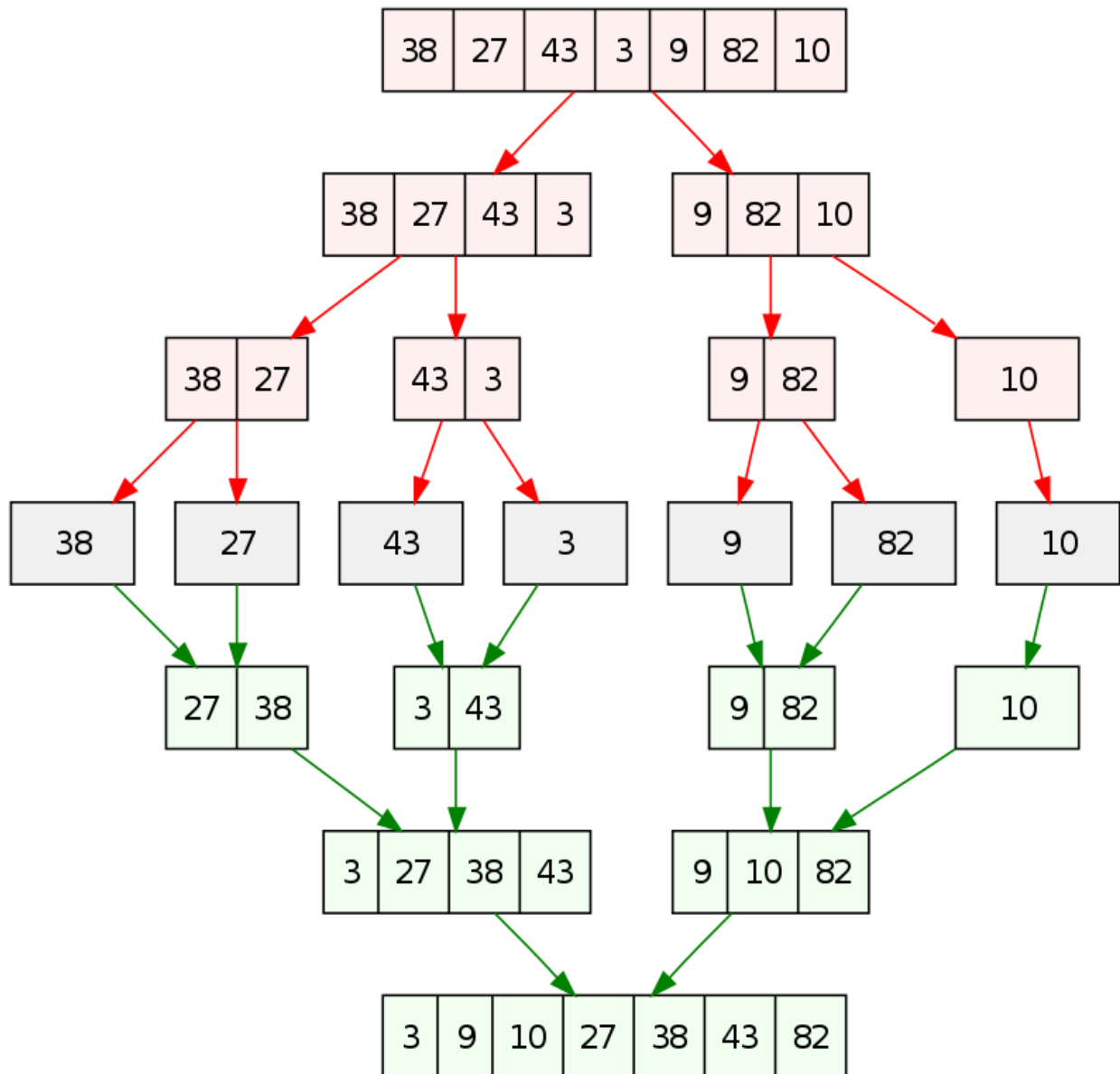


# Divide and Conquer

Overview:



1. **Divide:** This involves dividing the problem into smaller sub-problems.
2. **Conquer:** Solve sub-problems by calling recursively until solved.

3. **Combine:** Combine the sub-problems to get the final solution of the whole problem.

❤️ Quick Sort | Merge Sort | Closest Pair of Points

```
DAC(a, i, j)
{
    if(small(a, i, j))
        return(Solution(a, i, j))
    else
        m = divide(a, i, j)           // f1(n)
        b = DAC(a, i, mid)            // T(n/2)
        c = DAC(a, mid+1, j)          // T(n/2)
        d = combine(b, c)              // f2(n)
    return(d)
}
```

**Recurrence Relation (Time Complexity)**    ✓ Master method|

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n \text{ is small} \\ f1(n) + 2T(n/2) + f2(n) & \end{cases}$$

**Video Explanation**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Rr2tW9zvRg>

**Practice Sets:**

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