

Divide and Conquer*

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Changelog

❑ Rev. 1

- Updated the pseudocode to assume the array index is zero based (slide 16).
- Clarified a note to define the root for a pair of nodes, where one of them is the parent or ancestor of the other (slide 60).

❑ Rev. 2

- Updated the definition of array B to cover a corner case where the first element of array A is part of the solution (slide 33). Thanks to Mr. Sedghian.

❑ Rev. 3

- Minor update in slide 33.

Overview

- ❑ Introduction
 - Computing a^n
- ❑ Master theorem and its proof
- ❑ Review of sorting algorithm and their design principles
 - Insertion sort
 - Selection sort
 - Merge sort
 - Quick sort
 - Finding median
- ❑ Maximum subarray sum
- ❑ Polynomial multiplication
- ❑ Closest pair of points
- ❑ MapReduce: A Practical Example
- ❑ Sample Problems

Computing a^n

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    return result  
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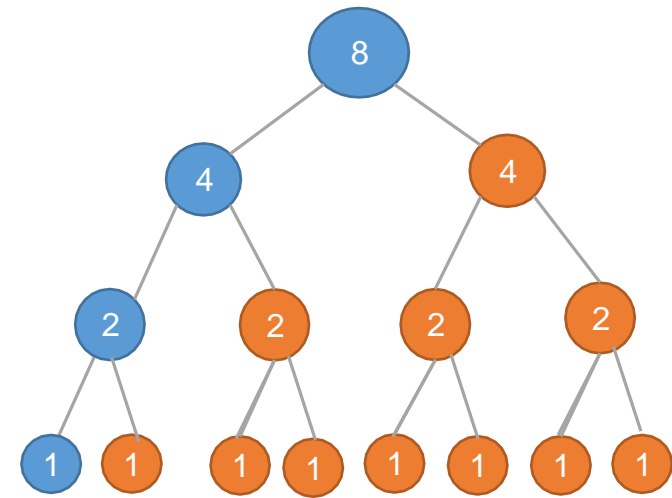
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Running time: $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(1) \approx O(n)$

```
power(a, n){  
    if n == 0  
        return 1  
    if n == 1  
        return a  
  
    return power(a, [n/2]) * power(a, [n/2])  
}
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What is the problem of the above code?



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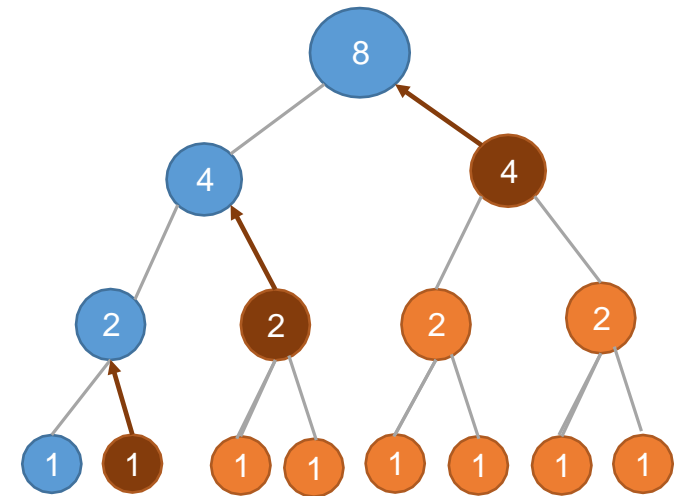
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Idea: $a^n = a^{n/2} \times a^{n/2}$

Running time: $O(\log n)$

```
power(a, n) {  
    if n == 0  
        return 1  
    if A[n] != null  
        return A[n]  
  
    A[n] = power(a, [n/2]) * power(a, [n/2])  
    if n is odd  
        A[n] = A[n] * a  
    return A[n]  
}
```



Memoization: Caching results of expensive function calls

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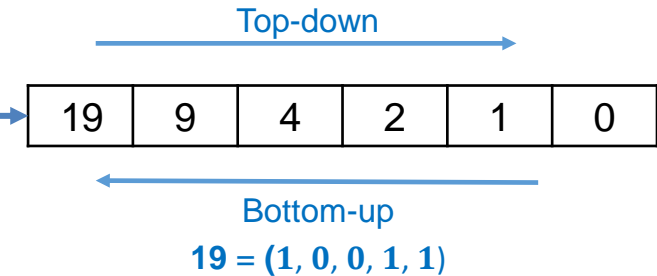
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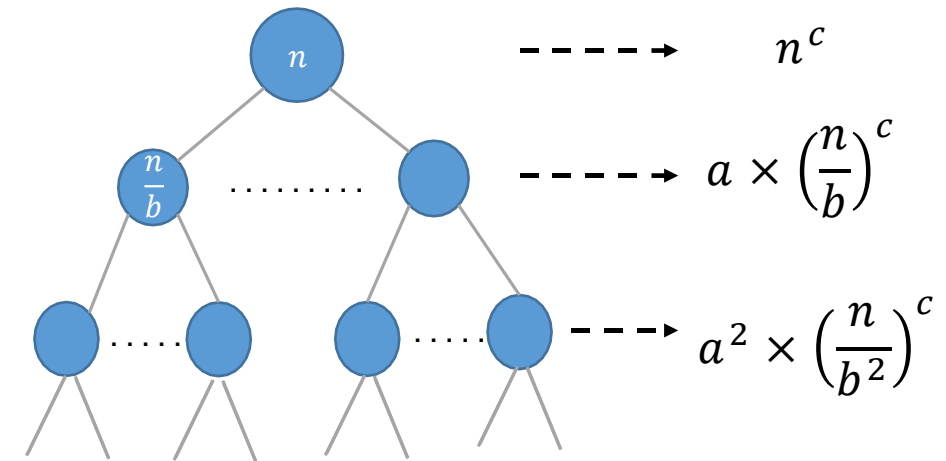
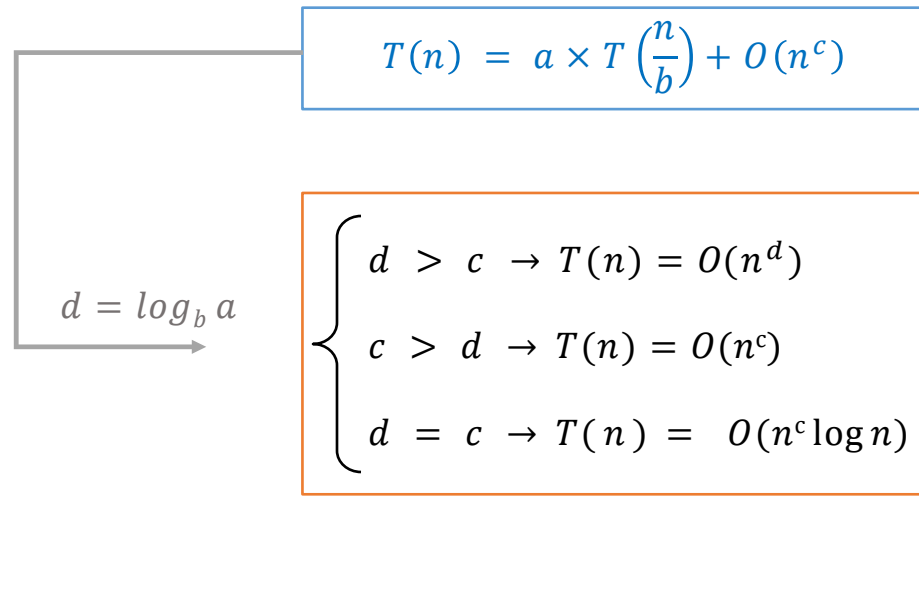
```
power(a, n) {  
    if n == 0  
        return 1  
    n = (n_k, n_{k-1}, ..., n_0)_2 // binary representation of n  
    result = a  
    for i = k - 1 to 0  
        if n_i = 0  
            result = result * result  
        else  
            result = result * result * a  
    return result  
}
```



How can you implement the code with explicitly converting n to binary?

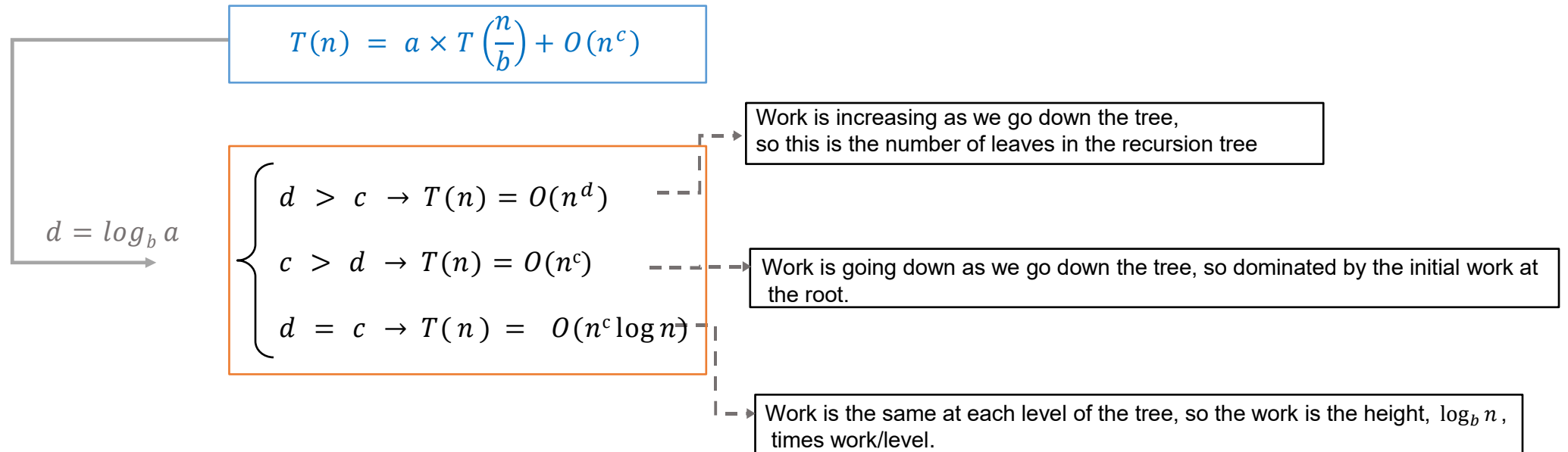
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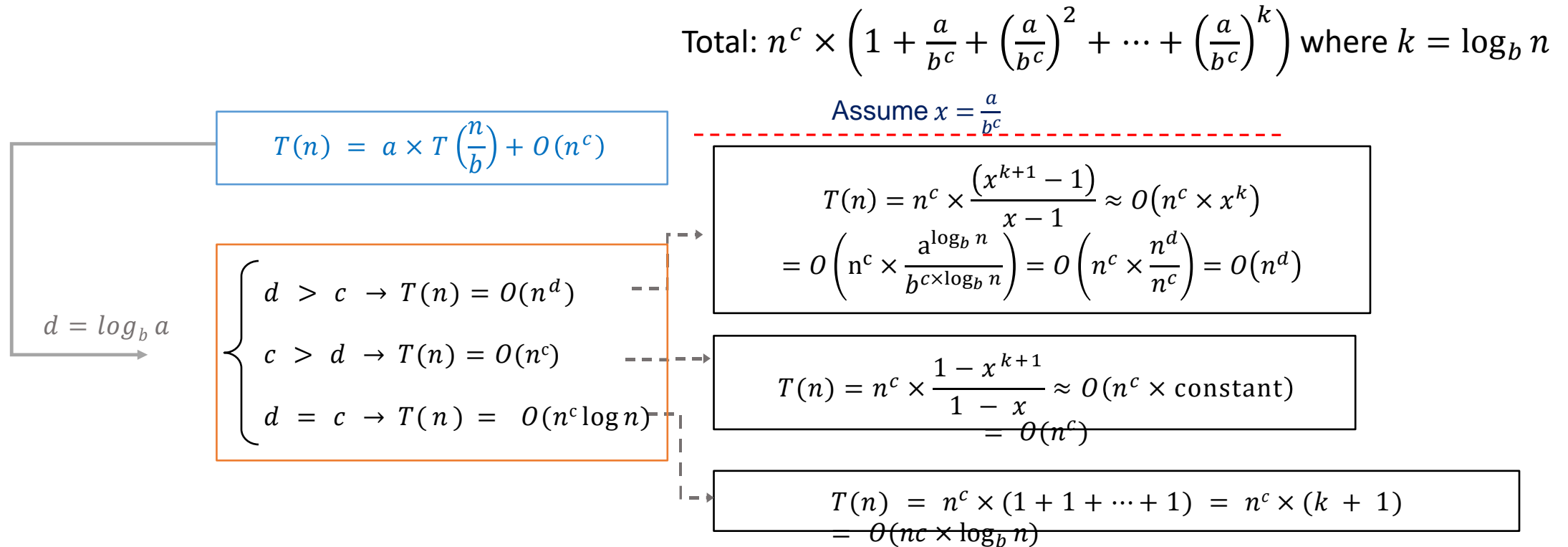


Total: $n^c \times \left(1 + \frac{a}{b^c} + \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{a}{b^c}\right)^k\right)$ where $k = \log_b n$

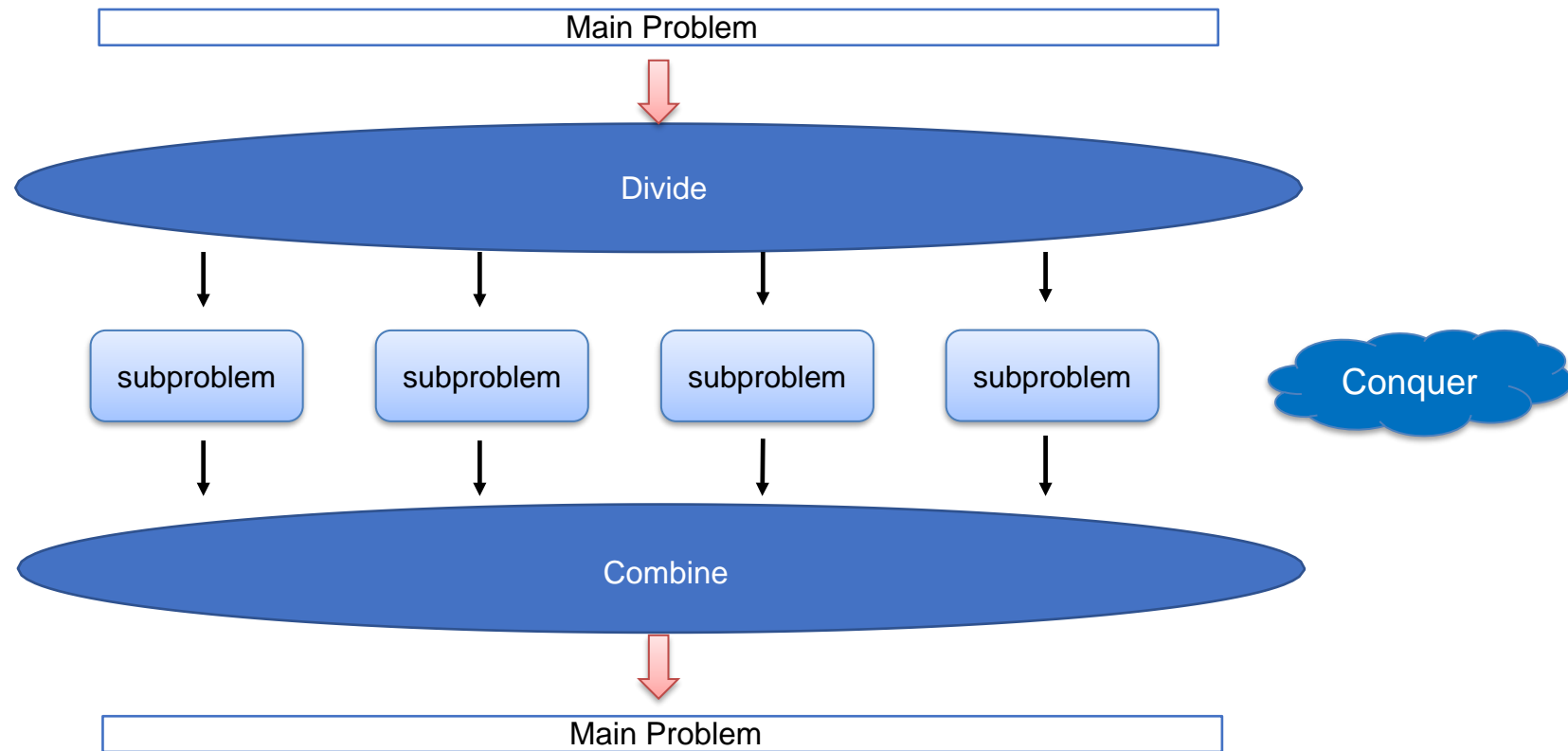
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Sorting Algorithms



Insertion Sort

- **Divide:** Sort the first $n - 1$ elements
- **Merge:** Insert the last element into the right position
- **Runtime:** $T(n) = T(n - 1) + O(n) = O(n^2)$

3	4	7	10	15	16	18	12
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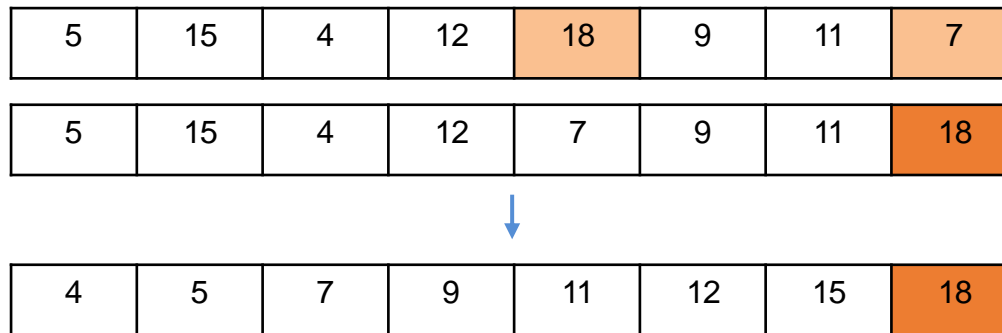
Divide

Merge

```
insertion_sort(A, n) {  
    if n == 1  
        return  
  
    insertion_sort(A, n-1)  
  
    for i = n-2 to 0  
        if A[i] > A[i+1]  
            break  
        swap(A[i], A[i+1])  
}
```


Selection Sort

- **Divide:** Find the maximum element and put it at the end
- **Merge:** Nothing
- **Running time:** $T(n) = T(n - 1) + O(n) = O(n^2)$



Divide

```
selection_sort(A, n) {  
    if n == 1  
        return  
  
    max = n-1  
    for i = 0 to n - 2  
        if A[i] > A[max]  
            max = i  
  
    swap(A[max], A[n-1])  
    selection_sort(A, n-1)  
}
```

Merge Sort

□ **Divide:** Divide the array into two parts

□ **Merge:** Merge two sorted arrays

□ **Running time:** $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(?) = O(?)$

Divide

Merge

```
merge_sort(A, first, last) {  
    if first == last  
        return  
    mid = (first + last) / 2  
    merge_sort(first, mid)  
    merge_sort(mid + 1, last)  
    merge(A, first, mid, last)  
}
```

```
merge(A, first, mid, last) {  
    ????????  
}
```

Main idea is to implement merge in $O(n)$

Merge Sort

5	7	10	17
8	12	15	16

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    merge(A, first, mid, last)  
}
```

```
merge(A, first, mid, last){  
    leftpos = first  
    rightpos = mid  
    for newpos = 0 to last - first {  
        if leftpos < mid and (  
            A[leftpos] <= A[rightpos] or rightpos > last) {  
            newarray[newpos] = A[leftpos]  
            leftpos++  
        } else {  
            newarray[newpos] = A[rightpos]  
            rightpos++  
        }  
    }  
    Copy newarray to A[first to last - 1]  
}
```

Quick Sort

- **Divide:** Divide the array into two parts such that all elements in the left subarray are less than or equal to all element in the right subarray
- **Merge:** Nothing

Divide

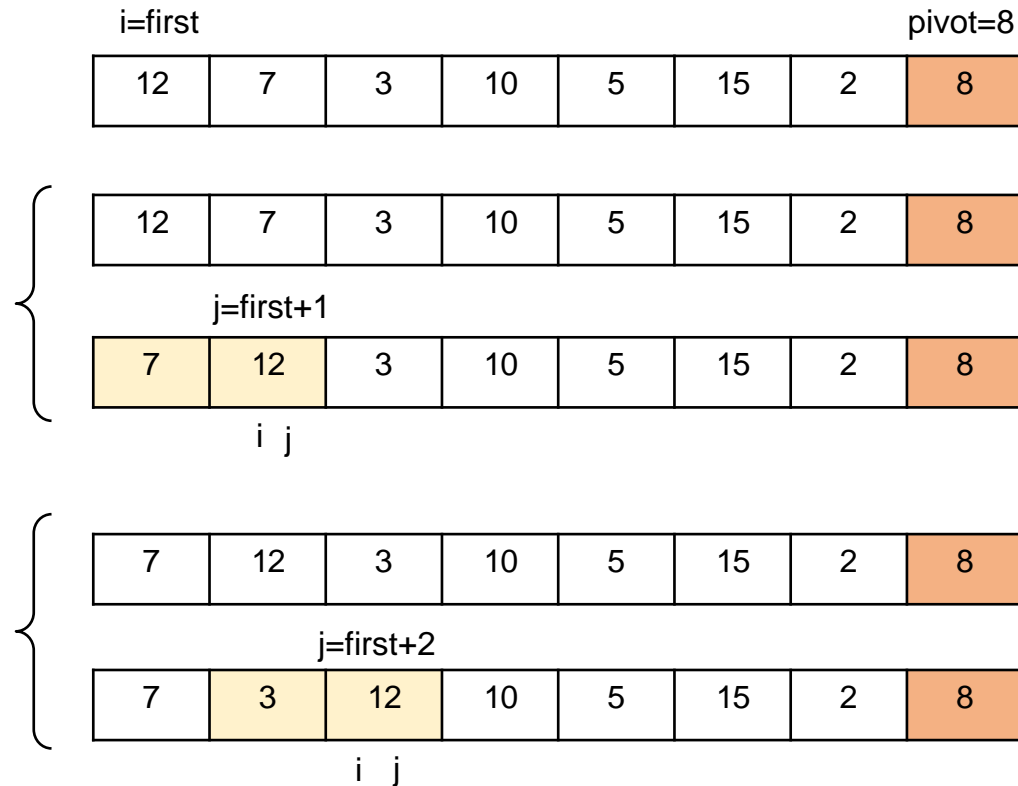
At each point if we look at all elements between $A[\text{first}]$ and $A[j]$, then

- 1) all elements in $A[\text{first}]$ till $A[i-1]$ are less than **pivot**
- 2) Others are greater than or equal to **pivot**

```
quick_sort(A, first, last){  
    if first >= last  
        return  
  
    p = partition(A, first, last)  
    quick_sort(A, first, p - 1)  
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}
```

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partition(A, first, last) {  
    pivot = A[last]  
    i = first  
  
    for j = first to last-1 {  
        if A[j] < pivot {  
            swap(A[i], A[j])  
            i = i+1  
        }  
    }  
    swap(A[i], A[last])  
    return i  
}
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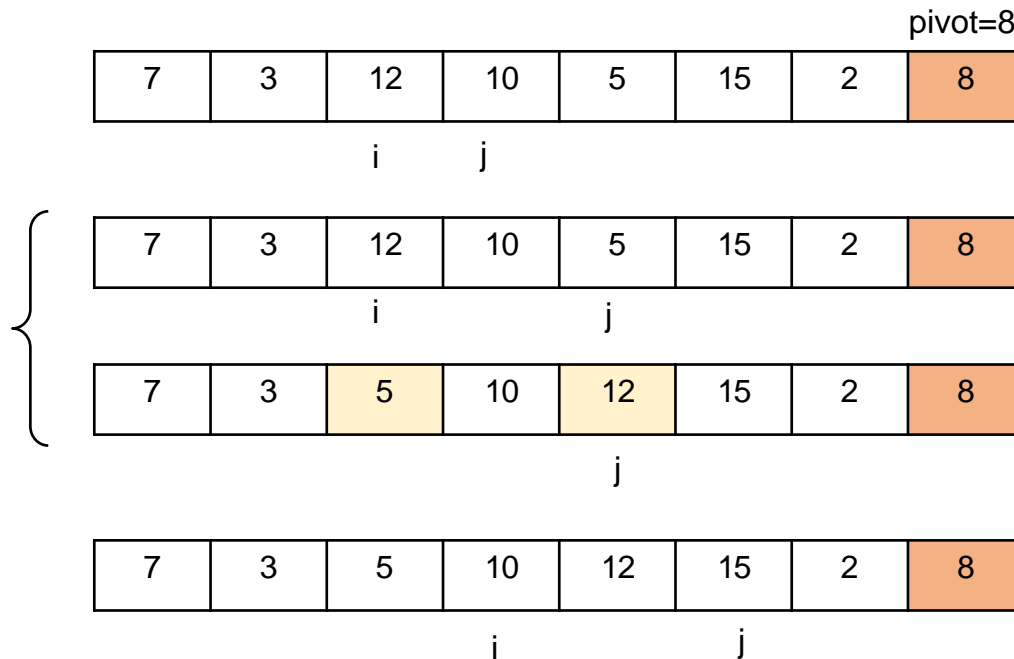
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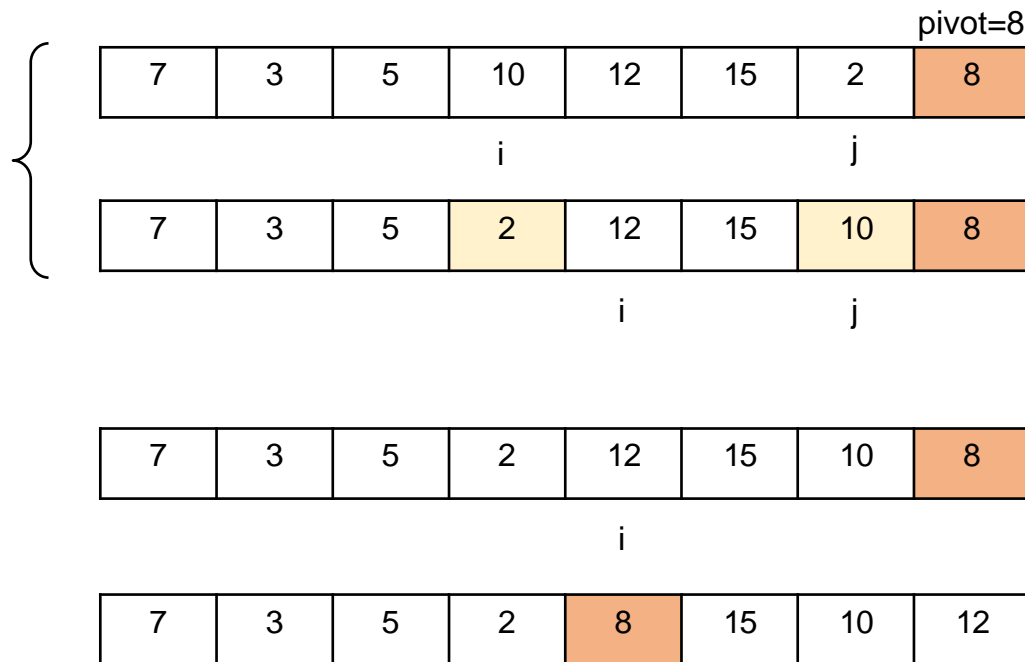
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Quick Sort – Running time

Running time: $T(n) = T(|L|) + T(|R|) + O(n)$

Best case: $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$

Worst case: $T(n) = T(n-1) + O(n)$

Find an example for the worst case.



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        }
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    return i
}
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Randomized Quick Sort

Running time: $T(n) = T(|L|) + T(|R|) + O(n)$

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It can be proved that the average running time of randomized quick sort is $O(n \log n)$

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    if first >= last  
        return  
  
    p = partition(A, first, last)  
    quick_sort(A, first, p - 1)  
    quick_sort(A, p + 1, last)  
}
```

```
random_partition(A, first, last) {  
    k = a random number between first and last  
    swap(A[k], A[last])  
  
    pivot = A[last]  
    i = first  
    for j = first to last-1 {  
        if A[j] < pivot {  
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        }  
    }  
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}
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A Conservative Implementation of Randomized Quick Sort

Running time: $T(n) = T(|L|) + T(|R|) + O(n)$

Probability of having a good pivot is $1/2$



Probability of not having good pivot after
1000 iteration is $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{1000} < \left(\frac{1}{1000}\right)^{100} \approx 0$

Worst case: $T(n) = T\left(\frac{3n}{4}\right) + T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + O(n) \approx O(n \log n)$

```
quick_sort(A, first, last){  
    if first >= last  
        return  
    len = last - first + 1  
    p = first - 1  
    while p < first + len / 4 or p > last - len / 4  
        p = random_partition(A, first, last)  
  
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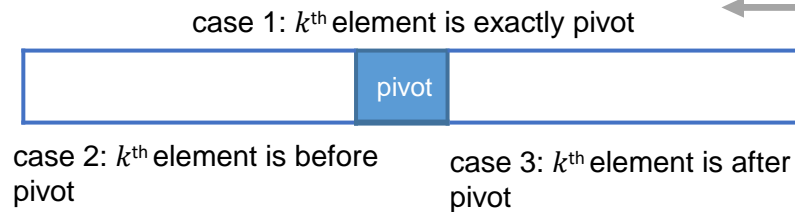


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Idea: Let's solve a more general problem.

Rank Problem: You are given an array of numbers and an integer k . Find the k^{th} smallest elements.



```
rank(A, first, last, k) {  
    if first >= last  
        return A[first]  
  
    p = partition(A, first, last)  
    if k = p - first + 1  
        return A[p] // case 1  
    else if k < p - first + 1  
        return rank(A, first, p-1, k) // case 2  
    else  
        return rank (A, p+1, last, k-p+first-1) // case 3  
}
```

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    pivot = A[last]  
    i = first  
    for j = first to last-1 {  
        if A[j] < pivot {  
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        }  
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    return i  
}
```

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What is the running time of the proposed algorithm?



With an idea like the implementation of randomized quicksort, the worst case is:

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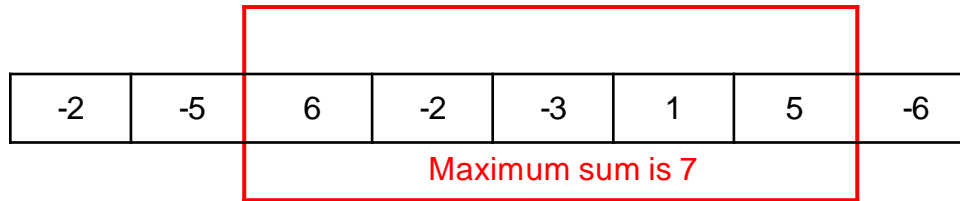
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- ❑ **Input:** You are given an array of numbers (positive and negative).
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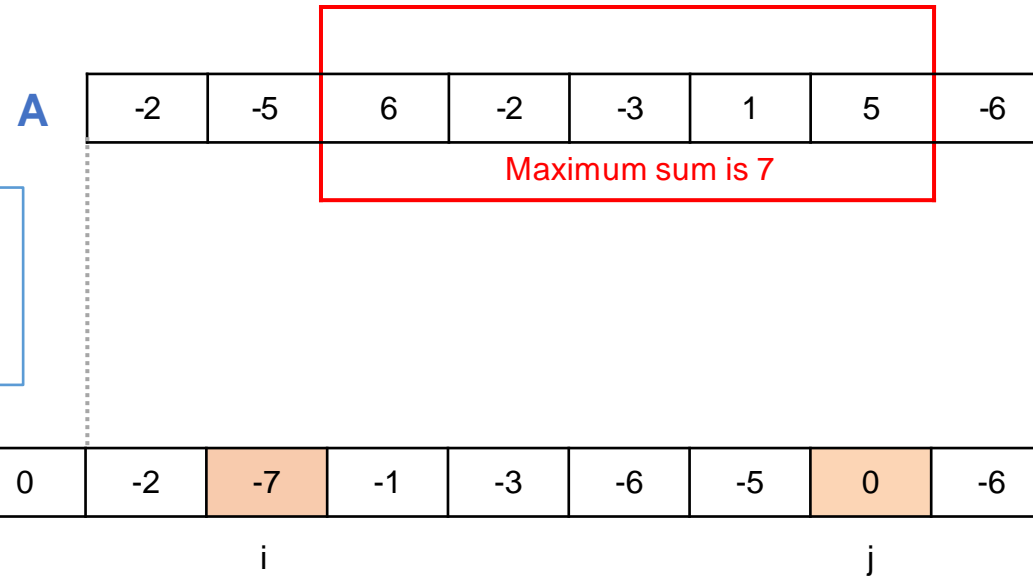


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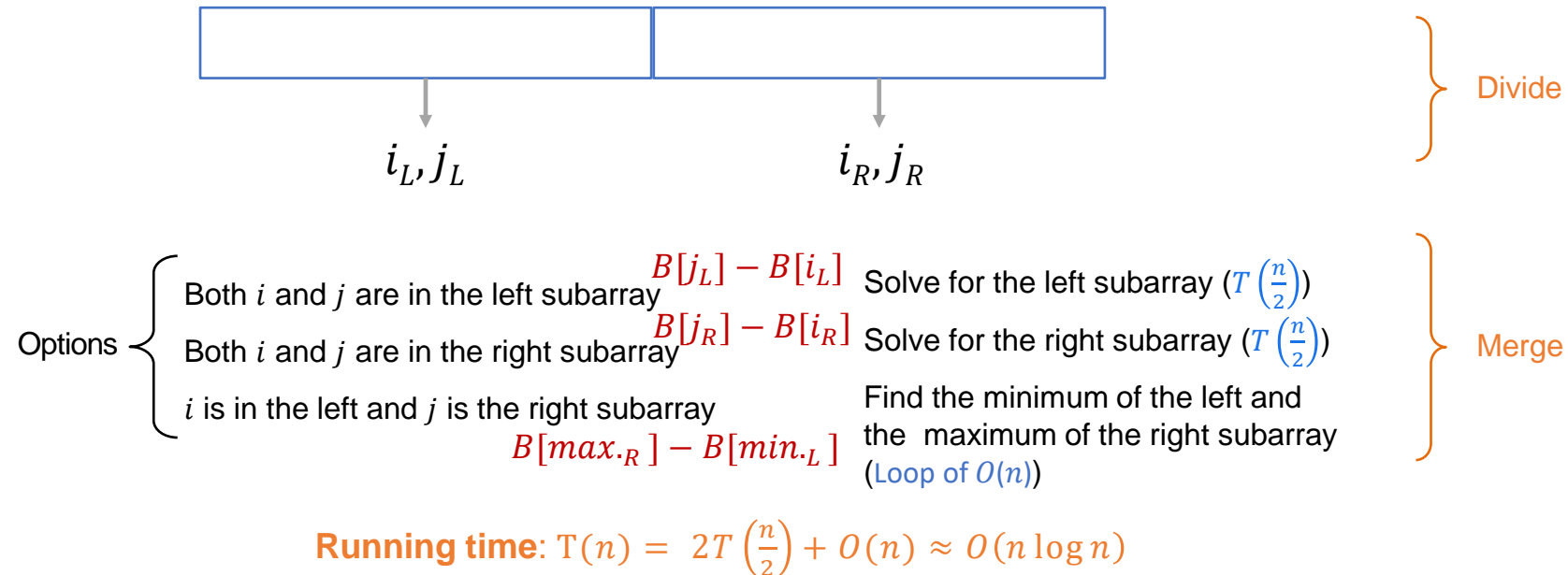


Idea:

- Let $B[0] = 0$ and $B[i] = \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} A[k]$ for $i > 0$
- Find $i < j$ to maximize $B[j] - B[i]$
- $(i, j]$ is the answer to the original problem

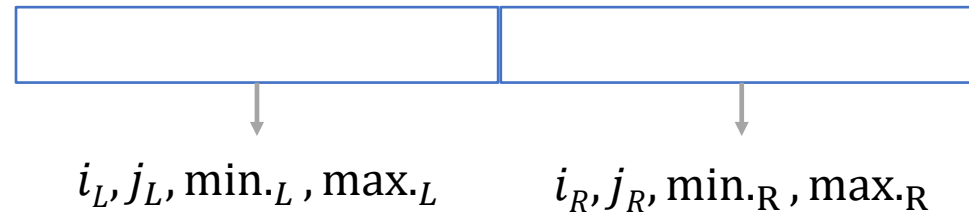
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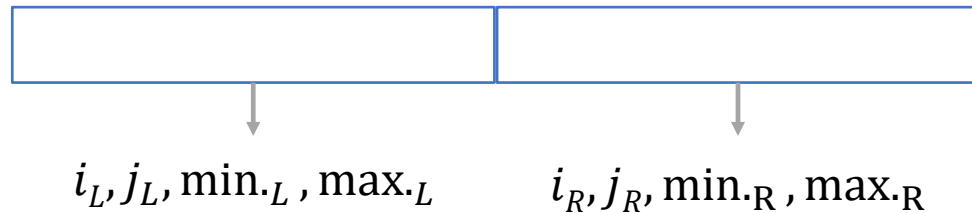
How to compute i, j, \min, \max in $O(1)$?



Running time: $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(1) \approx O(n)$

Maximum Subarray Sum

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min = \underset{m \in \{\min_L, \min_R\}}{\operatorname{argmin}} B[m] \\ \max = \underset{m \in \{\max_L, \max_R\}}{\operatorname{argmax}} B[m] \\ i \text{ and } j \text{ are selected based on maximum of } B[j_L] - B[i_L], B[j_R] - B[i_R] \text{ and } B[\max_R] - B[\min_L] \end{array} \right.$$

Running time: $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(1) \approx O(n)$

Divide

Merge

```
best_index(B, first, last){
    if first >= last
        return first, first, first, first

    mid = (first + last)/2
    iL, jL, minL, maxL = best_index(B, first, mid)
    iR, jR, minR, maxR = best_index(B, mid+1, last)

    if B[minL] < B[minR]    // Finding minimum
        min = minL
    else
        min = minR

    if B[maxL] > B[maxR]    // Finding maximum
        max = maxL
    else
        max = maxR

    if B[jL]-B[iL] > B[jR]-B[iR] and B[jL]-B[iL] > B[maxR]-B[minL]
        i = iL, j = jL
    else if B[jR]-B[iR] > B[maxR] - B[minL]    // Finding i and j
        i = iR, j = jR
    else
        i = minL, j = maxR

    return i, j, min, max
}
```

Polynomial Multiplication

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- **Input:** You are given two polynomial $A(x)$ and $B(x)$ of order n
- **Goal:** Find $C(x) = A(x) \times B(x)$

Fact: Polynomial $A(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$ of order n can be represented by an array of size $n + 1$

$A(x) = 1 + 2x^2 - 4x^3$ can be represented by array (1, 0, 2, -4)

Example:

- $A(x) = 1 + 2x^2 - 4x^3$
- $B(x) = -1 + x - x^3$
- $C(x) = A(x) \times B(x) = -1 + x - 2x^2 + 5x^3 - 4x^4 - 2x^5 + 4x^6$

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Since $c_k = \sum_{i=0}^k a_i b_{k-i}$ each c_k can be computed in $O(n)$

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$$A(x) = A_0(x) + A_1(x)x^{\frac{n}{2}}$$

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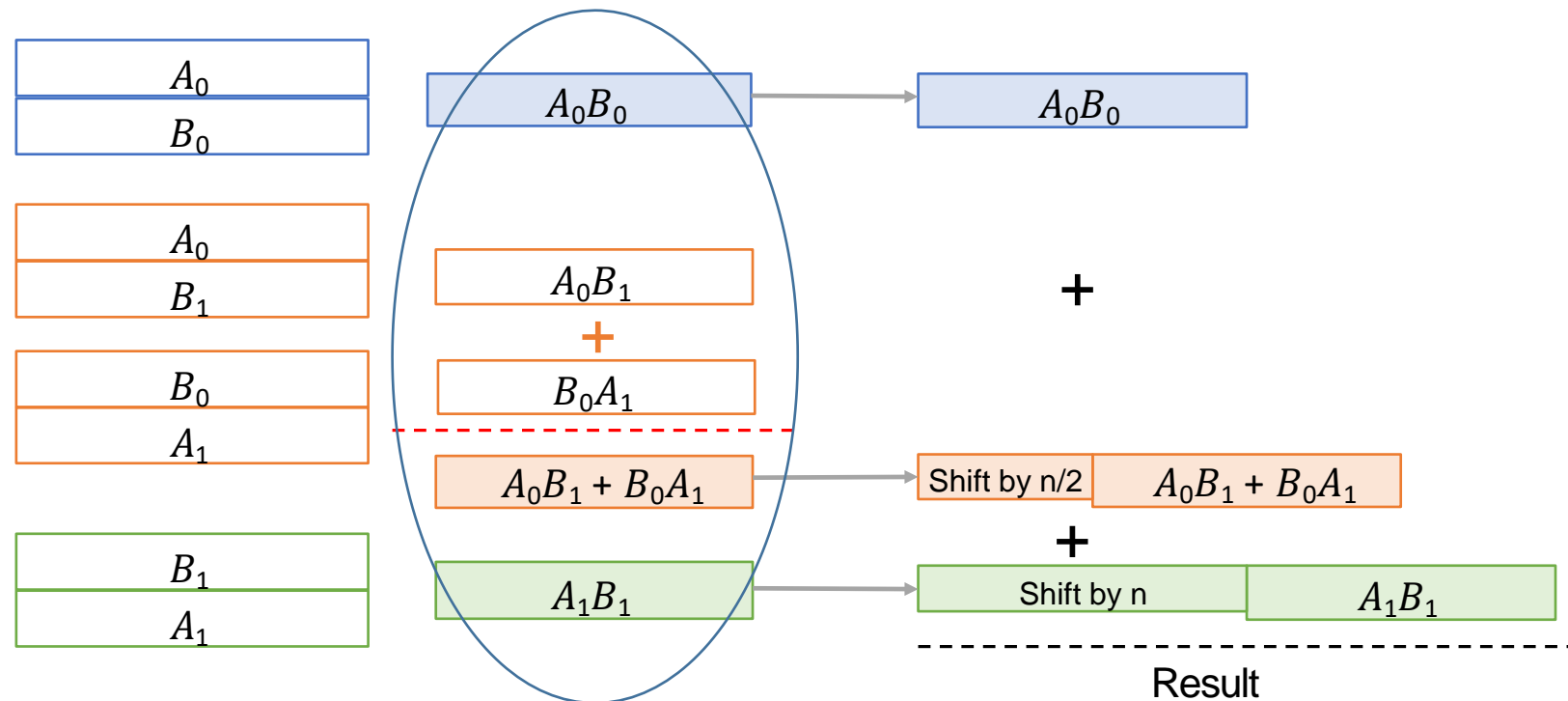
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Bottleneck is the number of sub-problems. How to reduce them?

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Idea: One can write $A_1B_0 + A_0B_1$ as $(A_1+A_0)(B_0+B_1) - A_0B_0 - A_1B_1$.
This reduces the number of sub-problems to three:

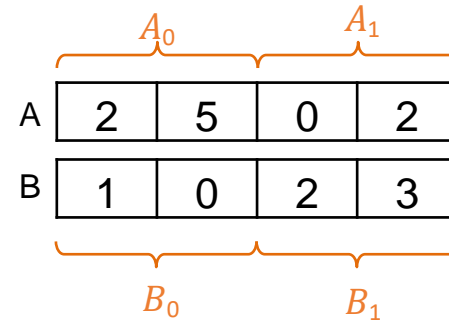
- A_0B_0
- A_1B_1
- $(A_0 + A_1)(B_0 + B_1)$

Running time: $T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n) \approx O(n^{\log_2 3}) \approx O(n^{1.58})$

Polynomial Multiplication - Example

- **Input:** You are given two polynomial $A(x)$ and $B(x)$ of order n
- **Goal:** Find $C(x) = A(x) \times B(x)$

- $A(x) = 2 + 5x + 2x^3$
- $B(x) = 1 + 2x^2 + 3x^3$



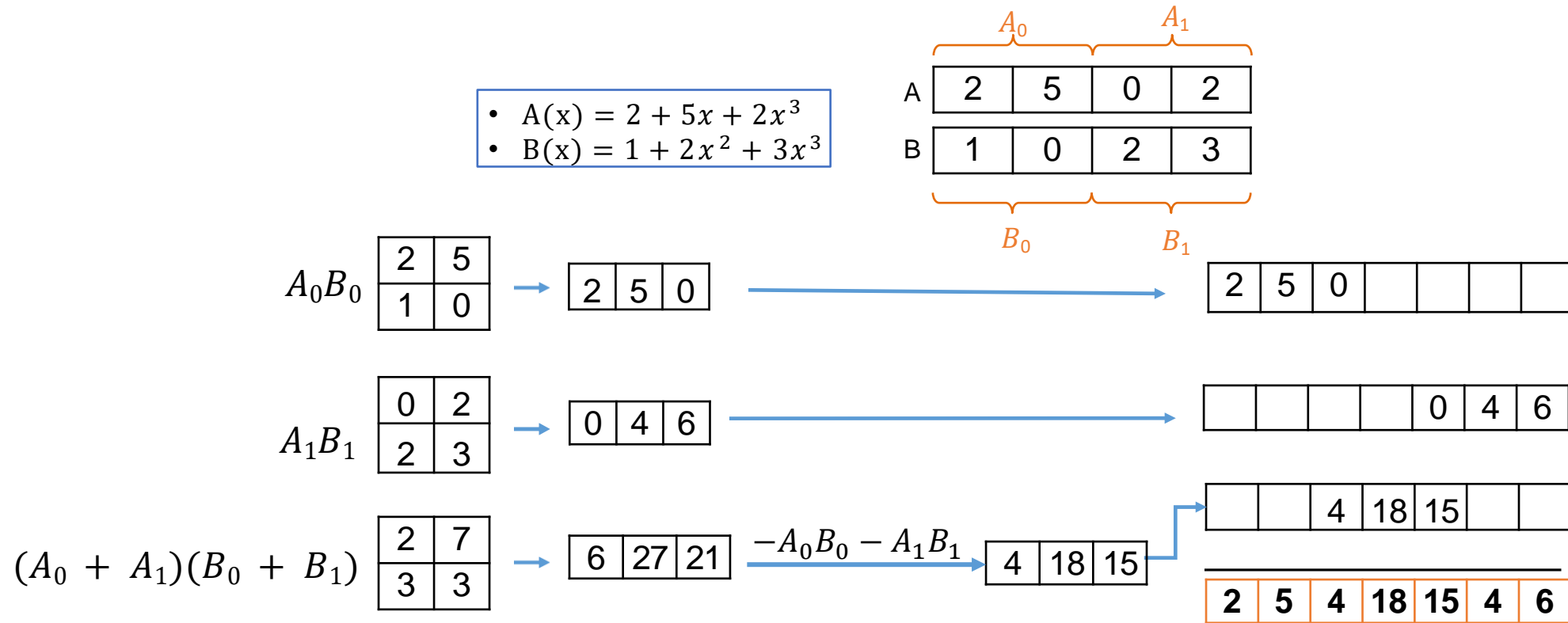
$$A_0 B_0 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & 5 \\ \hline 1 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 2 & 5 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$A_1 B_1 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 0 & 2 \\ \hline 2 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & 4 & 6 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$(A_0 + A_1)(B_0 + B_1) \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & 7 \\ \hline 3 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 6 & 27 & 21 \\ \hline \end{array} \xrightarrow{-A_0 B_0 - A_1 B_1} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 4 & 18 & 15 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Polynomial Multiplication - Example

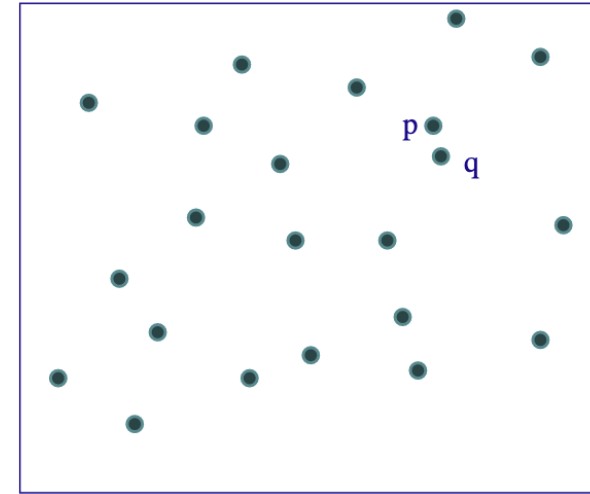
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Closest Pair of Points

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- ❑ **Input:** You are given an array of n points.
- ❑ **Goal:** Find the closest pair of points



I can solve it in $O(n^2)$



Check all pairs and
choose the best one!

Can you design a faster one?



Closest Pair of Points

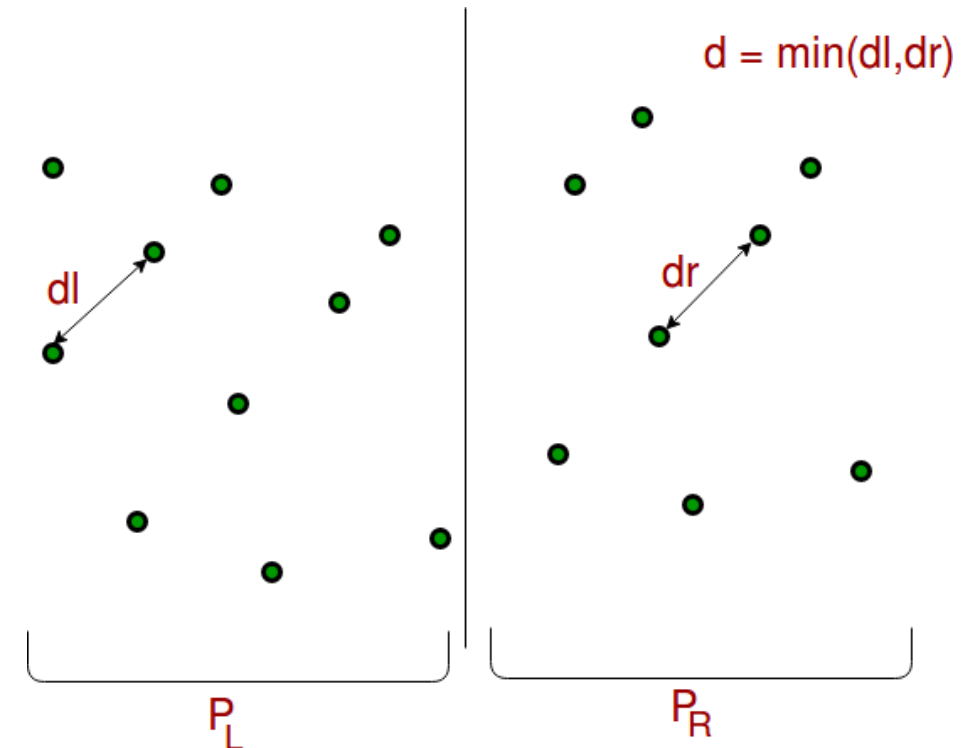
□ Let's try the divide and conquer idea!

1. Assume points are sorted based on their x value
2. Divide points into half (boundary is $x=M$)
3. dL = best solution for the left
4. dR = best solution for the right
5. $d = \min(dL, dR)$

○ Is d the right answer?

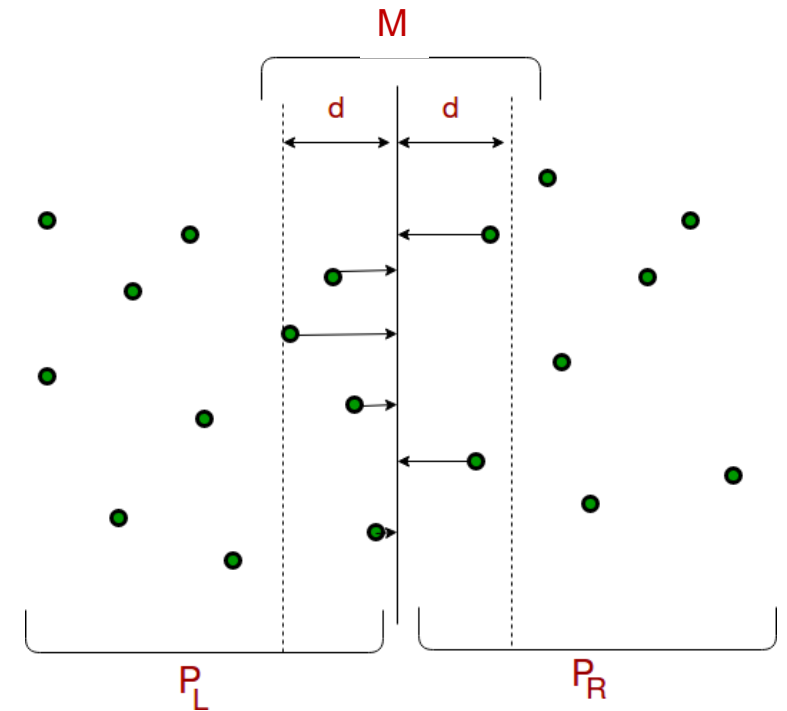
Options {

- Both points are in the left (**recursive**)
- Both points are in the right (**recursive**)
- One point is in the left and the other one in the right (**How to find in $O(n)$?**)



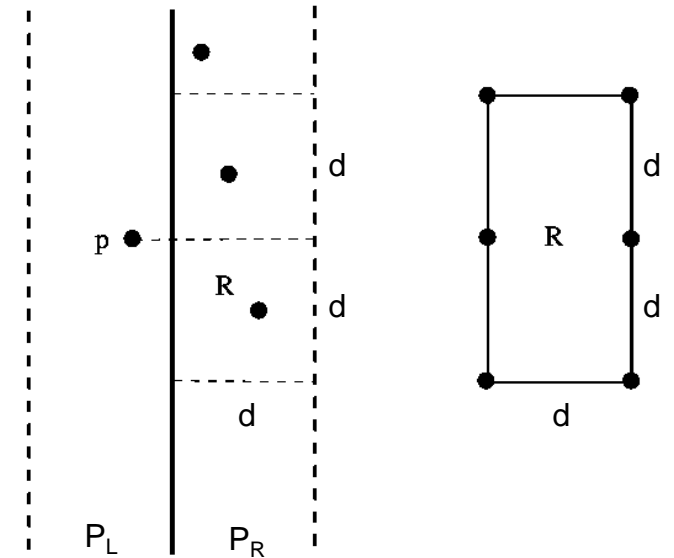
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Divide

Merge

Closest Pair of Points - Implementation

❑ Main idea: Preprocess

➤ Maintain three arrays:

- P : original points
- X : index of points assuming they're sorted based on their x value
- Y : index of points assuming they're sorted based on their y value

❑ We can build X and Y in $O(n \log n)$ in the preprocess phase.

How to implement the algorithm
based on this above idea?



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Handling corner cases properly

- $M = P[X[n/2]].x$
- We can easily divide array P , X , and Y with a simple loop. For example for array Y , here is the solution:

```
for i = 1 to n
  if P[Y[i]].x < M
    Add Y[i] to Y_l
  else
    Add Y[i] to Y_r
```

- Note that we prepare P_l , X_l , and Y_l for the left sub-problem, and P_r , X_r , Y_r for the right sub-problem.

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for i = 1 to n
  if P[Y[i]].x < M
    Add Y[i] to Y_l
  else if P[Y[i]].x > M
    Add Y[i] to Y_r
  else if P[Y[i]].x == M and Y_l.length < n/2
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We can discard points in a loop. For example for array Y :

```
for i = 1 to n
  if P[Y[i]].x > M - d and P[Y[i]].x < M + d
    Add Y[i] to Y_filtered
```

Already sorted in array Y

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We can find the smallest distance in the middle region:

```
k = size of Y_filtered array
for i = 1 to k
    p1 = P[Y_filtered[i]]
    for j = i + 1 to i + 11
        if j > k
            break
        p2 = P[Y_filtered[j]]
        if distance(p1, p2) < d
            d = distance(p1, p2)
```

Running time:

- Preprocess: $O(n \log n)$
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MapReduce: A Practical Example

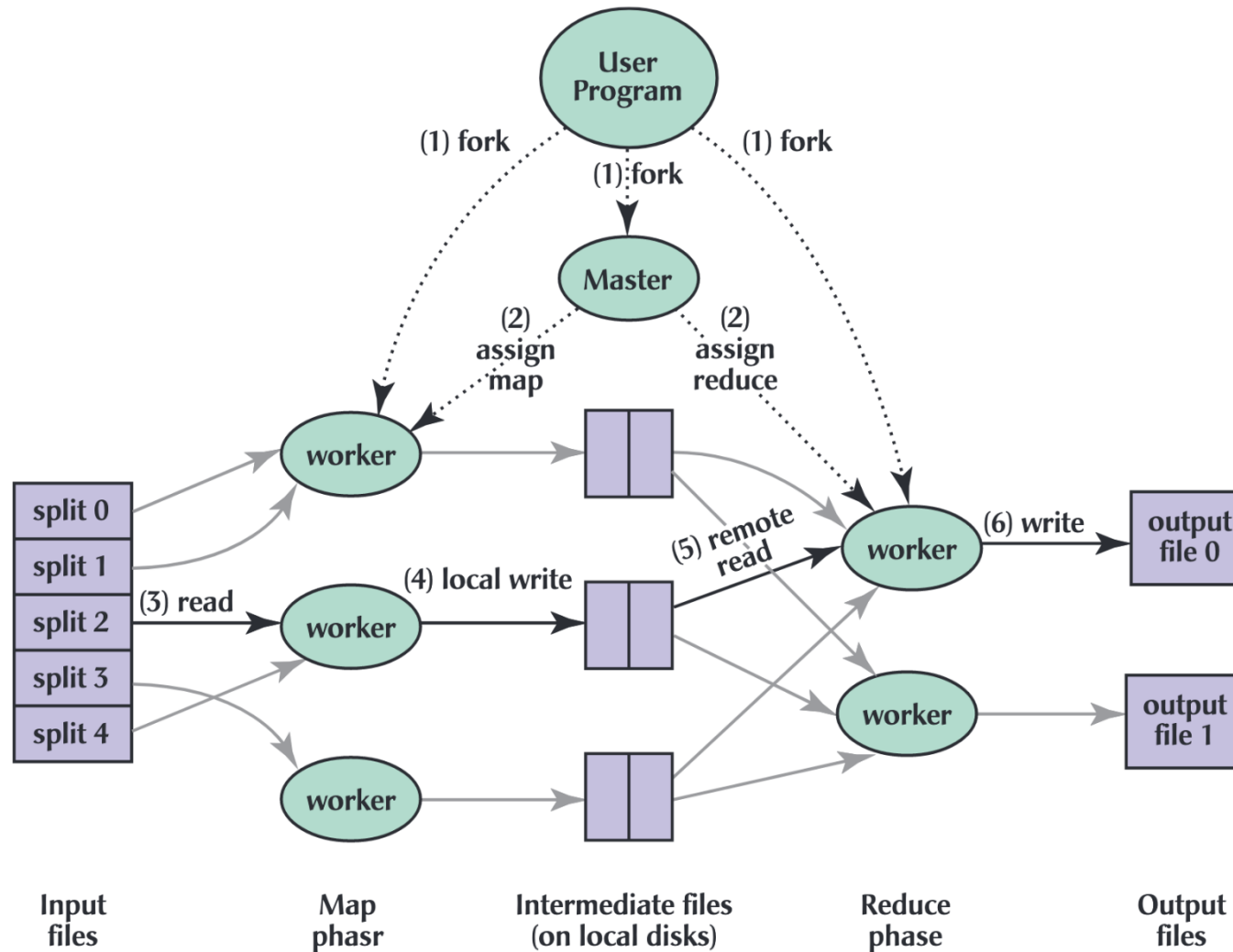
What is big data?

- ❑ How much data is actually considered *big*?
 - 1 GB, 10GB, 100GB, 1TB, ...?
- ❑ Big data means your memory is small!
- ❑ How to handle big data?
 - Sampling
 - Streaming
 - Distributing

BIG DATA



MapReduce Architecture

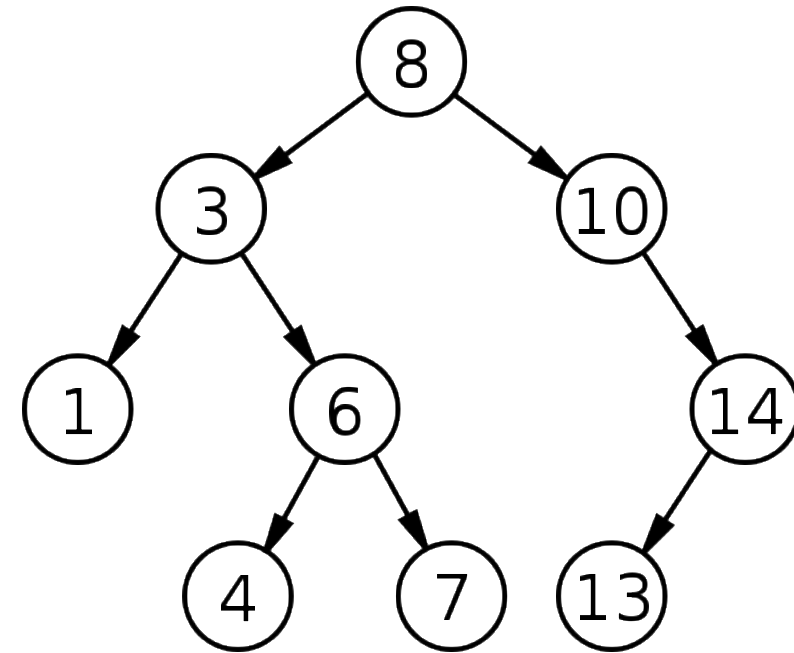


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Sample Problems

Lowest Common Ancestry in BST

- ❑ **Input:** A binary search tree (BST) T , its root node r , and two random nodes x and y in the tree.
- ❑ **Goal:** Find the lowest common ancestry of two nodes x and y in $O(\log n)$, where n is the number of nodes in the tree.
 - *Each node is a descendant of itself, so if v has a direct connection from w , w is the lowest common ancestor of v and w .*
 - Note that a parent node p has pointers to its children $p.leftChild$ and $p.rightChild$, but a child node **does not** have a pointer to its parent node.
- ❑ Recall that in a BST, the key in any node is larger than the keys in all nodes in that node's left subtree and smaller than the keys in all nodes in that node's right subtree.



Largest m Integers

- Assume that A is a very large unsorted array of integers with length n .
- Find m largest integers in A , where $m \ll n$ in less than $O(n \log n)$.
- Also, the amount of additional memory that you are given is $O(1)$.

Find The Largest Ratio

- ❑ You are given an array of n positive numbers $A[1], A[2], \dots, A[n]$.
- ❑ Give a divide and conquer algorithm to find indices $i < j$ such that $\frac{A[j]}{A[i]}$ is maximized.
- ❑ Your algorithm should run in $O(n)$ time.