
Sorting Algorithms

The Sorting Problem

- **Input:**

- A sequence of **n** numbers a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n

- **Output:**

- A permutation (reordering) $\mathbf{a_1'}, a_2', \dots, a_n'}$ of input sequence such that $\mathbf{a_1' \leq a_2' \leq \dots \leq a_n'}$

Some Definitions

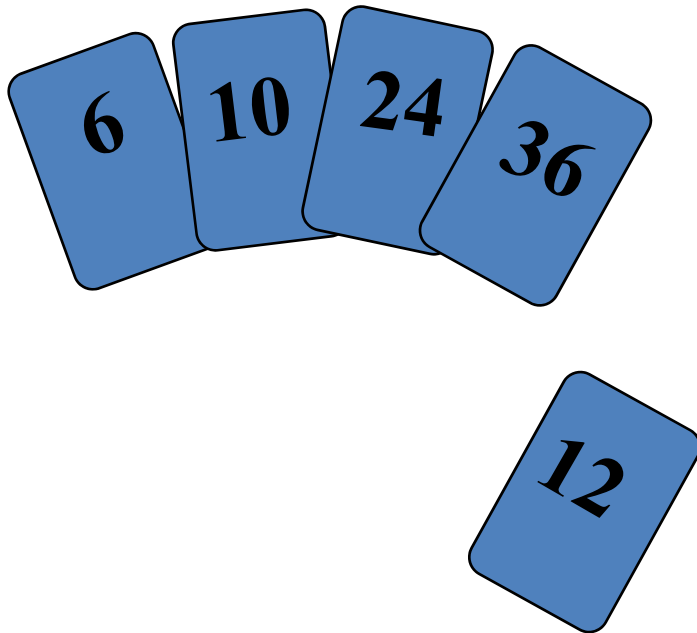
- **Internal Sort**
 - The data to be sorted is all stored in the computer's **main memory**.
- **External Sort**
 - Some of the data to be sorted might be stored in some **external, slower, device**.
- **In Place Sort**
 - The amount of **extra space** required to sort the data is **constant with the input size**.

Insertion Sort

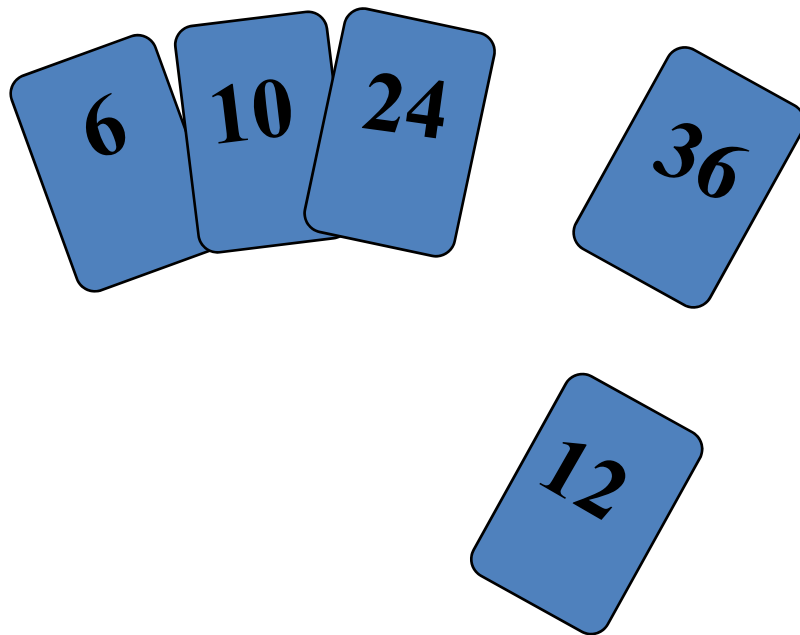
- **Idea: sorting a hand of playing cards**
 - Start with an **empty left hand** and the cards facing down on the table.
 - Remove **one card at a time** from the table, and insert it into the **correct position** in the left hand
 - **compare** it with each of the cards already in the hand, **from right to left**
 - The cards held in the left hand are sorted

Insertion Sort

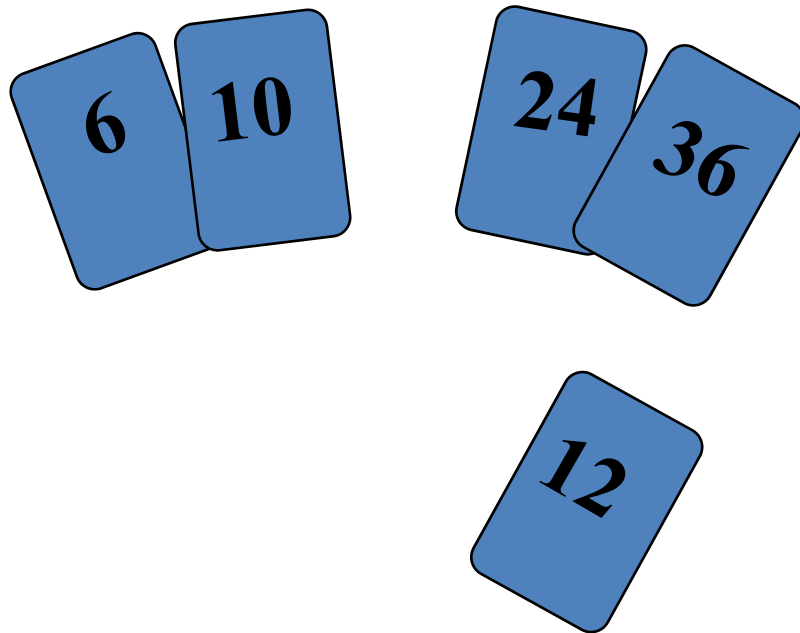
To insert 12, we need to make room for it by moving first 36 and then 24.



Insertion Sort



Insertion Sort



Insertion Sort

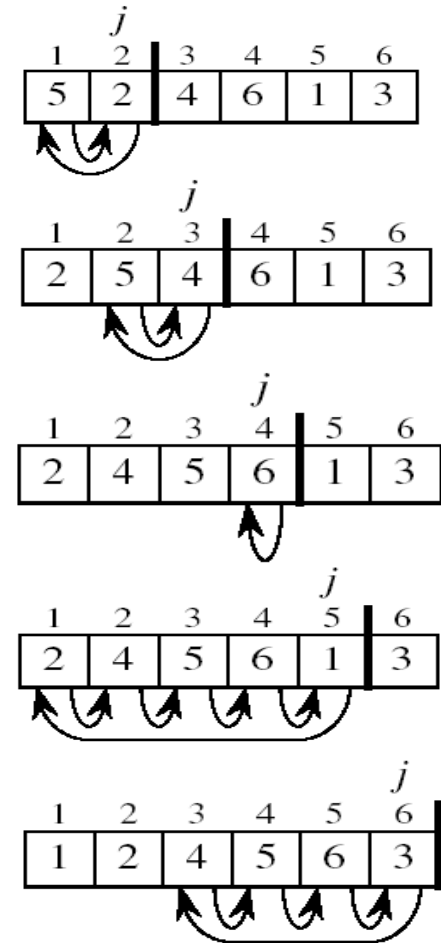
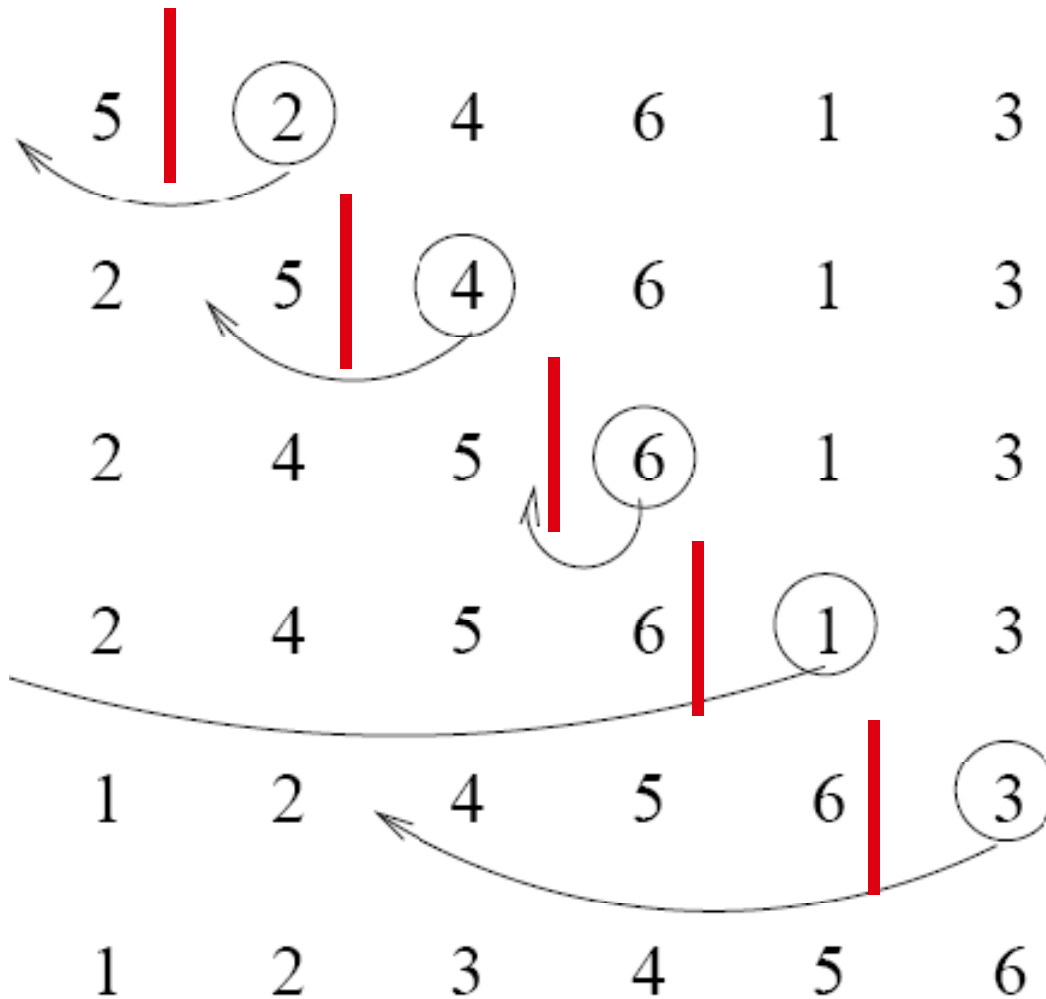
*Sorts the elements
in place*

```
void insertionsort( int x[], int n )  
{  
    int temp, k, i;  
    for( j = 2; j <= n; j ++)  
    {  
        temp = x[j];  
        for( i = j-1; i >= 1 && temp < x[i]; i--)  
            x[i+1]=x[i];  
        x[i+1]=temp;  
    }  
}
```

*temp holds the value to be inserted
in the sorted array x [1..j-1]*

*Shift the elements larger
than temp to the right*

Insertion Sort



Insertion Sort

- **Best case**

- Array is already sorted
- Outer loop executes $n-1$ times
- Complexity $T(n) = \mathbf{O(n)}$

- **Worst case**

- Array is in reverse order
- $T(n) = 1 + 2 + \dots + (n-1) = \mathbf{O(n^2)}$

Insertion Sort

- **Average case**

- The probability that k^{th} insertion requiring 1, 2, .., k number of comparisons is same = $1/k$.
- The expected number of comparisons for k^{th} insertion = $1/k + 2/k + \dots + k/k = (k+1)/2$

$$T(n) = 2/2 + 3/2 + 4/2 + \dots + n/2 \\ = O(n^2)$$

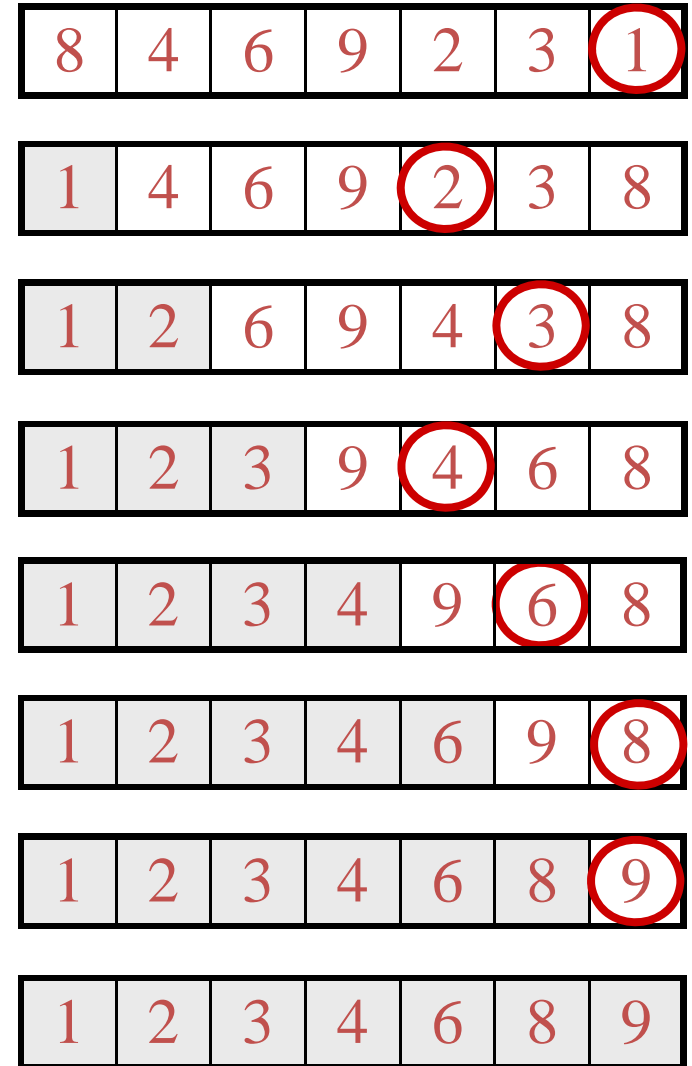
Selection Sort

- **Idea:**

- Find the **smallest** element in the array
- **Swap** it with the element in the **first position**
- Find the **second smallest** element and **swap** it with the element in the **second position**
- Continue until the array is sorted

Selection Sort

```
void selectionsort ( int a [], int n )
{
    int i, j, index;
    for ( i = 0; i < n ; i ++ )
    {
        index=i;
        for ( j = i +1 ; j < n ; j++)
        {
            if ( a[j] < a[index] )
                index = j;
        }
        swap ( &a[i] , &a[index] );
    }
}
```



Selection Sort

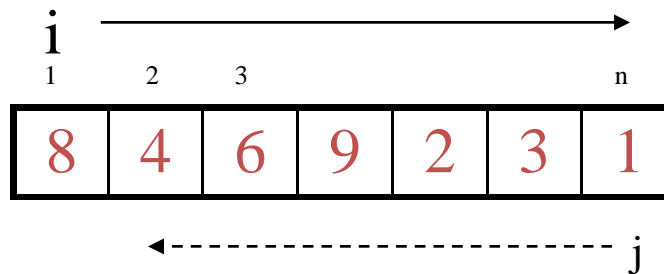
- Irrespective of the order of the element, you have to find out the minimum element in every iteration.
- Number of comparisons required to find out the minimum element in i^{th} iteration is $n-i$.

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 3 + 2 + 1 \\ &= O(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

Bubble Sort

- **Idea:**

- Repeatedly pass through the array
- Swaps adjacent elements that are out of order



Bubble Sort

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|

$i = 1$ ←----- j

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
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$i = 1$ j

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| 1 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 2 | 3 |
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$i = 2$ j

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 3 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|

$i = 3$ j

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 9 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|

$i = 4$ j

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 9 |
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$i = 5$ j

| | | | | | | |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 9 |
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$i = 6$ j

| | | | | | | |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 9 |
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$i = 7$

j

Bubble Sort

```
Void bubblesort (int a [], int n)
{
    int i, j;
    for ( i = 1; i <= n; i++)
        for ( j = n; j > i; j --)
            if (a [j] < a [j-1])
                swap (&a [j], &a [j-1]);
}
```

Complexity = $O(n^2)$

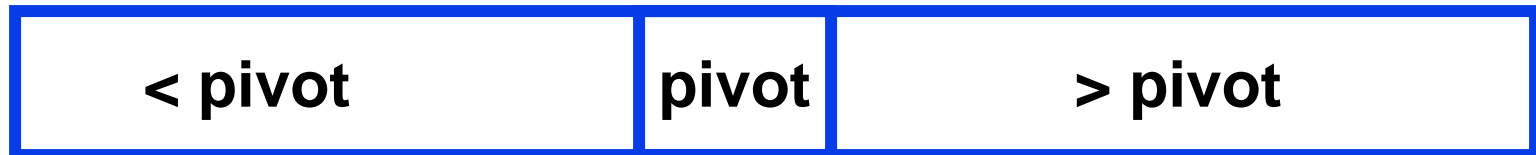
Quick Sort

- Example of **Divide and Conquer** algorithm
- **Two phases**
 - Partition phase
 - **Divides** the work into half
 - Sort phase
 - **Conquers** the halves!

Quick Sort

- **Partition**

- Choose a **pivot**
- Find the position for the pivot so that
 - all elements to the **left are less**
 - all elements to the **right are greater**



Quick Sort

- **Conquer**

- Apply the same algorithm to each half



Quick Sort

```
quicksort( void *a, int low, int high )
```

```
{
```

```
    int pivot;
```

```
    if ( high > low )
```

```
    {
```

```
        pivot = partition( a, low, high );
```

Divide

```
        quicksort( a, low, pivot-1 );
```

```
        quicksort( a, pivot+1, high );
```

Conquer

```
    }
```

```
}
```

Quick Sort

```
int partition( int *a, int low, int high )
{
    int left, right, pivot_item;
    pivot_item = a[low];
    left = low + 1;
    right = high;
    while ( left < right )
    {
        while( a[left] < pivot_item ) left++;
        while( a[right] > pivot_item ) right--;
        if ( left < right ) SWAP(a, left, right);
    }
    a[low] = a[right];
    a[right] = pivot_item;
    return right;
}
```

Quick Sort

```
int partition( int *a, int low, int high )
```

```
{
```

```
    int left, right, pivot_item;
```

```
    pivot_item = a[low];
```

```
    left = low + 1;
```

```
    right = high;
```

```
    while ( left < right )
```

```
    {
```

```
        while( a[left] < pivot_item ) left++;
```

```
        while( a[right] > pivot_item ) right--;
```

```
        if
```



```
    }
```

```
    a[low] = a[right];
```

```
    a[right] = pivot_item;
```

```
    return left;
```

```
}
```

Any item will do as the pivot,
choose the leftmost one!

low

high

Quick Sort

```
int partition( int *a, int low, int high )
```

```
{
```

```
    int left, right, pivot_item;
```

```
    pivot_item = a[low];
```

```
    left = low + 1;
```

```
    right = high;
```

```
    while ( left < right )
```

```
    {
```

```
        while ( a[left] < pivot_item ) left++;
```

```
        while ( a[right] > pivot_item ) right--;
```

```
        if ( left < right ) SWAP(a, left, right);
```

```
    }
```

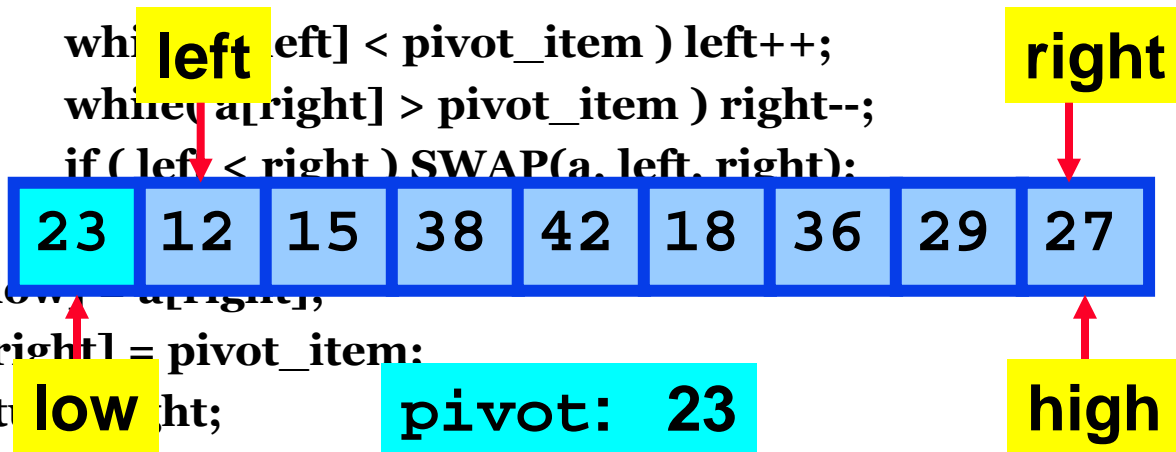
```
    a[low] = a[right];
```

```
    a[right] = pivot_item;
```

```
    return right;
```

```
}
```

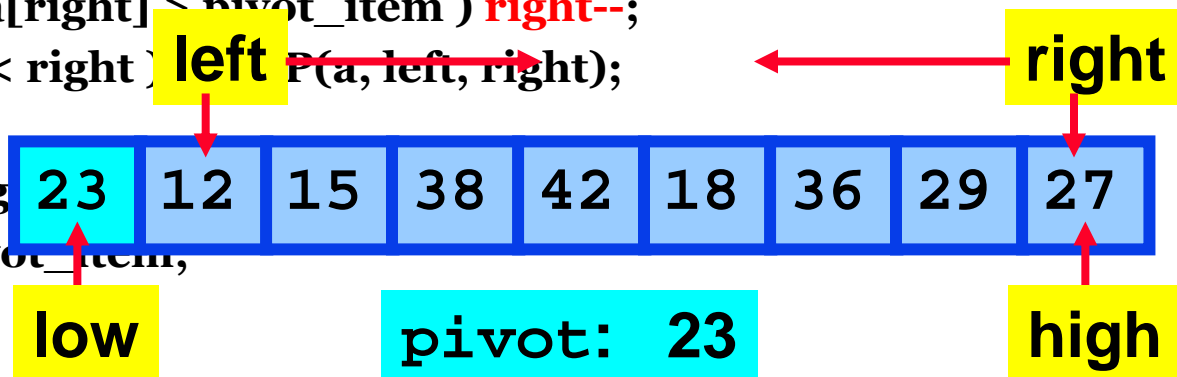
Set left and right markers



Quick Sort

```
int partition( int *a, int low, int high )
{
    int left, right, pivot_item;
    pivot_item = a[low];
    left = low + 1;
    right = high;
    while ( left < right )
    {
        while( a[left] < pivot_item ) left++;
        while( a[right] > pivot_item ) right--;
        if ( left < right ) P(a, left, right);
    }
    a[low] = a[right];
    a[right] = pivot_item;
    return right;
}
```

Move the markers
until they cross over

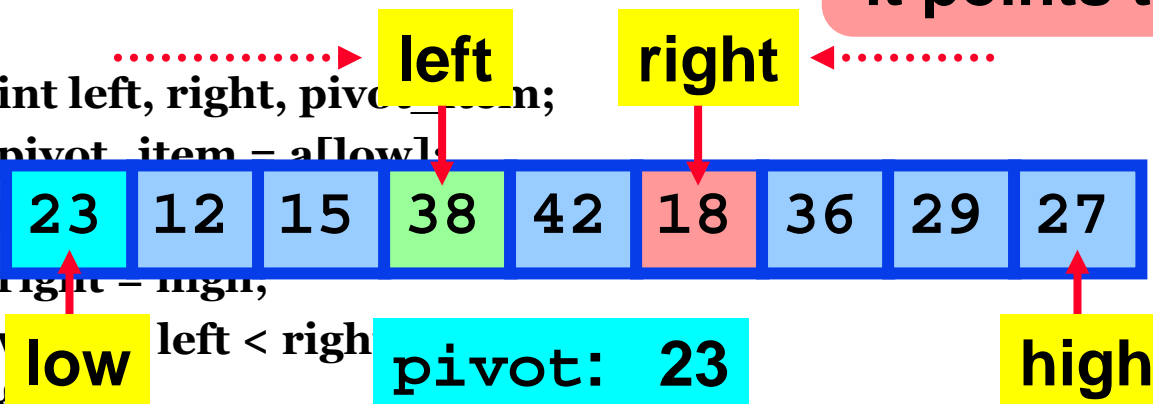


Quick Sort

Move the left pointer while it points to items \leq pivot

Move right similarly

```
int partition( int *a, int low, int high )
{
    .....▶ left      right ◀.....
    int left, right, pivot_item;
    pivot_item = a[low];
    left = low;
    right = high;
    while( left < right )
    {
        while( a[left] < pivot_item ) left++;
        while( a[right] > pivot_item ) right--;
        if ( left < right ) SWAP(a, left, right);
    }
    a[low] = a[right];
    a[right] = pivot_item;
    return right;
}
```



Quick Sort

```
int partition( int *a, int low, int high )  
{
```

```
    int left, right, pivot_item;
```

```
    pivot_item = a[low];
```

```
    left = low + 1;
```

```
    right = high;
```



**Swap the two items
on the wrong side of the pivot**

```
    while( a[left] < pivot_item ) left++;  
    while( a[right] > pivot_item ) right--;  
    if ( left < right ) SWAP(a, left, right);
```

```
}
```

```
    a[low] = a[right];
```

```
    a[right] = pivot_item;
```

```
    return right;
```

```
}
```

Quick Sort

```
int partition( int *a, int low, int high )
{
    int left, right, pivot_item;
    pivot_item = a[low];
    left = low + 1;
    right = high;
    while ( left < right )
    {
        while( a[right] > pivot_item ) right--;
        while( a[left] < pivot_item ) left++;
        if ( left < right )
        {
            swap( a[left], a[right] );
        }
        a[low] = a[right];
        a[right] = pivot_item;
        return right;
    }
}
```

left and right
have swapped over,
so stop



a[low] = a[right];

a[right] = pivot_item;

return right;

Quick Sort

```
int partition( int *a, int low, int high )
```

```
{
```

```
    int left, right, pivot_item;
```

```
    pivot_item = a[low];
```

```
    left = low
```

right

left

```
    right = high;
```



```
    while( a[left] < pivot_item ) left++;
```

```
    while( a[right] > pivot_item ) right--;
```

```
    if ( left < right ) SWAP(a, left, right);
```

```
}
```

```
    a[low] = a[right];
```

```
    a[right] = pivot_item;
```

```
    return right;
```

```
}
```

Finally, swap the pivot
and right

Quick Sort

```
int partition( int *a, int low, int high )
```

```
{
```

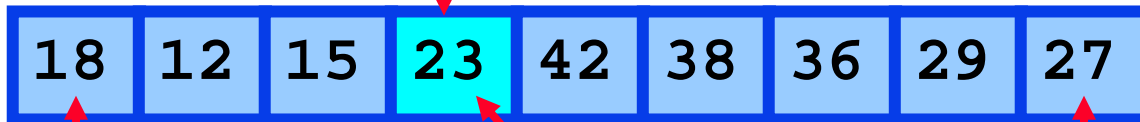
```
    int left, right, pivot_item;
```

```
    pivot_item = a[low];
```

```
    left = low + 1;
```

```
    right = high
```

```
    while ( left < right )
```



```
        while( a[right] > pivot_item ) right--;
```

```
        if ( left < right ) SWAP(a, left, right);
```

low

high

```
    }
```

```
    a[low] = a[right];
```

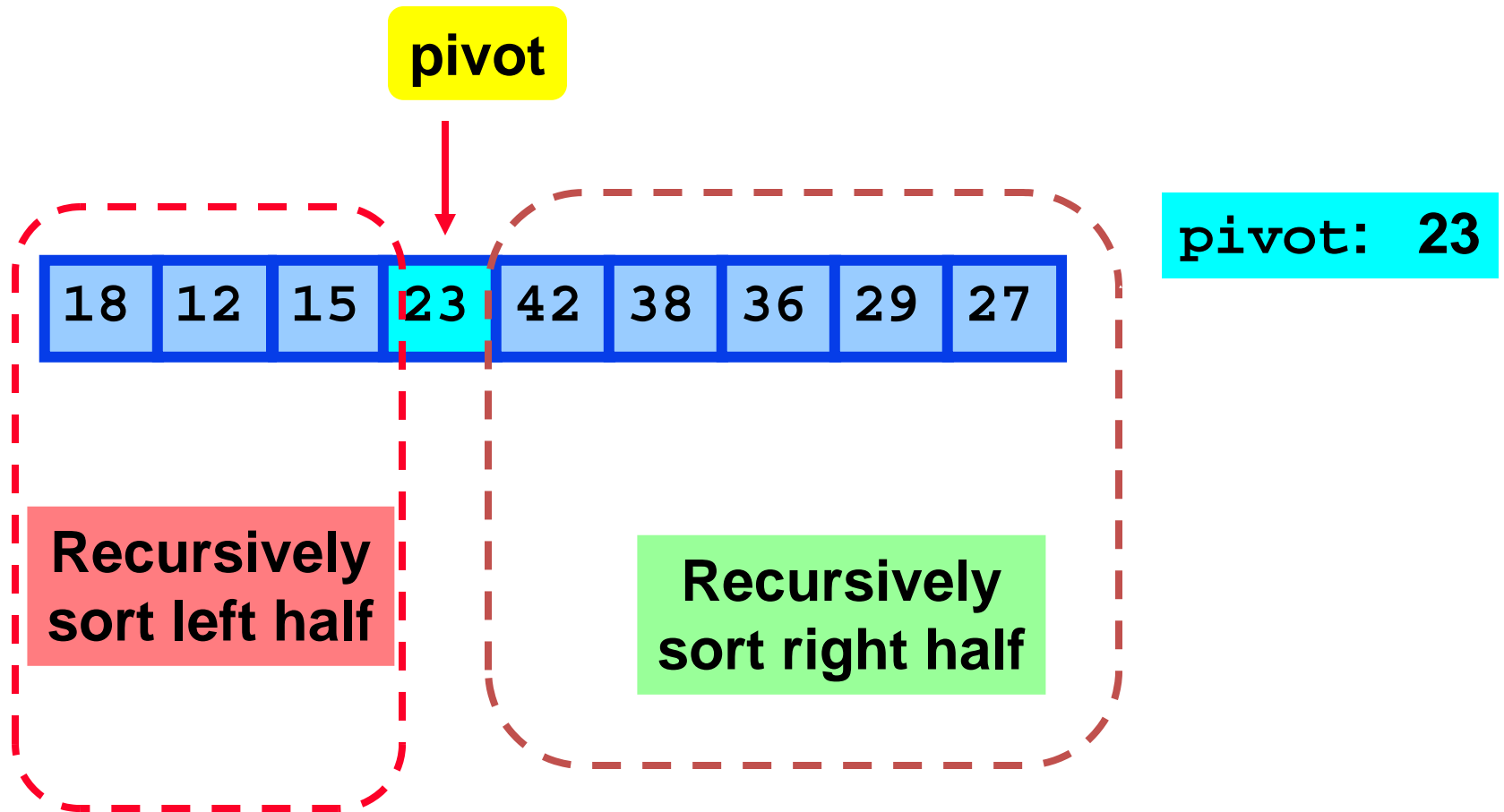
```
    a[right] = pivot_item;
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    return right;
```

```
}
```

Return the position
of the pivot

Quick Sort

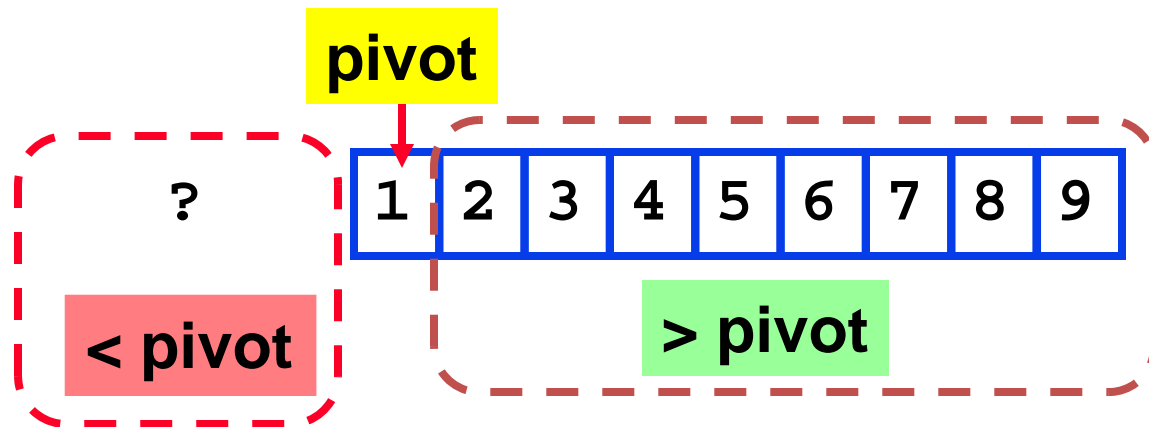


Quick Sort

- **Partition**
 - Check every item once $O(n)$
- **Conquer**
 - Divide data in half $O(\log_2 n)$
- **Total**
 - Product $O(n \log n)$
- *But there's a catch*

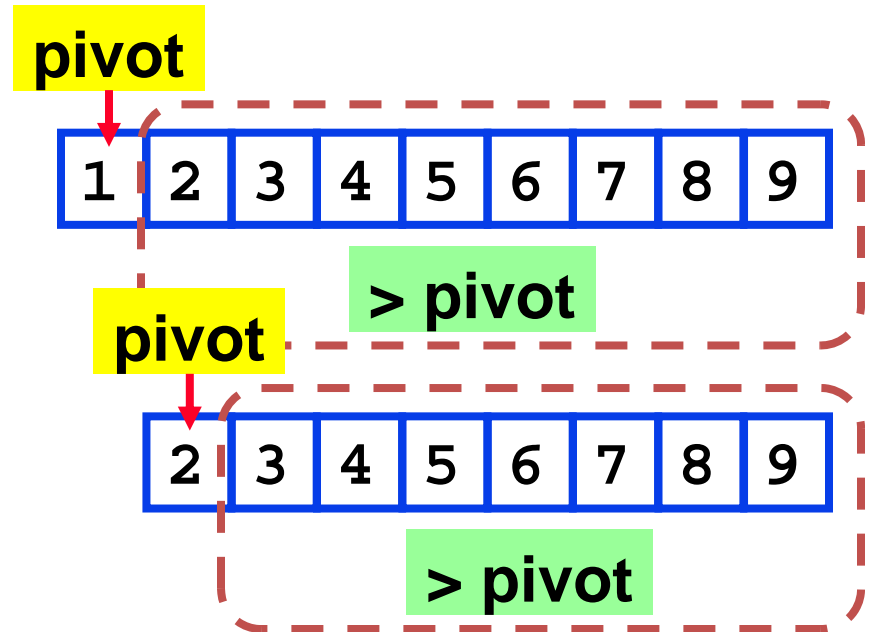
Quick Sort

- What happens if we use quicksort on data that's already sorted
(or nearly sorted)
- ***We'd certainly expect it to perform well!!!!***



Quick Sort

- **Each partition produces**
 - a problem of size 0
 - and one of size $n-1$!
- **Number of partitions?**
 - n each needing time $O(n)$
 - Total $nO(n)$
or $O(n^2)$



? Quicksort is as bad as bubble or insertion sort

Merge Sort

- **To sort an array $A[p \dots r]$:**
 - **Divide**
 - Divide the n -element sequence to be sorted into **two subsequences of $n/2$ elements each**
 - **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

```
void mergesort (int A [], int p, int r)
{
    int q;
    if ( p < r)
    {
        q = ( p + r ) / 2;
        mergesort ( A, p, q);
        mergesort (A, q+1, r);
        merge (A, p, q, r);
    }
}
```

Divide

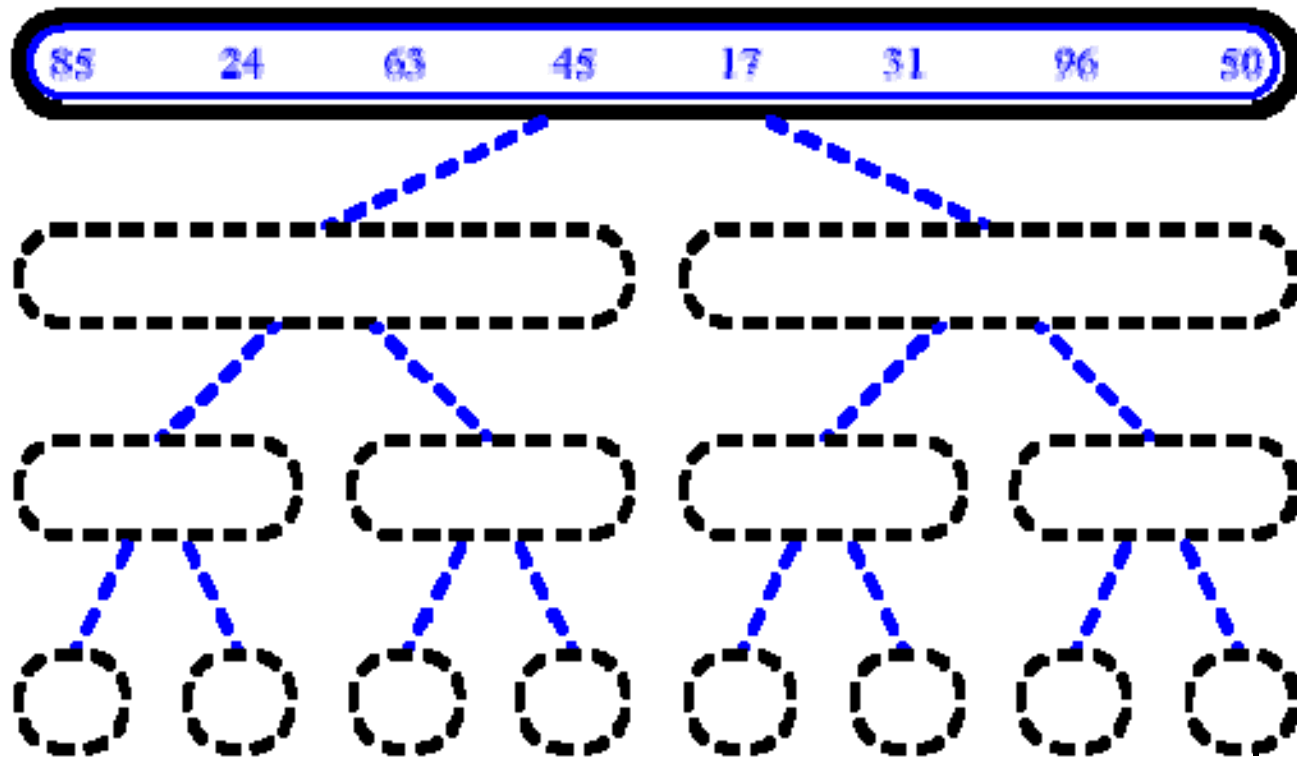
Conquer

Combine

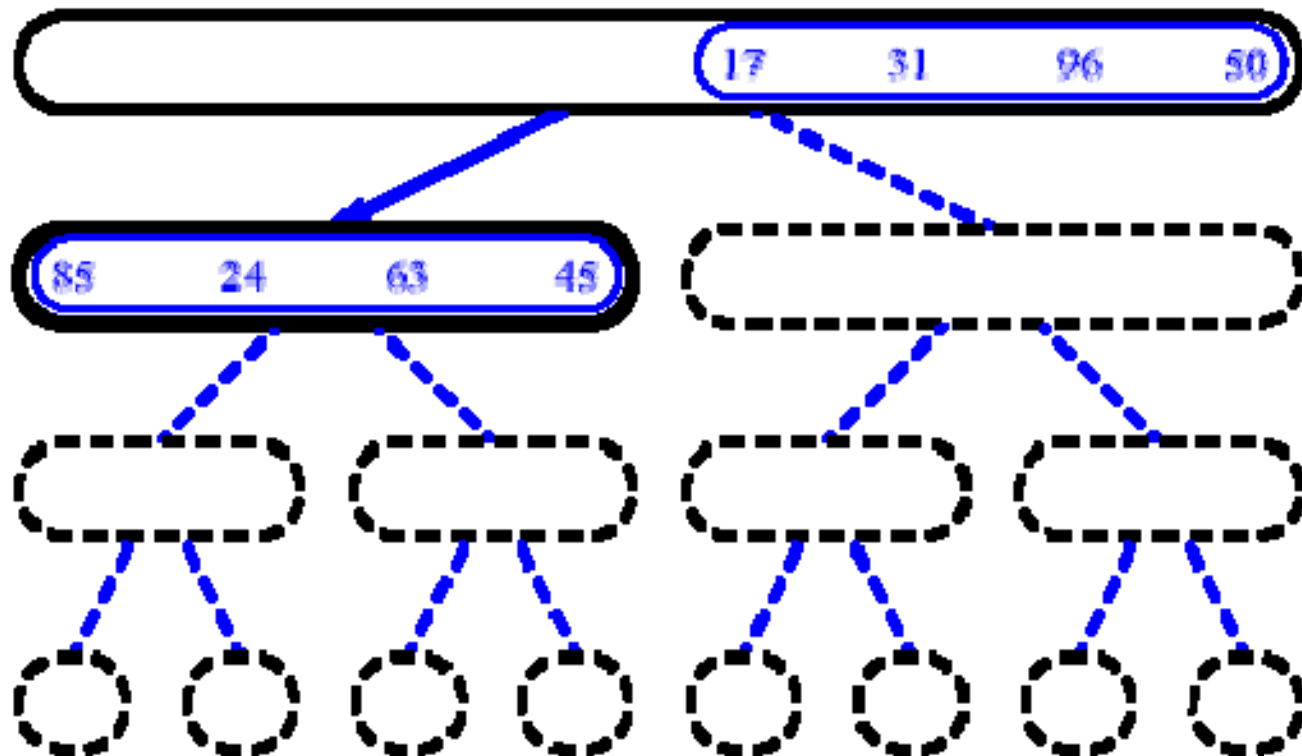
Merge Sort

```
void merge( int A [], int p, int q, int r)
{
    int B [100], i, j, k;
    i = p;    j=q+1;    k = 0;
    while ( i <= q && j <= r)
    {
        if ( A [i] < A [j])
            B [ k ++] = A [ i ++];
        else
            B [ k ++] = A [ j ++];
    }
    while ( i <= q)
        B [ k ++] = A [ i ++];
    while ( j <= r)
        B [ k ++] = A [ j ++];
}
```

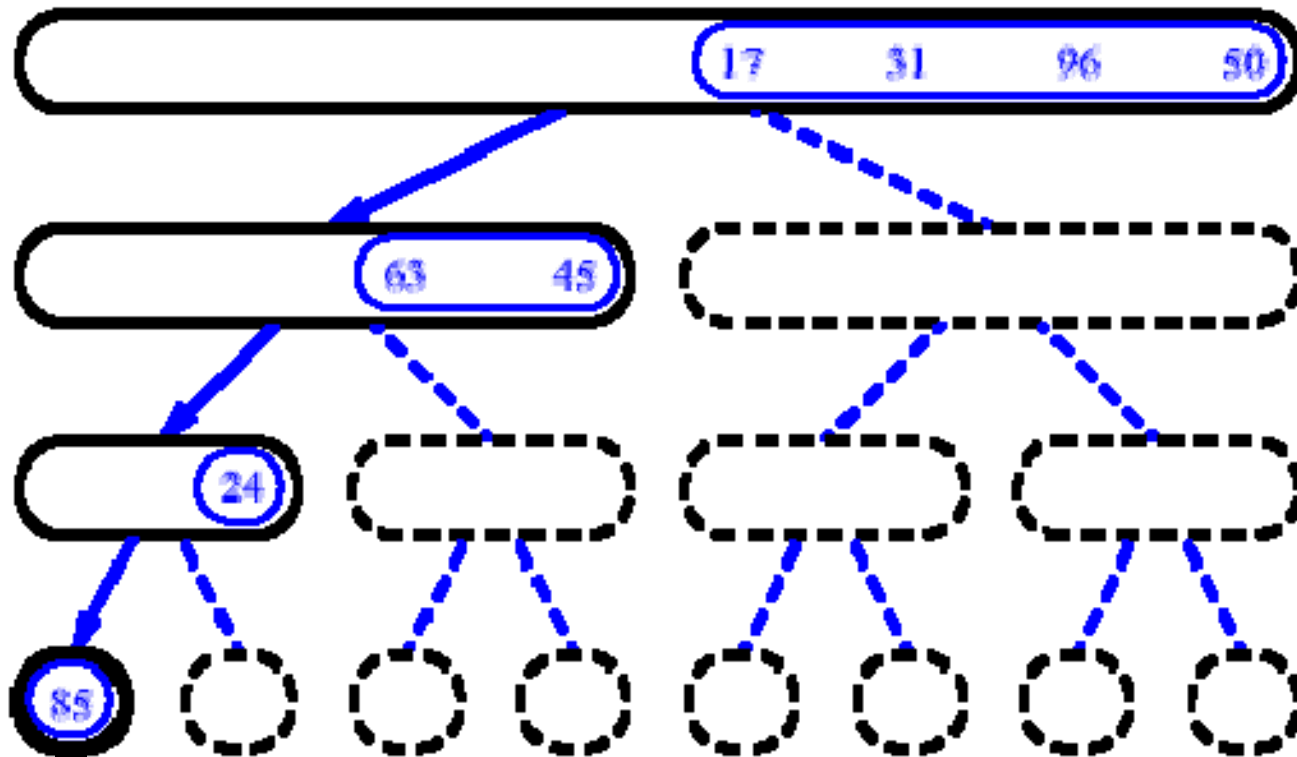
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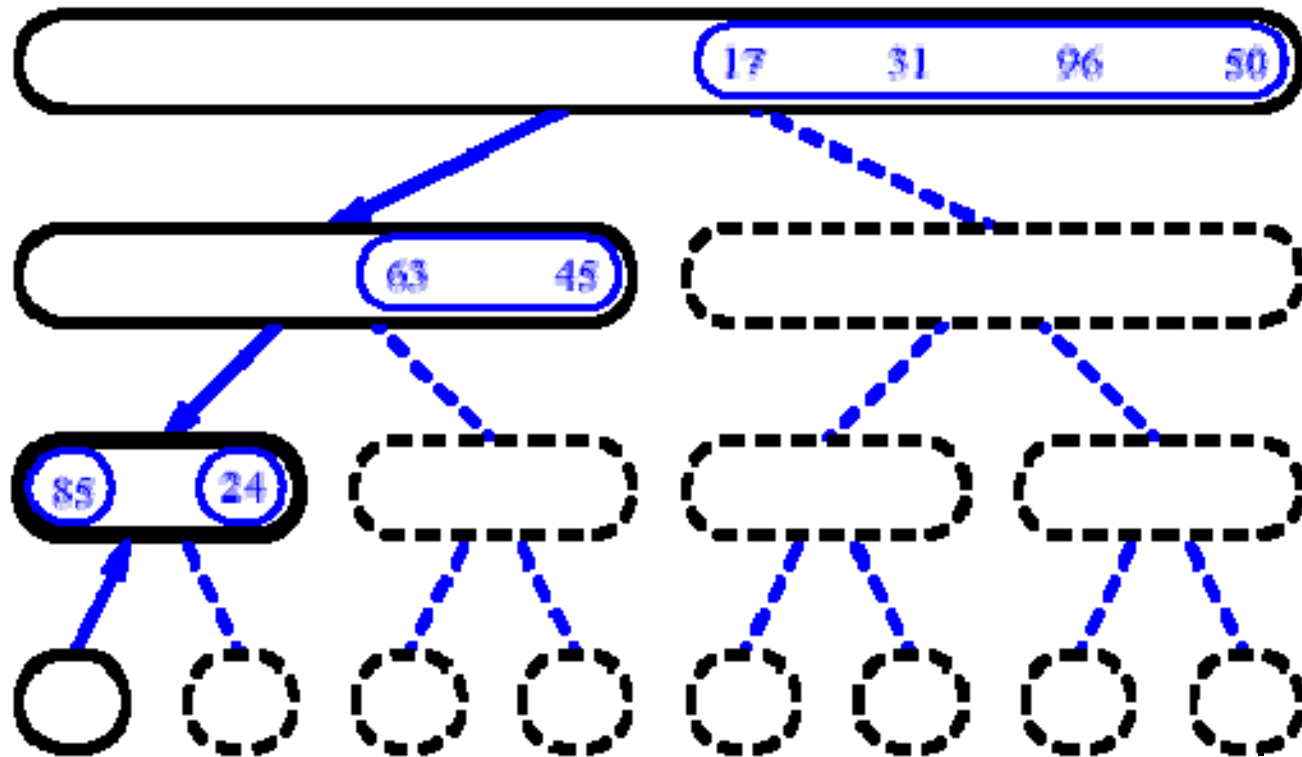
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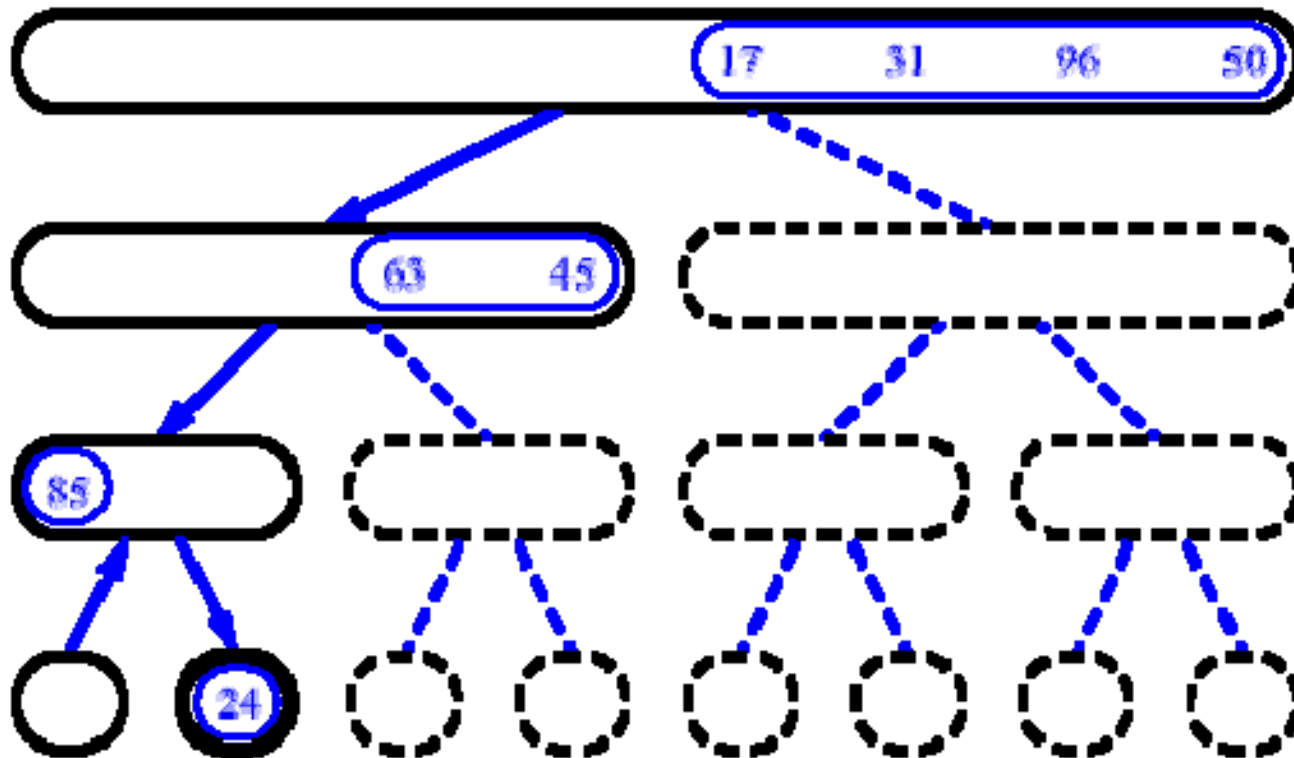
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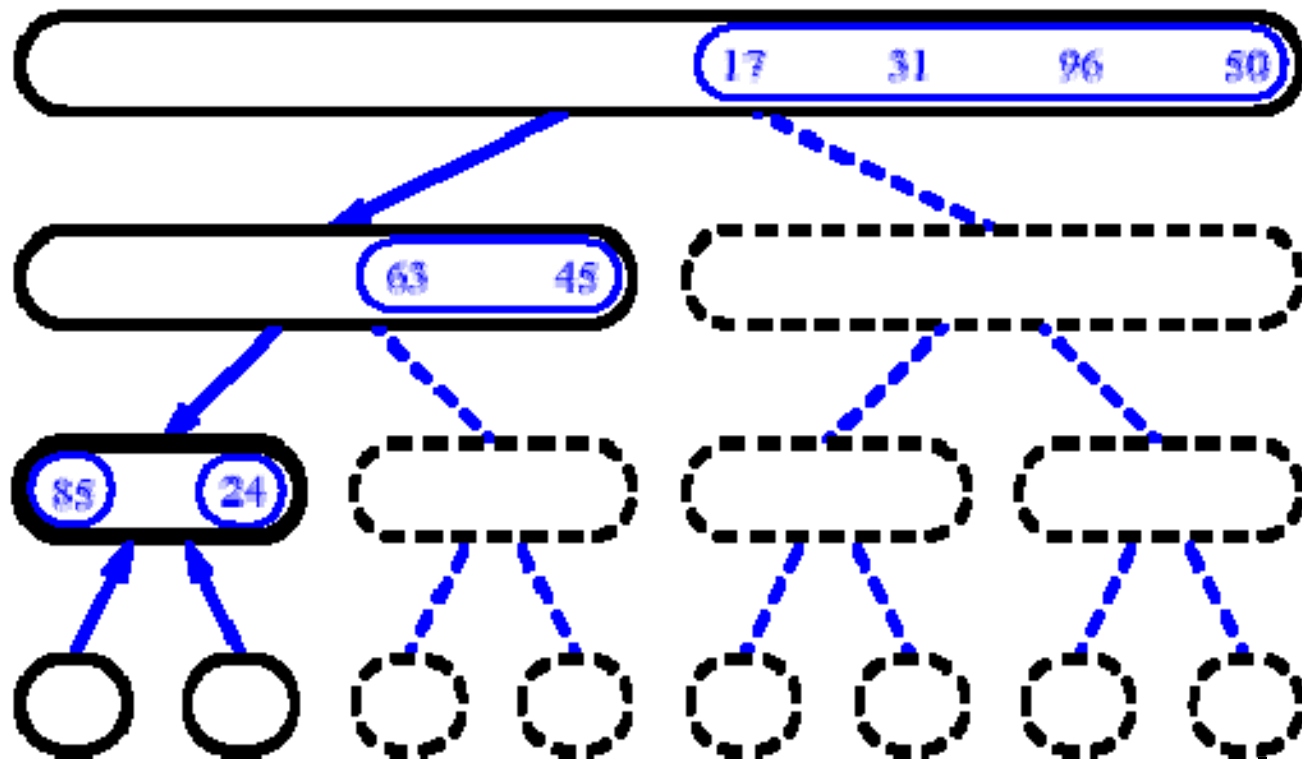
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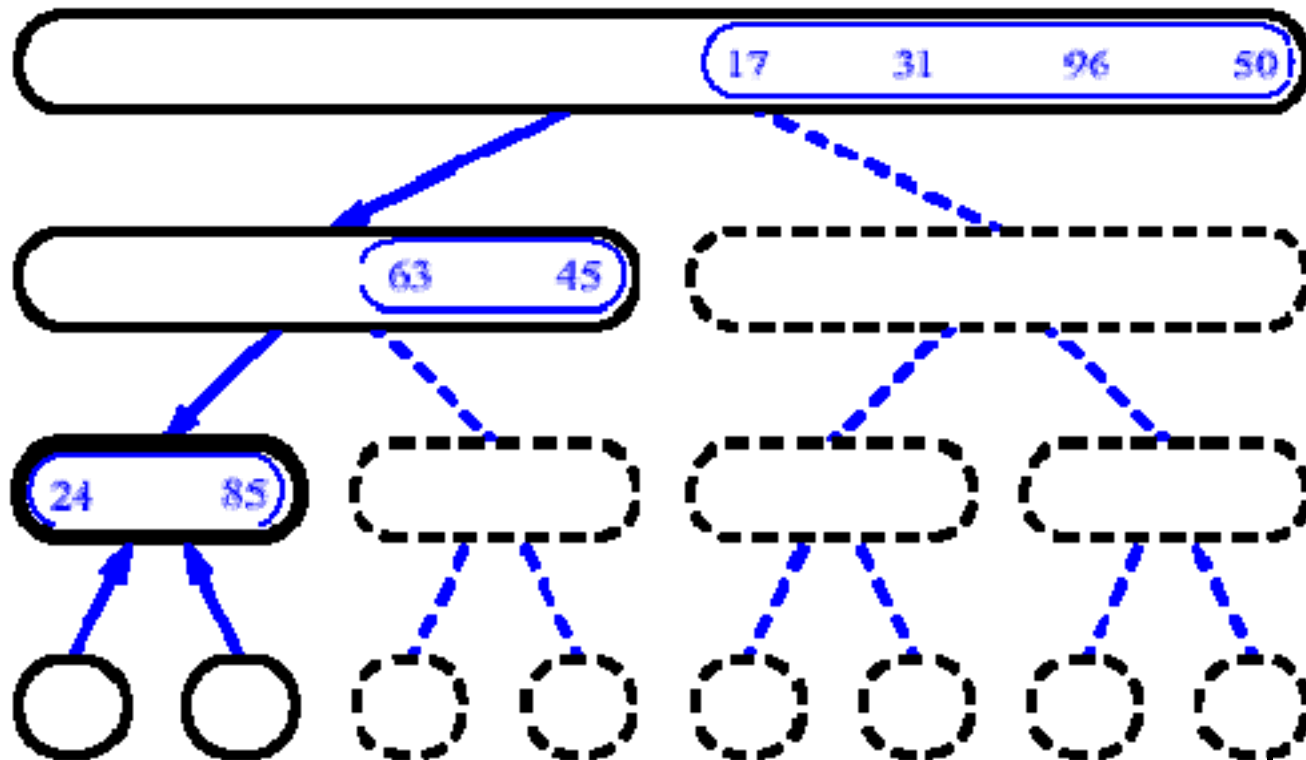
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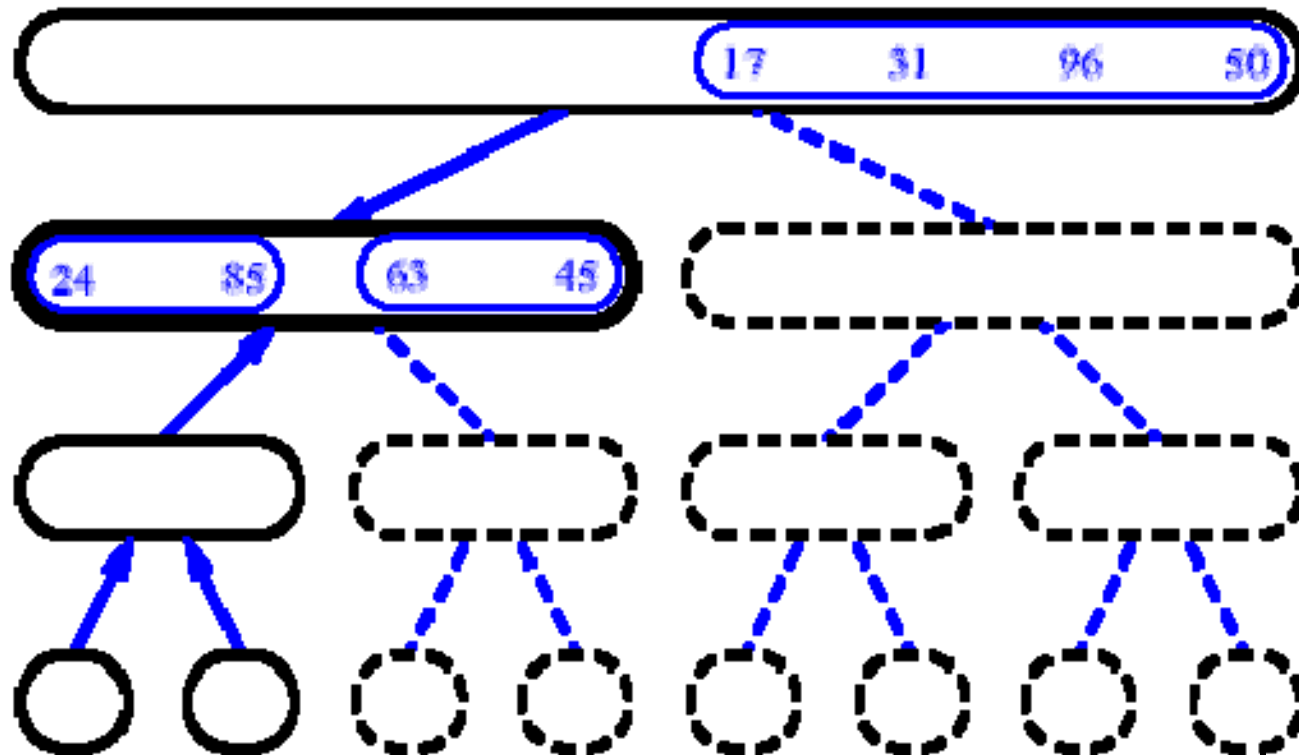
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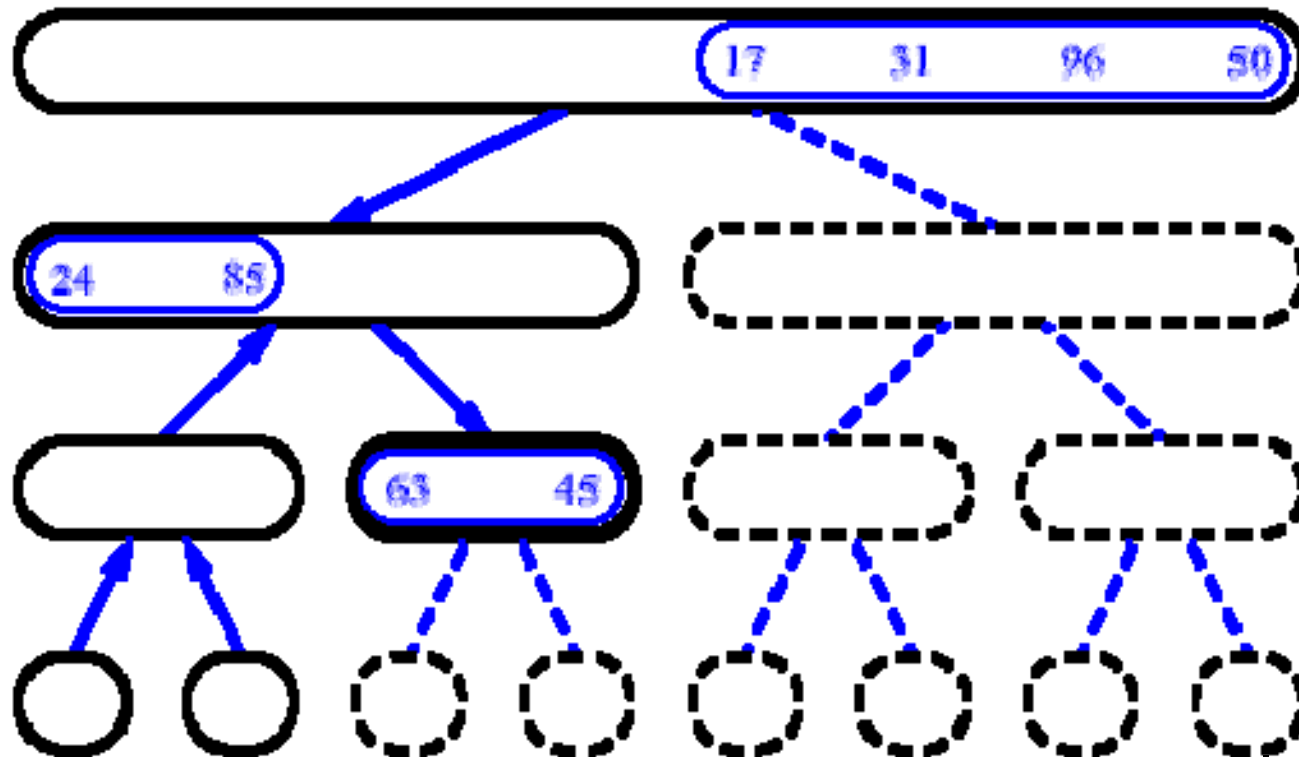
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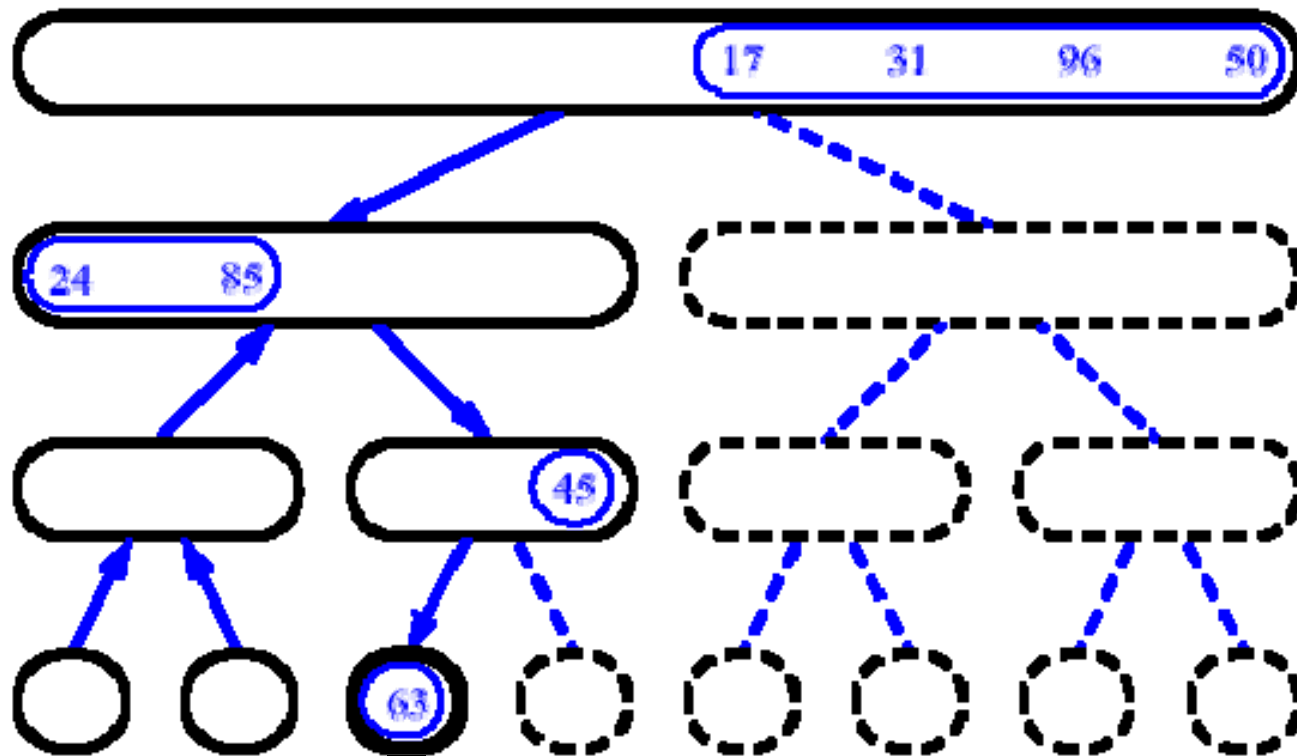
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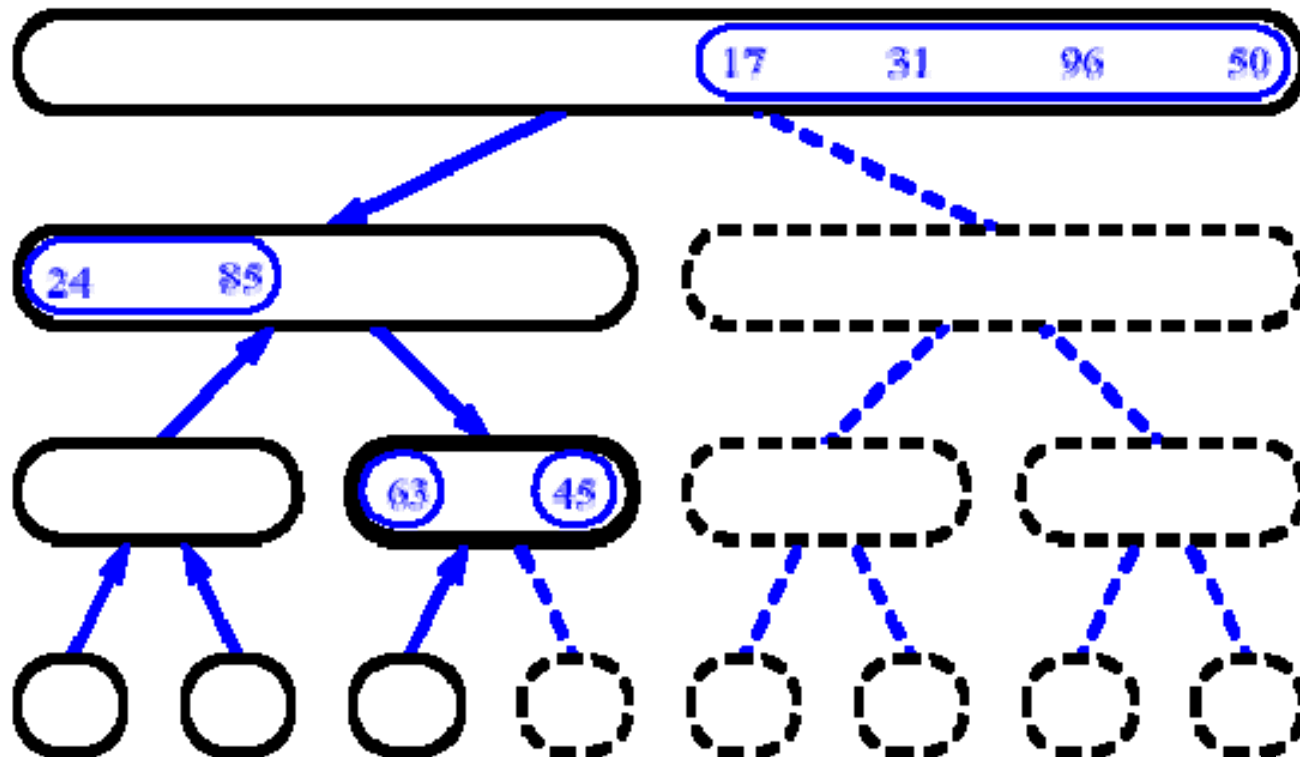
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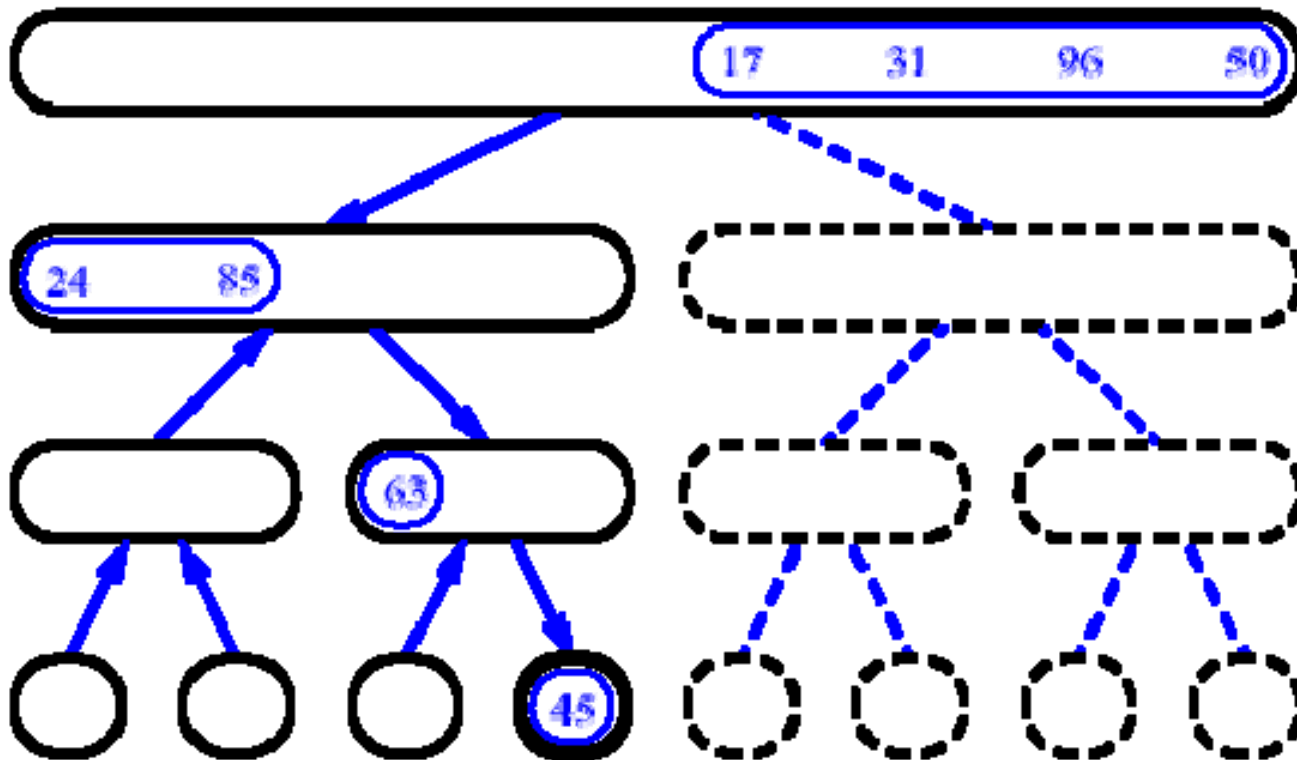
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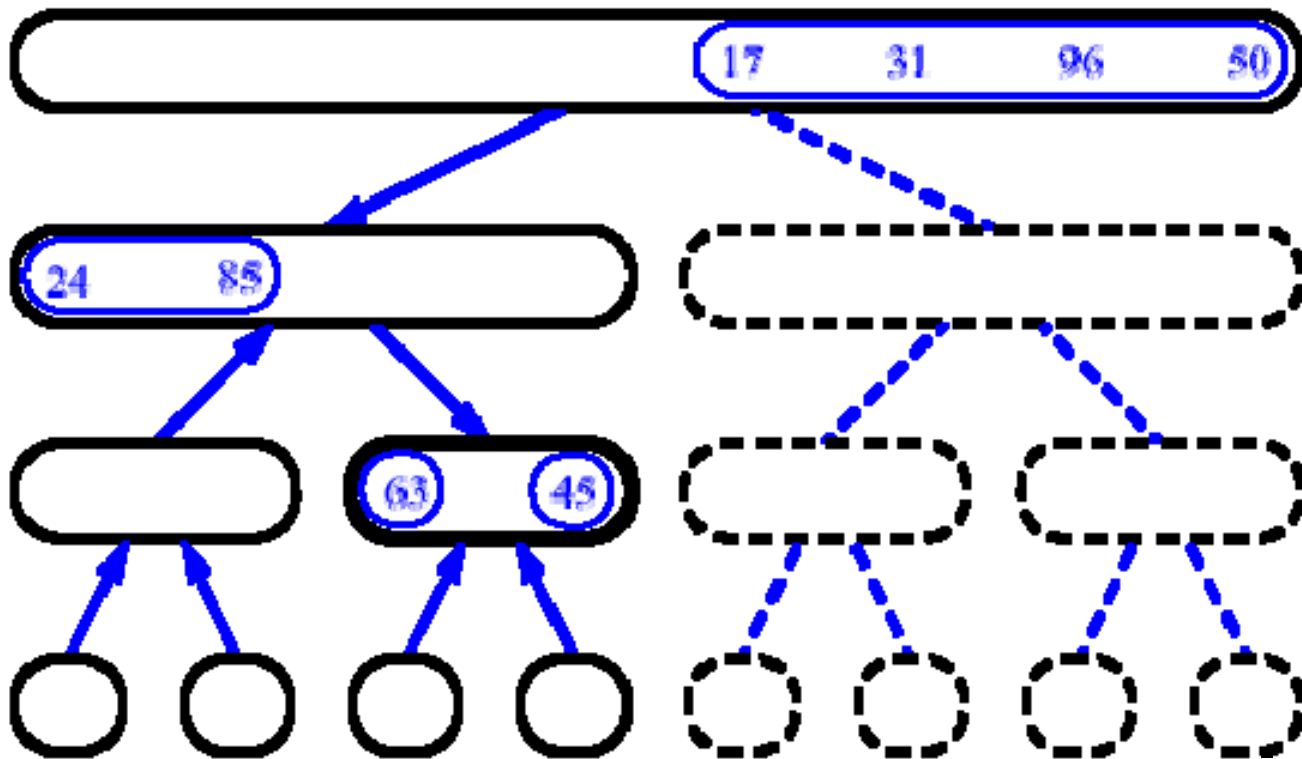
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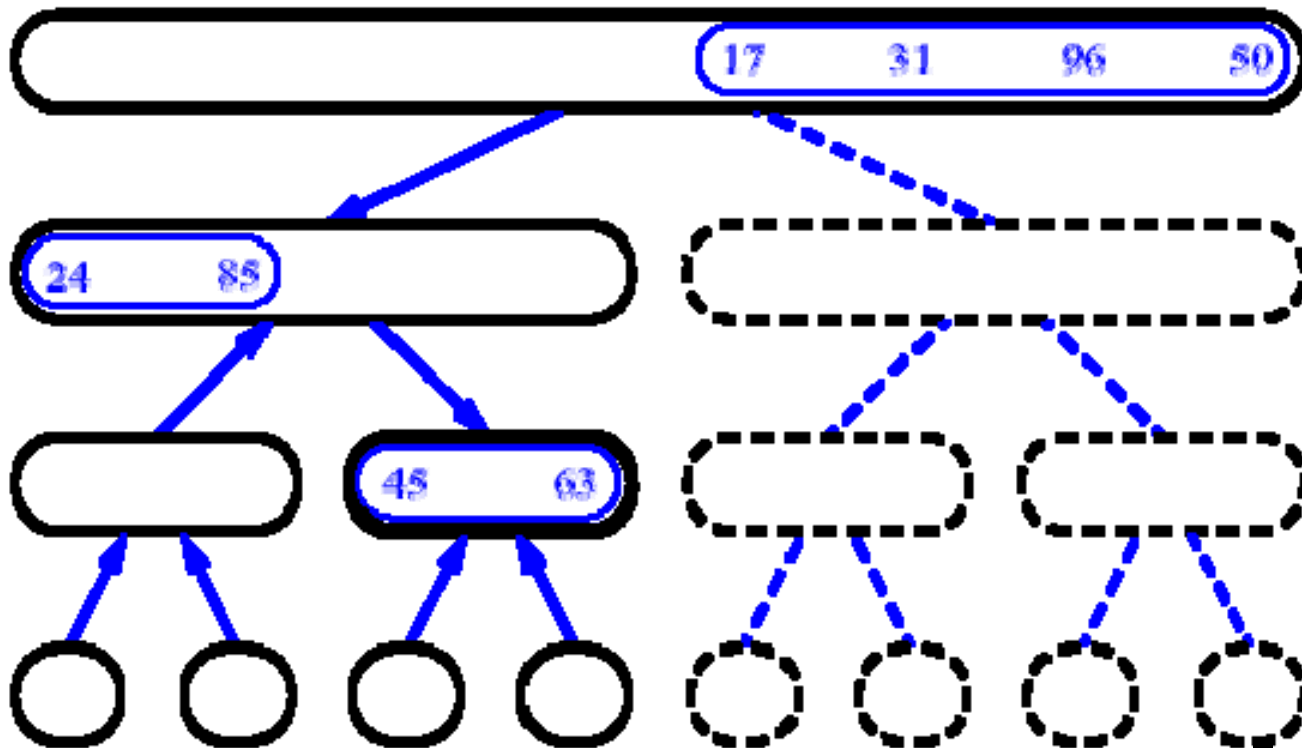
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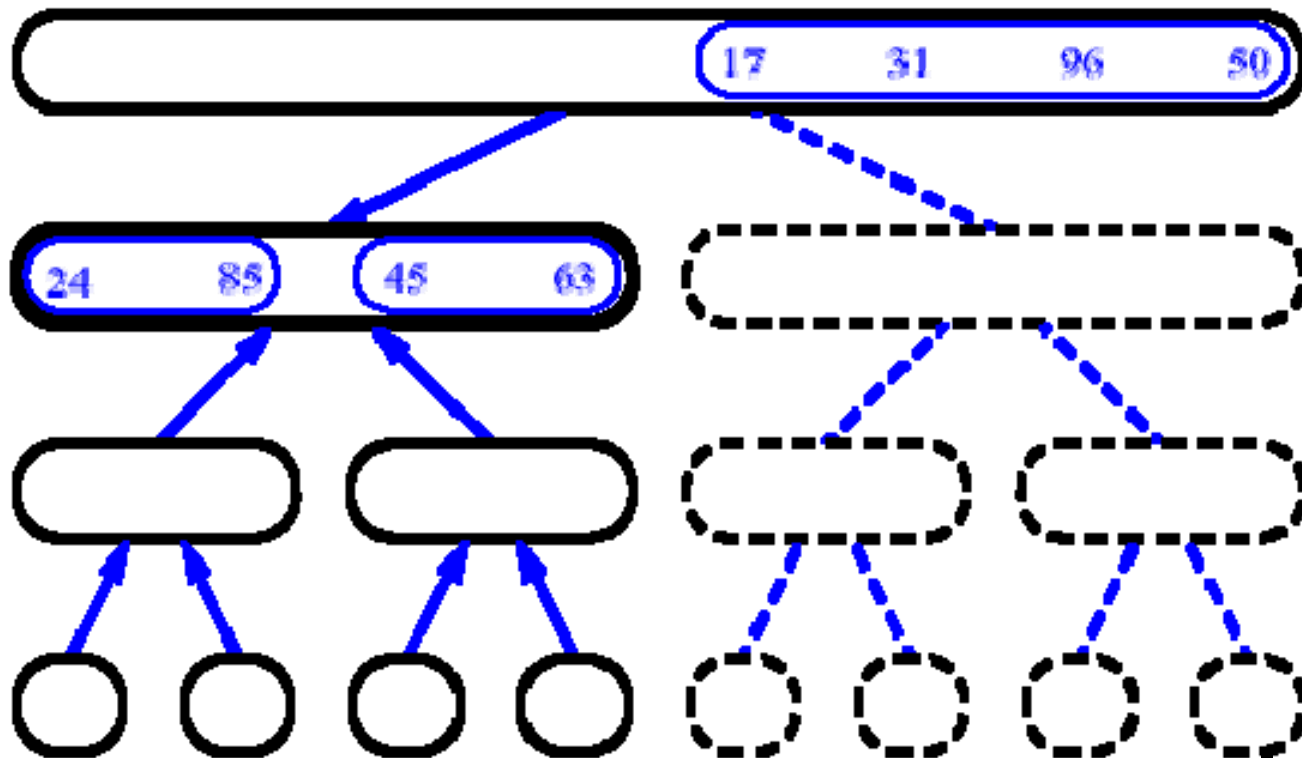
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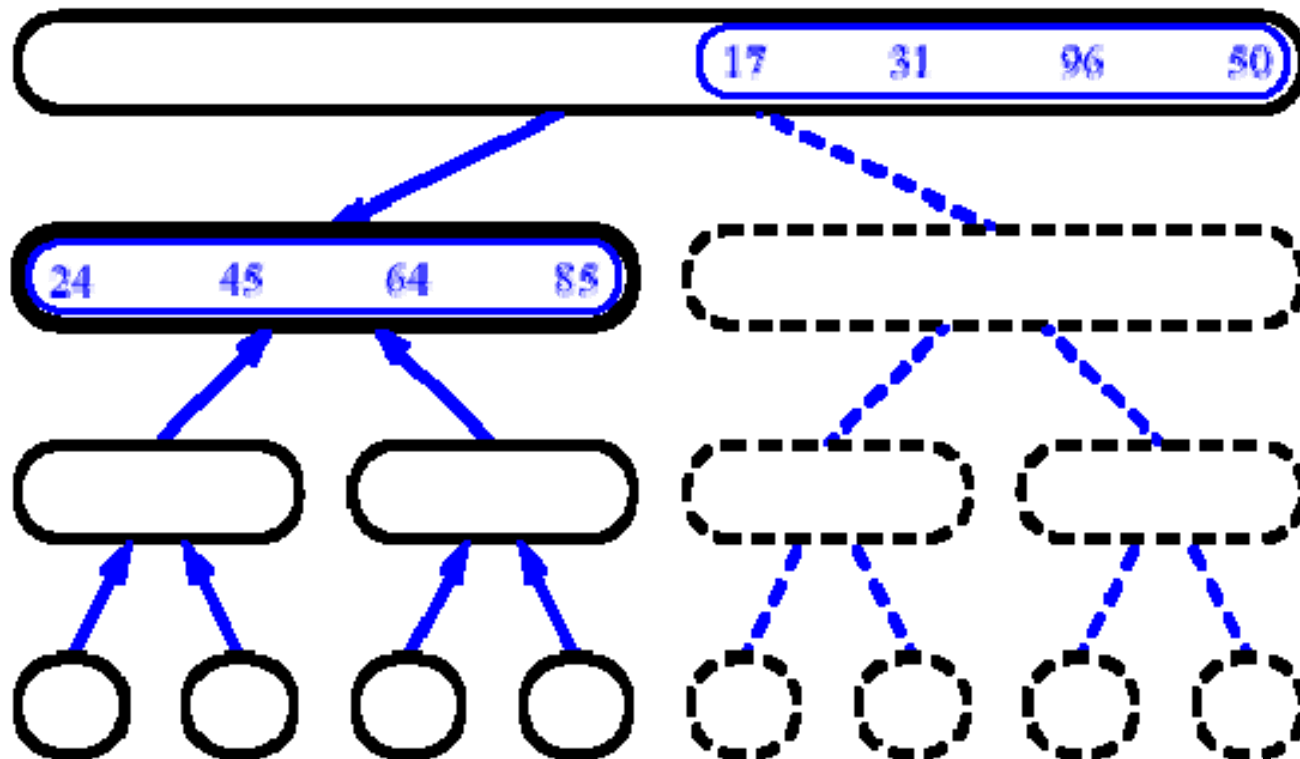
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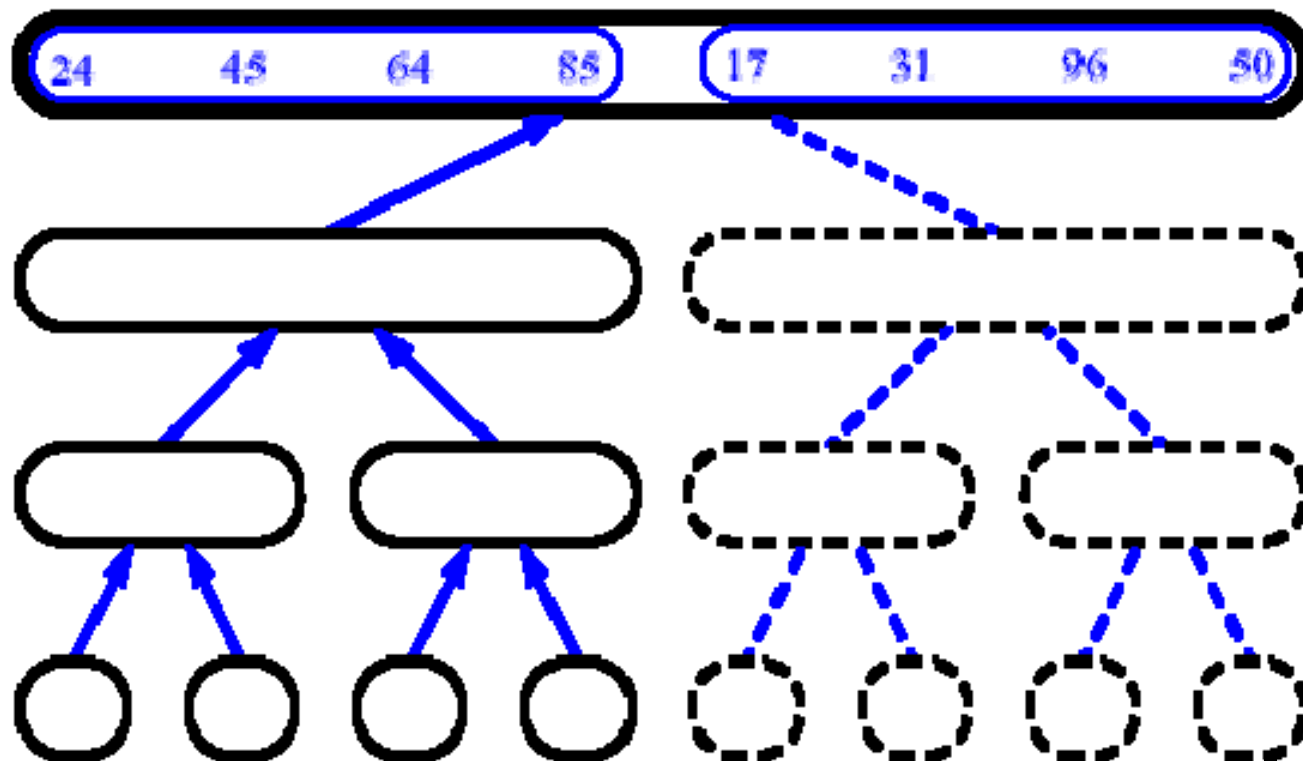
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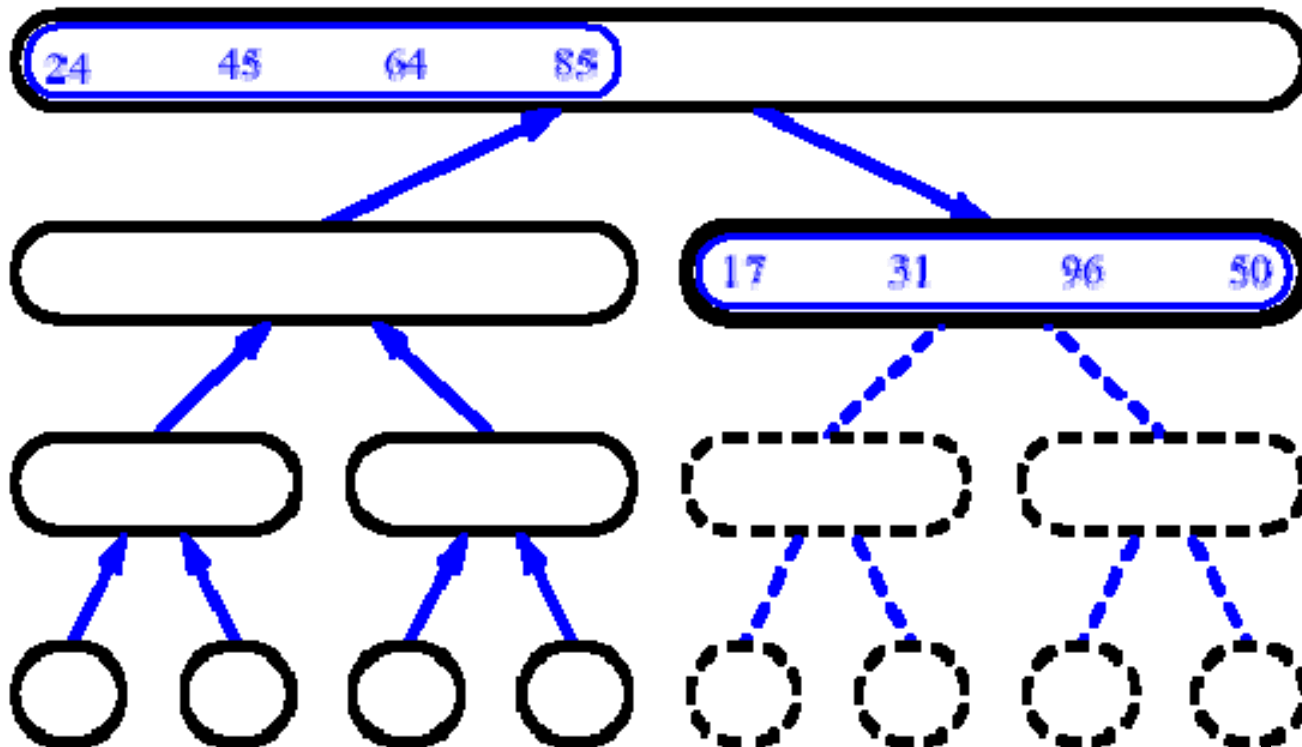
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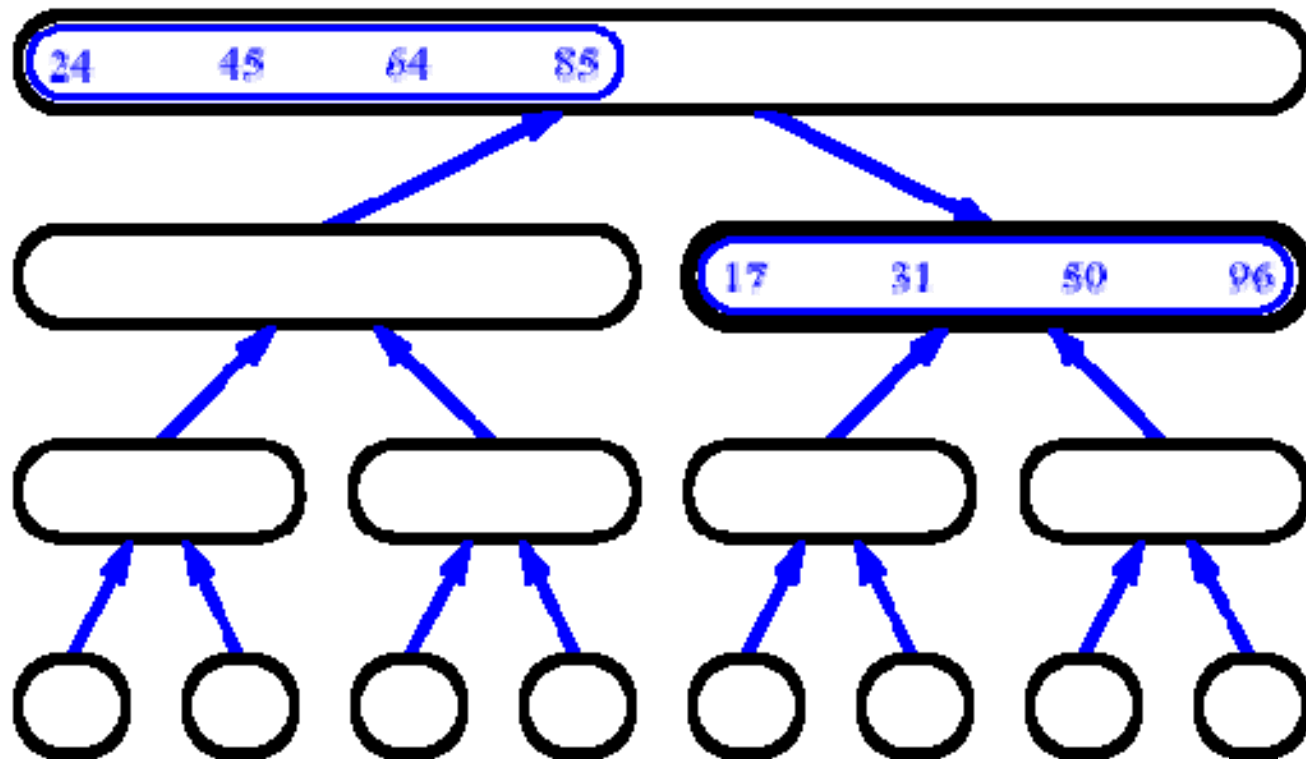
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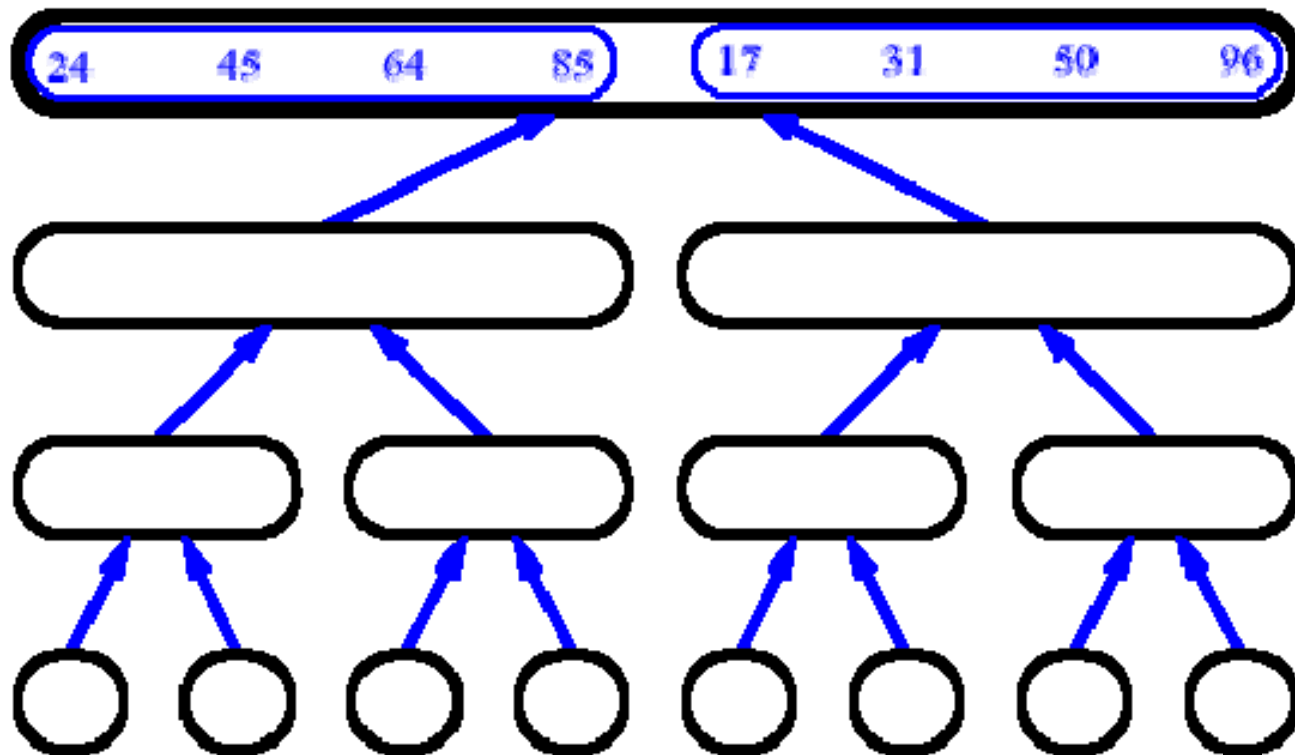
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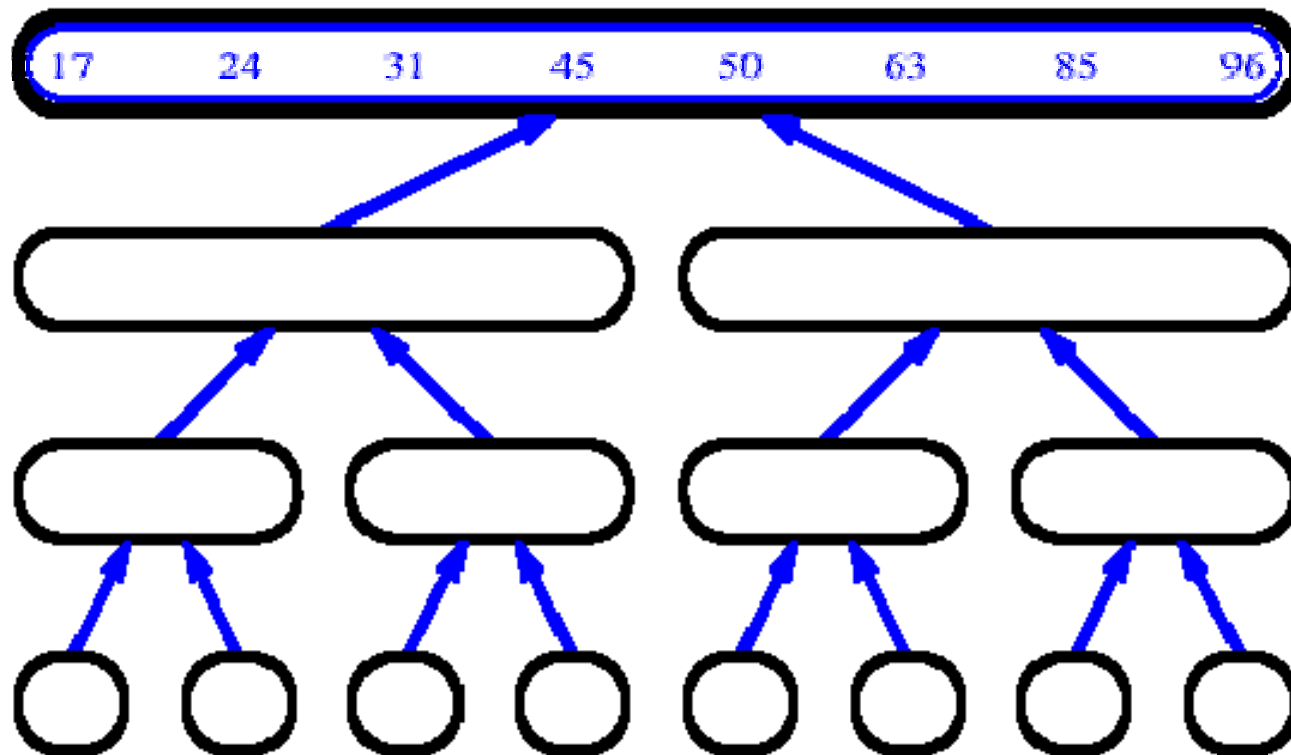
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Merge Sort

- **Running time $T(n)$ of Merge Sort:**
 - **Divide:** computing the middle takes $O(1)$
 - **Conquer:** solving 2 sub-problems takes $2T(n/2)$
 - **Combine:** merging n elements takes $O(n)$
 - **Total:**

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

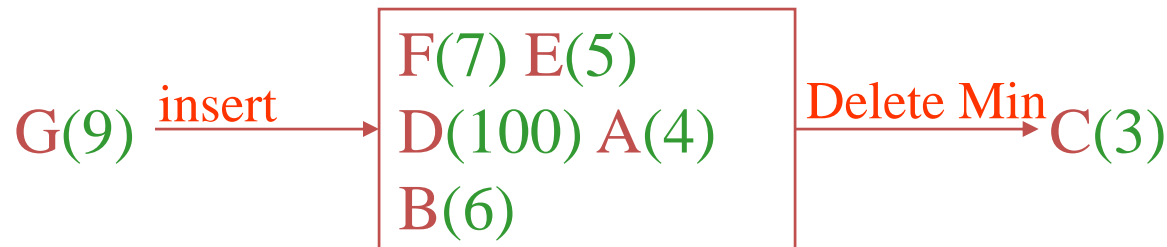
$$\Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

Priority Queues and Heaps

- **Consider applications**
 - **Ordering** CPU jobs
 - Printing **Jobs**
 - **Emergency** room admission processing
- **Problems?**
 - short jobs **should go first**
 - Hold jobs for a printer in **order of length**
 - most urgent cases **should go first**

Priority Queues and Heaps

- **Priority Queue property:**
 - For two elements in the queue, ***x*** and ***y***, if ***x*** has a lower ***priority value*** than ***y***, ***x*** will be ***deleted before y***



Priority Queues and Heaps

- **Priority Queue operations**
 - **Create**
 - **Destroy**
 - **Insert**
 - **Delete Min / Delete Max**
 - **Is_empty**

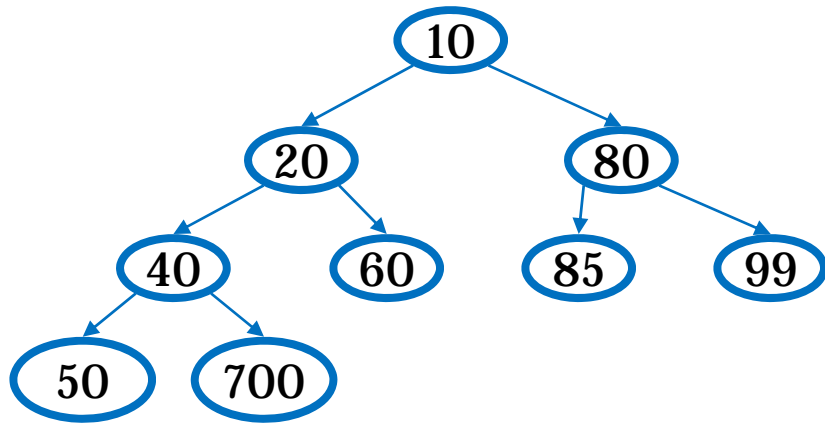
Priority Queues and Heaps

- **Unordered linked list**
 - **Insert : $O(1)$**
 - **Delete Min/Max : $O(n)$**
- **Ordered linked list**
 - **Insert : $O(n)$**
 - **Delete Min/Max : $O(1)$**
- **Ordered array**
 - **Insert : $O(n)$**
 - **Delete Min/Max : $O(1)$**
- **Balanced BST**
 - **Insert : $O(\log n)$**
 - **Delete Min/Max : $O(\log n)$**

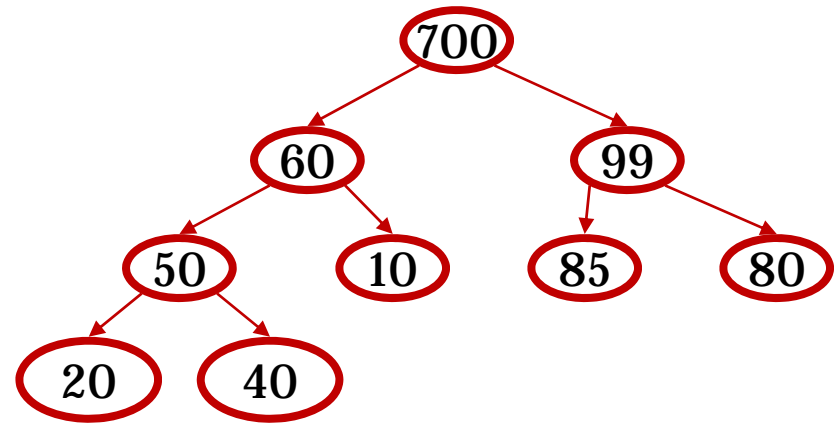
Priority Queues and Heaps

- A **heap** is a binary tree with two properties:
 - **Structure property**
 - A complete binary tree
 - Height of a complete binary tree with **n** elements is **$\log n$**
 - **Heap-order property**
 - Parent's key is **smaller** (**greater**) than children's keys in **Min Heap** (**Max Heap**)
 - Result: **Minimum** (**maximum**) is always at the **root**

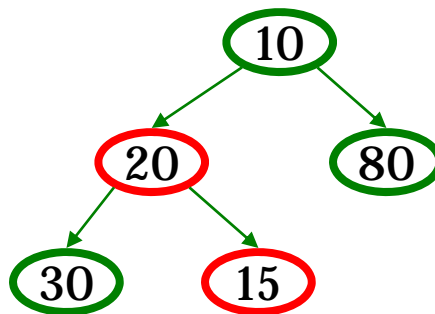
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Min Heap



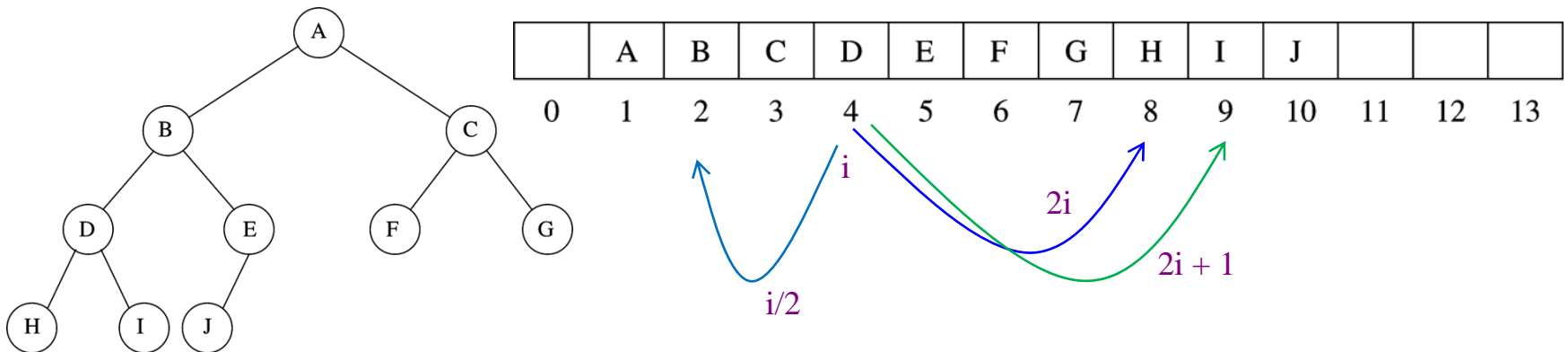
Max Heap



Not a Heap

Priority Queues and Heaps

- Given element at position i in the array
 - Left child(i) = at position $2i$
 - Right child(i) = at position $2i + 1$
 - Parent(i) = at position $i/2$



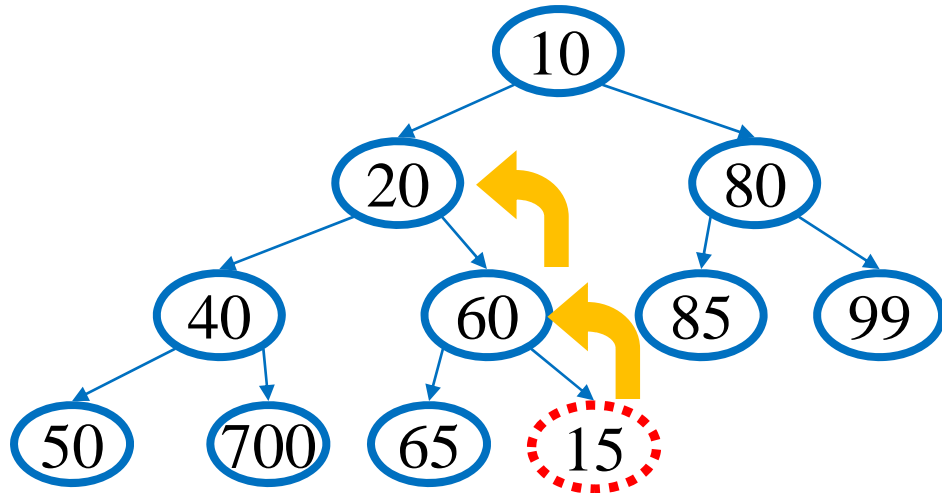
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- **Insertion in a Heap**

- Basic Idea:

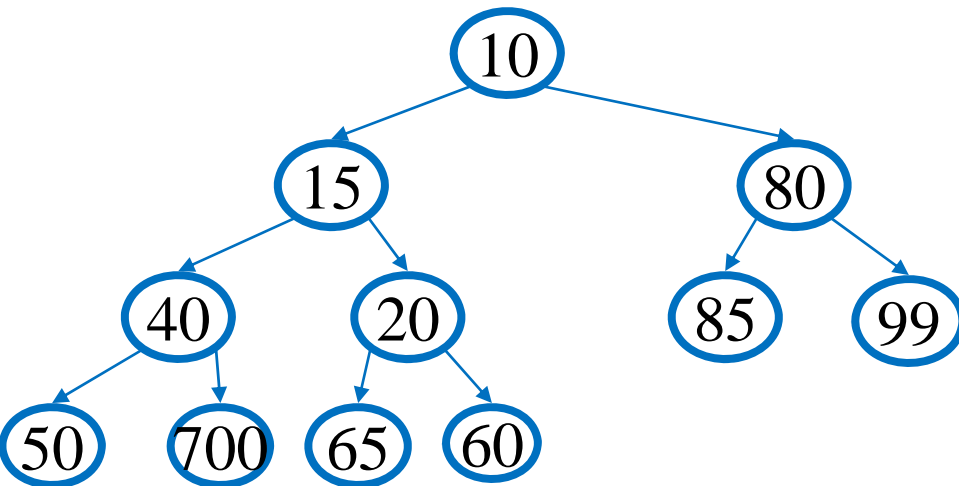
1. Put element at “**next**” leaf position
2. **Restore heap property** by repeated exchange starting from **inserted element** until no longer needed

Priority Queues and Heaps



```
void insert (int element)
{
    Pqueue [++n] = element;
    RestoreHeapUp (n);
}
```

```
void RestoreHeapUp (int pos)
{
    int element = Pqueue [pos];
    while ( Pqueue [pos/2] >= element)
    {
        Pqueue [pos ] = Pqueue [pos/2];
        pos = pos/2;
    }
    Pqueue [pos] = element;
}
```



Complexity = $O(\log n)$

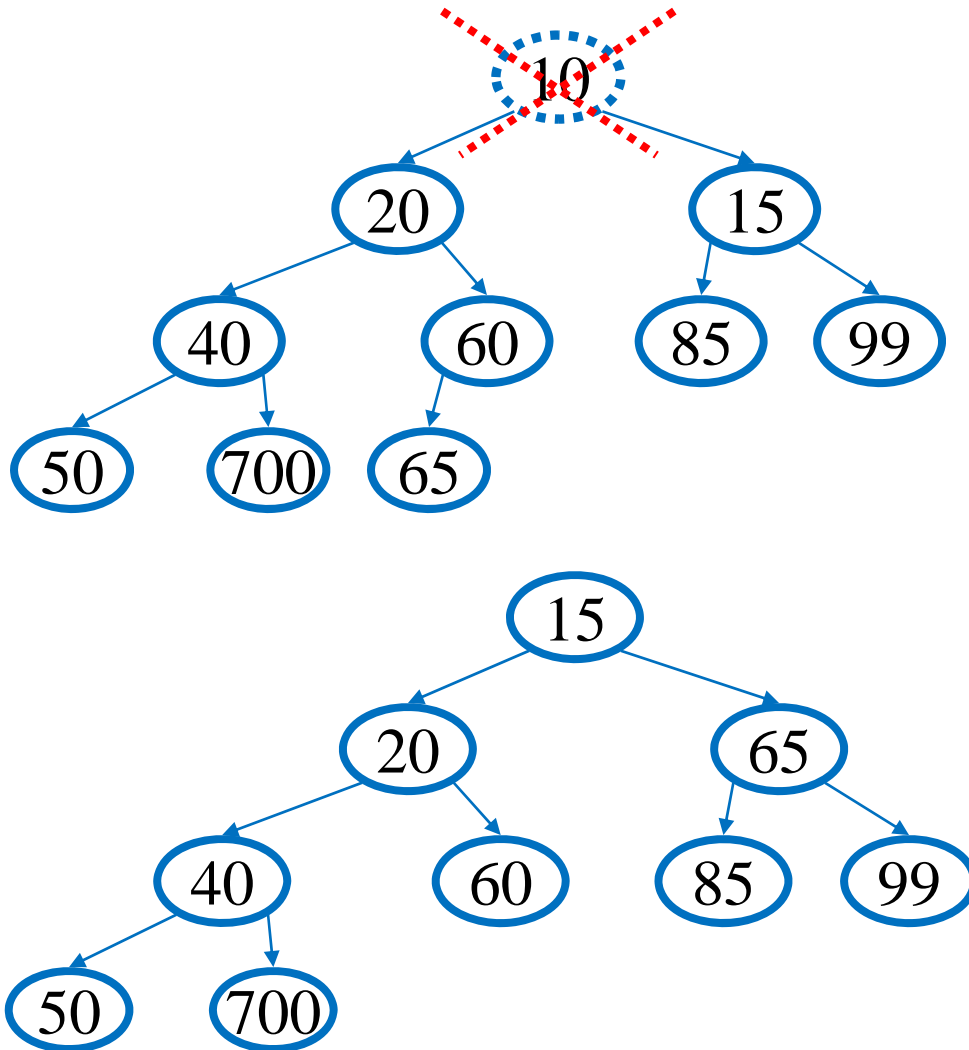
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- **Deletion from a Heap**

- Basic Idea:

1. Remove **root** (that is always the min!)
2. Put “**last**” leaf node at **root**
3. **Restore heap property** by repeated exchange starting from **deleted element** until no longer needed

Priority Queues and Heaps



```
int Delete ()
```

```
{
```

```
    int element = Pqueue [ 1 ];
```

```
    Pqueue [ 1 ] = Pqueue [ n --];
```

```
    RestoreHeapDown ( 1 );
```

```
    return element;
```

```
}
```

```
void RestoreHeapDown ( int pos)
```

```
{
```

```
    int i, element = Pqueue [ pos ];
```

```
    while ( pos <= n/2)
```

```
    {
```

```
        i = 2*pos;
```

```
        if ( (i<n) && (Pqueue [i] > Pqueue [ i + 1 ] ) )
```

```
            i ++;
```

```
        if ( element <= Pqueue [ i ] )
```

```
            break;
```

```
        Pqueue [ pos ] = Pqueue [ i ];
```

```
        pos = i;
```

```
    }
```

```
    Pqueue [ pos ] = element;
```

```
}
```

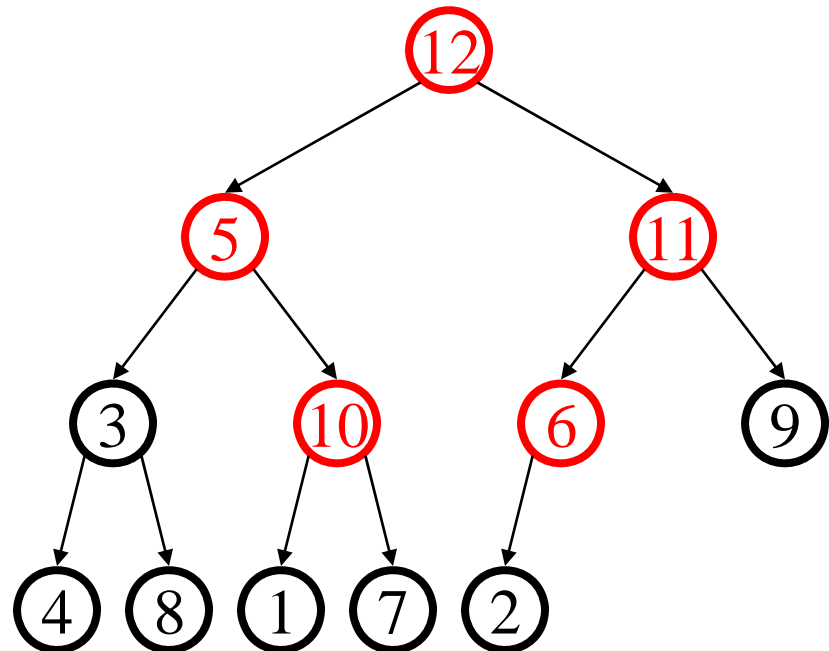
Complexity = $O(\log n)$

Priority Queues and Heaps

- **Heap construction**

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----|---|----|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 12 | 5 | 11 | 3 | 10 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 7 | 2 |
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Add elements arbitrarily to form a complete tree.
Pretend it's a heap and fix the heap-order property!

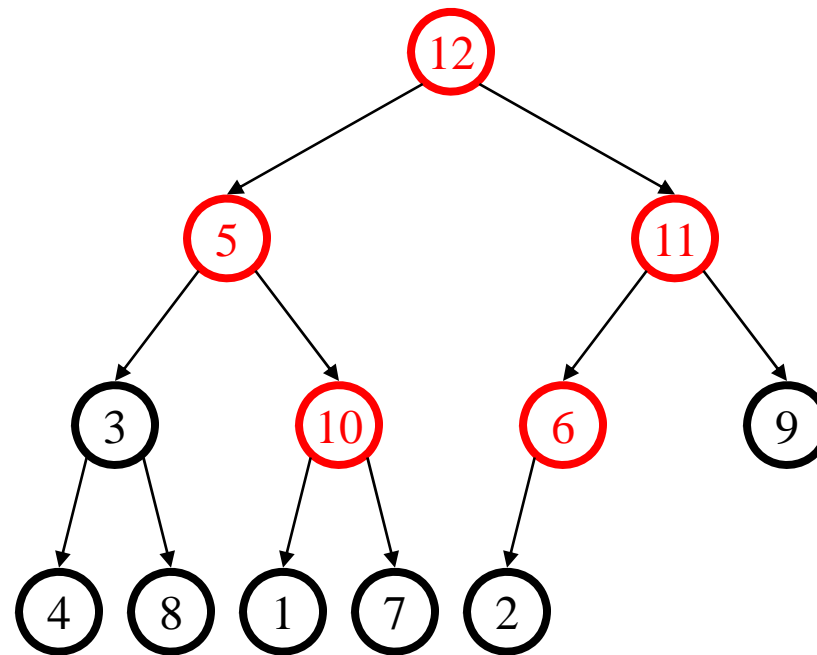


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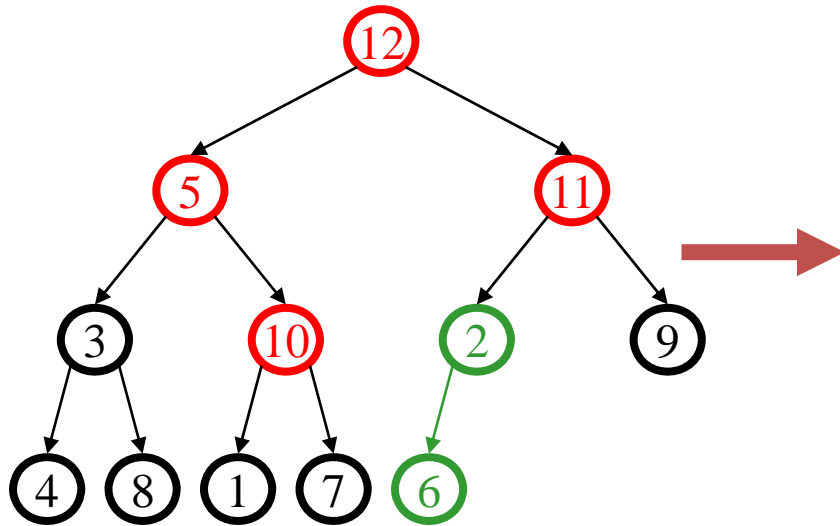
```
void BuildHeap ( )  
{  
    int i;  
    for ( i = n/2; i > 0 ; i --)  
        RestoreHeapDown ( i );  
}
```

Complexity = $O(n)$

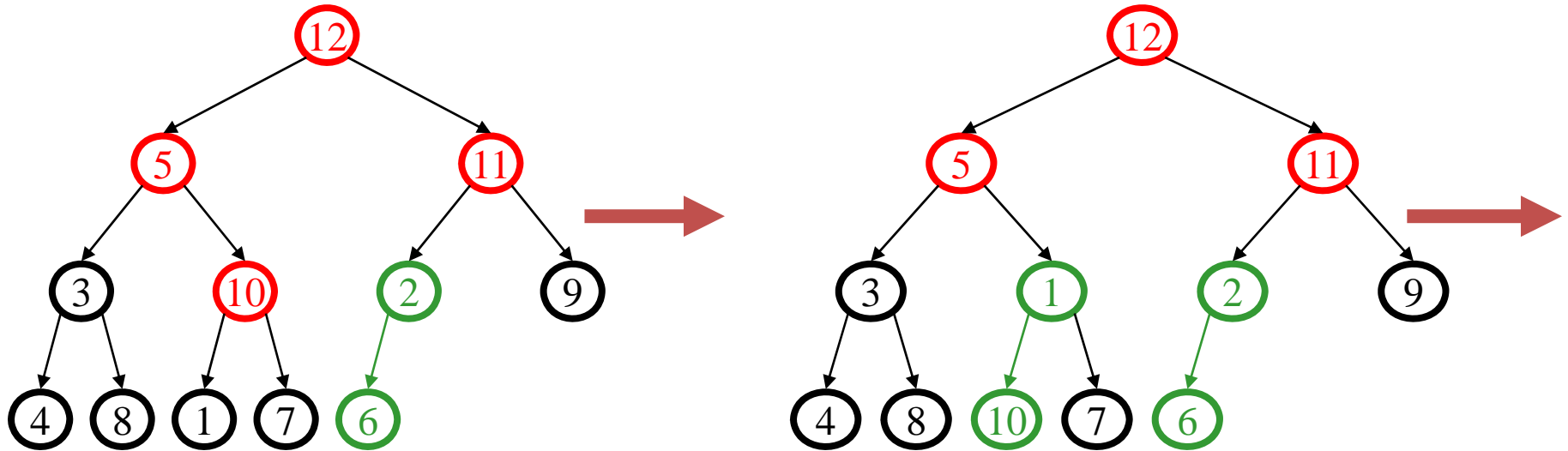
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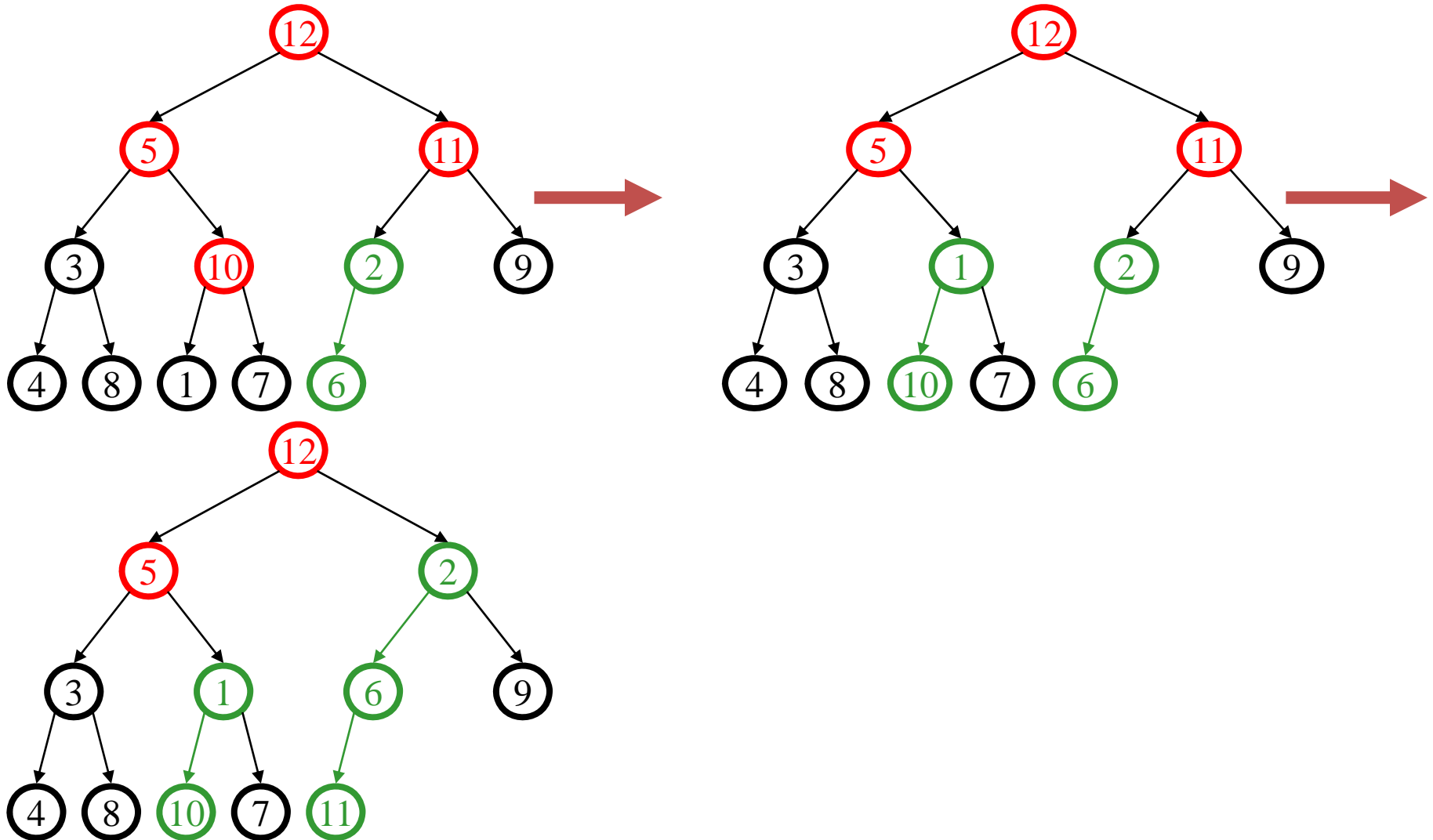
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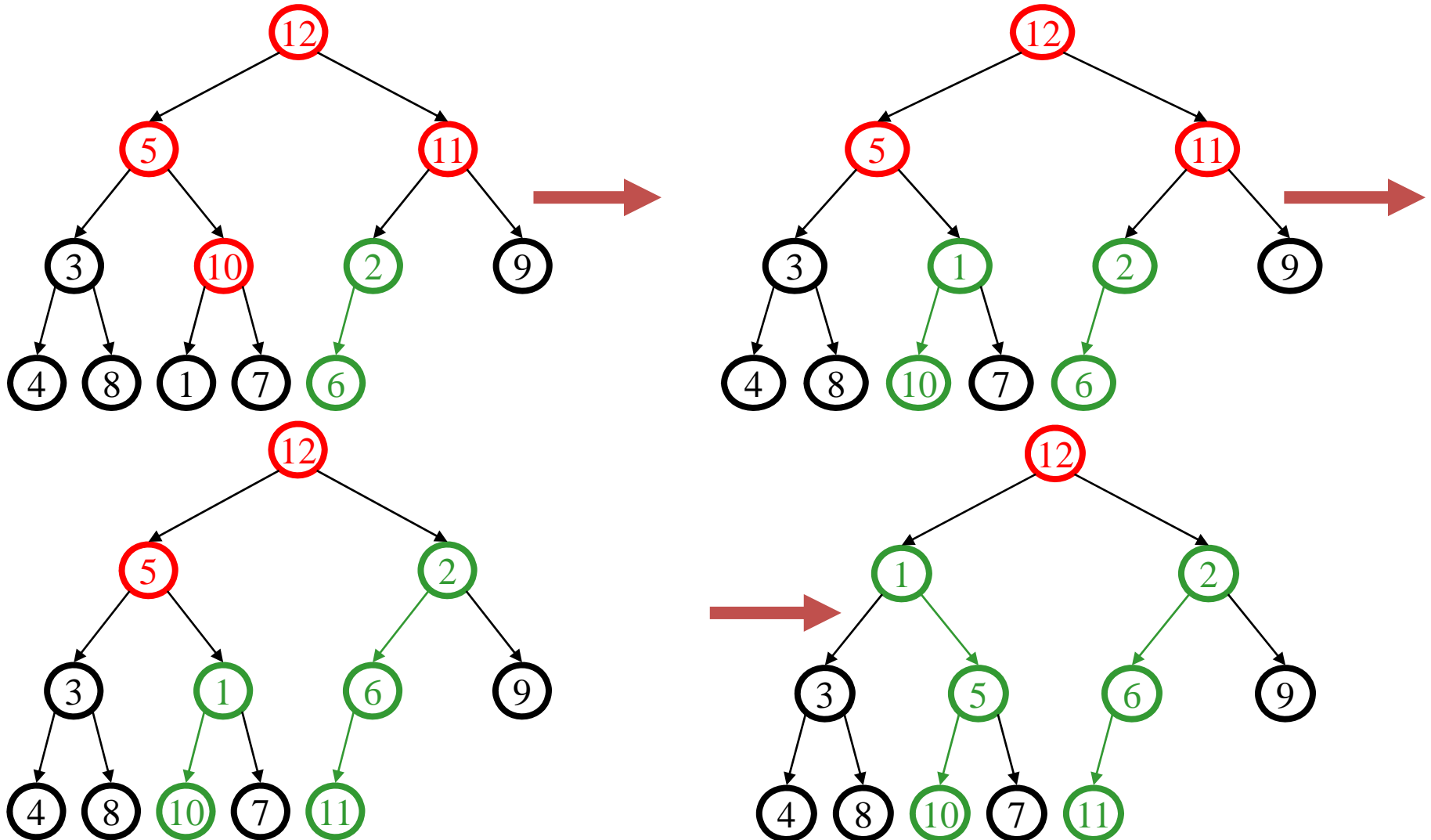
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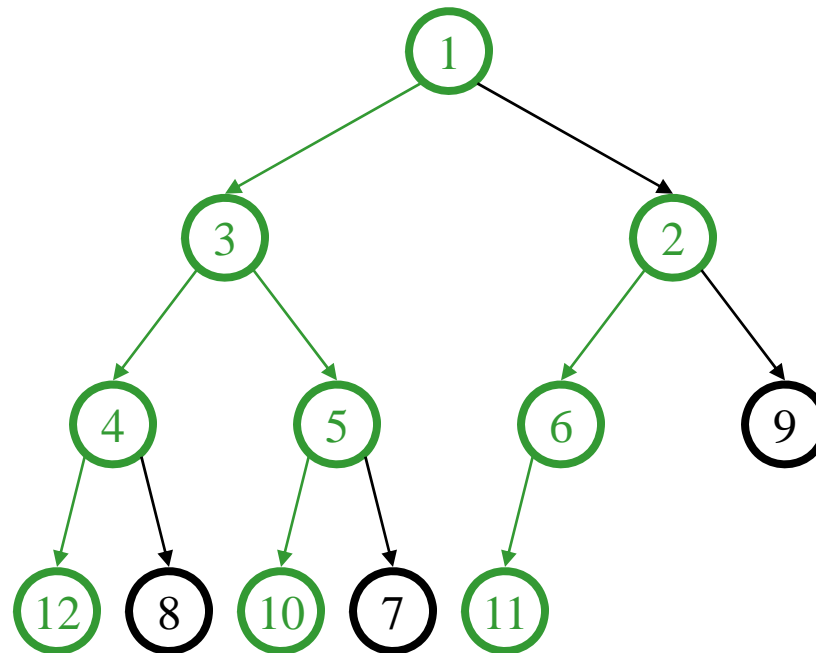
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Heap Sort

- Given **BuildHeap()**, an in-place sorting algorithm is easily constructed:
 - **Smallest** element is at **A[1]**
 - Discard by swapping with element at **A[n]**
 - Decrement **Heap_size**
 - **Restore heap property** at **A[1]** by calling **RestoreHeapDown()**
 - Repeat, always swapping **A[1]** with **A[heap_size]**

Heap Sort

Heapsort(A)

{

BuildHeap(A);

for (i = length(A) downto 2)

{

Swap(A[1], A[i]);

heap_size(A) -= 1;

RestoreHeapDown(A, 1);

}

}

Heap Sort

- The call to **BuildHeap()** takes $O(n)$ time
- Each of the $n - 1$ calls to **RestoreHeapDown()** takes $O(\log n)$ time
- Thus the total time taken by **HeapSort()**
= $O(n) + (n - 1) O(\log n)$
= $O(n) + O(n \log n)$
= $O(n \log n)$

Any Doubt ?

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