

# Constraint Programming

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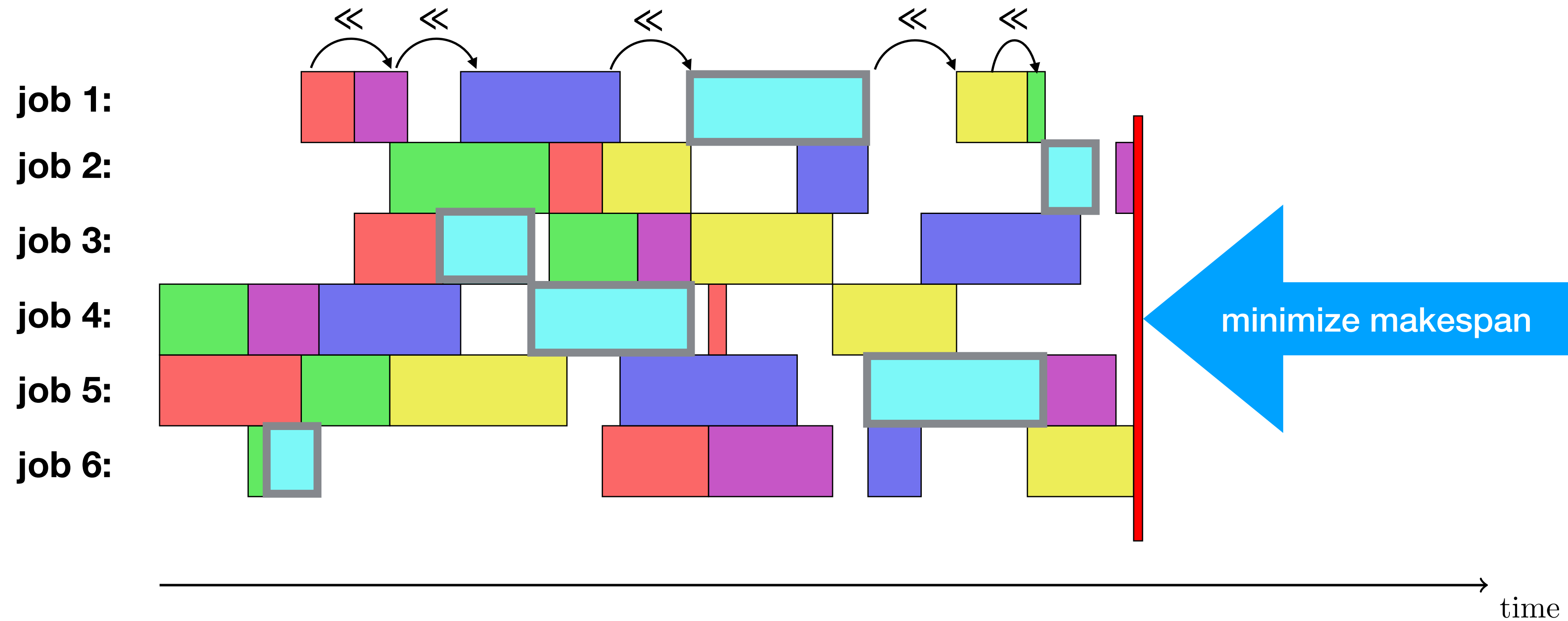
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Disjunctive Scheduling

- Disjunctive Decomposition
- Job Shop

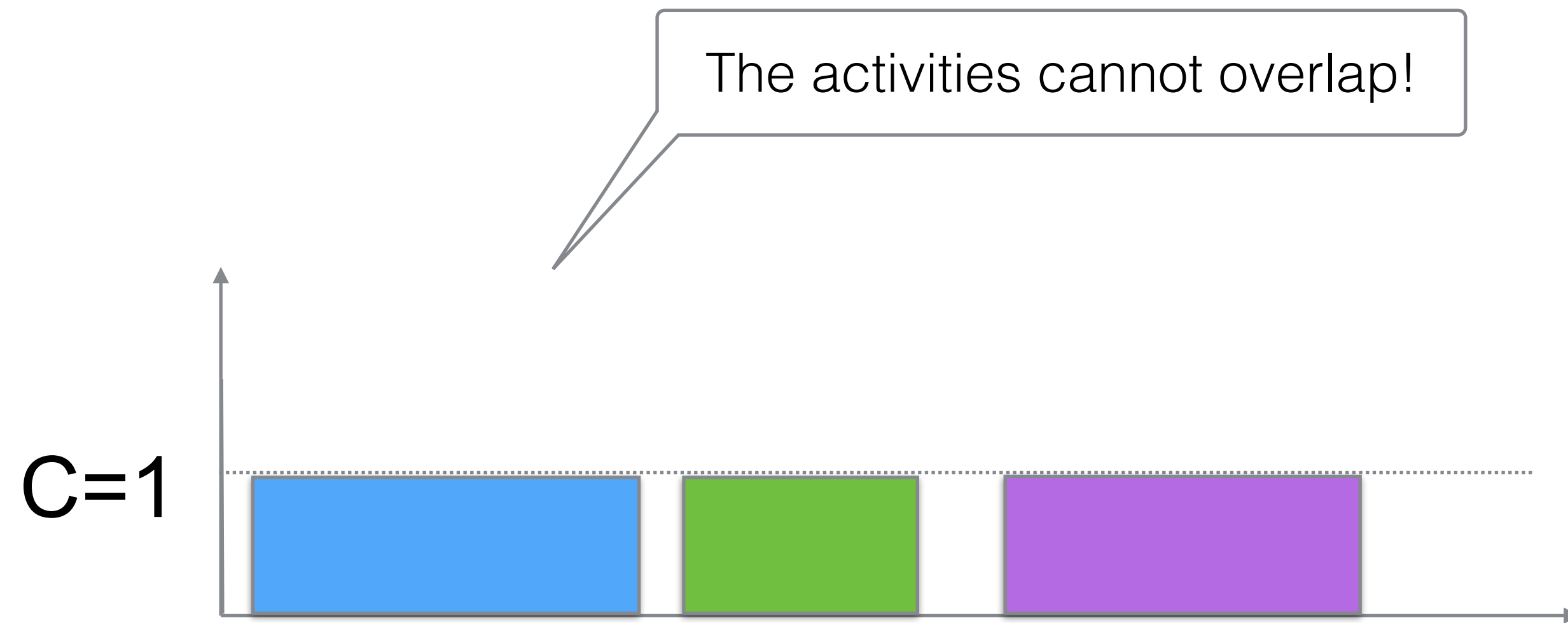
# Job-Shop Problem

- Color = resource (or: machine), with capacity 1.
- Precedence constraints (denoted  $\ll$ ) on the activities of a job.



# Disjunctive Resource, aka Unary Resource

It would yield a Cumulative constraint  
with all resource requirements  $r_i = 1$  and capacity  $C = 1$ :

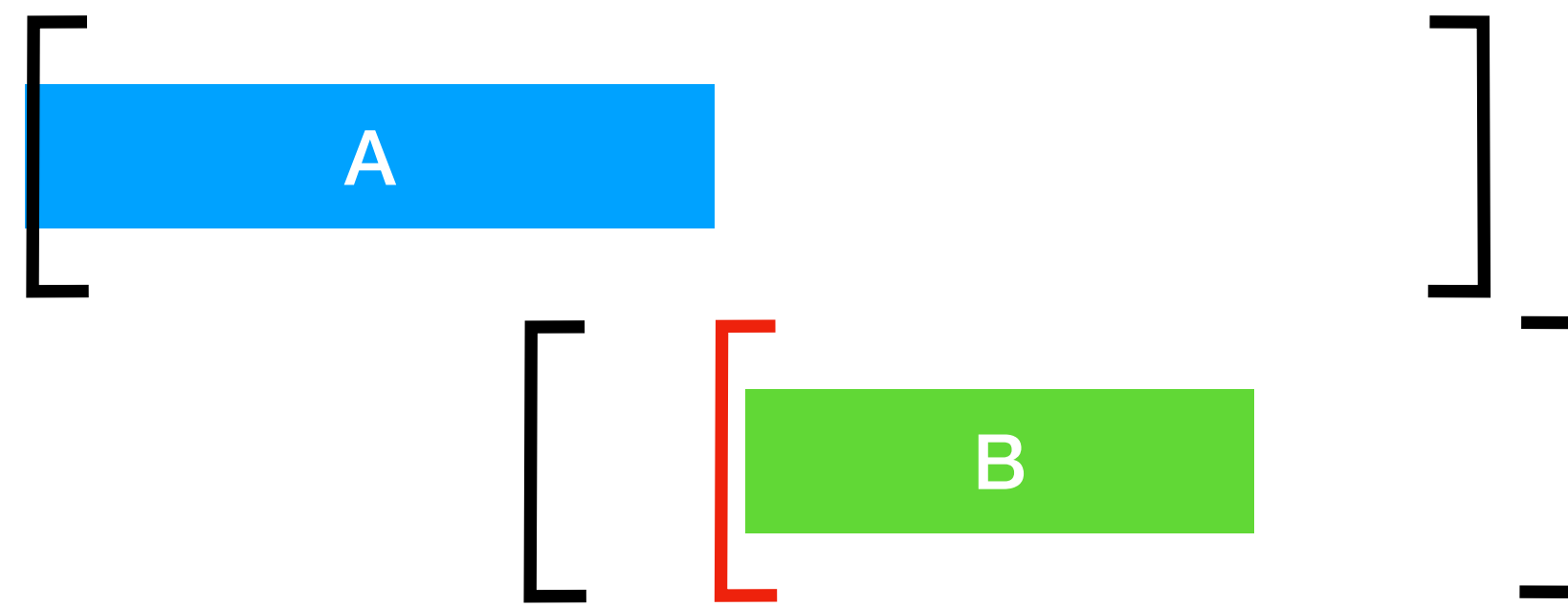


# Binary Decomposition for a Unary Resource

- ▶ Let  $T$  be a set of  $n$  activities that cannot overlap.
- ▶  $\forall i, j \in T$  where  $i < j$ :
  - $b_{ij} \equiv s_i + d_i \leq s_j$
  - $b_{ji} \equiv s_j + d_j \leq s_i$
  - $b_{ij} \neq b_{ji}$  (either  $i$  ends before  $j$  starts, or vice-versa)
- ▶ How does this binary decomposition compare with timetable filtering for  $\text{Cumulative}([s_1, \dots, s_n], [d_1, \dots, d_n], [1, \dots, 1], 1)$ ?

# Binary Decomposition: Example

- ▶ The binary decomposition with reified constraints is at least as strong as timetable filtering for Cumulative.
- ▶ Example where the binary decomposition is *strictly* stronger:



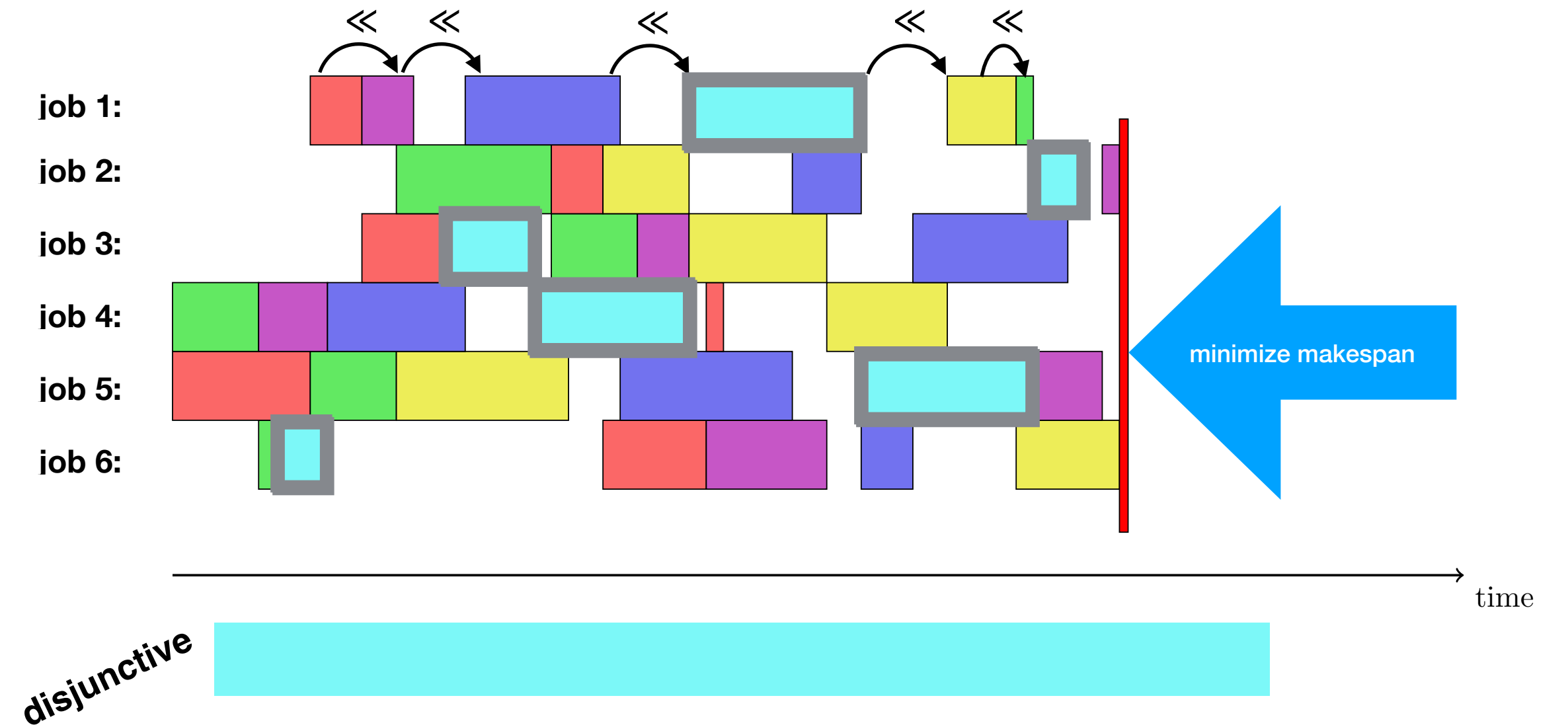
Activity A has no mandatory part:  
no pruning for B with timetable filtering!

# Job-Shop Model

```

JobShopInstance instance = new JobShopInstance("start");

Solver cp = makeSolver();
// variable creation
IntVar[][] start = new IntVar[instance.nJobs][instance.nMachines];
IntVar[][] end = new IntVar[instance.nJobs][instance.nMachines];
for (int i = 0; i < instance.nJobs; i++) {
    for (int j = 0; j < instance.nMachines; j++) {
        start[i][j] = makeIntVar(cp, 0, instance.horizon);
        end[i][j] = plus(start[i][j], instance.duration[i][j]);
    }
}
// job precedences
for (int i = 0; i < instance.nJobs; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j < instance.nMachines; j++) {
        cp.post(lessOrEqual(end[i][j - 1], start[i][j]));
    }
}
// disjunctive constraints
for (int m = 0; m < instance.nMachines; m++) {
    // collect activities on machine m
    IntVar[] start_m = instance.collect(start, m);
    int[] dur_m = instance.collect(instance.duration, m);
    cp.post(new Disjunctive(start_m, dur_m));
}
// objective = makespan minimization
IntVar[] endLast = new IntVar[instance.nJobs];
for (int i = 0; i < instance.nJobs; i++) {
    endLast[i] = end[i][instance.nMachines - 1];
}
IntVar makespan = maximum(endLast);
Objective obj = cp.minimize(makespan);
// search to fix the start time of all activities
DFSearh dfs = makeDfs(cp, firstFail(flatten(start)));
    
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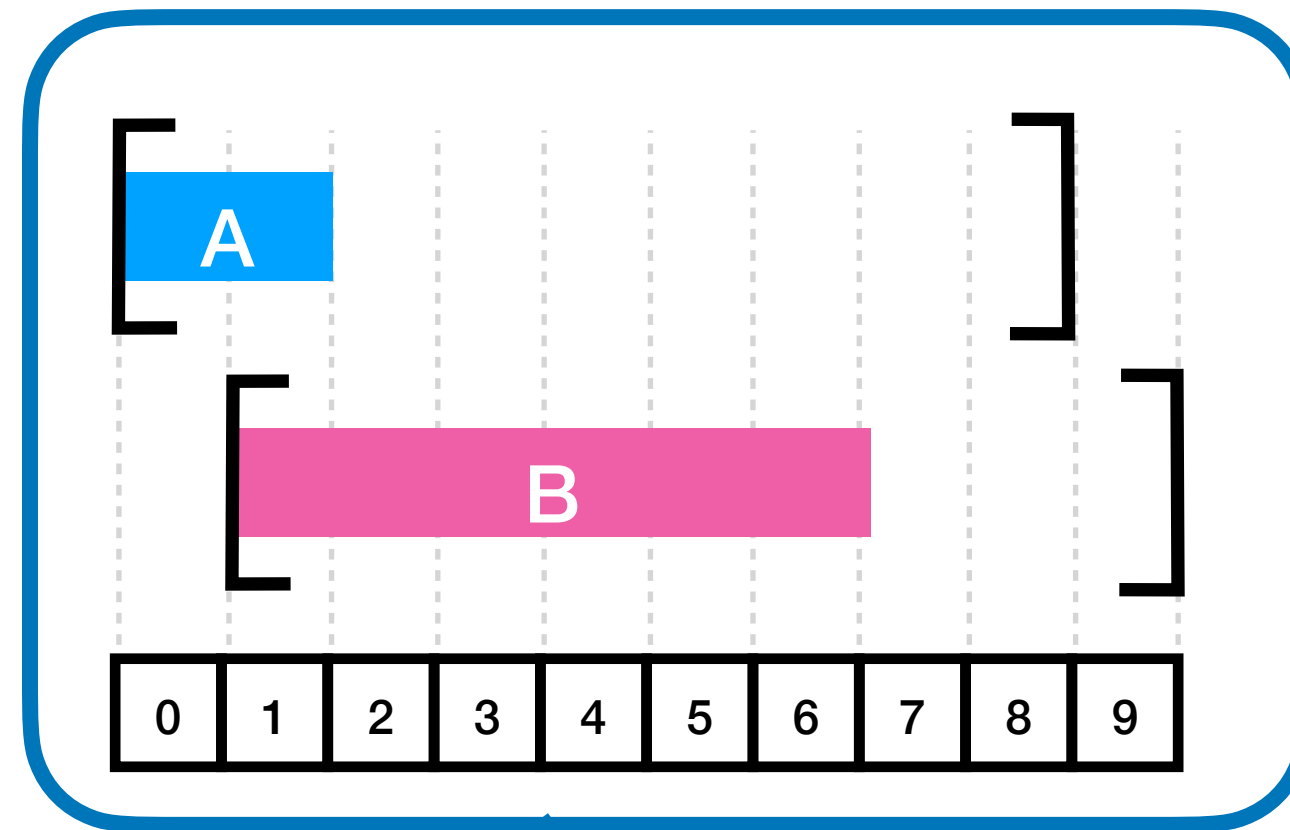
# Search for Job Shop



- ▶ Two alternatives :
  1. Fix the start variables
  2. Fix the ordering on each machine (and eventually the start variables)

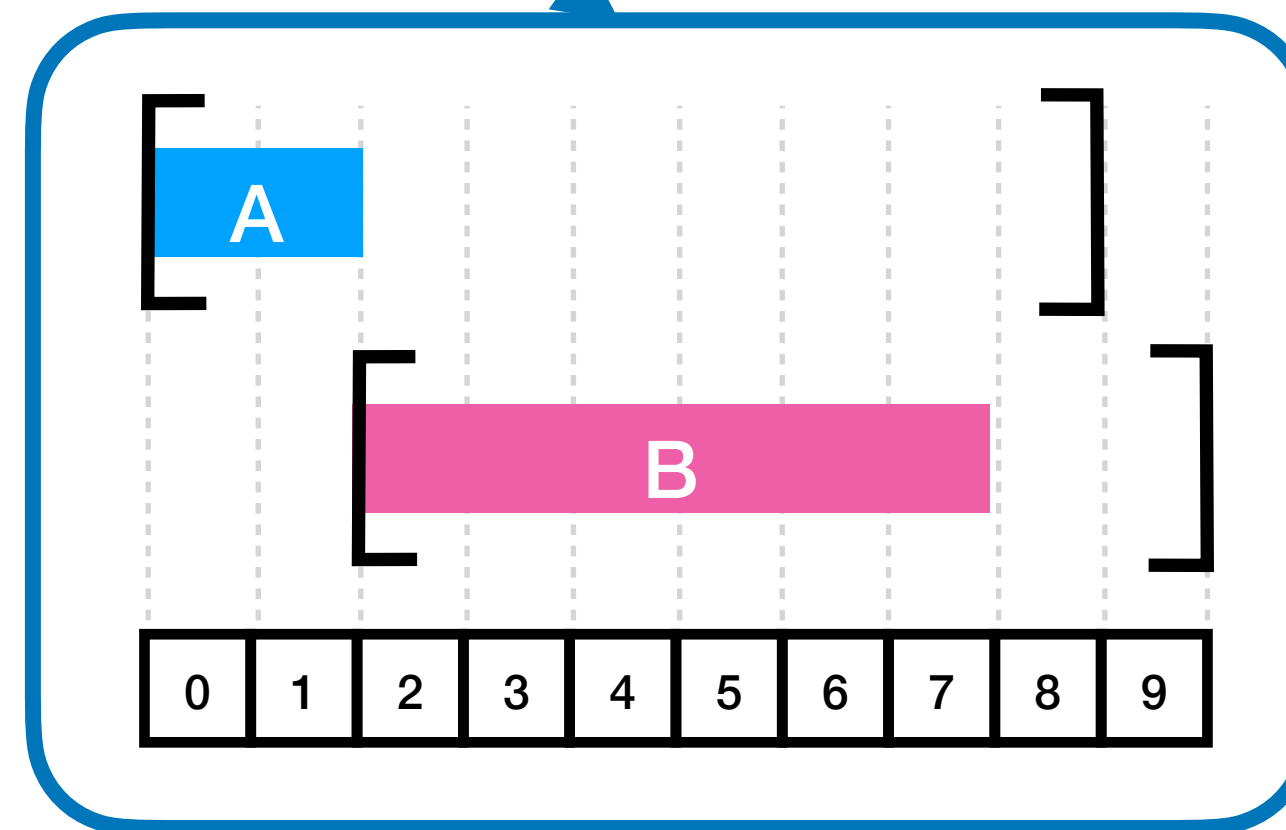
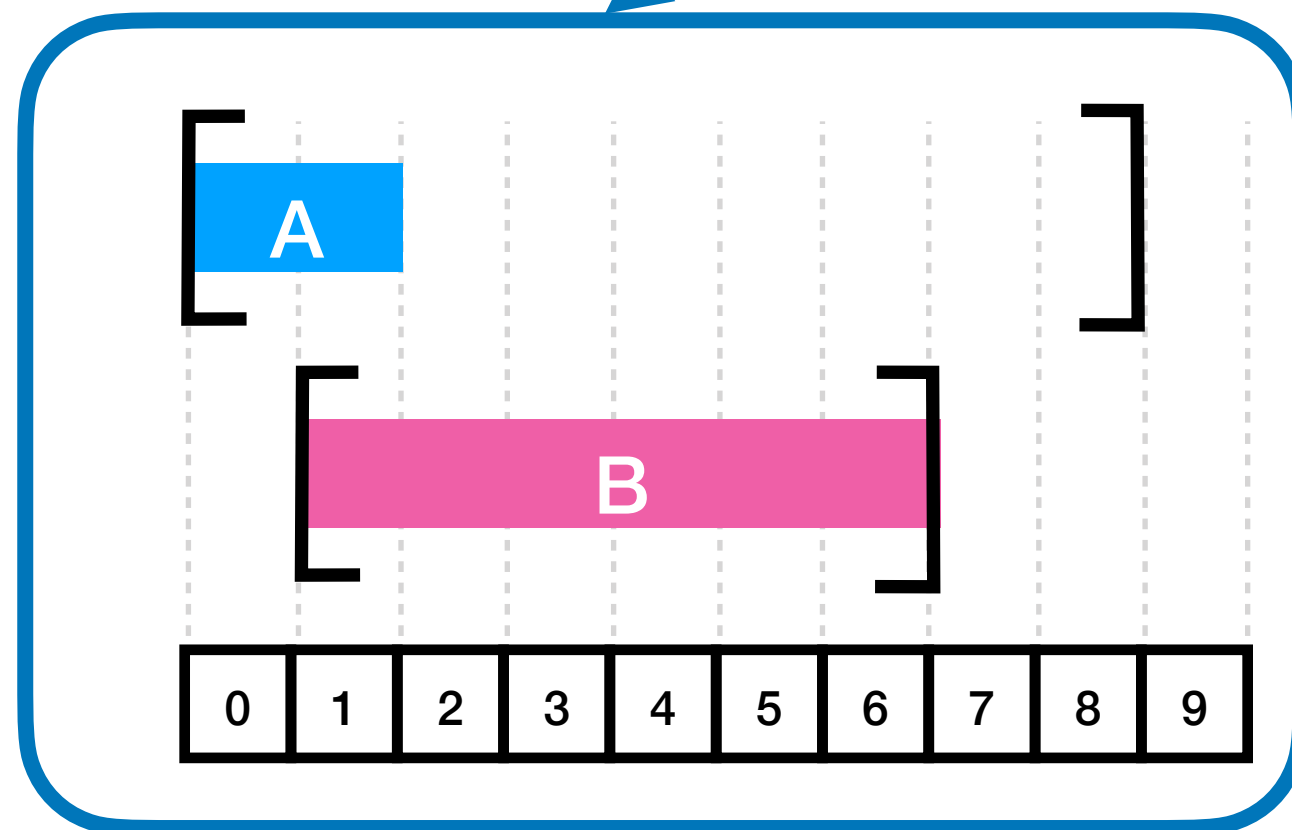
# Search for Job Shop: fix the start variables

Branch on start of B



$\text{start}(B) = 1$

$\text{start}(B) \neq 1$

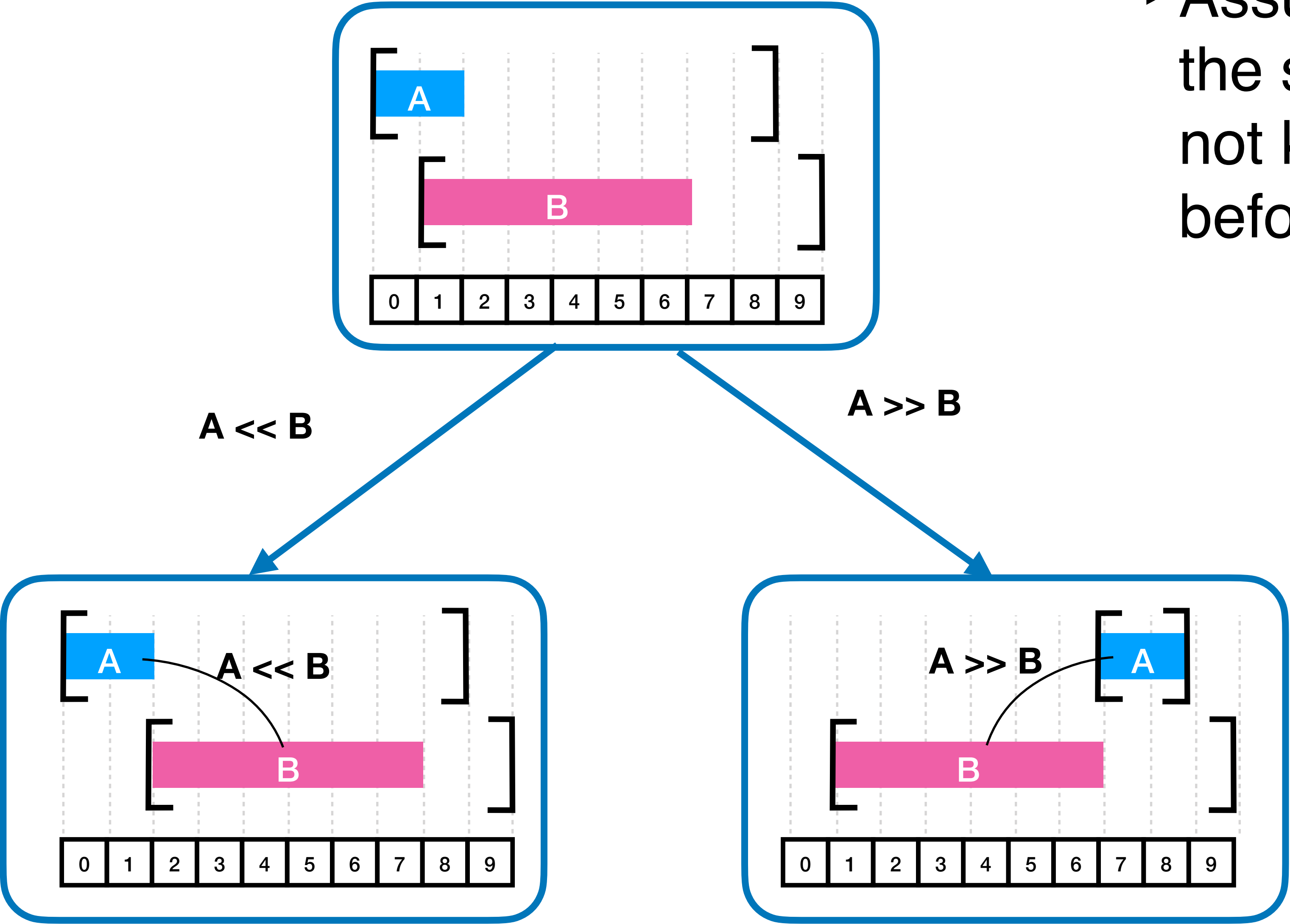


- ▶ Assume A and B execute on the same machine, and their starts are not yet fixed.
- ▶ Pick one, say B, and branch to fix its start.

# Search for Job Shop: fix the ordering

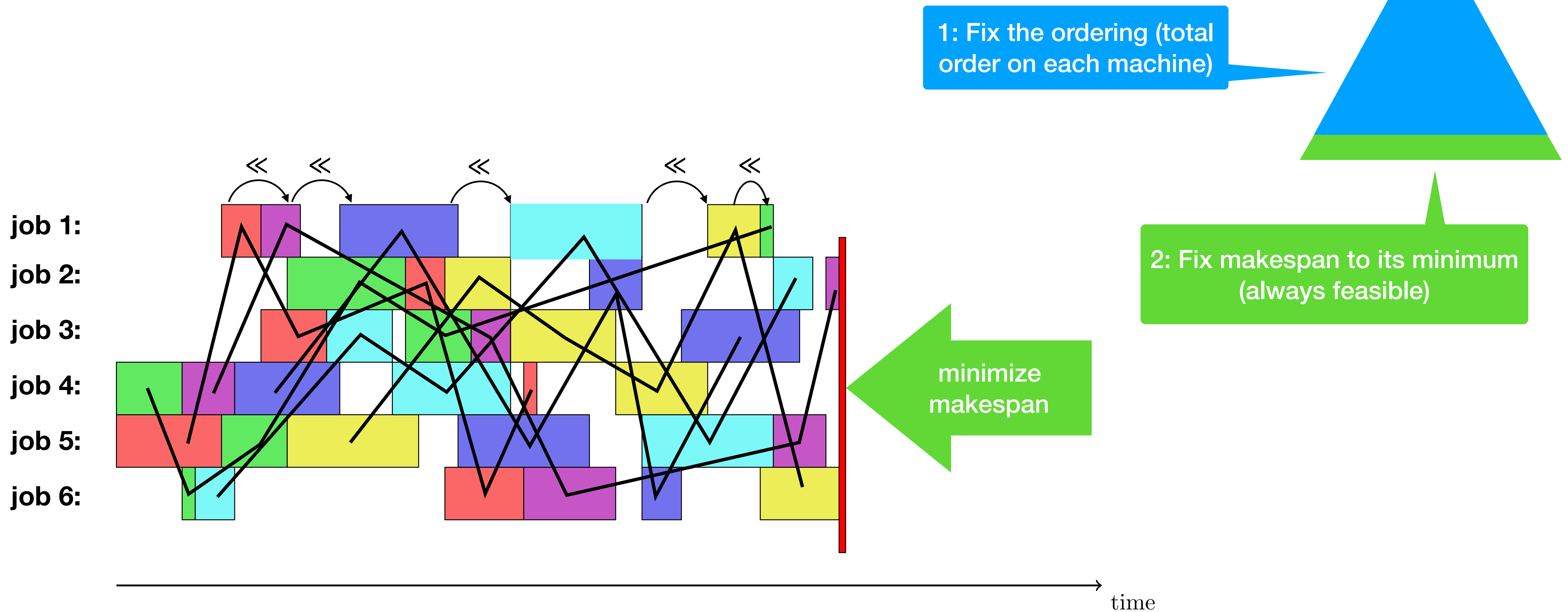


- Assume A and B execute on the same machine, and we do not know yet if A will execute before or after B.



- ▶ Post the reified constraints in the model:
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- ▶ Branch on the  $b_{ij}$  variables during the search

# Fixing the ordering for the Job Shop



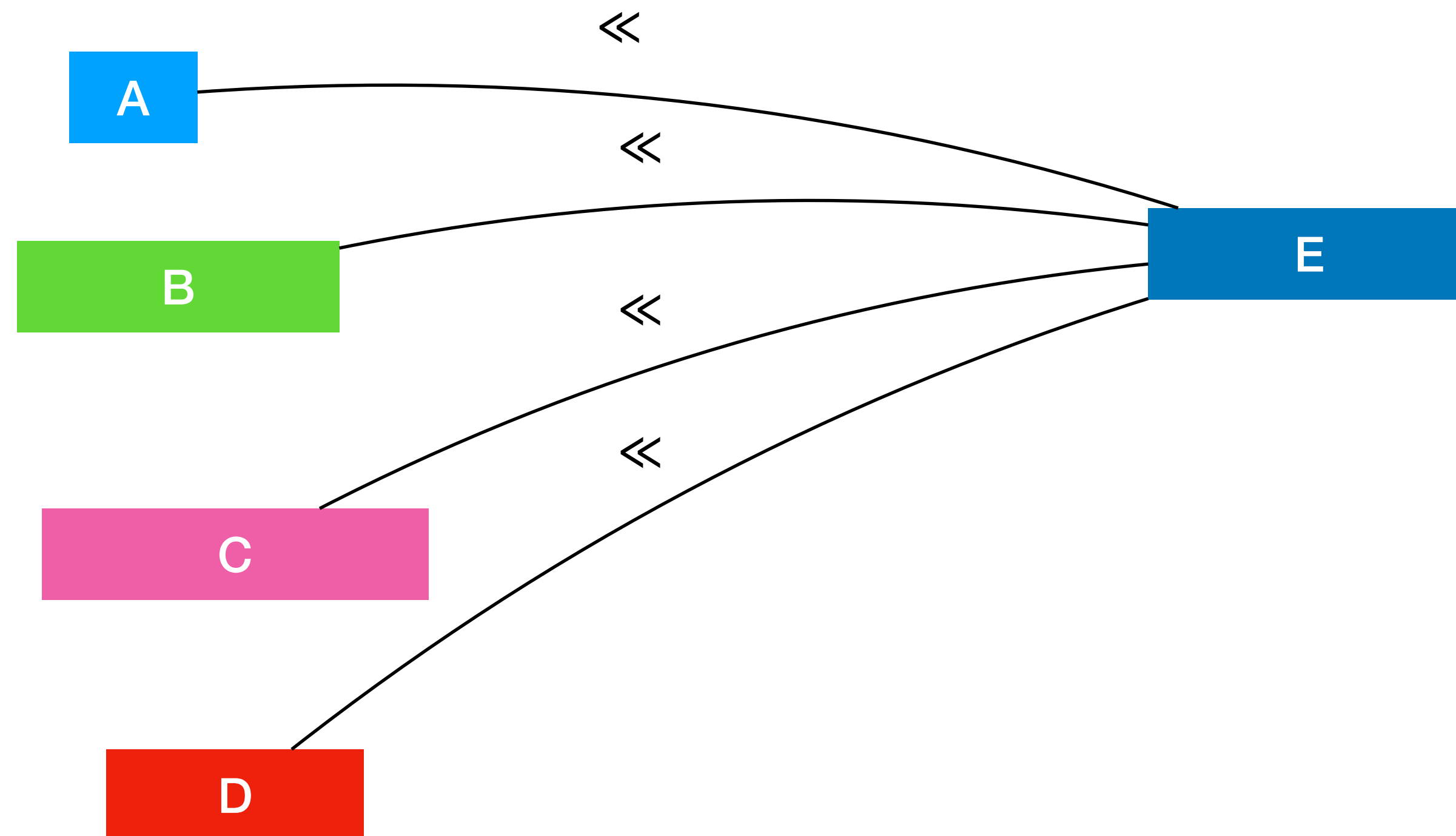
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# Earliest Completion Time

- ▶ Let  $\Omega \subseteq T$  be a subset of a set  $T$  of non-overlapping activities:
  - $\text{est}_\Omega = \min \{\text{est}_j \mid j \in \Omega\} = \text{earliest starting time of } \Omega$
  - $\text{lct}_\Omega = \max \{\text{lct}_j \mid j \in \Omega\} = \text{latest completion time of } \Omega$
  - $d_\Omega = \sum_{j \in \Omega} d_j = \text{total duration of } \Omega$

# Earliest Completion Time? Why is it important?

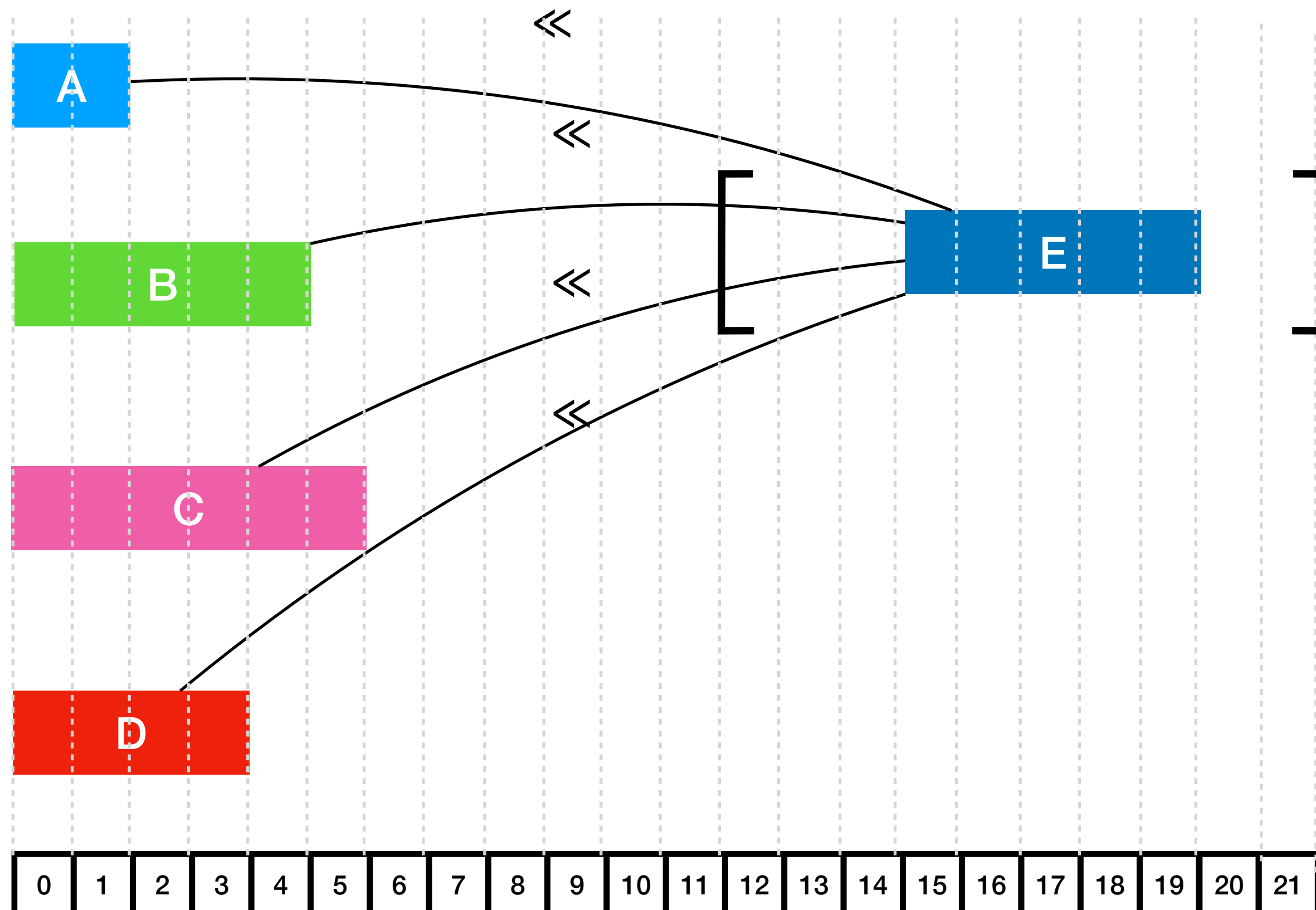
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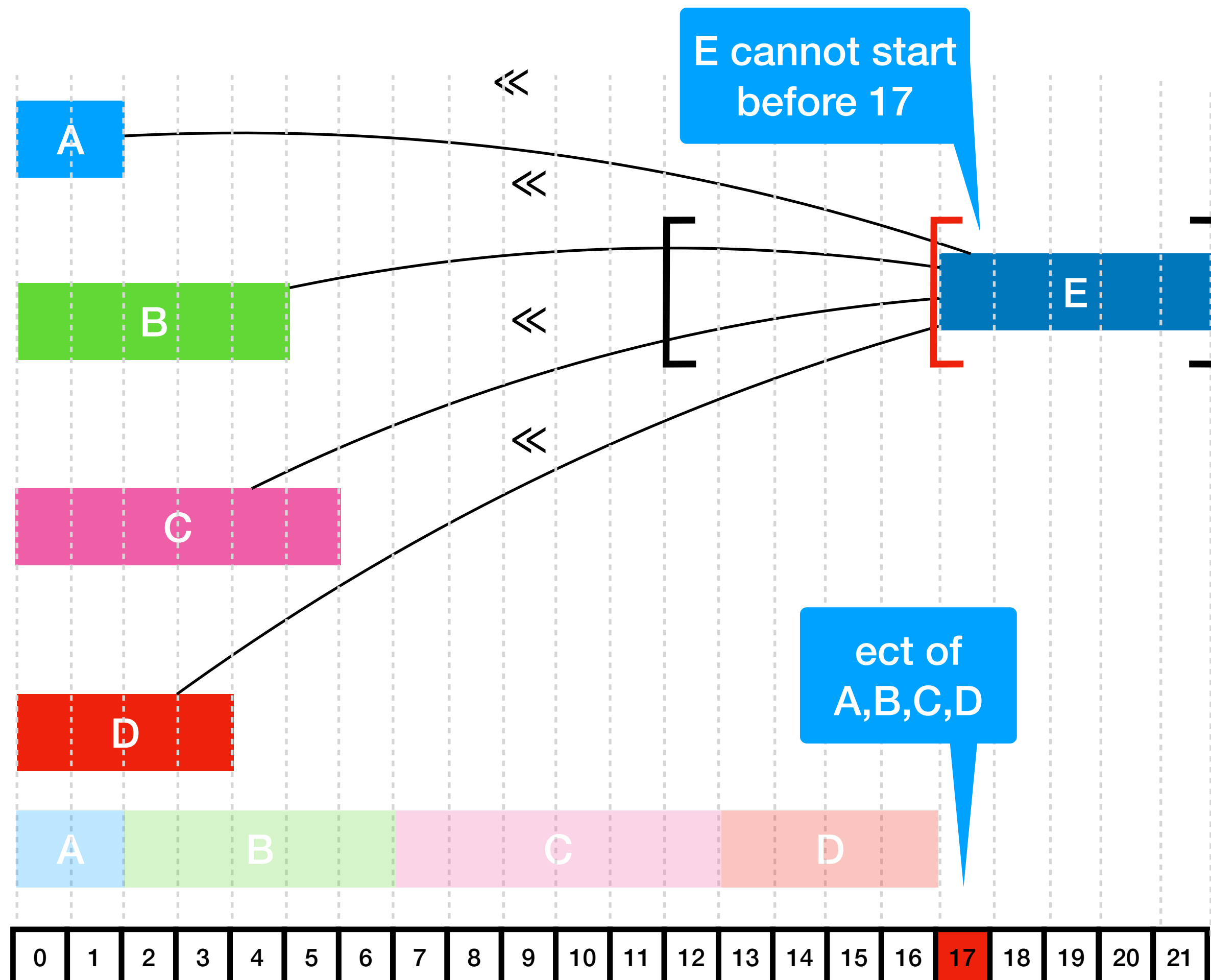
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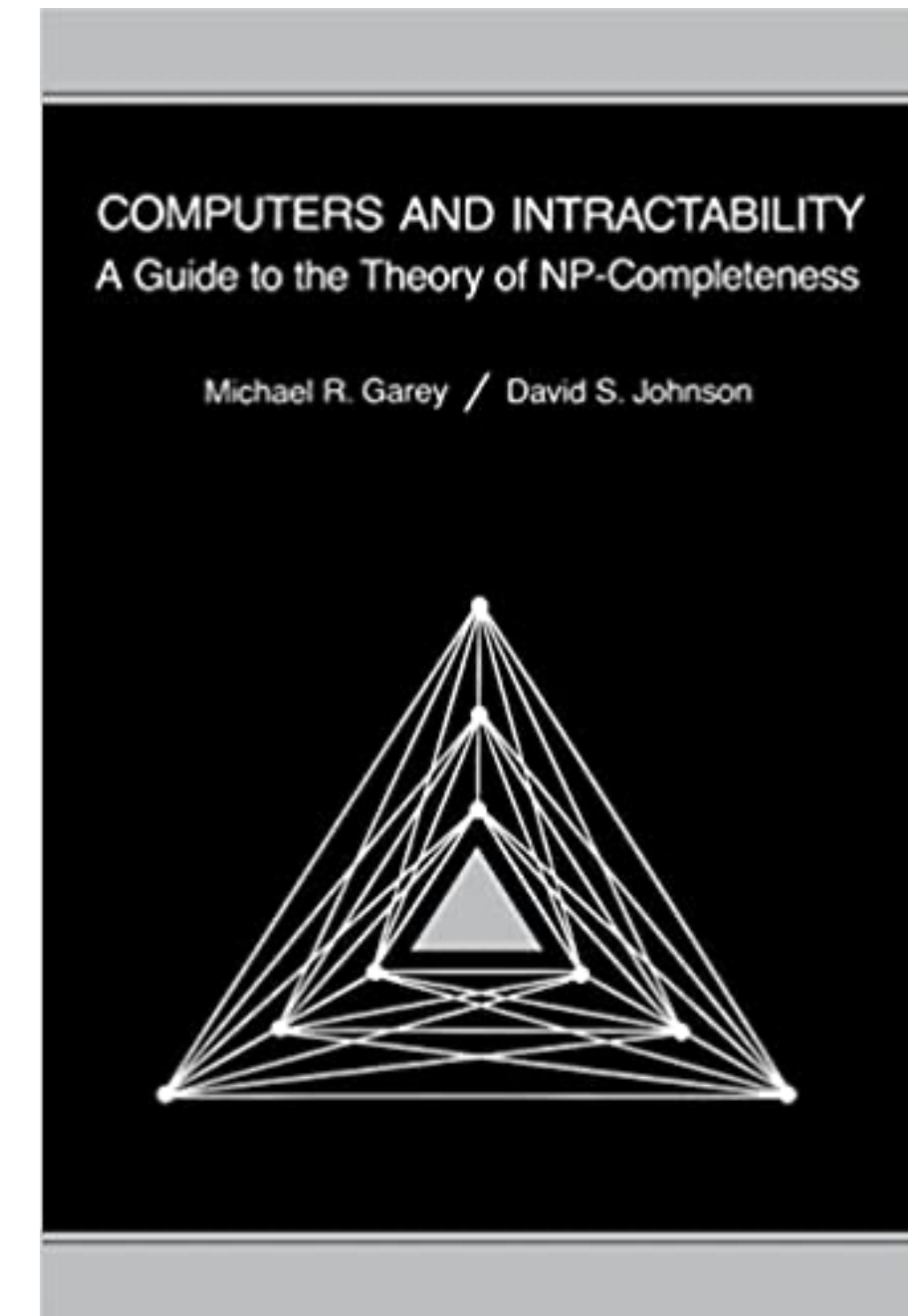
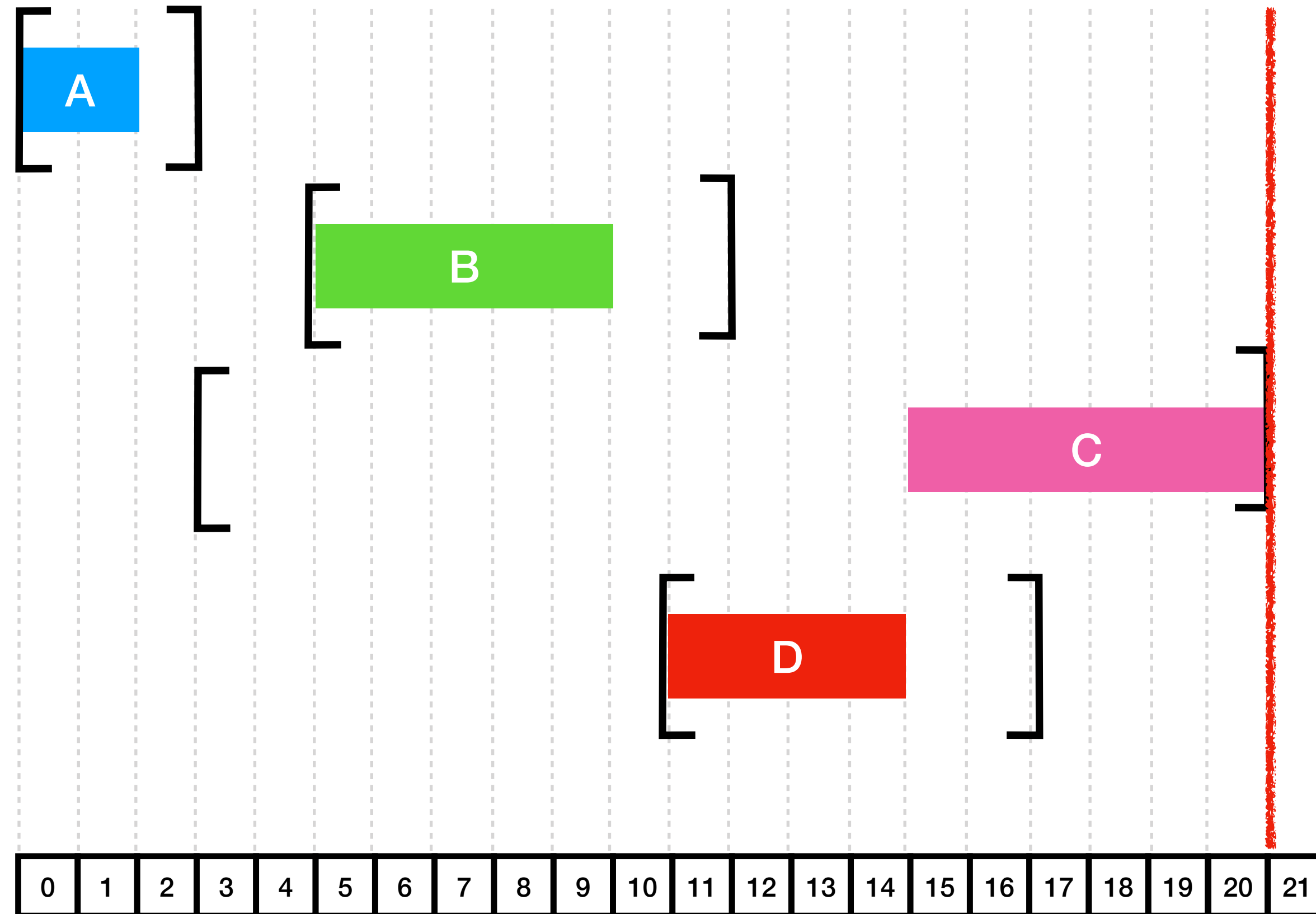


# Earliest Completion Time

- Things get complicated when activities have time windows (domains)
- $\text{ect}(\{A,B,C,D\}) = 21$

We cannot do better than 21

This problem is NP-hard 🥺  
See Garey and Johnson, problem SS1



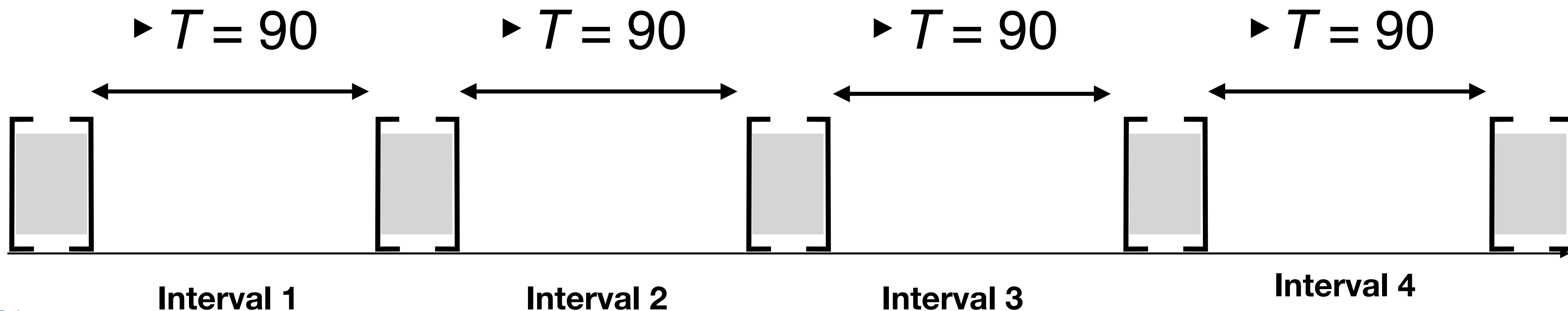
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- ▶ Reduction from the 3-Partition problem (known to be NP-complete) to our problem of interest
- ▶ 3-Partition ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/3-partition\\_problem](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/3-partition_problem)):
  - The input is a multiset  $S$  of  $n = 3m$  positive integers with sum  $mT$ .
  - The output is whether or not there exists a **partition** of  $S$  into  $m$  triplets  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_m$ , each with sum  $T$ .  
(The  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_m$  must thus be **disjoint** and **cover**  $S$ .)

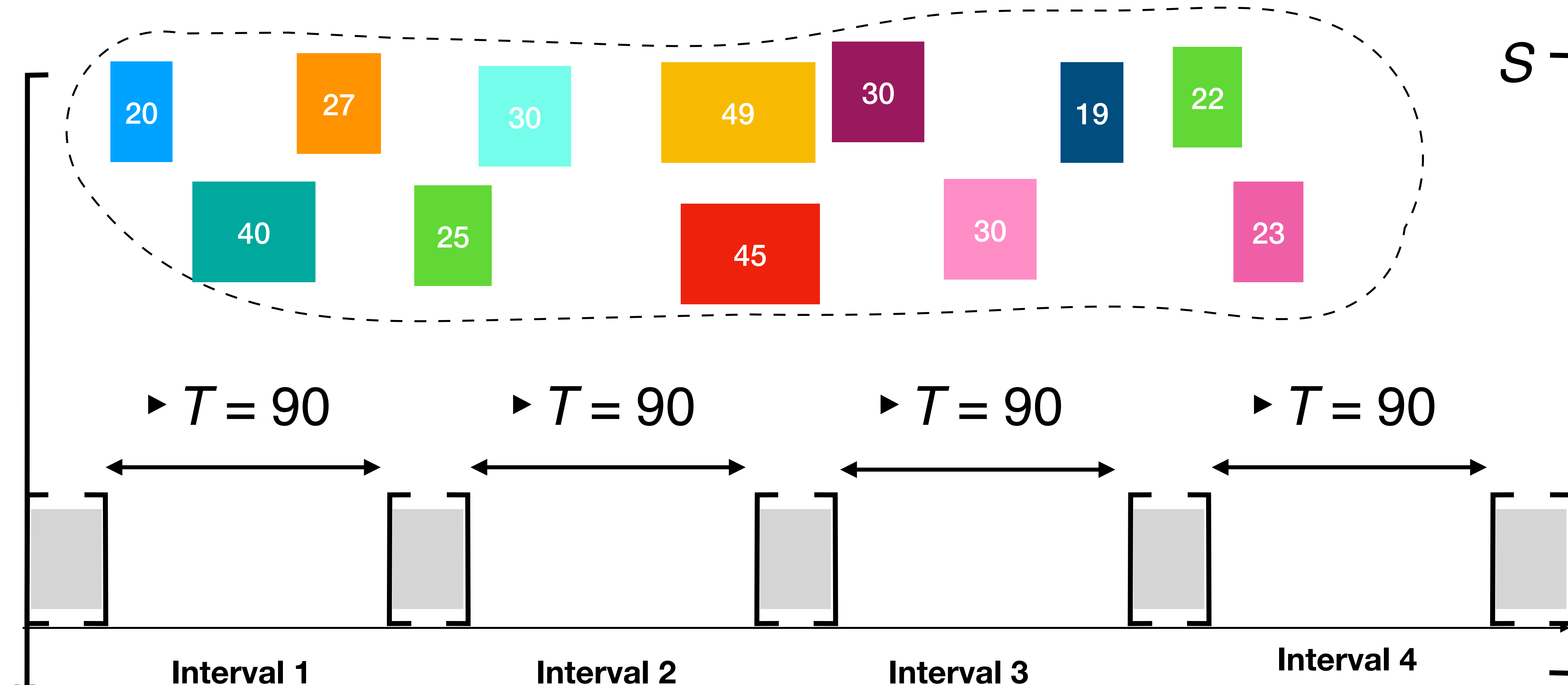
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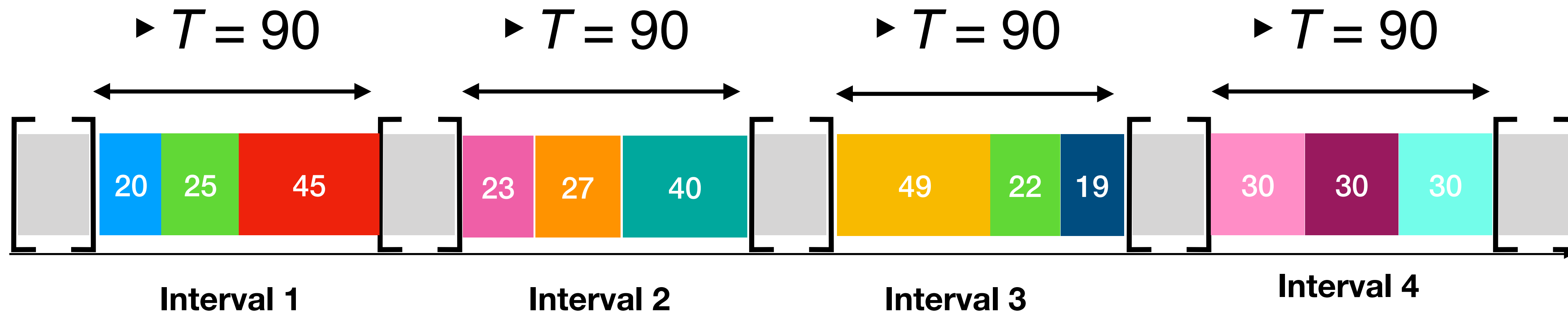
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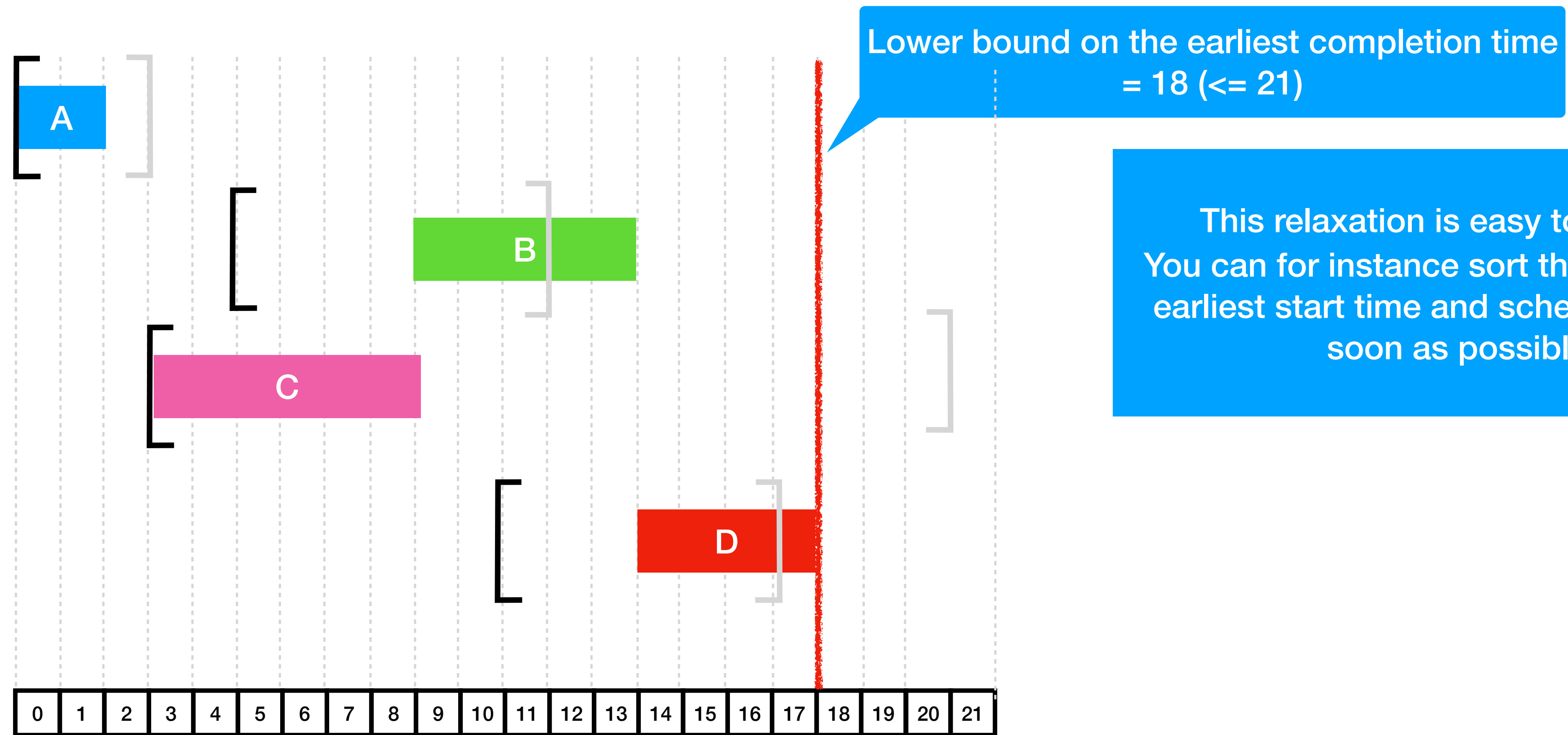
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# Lower Bound on the Earliest Completion Time

- Relaxation of the time windows:  
keep the earliest start time but relax the latest completion time





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```
ComputeECTLowerBound( $T=\{1..n\}$ ) {  
   $T_{\text{est}} \leftarrow \text{sortAZ}([1..n], \text{sortKey} = \text{est})$  //  $O(n \log n)$   
   $\text{ect} = -\text{inf}$   
  for ( $i \leftarrow T_{\text{est}}$ ) {  
     $\text{ect} \leftarrow \max(\text{est}_i + d_i, \text{ect} + d_i)$   
  }  
  return ect  
}
```

# Lower Bound on the Earliest Completion Time



- ▶ This lower bound can be formally defined as
$$\text{ect}_{\Omega}^{\text{LB}} = \max \{ \text{est}_{\Omega'} + d_{\Omega'} \mid \Omega' \subseteq \Omega \}$$
- ▶ But, as just seen, we do not need to enumerate all the subsets, since we can compute it in  $O(n \log n)$  time for  $n$  activities.
- ▶ In the following, by abuse of notation and since we will always use the lower bound, we drop “LB”:  
 $\text{ect}_{\Omega}^{\text{LB}}$  is denoted by  $\text{ect}_{\Omega}$

# Latest Starting Time (same idea)



- We also introduce an upper bound on the latest starting time (mirroring problem), which is  $lst_{\Omega} = \min \{lct_{\Omega'} - d_{\Omega'} \mid \Omega' \subseteq \Omega\}$

# Conventions for empty set

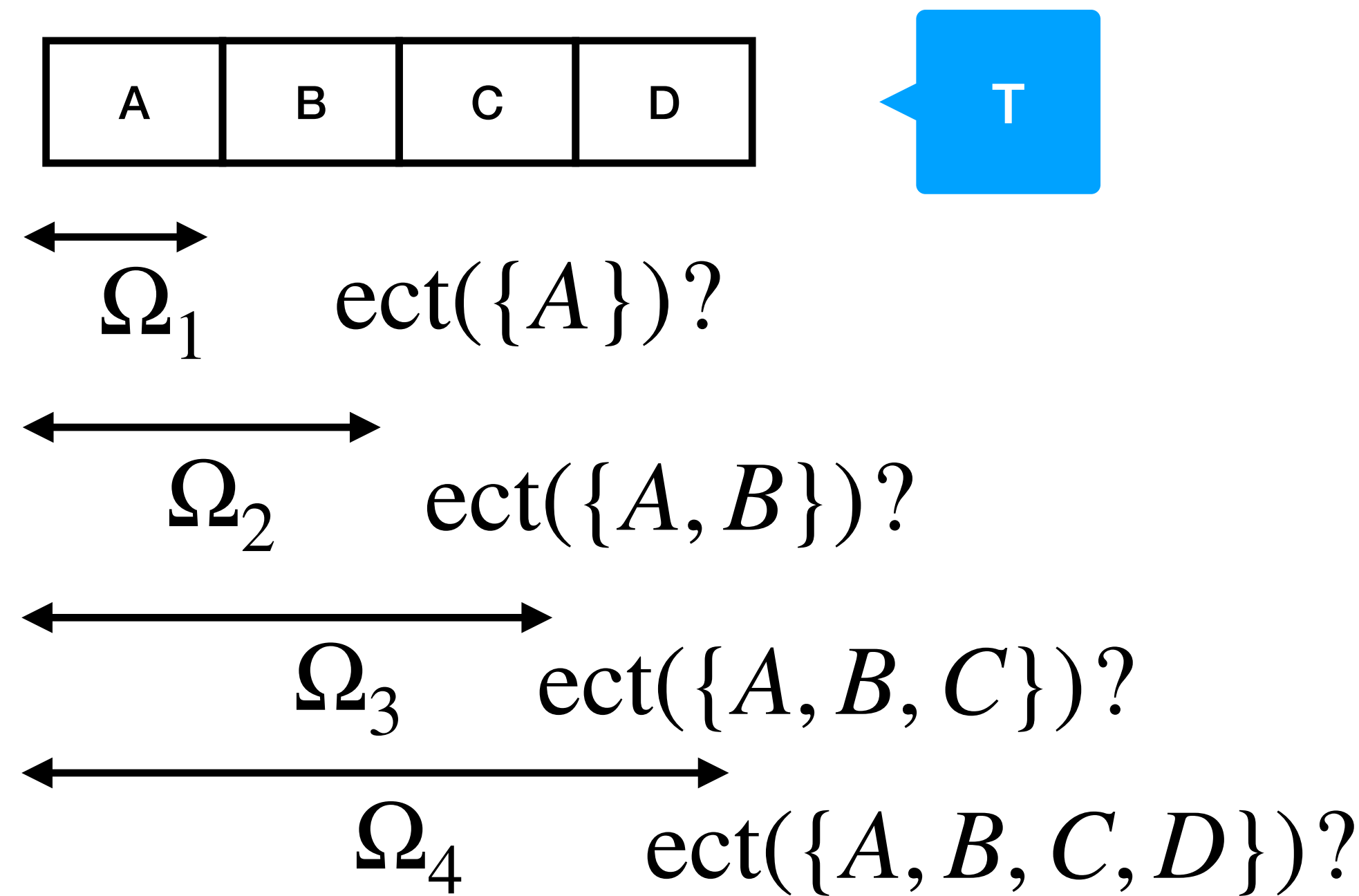
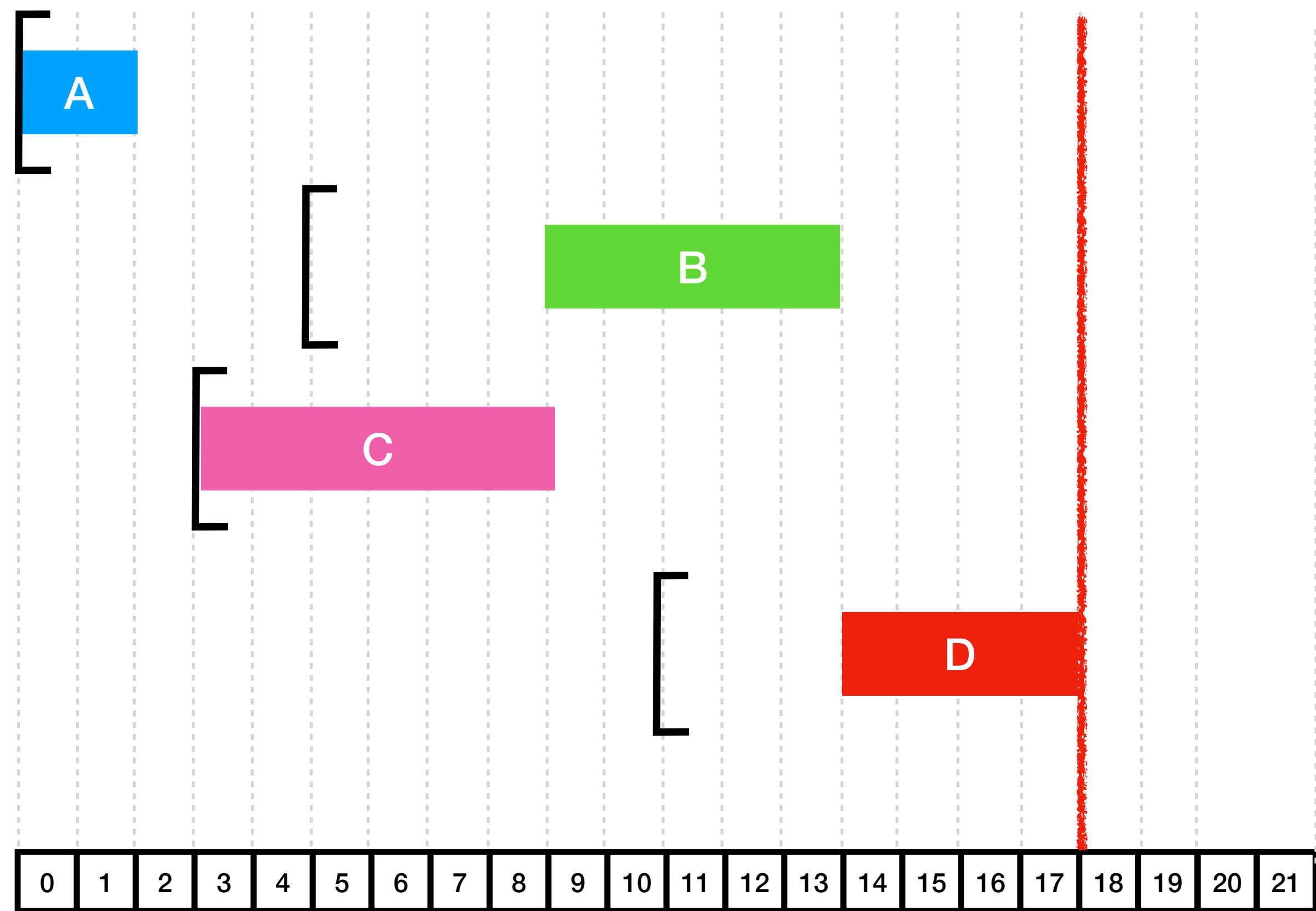
- By convention:
  - $\text{est}_{\emptyset} = \text{ect}_{\emptyset} = -\infty$
  - $\text{lct}_{\emptyset} = \text{lct}_{\emptyset} = +\infty$
  - $d_{\emptyset} = 0$

# Earliest Completion Times of nested sets of activities

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- ▶ Given  $n$  activities from the set  $T$ , given nested sets of activities
$$\Omega_1 = \{T_1\} \subset \Omega_2 \subset \Omega_3 \subset \dots \subset \Omega_n = T \text{ with } \Omega_i = \Omega_{i-1} \cup \{T_i\}$$
- ▶ Can we compute all  $\text{ect}(\Omega_1), \text{ect}(\Omega_2), \text{ect}(\Omega_3), \dots, \text{ect}(\Omega_n)$  efficiently?
- ▶ Naïve approach: compute each independently:  $O(n^2 \log n)$  time
- ▶ More efficient approach: use a data structure called a  $\Theta$ -tree

# Small example of nested sets



# Θ-tree intuition

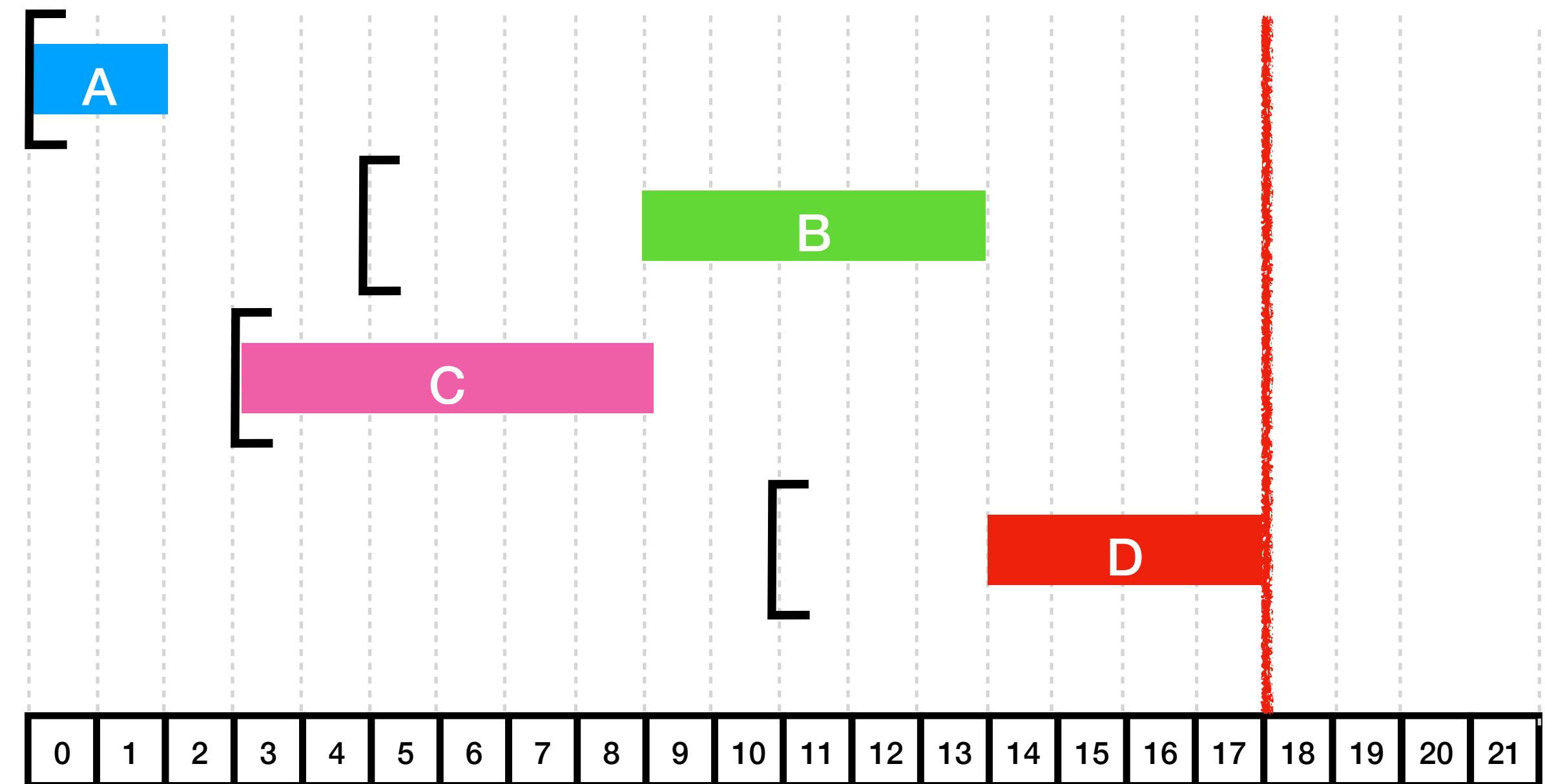
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  for ( $i \leftarrow T_{\text{est}}$ ) {
     $\text{ect} \leftarrow \max(\text{est}_i + d_i, \text{ect} + d_i)$ 
  }
  return ect
}

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[A,C,B,D]





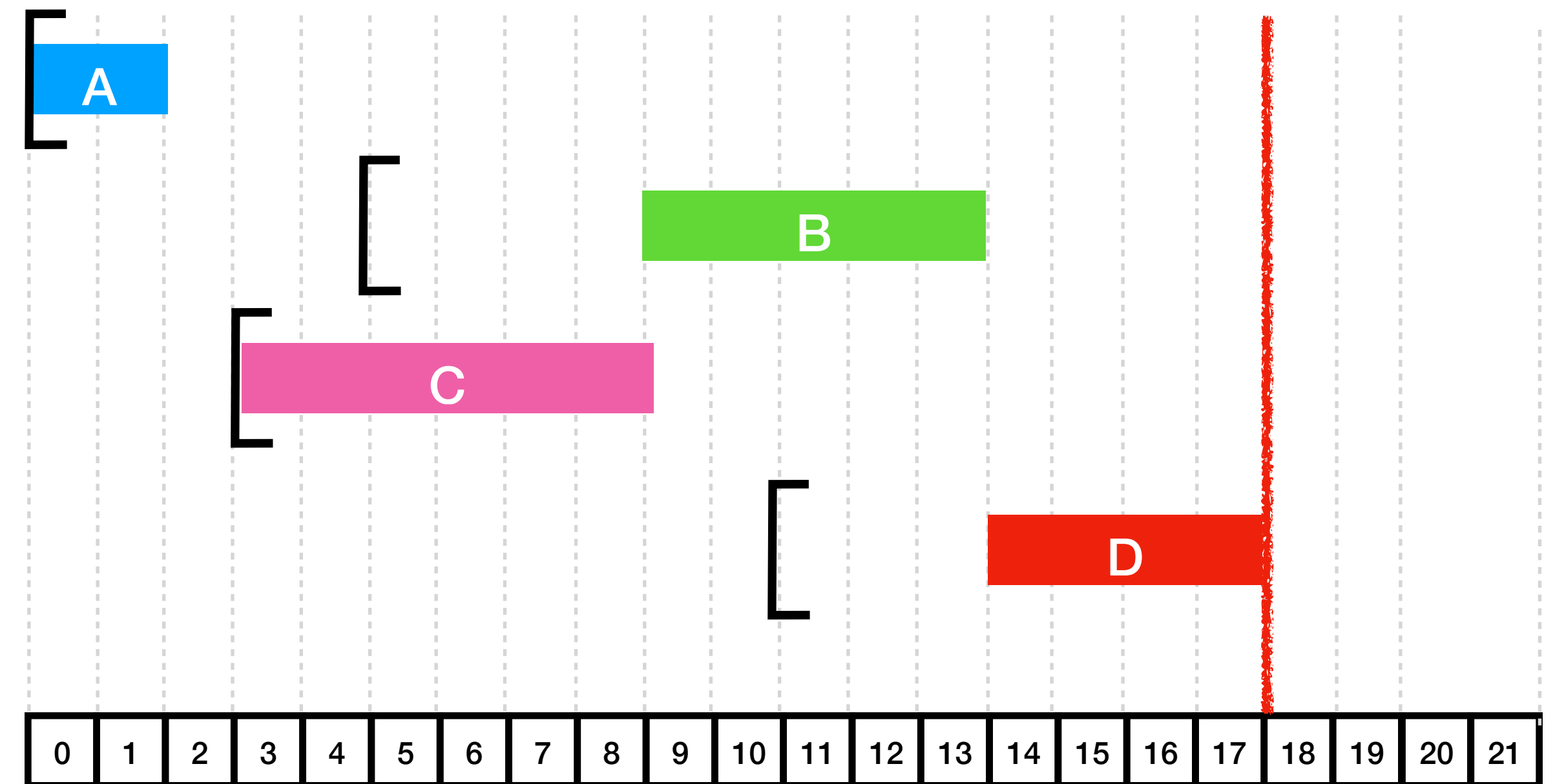
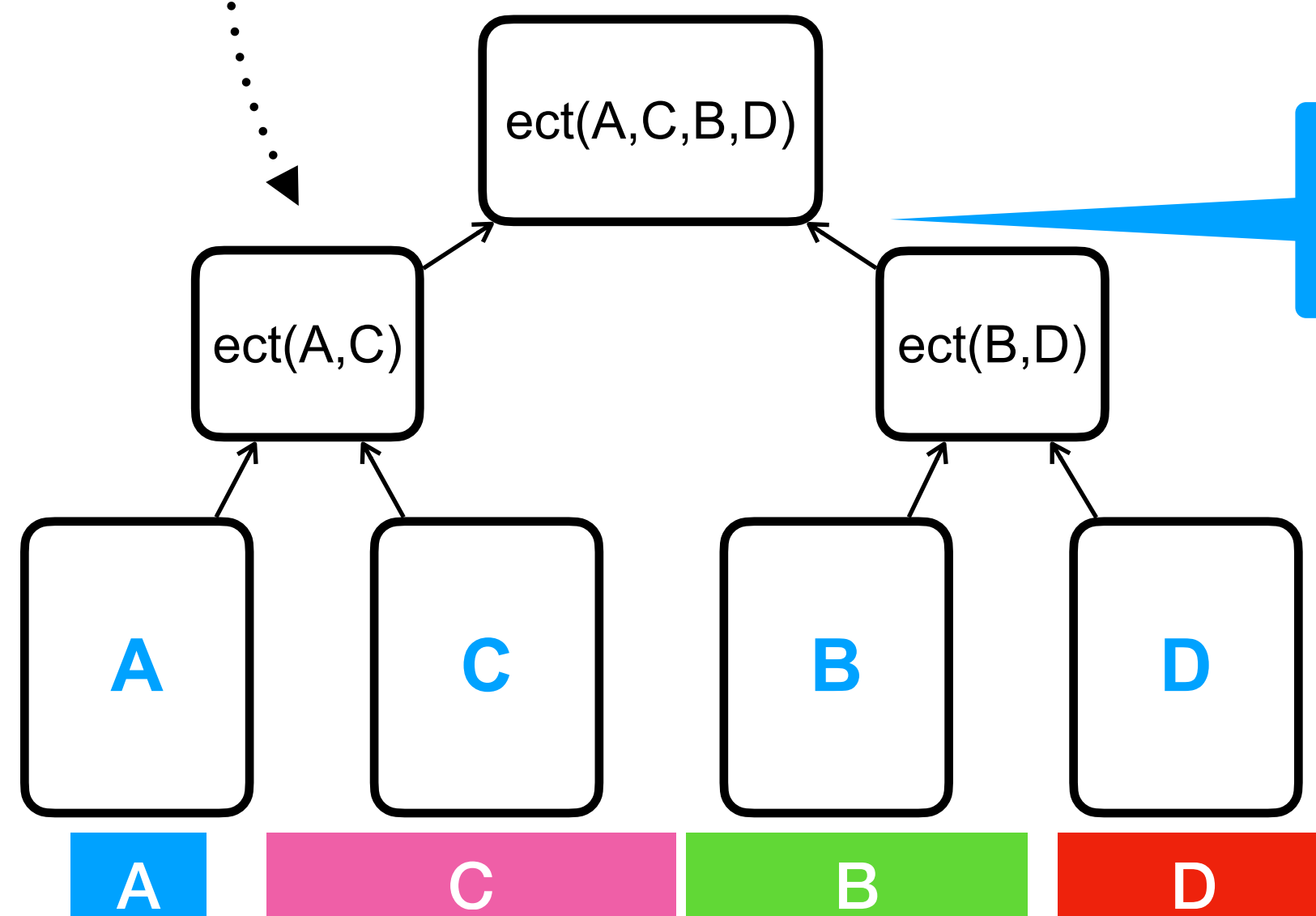
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2: bottom-up ect computation

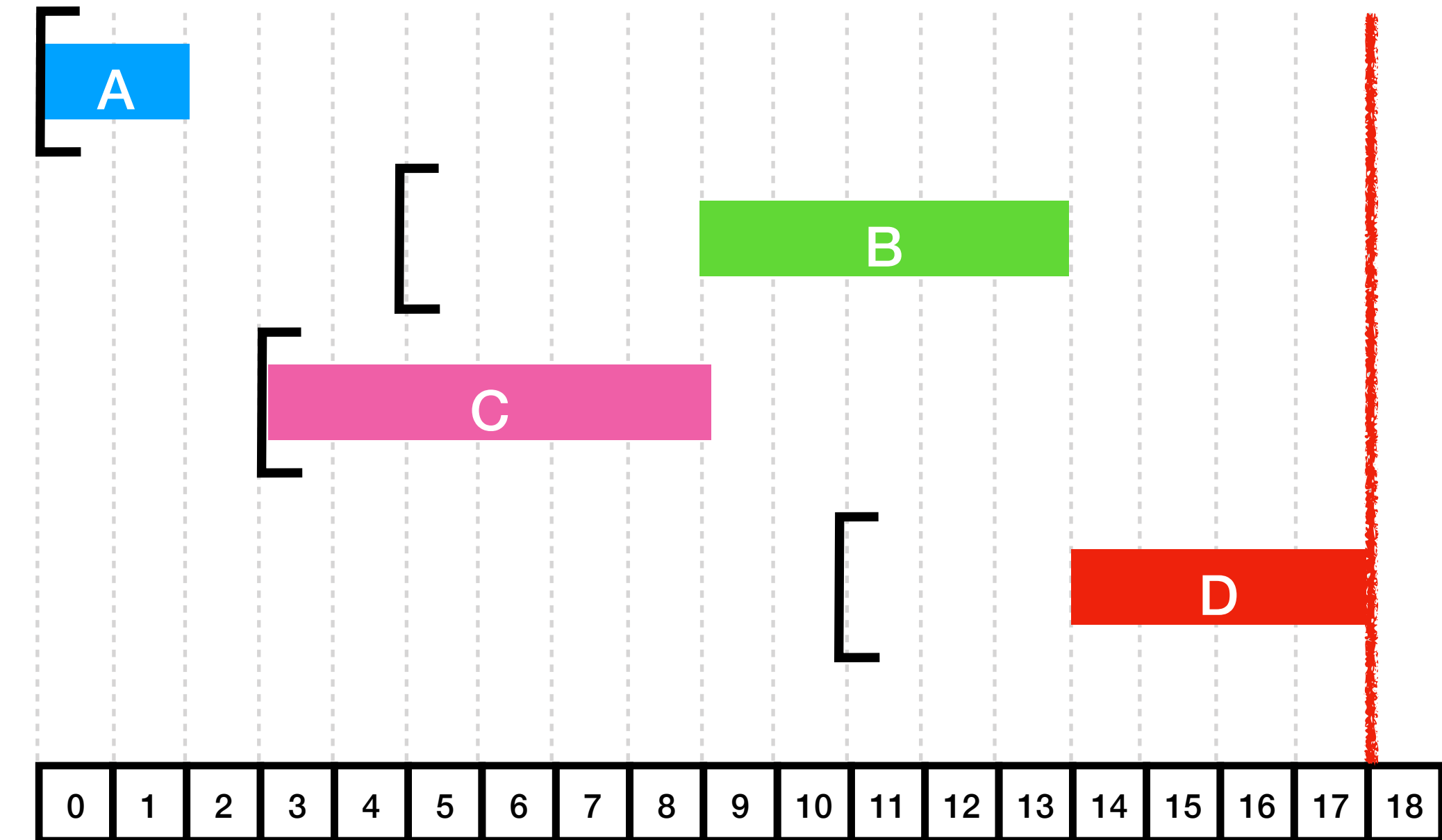
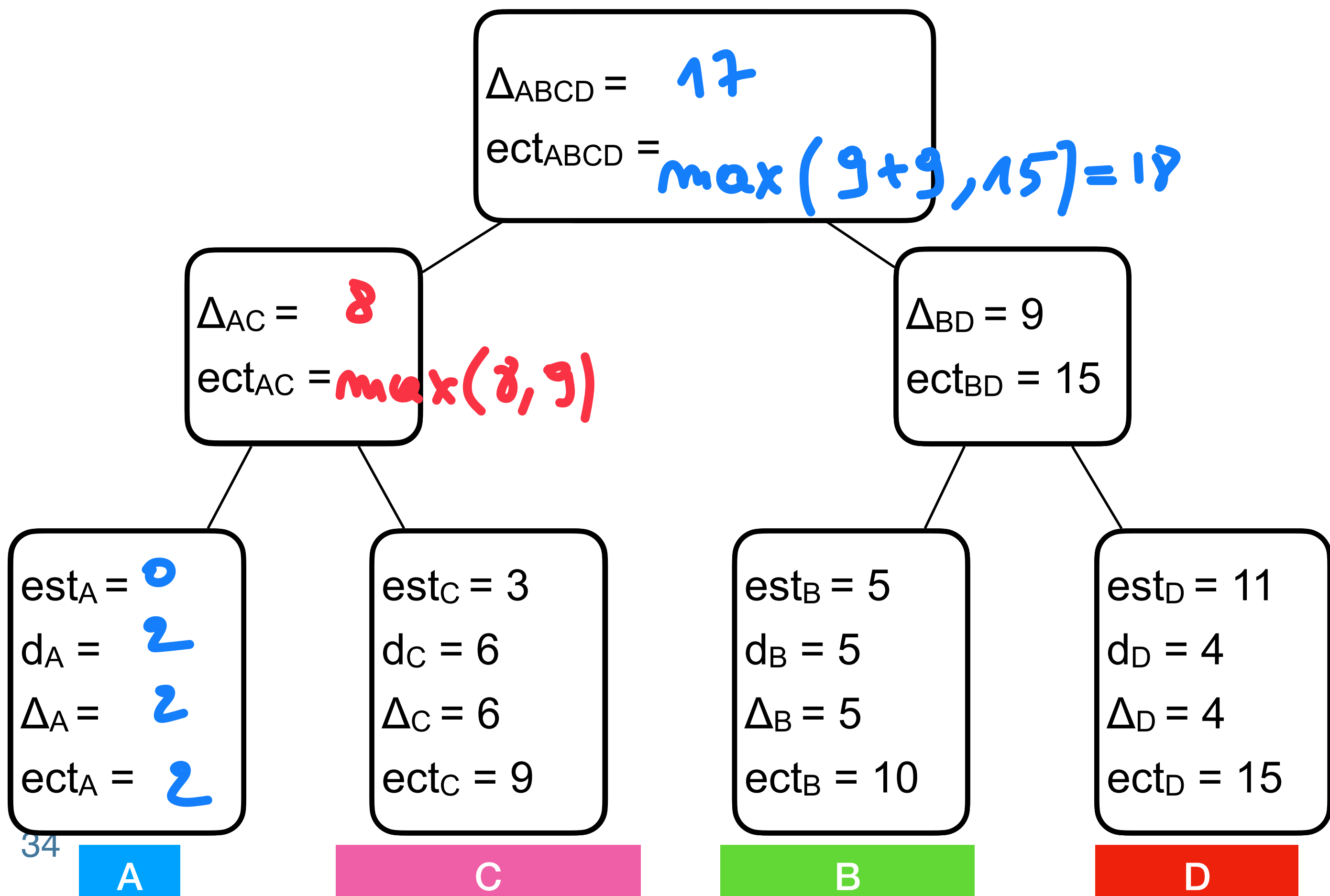
1: activities are sorted wrt est

# Bottom up computation

Update rule for each non-leaf v:

$$\Delta_v = \sum p_{left(v)} + \sum p_{right(v)}$$

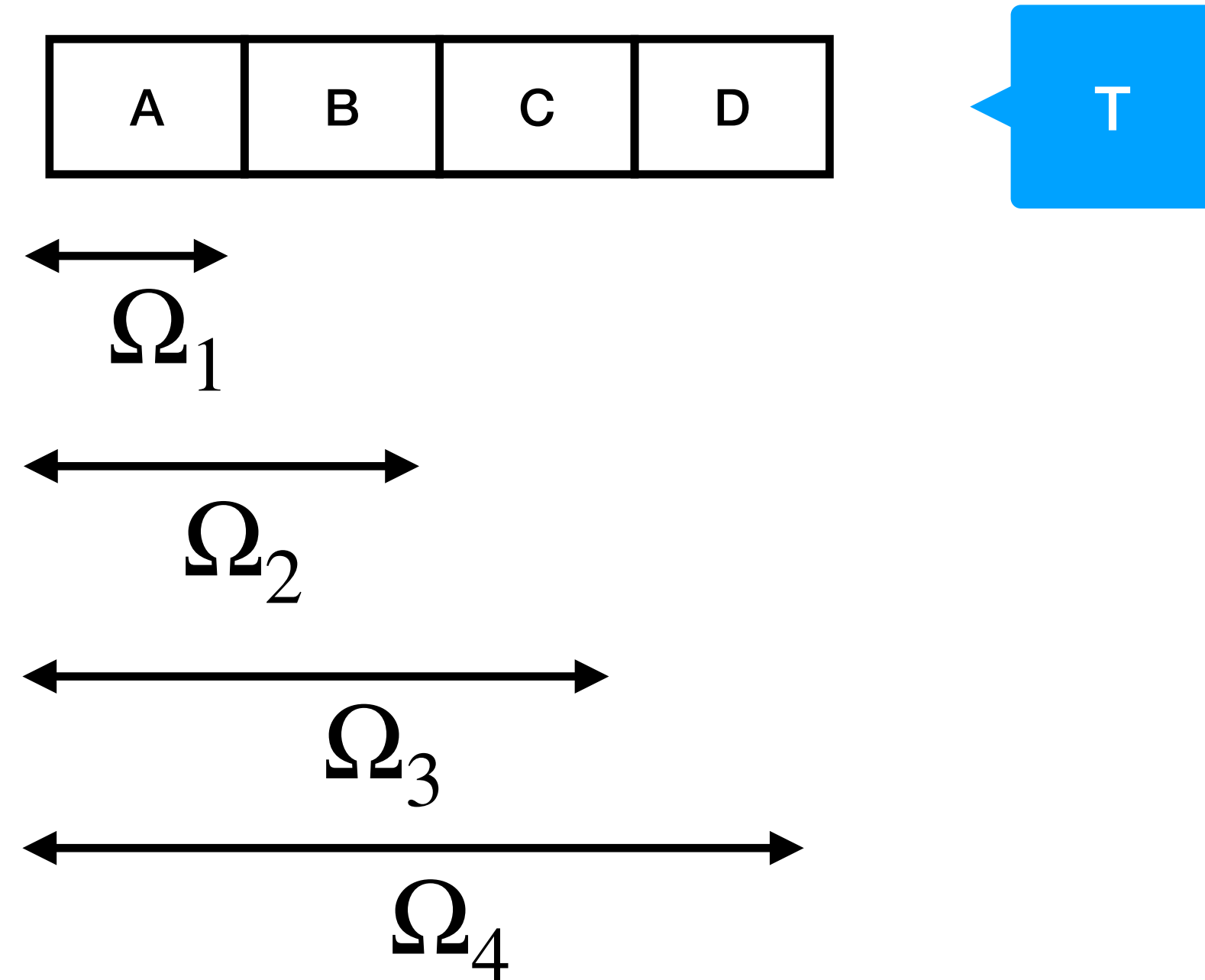
$$ect_v = \max(ect_{left(v)} + \sum p_{right(v)}, ect_{right(v)})$$



Time complexity?

# What do we gain compared to simple algorithm?

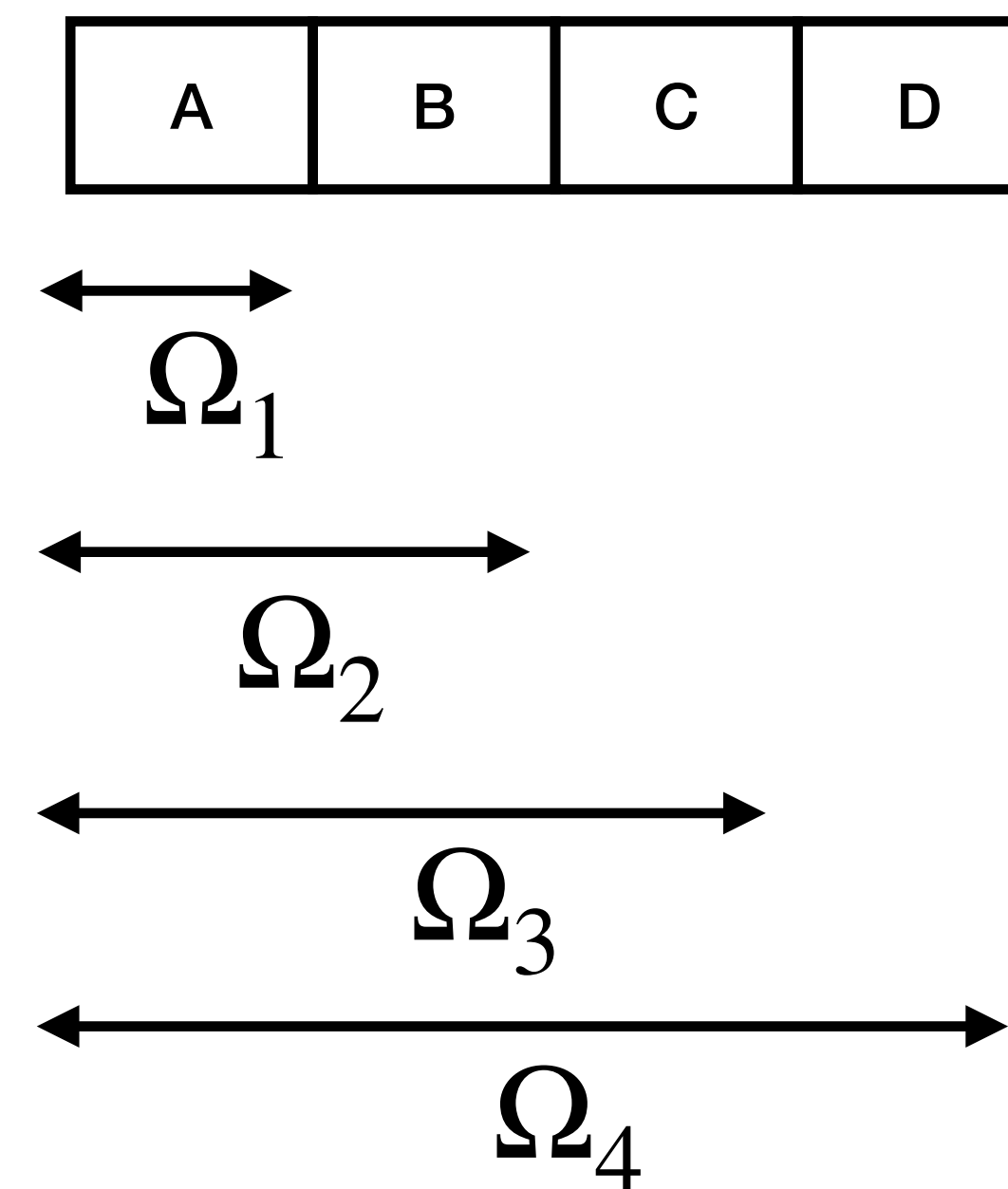
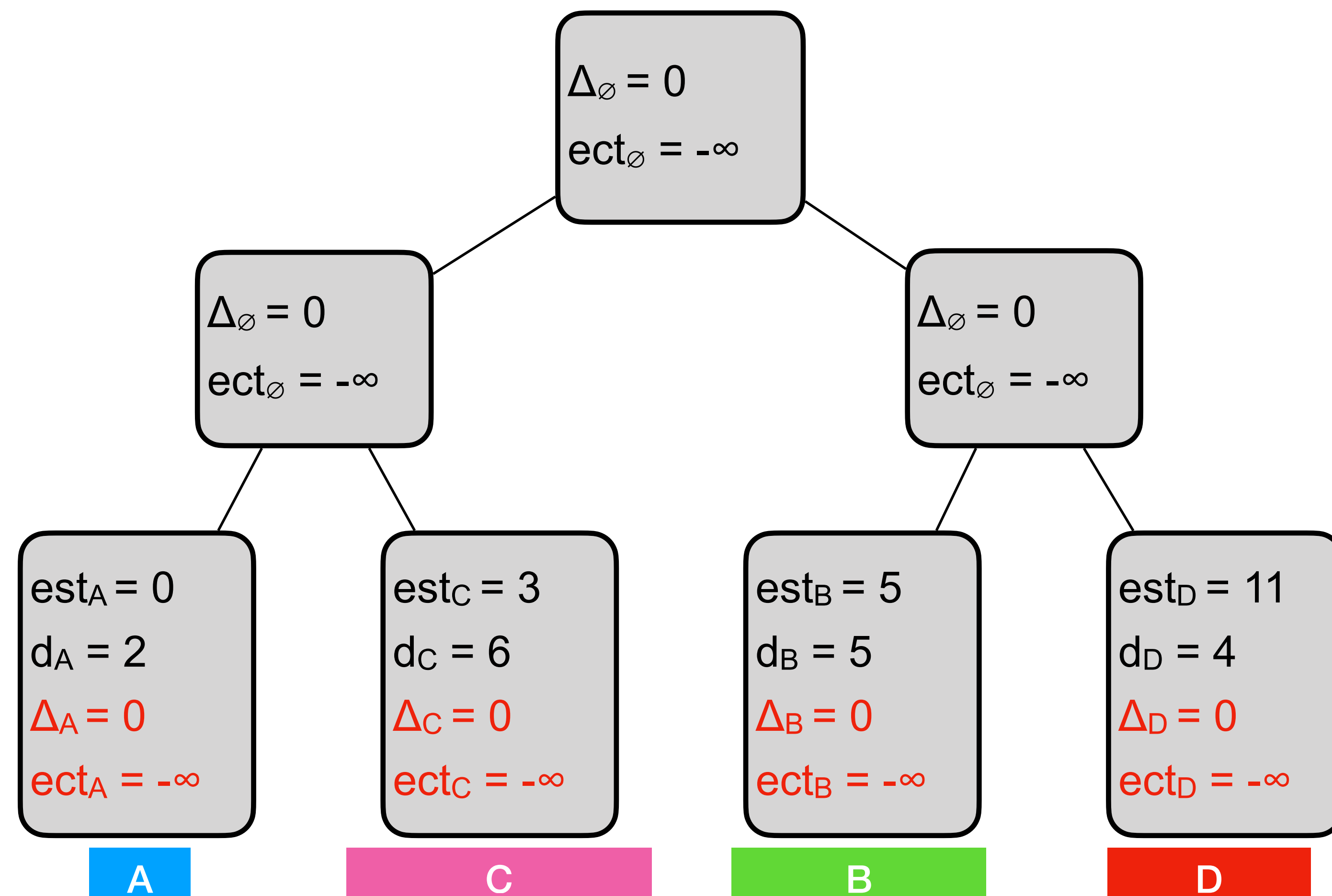
- Not the same problem
- We wanted to compute ect for nested sets
- $\Theta$ -tree can deal with it, not the simple algo



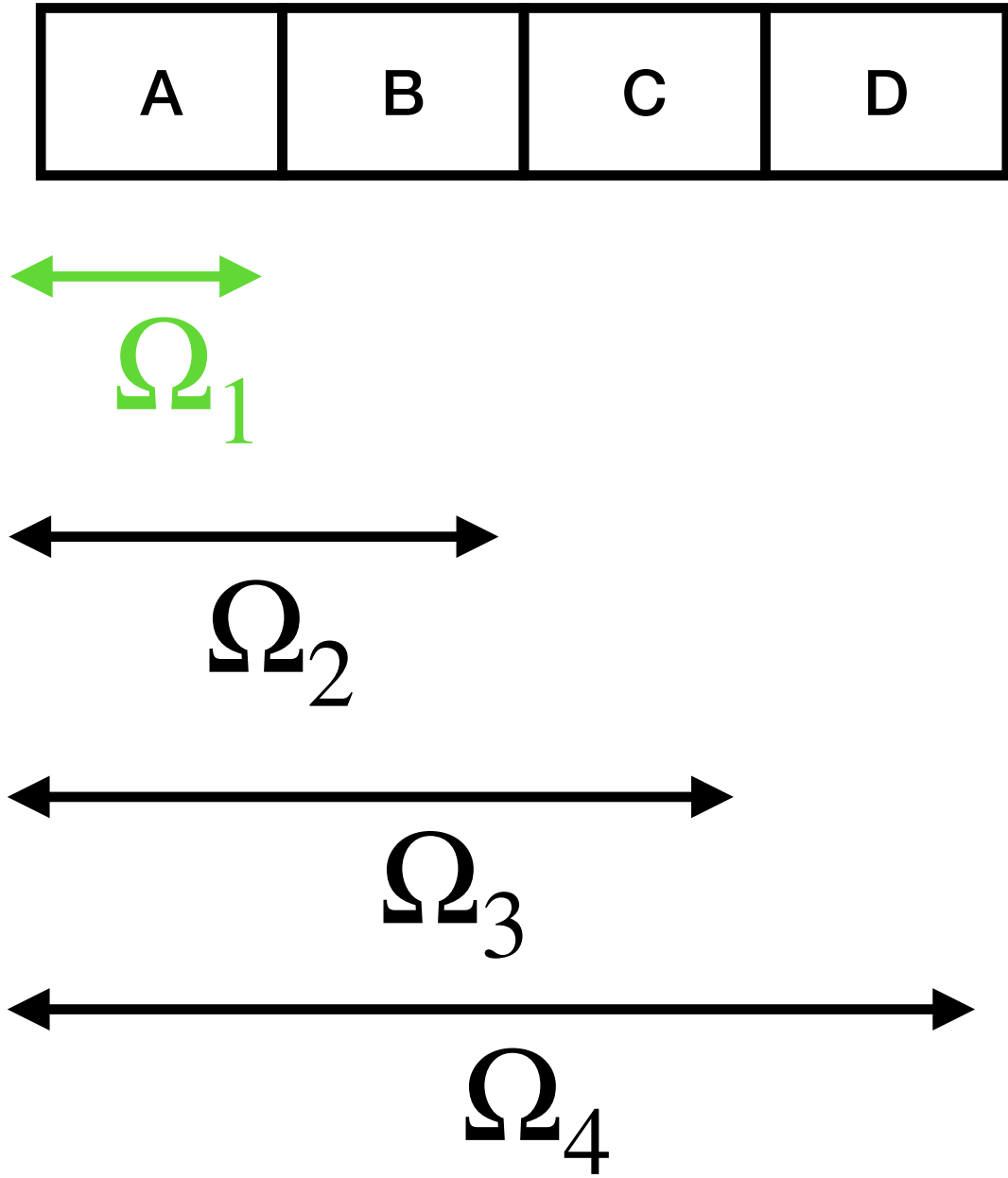
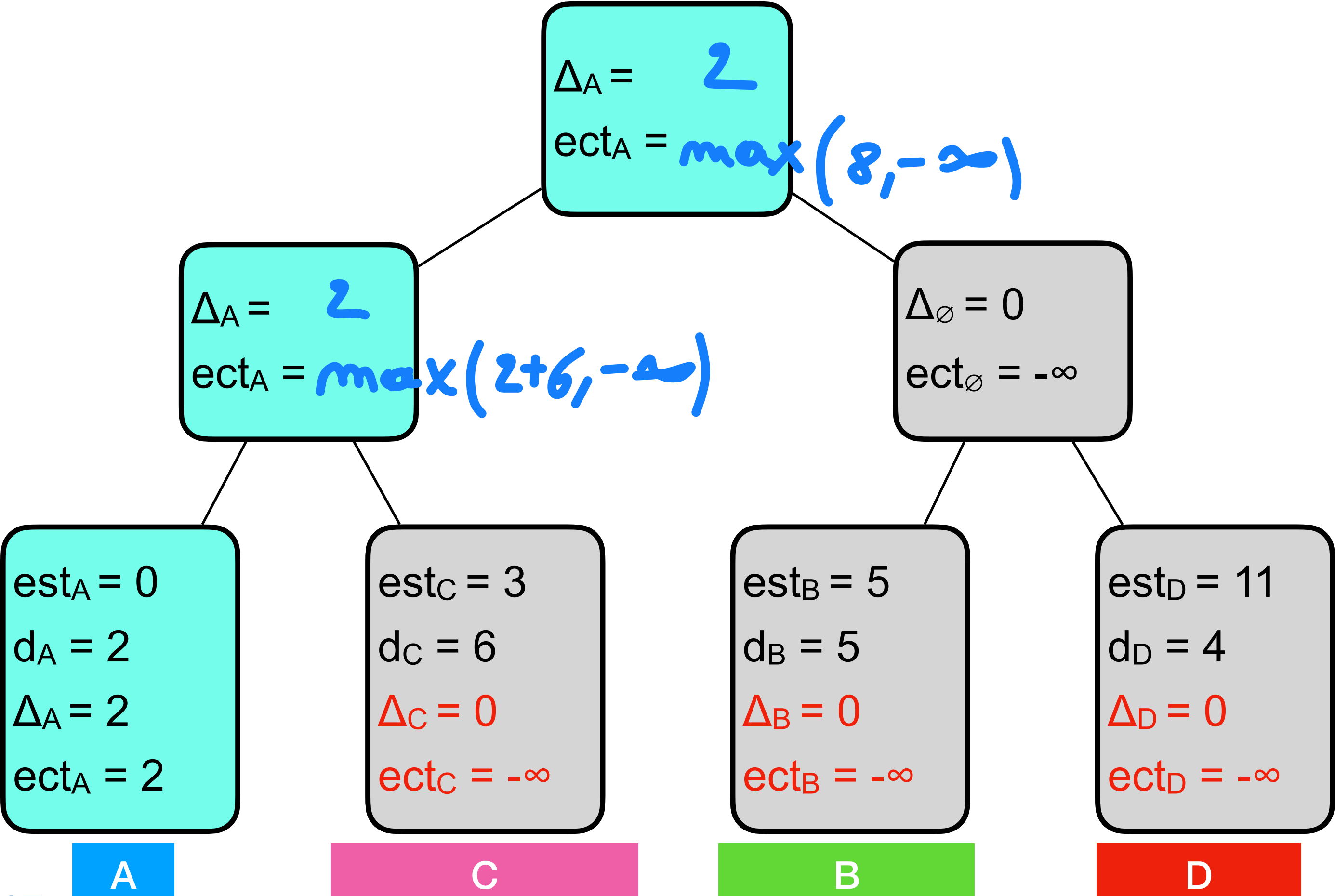
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  }
  return ect
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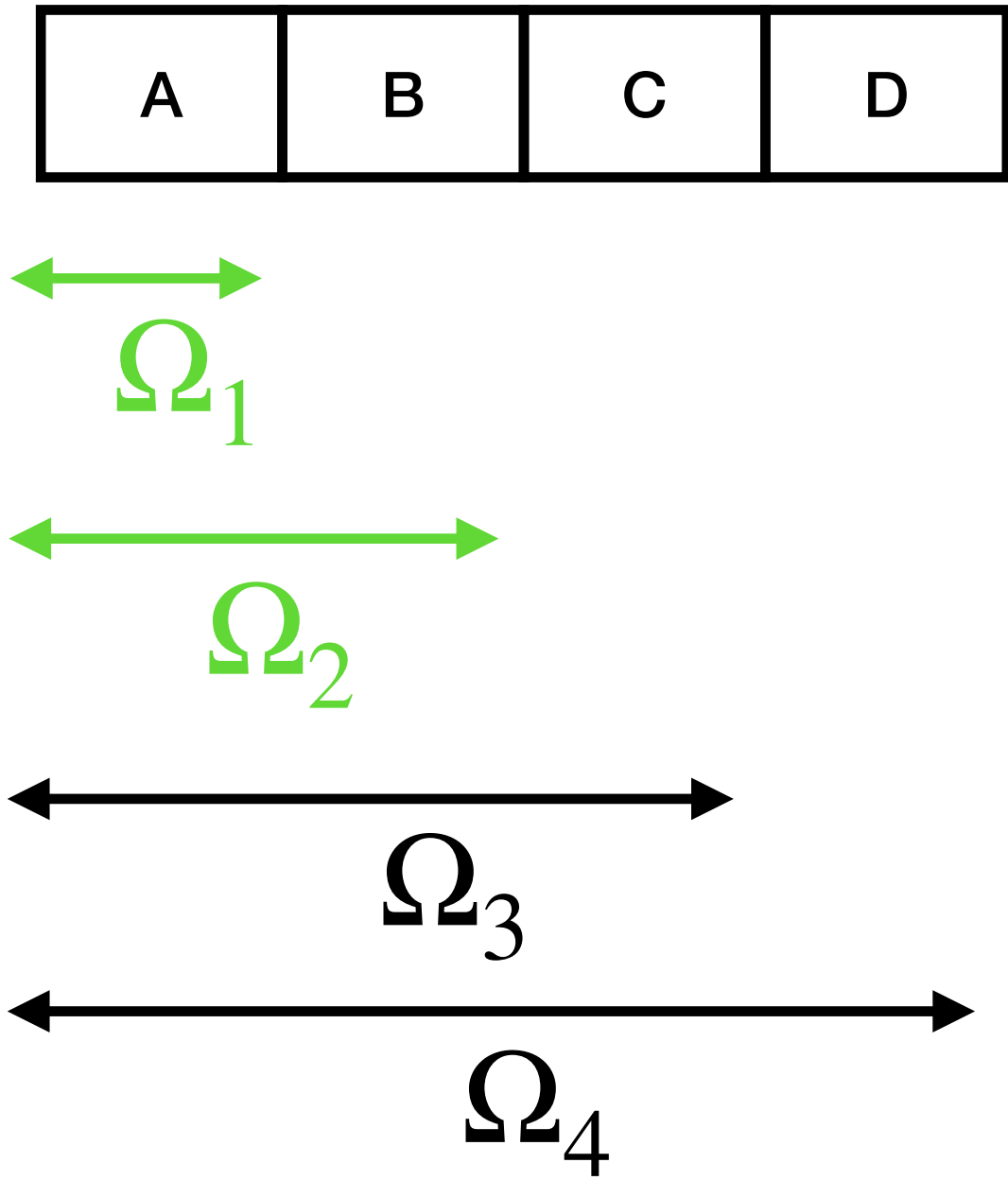
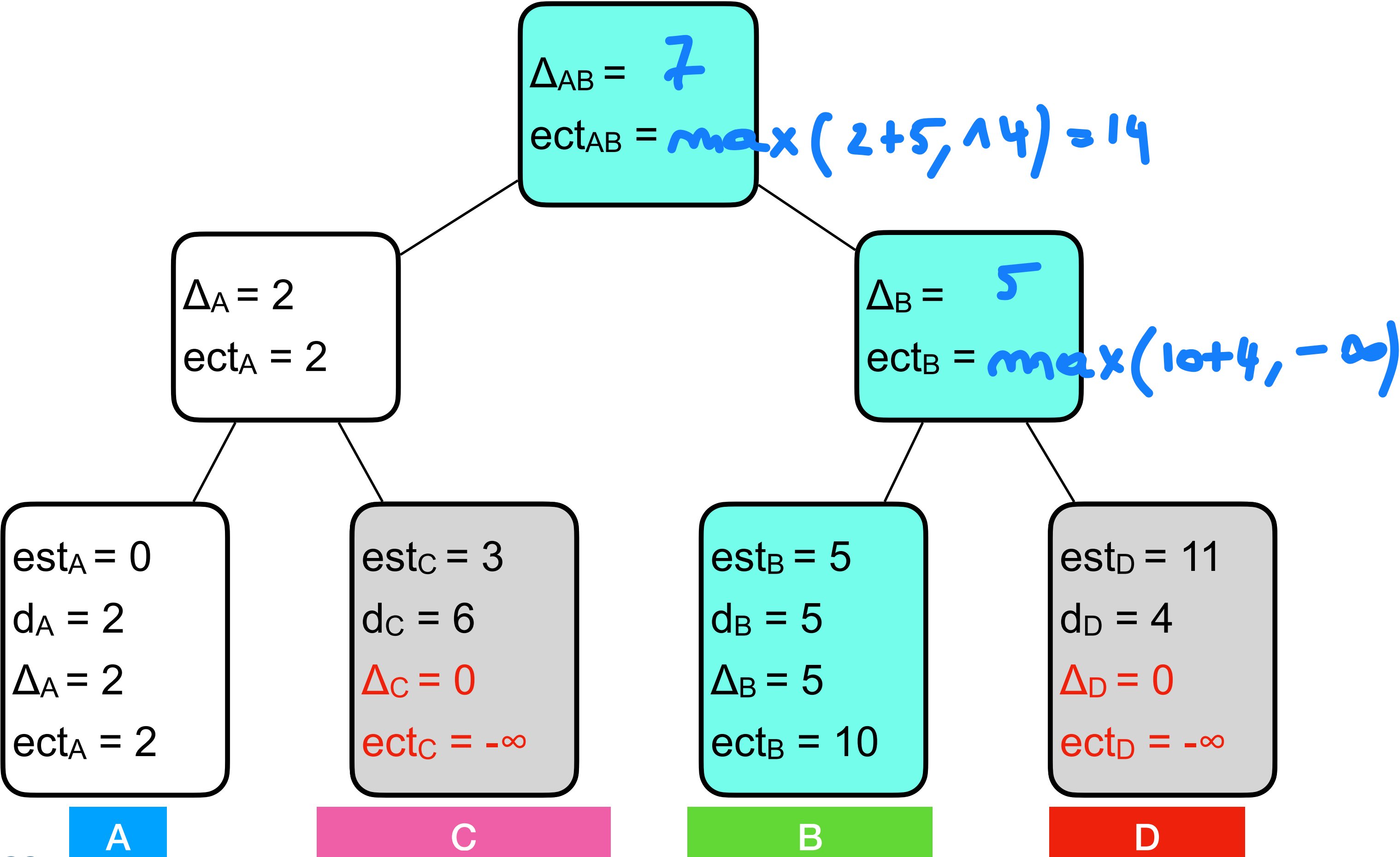
## ► Empty set of activities



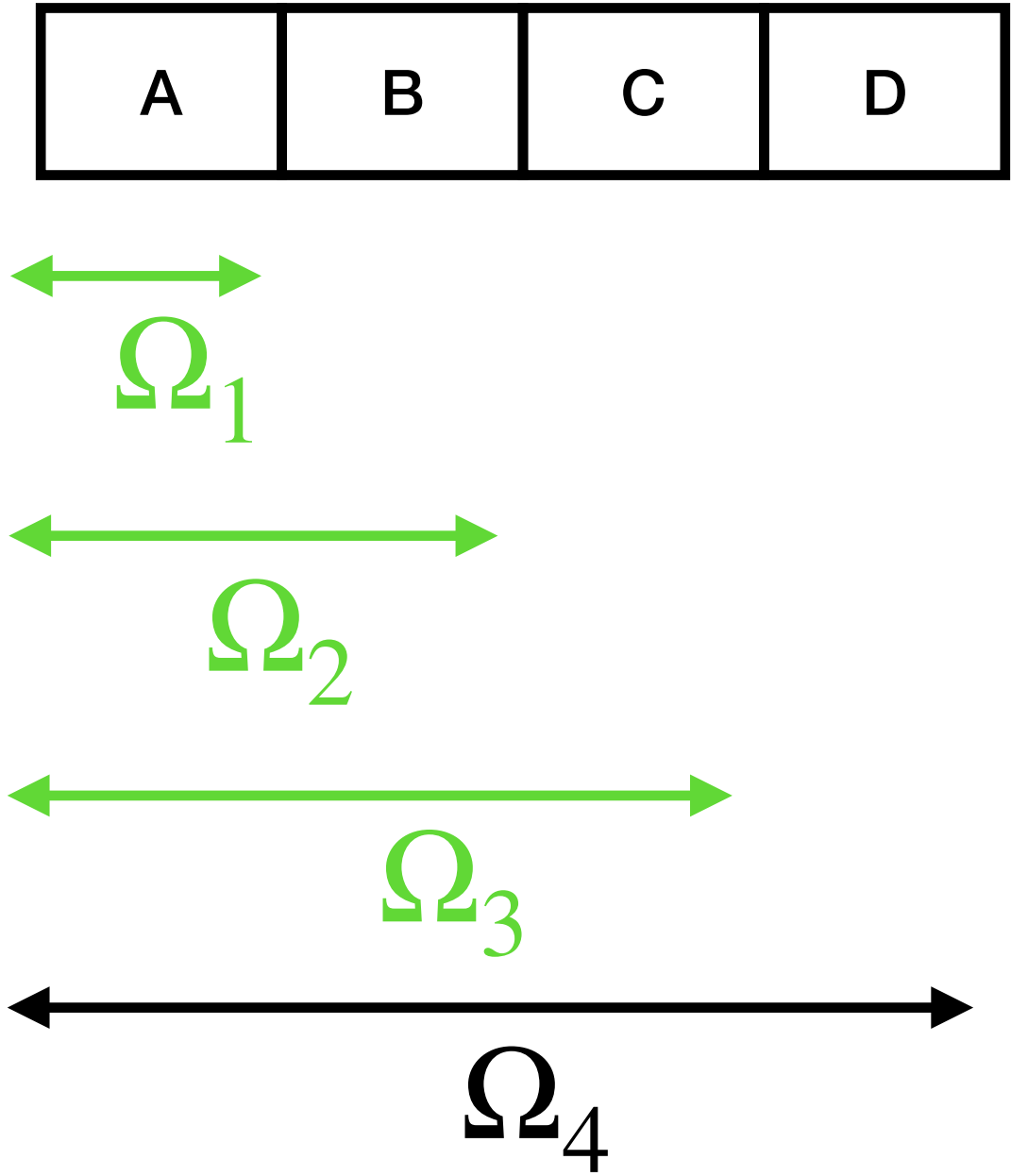
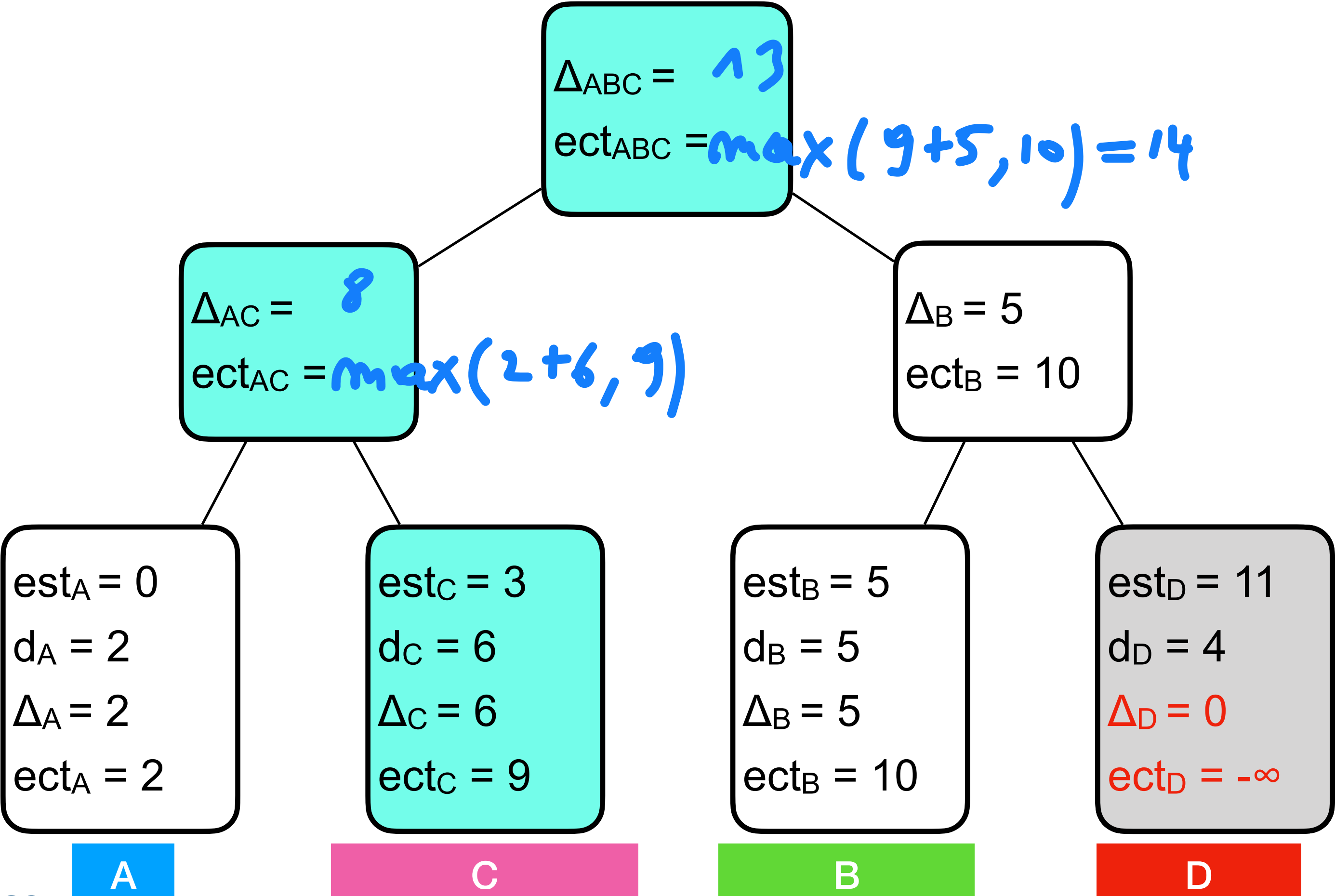
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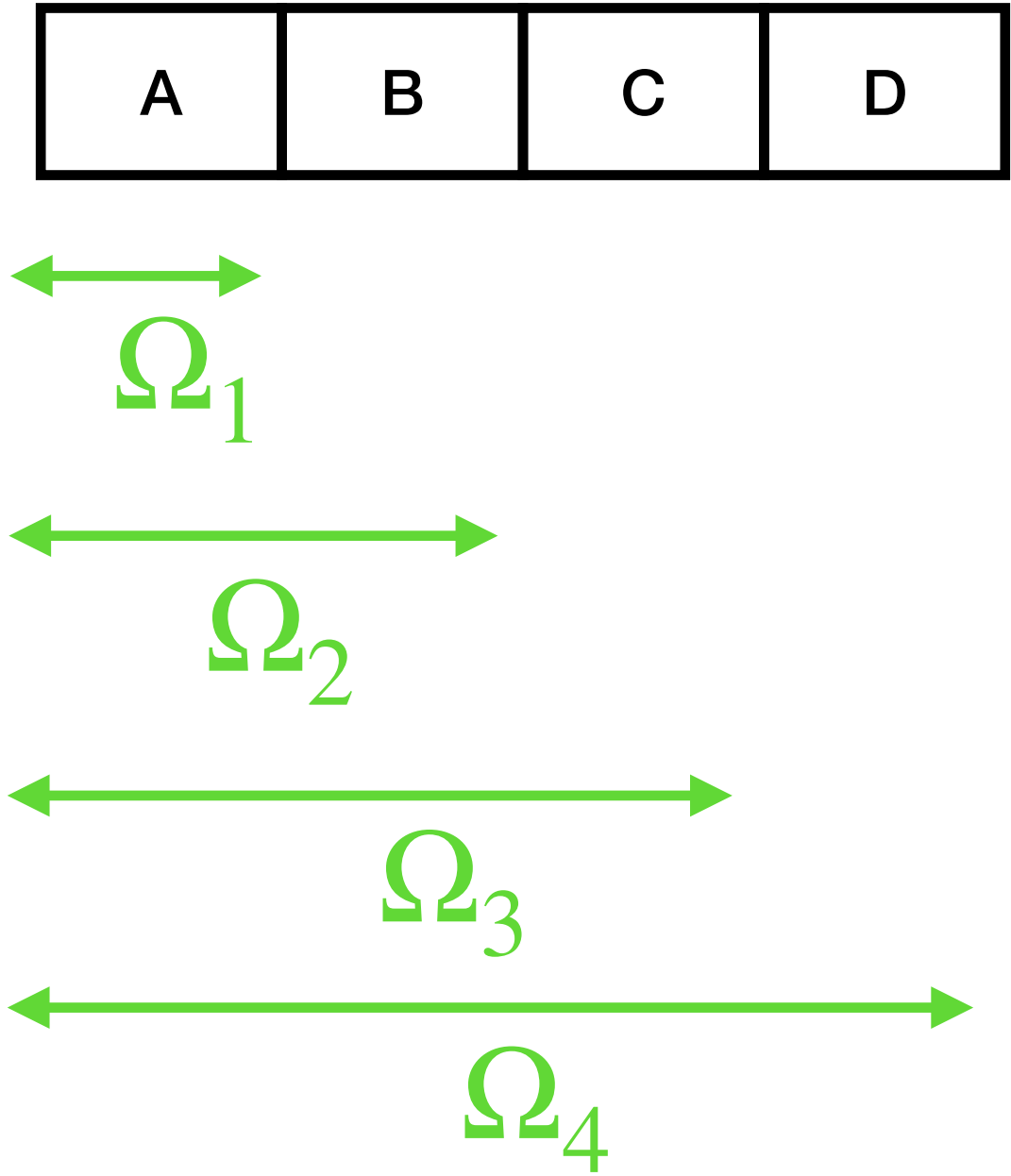
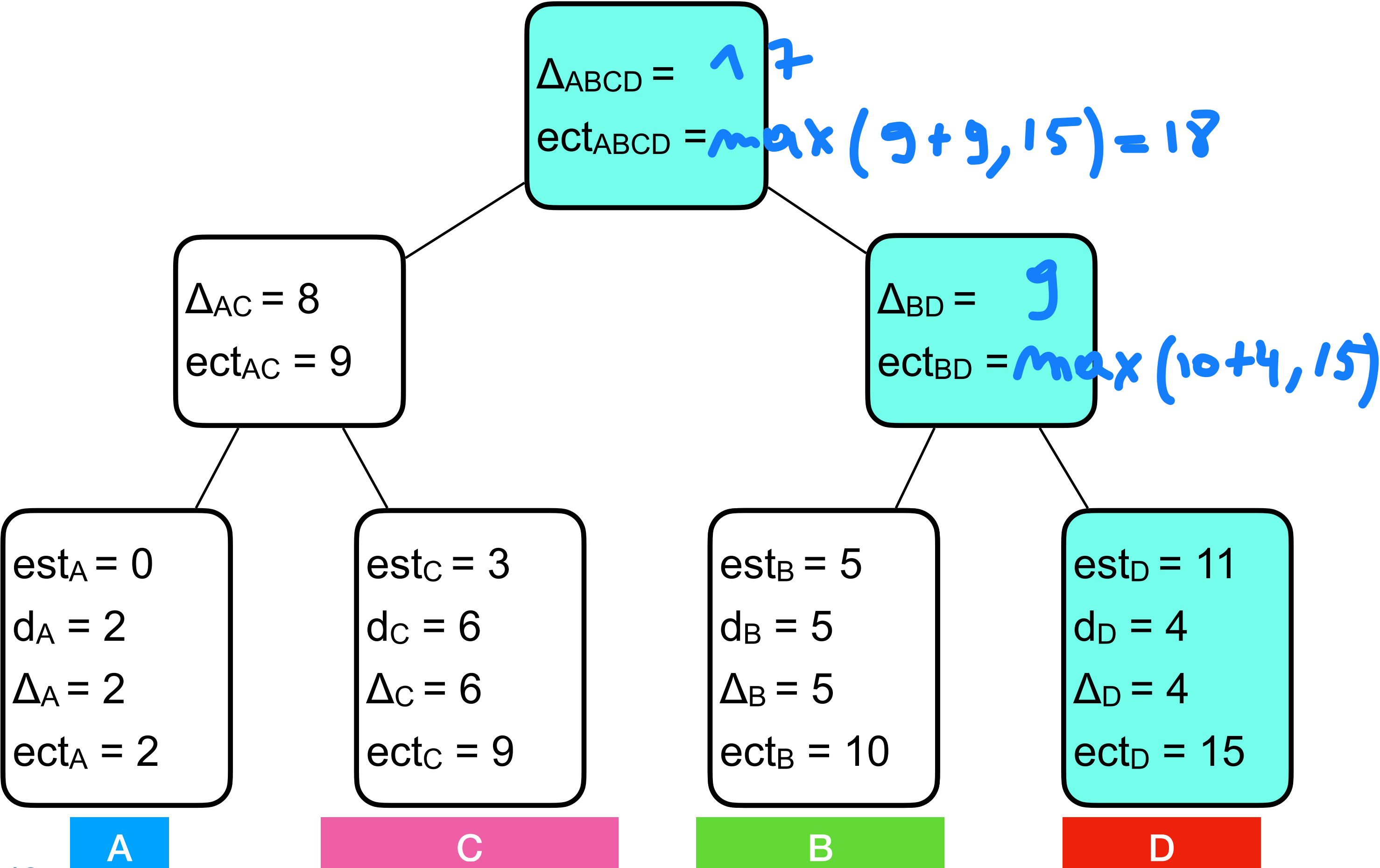
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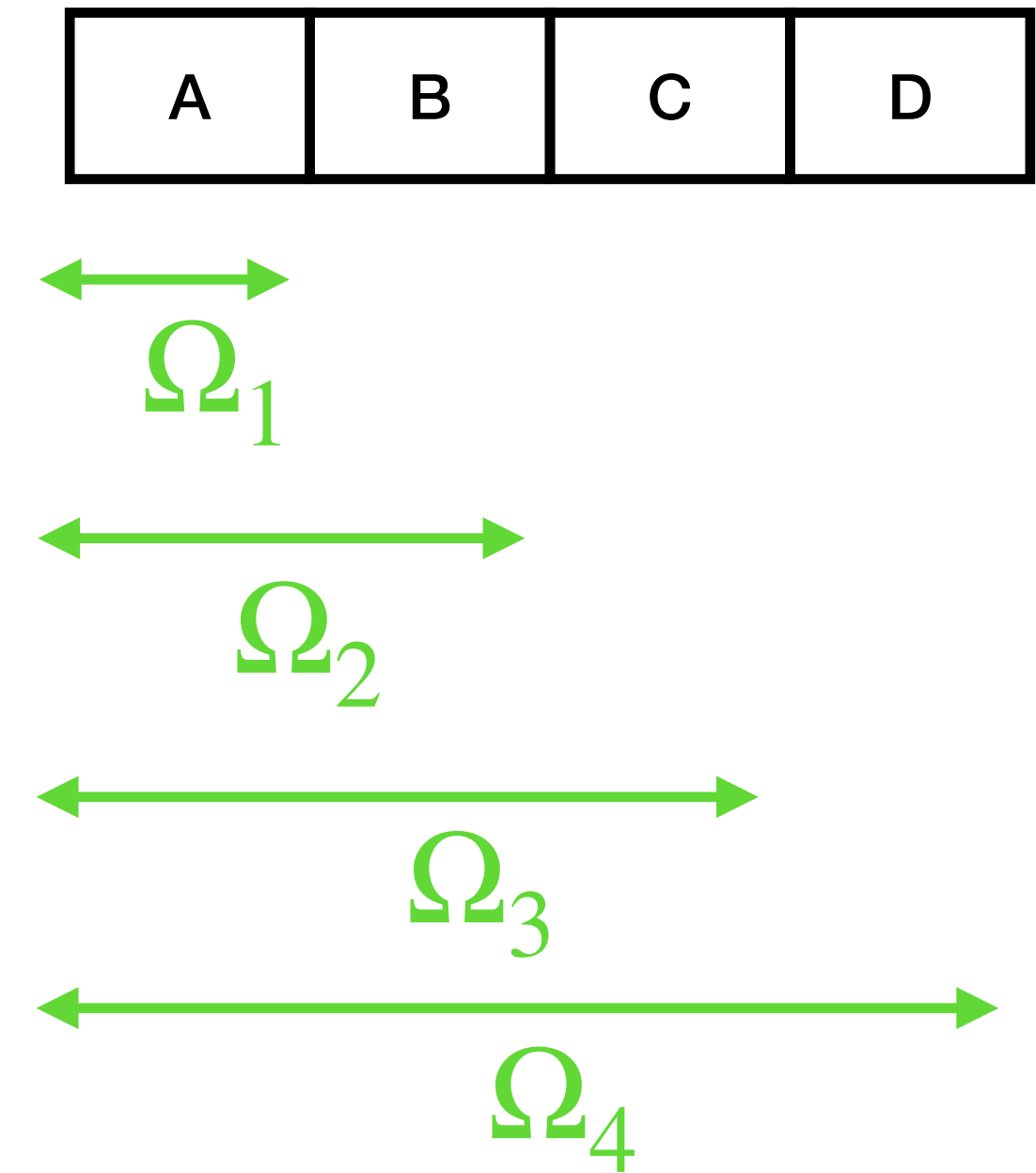
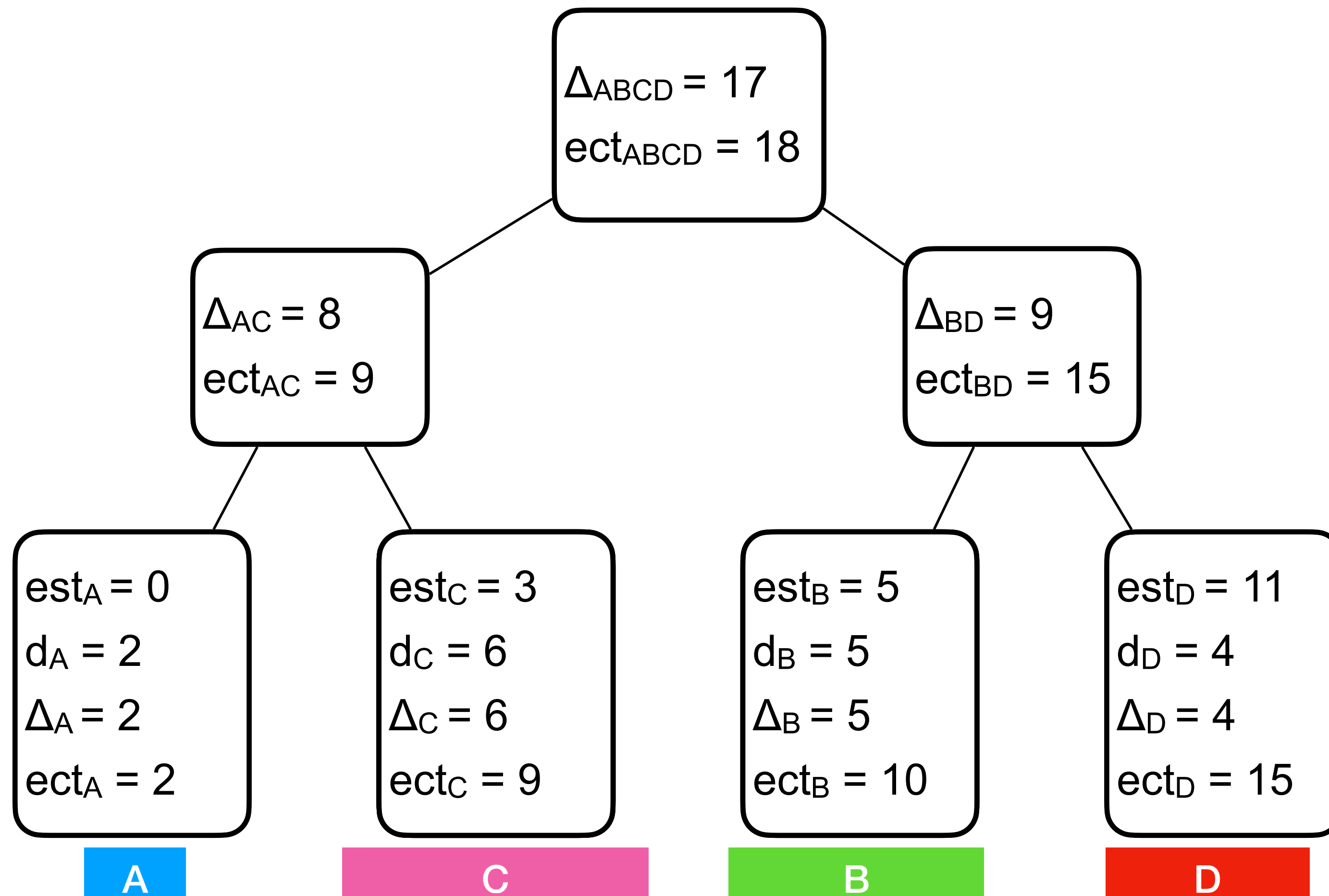
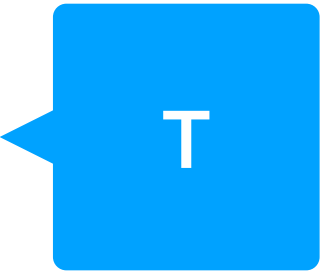
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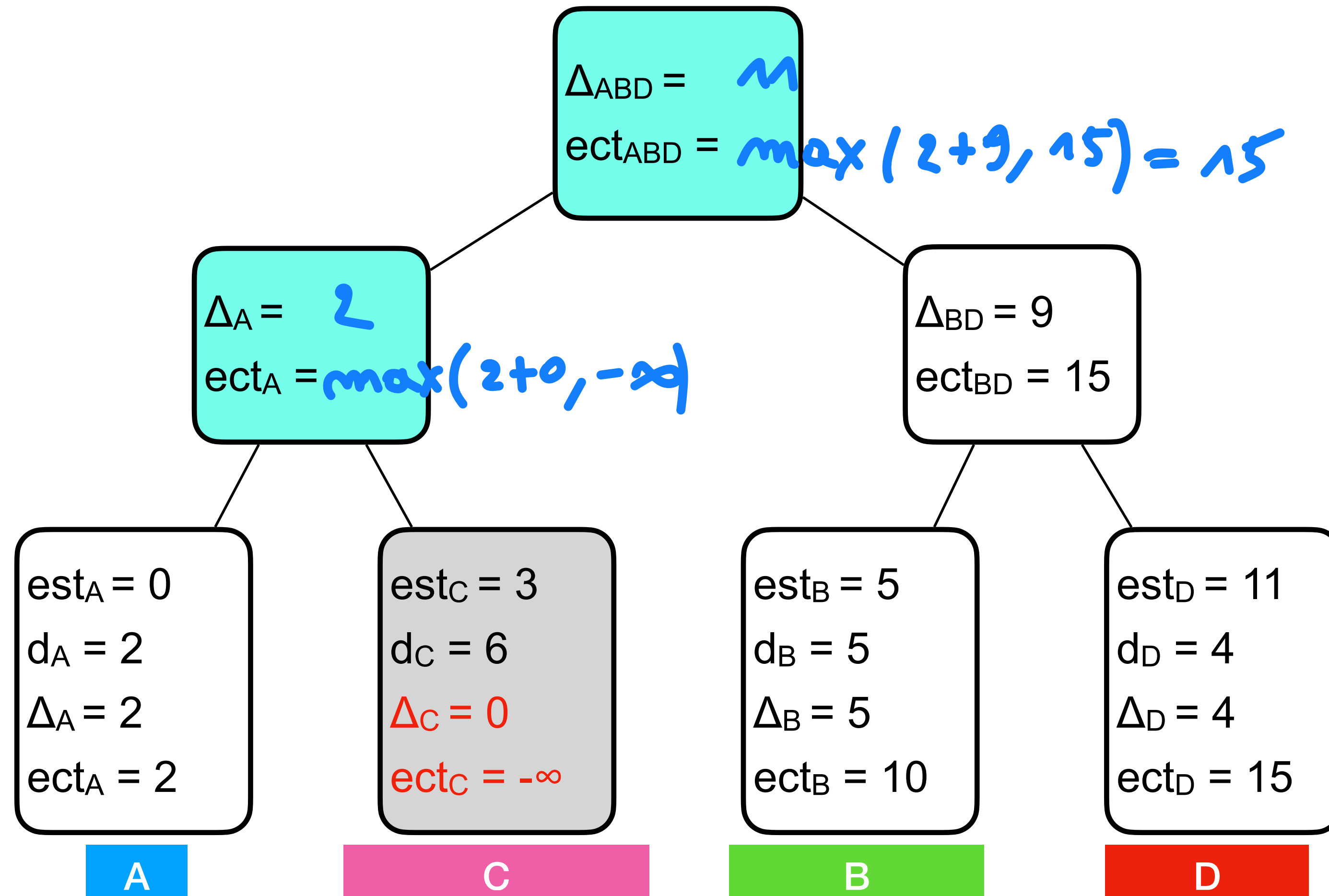




Total time complexity?

# Θ-Tree: Incremental Removal of C

- To remove activity  $i$  from a  $\Theta$ -tree: set  $\Delta_i = 0$  and  $ect_i = -\infty$ .



# Wrap-up on $\Theta$ -trees

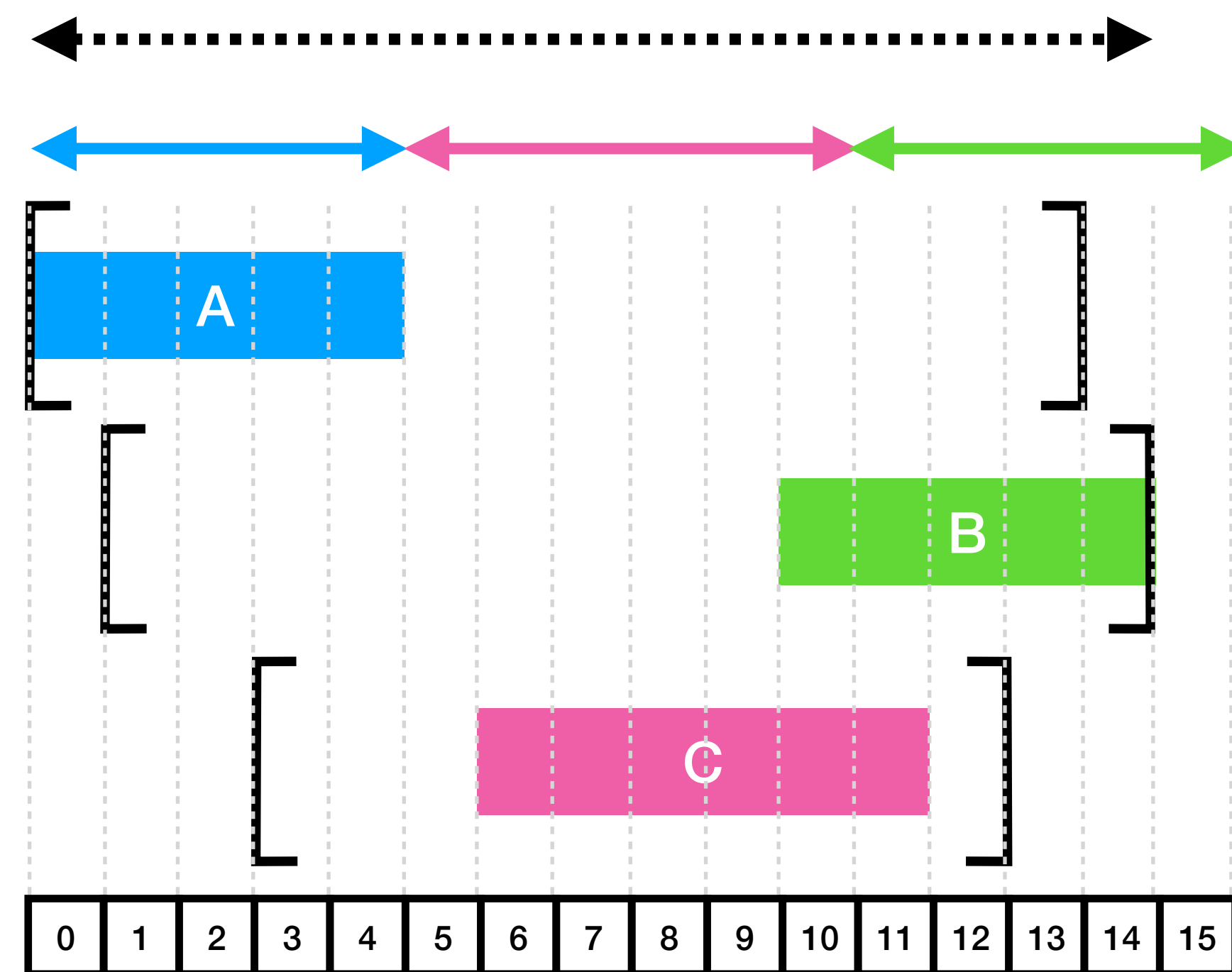
A  $\Theta$ -tree for a set  $\Omega$  of  $n$  activities is

- a balanced binary tree,
- whose leaf nodes correspond to the activities of  $\Omega$  (sorted according to  $est$ ),
- whose internal nodes have intermediate  $\Delta$  and  $ect$  values, and
- whose root node has  $ect_{\Omega}$ .

Operation	Time complexity	Spec
$init(\{1..n\})$	$O(n \log n)$	Initialize an empty $\Theta$ -tree for the activities $\{1..n\}$
$insert(i)$	$O(\log n)$	Insert activity $i$ into the $\Theta$ -tree
$remove(i)$	$O(\log n)$	Remove activity $i$ from the $\Theta$ -tree
$ect$	$O(1)$	Return $ect$ of the set of activities in the $\Theta$ -tree

# Overload Checker

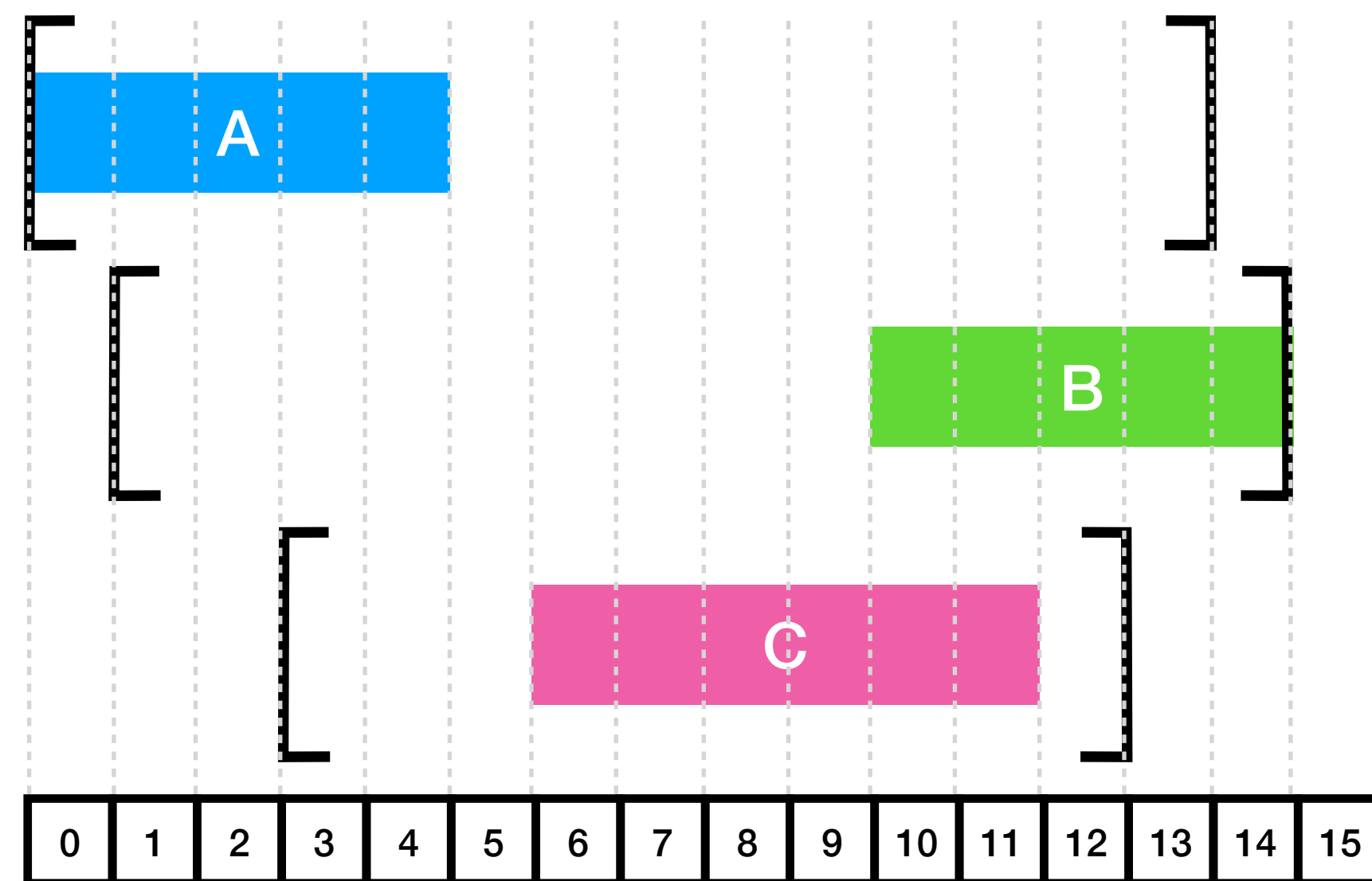
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- ▶  $\forall \Omega \subseteq T : (\text{est}_\Omega + d_\Omega > \text{lct}_\Omega \leadsto \text{fail})$
- ▶ If there exists a subset of activities that cannot be processed within its bounds, then no solution exists.

Example:



This failure  
is *not* captured by the  
binary decomposition  
of Disjunctive.

- ▶ Take  $\Omega = \{A, B, C\}$ :  
 $\text{est}_\Omega = 0$ ,  $d_\Omega = 5+5+6 = 16$ ,  $\text{lct}_\Omega = 15$ ,  $0+16 > 15 \leadsto \text{fail}$ .

# Overload Checking: time complexity?

- ▶  $\forall \Omega \subseteq T : (\text{est}_\Omega + d_\Omega > \text{lct}_\Omega \leadsto \text{fail})$
- ▶ We need to enumerate *all* subsets  $\Omega$  of  $T$ , hence  $2^{|T|}$  checks.
- ▶ It is not very practical to embed an algorithm of exponential time complexity in a propagator.
- ▶ We need something else...

# Overload Checking: improve efficiency

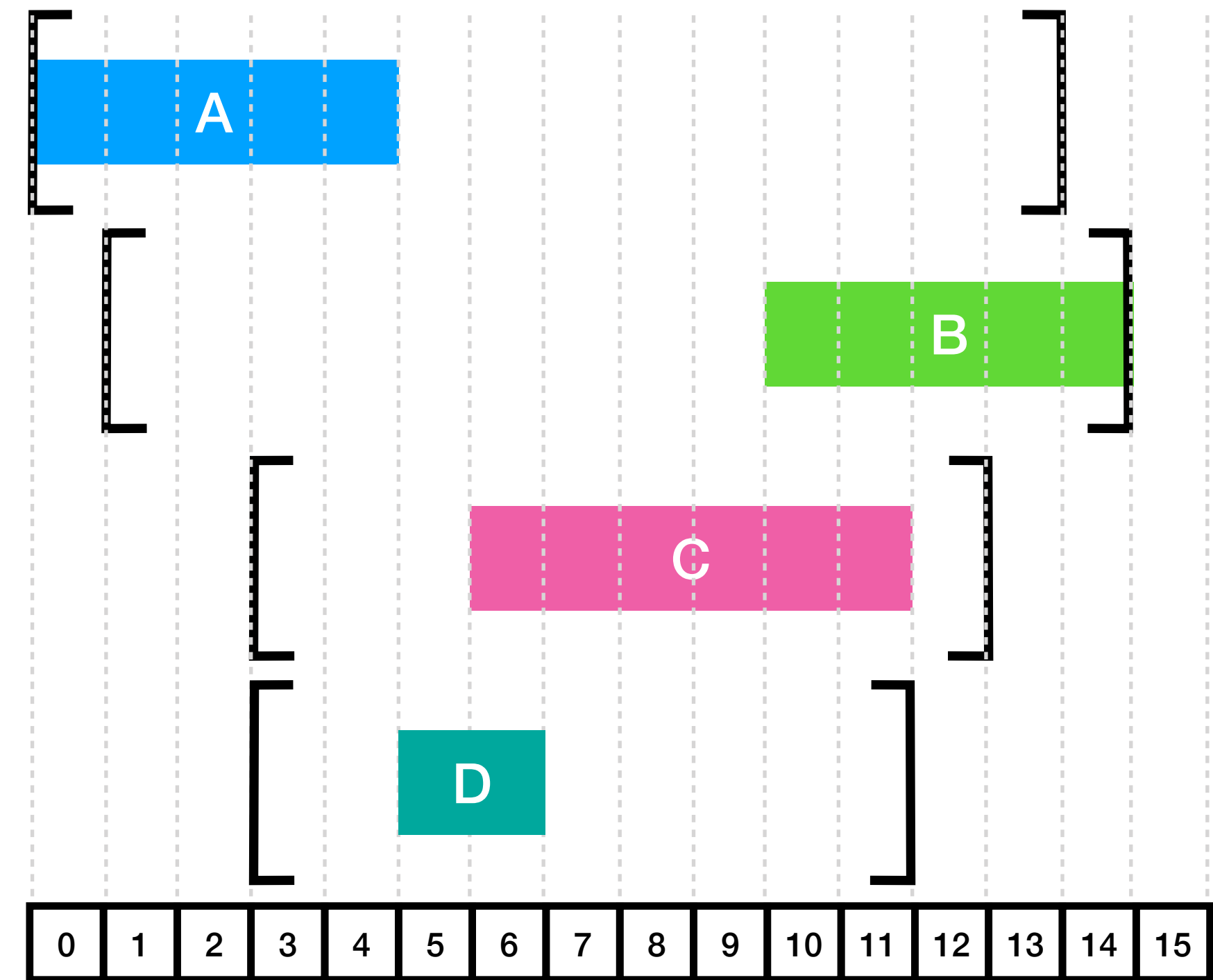
Left cut  $\text{LCut}(T, j) = \{i \mid i \in T \text{ \& } \text{lct}_i \leq \text{lct}_j\}$ .

Example:  $T = \{A, B, C, D\}$

$\text{LCut}(T, A) =$

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$\text{LCut}(T, B) =$





# Overload Checking: reformulation with LCut

$$\forall \Omega \subseteq T : (\text{est}_\Omega + d_\Omega > \text{lct}_\Omega \leadsto \text{fail})$$

can be reformulated as:

$$\forall j \in T : \text{ect}_{\text{LCut}(T,j)} > \text{lct}_{\text{LCut}(T,j)} \leadsto \text{fail}$$

equivalent to

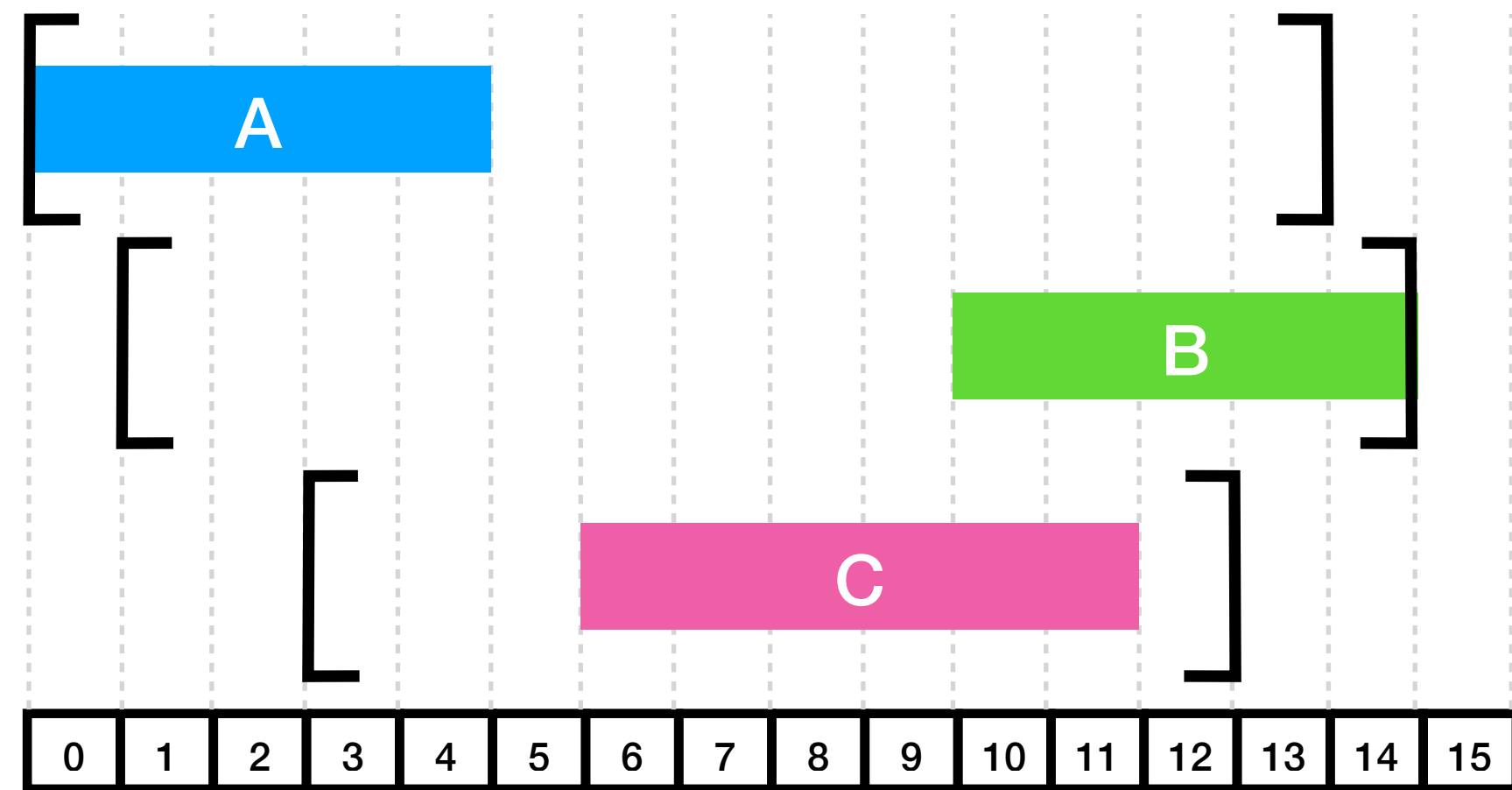
$$\forall j \in T : \text{ect}_{\text{LCut}(T,j)} > \text{lct}_j \leadsto \text{fail}$$

by definition

What do we gain? Complexity?

We can now compute it efficiently 💡

# Overload Checking: example with LCut



For example, take  $j = B$ ,  
with  $\text{LCut}(T, B) = \{A, B, C\}$  = subset of activities ending by the end of B:

$\text{ect}_{\text{LCut}(T, B)} = 16 > \text{lct}_{\text{LCut}(T, B)} = 15 = \text{lct}_B$  (the red equality is true by definition).

# Overload Checker taking $O(n^2 \log n)$ time

Overload checking rule:

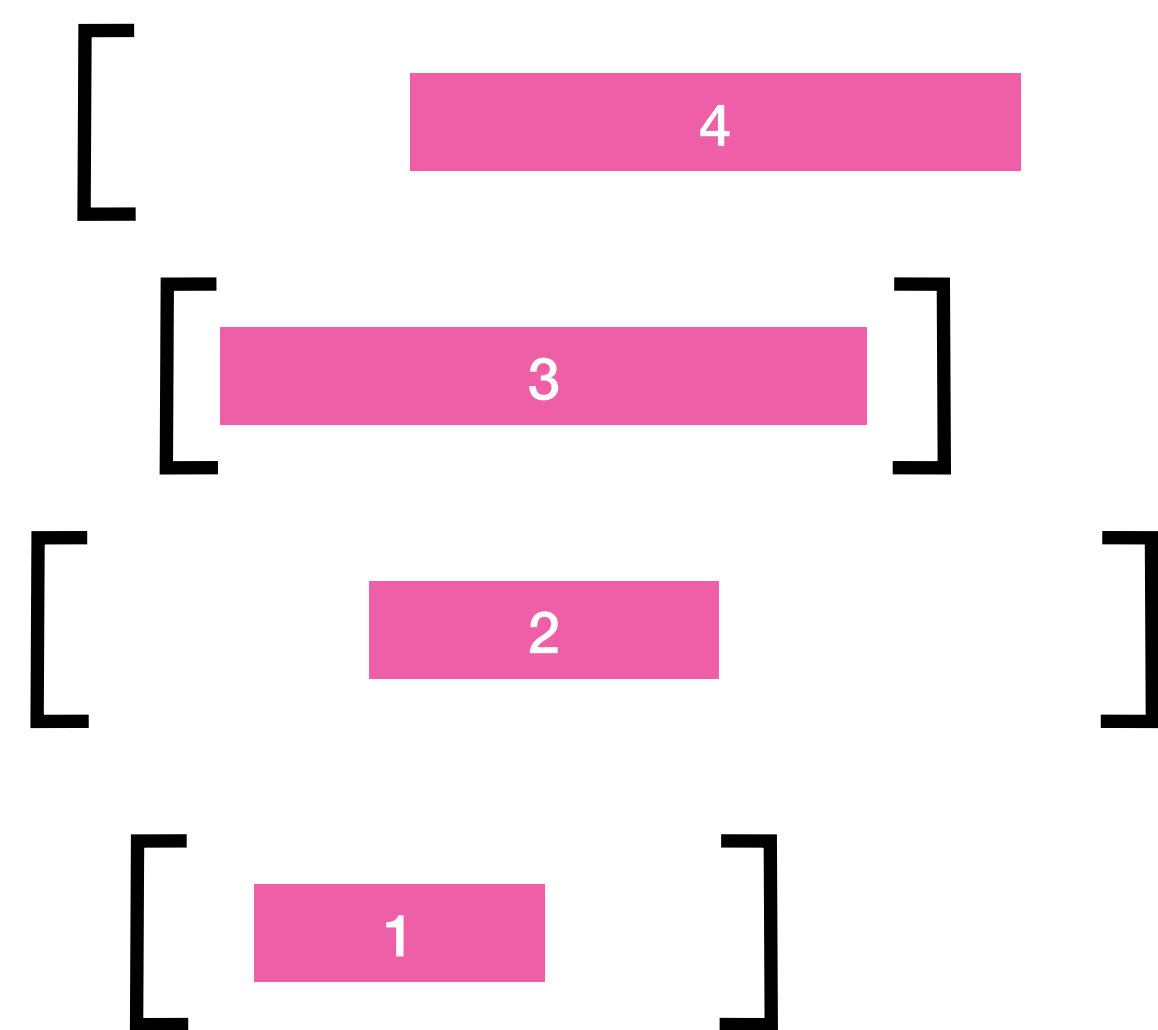
$\forall j \in T : (ect_{LCut(T,j)} > lct_j \leadsto \text{fail})$

$O(n^2 \log n)$  time

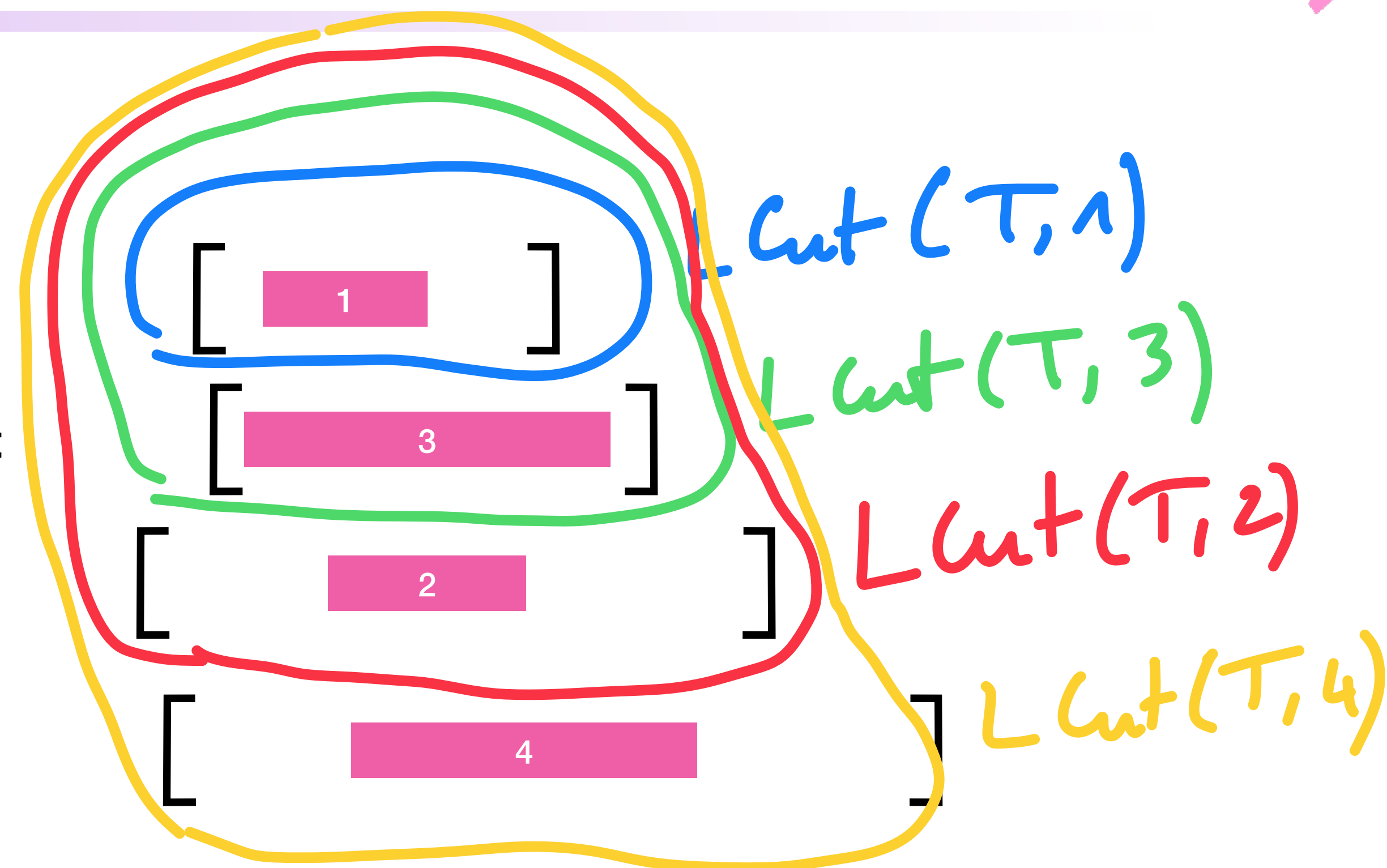
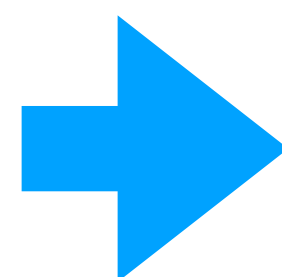
```
OverloadCheckInefficient(T={1..n}) {
  for (j ← {1..n}) {
     $\theta \leftarrow \theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$  //  $O(n \log n)$  time
    for (i ←  $LCut(T,j)$ ) {
       $\theta.insert(i)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
    }
    if ( $\theta.ect > lct_j$ ) { //  $O(1)$  time
      throw InconsistencyException
    }
  }
}
```



# Nested LCut



Sort according to lct



$$LCut(T, j) = \{i \mid i \in T \text{ \& } lct_i \leq lct_j\}$$

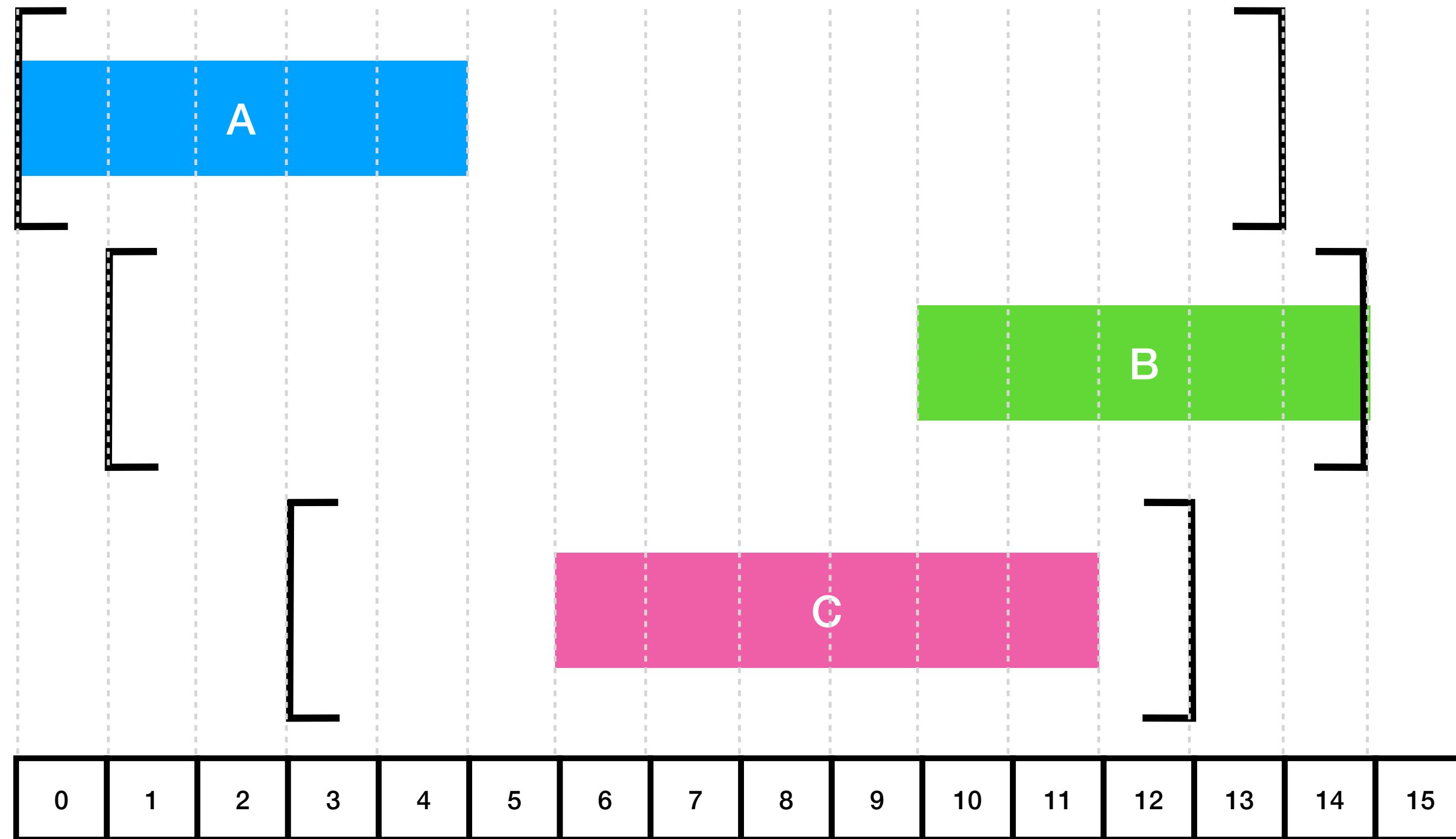
# Overload Checker taking $O(n \log n)$ time

- Let  $T = \{1..n\}$  be ordered such that  $lct_1 \leq \dots \leq lct_n$ .
- Then  $LCut(T,1) \subseteq LCut(T,2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq LCut(T,n) = T$ : *all* activities are eventually inserted.

```
OverloadCheckEfficient(T={1..n}) {  
     $\theta \leftarrow \theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$  //  $O(n \log n)$  time  
     $T \leftarrow \text{sortAZ}([1..n], \text{sortKey} = lct)$  //  $O(n \log n)$  time  
    for ( $j \leftarrow T$ ) {  
         $\theta.\text{insert}(j)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time  
        // invariant:  $\theta$  contains  $LCut(T,j)$   
        if ( $\theta.\text{ect} > lct_j$ ) { //  $O(1)$  time  
            throw InconsistencyException  
        }  
    }  
}
```

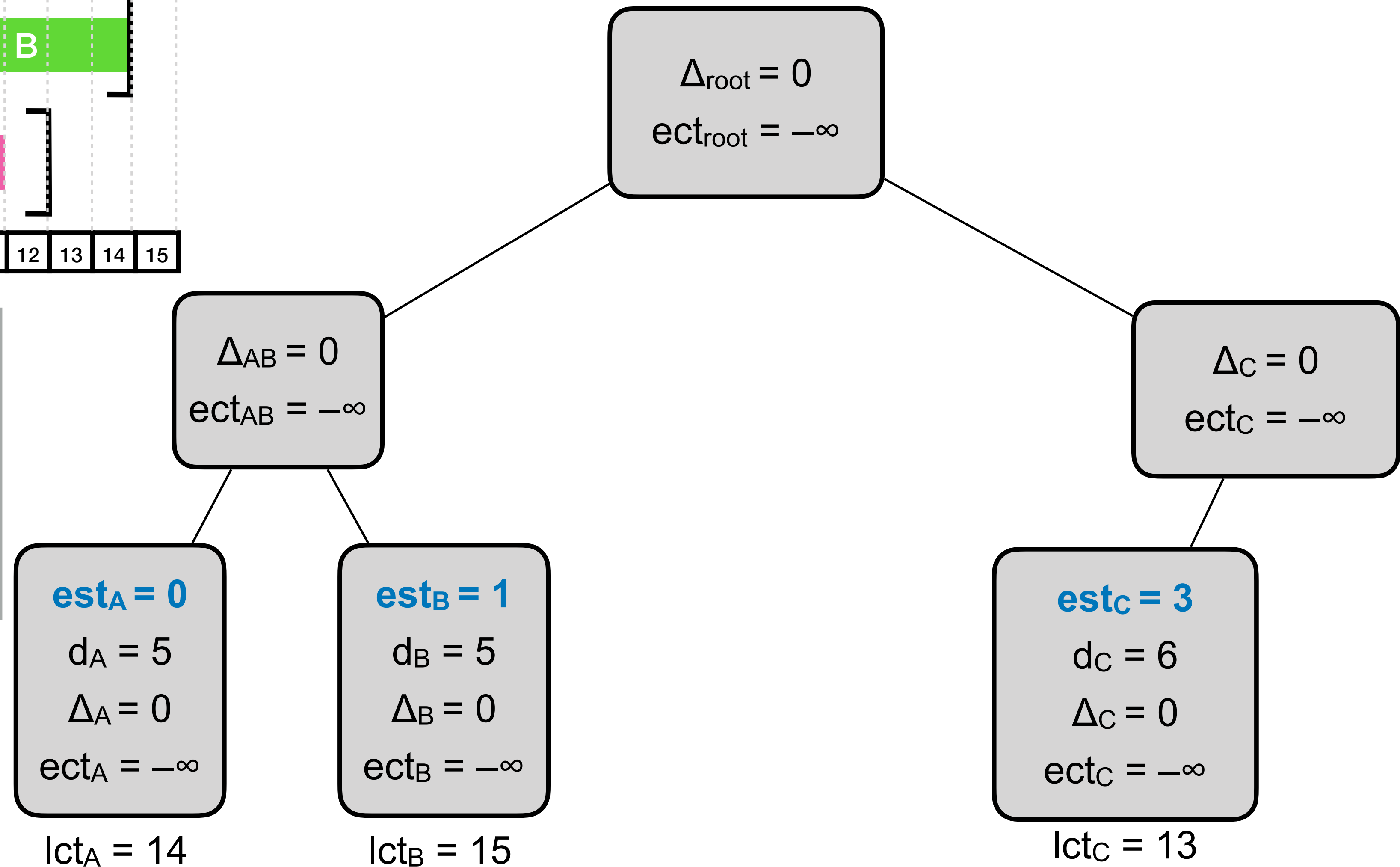
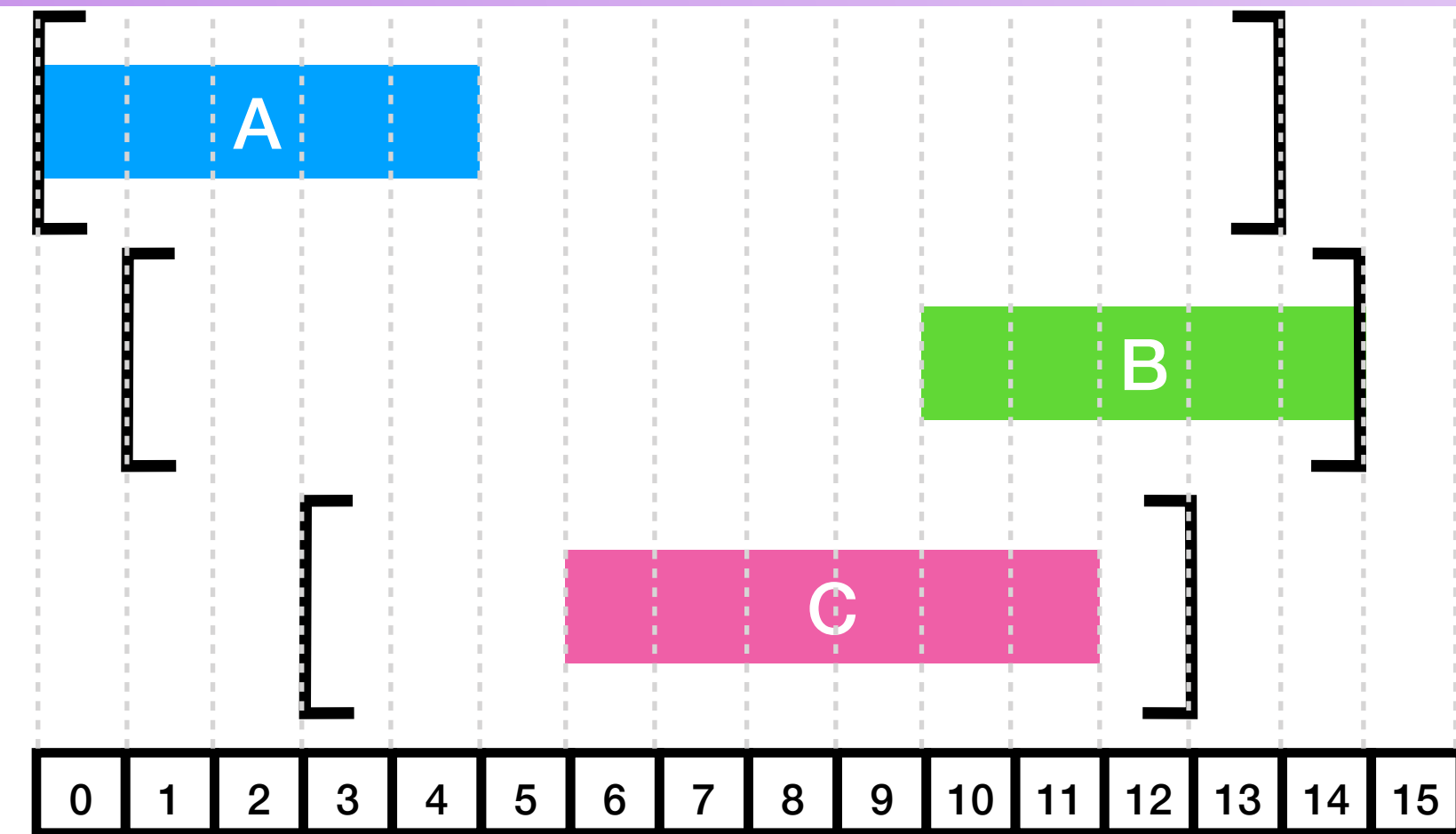
# Overload Checking with $\Theta$ -Tree: an example

- Application of *OverloadCheckEfficient* algorithm on this example



# Overload Checking with $\Theta$ -Tree: an example

## Empty $\Theta$ -Tree initialization



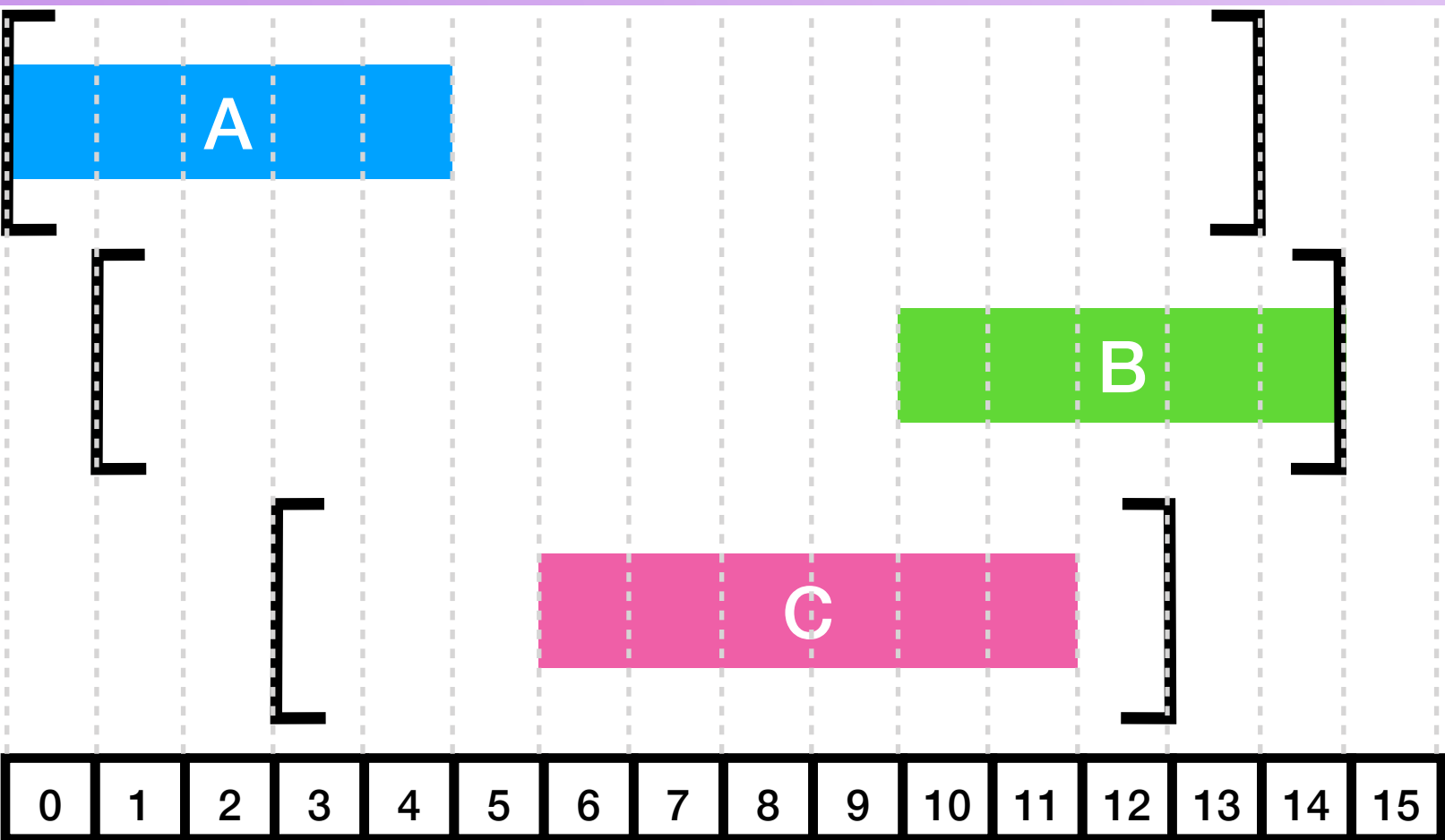
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OverloadCheckEfficient(T={1..n}) {
  T ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = lct)
   $\Theta$  ←  $\Theta$ -Tree.init({1..n})
  for (j ← T) { // [C,A,B]
     $\Theta$ .insert(j)
    if ( $\Theta$ .ect > lctj) {
      throw InconsistencyException
    }
  }
}
  
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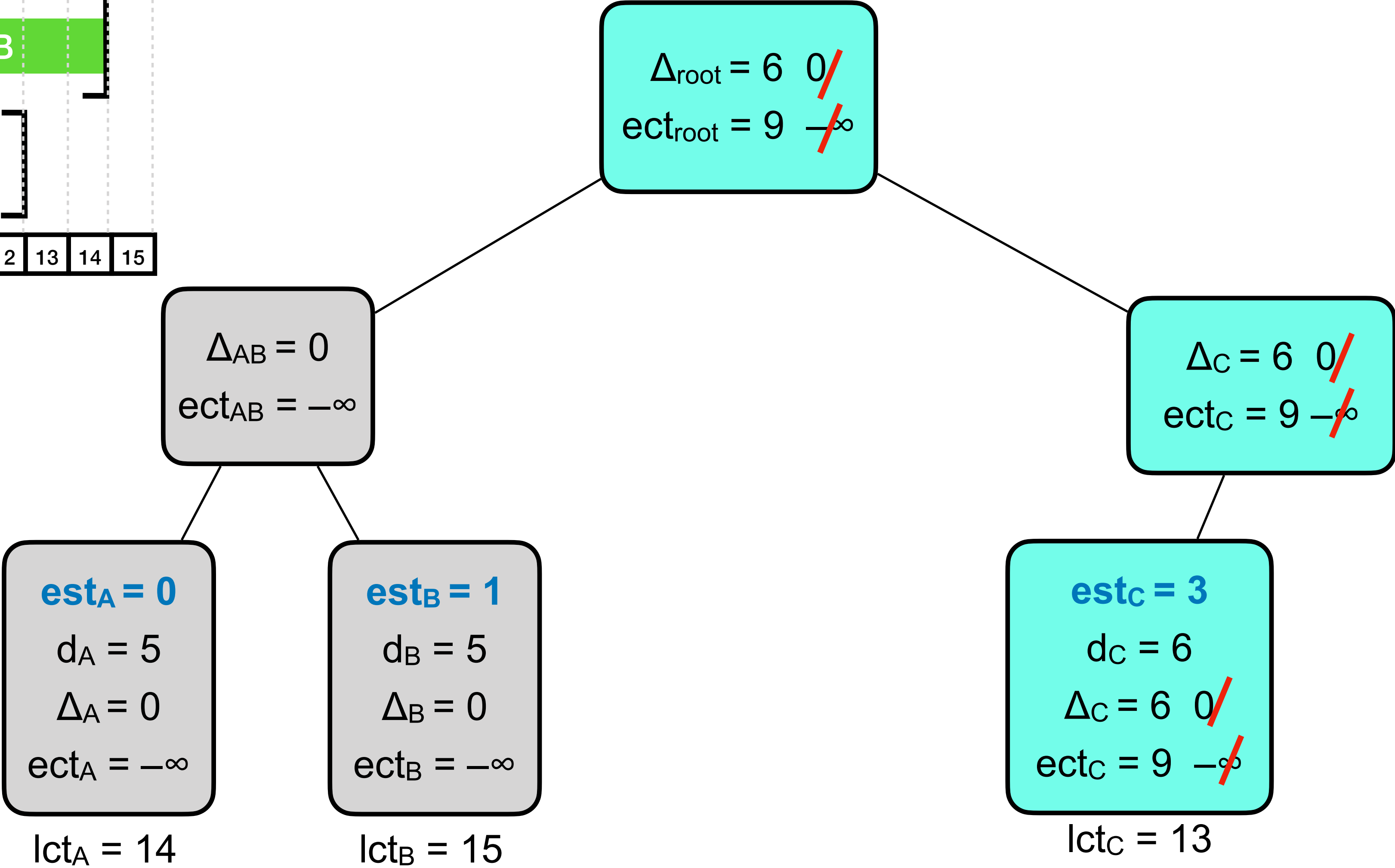
# Overload Checking with $\Theta$ -Tree: an example



## Insertion of C



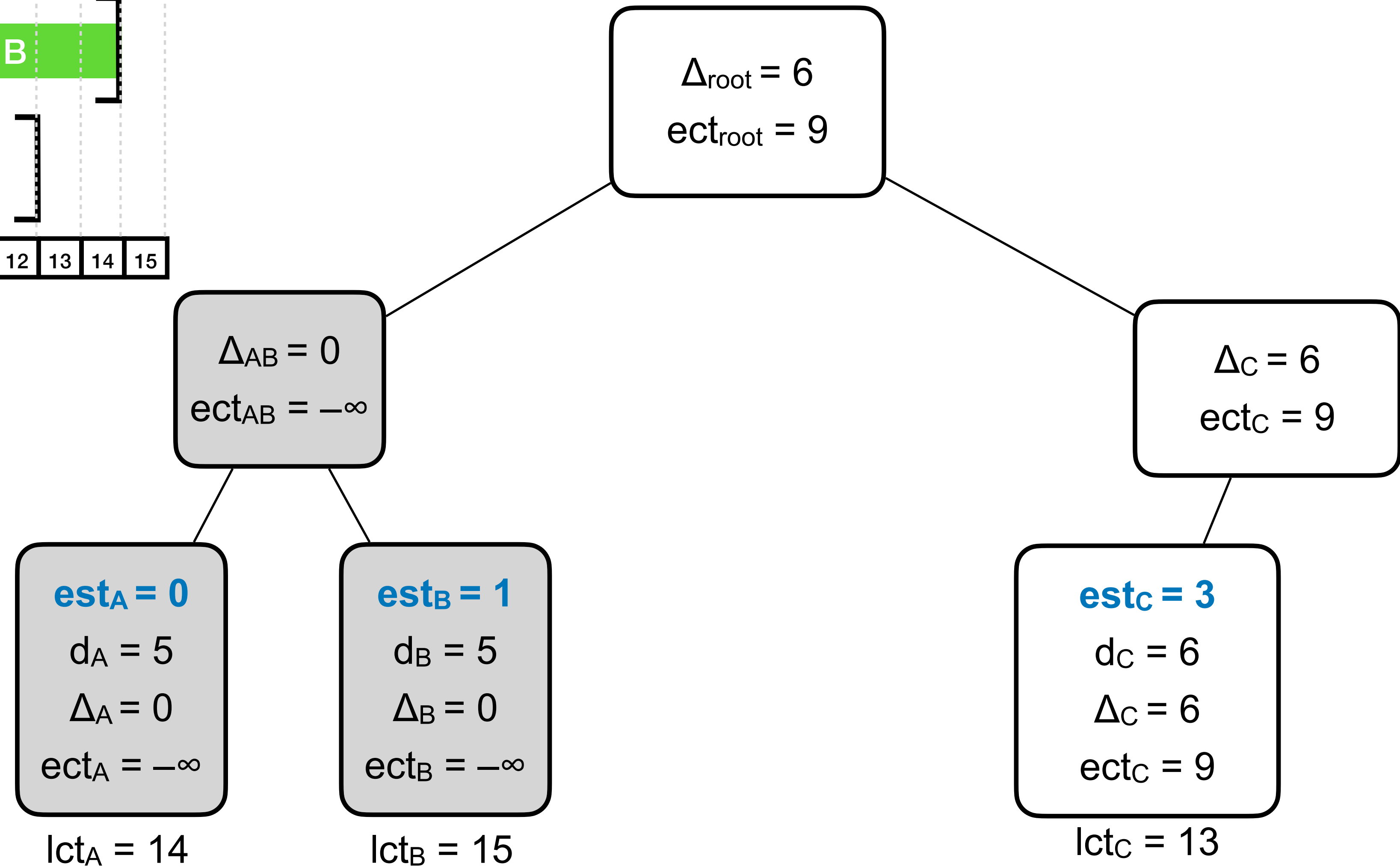
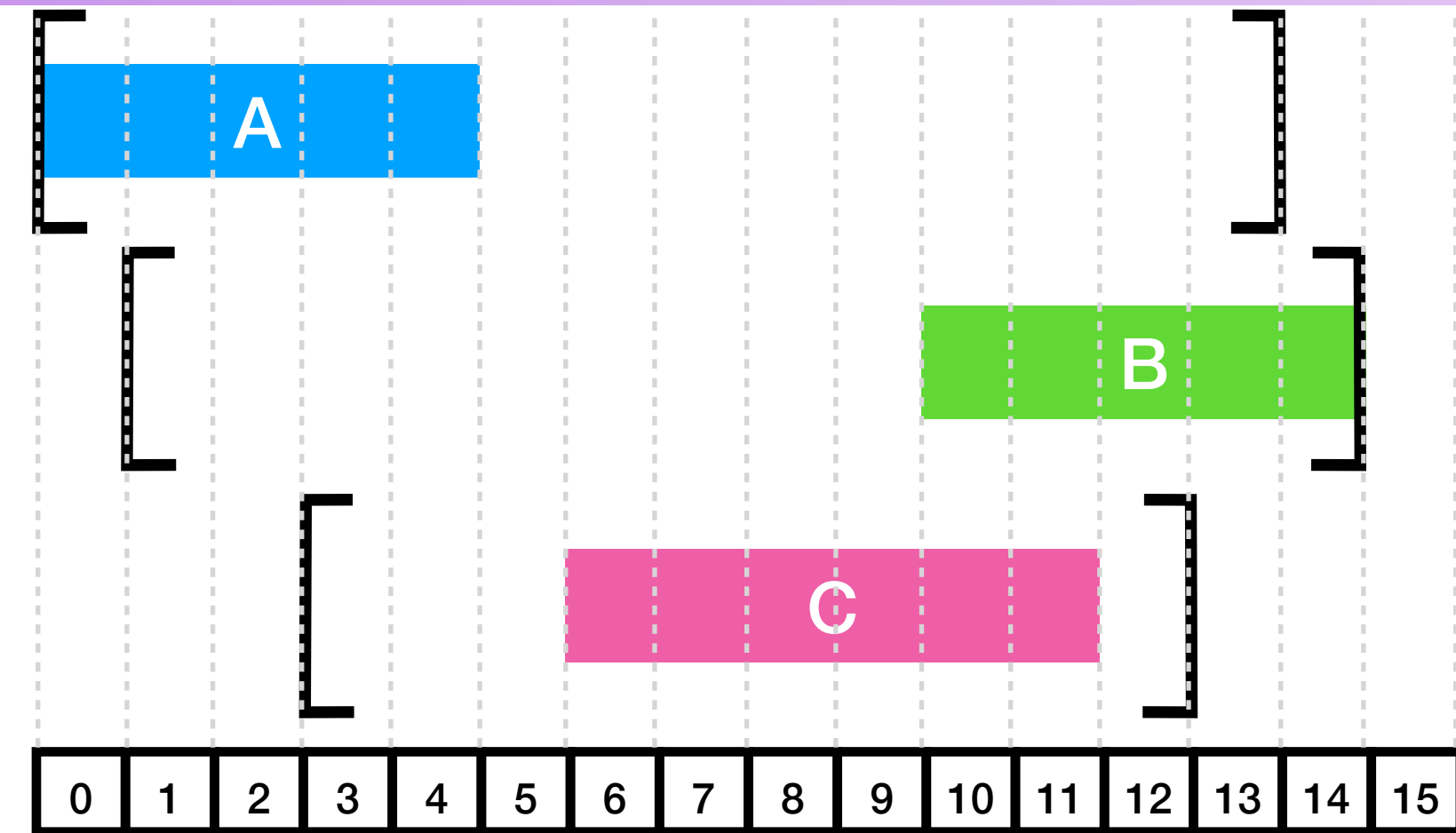
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   $\Theta$  ←  $\Theta$ -Tree.init({1..n})  
  for (j ← T) { // [C,A,B]  
     $\Theta$ .insert(j) // j = C  
    if ( $\Theta$ .ect > lctj) {  
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}
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# Overload Checking with $\Theta$ -Tree: an example

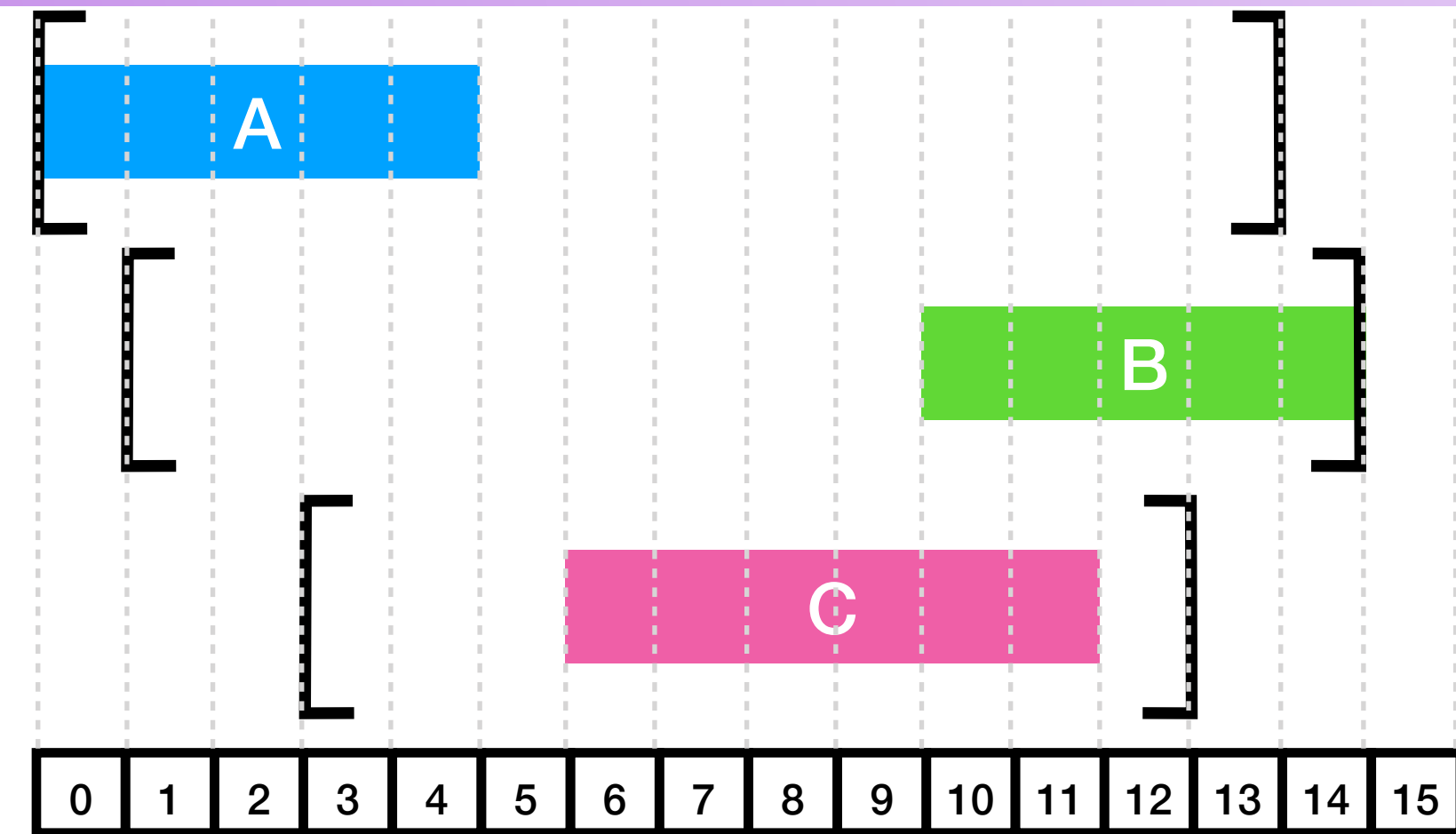
## Feasibility check



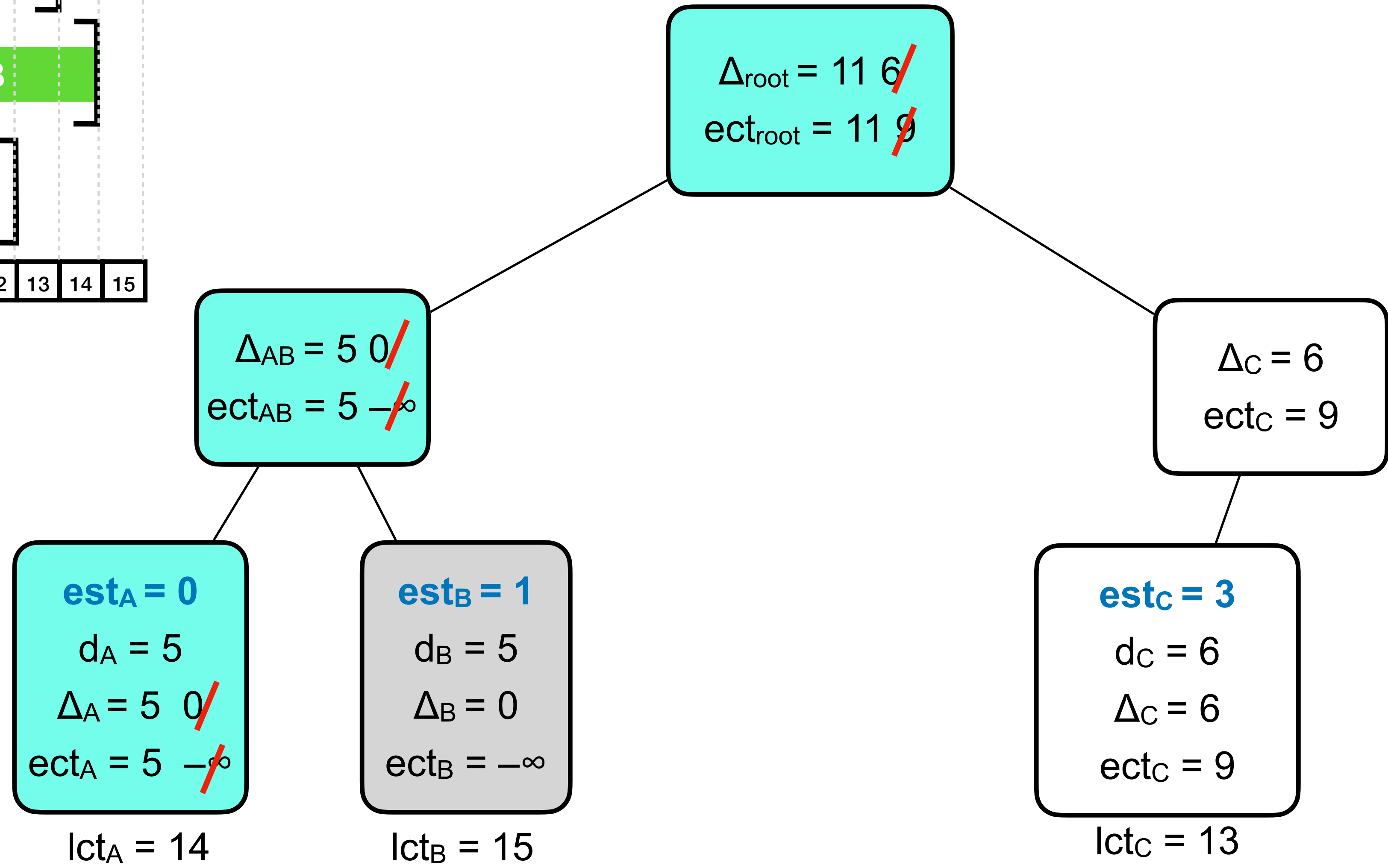
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   $\Theta$  ←  $\Theta$ -Tree.init({1..n})
  for (j ← T) { // [C,A,B]
     $\Theta$ .insert(j) // j = C
    if ( $\Theta$ .ect > lctj) { // 9 > 13 ✓
      throw InconsistencyException
    }
  }
}
  
```

# Overload Checking with $\Theta$ -Tree: an example



Insertion of A



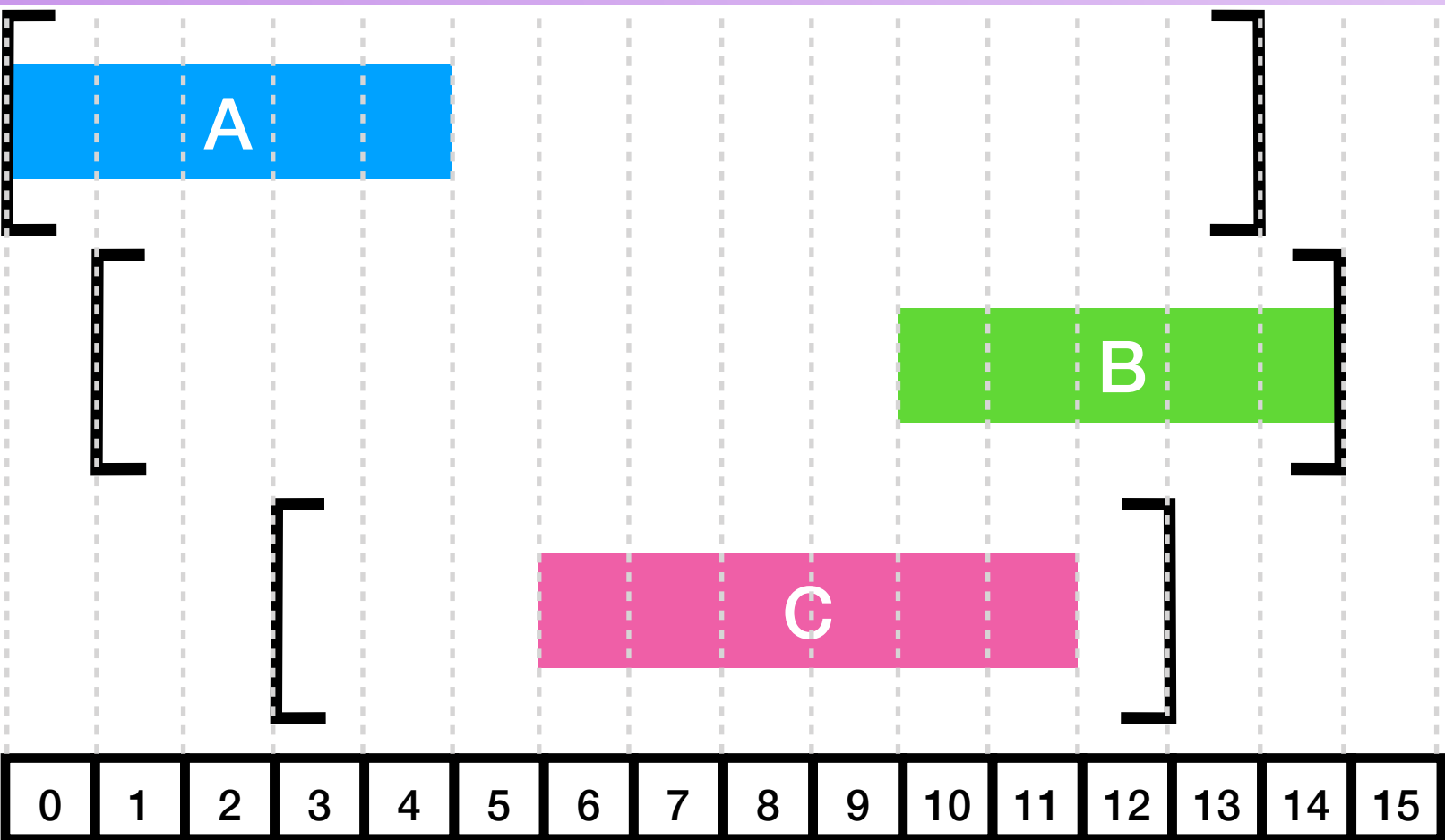
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OverloadCheckEfficient(T={1..n}) {
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  for (j ← T) { // [C,A,B]
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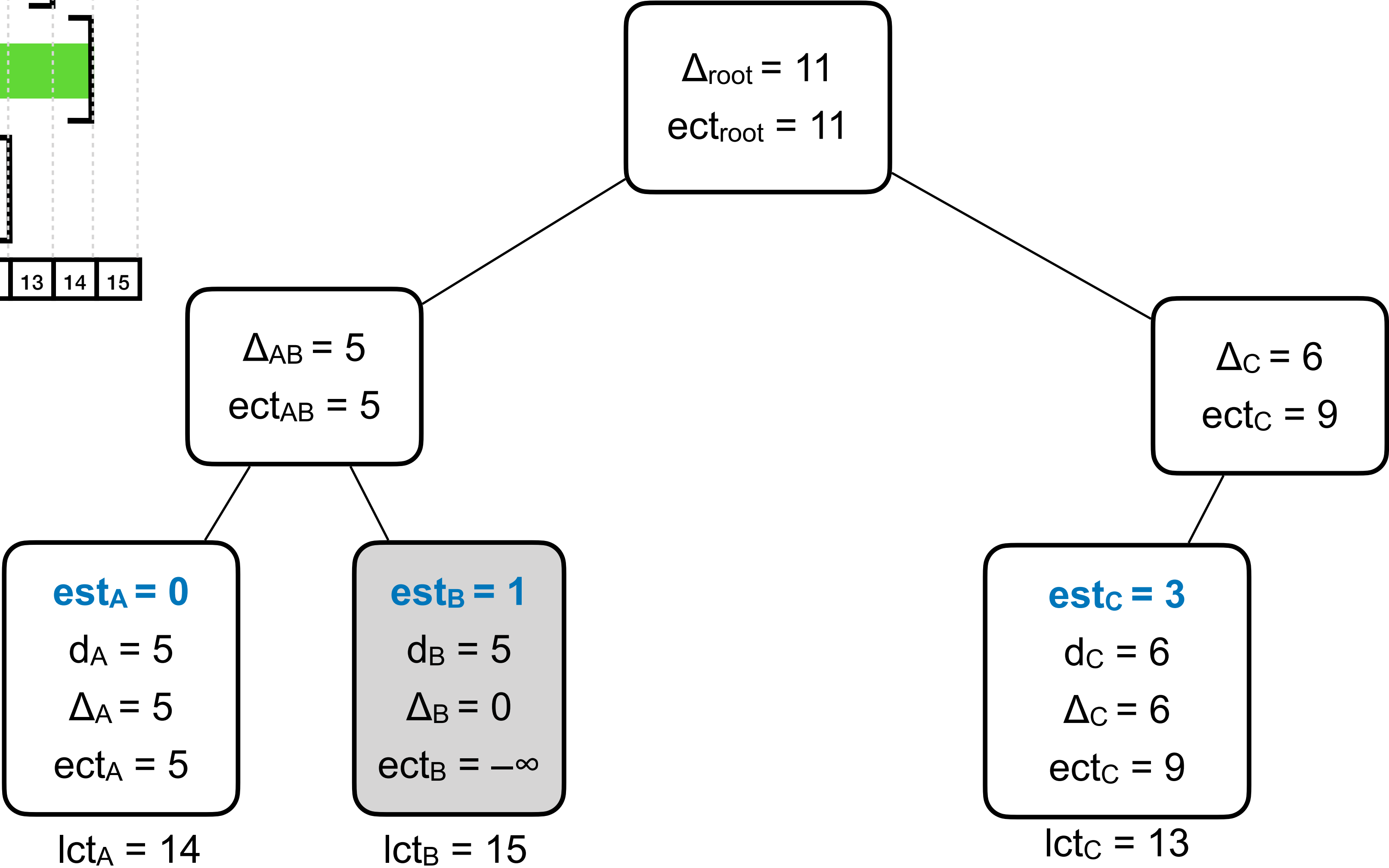
# Overload Checking with $\Theta$ -Tree: an example



## Feasibility check



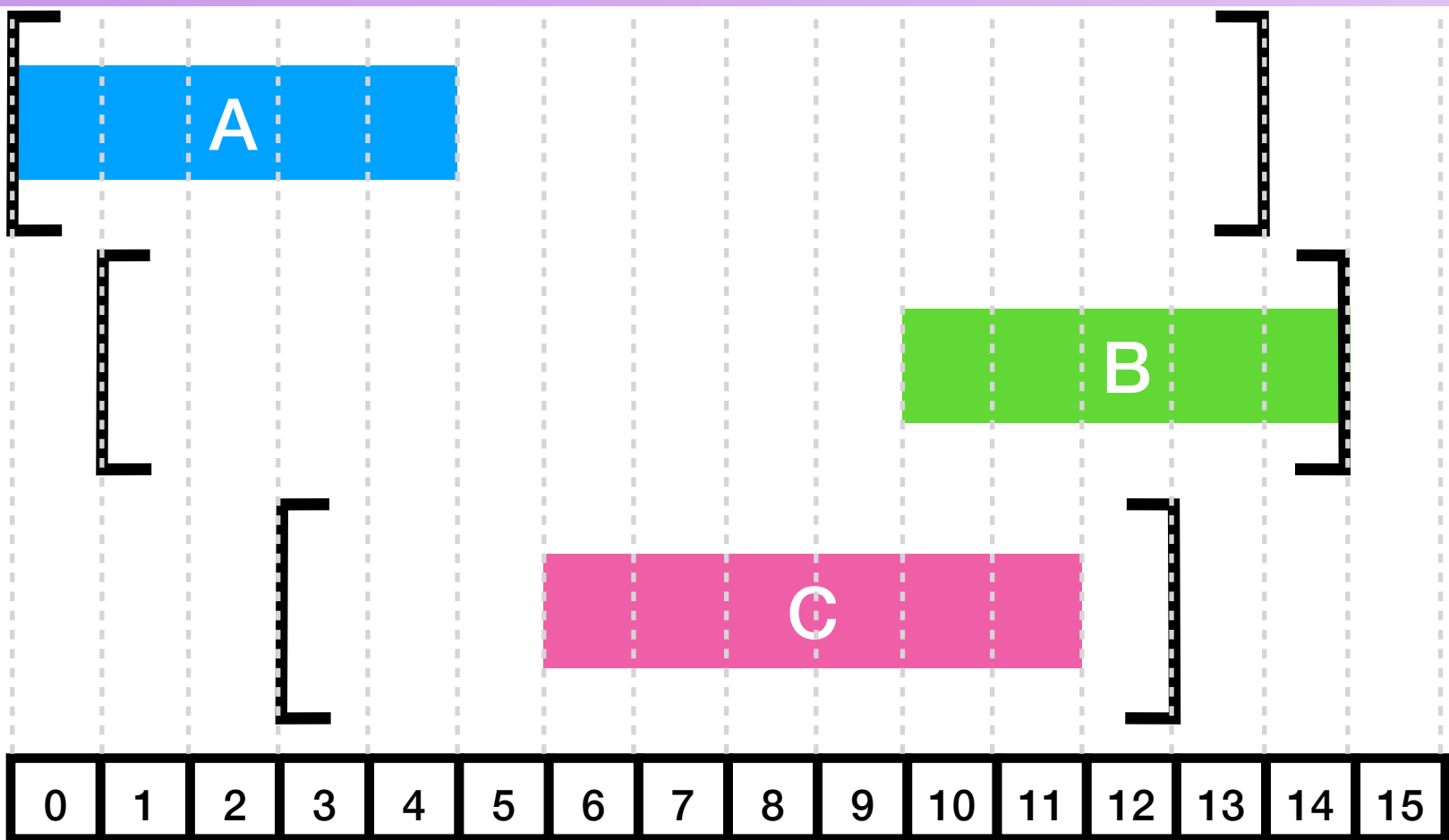
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  for (j ← T) { // [C,A,B]  
     $\Theta$ .insert(j) // j = A  
    if ( $\Theta$ .ect > lctj) { // 11 < 14 ✓  
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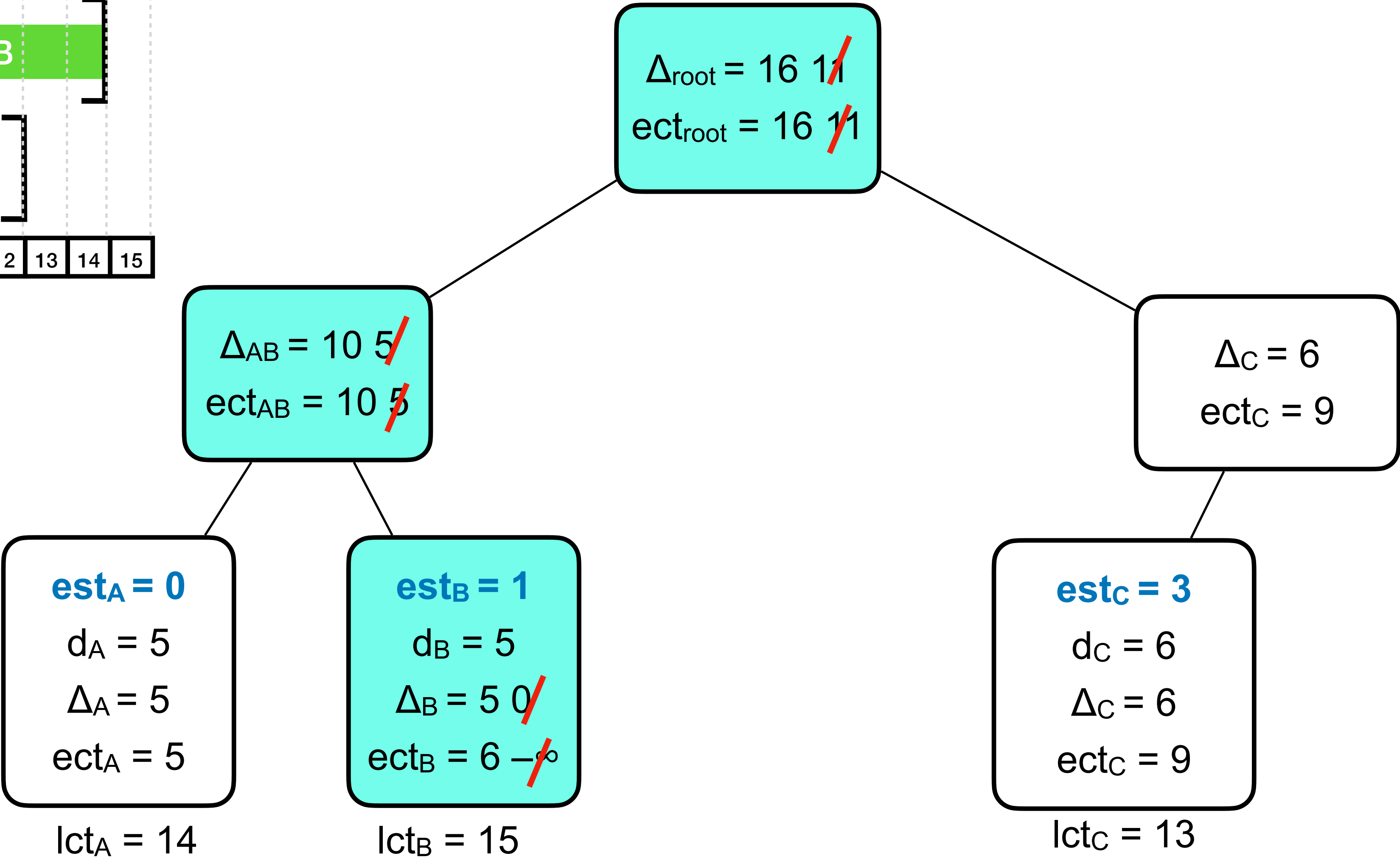
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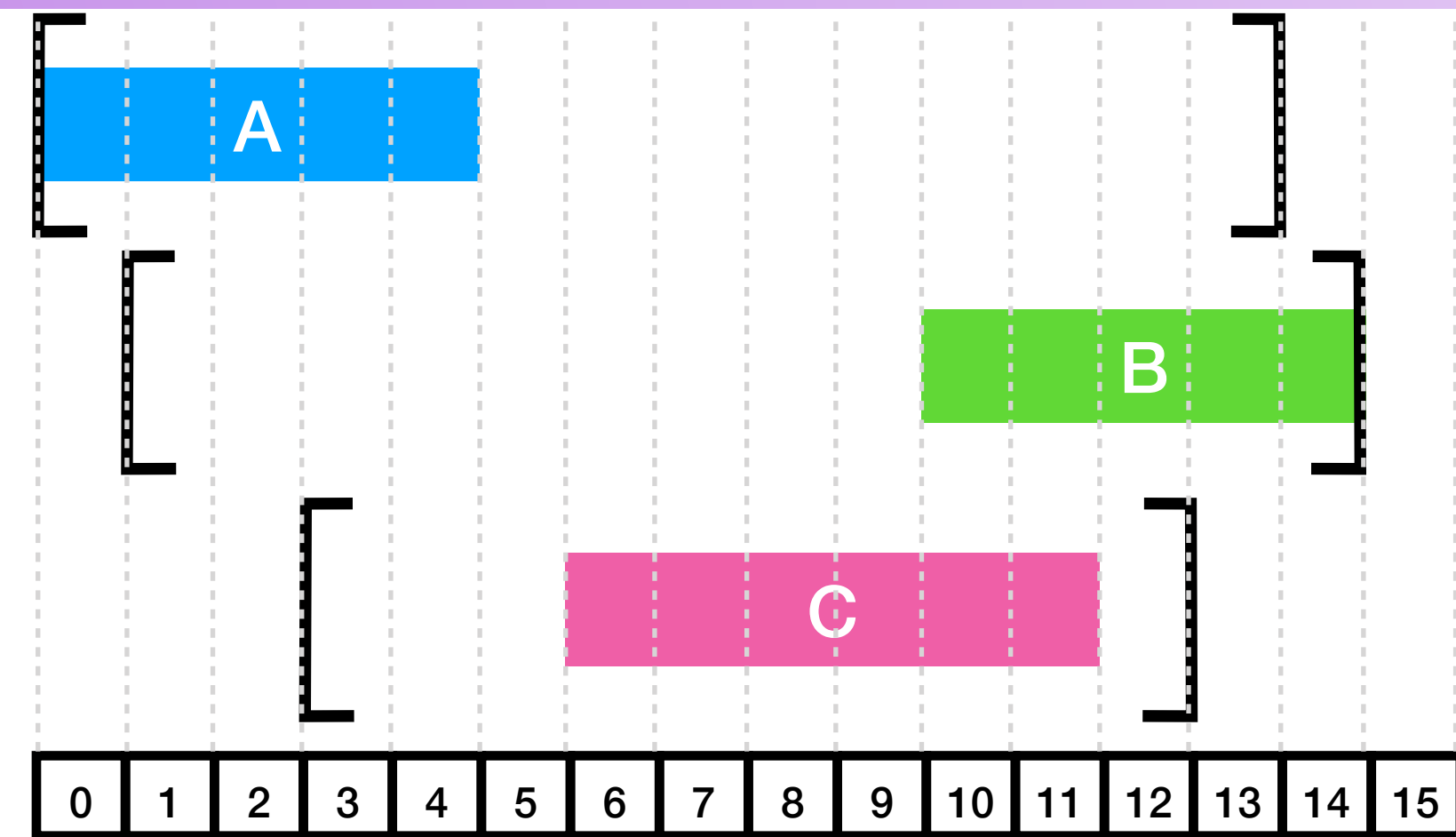
## Insertion of B



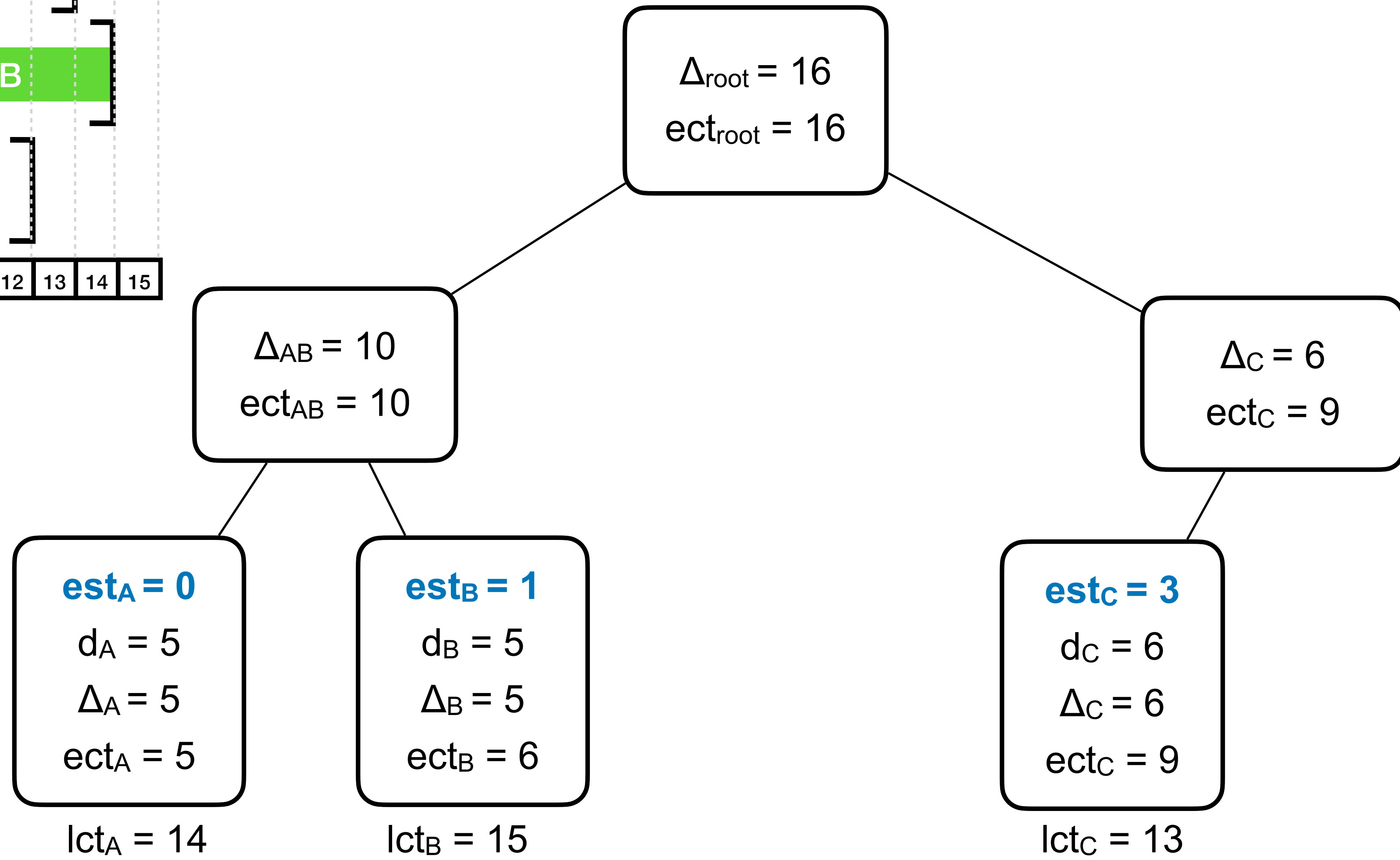
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   $\Theta$  ←  $\Theta$ -Tree.init({1..n})  
  for (j ← T) { // [C,A,B]  
     $\Theta$ .insert(j) // j = B  
    if ( $\Theta$ .ect > lctj) {  
      throw InconsistencyException  
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# Overload Checking with $\Theta$ -Tree: an example



## Feasibility check



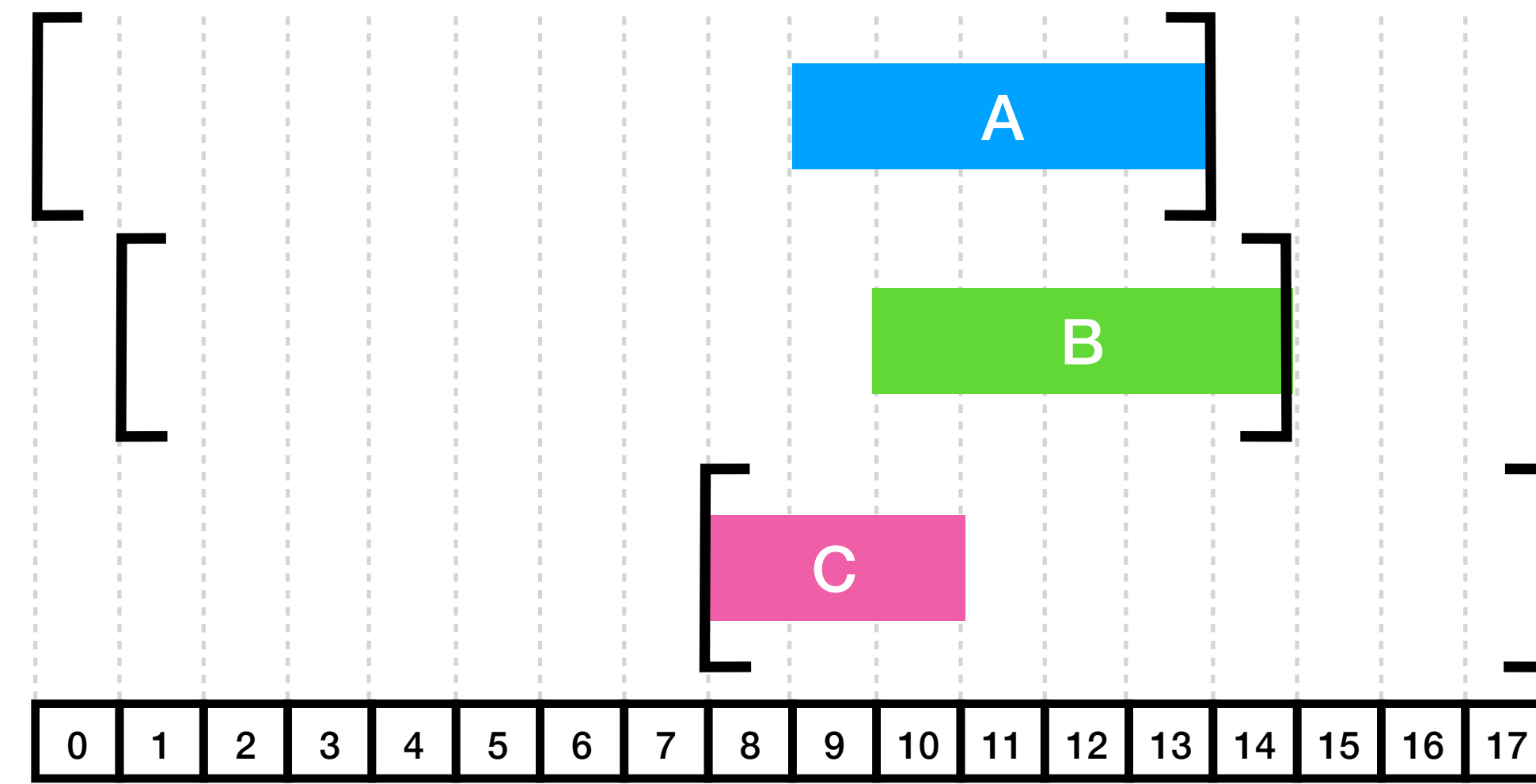
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  T ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = lct)
   $\Theta$  ←  $\Theta$ -Tree.init({1..n})
  for (j ← T) { // [C,A,B]
     $\Theta$ .insert(j) // j = C
    if ( $\Theta$ .ect > lctj) { // 16 > 15 ✗
      throw InconsistencyException
    }
  }
}
  
```

# Detectable Precedences

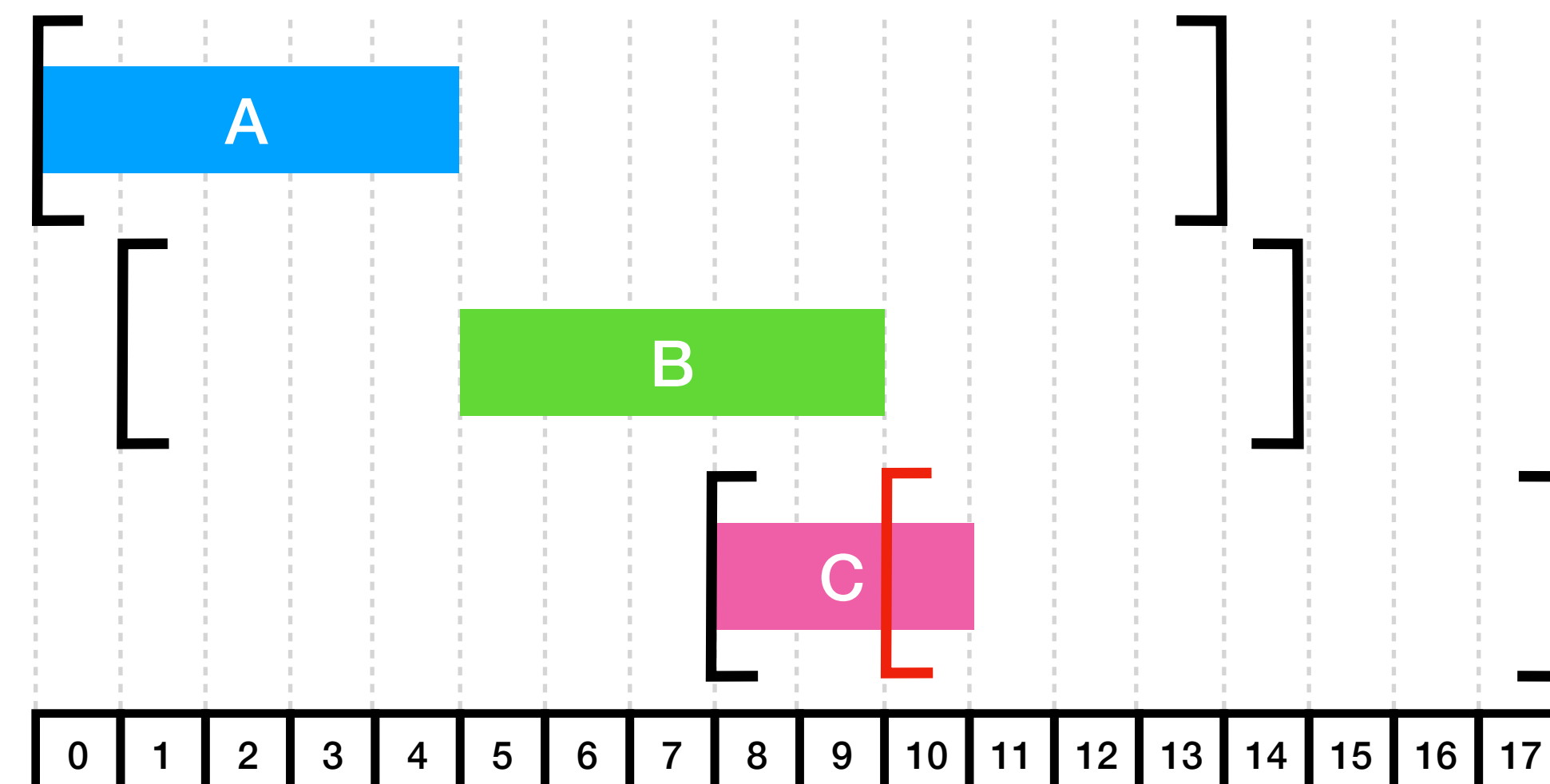
# Detectable Precedences = a filtering rule

- ▶ Both A and B cannot be scheduled after C
- ▶ Therefore they must both be scheduled before



# Detectable Precedences = a filtering rule

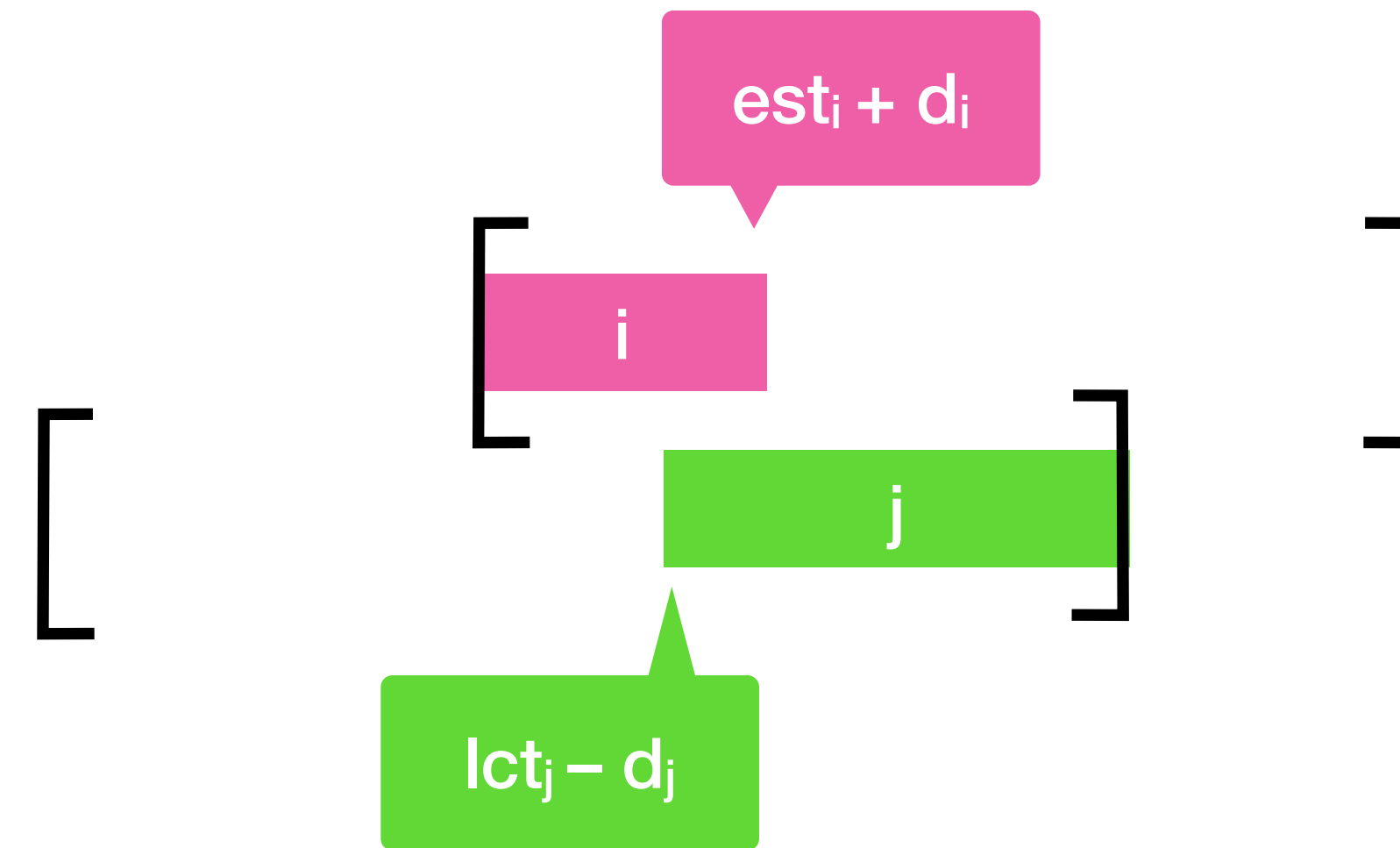
- ▶ Both A and B must end before C starts is denoted by  $\{A,B\} \ll C$
- ▶ By taking the earliest start of A and (duration A + duration B), we can filter (push) the start of C to 10





# Detectable Precedences = a filtering rule

- A precedence  $j \ll i$  is detectable if  $est_i + d_i > lct_j - d_j$



that is if  $ect_i > lct_j$  then activity  $j$  *cannot* start after activity  $i$  ends.

Set of all activities with detectable precedence before  $i$ :

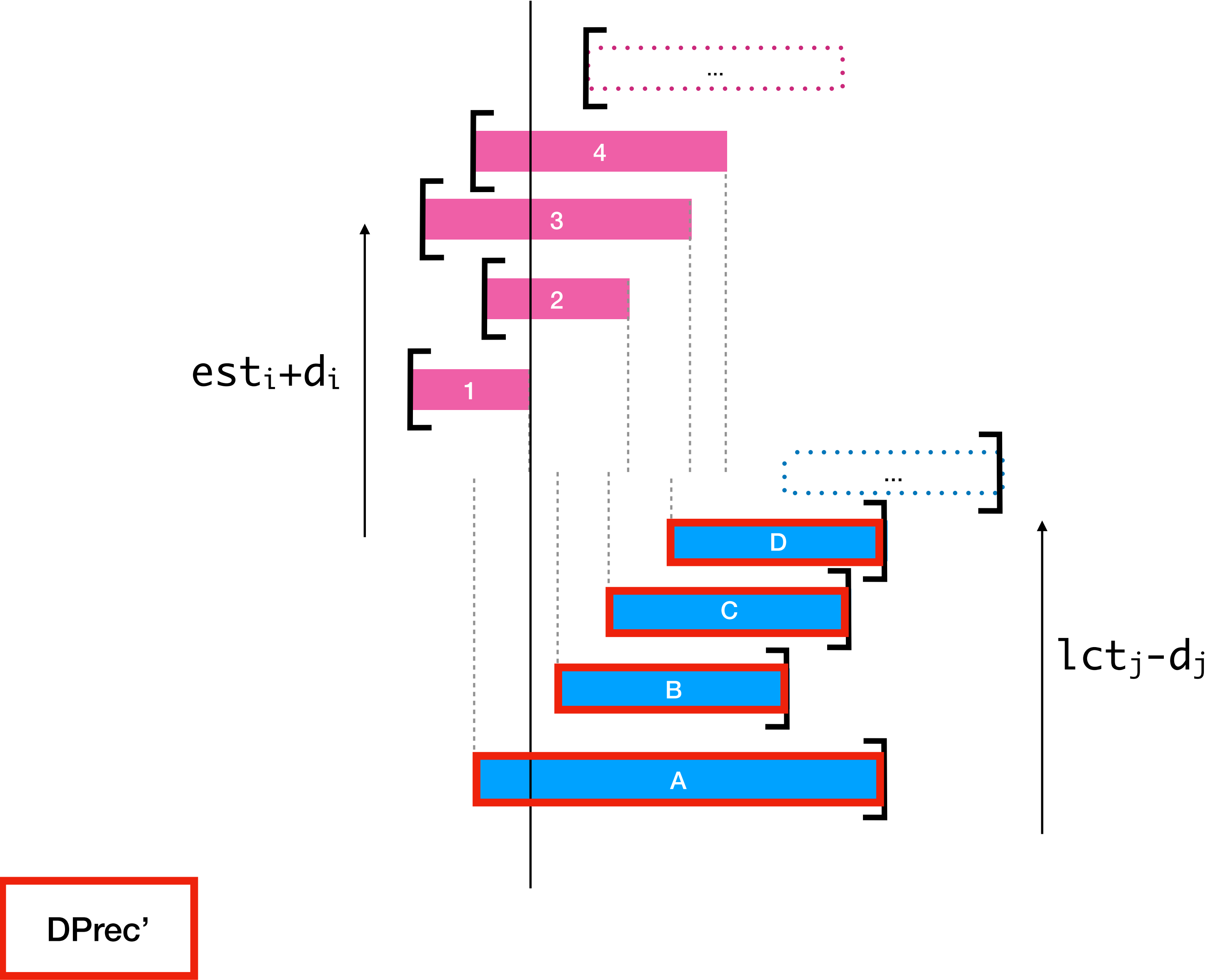
$$DPrec(T,i) = \{ j \mid j \in T \setminus \{i\} \ \& \ est_i + d_i > lct_j - d_j \}.$$

- Filtering:  $est_i \leftarrow \max(est_i, ect_{DPrec(T,i)})$ , for all  $i \in T$ .

# Nested sets?

- ▶  $\text{DPrec}'(T,i) = \{ j : j \in T \ \& \ \text{est}_i + d_i > \text{lct}_j - d_j \}$ .  
Note that activity  $i$  is sometimes in  $\text{DPrec}'(T,i)$ .
- ▶ Hence:  $\text{DPrec}(T,i) = \text{DPrec}'(T,i) \setminus \{i\}$ .
- ▶ In what order should the activities  $i$  be considered to have nested  $\text{DPrec}'(T,i)$  sets?

# Order on i to have nested DPre $c'$ (T,i) sets



# Iterating on activities

- ▶ Let  $T = \{1..n\}$  be ordered such that
  - $est_1 + d_1 \leq est_2 + d_2 \leq \dots \leq est_n + d_n$
  - Then:  $DPrec'(T,1) \subseteq DPrec'(T,2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq DPrec'(T,n)$
- ▶ This is exactly what we are looking for:  
an order to consider the activities  $i$  of  $T$  such that the detectable precedence set is growing monotonically, as this is very important for computing all  $ect_{DPrec(T,i)}$  efficiently & incrementally with a  $\Theta$ -tree.
- ▶ Note that  $DPrec'(T,n)$  is *not* necessarily  $T$ :  
*not* necessarily all activities are eventually inserted into the initialized  $\Theta$ -tree.

# Detectable Precedences: $O(n \log n)$ time

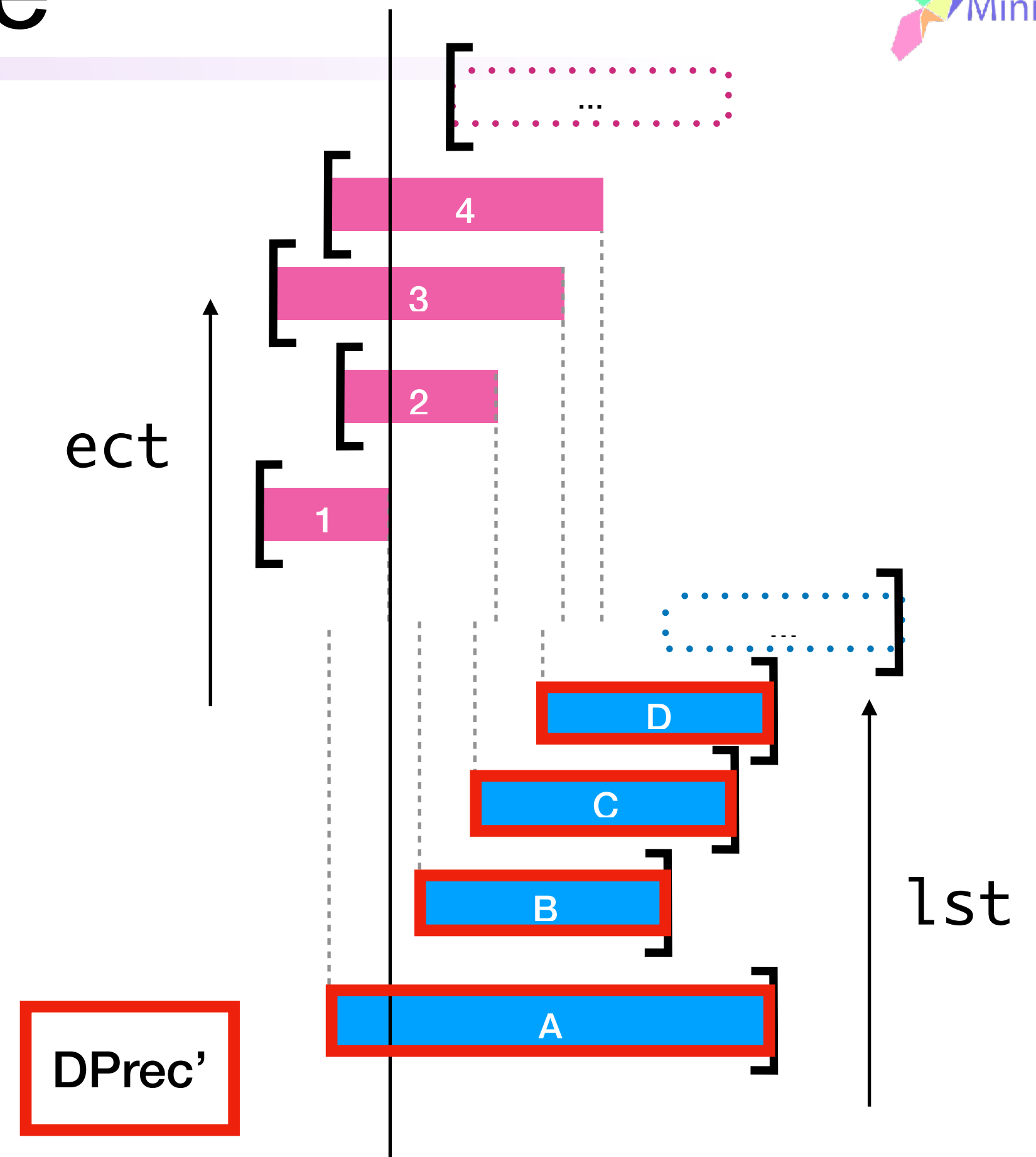
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DetectablePrecedence( $T=\{1..n\}$ ) {
   $T_{lst} \leftarrow \text{sortAZ}([1..n], \text{sortKey} = \text{lct}-d)$  //  $O(n \log n)$ 
   $T_{ect} \leftarrow \text{sortAZ}([1..n], \text{sortKey} = \text{est}+d)$  //  $O(n \log n)$ 
   $\text{ite} \leftarrow \text{iterator}(T_{lst})$ 
   $j \leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$  // candidate precedence of  $i$ 
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$  //  $O(n \log n)$  time
  for ( $i \leftarrow T_{ect}$ ) {
    while ( $\text{est}_i + d_i > \text{lct}_j - d_j$ ) {
       $\Theta.\text{insert}(j)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
      if ( $\text{ite.hasNext}()$ ) {  $j \leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$  } else { break }
    }
     $\text{est}'_i \leftarrow \max(\text{est}_i, \text{ect}_{\Theta \setminus i})$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
  }
   $\text{est}_i \leftarrow \text{est}'_i, \forall i \in T$ 
}

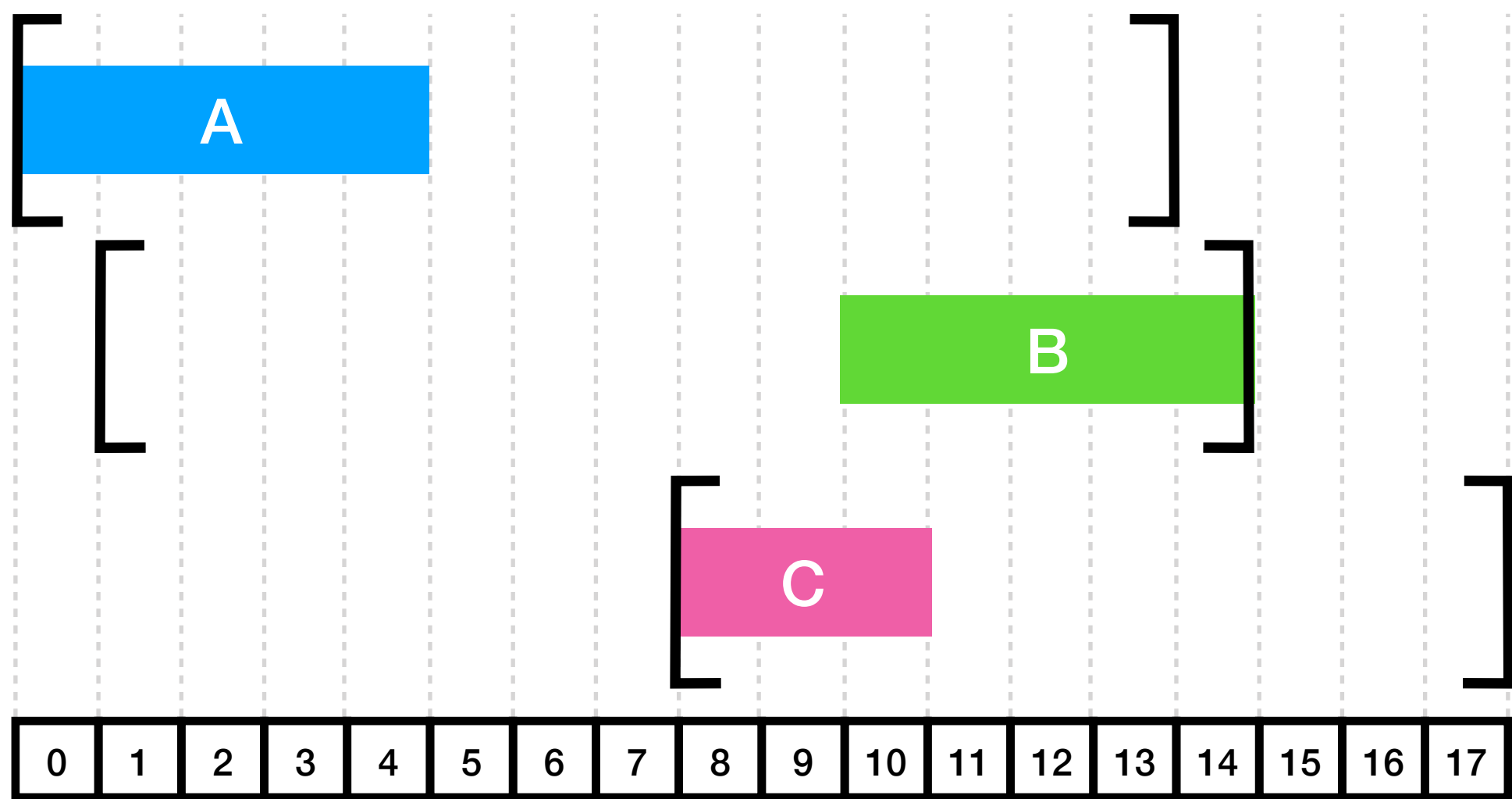
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This is executed at most  $n$  times

Because  $\Theta$  contains  $\text{DPrec}'(T, i)$  and not  $\text{DPrec}(T, i)$ :  
 $\Theta.\text{remove}(i)$ , use  $\Theta.\text{ect}$  for max,  $\Theta.\text{insert}(i)$ .

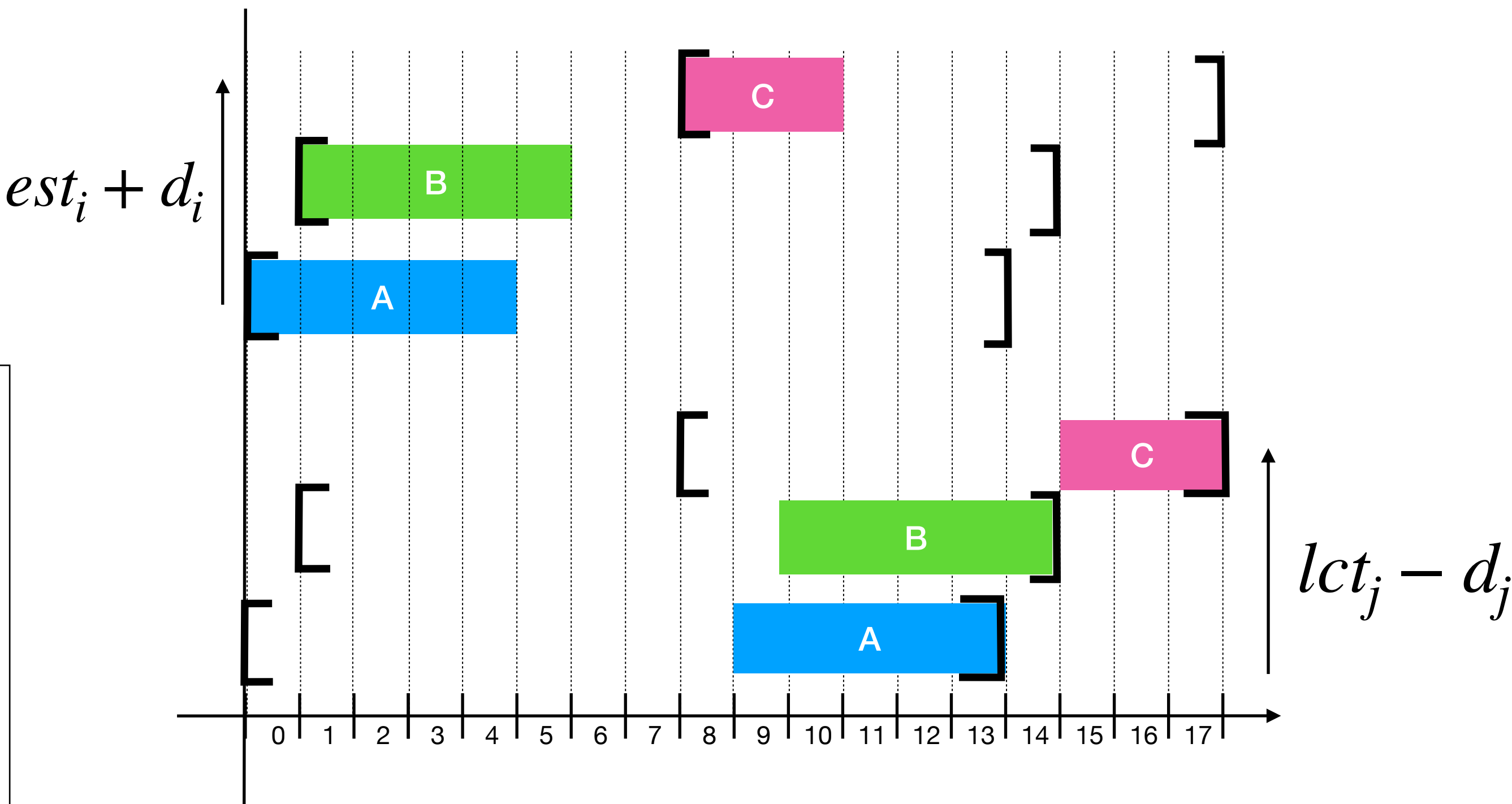


# Detectable precedence filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

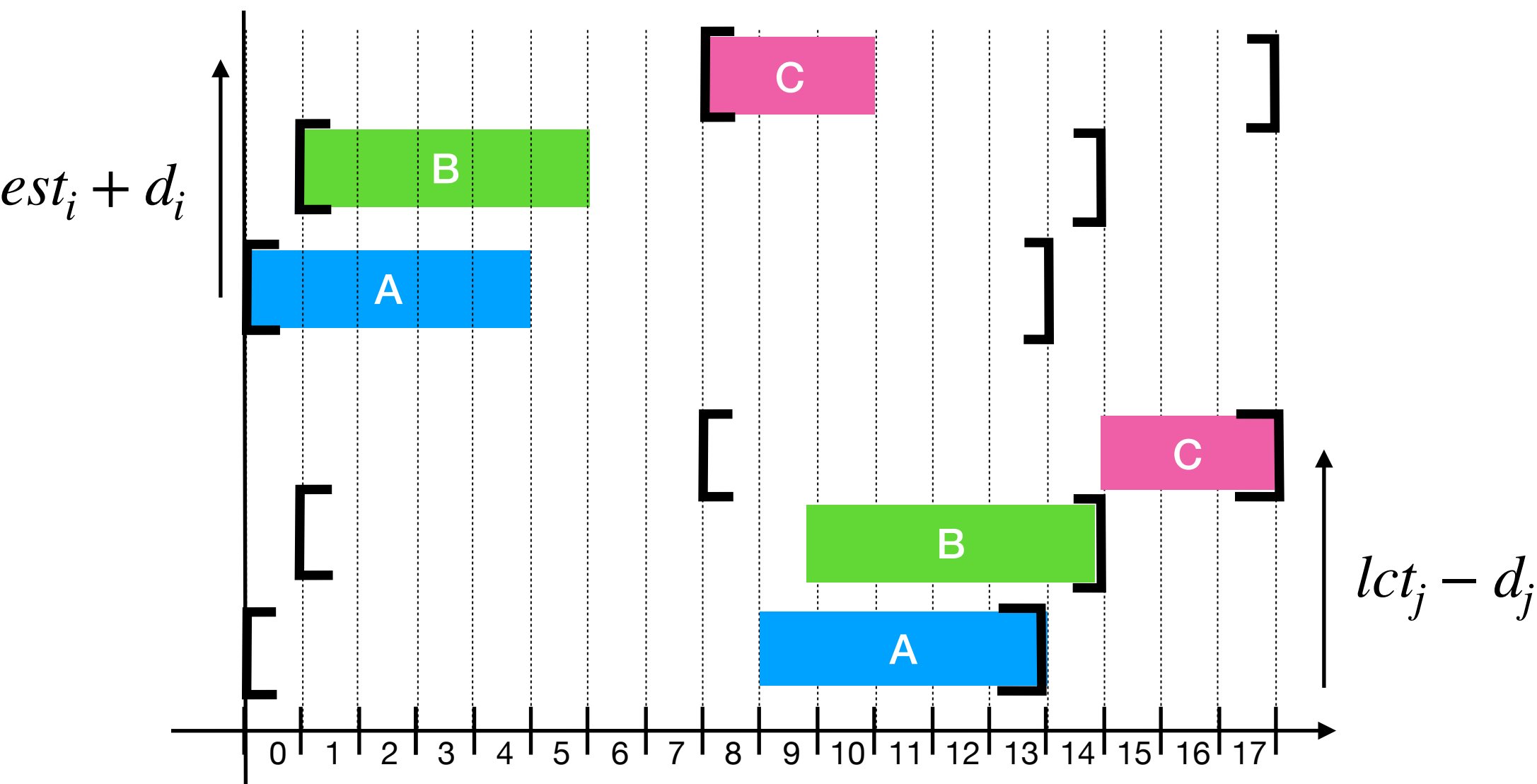


```
DetectablePrecedence(T={1..n}) {  
  Tlst ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = lct-d) // [A,B,C]  
  Tect ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = est+d) // [A,B,C]  
  ite ← iterator(Tlst)  
  j ← ite.next() // candidate precedence of i  
   $\Theta$  ←  $\Theta$ -Tree.init({1..n})  
  for (i ← Tect) {  
    while (esti+di > lctj-dj) {  
       $\Theta$ .insert(j)  
      if (ite.hasNext()) {j ← ite.next()} else {break}  
    }  
    est'i ← max(esti, ect $\Theta$ \i)  
  }  
  esti ← est'i,  $\forall i \in T$   
}
```

## Sorting

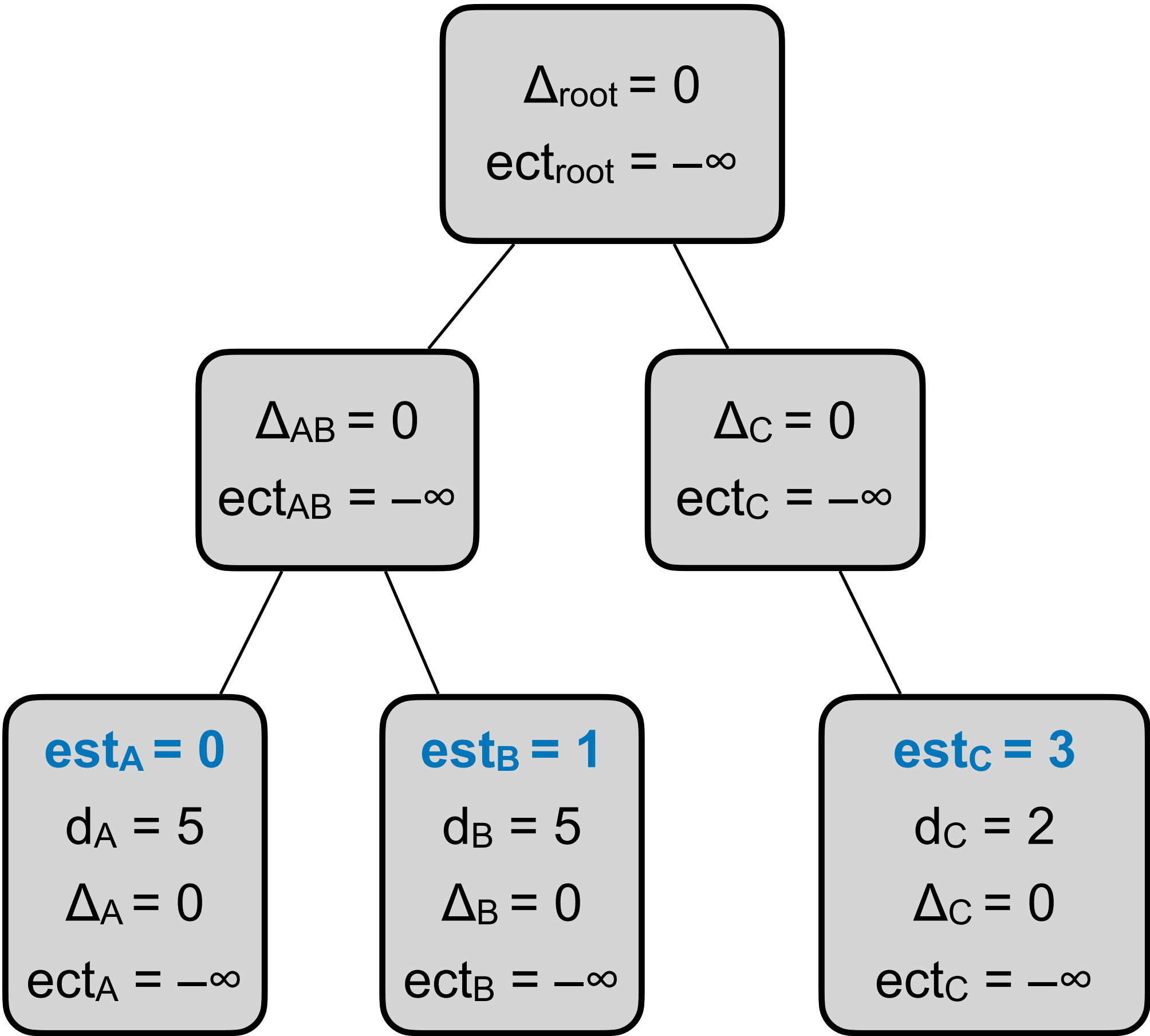


# Detectable precedence filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



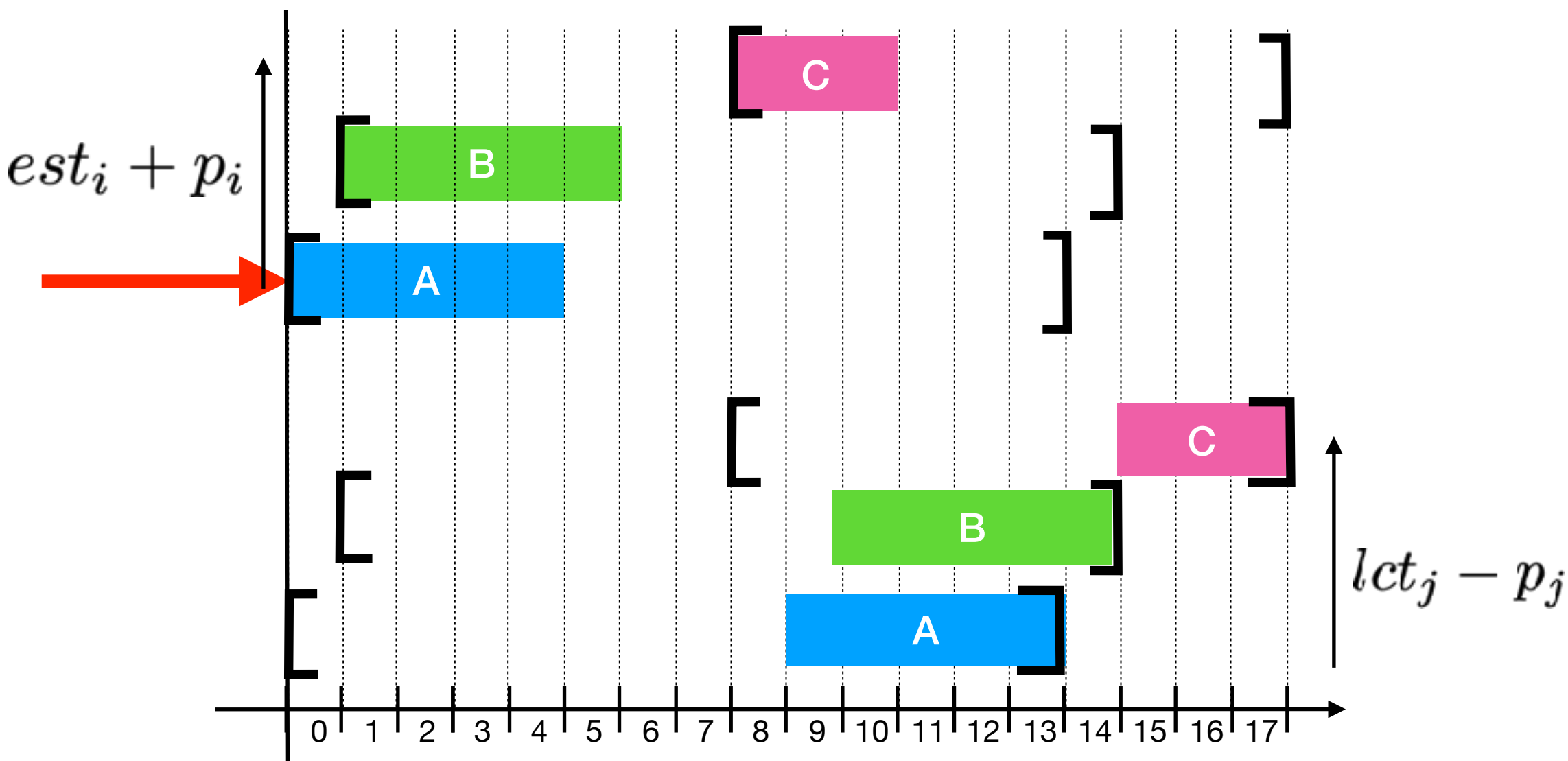
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  Tlst ← sortAZ([1..n],sortKey = lct-d) // [A, B, C]  
  Tect ← sortAZ([1..n],sortKey = est+d) // [A, B, C]  
  ite ← iterator(Tlst)  
  j ← ite.next() // candidate precedence of i  
  Θ ← Θ-Tree.init({1..n})  
  for (i ← Tect) {  
    while (esti+di > lctj-dj) {  
      Θ.insert(j)  
      if (ite.hasNext()) {j ← ite.next()} else {break}  
    }  
    est'i ← max(esti, ectΘ\i)  
  }  
  esti ← est'i, ∀i∈T  
}
```

## $\Theta$ -Tree initialization



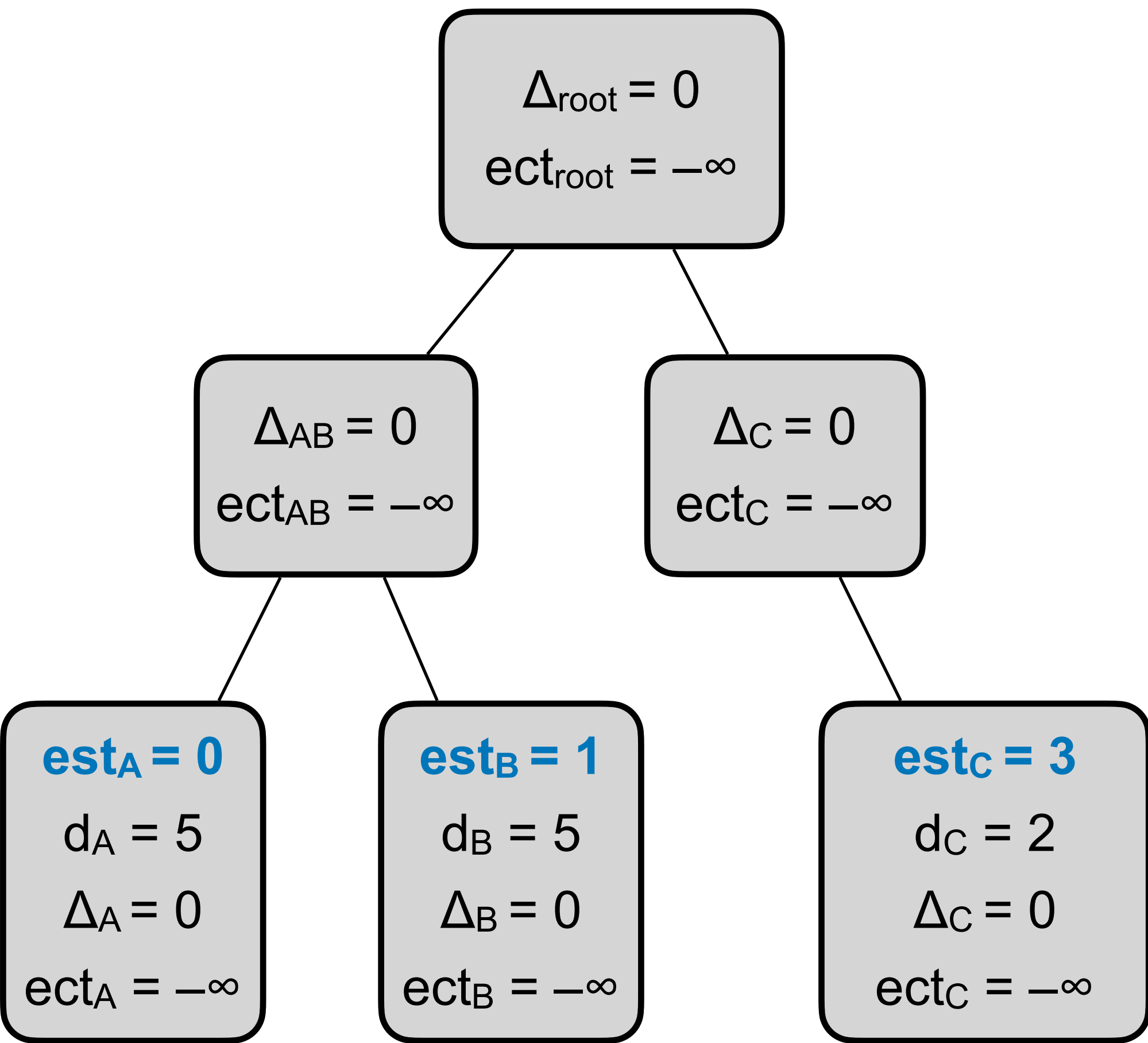


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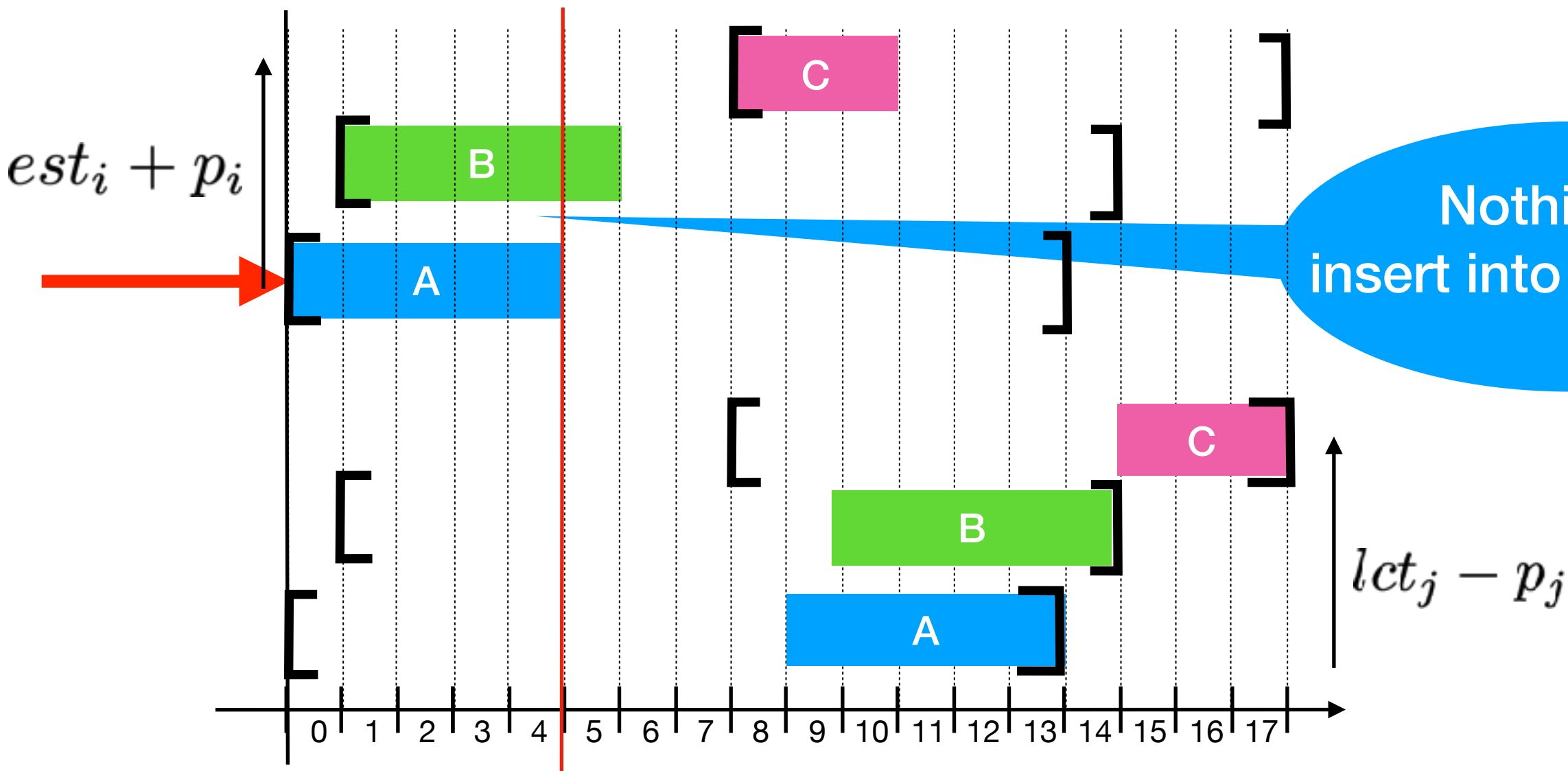
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  ite ← iterator(Tlst)  
  j ← ite.next() // candidate precedence of i  
   $\Theta$  ←  $\Theta$ -Tree.init({1..n})  
  for (i ← Tect) { // i ← A  
    while (esti+di > lctj-dj) {  
       $\Theta$ .insert(j)  
      if (ite.hasNext()) {j ← ite.next()} else {break}  
    }  
    est'i ← max(esti, ect $\Theta$ \i)  
  }  
  esti ← est'i,  $\forall i \in T$   
}
```

First iteration: A is considered

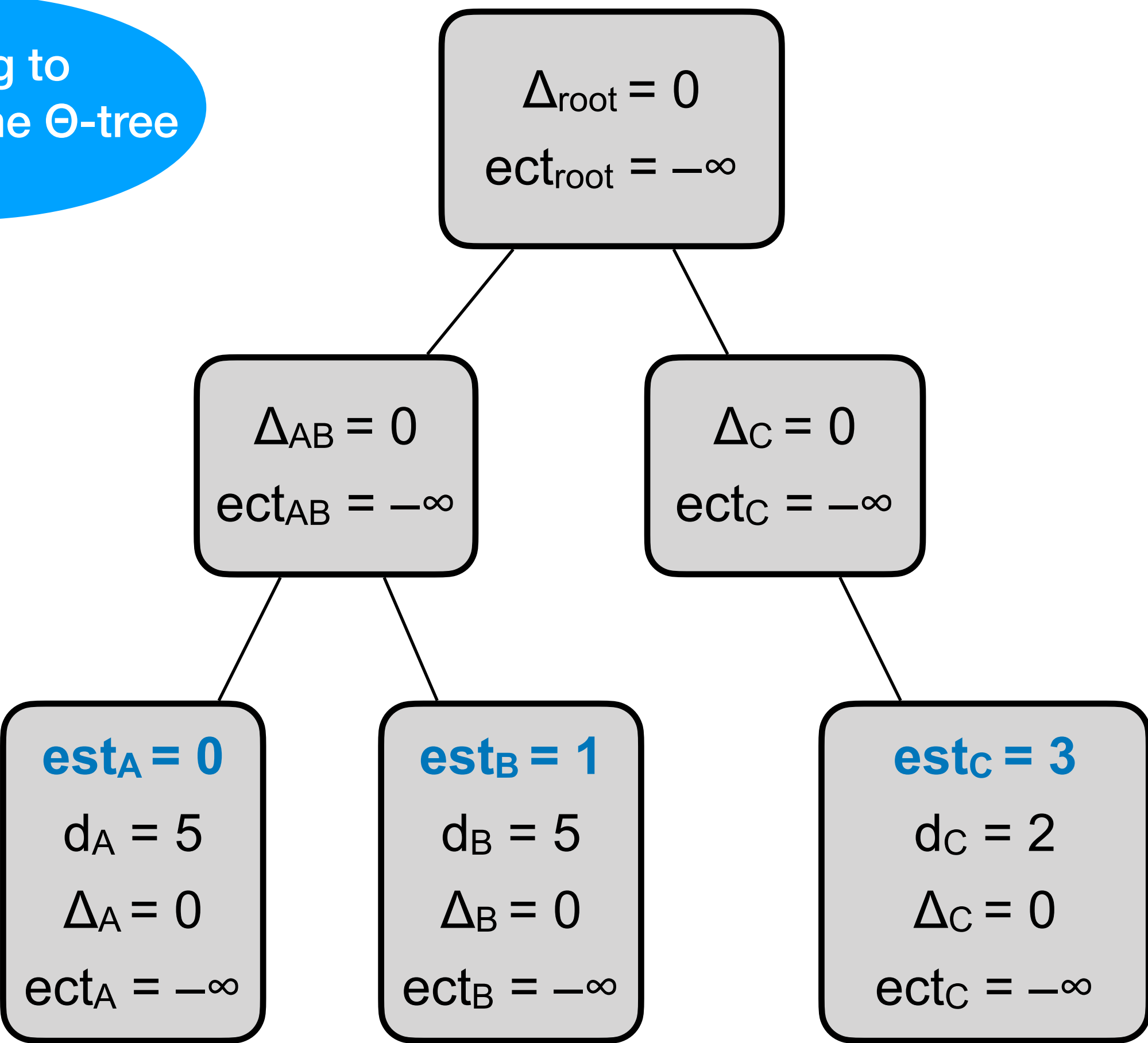




# Detectable precedence filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

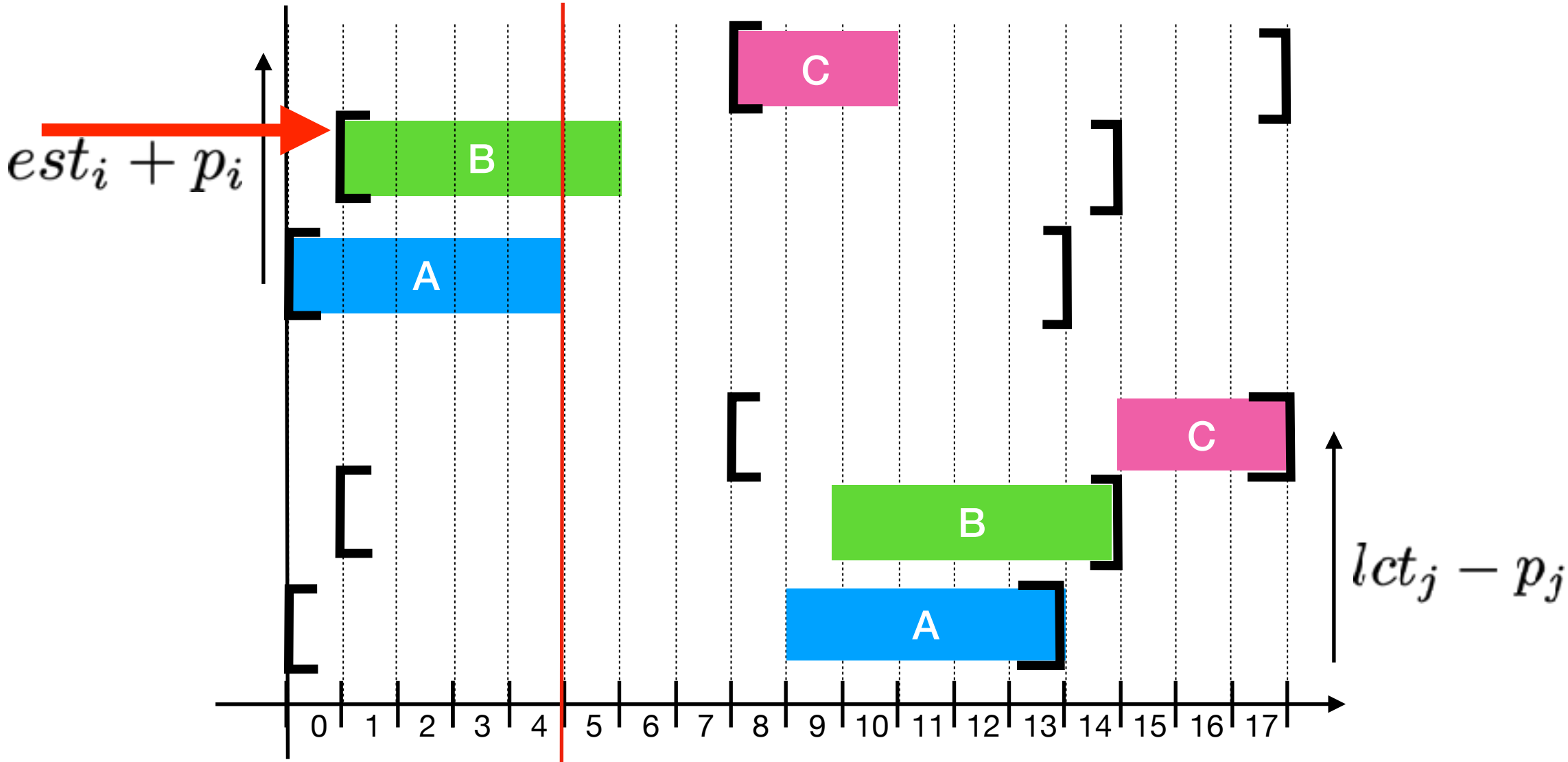


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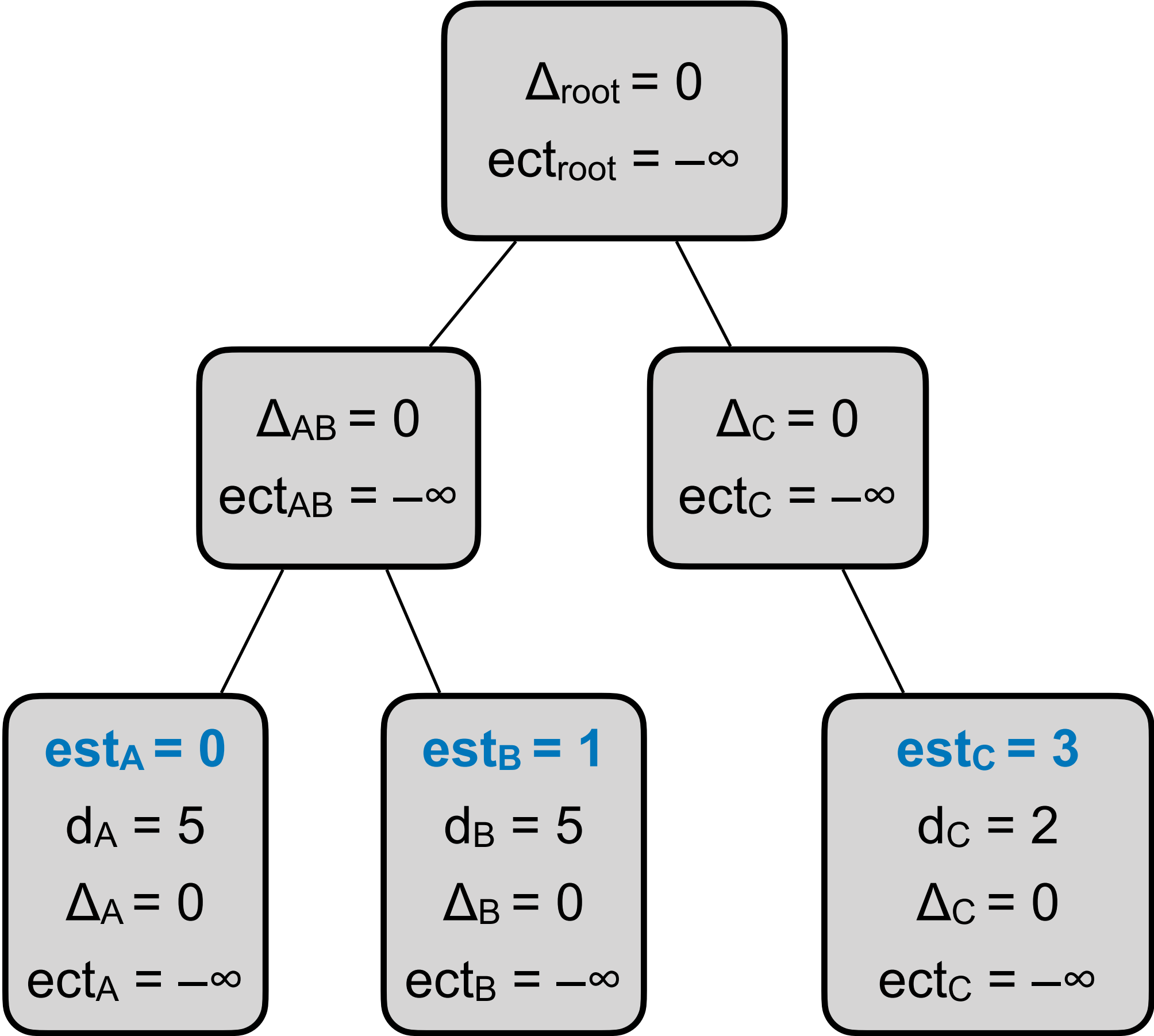
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  Tlst ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = lct-d) // [A, B, C]
  Tect ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = est+d) // [A, B, C]
  ite ← iterator(Tlst)
  j ← ite.next() // candidate precedence of i
  θ ← Θ-Tree.init({1..n})
  for (i ← Tect) { // i ← A
    while (esti+di > lctj-dj) {
      θ.insert(j)
      if (ite.hasNext()) {j ← ite.next()} else {break}
    }
    est'i ← max(esti, ectθ\i)
  }
  esti ← est'i, ∀i ∈ T
}
```

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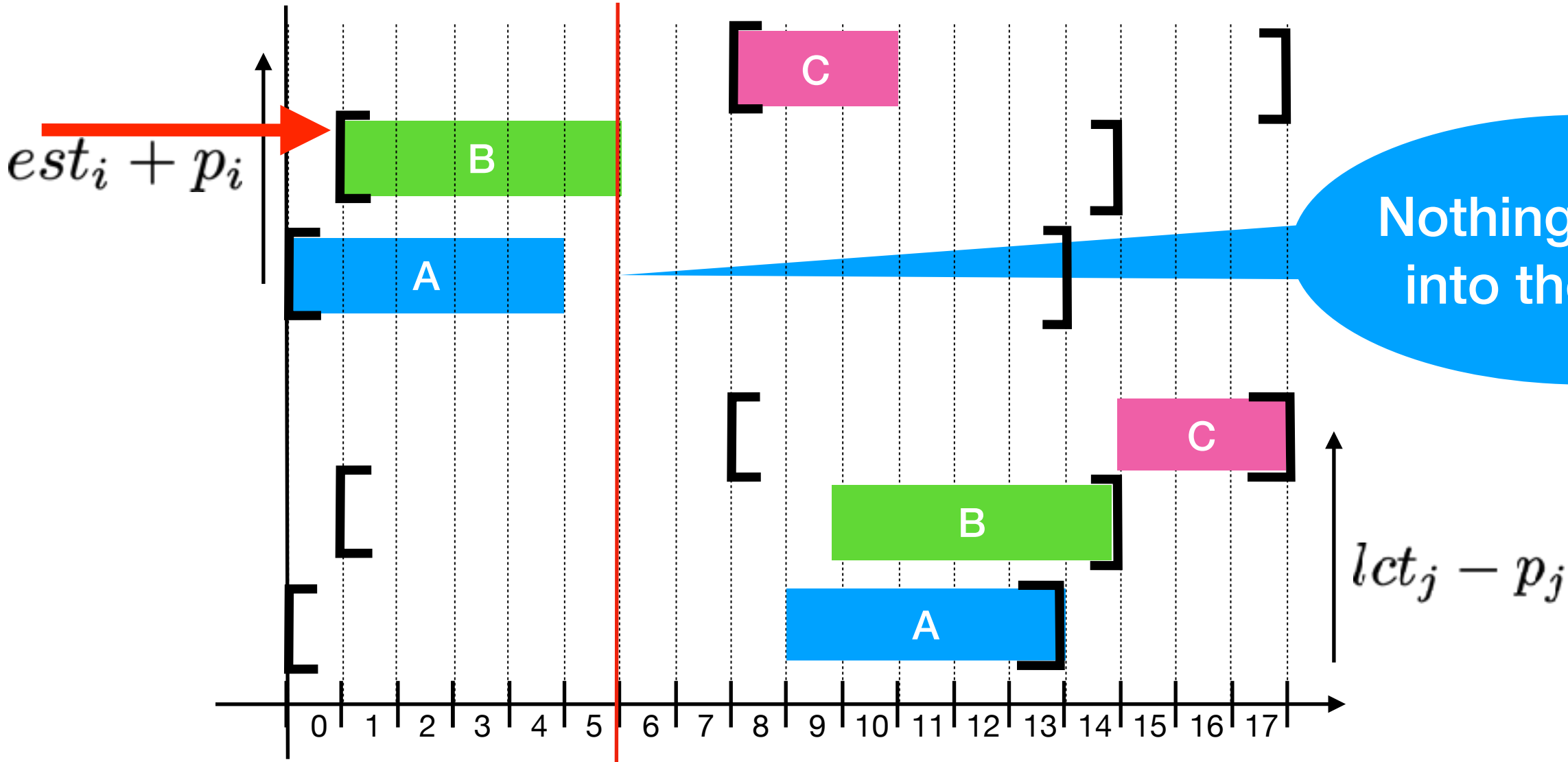


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  ite ← iterator(Tlst)
  j ← ite.next() // candidate precedence of i
   $\Theta$  ←  $\Theta$ -Tree.init({1..n})
  for (i ← Tect) { // i ← B
    while (esti+di > lctj-dj) {
       $\Theta$ .insert(j)
      if (ite.hasNext()) {j ← ite.next()} else {break}
    }
    est'i ← max(esti, ect $\Theta$ \i)
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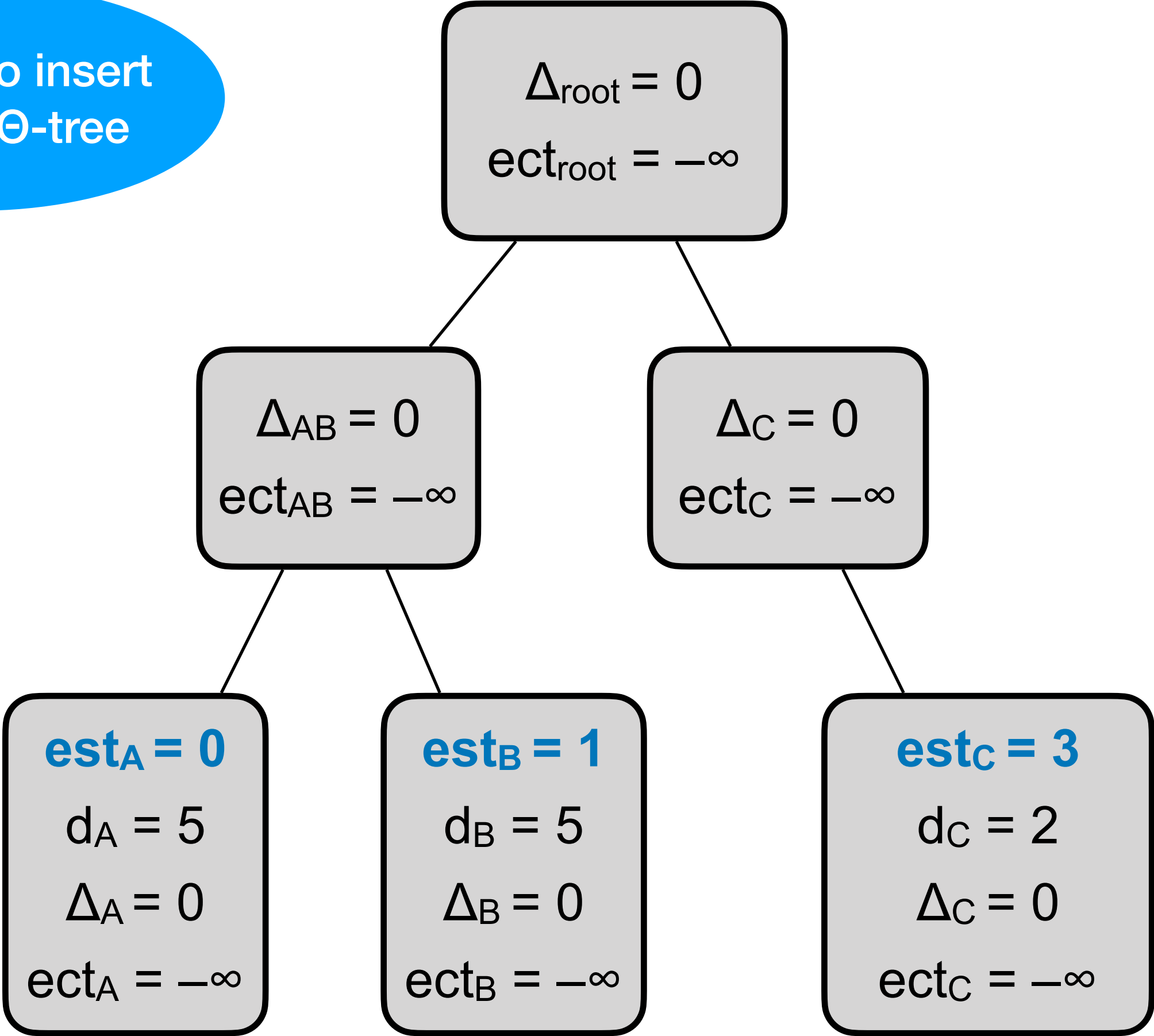
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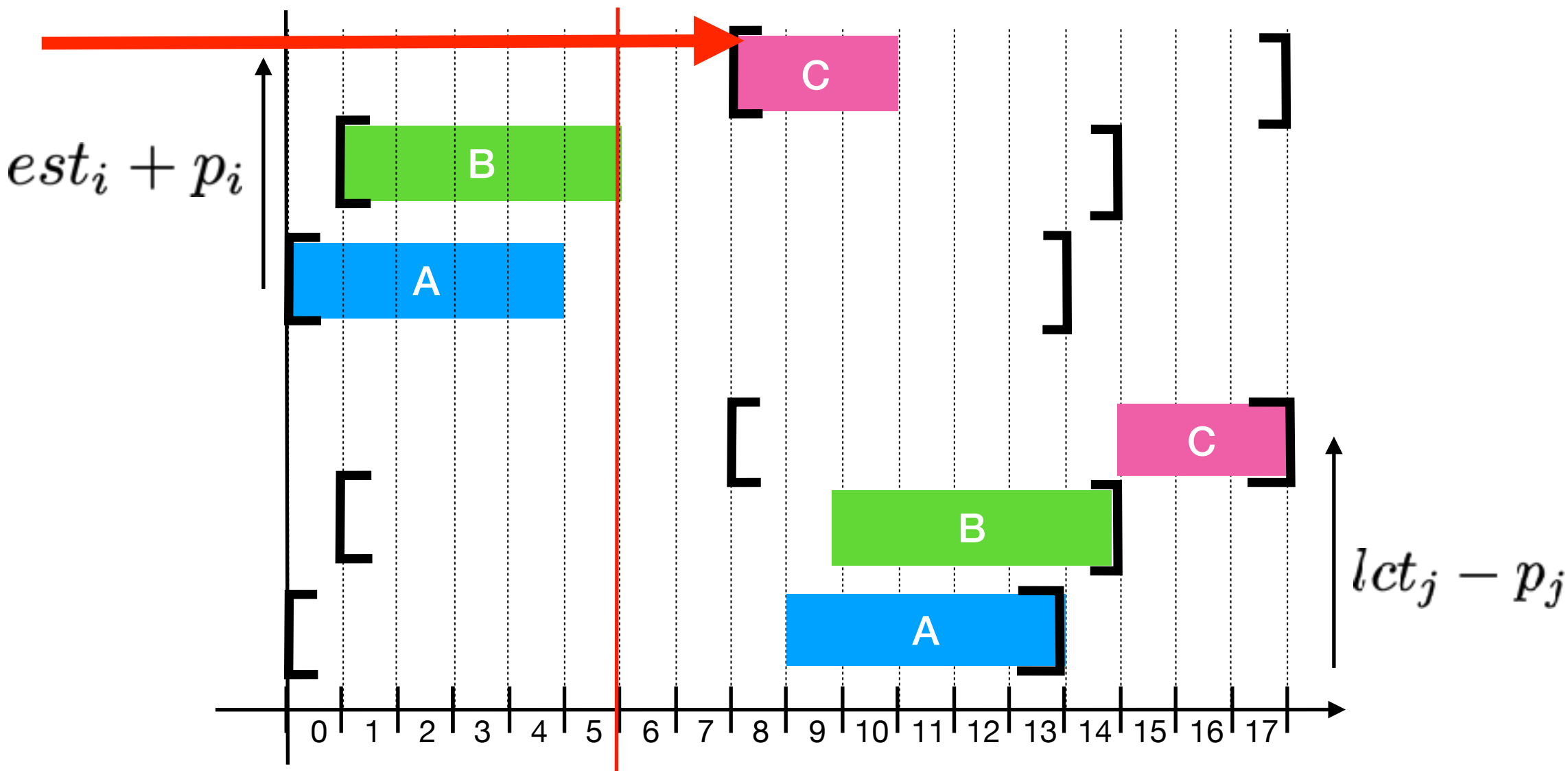


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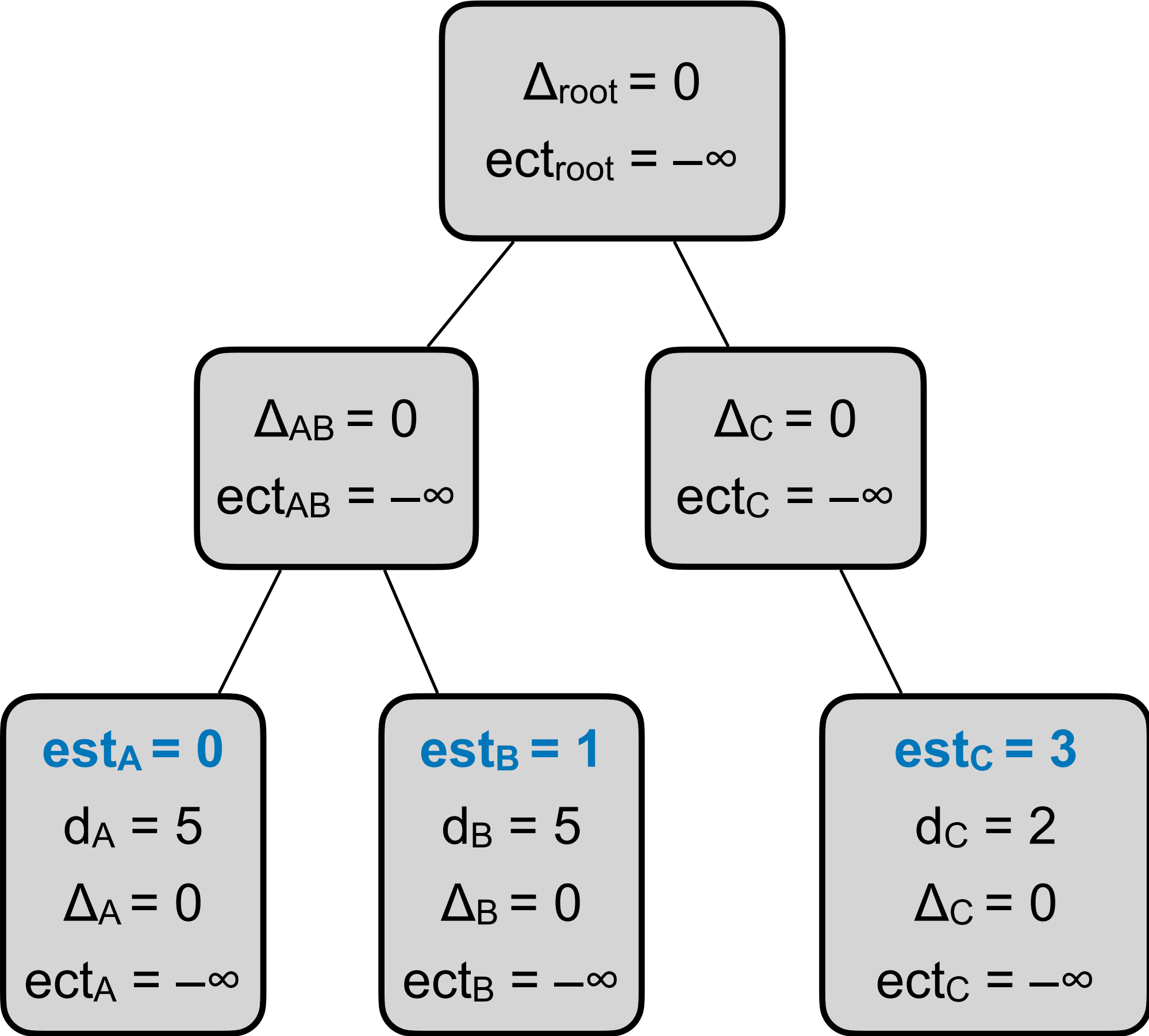


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    while (esti+di > lctj-dj) {
       $\Theta$ .insert(j)
      if (ite.hasNext()) {j ← ite.next()} else {break}
    }
    est'i ← max(esti, ect $\Theta$ \i)
  }
  esti ← est'i,  $\forall i \in T$ 
}
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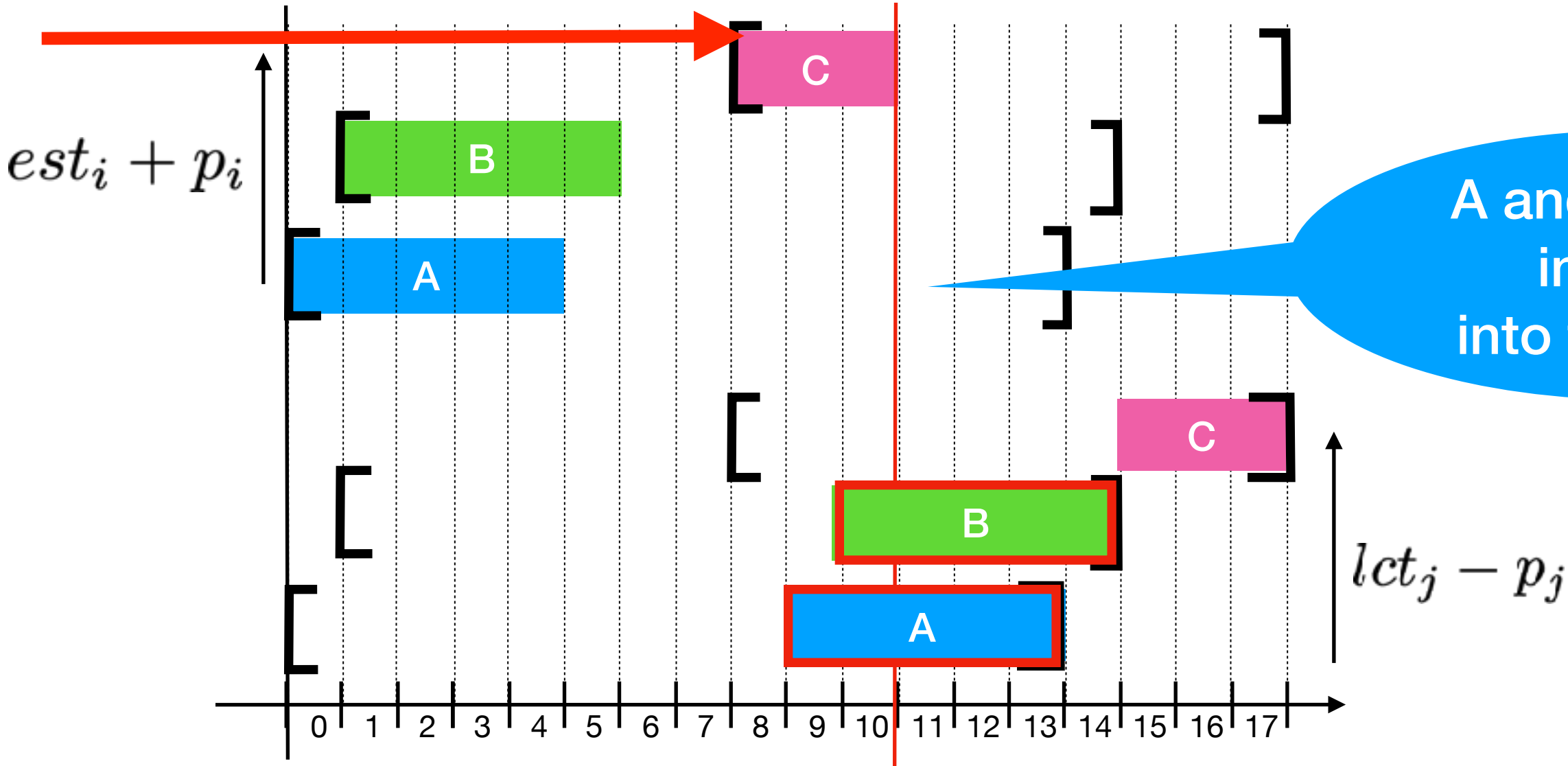


Third iteration: C is considered

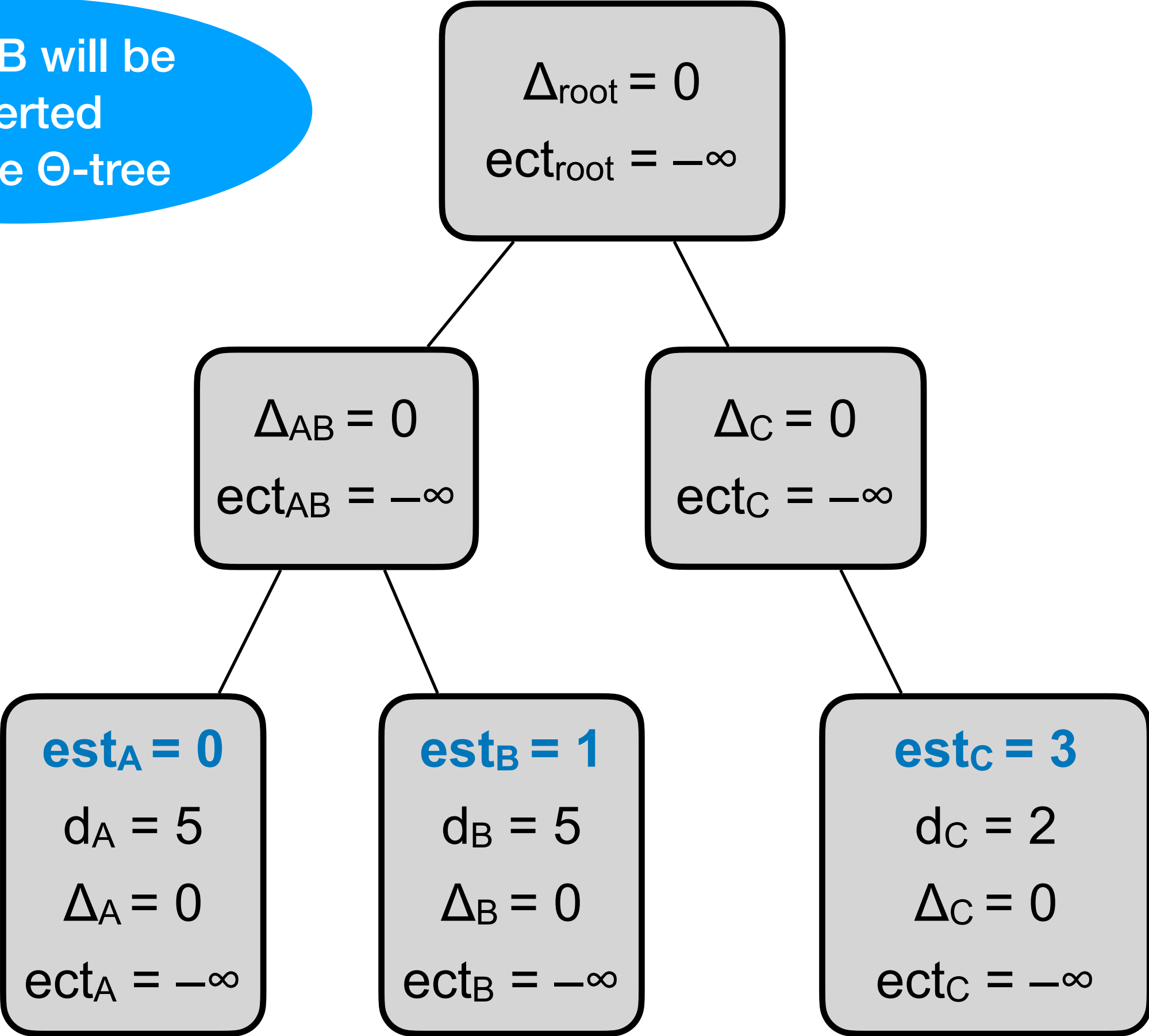


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  ite ← iterator(Tlst)
  j ← ite.next() // candidate precedence of i
   $\Theta$  ←  $\Theta$ -Tree.init({1..n})
  for (i ← Tect) { // i ← C
    while (esti+di > lctj-dj) {
       $\Theta$ .insert(j)
      if (ite.hasNext()) {j ← ite.next()} else {break}
    }
    est'i ← max(esti, ect $\Theta$ \i)
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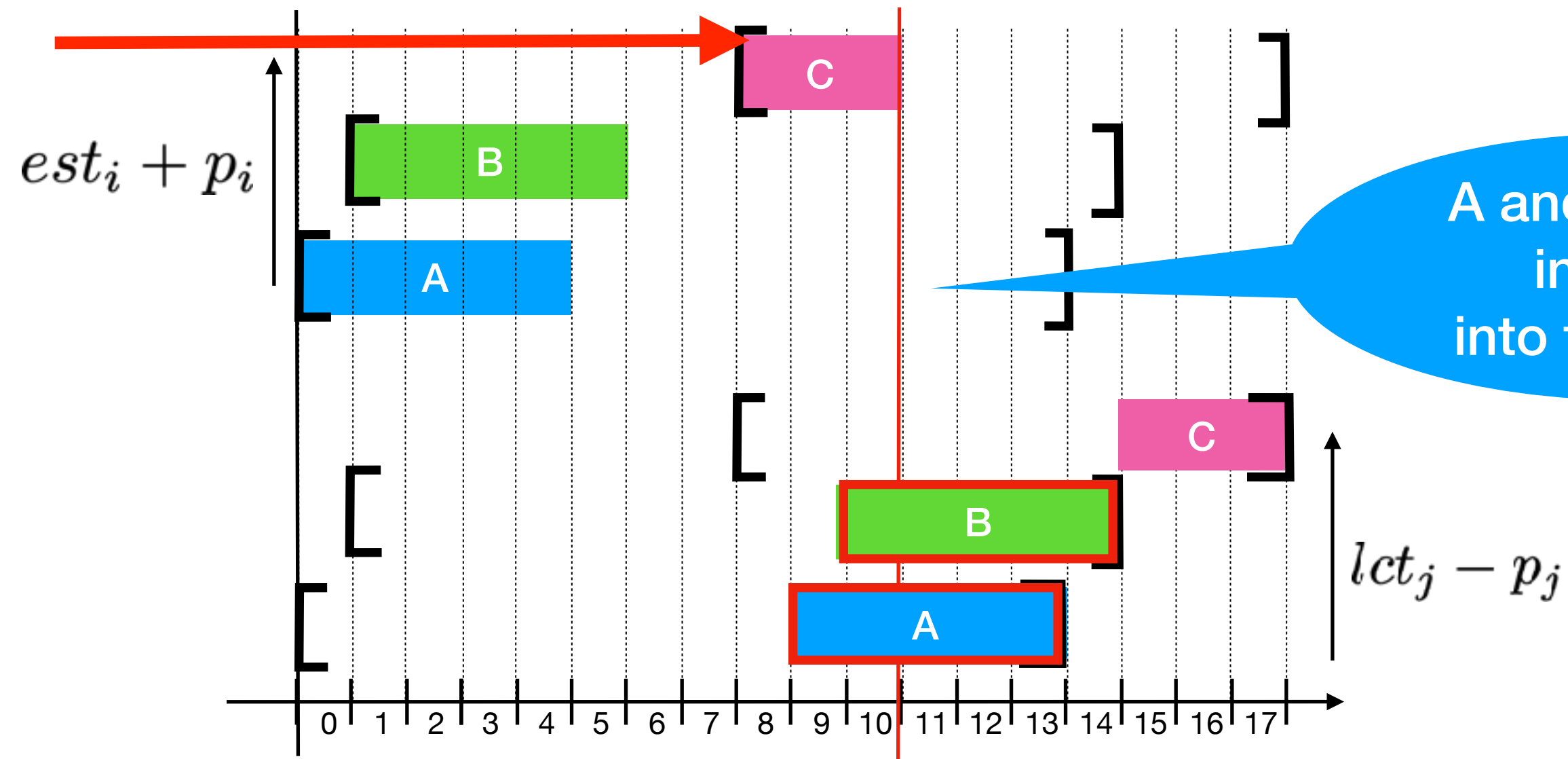
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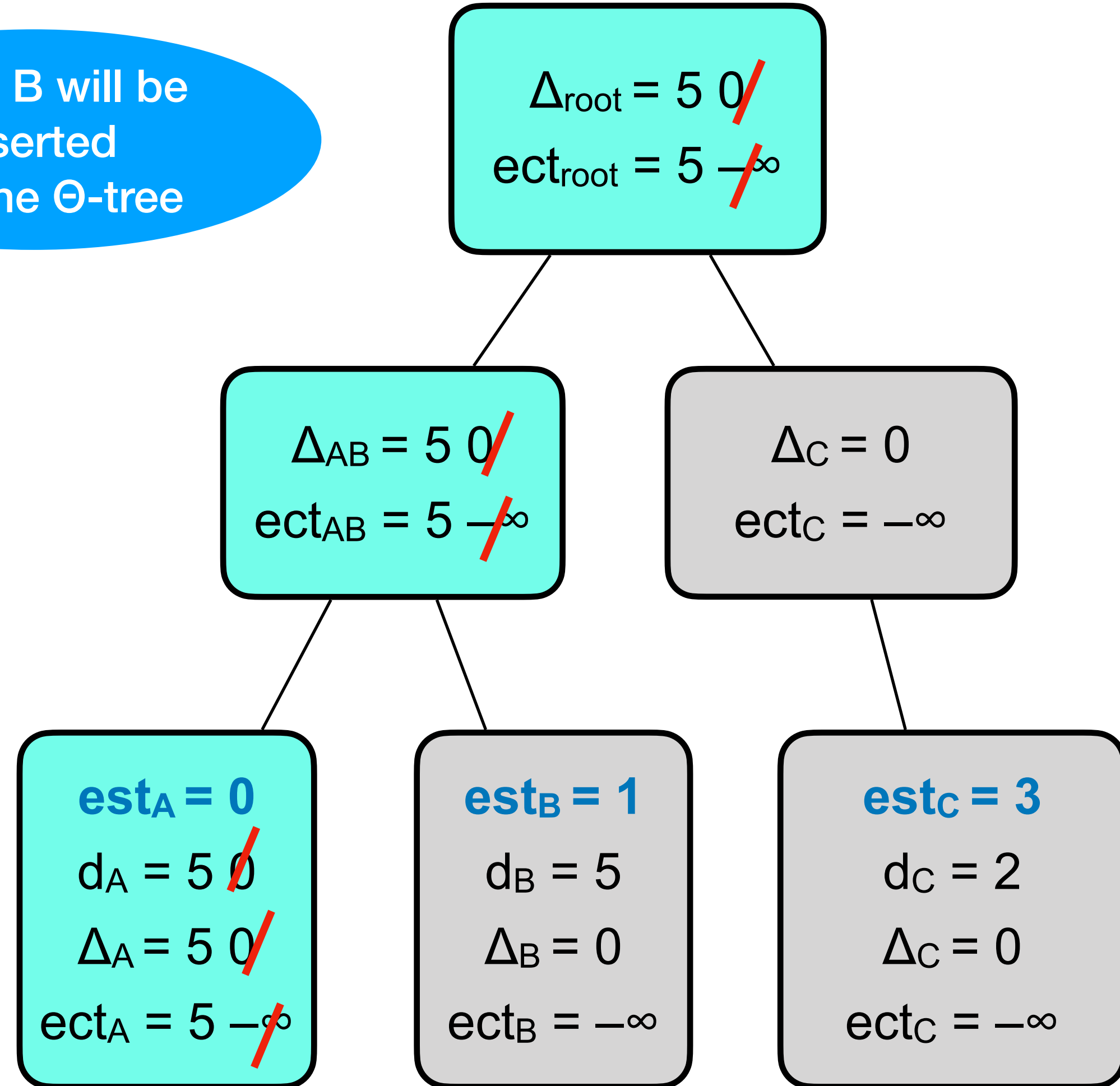
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  T_lst ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = lct-d) // [A, B, C]
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  θ ← Θ-Tree.init({1..n})
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    while (est_i + d_i > lct_j - d_j) {
      θ.insert(j)
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    }
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  }
  est_i ← est'_i, ∀ i ∈ T
}
```



# Detectable precedence filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



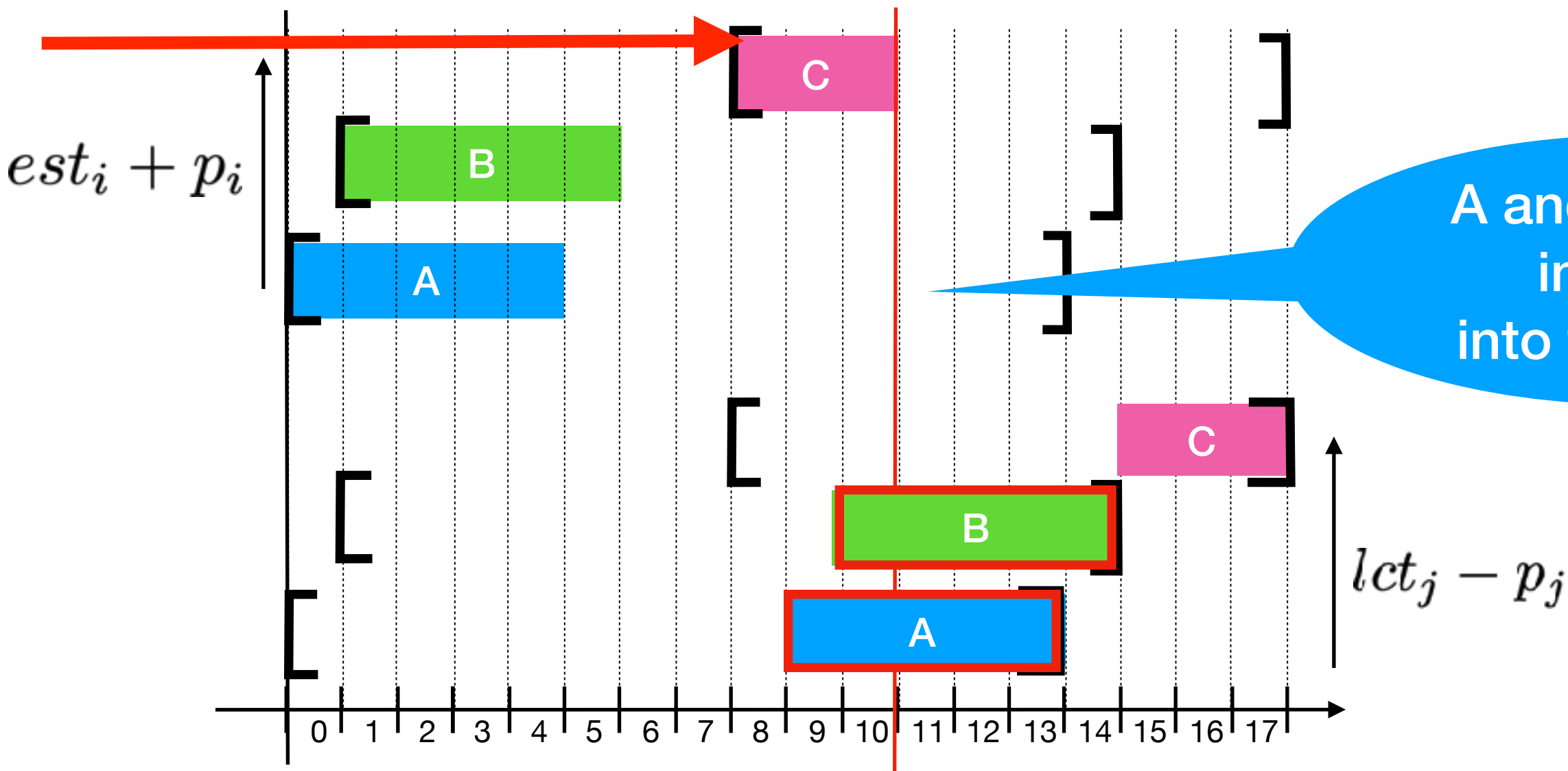
## Insertion of A



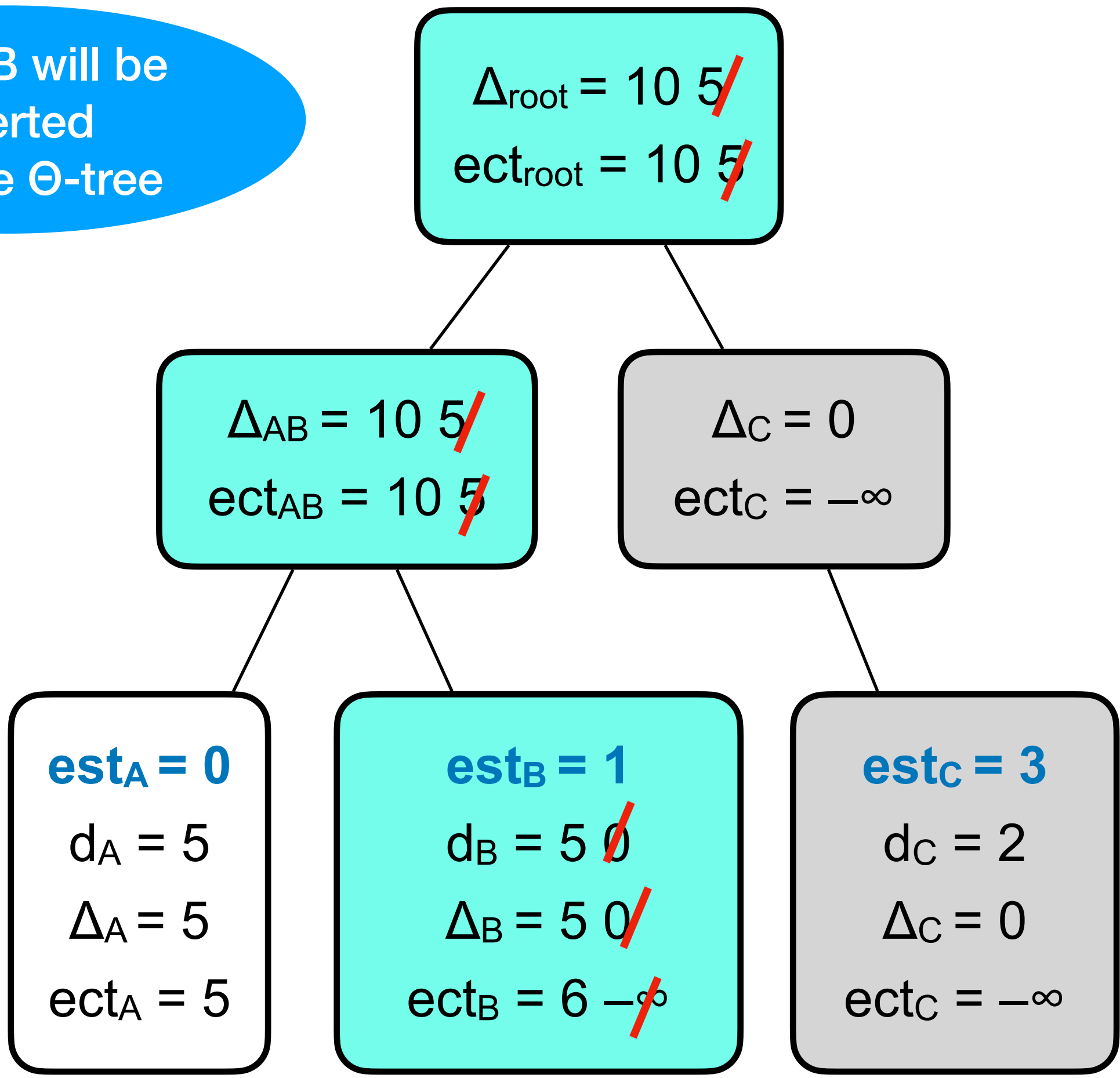
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   $\text{ite} \leftarrow \text{iterator}(T_{\text{lst}})$ 
   $j \leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$  // candidate precedence of i
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
  for ( $i \leftarrow T_{\text{ect}}$ ) { //  $i \leftarrow C$ 
    while ( $est_i + d_i > lct_j - d_j$ ) {
       $\Theta.\text{insert}(j)$ 
      if ( $\text{ite.hasNext}()$ ) {  $j \leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$  } else { break }
    }
     $est'_i \leftarrow \max(est_i, ect_{\Theta \setminus i})$ 
  }
   $est_i \leftarrow est'_i, \forall i \in T$ 
}
    
```

# Detectable precedence filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

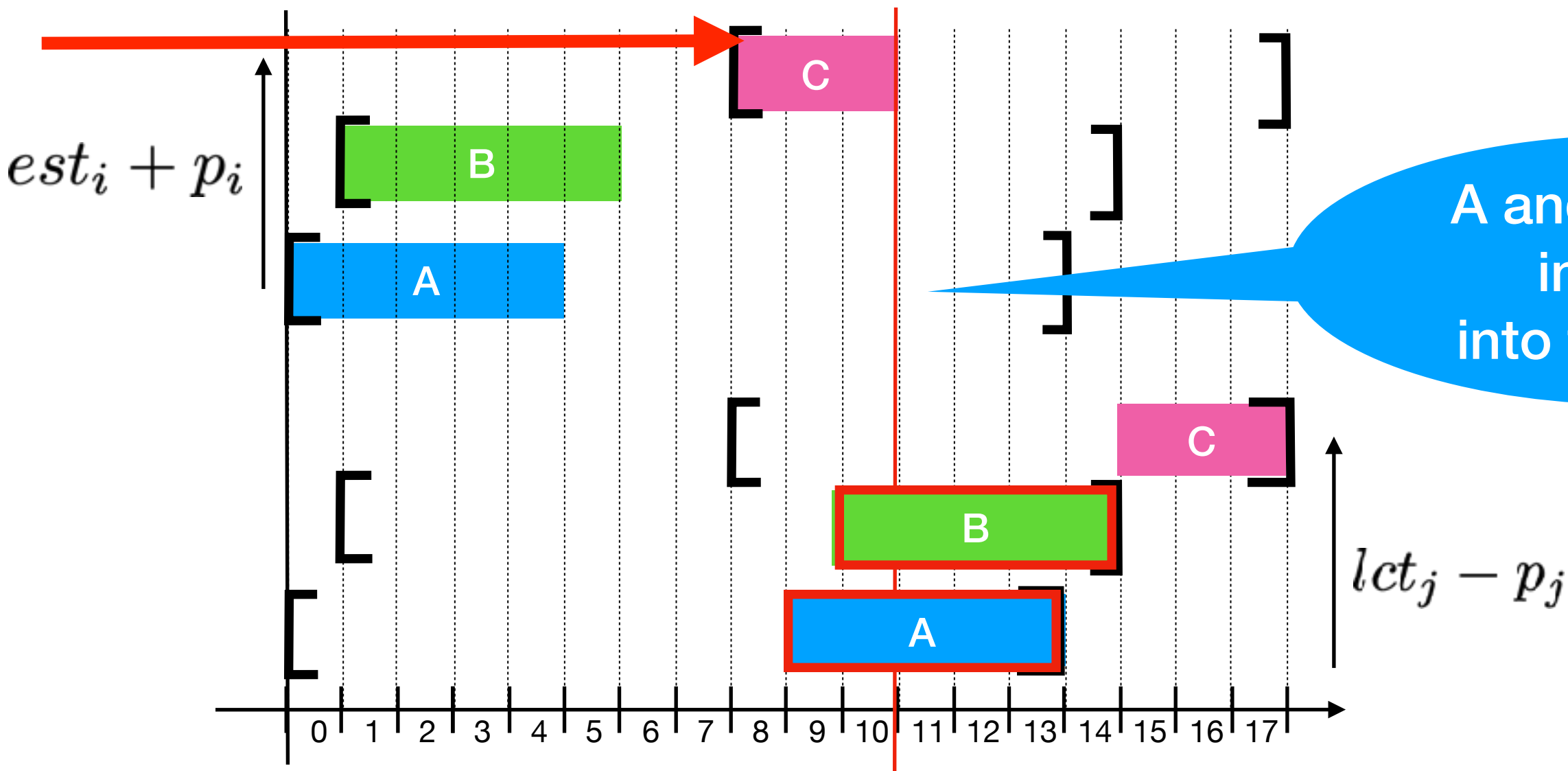


## Insertion of B

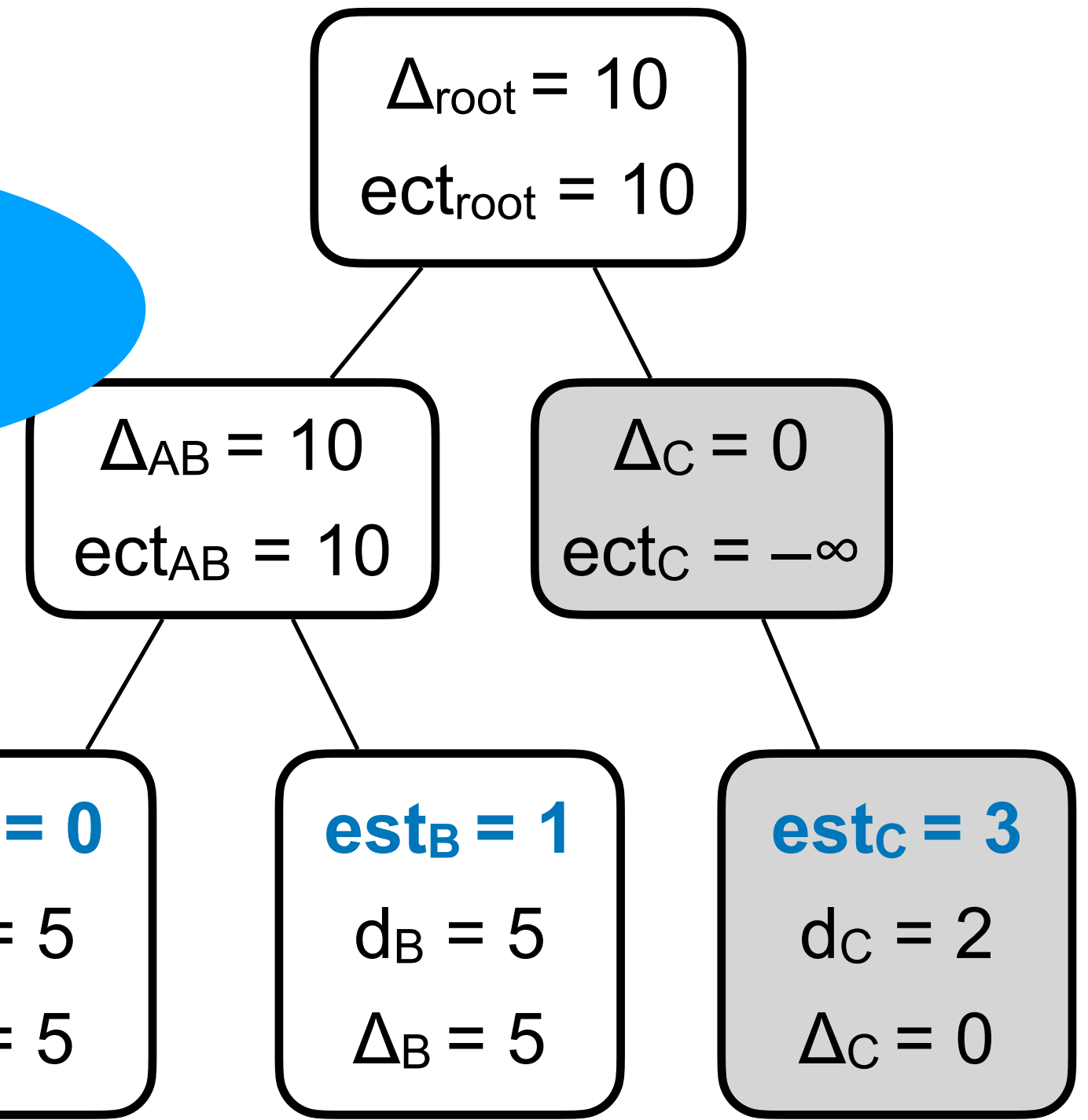


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  ite ← iterator(Tlst)
  j ← ite.next() // candidate precedence of i
  Θ ← Θ-Tree.init({1..n})
  for (i ← Tect) { // i ← C
    while (esti+di > lctj-dj) {
      Θ.insert(j)
      if (ite.hasNext()) {j ← ite.next()} else {break}
    }
    est'i ← max(esti, ectΘ\i)
  }
  esti ← est'i, ∀i ∈ T
}
```

# Detectable precedence filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

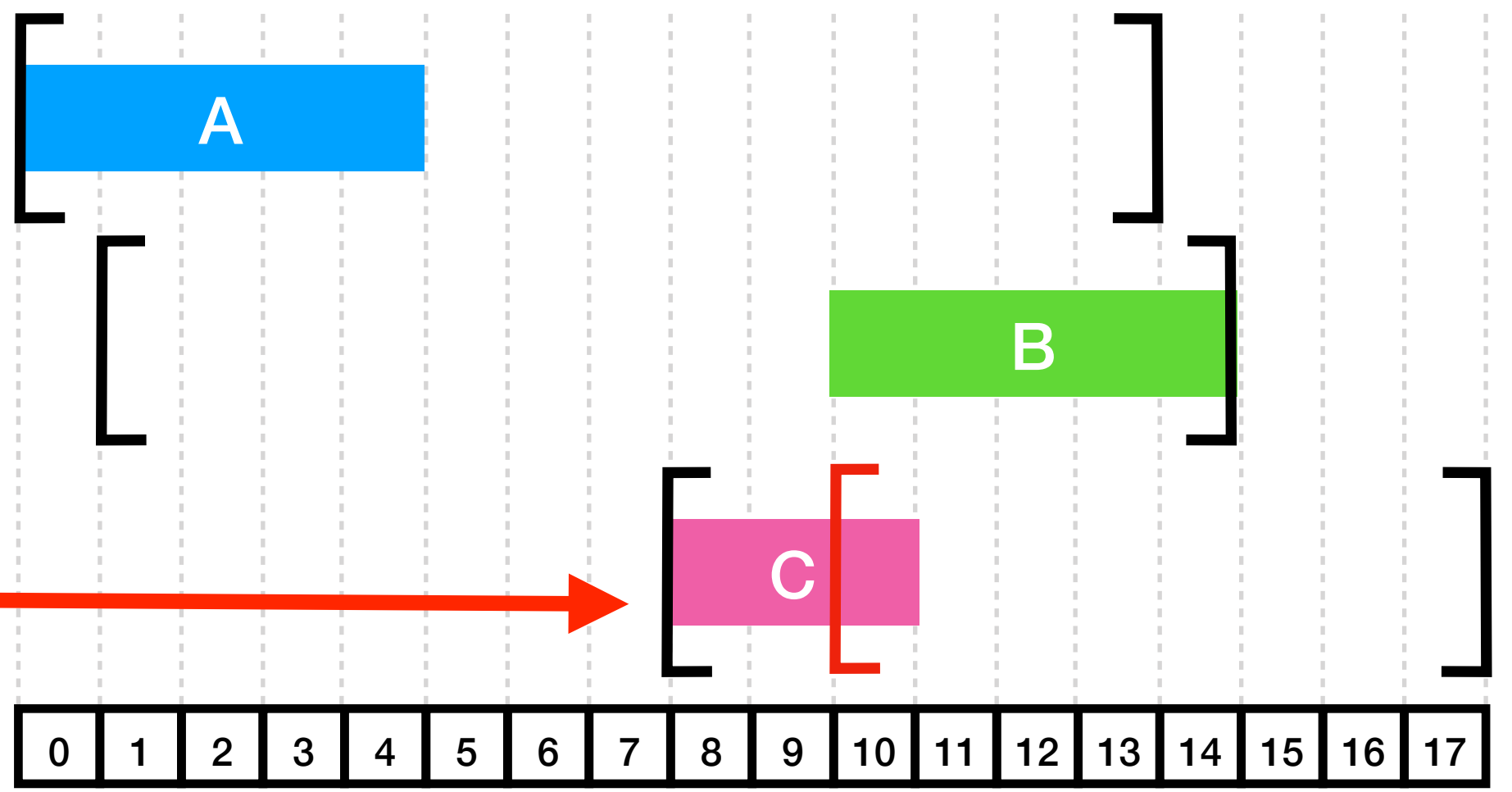


A and B will be inserted into the  $\Theta$ -tree



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}
```

$est_c = est'_c = 10$

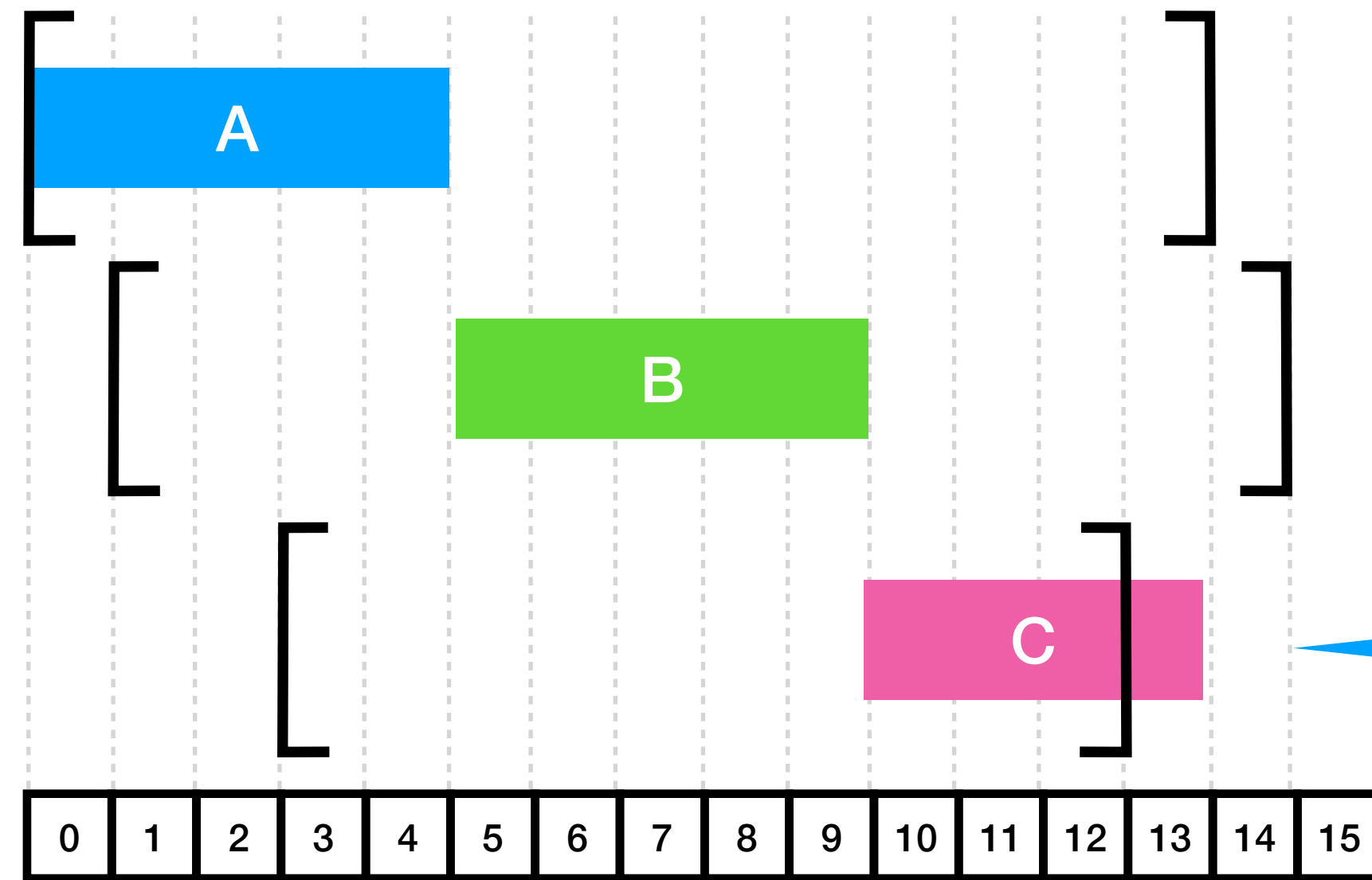




# Not-Last

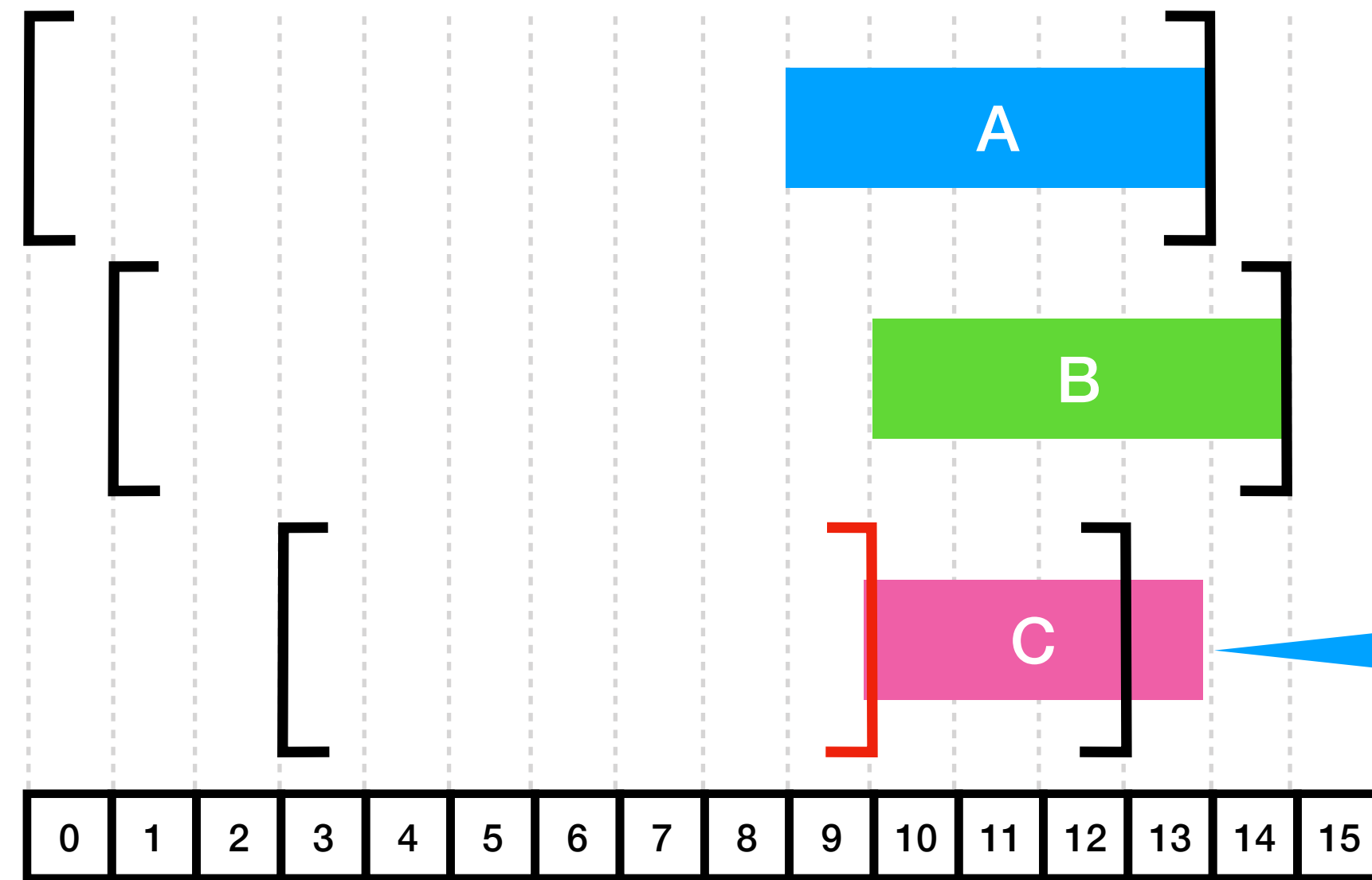
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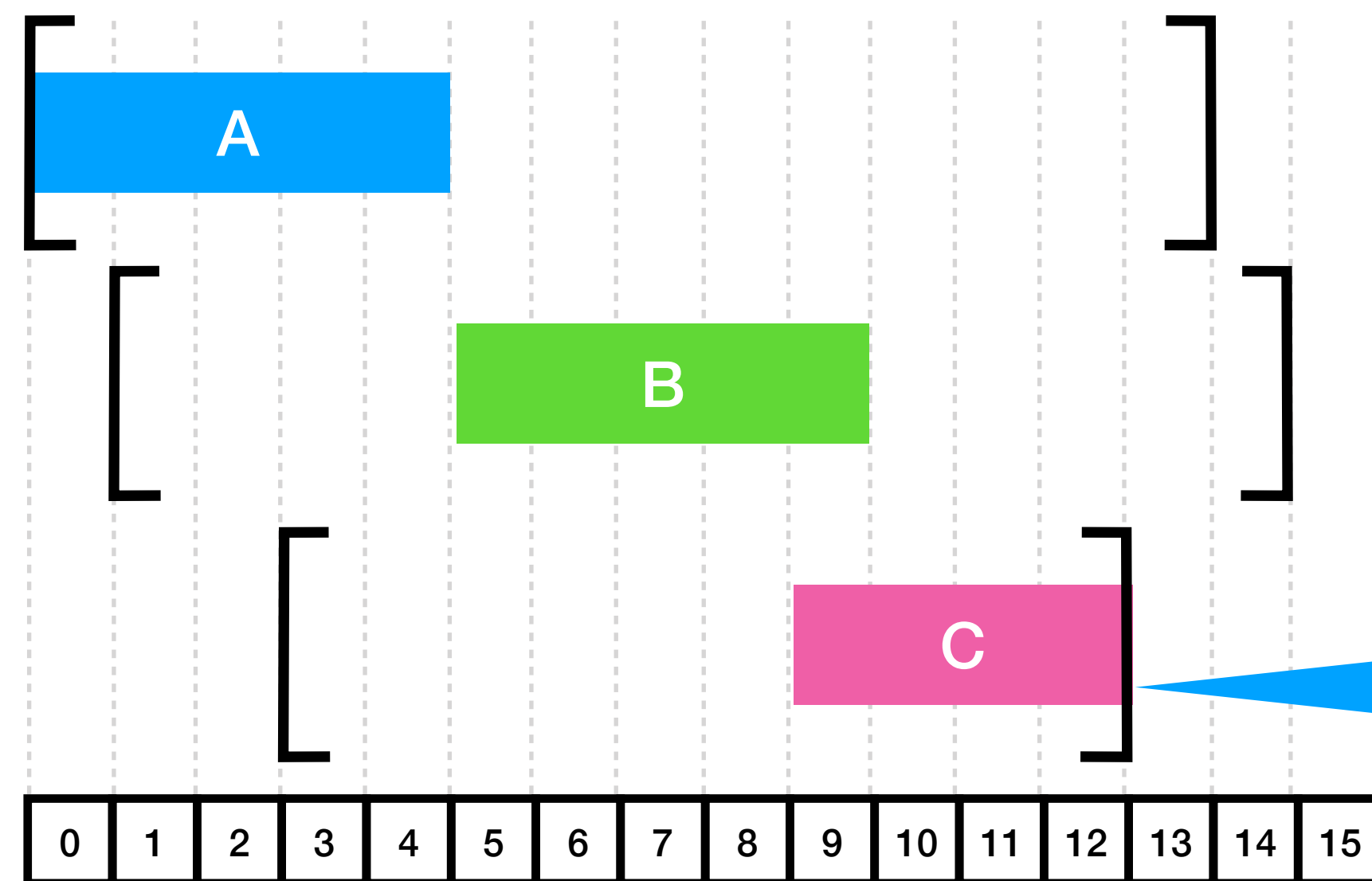


Take the minimum of the two cases:  
 $lct_C \leftarrow \min(lct_C, \max\{lct_B - d_B, lct_A - d_A\})$ .

# Not-Last filtering formally defined

- ▶  $\forall \Omega \subset T$  non-empty strict subset of  $T$ ,  $\forall i \in T \setminus \Omega$ :  

$$\text{est}_\Omega + d_\Omega > \text{lct}_i - d_i \quad \leadsto \quad \text{lct}_i \leftarrow \min(\text{lct}_i, \max \{ \text{lct}_j - d_j \mid j \in \Omega \}) \quad (\text{NL})$$
- ▶ Example: For  $\Omega = \{A, B\}$ , activity  $i = C$  cannot start last:



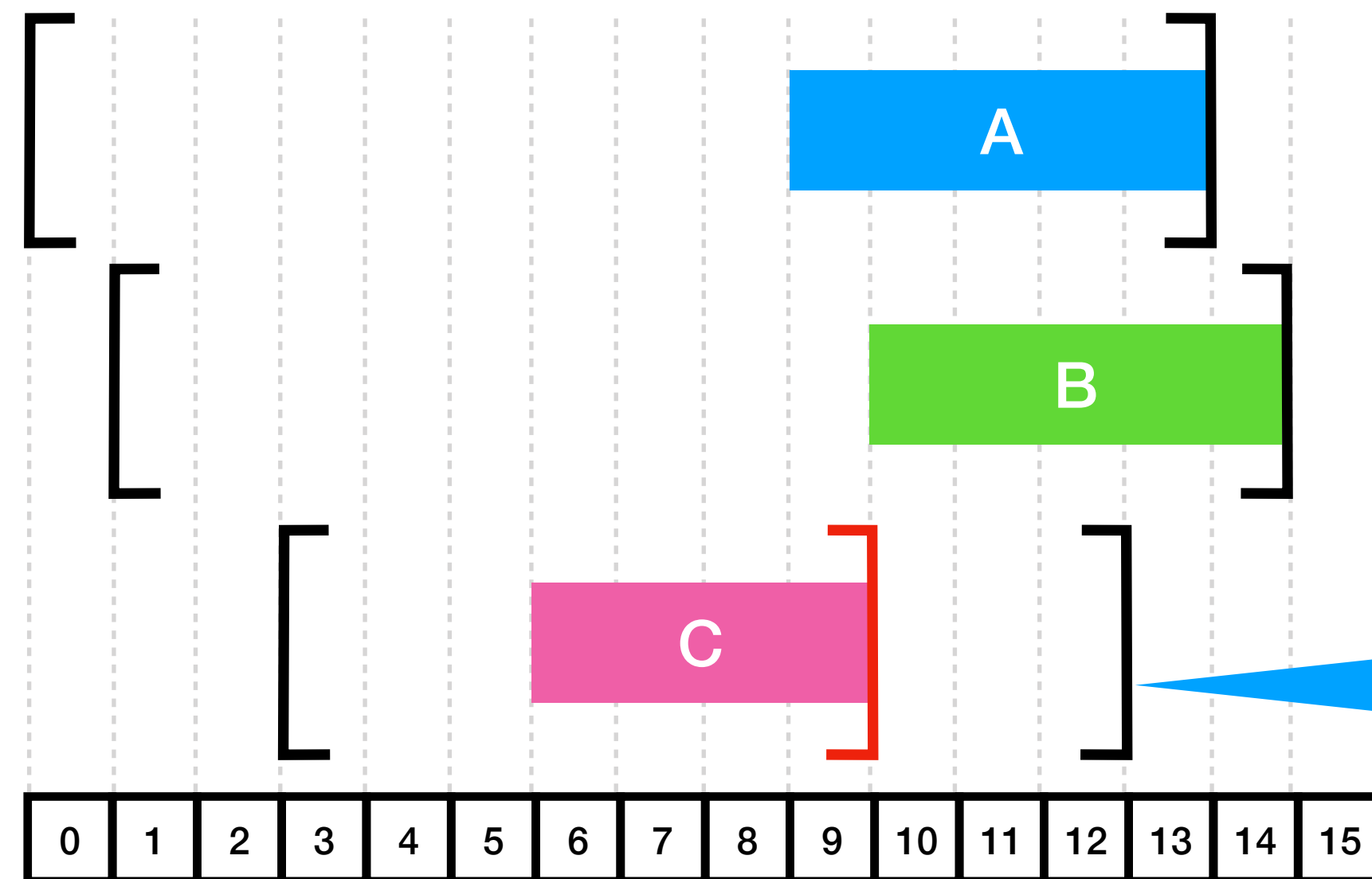
It is impossible to have  $\{A, B\} \ll C$ ,  
 so  $C$  must end before  $A$  or  $B$  (or both):  
 $\text{lct}_C \leftarrow \min(\text{lct}_C, \max\{\text{lct}_B - d_B, \text{lct}_A - d_A\})$ .

- ▶ Again, we need to find a way to enumerate the  $\Omega$  in a nested way.

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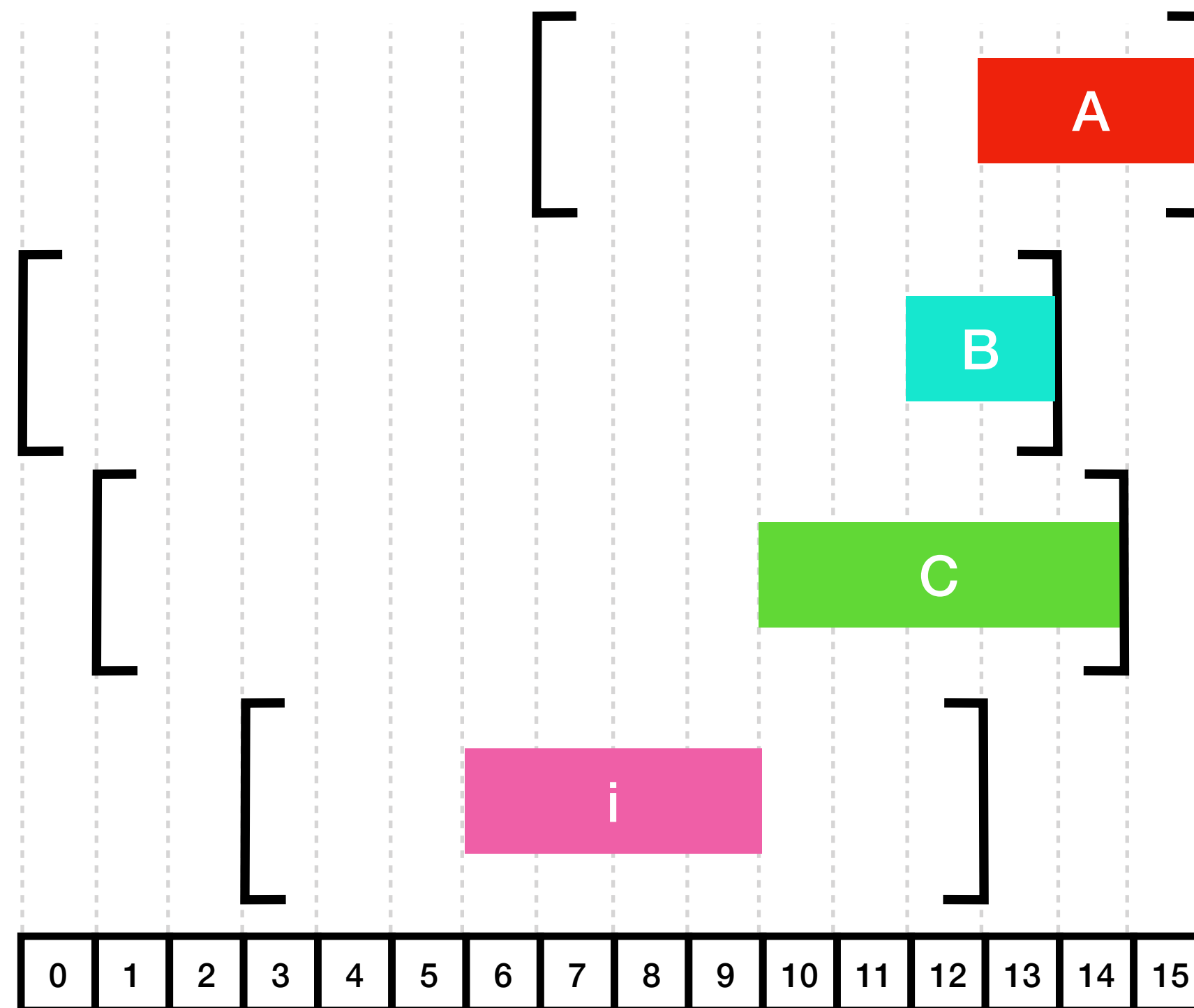
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- Again, we need to find a way to enumerate the  $\Omega$  in a nested way.

# Not-Last Rule

- ▶  $\text{est}_\Omega + d_\Omega > \text{lct}_i - d_i \quad \leadsto \quad \text{lct}_i \leftarrow \min(\text{lct}_i, \max \{ \text{lct}_j - d_j \mid j \in \Omega \}) \quad (\text{NL})$
- ▶ Observation: If there is a subset  $\Omega$  for which this rule *actually filters*, then it is a subset of  $\text{NLSet}(T,i) = \{ j \mid j \in T \setminus \{i\} \ \& \ \text{lct}_j - d_j < \text{lct}_i \}$ .



**A is not in NLSet(T,i), but B and C are in it!**

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- ▶ Does there exist a subset  $\Omega \subseteq \text{NLSet}(T,i)$  for which the *detection* part of the rule (namely  $\text{est}_\Omega + d_\Omega > \text{lct}_i - d_i$ ) *also* holds?
- ▶ Such a subset *exists* if and only if  $\max \{\text{est}_{\Omega'} + d_{\Omega'} \mid \Omega' \subseteq \text{NLSet}(T,i)\} > \text{lct}_i - d_i$ .

The left-hand side is the definition of  $\text{ect}_{\text{NLSet}(T,i)}$  :  
this probably means that a  $\Theta$ -tree will be useful...

# Not-Last Rule

Let us make this more efficient!

- The *existence* of a subset  $\Omega \subseteq \text{NLSet}(T,i)$  triggering the rule can be tested as

$$\text{ect}_{\text{NLSet}(T,i)} > \text{lct}_i - d_i$$

- The problem is that we then do not have a subset  $\Omega$  for filtering (we only test for the existence of it to trigger the rule).

- But do we really need it?

No! if we accept to *relax* the filtering:

$$\max \{ \text{lct}_j - d_j \mid j \in \Omega \} \leq \max \{ \text{lct}_j - d_j \mid j \in \text{NLSet}(T,i) \} < \text{lct}_i$$

Because  $\Omega \subseteq \text{NLSet}(T,i)$ :  
the advantage of this relaxation  
is that we do *not* need a  $\Omega$ !



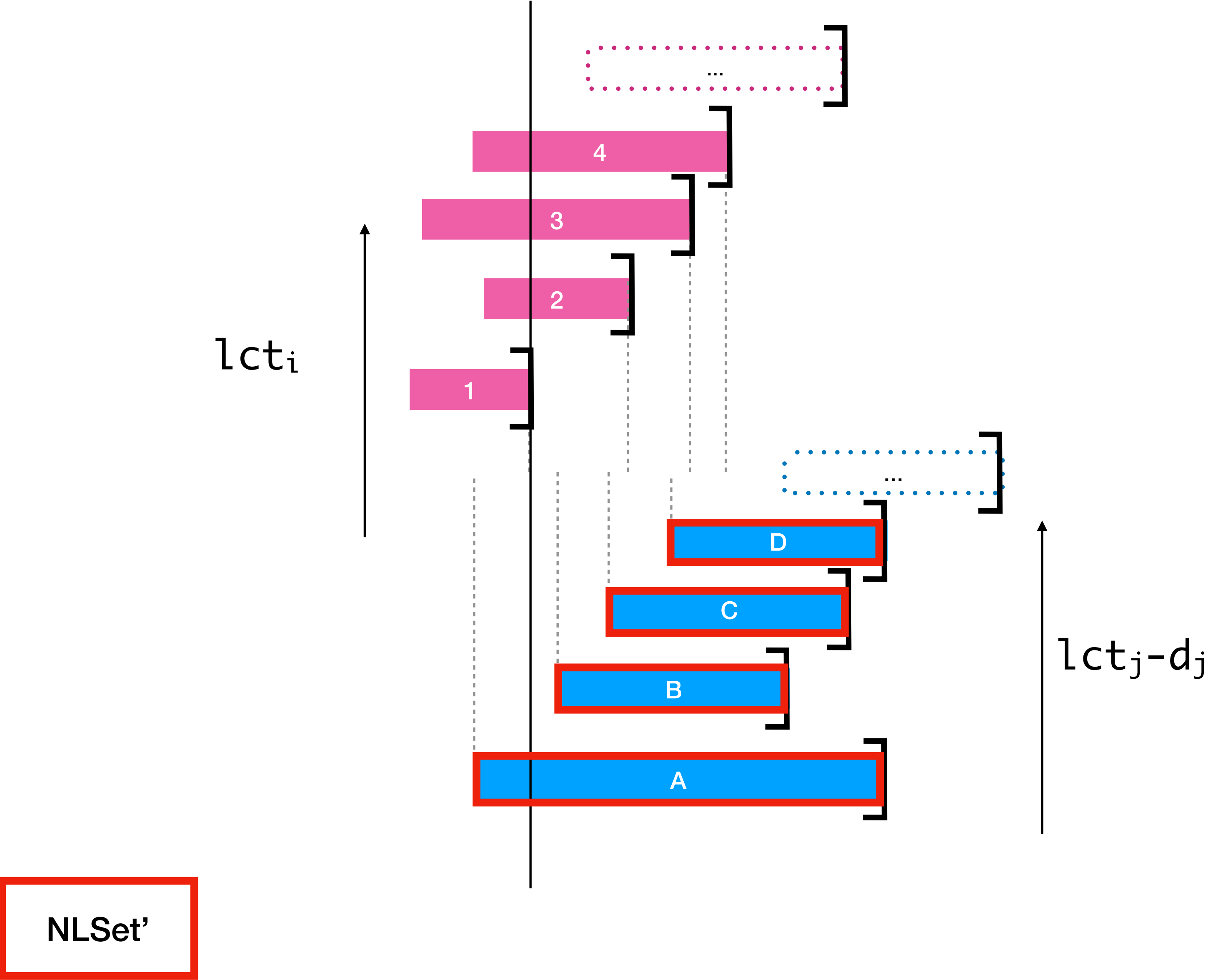
# Weaker Not-Last Rule

- ▶  $\text{est}_\Omega + d_\Omega > \text{lct}_i - d_i \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \text{lct}_i \leftarrow \min(\text{lct}_i, \max \{ \text{lct}_j - d_j \mid j \in \Omega \}) \quad (\text{NL})$
- ▶  $\text{ect}_{\text{NLSet}(T,i)} > \text{lct}_i - d_i \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \text{lct}_i \leftarrow \max \{ \text{lct}_j - d_j \mid j \in \text{NLSet}(T,i) \} \quad (\text{NL}')$
- ▶ Rule NL' may filter less than rule NL, but the fixpoint is the same.

# Not-Last: Implementation

- ▶ Recall:  $\text{NLSet}(T,i) = \{ j \mid j \in T \setminus \{i\} \ \& \ lct_j - d_j < lct_i \}$ .
- ▶ We are looking for an order on  $i$  so as to have nested sets.
- ▶ Let  $\text{NLSet}'(T,i) = \{ j \mid j \in T \ \& \ lct_j - d_j < lct_i \}$ .  
Note that  $i$  is *always* in  $\text{NLSet}'(T,i)$ .
- ▶ In what order should we consider activities to have nested  $\text{NLSet}'(T,i)$  sets?

# Not-Last: Filtering Algorithm



# Not-Last: Implementation

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Note that  $i$  is *always* in  $\text{NLSet}'(T,i)$ .
- ▶ Let  $T = \{1..n\}$  be ordered such that  $\text{lct}_1 \leq \text{lct}_2 \leq \dots \leq \text{lct}_n$ :  
then  $\text{NLSet}'(T,1) \subseteq \text{NLSet}'(T,2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq \text{NLSet}'(T,n) = T$ :  
*all* activities are eventually inserted into the initialised  $\Theta$ -tree.
- ▶ Now we have a way to compute the  $\text{NLSet}(T,i)$  incrementally when using a  $\Theta$ -tree.

# Not-Last: Filtering Algorithm

```

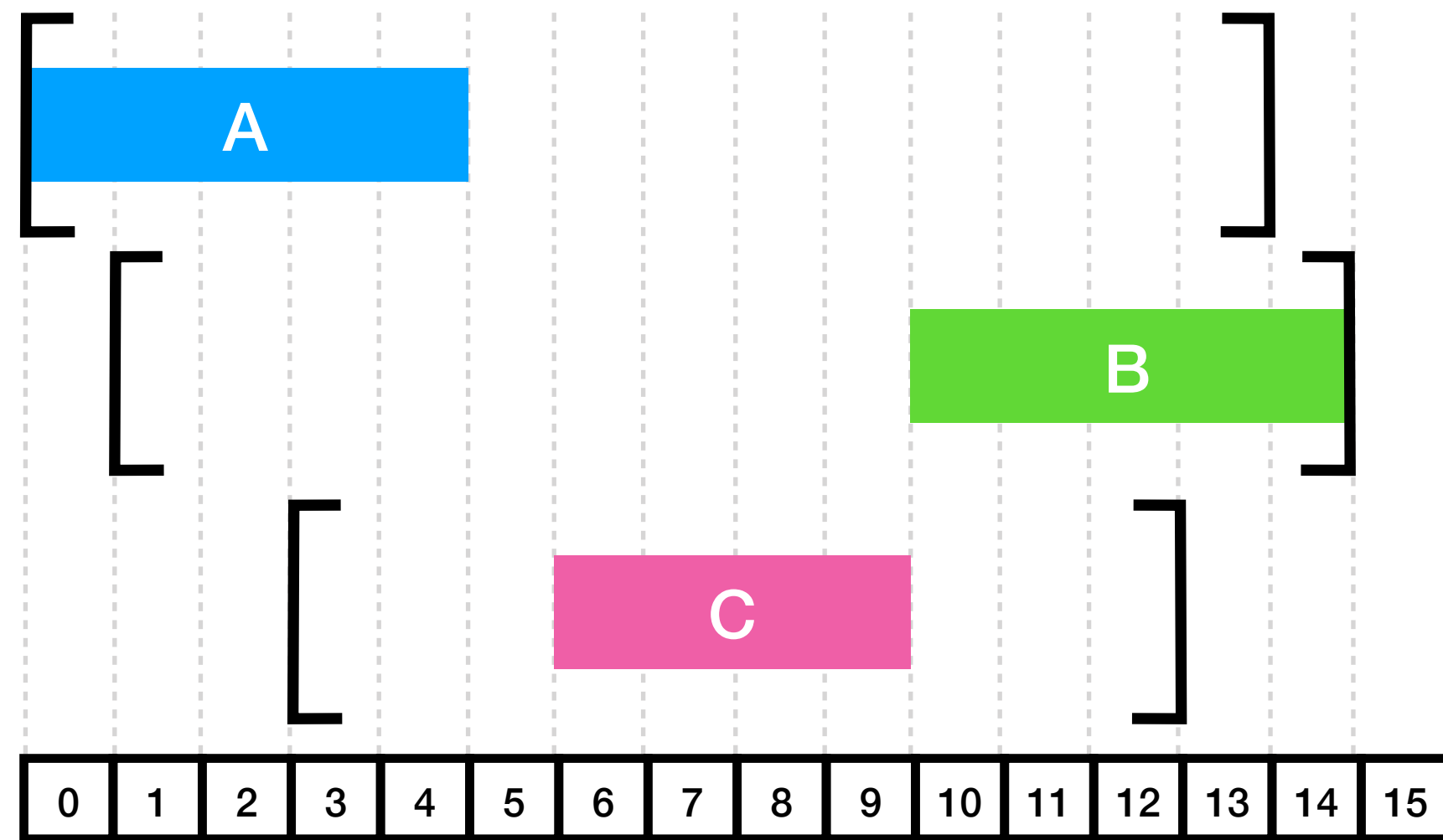
NotLast( $T=\{1..n\}$ ) {
   $lct'_i \leftarrow lct_i, \forall i \in T$ 

   $T_{lst} \leftarrow \text{sortAZ}([1..n], \text{sortKey} = lct-d) \ // \ 0(n \log n) \text{ time}$ 
   $T_{lct} \leftarrow \text{sortAZ}([1..n], \text{sortKey} = lct) \ // \ 0(n \log n) \text{ time}$ 
   $ite \leftarrow \text{iterator}(T_{lst})$ 
   $k \leftarrow ite.next()$ 
   $j \leftarrow -1$ 
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\}) \ // \ 0(n \log n) \text{ time}$ 
  for ( $i \leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) {
    while ( $lct_i > lct_k - d_k$ ) {
       $\Theta.insert(k) \ // \ 0(\log n) \text{ time}$ 
       $j \leftarrow k \ // \ lct_j - d_j = \max \{lct_k - d_k : k \in \text{NLSet}(T, i)\}$ 
       $k \leftarrow ite.next()$ 
    }
    if ( $ect_{\Theta \setminus i} > lct_i - d_i$ ) {  $\ // \ 0(\log n) \text{ time}$ 
       $lct'_i \leftarrow \min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)$ 
    }
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}

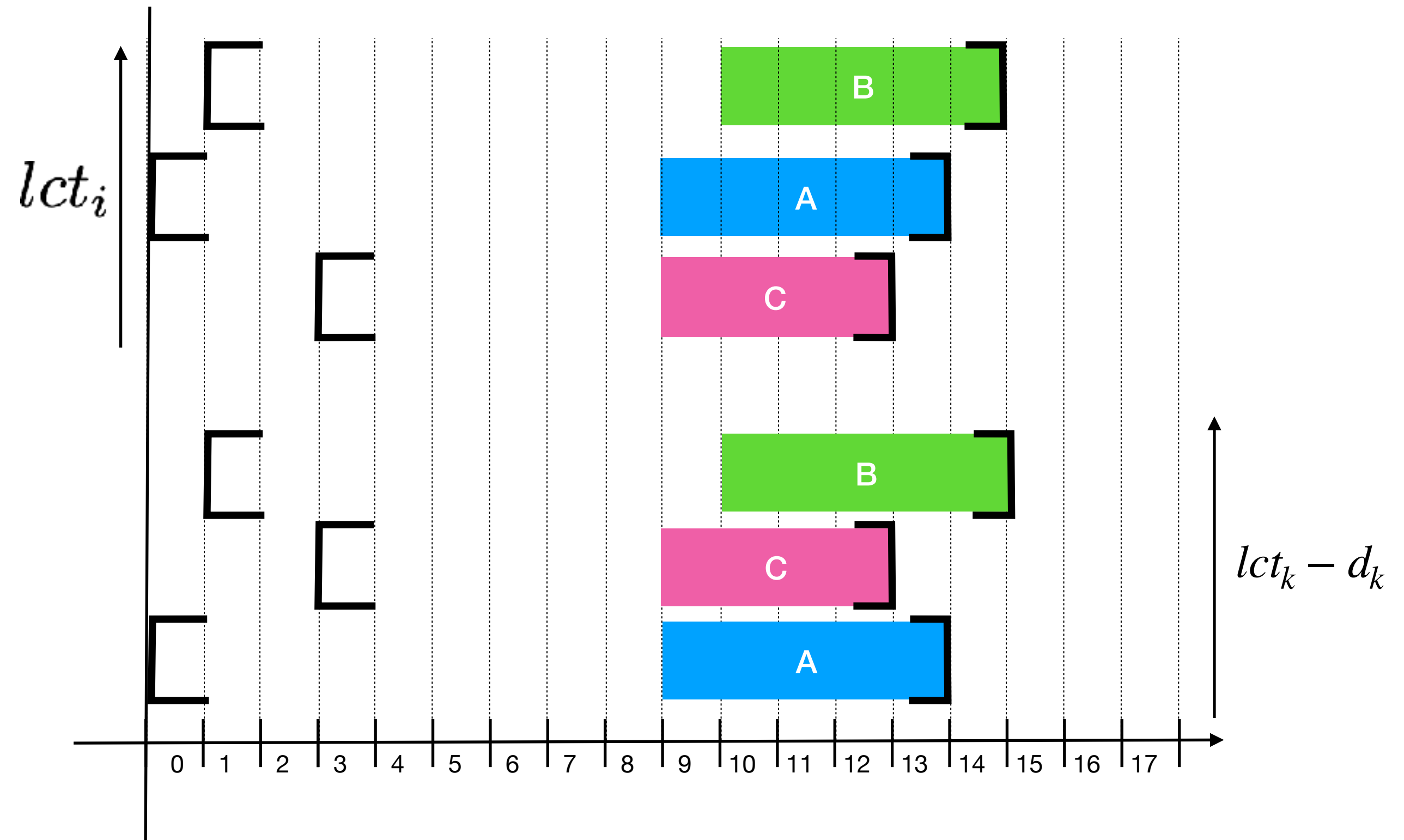
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$\Theta$ -tree contains all  $\text{NLSet}'(T, i)$ .

# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



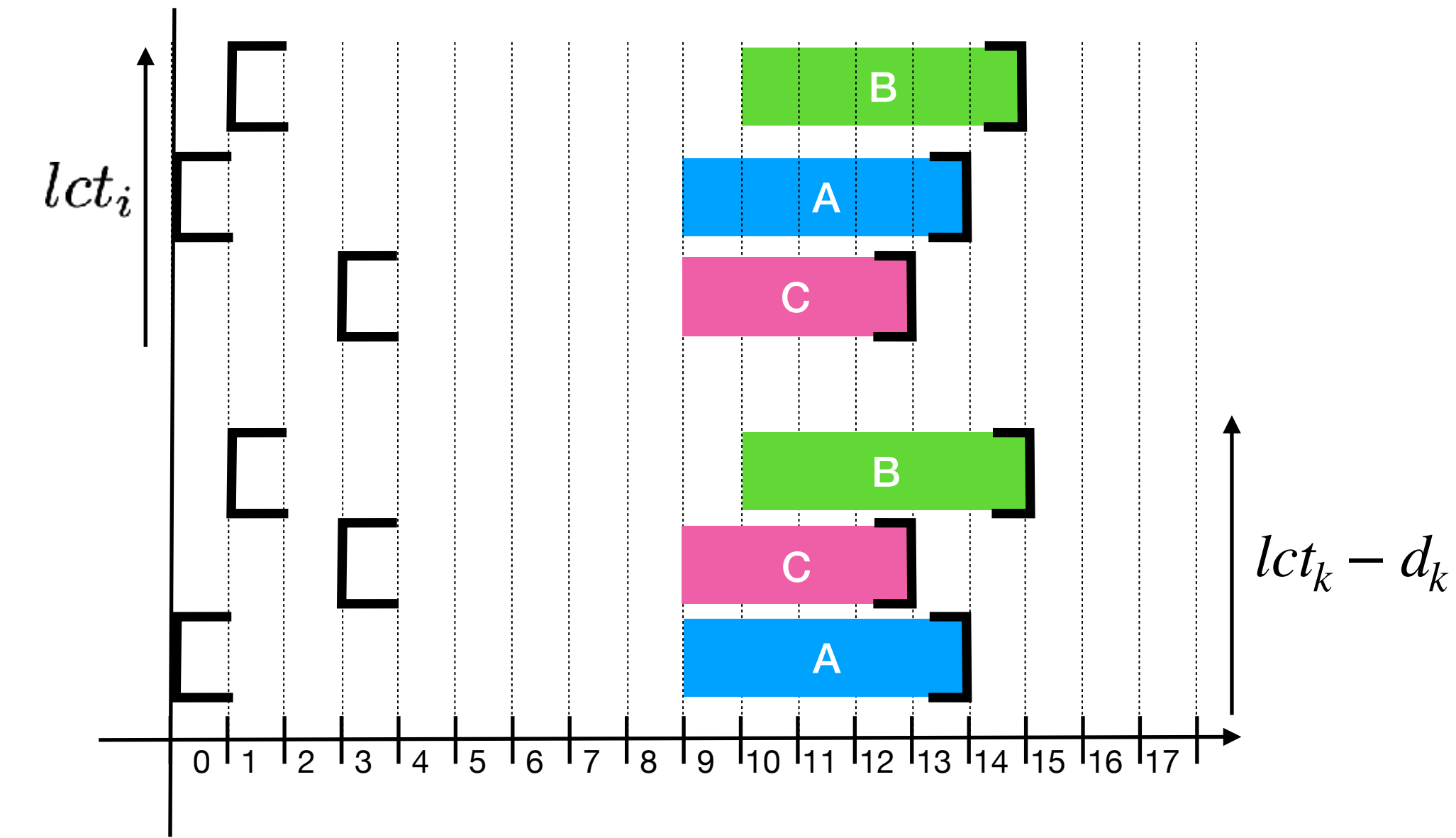
## Sorting



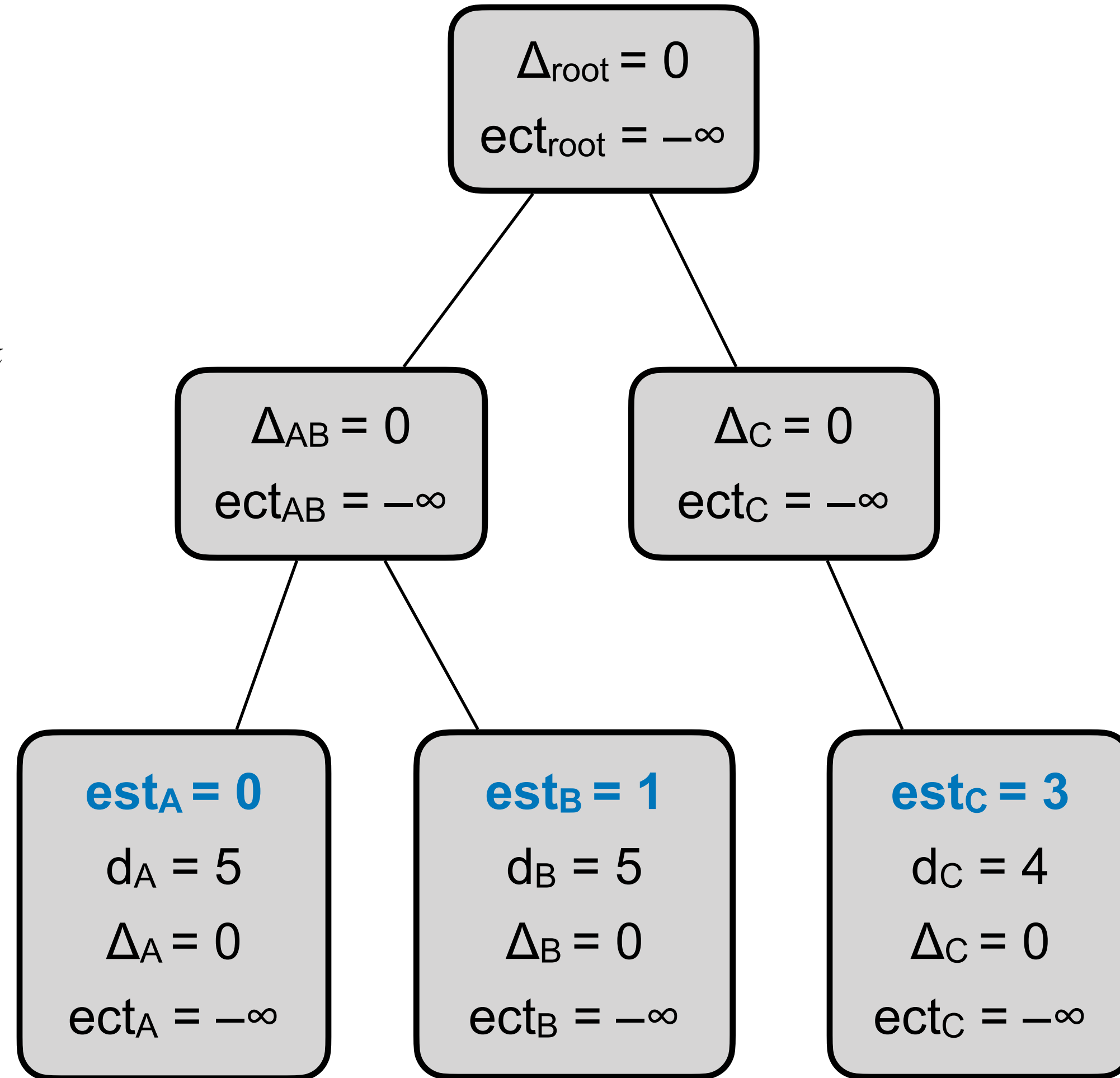
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NotLast(T={1..n}) {
  lct'_i ← lct_i, ∀i∈T
  T_lst ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = lct-d) // [A, C, B]
  T_lct ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = lct) // [C, A, B]
  ite ← iterator(T_lst)
  k ← ite.next() // k = A
  j ← -1
  θ ← θ-Tree.init({1..n})
  ...
  ...
}
    
```

# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



## $\Theta$ -Tree initialisation

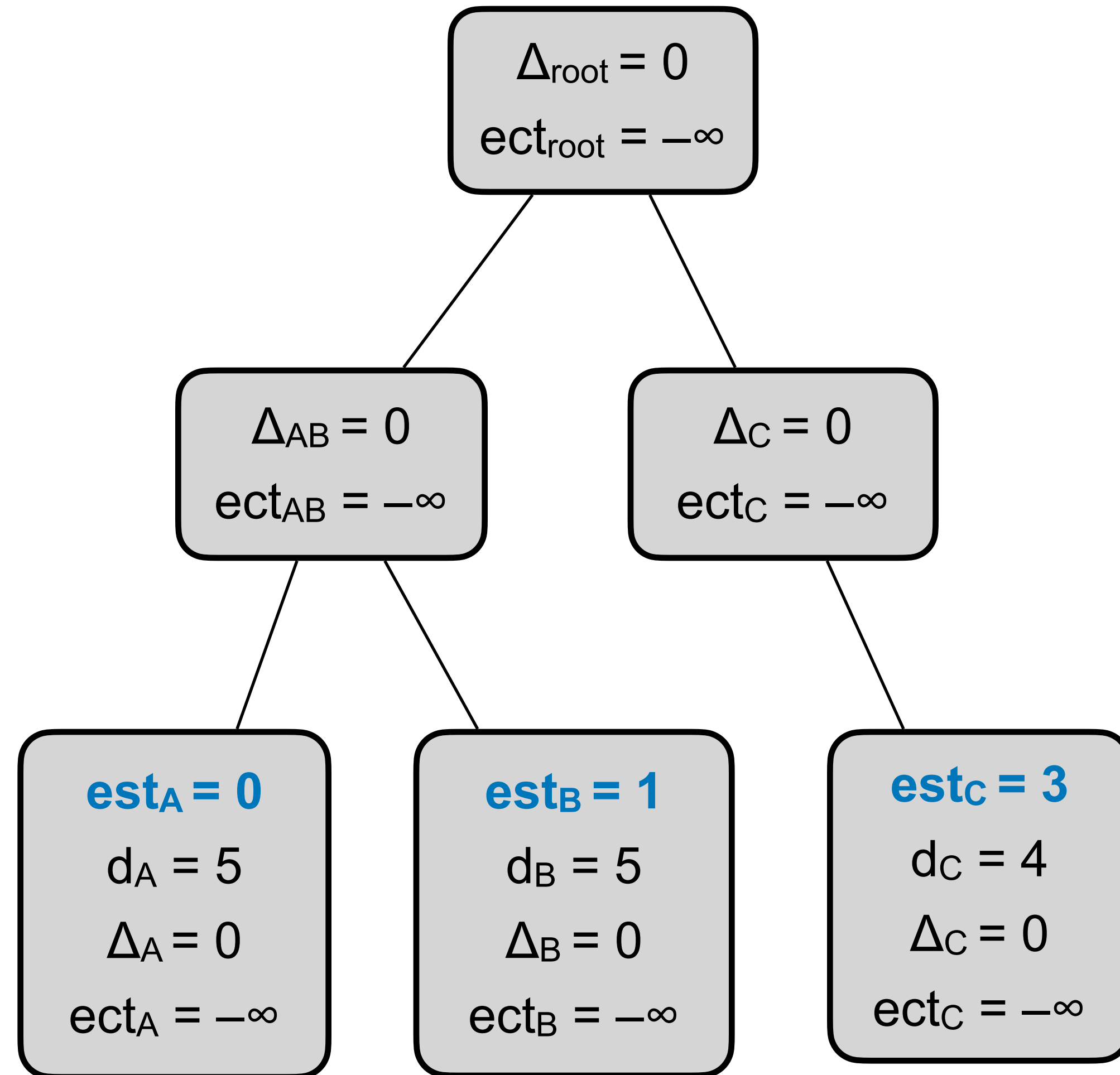
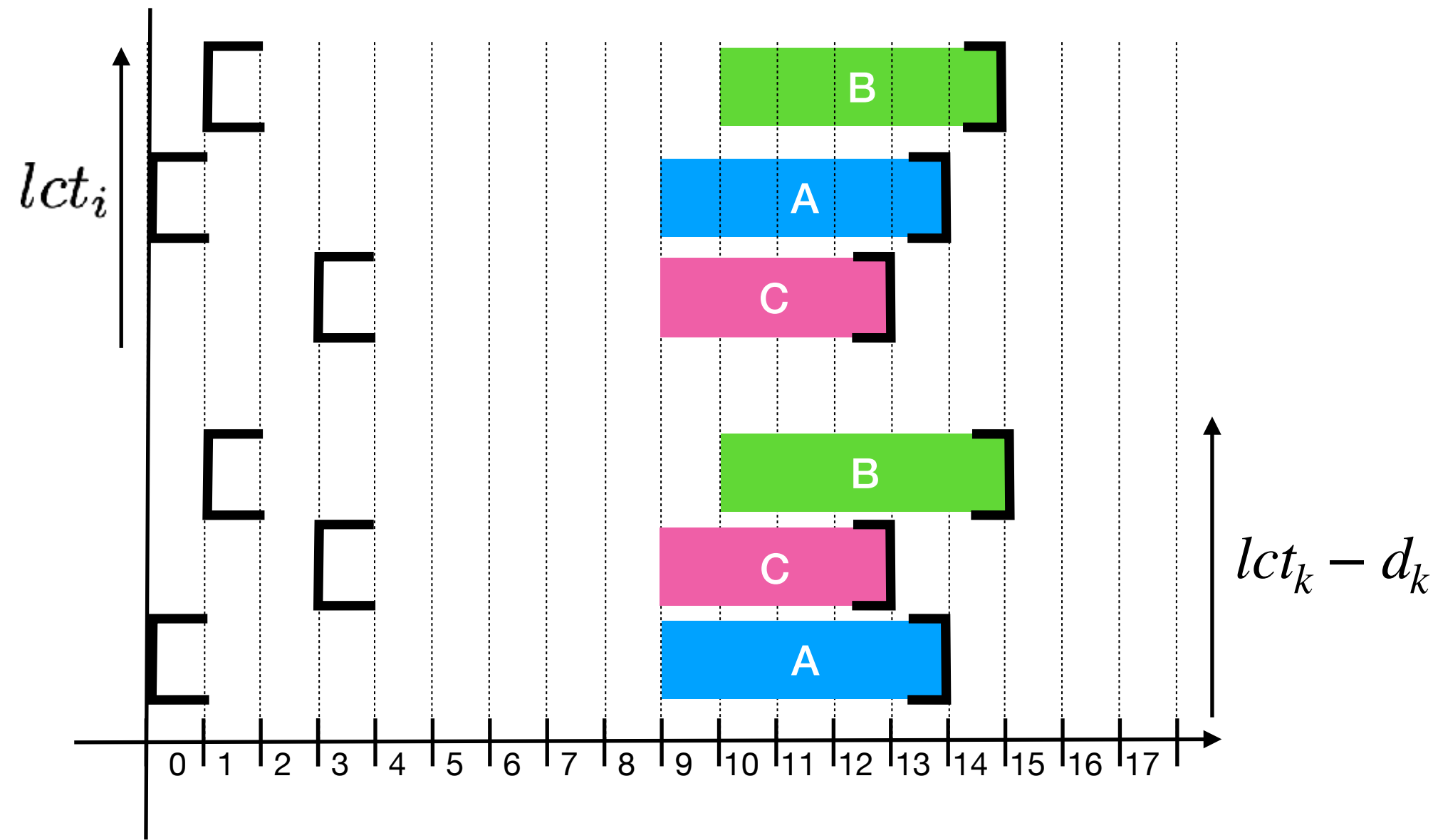


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NotLast(T={1..n}) {
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  T_lst ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = lct-d) // [A, C, B]
  T_lct ← sortAZ([1..n], sortKey = lct) // [C, A, B]
  ite ← iterator(T_lst)
  k ← ite.next() // k = A
  j ← -1
  Θ ← Θ-Tree.init({1..n})
  ...
  ...
}
  
```

# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

First iteration: C is considered



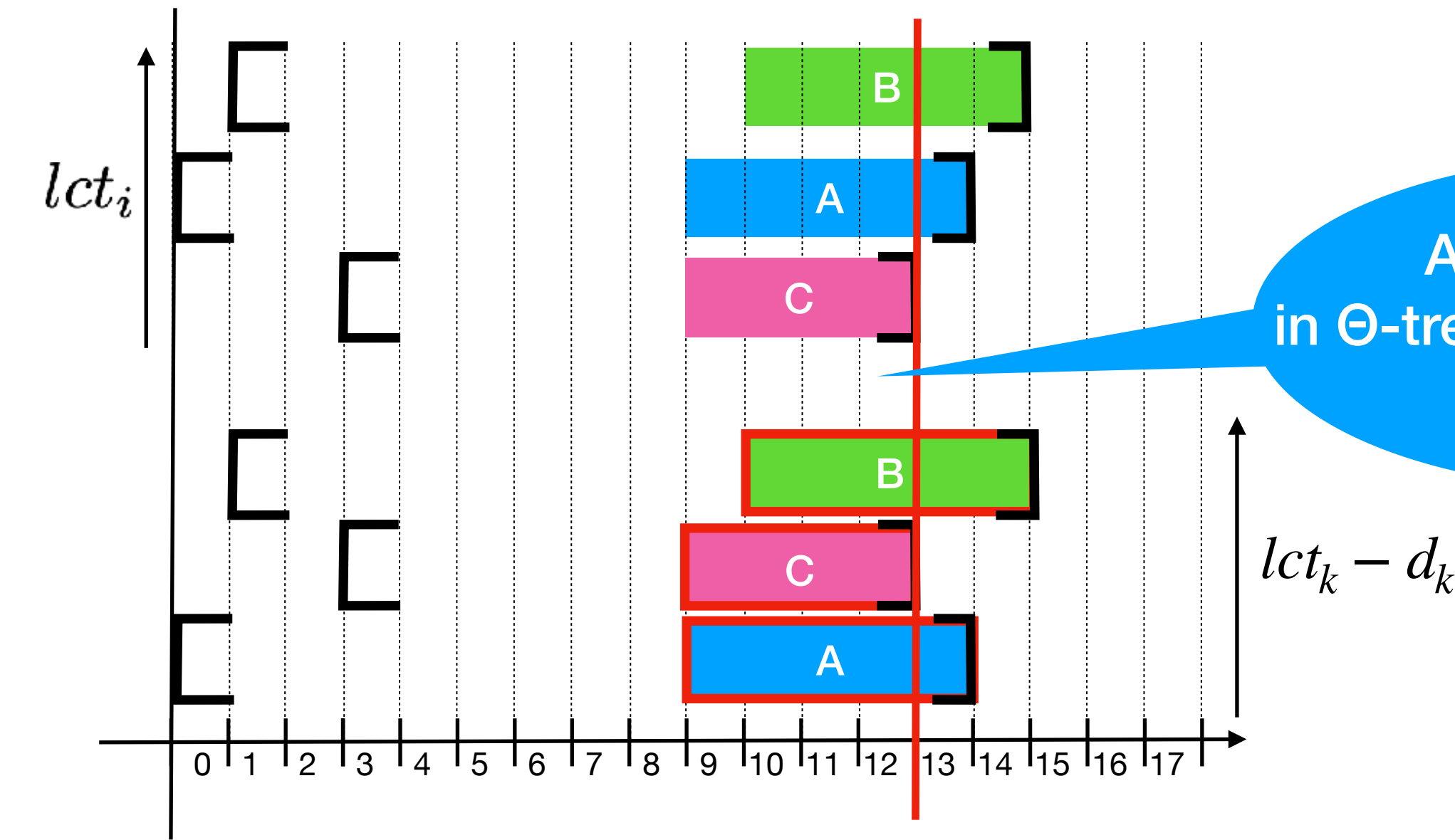
```

NotLast(T={1..n}) {
    ...
    ...
     $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
    for ( $i \leftarrow T_{\text{lct}}$ ) { //  $i \leftarrow C$ 
        while ( $\text{lct}_i > \text{lct}_k - d_k$ ) {
             $\Theta.\text{insert}(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
             $j \leftarrow k$  //  $\text{lct}_j - d_j = \max \{ \text{lct}_k - d_k : k \in \text{NLSet}(T, i) \}$ 
             $k \leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$ 
        }
        if ( $\text{ect}_{\Theta \setminus i} > \text{lct}_i - d_i$ ) { //  $O(\log n)$  time
             $\text{lct}'_i \leftarrow \min(\text{lct}_i, \text{lct}_j - d_j)$ 
        }
    }
     $\text{lct}_i \leftarrow \text{lct}'_i, \forall i \in T$ 
}
    
```

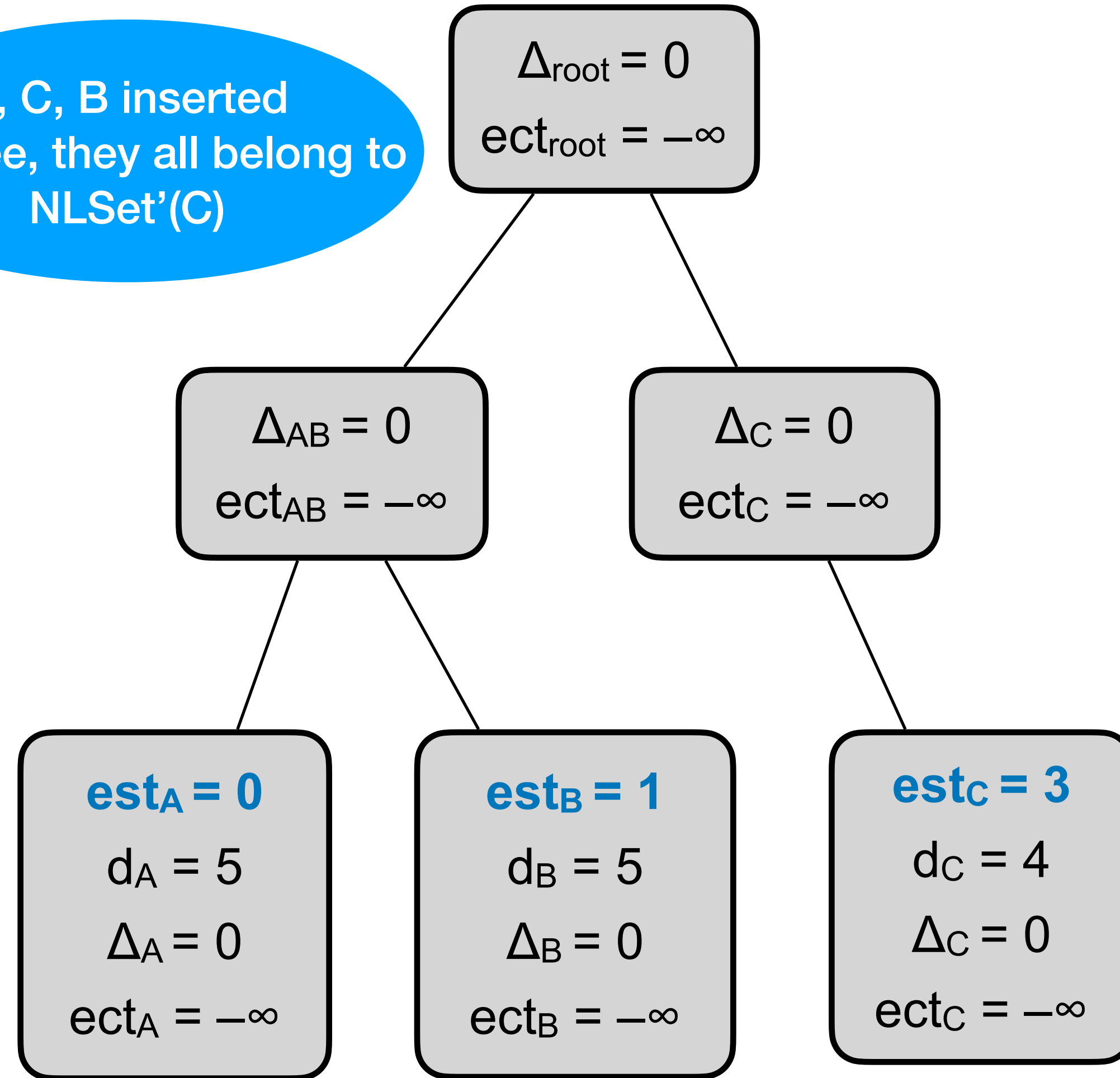


# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

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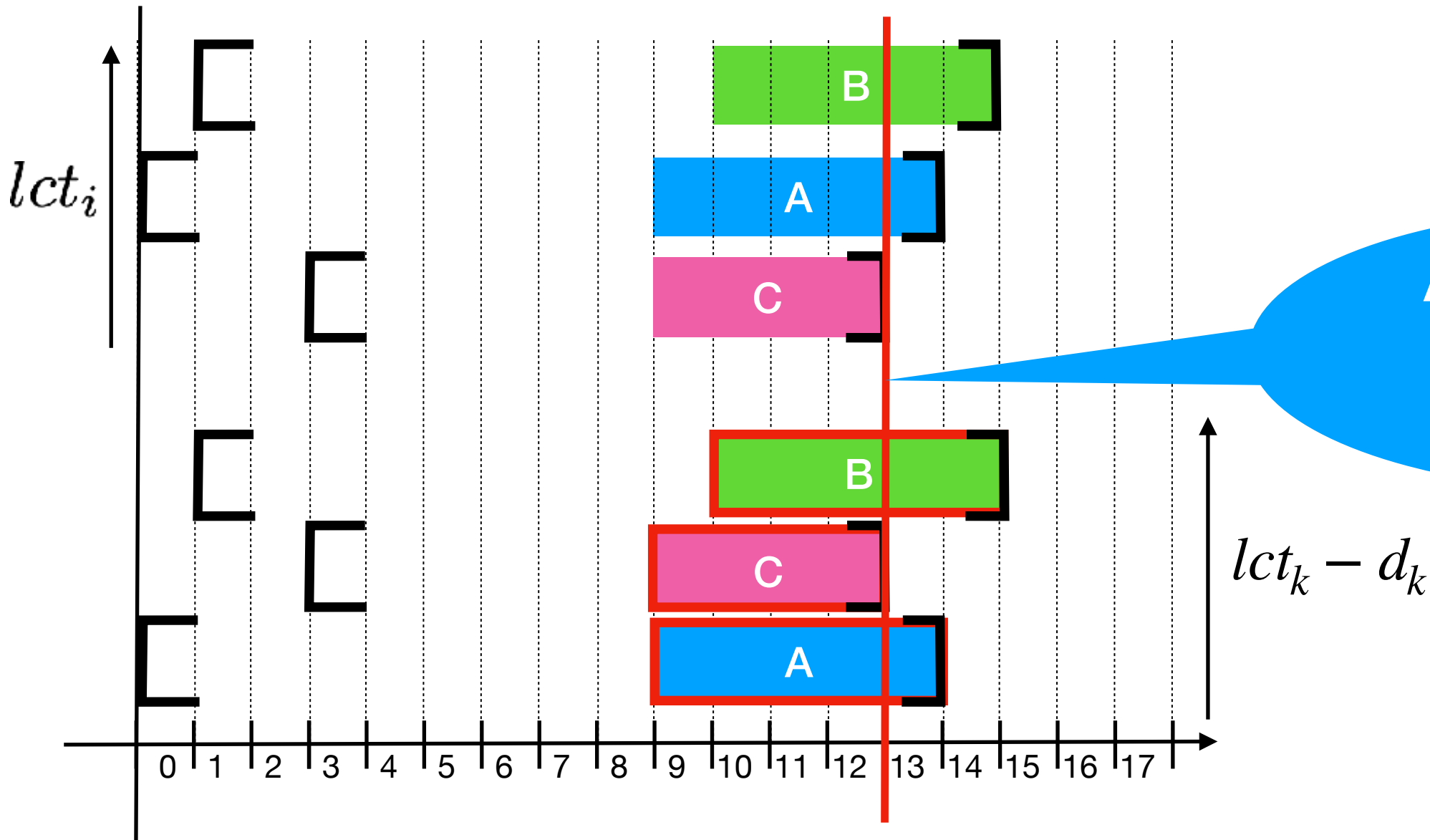
A, C, B inserted  
in  $\Theta$ -tree, they all belong to  
 $NLSet'(C)$



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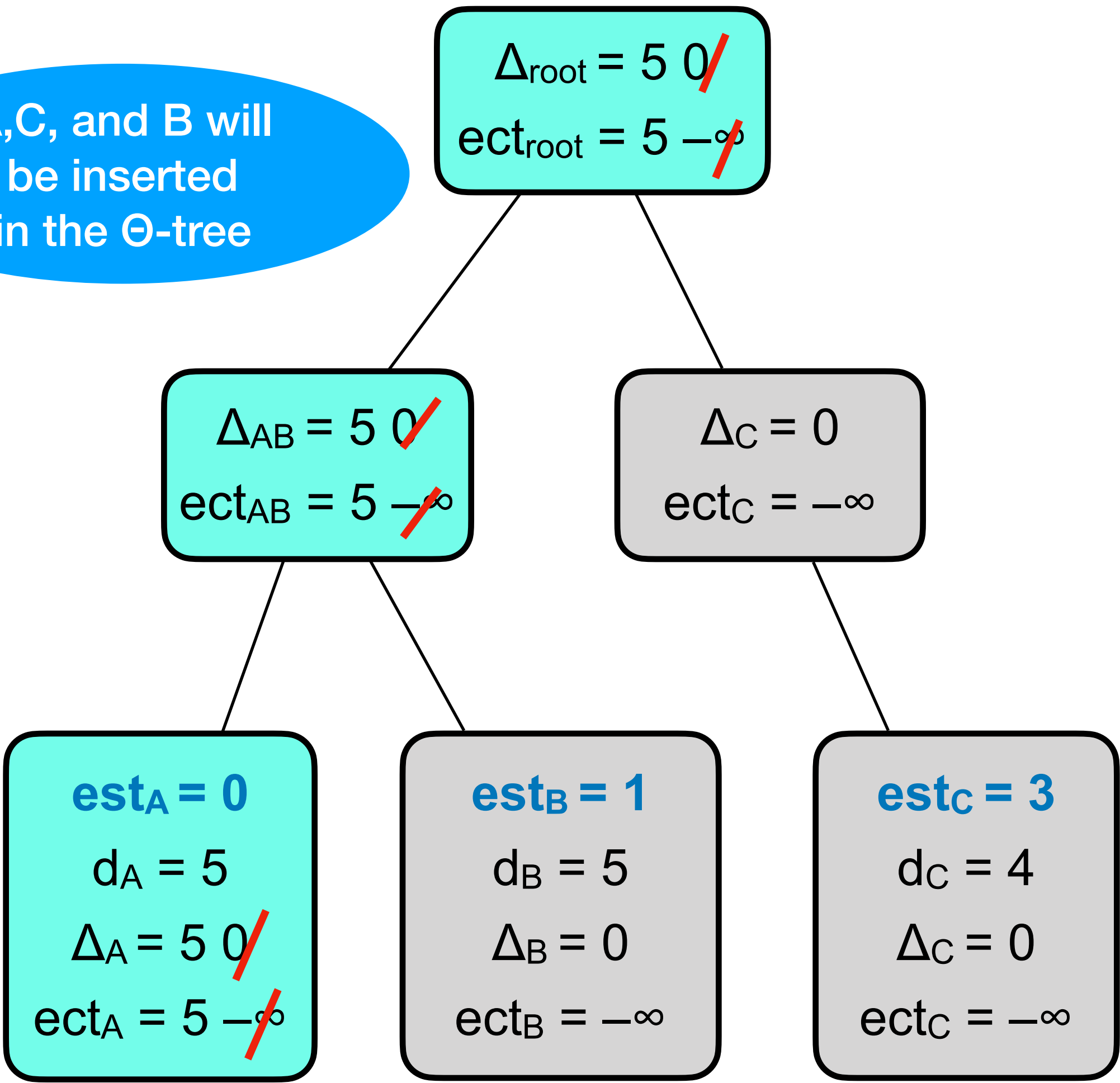
NotLast( $T=\{1..n\}$ ) {
    ...
    ...
     $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
    for ( $i \leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { //  $i \leftarrow C$ 
        while ( $lct_i > lct_k - d_k$ ) {
             $\Theta.insert(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
             $j \leftarrow k$  //  $lct_j - d_j = \max \{lct_k - d_k : k \in NLSet(T, i)\}$ 
             $k \leftarrow ite.next()$ 
        }
        if ( $ect_{\Theta \setminus i} > lct_i - d_i$ ) { //  $O(\log n)$  time
             $lct'_i \leftarrow \min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)$ 
        }
    }
     $lct_i \leftarrow lct'_i, \forall i \in T$ 
}
    
```

# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

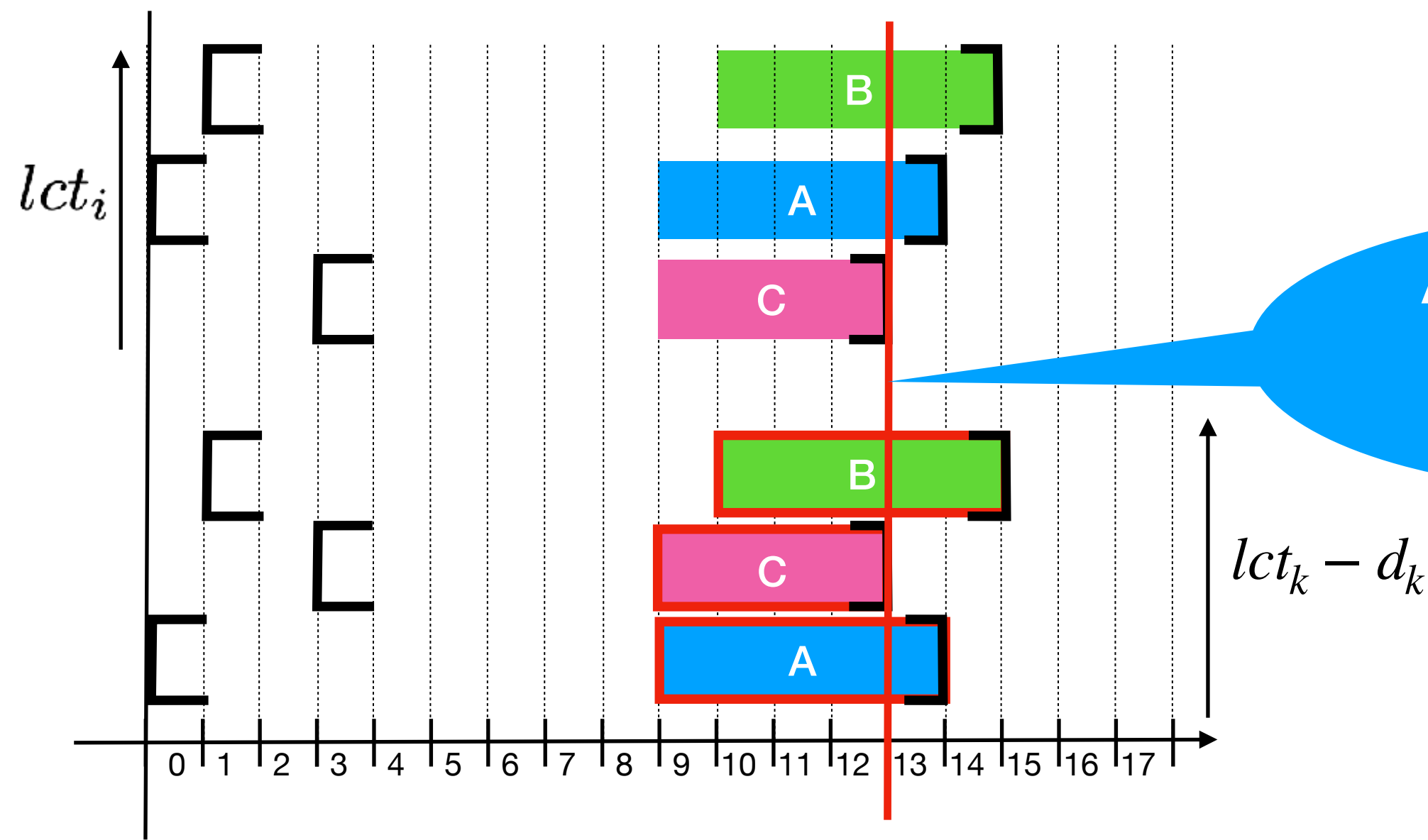


```
NotLast(T={1..n}) {  
  ...  
  ...  
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$   
  for (i  $\leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { // i  $\leftarrow C$   
    while ( $lct_i > lct_k - d_k$ ) { // k = A  
       $\Theta.insert(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time  
      j  $\leftarrow k$  //  $lct_j - d_j = \max \{lct_k - d_k : k \in NLSet(T, i)\}$   
      k  $\leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$   
    }  
    if ( $ect_{\Theta \setminus i} > lct_i - d_i$ ) { //  $O(\log n)$  time  
       $lct'_i \leftarrow \min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)$   
    }  
  }  
   $lct_i \leftarrow lct'_i, \forall i \in T$   
}
```

## Insertion of A

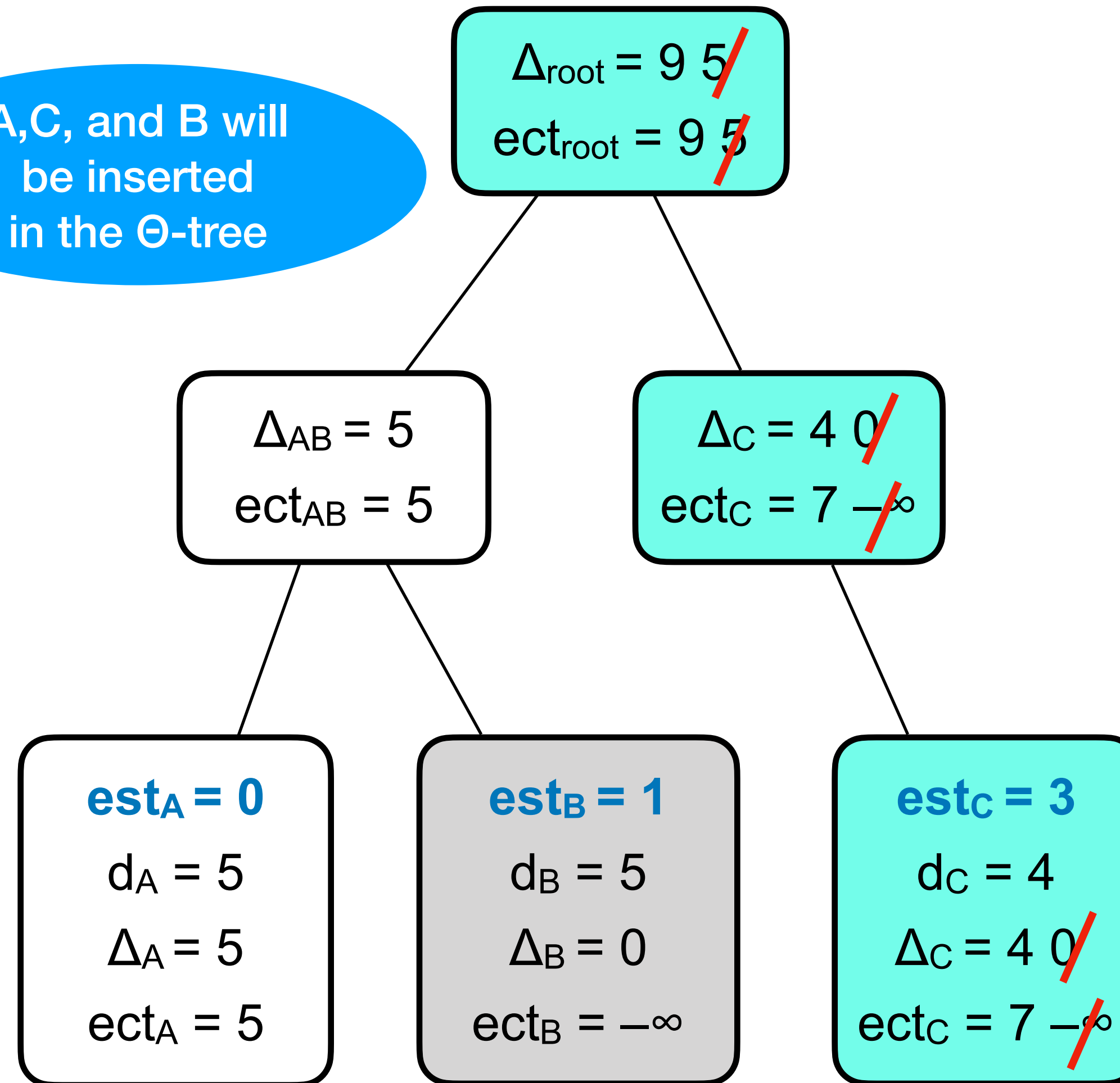


# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



## Insertion of C

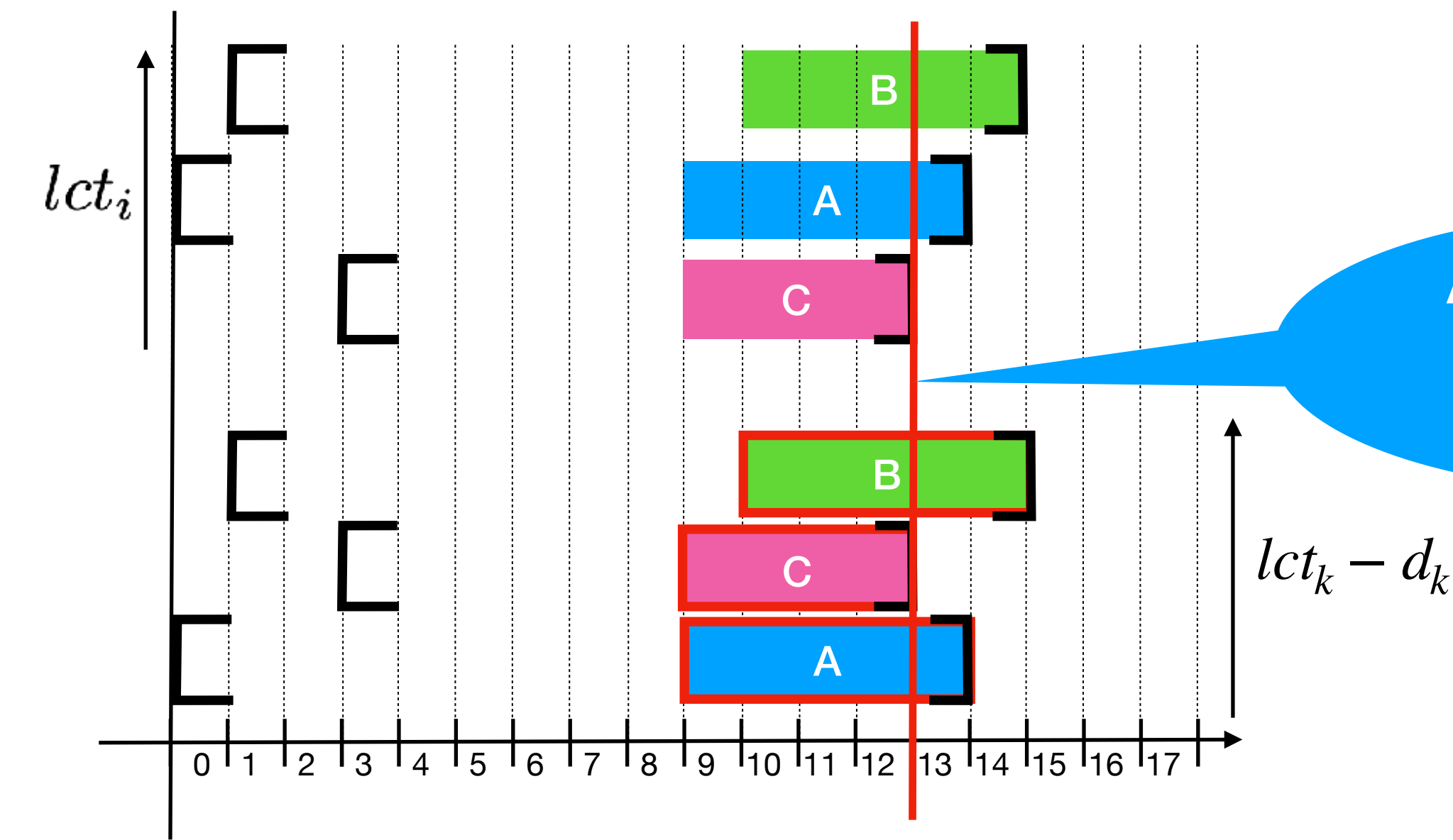
A, C, and B will be inserted in the  $\Theta$ -tree



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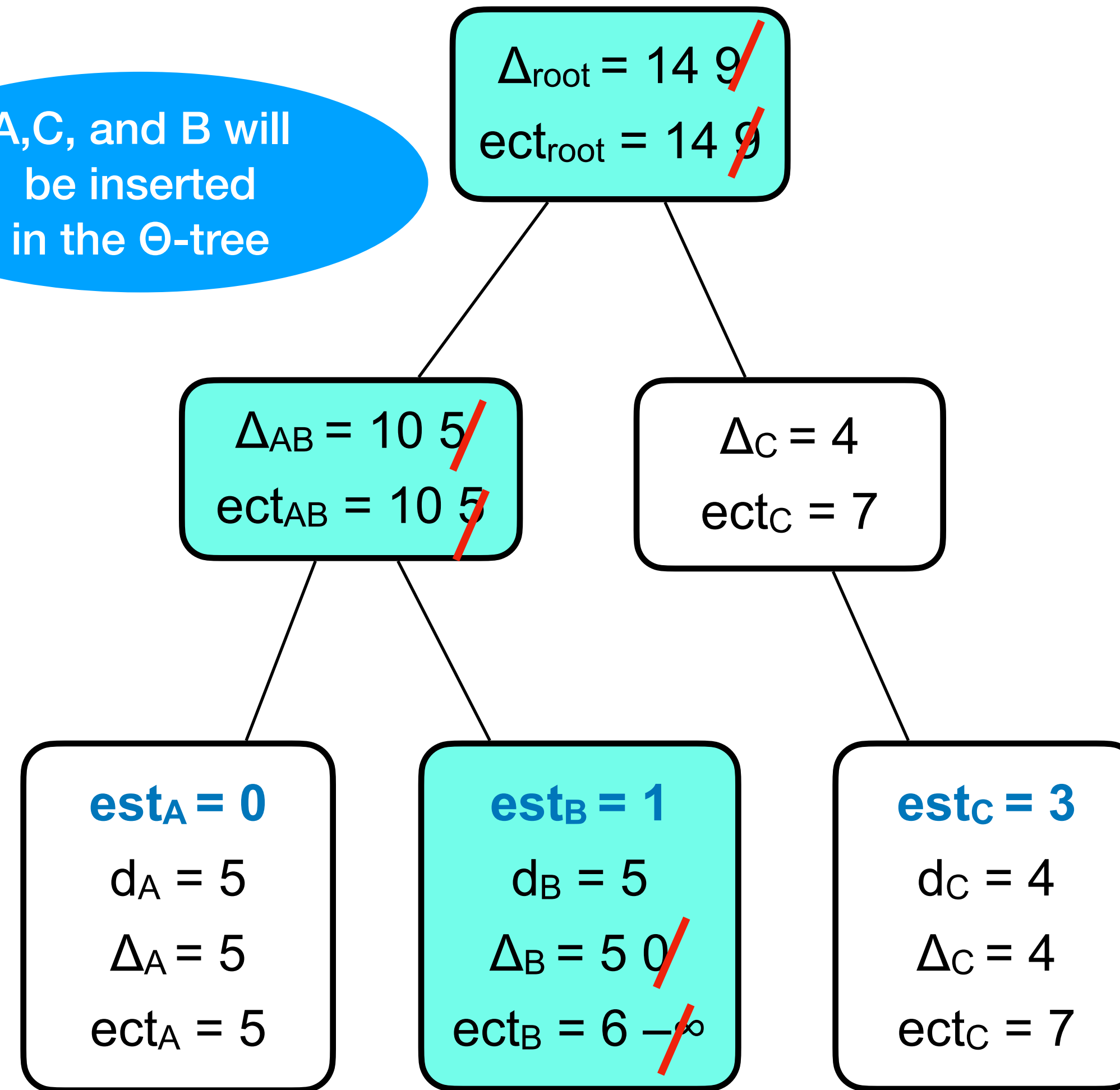
NotLast(T={1..n}) {
  ...
  ...
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
  for ( $i \leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { //  $i \leftarrow C$ 
    while ( $lct_i > lct_k - d_k$ ) { //  $k = C$ 
       $\Theta.insert(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
       $j \leftarrow k$  //  $lct_j - d_j = \max \{lct_k - d_k : k \in NLSet(T, i)\}$ 
       $k \leftarrow ite.next()$ 
    }
    if ( $ect_{\Theta[i]} > lct_i - d_i$ ) { //  $O(\log n)$  time
       $lct'_i \leftarrow \min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)$ 
    }
  }
   $lct_i \leftarrow lct'_i, \forall i \in T$ 
}
  
```

# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



A, C, and B will be inserted in the  $\Theta$ -tree

## Insertion of B

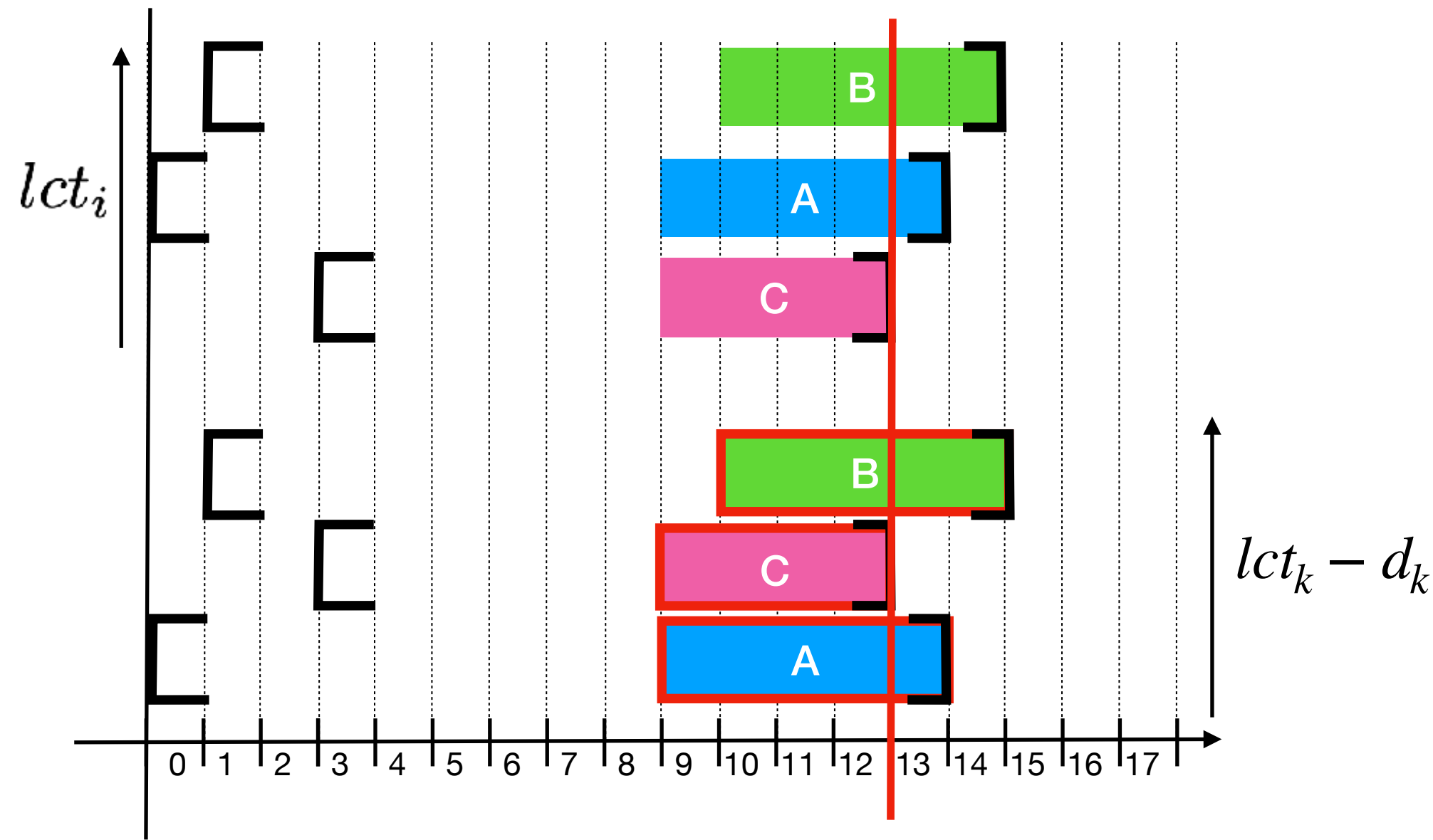


```

NotLast(T={1..n}) {
    ...
    ...
     $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
    for (i  $\leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { // i  $\leftarrow C$ 
        while ( $lct_i > lct_k - d_k$ ) { // k = B
             $\Theta.\text{insert}(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
            j  $\leftarrow k$  //  $lct_j - d_j = \max \{lct_k - d_k : k \in \text{NLSet}(T, i)\}$ 
            k  $\leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$ 
        }
        if ( $\text{ect}_{\Theta \setminus i} > lct_i - d_i$ ) { //  $O(\log n)$  time
             $lct'_i \leftarrow \min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)$ 
        }
    }
     $lct_i \leftarrow lct'_i, \forall i \in T$ 
}

```

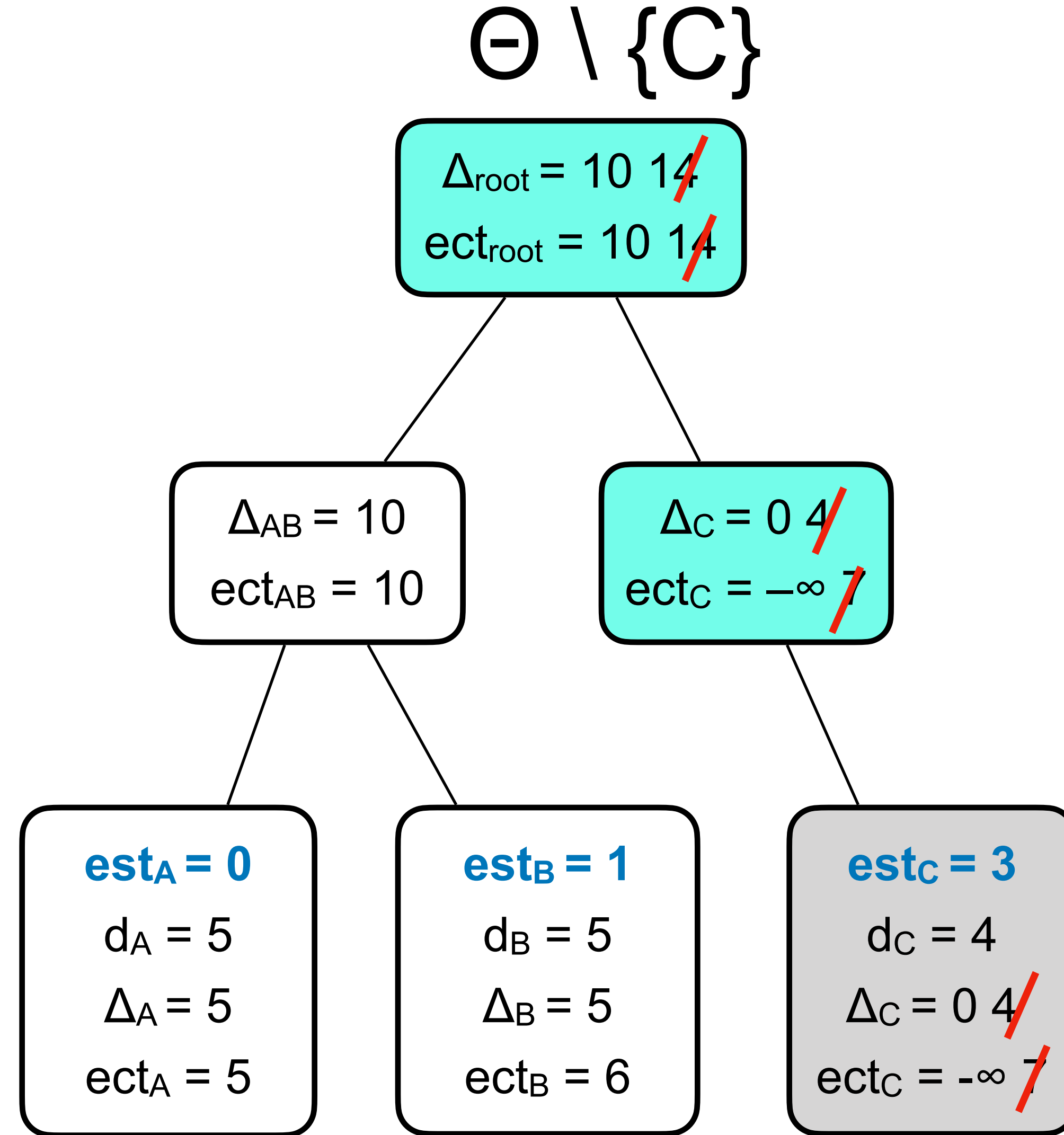
# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



```

NotLast(T={1..n}) {
  ...
  ...
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
  for (i  $\leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { // i  $\leftarrow C$ 
    while (lct_i > lct_k - d_k) { // k = B
       $\Theta.\text{insert}(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
      j  $\leftarrow k$  // lct_j - d_j = max {lct_k - d_k : k  $\in$  NLSet(T,i)}
      k  $\leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$ 
    }
    if (ect_ $\Theta \setminus i$  > lct_i - d_i) { // ect_ $\Theta \setminus C$  = 10 and lct_C - d_C = 9
      lct'_i  $\leftarrow$  min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)
    }
  }
  lct_i  $\leftarrow$  lct'_i,  $\forall i \in T$ 
}
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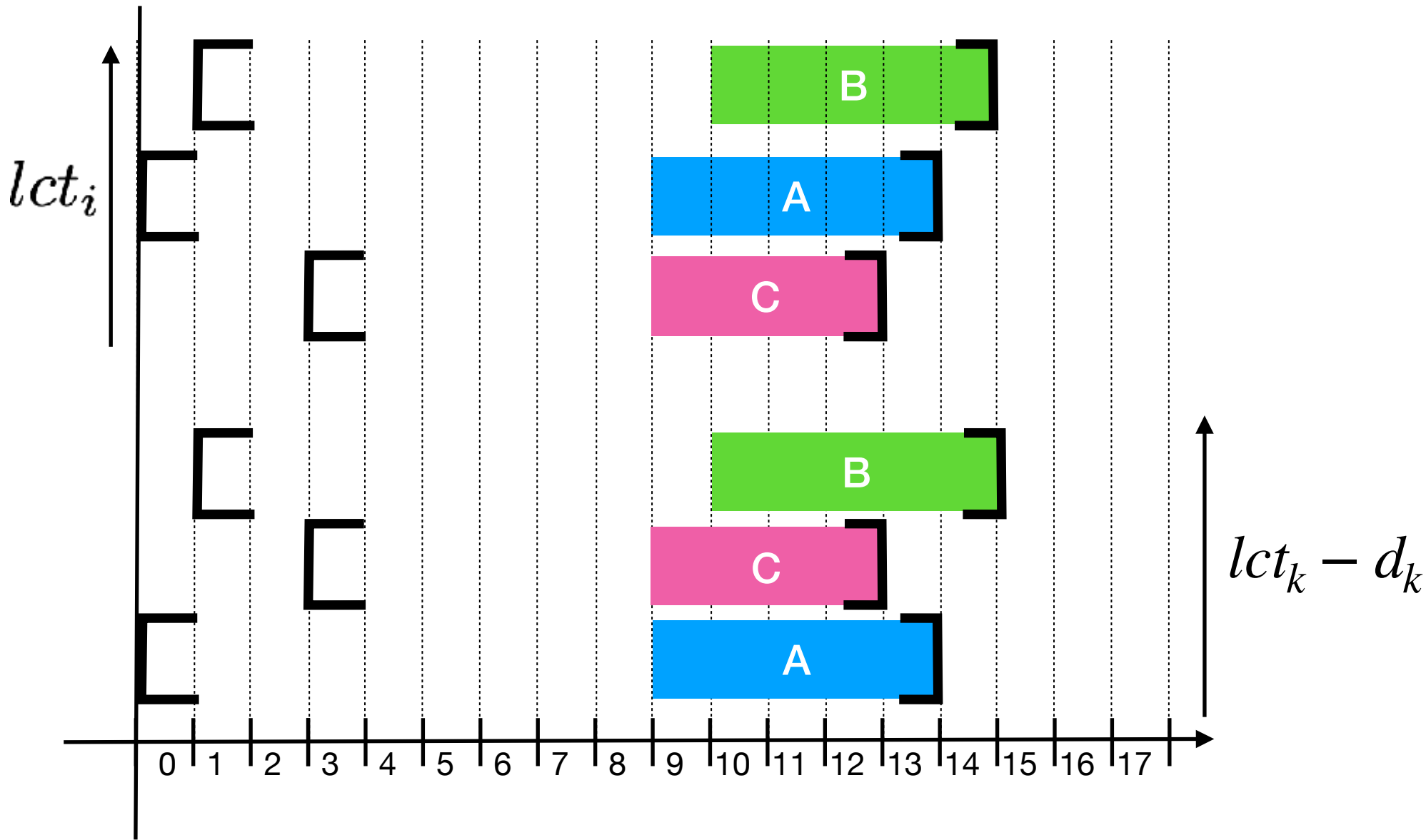
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$\text{lct}'_C = \min(\text{lct}_C, \text{lct}_B - d_B) = 10$

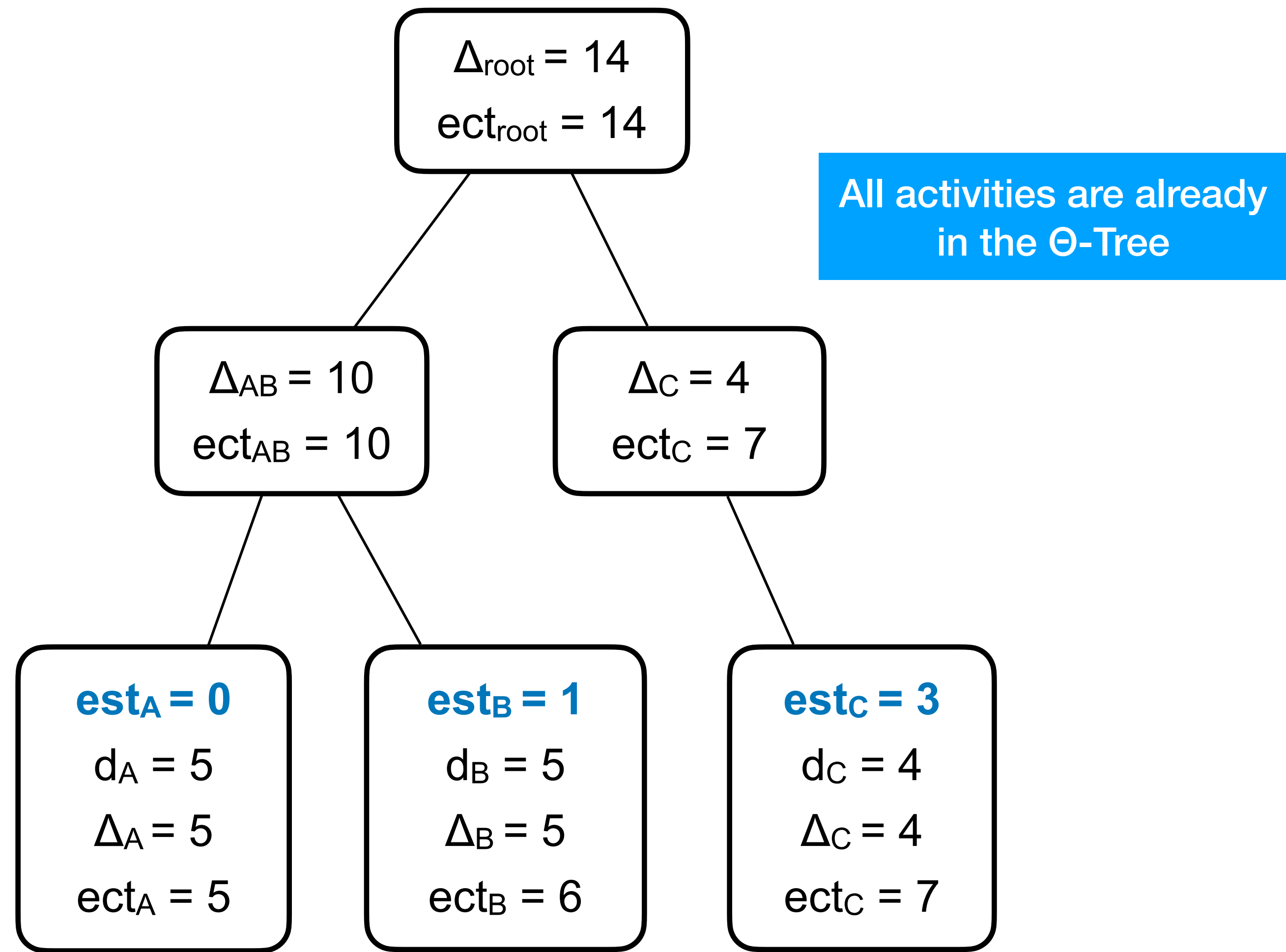


# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

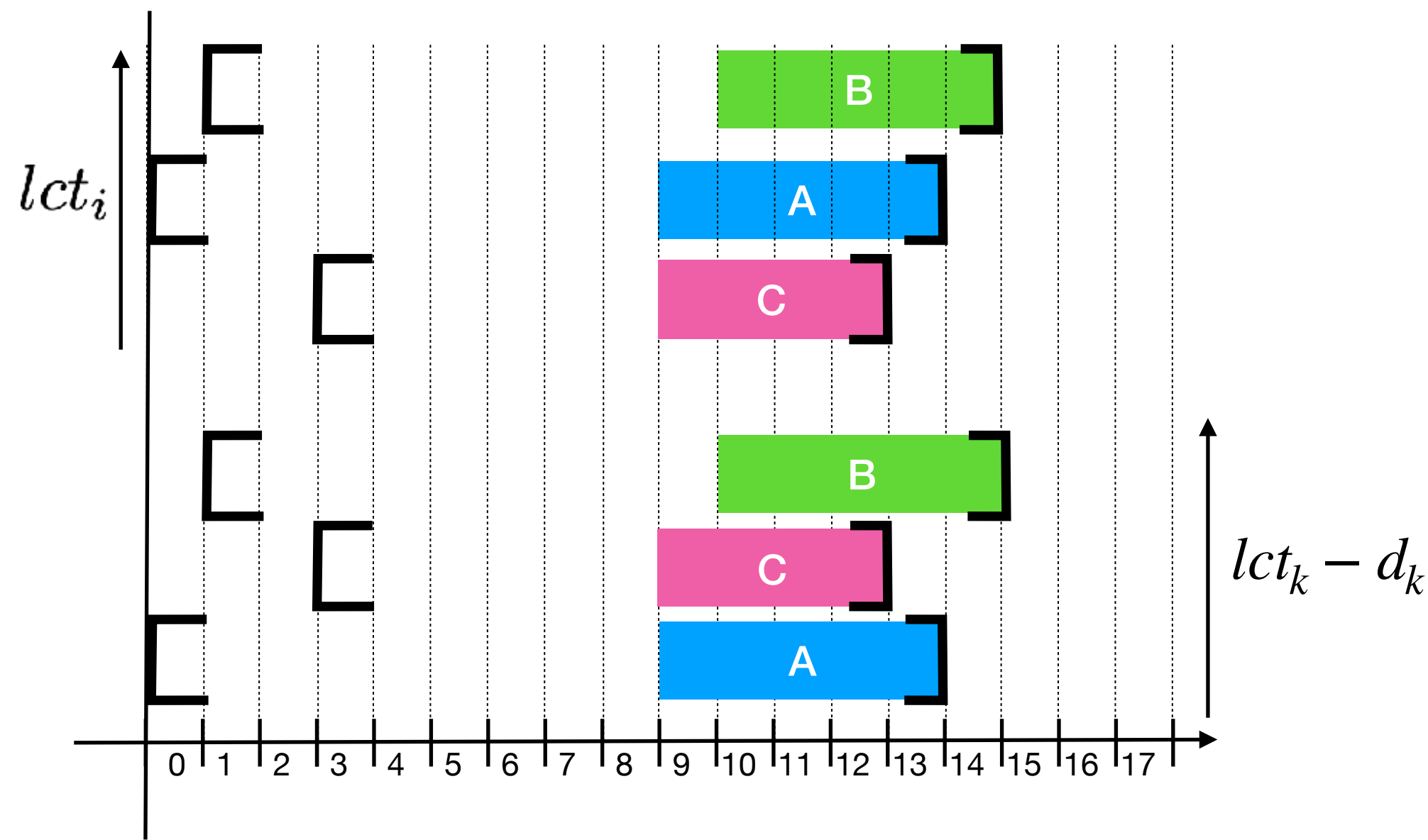


```
NotLast(T={1..n}) {  
  ...  
  ...  
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$   
  for (i  $\leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { // i  $\leftarrow$  A  
    while ( $lct_i > lct_k - d_k$ ) {  
       $\Theta.insert(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time  
      j  $\leftarrow k$  //  $lct_j - d_j = \max \{lct_k - d_k : k \in NLSet(T, i)\}$   
      k  $\leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$   
    }  
    if ( $ect_{\Theta[i]} > lct_i - d_i$ ) { //  $O(\log n)$  time  
       $lct'_i \leftarrow \min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)$   
    }  
  }  
   $lct_i \leftarrow lct'_i, \forall i \in T$   
}
```

Second iteration: A is considered

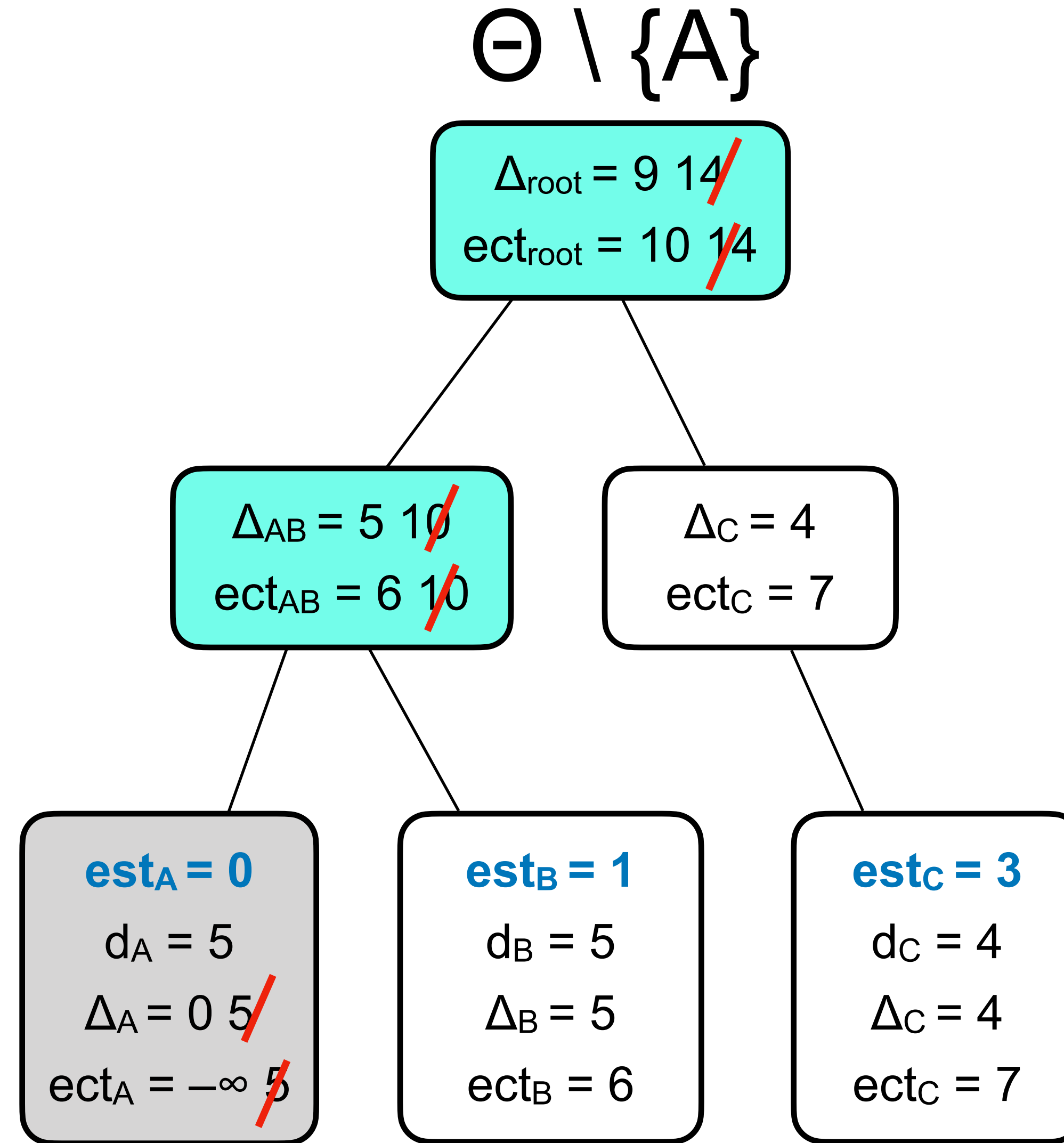


# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



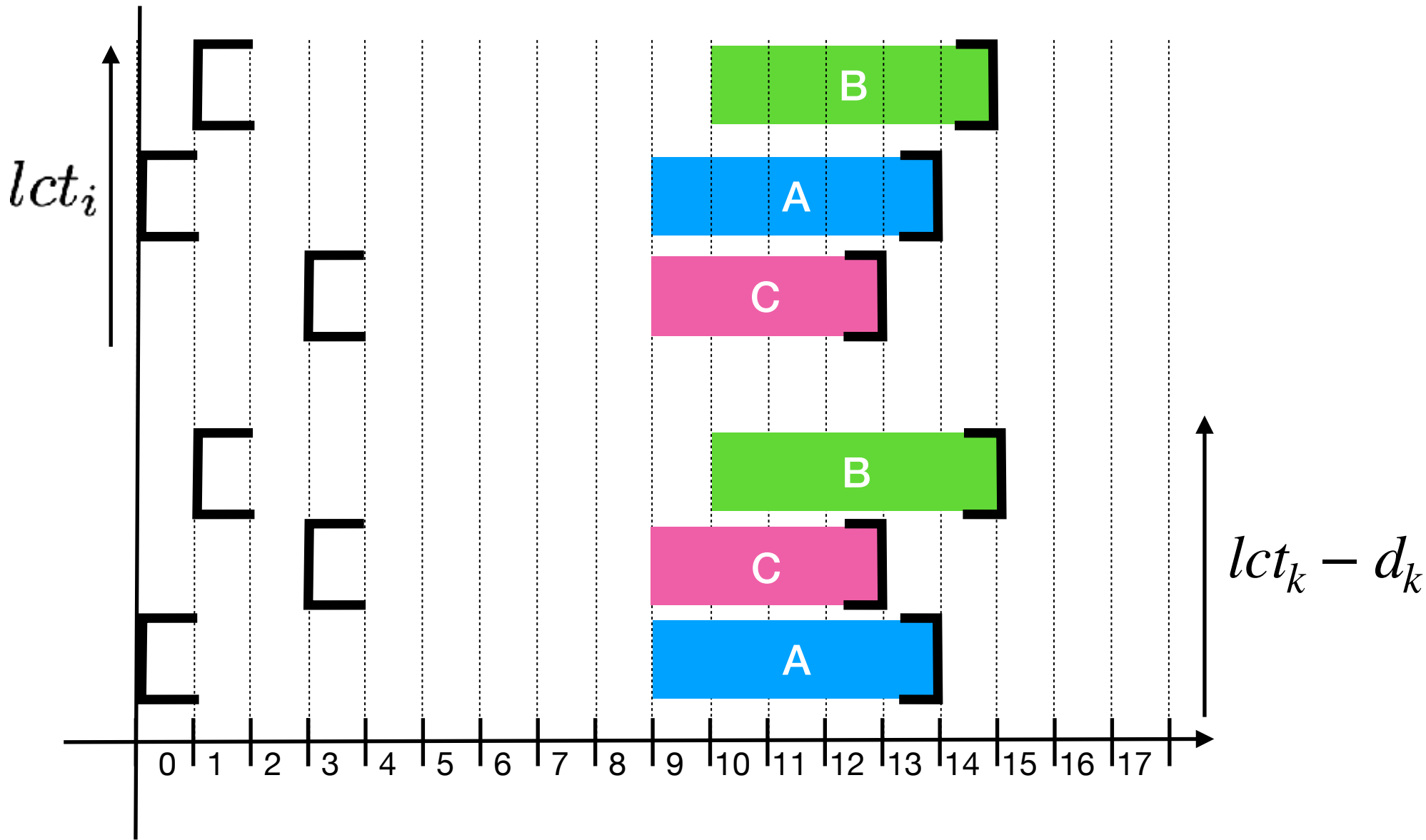
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NotLast(T={1..n}) {
  ...
  ...
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
  for (i  $\leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { // i  $\leftarrow$  A
    while (lct_i > lct_k - d_k) {
       $\Theta.\text{insert}(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
      j  $\leftarrow$  k // lct_j - d_j = max {lct_k - d_k : k  $\in$  NLSet(T,i)}
      k  $\leftarrow$  ite.next()
    }
    if (ect_ $\Theta \setminus i$  > lct_i - d_i) { // ect_ $\Theta \setminus A$  = 10 and lct_A - d_A = 9
      lct'_i  $\leftarrow$  min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)
    }
  }
  lct_i  $\leftarrow$  lct'_i,  $\forall i \in T$ 
}
  
```



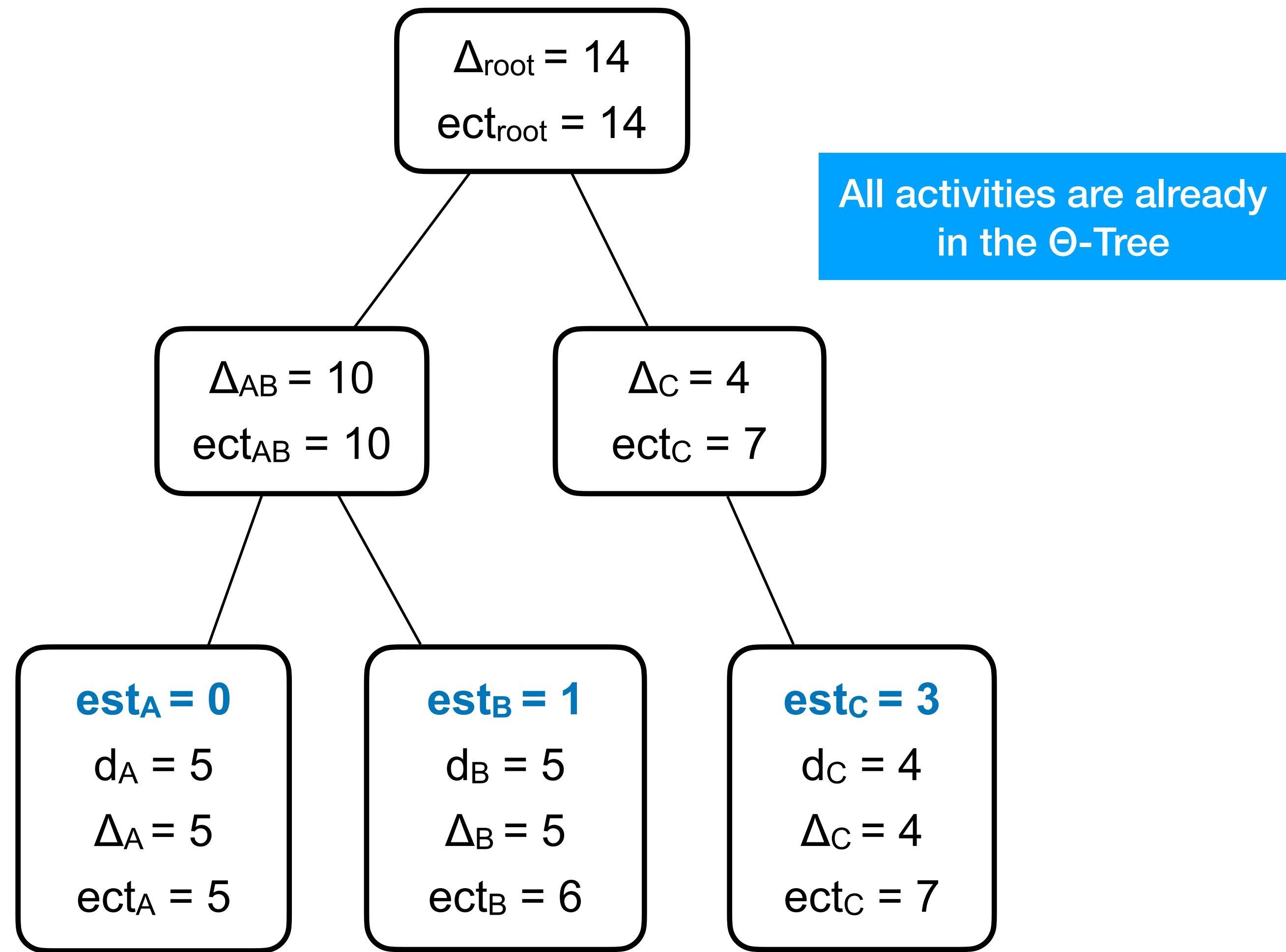
$lct'_A = \min(lct_A, lct_B - d_B) = 10$

# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



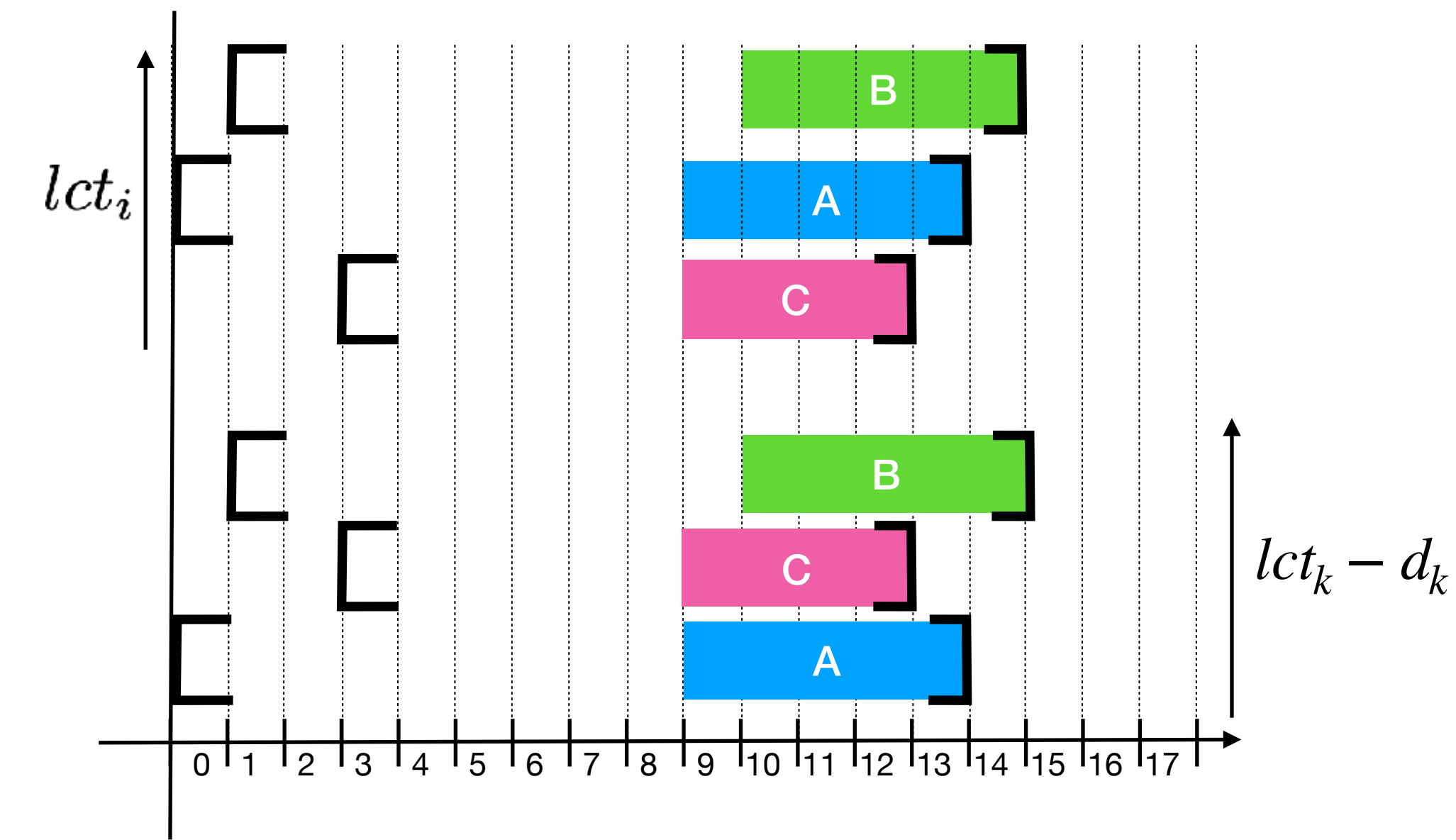
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NotLast(T={1..n}) {  
  ...  
  ...  
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$   
  for (i  $\leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { // i  $\leftarrow$  B  
    while ( $lct_i > lct_k - d_k$ ) {  
       $\Theta.insert(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time  
      j  $\leftarrow$  k //  $lct_j - d_j = \max \{lct_k - d_k : k \in NLSet(T, i)\}$   
      k  $\leftarrow$  ite.next()  
    }  
    if ( $ect_{\Theta[i]} > lct_i - d_i$ ) { //  $O(\log n)$  time  
       $lct'_i \leftarrow \min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)$   
    }  
  }  
   $lct_i \leftarrow lct'_i, \forall i \in T$   
}
```

Third iteration: B is considered



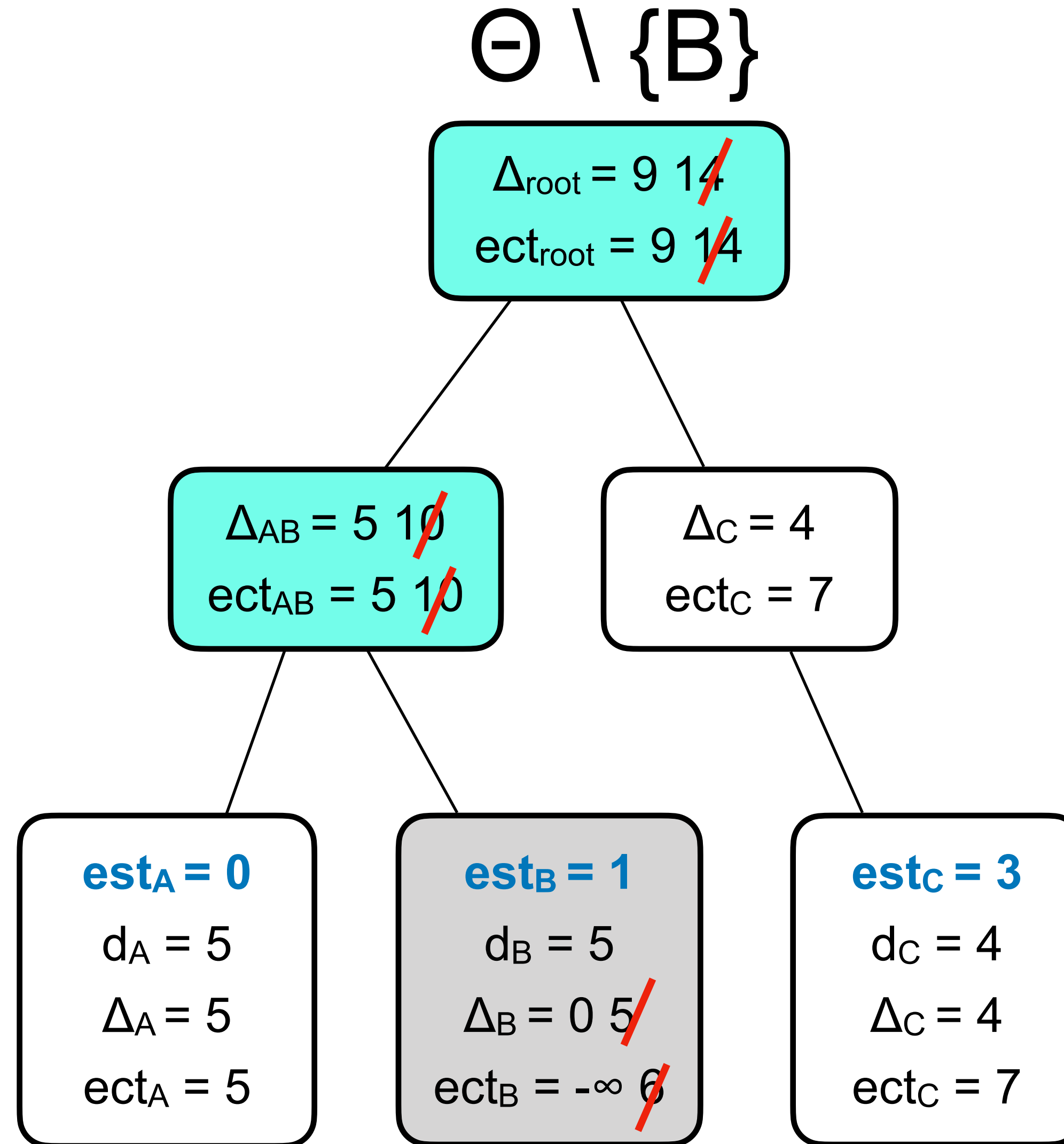


# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

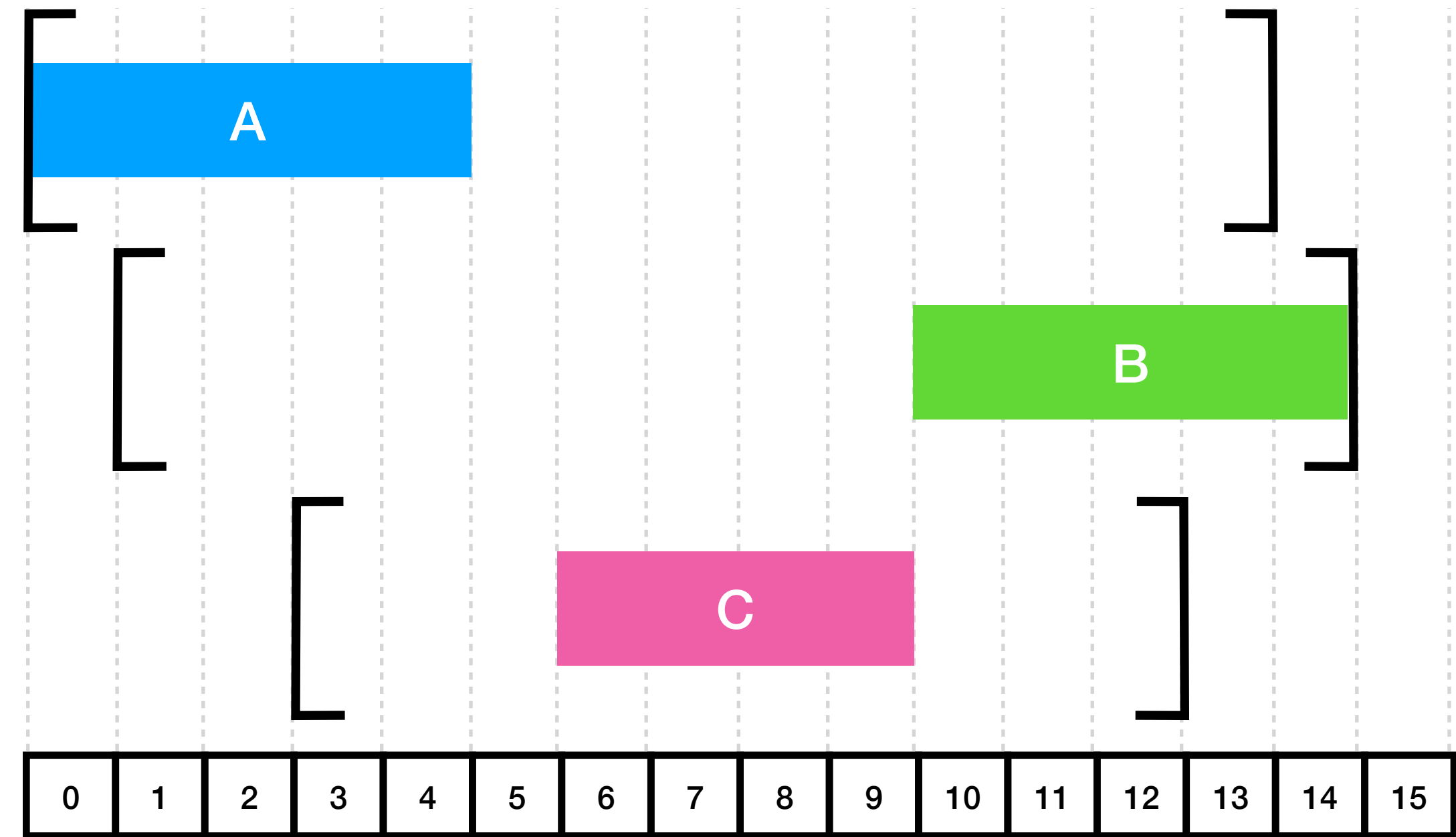
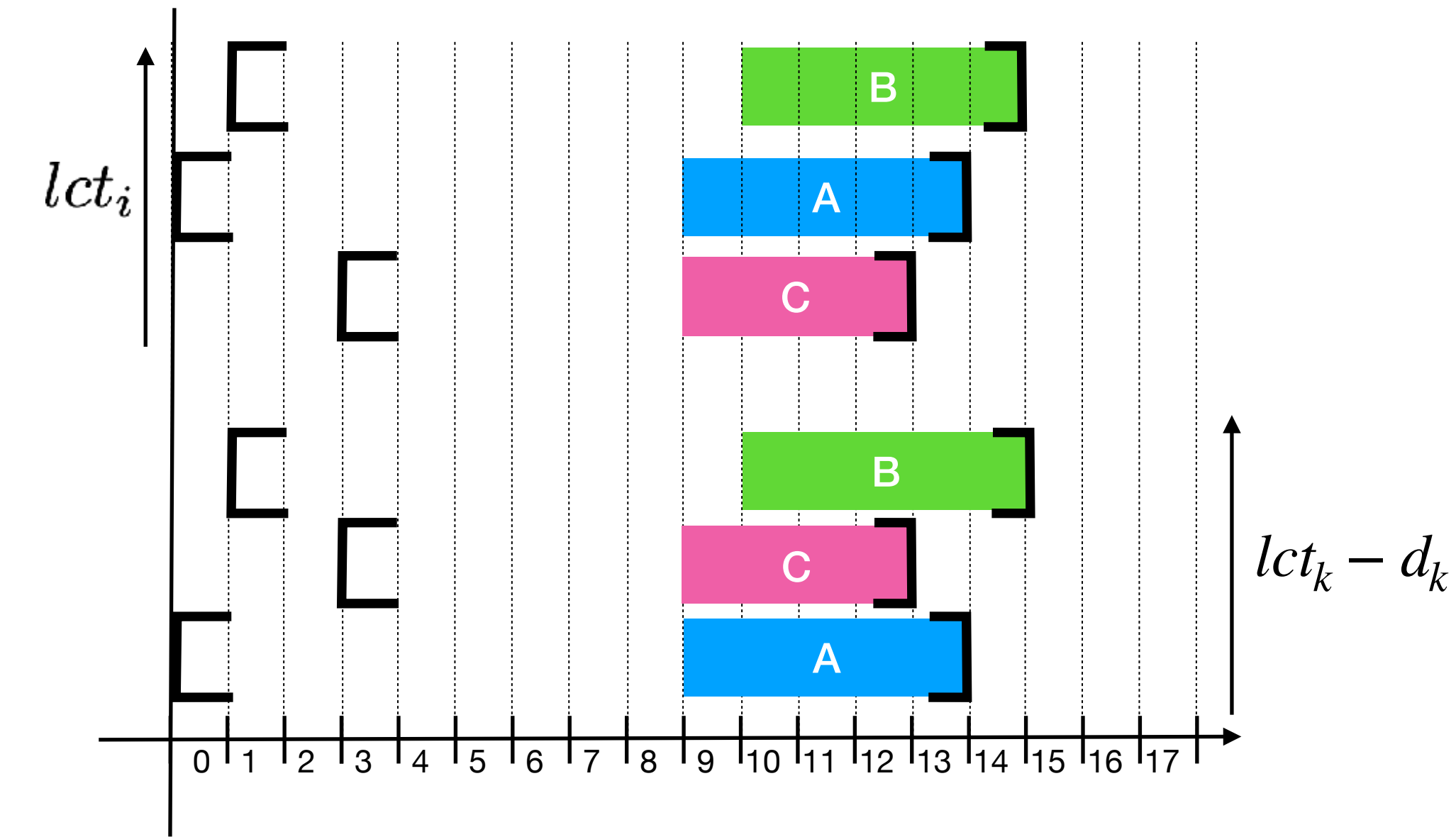


```

NotLast(T={1..n}) {
  ...
  ...
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
  for (i  $\leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { // i  $\leftarrow B$ 
    while (lcti > lctk-dk) {
       $\Theta.\text{insert}(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
      j  $\leftarrow k$  // lctj-dj = max {lctk - dk : k  $\in$  NLSet(T,i)}
      k  $\leftarrow \text{ite.next}()$ 
    }
    if (ect $\Theta \setminus i$  > lcti-di) { // ect $\Theta \setminus B$  = 9 and lctB-dB = 10
      lct'i  $\leftarrow$  min(lcti, lctj-dj)
    }
  }
  lcti  $\leftarrow$  lct'i,  $\forall i \in T$ 
}
  
```



# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example

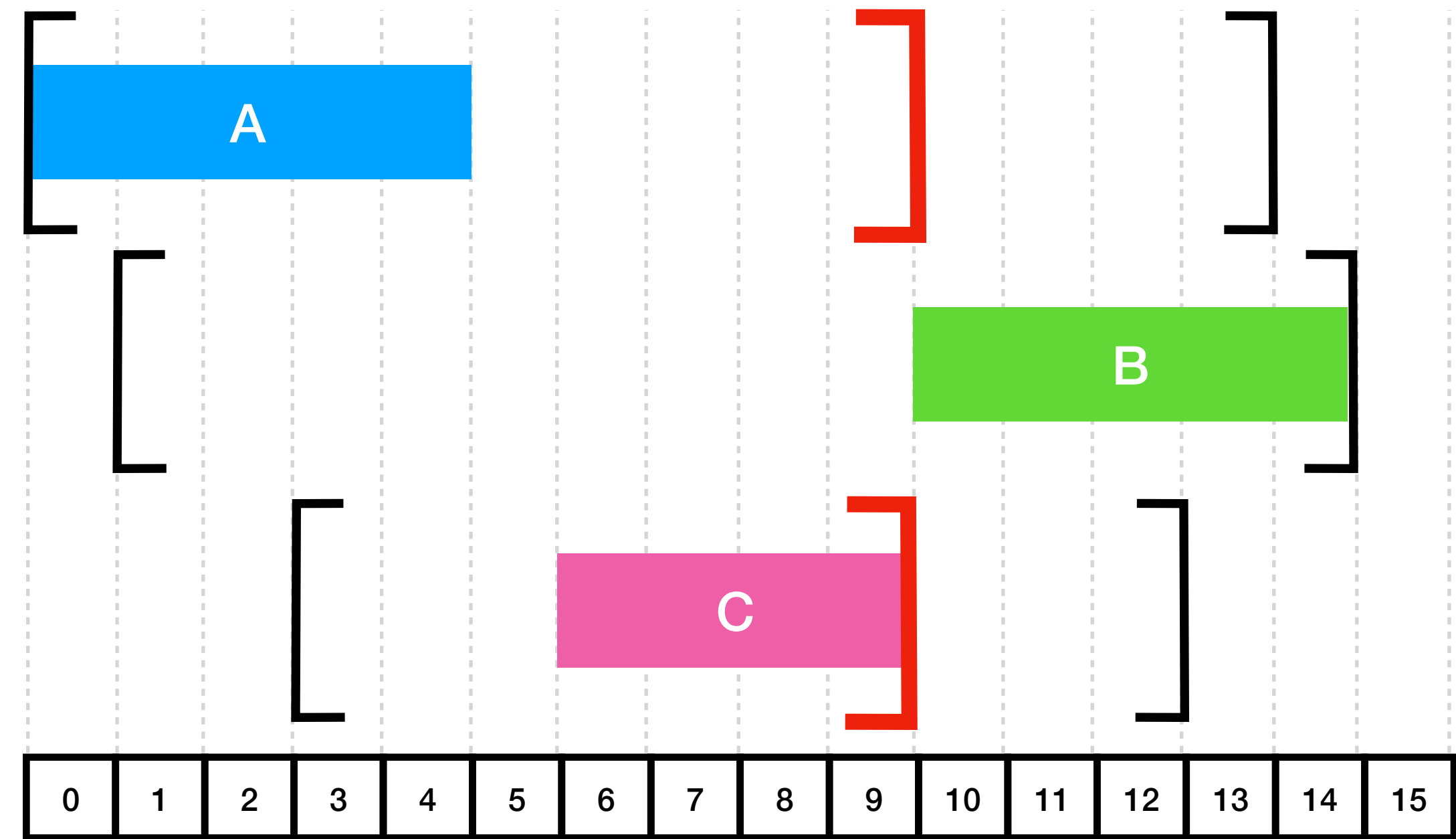
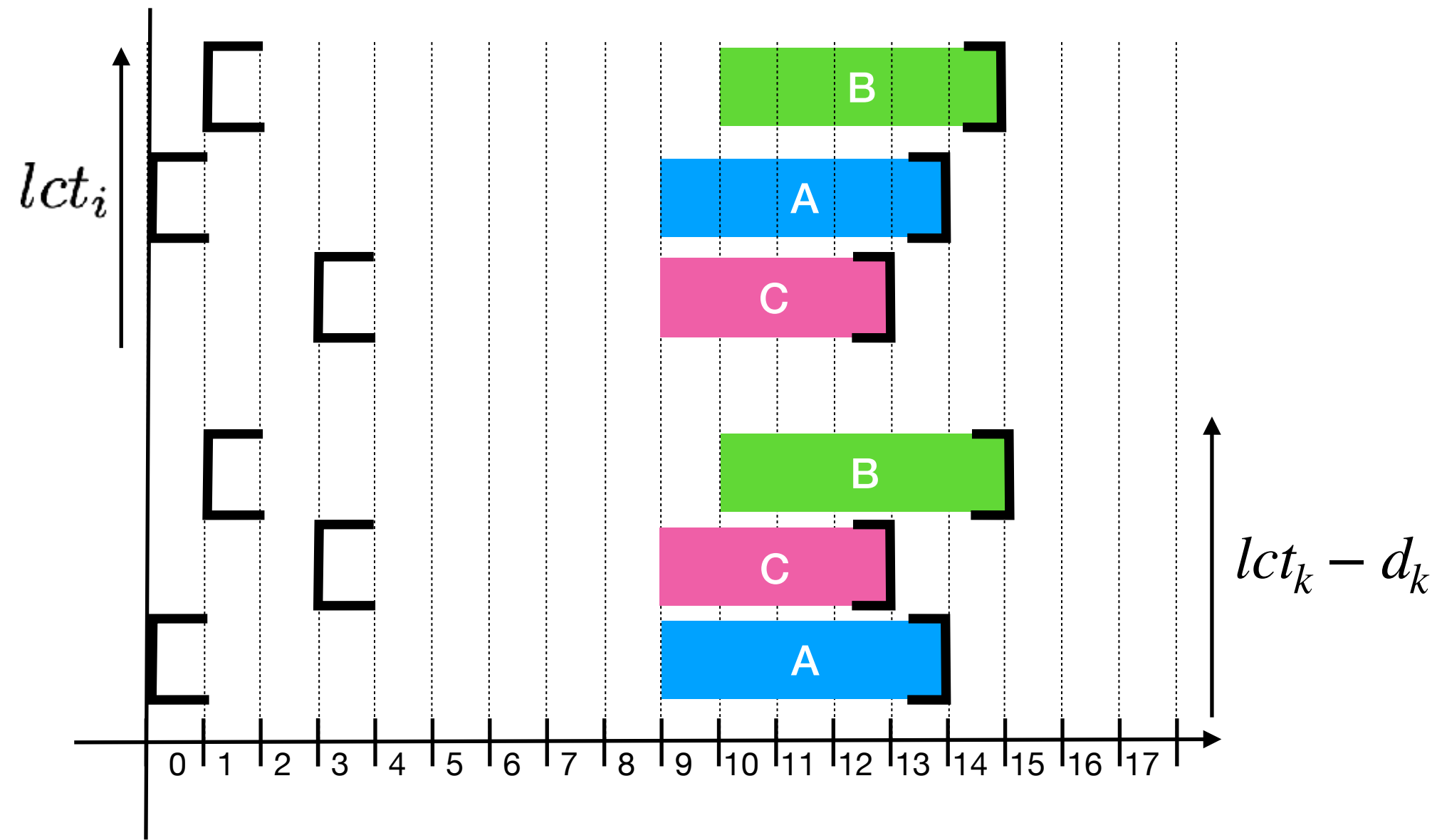


```

NotLast( $T=\{1..n\}$ ) {
  ...
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
  for ( $i \leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { //  $i \leftarrow B$ 
    while ( $lct_i > lct_k - d_k$ ) {
       $\Theta.insert(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
       $j \leftarrow k$  //  $lct_j - d_j = \max \{lct_\Omega - d_\Omega : \Omega \subseteq NLSet(T, i)\}$ 
       $k \leftarrow ite.next()$ 
    }
    if ( $ect_{\Theta \setminus i} > lct_i - d_i$ ) { //  $ect_{\Theta \setminus B} = 9$  and  $lct_B - d_B = 10$ 
       $lct'_i \leftarrow \min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)$ 
    }
  }
   $lct_i \leftarrow lct'_i, \forall i \in T$ 
}
  
```

$lct_C = 10$   
 $lct_A = 10$   
 $lct_B = 15$

# Not last filtering with $\Theta$ -Tree, an example



```

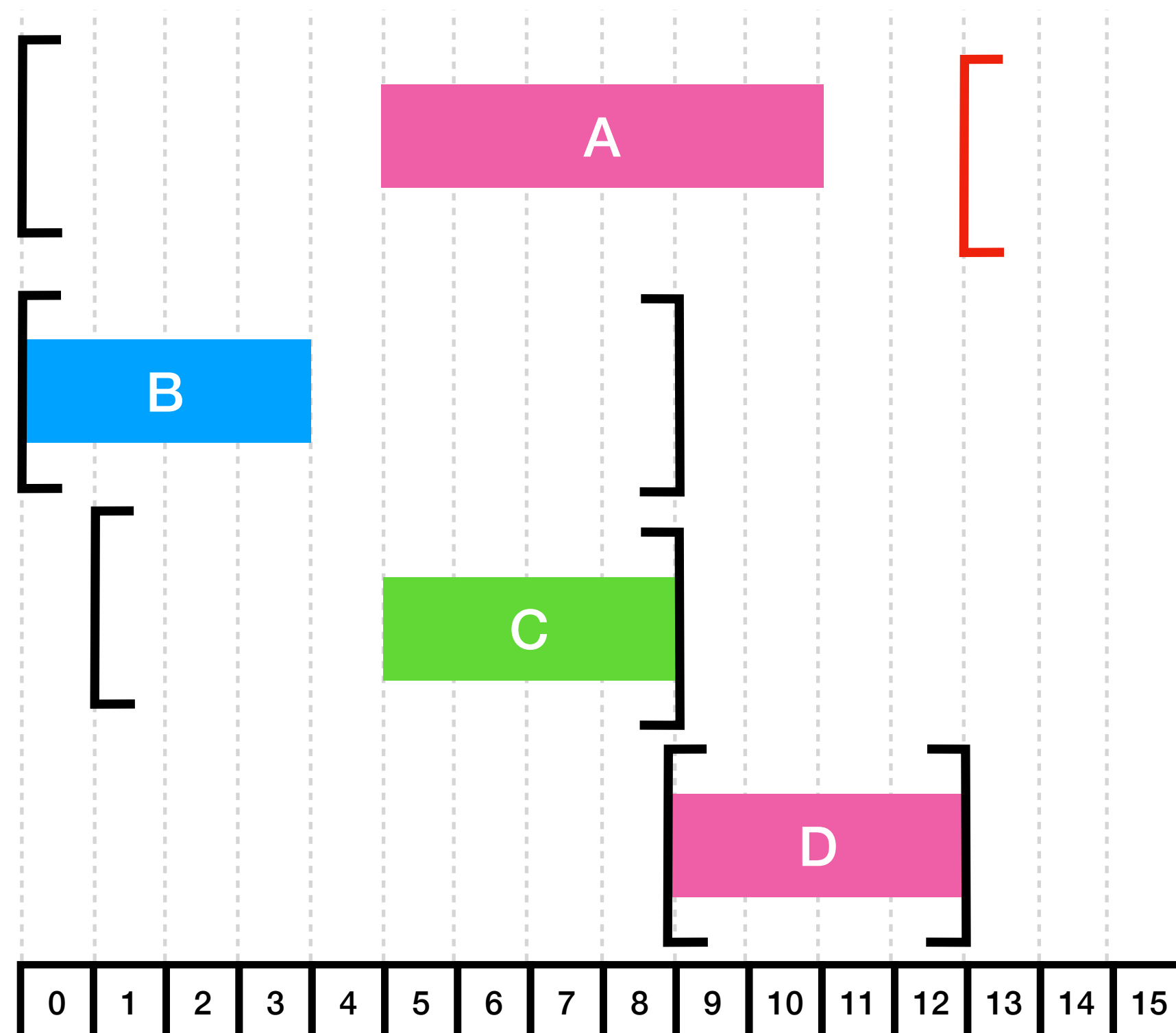
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  ...
  ...
   $\Theta \leftarrow \Theta\text{-Tree.init}(\{1..n\})$ 
  for ( $i \leftarrow T_{lct}$ ) { //  $i \leftarrow B$ 
    while ( $lct_i > lct_k - d_k$ ) {
       $\Theta.insert(k)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
       $j \leftarrow k$  //  $lct_j - d_j = \max \{lct_\Omega - d_\Omega : \Omega \subseteq NLSet(T, i)\}$ 
       $k \leftarrow ite.next()$ 
    }
    if ( $ect_{\Theta \setminus i} > lct_i - d_i$ ) { //  $ect_{\Theta \setminus B} = 9$  and  $lct_B - d_B = 10$ 
       $lct'_i \leftarrow \min(lct_i, lct_j - d_j)$ 
    }
  }
   $lct_i \leftarrow lct'_i, \forall i \in T$ 
}
  
```

$lct_C = 10$   
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# Edge Finder

# Edge Finding

- ▶  $\forall \Omega \subset T, \forall i \in T \setminus \Omega$  = arbitrary non-empty subset of  $T$
- ▶  $est_{\Omega \cup i} + d_{\Omega \cup i} > lct_{\Omega} \Rightarrow \Omega \ll i \leadsto est_i \leftarrow \max \{est_i, ect_{\Omega}\}$  (EF)
- ▶  $i$  must be scheduled after the set  $\Omega$



impossible to schedule  $\{A, B, C, D\}$   
before  $lct_{\{B, C, D\}}$   
thus we must have  $\{B, C, D\} \ll A$

- Reformulation of EF for easier implementation

$\forall j \in T, \forall i \in T \setminus \text{LCut}(T,j):$

$$\text{LCut}(T,j) = \{i \mid i \in T \ \& \ \text{lct}_i \leq \text{lct}_j\}$$

$$\text{ect}_{\text{LCut}(T,j) \cup i} > \text{lct}_j \Rightarrow \text{LCut}(T,j) \ll i$$

$$\leadsto \text{est}_i \leftarrow \max \{\text{est}_i, \text{ect}_{\text{LCut}(T,j)}\} \quad (\text{EF}')$$

- Implementation using  $\Theta$ -tree considering  $j$  and  $i$  wrt  $\text{LCut}(T,j)$

- $\Theta = \text{LCut}(T,j)$
- $\Theta\text{-Tree.insert}(i)$ , check if  $\text{ect}_{\Theta} > \text{lct}_j$
- $\Theta.\text{remove}(i)$

$O(\log n)$  for testing one  $(i,j)$   
 $O(n^2 \log n)$  overall  $\Rightarrow$  too slow!

# $\Theta$ - $\Lambda$ -Tree = generalization of $\Theta$ -Tree

white

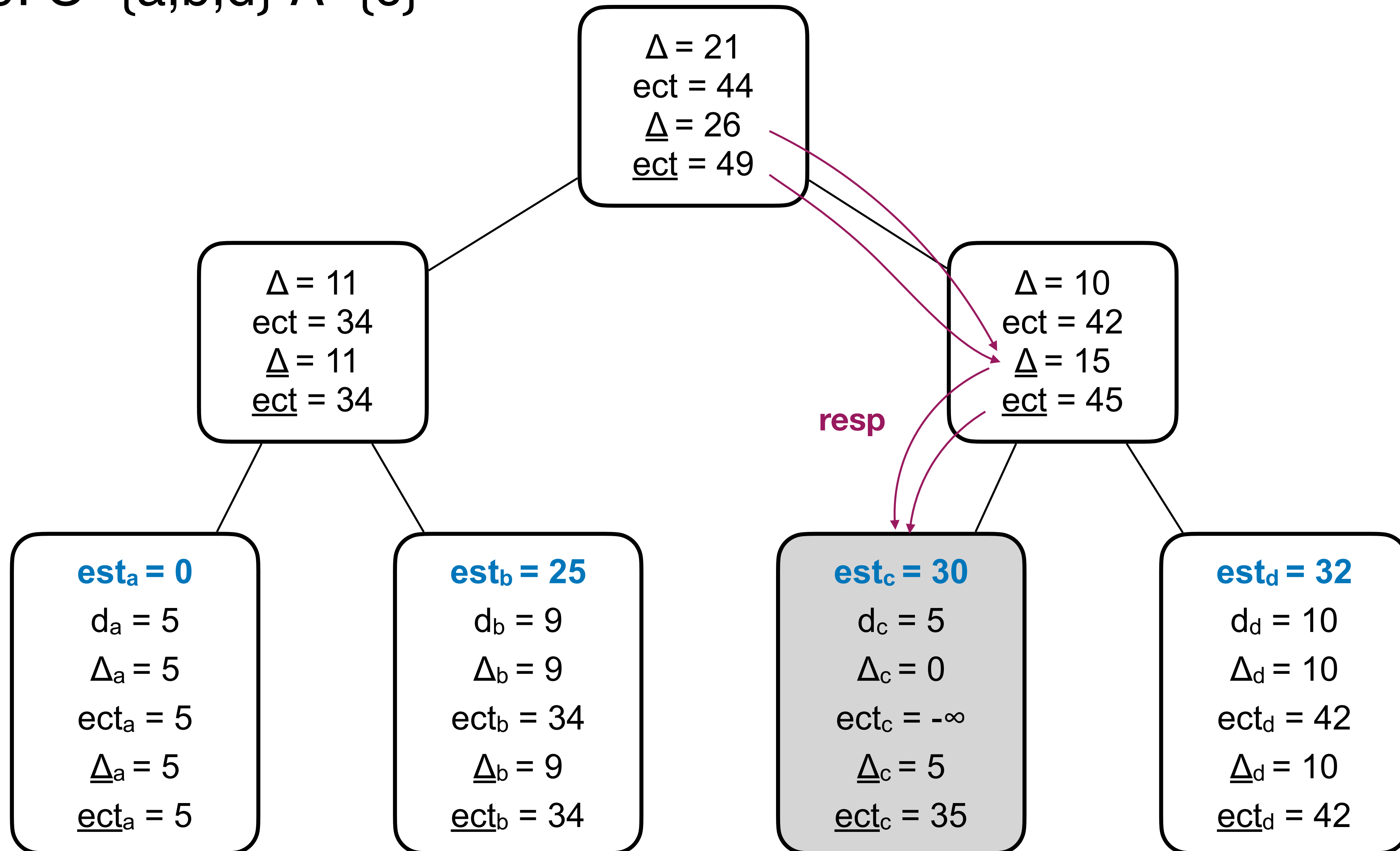
gray

$\Theta$  and  $\Lambda$  disjoint sets:  $\Theta \cap \Lambda = \emptyset$

- ▶  $\text{ect}(\Theta\text{-}\Lambda) = \max(\{\text{ect}_{\Theta}\}, \{\text{ect}_{\Theta \cup i} : i \in \Lambda\})$ 
  - earliest completion time if at most one gray activity used
- ▶ New values stored in the nodes (in addition to  $\Delta_v$  &  $\text{ect}_v$ )
  - $\Delta_v = \max \{p_{\Theta'} \mid \Theta' \subseteq \text{Leaves}(v) \text{ \& } |\Theta' \cap \Lambda| \leq 1\}$
  - $\text{ect}_v = \text{ect}_{\text{Leaves}(v)} = \max \{\text{ect}_{\Theta'} + p_{\Theta'} \mid \Theta' \subseteq \text{Leaves}(v) \text{ \& } |\Theta' \cap \Lambda| \leq 1\}$
- ▶ Update rule
  - $\Delta_v = \max \{\Delta_{\text{left}(v)} + \Delta_{\text{right}(v)}, \Delta_{\text{left}(v)} + \Delta_{\text{right}(v)}\}$
  - $\text{ect}_v = \max \{\text{ect}_{\text{right}(v)}, \text{ect}_{\text{left}(v)} + \Delta_{\text{right}(v)}, \text{ect}_{\text{left}(v)} + \Delta_{\text{right}(v)}\}$

# Example

►  $\Theta$ - $\Lambda$ -Tree:  $\Theta=\{a,b,d\}$   $\Lambda=\{c\}$



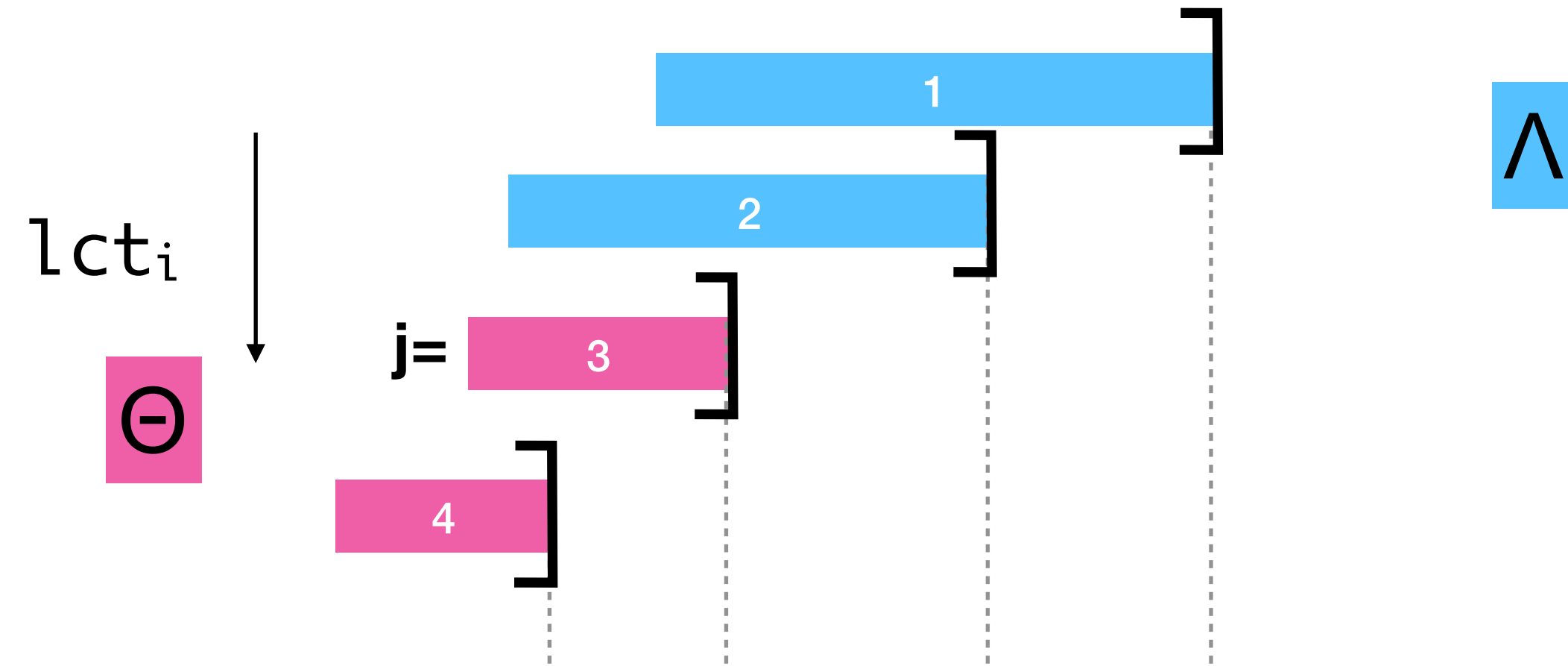


# Responsible Activities

- ▶ For each node  $v$  we can also compute the gray activity responsible for  $\underline{\Delta}_v$  or  $\underline{ect}_v$
- ▶ Leaf nodes:
  - $\text{resp}_{\underline{\Delta}}(i) = i$  if  $i$  is gray, undef otherwise
  - $\text{resp}_{\underline{ect}}(i) = i$  if  $i$  is gray, undef otherwise
- ▶ Internal nodes:
  - $\text{resp}_{\underline{\Delta}}(v) = \text{resp}_{\underline{\Delta}}(\text{left}(v))$  if  $\underline{\Delta}_v = \underline{\Delta}_{\text{left}(v)} + \Delta_{\text{right}(v)}$ ,  
 $\text{resp}_{\underline{\Delta}}(\text{right}(v))$  otherwise
  - $\text{resp}_{\underline{ect}}(v) = \text{resp}_{\underline{ect}}(\text{right}(v))$  if  $\underline{ect}_v = \underline{ect}_{\text{right}(v)}$   
 $\text{resp}_{\underline{ect}}(\text{left}(v))$  if  $\underline{ect}_v = \underline{ect}_{\text{left}(v)} + \Delta_{\text{right}(v)}$   
 $\text{resp}_{\underline{\Delta}}(\text{right}(v))$  if  $\underline{ect}_v = \underline{ect}_{\text{left}(v)} + \underline{\Delta}_{\text{right}(v)}$

Operation	Time Complexity
$(\Theta, \Lambda) := (\emptyset, \emptyset)$	$O(1)$
$(\Theta, \Lambda) := (T, \emptyset)$	$O(n \log n)$
$(\Theta, \Lambda) := (\Theta \setminus \{i\}, \Lambda \cup \{i\})$	$O(\log n)$
$\Theta := \Theta \cup \{i\}$	$O(\log n)$
$\Lambda := \Lambda \cup \{i\}$	$O(\log n)$
$\Lambda := \Lambda \setminus \{i\}$	$O(\log n)$
$\overline{\text{ect}}(\Theta, \Lambda)$	$O(1)$
$\text{ect}_{\Theta}$	$O(1)$

# Edge Finding: The big picture



```
while (ect( $\theta - \Lambda$ ) >  $lct_j$ ) {  
   $i \leftarrow \text{resp}_{\text{ect}}(\theta - \Lambda)$   
   $est_i \leftarrow \max\{est_i, ect_\theta\}$   
   $\Lambda \leftarrow \Lambda \setminus i$  //  $O(\log n)$   
}
```

Retrieve the activity of  $\Lambda$   
responsible

# Edge Finding Algorithm

```

EdgeFinding( $T=\{1..n\}$ ) {
   $(\theta, \Lambda) = (T, \emptyset)$  //  $O(n \log n)$  time
   $T_{lct} \leftarrow \text{sortZA}([1..n], \text{sortKey} = lct)$  //  $O(n \log n)$  time
   $ite \leftarrow \text{iterator}(T_{lct})$ 
   $j = ite.next()$ 
  while ( $ite.hasNext()$ ) {
    if ( $ect_{\theta} > lct_j$ ) throw InconsistencyException // overload
     $(\theta, \Lambda) = (\theta \setminus j, \Lambda \cup j)$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
     $j \leftarrow ite.next()$ 
    while ( $\underline{ect}(\theta - \Lambda) > lct_j$ ) { //  $O(1)$  time
       $i \leftarrow \text{resp}_{\underline{ect}}(\theta - \Lambda)$ 
       $est_i \leftarrow \max\{est_i, ect_{\theta}\}$ 
       $\Lambda \leftarrow \Lambda \setminus i$  //  $O(\log n)$  time
    }
  }
}

```

Executed at most  $n$  times

# Fix-point

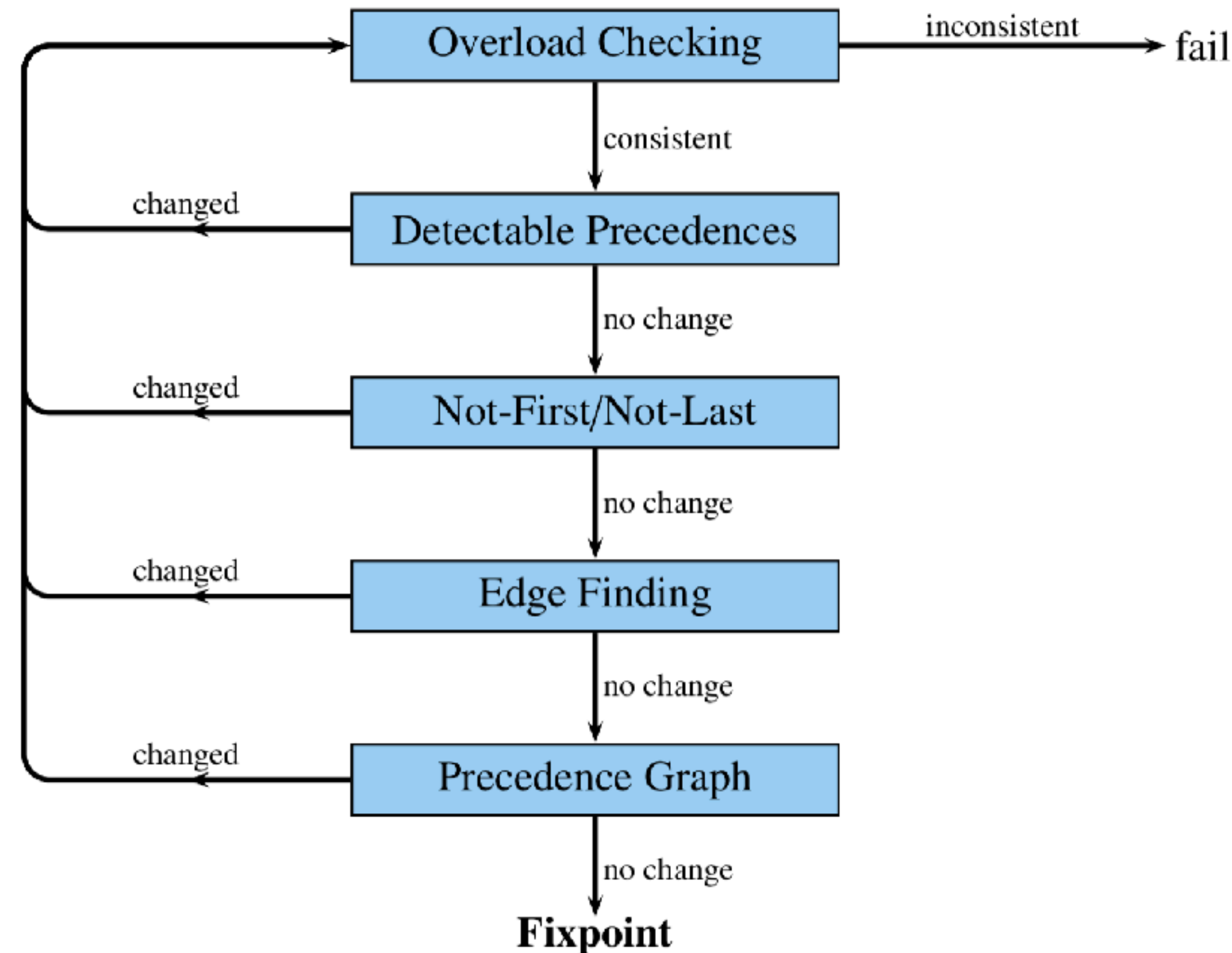
# Reminder on Idempotency

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# Putting it all together

- ▶ None of the algorithms above is idempotent.
- ▶ According to Petr Vilím (see next slide), the following order for fixpoint computation is very efficient:



- ▶ Most of the notation, examples, ... come from Petr Vilím's PhD thesis (<https://vilim.eu/petr/disertace.pdf>), where all the proofs omitted here can be found.
- ▶ This thesis had a big impact on CP solvers because most of the algorithms for a disjunctive resource introduced by Petr Vilím take  $O(n \log n)$  time instead of  $O(n^2)$  or  $O(n^3)$ .

