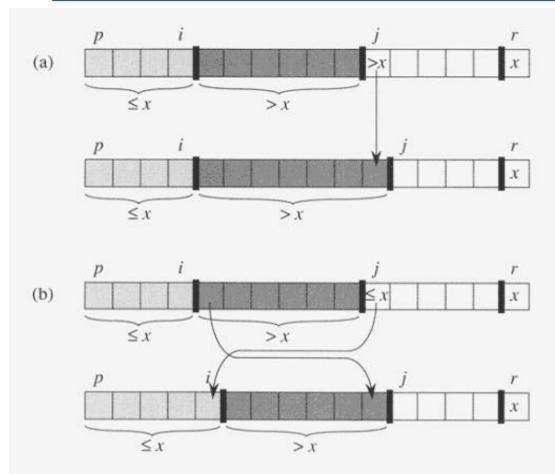


Figure 7.3 The two cases for one iteration of procedure PARTITION. (a) If A[j] > x, the only action is to increment j, which maintains the loop invariant. (b) If $A[j] \le x$, index i is incremented, A[i] = A[i] = A[i] are swapped, and then j is incremented. Again, the loop invariant is maintained. 21



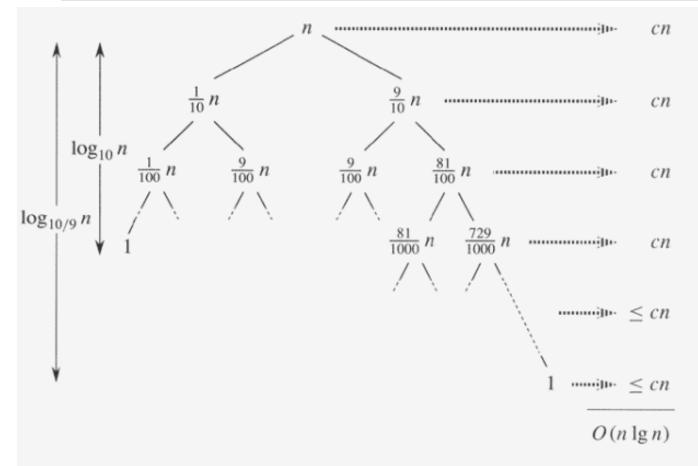
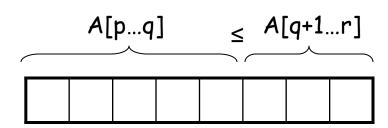


Figure 7.4 A recursion tree for QUICKSORT in which PARTITION always produces a 9-to-1 split, yielding a running time of $O(n \lg n)$. Nodes show subproblem sizes, with per-level costs on the right. The per-level costs include the constant c implicit in the $\Theta(n)$ term.



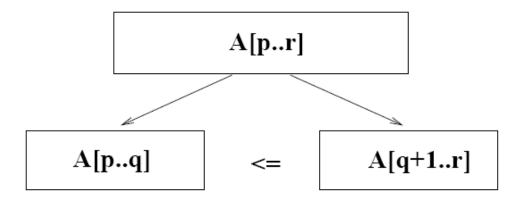
Quicksort

Sort an array A[p...r]



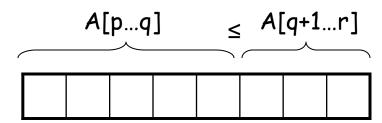
Divide

- Partition the array A into 2 subarrays A[p..q] and A[q+1..r], such that each element of A[p..q] is smaller than or equal to each element in A[q+1..r]
- Need to find index q to partition the array





Quicksort



Conquer

- Recursively sort A[p..q] and A[q+1..r] using Quicksort

Combine

- Trivial: the arrays are sorted in place
- No additional work is required to combine them
- The entire array is now sorted

QUICKSORT

Initially: p=1, r=n

if
$$p < r$$

then
$$q \leftarrow PARTITION(A, p, r)$$

QUICKSORT (A, p, q)

QUICKSORT (A, q+1, r)

Recurrence:

$$T(n) = T(q) + T(n - q) + f(n)$$

(f(n) depends on PARTITION())

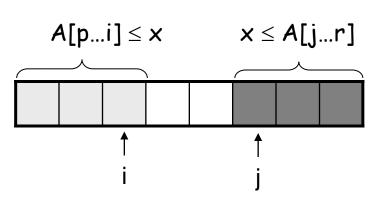


Partitioning the Array

- Choosing PARTITION()
 - There are different ways to do this
 - Each has its own advantages/disadvantages
- How are partition
 - Select a pivot element x around which to partition
 - Grows two regions

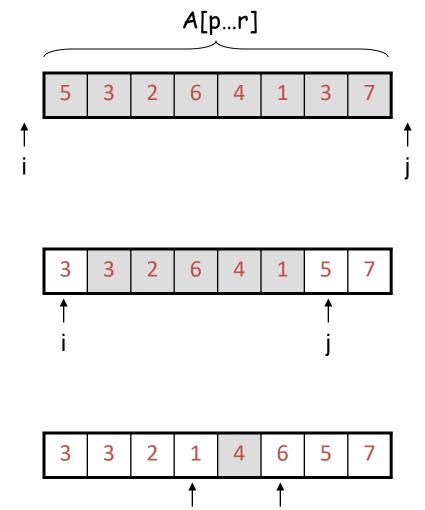
$$A[p...i] \le x$$

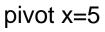
 $x \le A[j...r]$



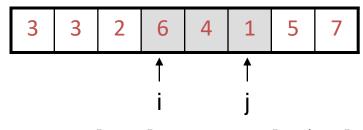


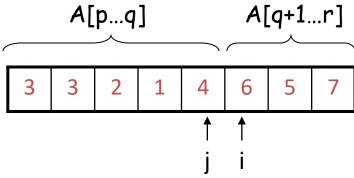
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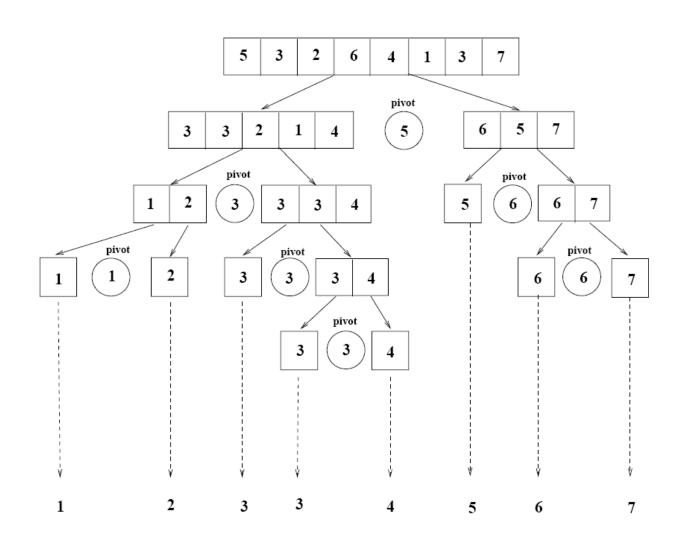








Example





Partitioning the Array

Alg. PARTITION (A, p, r)

1.
$$x \leftarrow A[p]$$
 $x=5$

2.
$$i \leftarrow p - 1$$

3.
$$j \leftarrow r + 1$$

4. **while** TRUE

5. **do repeat**
$$j \leftarrow j - 1$$

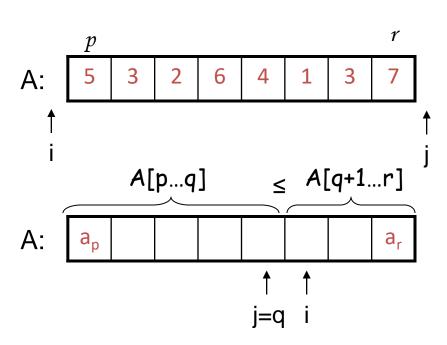
6. until
$$A[j] \leq x$$

7. do repeat
$$i \leftarrow i + 1$$

8.
$$until A[i] \ge x$$

10. **then** exchange
$$A[i] \leftrightarrow A[j]$$

11. else return j



Each element is visited once!

Running time: $\Theta(n)$ n = r - p + 1

Recurrence

Initially: p=1, r=n

if
$$p < r$$

then $q \leftarrow PARTITION(A, p, r)$

QUICKSORT (A, p, q)

QUICKSORT (A, q+1, r)

Recurrence: T(n) = T(q) + T(n-q) + n

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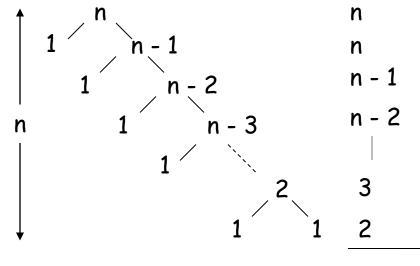
Worst Case Partitioning

- Worst-case partitioning n(n-1)/2= n^2 -n
 - One region has one element and the other has n-1 elements
 - Maximally unbalanced
- Recurrence: q=1

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

$$T(1) = \Theta(1)$$

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



$$= n + \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} k\right) - 1 = \Theta(n) + \Theta(n^2) = \Theta(n^2)$$

When does the worst case happen?

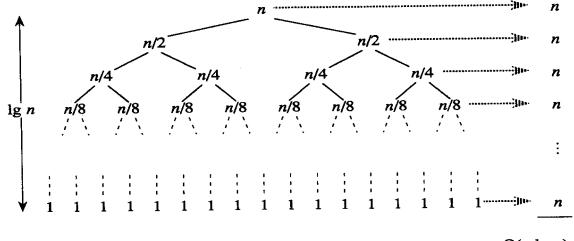


Best Case Partitioning

- Best-case partitioning
 - Partitioning produces two regions of size n/2
- Recurrence: q=n/2
- T(n) = T(q) + T(n-q) + n = T(n/2) + T(n/2) + n

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

$$T(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$$
 (Master theorem)

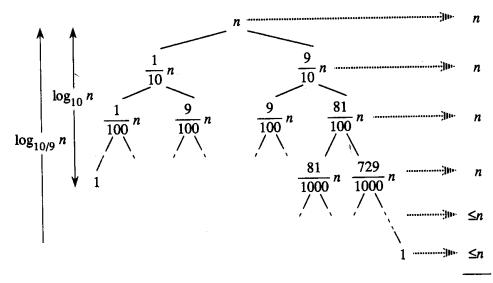




Case Between Worst and Best

9-to-1 proportional split

$$Q(n) = Q(9n/10) + Q(n/10) + n$$



- Using the recursion tree:

longest path:
$$Q(n) \le n \sum_{i=0}^{\log_{10/9} n} 1 = n(\log_{10/9} n + 1) = c_2 n \lg n$$

shortest path: $Q(n) \ge n \sum_{i=0}^{\log_{10} n} 1 = n \log_{10} n = c_1 n \lg n$

Thus,
$$Q(n) = \Theta(nlgn)$$



How does partition affect performance?

- Any splitting of constant proportionality yields $\Theta(nlgn)$ time !!!
- Consider the (1: n-1) splitting:

ratio=
$$1/(n-1)$$
 not a constant !!!

- Consider the (n/2 : n/2) splitting:

ratio=
$$(n/2)/(n/2) = 1$$
 it is a constant !!

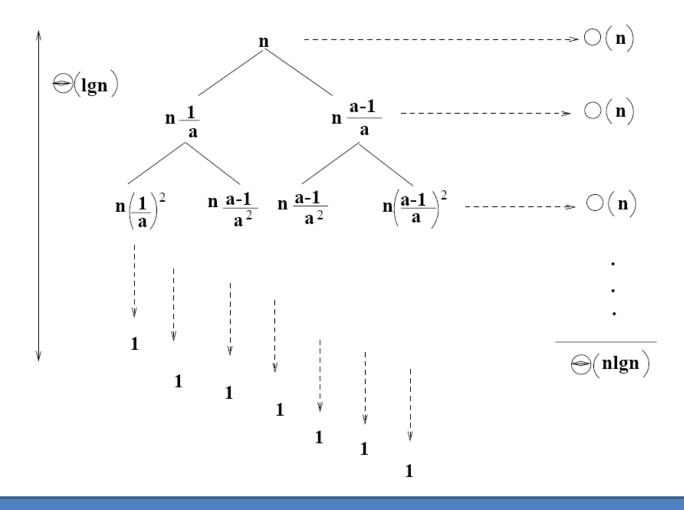
- Consider the (9n/10 : n/10) splitting:

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ratio=(9n/10)/(n/10) = 9 it is a constant !!
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How does partition affect performance?

- Any ((a-1)n/a : n/a) splitting: ratio=((a-1)n/a)/(n/a) = a-1 it is a constant !!

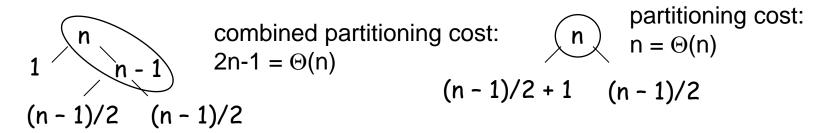




Performance of Quicksort

Average case

- All permutations of the input numbers are equally likely
- On a random input array, we will have a mix of well balanced and unbalanced splits
- Good and bad splits are randomly distributed across throughout the tree



Alternate of a good and a bad split

Nearly well balanced split

 Running time of Quicksort when levels alternate between good and bad splits is O(nlqn)



Sorting Challenge 1

Problem: Sort a file of huge records with tiny keys Example application: Reorganize your MP-3 files

Which method to use?

- A. merge sort, guaranteed to run in time $\sim NIgN$
- B. selection sort
- C. bubble sort
- D. a custom algorithm for huge records/tiny keys
- E. insertion sort



Sorting Files with Huge Records and Small Keys

- Insertion sort or bubble sort?
 - NO, too many exchanges
- Selection sort?
 - YES, it takes linear time for exchanges –O(n)
- Merge sort or custom method?
 - Probably not: selection sort simpler, does less swaps



Sorting Challenge 2

Problem: Sort a huge randomly-ordered file of small records

Application: Process transaction record for a phone company

Which sorting method to use?

- A. Bubble sort
- B. Selection sort
- C. Mergesort guaranteed to run in time $\sim NIgN$
- D. Insertion sort



Sorting Huge, Randomly - Ordered Files

- Selection sort?
 - NO, always takes quadratic time
- Bubble sort?
 - NO, quadratic time for randomly-ordered keys
- Insertion sort?
 - NO, quadratic time for randomly-ordered keys
- Mergesort?
 - YES, it is designed for this problem



Sorting Challenge 3

Problem: sort a file that is already almost in order Applications:

- Re-sort a huge database after a few changes
- Doublecheck that someone else sorted a file

Which sorting method to use?

- A. Mergesort, guaranteed to run in time $\sim NIgN$
- B. Selection sort
- C. Bubble sort
- D. A custom algorithm for almost in-order files
- E. Insertion sort



Sorting Files That are Almost in Order

- Selection sort?
 - NO, always takes quadratic time
- Bubble sort?
 - NO, bad for some definitions of "almost in order"
 - Ex: BCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZA
- Insertion sort?
 - YES, takes linear time for most definitions of "almost in order"
- Mergesort or custom method?
 - Probably not: insertion sort simpler and faster



 Problem: Find Minimum and Maximum number from the given list.

Example

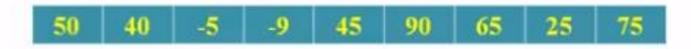


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 Problem: Find Minimum and Maximum number from the given list.

Example



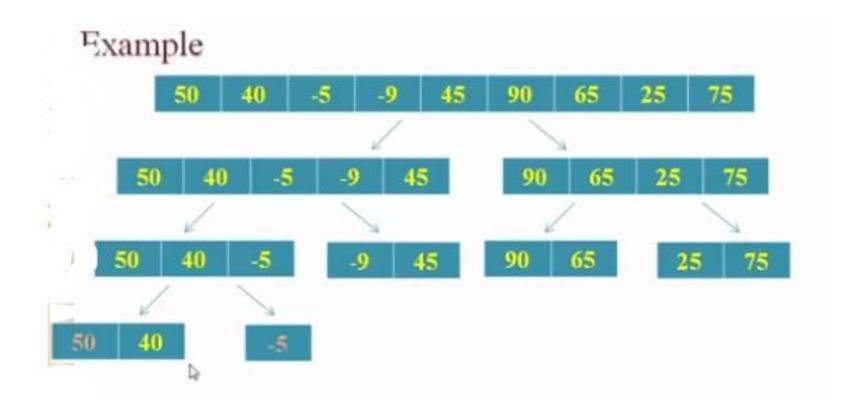
n-1 comparisons to find min value

n-1 comparisons to find max value

So 2n-2 comparisons in Classes method.

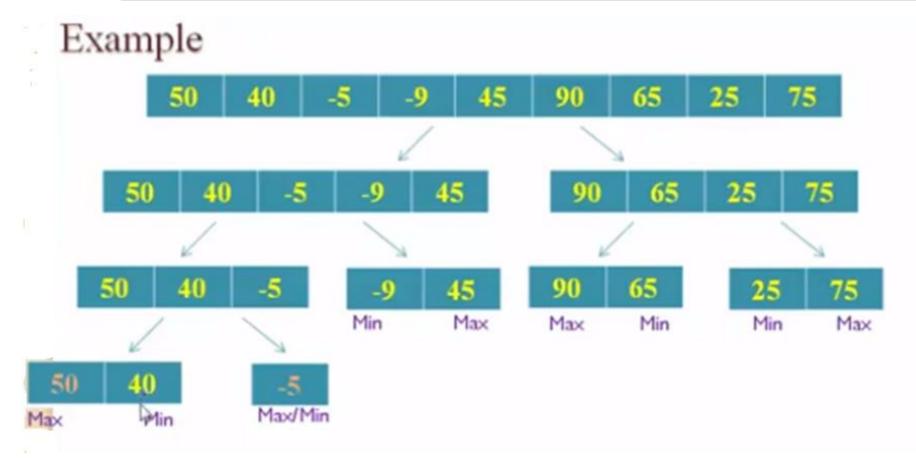
To reduce number of comparisons we can use **Divide** and Conquer strategy.





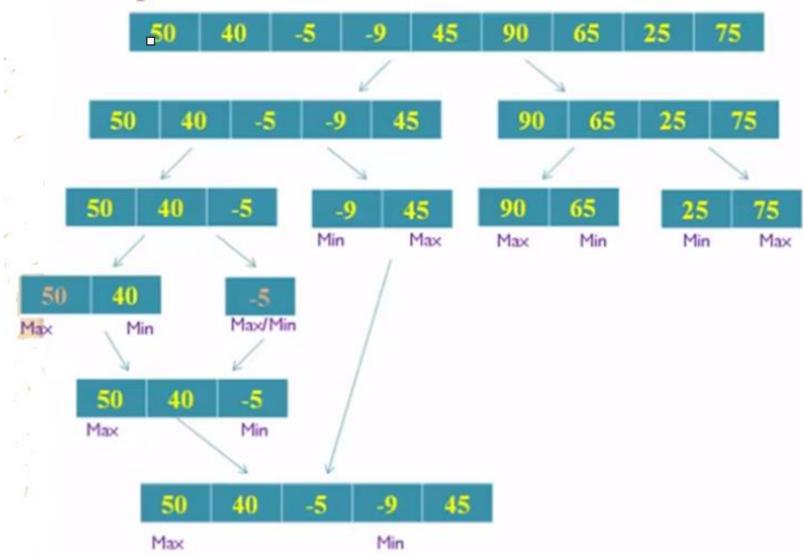
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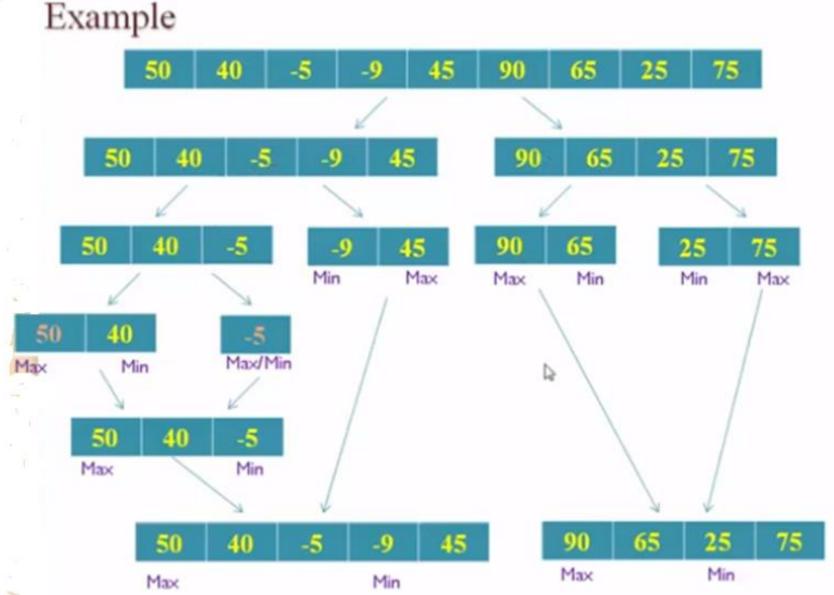




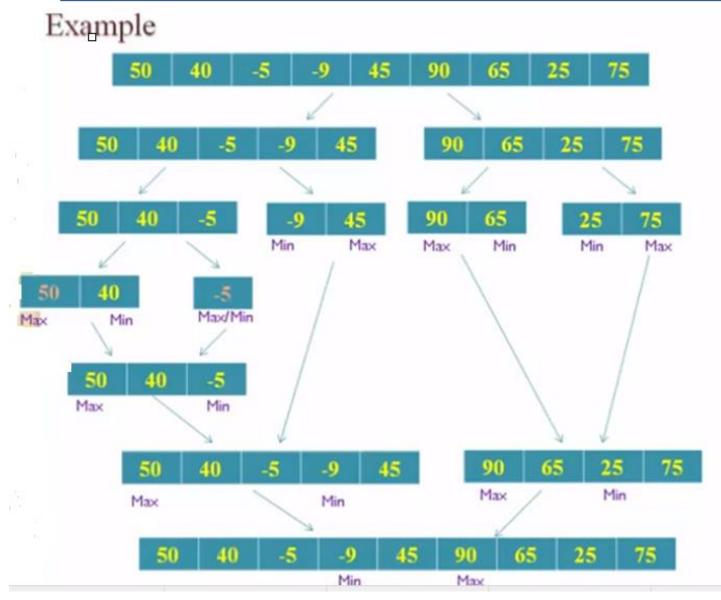














Min Max algorithm

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Algorithm Max Min(i
    ,j,max,min)
            if(i == j)
                           \max \leftarrow A[i]
                           \min \leftarrow A[j]
             else if (i = j - 1) then
                  if (A[i] < A[j]) then
                          \max \leftarrow A[j]
                           min \leftarrow A[i]
               else
                          \max \leftarrow A[i]
                           \min \leftarrow A[j]
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else
 mid \leftarrow (i+j)/2
  Max Min(i, mid, max, min)
  Max Min(mid+1, j, max new, min new)
  if (max < max new) then
        max ← max new
  if (min > min_new) then
        min ← min new
```

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Analysis of MaxMin Algorithm

In analyzing the time complexity of this algorithm, concentrate on the number of element comparisons.

- If only one element is present in given list then no comparison required. T(n)= 0n=1
- If there are two elements in given list then we require one comparison. T(n)= 1n=2
- If there are more than two elements in given list then we require to implement given algorithm and it takes



Analysis of MaxMin Algorithm

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

$$= 2[2T(n/4)+2]+2$$

$$= 4T(n/4)+4+2$$

$$= 4[2T(n/8)+2]+4+2$$

$$= 8T(n/8)+8+4+2$$
assume here k=4 and n=2^k

$$= 2^{4-1}T(2^4/2^3) + 2^3+2^2+2^1$$

$$= 2^{k-1}T(2) + \sum_{1 \le i \le k-1} 2^i$$



Finding minimum and maximum algorithms

Analysis of MaxMin Algorithm

$$T(n) = 2^{k-1}T(2) + \sum_{1 \le i \le k-1} 2^{i}$$

$$= 2^{k-1} + 2^{k} - 2 \qquadT(2) = 1$$

$$= (2^{k}/2) + 2^{k} - 2$$

$$= (n/2) + n - 2 \qquadn = 2^{k}$$

$$T(n) = (3n/2) - 2$$

Time Complexity for MaxMin Algorithm using Divide & Conquer Method is (3n/2)-2



Analysis of Binary search.

- Problem Statement: Binary search can be performed on a sorted array. In this approach, the index of an element \mathbf{x} is determined if the element belongs to the list of elements. If the array is unsorted, linear search is used to determine the position.
- Solution: In this algorithm, we want to find whether element x belongs to a set of numbers stored in an array numbers[]. Where I and r represent the left and right index of a sub-array in which searching operation should be performed.

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Algorithm: Binary-Search(numbers[], x, I, r)
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if I = r then
    return I
else

m := [(I + r) / 2]
    if x ≤ numbers[m] then
       return Binary-Search(numbers[], x, I, m)
    else
       return Binary-Search(numbers[], x, m+1, r)
```

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Analysis of Binary search.

Analysis

Linear search runs in *O(n)* time. Whereas binary search produces the result in *O(log n)* time Let **T(n)** be the number of comparisons in worst-case in an array of **n** elements. Hence,

$$T(n) = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} 0 & if \ n=1 \ T(rac{n}{2})+1 & otherwise \end{array}
ight.$$

Using this recurrence relation $T(n) = log \, n$.

Therefore, binary search uses $O(\log n)$ time.

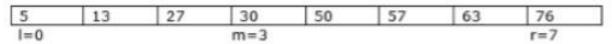


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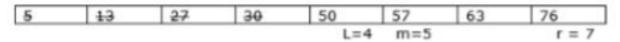
Example

In this example, we are going to search element 63.

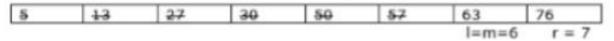
First m is determined and the element at index m is compared to x.



As x > numbers[3], the element may reside in numbers[4...7]. Hence, the first half is discarded and the values of I, m and r are updated as shown below.



Now the element x needs to be searched in numbers[4...7]. As x > numbers[5], new values of I, m and r are updated in a similar way.



Now, comparing x with numbers[6], we get the match. Hence, the position of x = 63 have been determined.