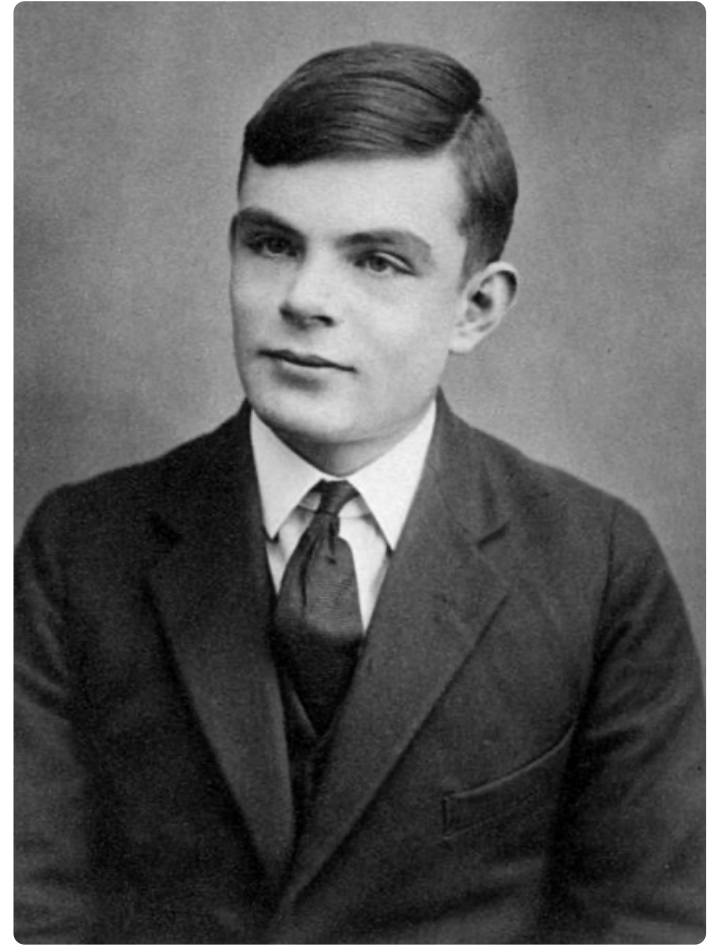




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Highlights

Awesome TA's

2 midterms, final
weekly homework

drop lowest 20% of HW scores

late/resubmit HW policy

Part I.

You already know TCS

- counting
- over/under

Counting



Counting

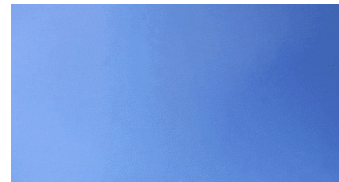
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RHS much more efficient than LHS
"unary"

$$0, 1, 2, \dots, 10^{10} - 1$$

Decimal notation: 10^k #'s w/ k digits

Combinatorial
explosion!



Over/under

guess # between 1 and 100

50	over
75	under
63	over
69	under
65	over
66	over
61	over

} 8 rounds

64

over

Slow algo:

for $i=1, 2, \dots, 100$, guess i



FAST

50

under

over

25

75

under

over

under

over

12

38

63

88

rounds?

$\log_2(100)$

≥ 6

≤ 7

$2^6 = 64$

$2^7 = 128$

1 2 3 4

exponentials

$$2^n = \underbrace{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot 2}_{n \text{ times}}$$

logarithms

"logarithm (base 2) of n"

$$\log_2 n \text{ s.t. } \underline{\underline{2^{\log_2 n}}} = n$$

also: $\log_e n$ (aka $\ln$)

$\log_{10} n$

$\log_b n$ for some $b > 1$

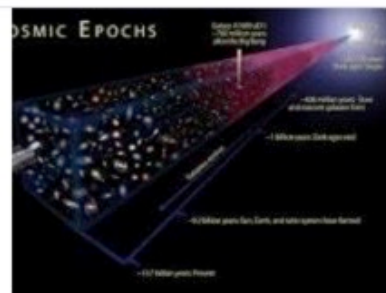
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10^{82} atoms

At this level, it is estimated that there are between 10^{78} to 10^{82} **atoms** in the known, observable **universe**. In layman's terms, that works out to between ten quadrillion vigintillion and one-hundred thousand quadrillion vigintillion **atoms**. Jul 30, 2009

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$$\log_2(\# \text{atoms}) = \log_2(10^{82}) = 82 \log_2(10)$$

$$\approx 272.39$$

$$\approx 3.32$$

$$\log_2(\log_2(\# \text{ atoms}))$$

$$\approx \log_2(272.39)$$

$$\approx 8.689$$

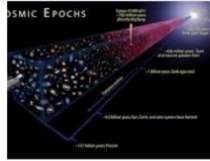
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10⁸² atoms

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &\log_2(\# \text{ atoms}) \\
 &= \log_2(10^{82}) \\
 &= 82 \log_2(10) \\
 &\approx 272.398
 \end{aligned}$$

TCS is about distinguishing

2^n ,
combinatorial
explosion

vs

$\log_2 n$,
binary search

Part II: Sorting

INEFFECTIVE SORTS

```
DEFINE HALFHEARTEDMERGESORT(LIST):  
  IF LENGTH(LIST) < 2:  
    RETURN LIST  
  PIVOT = INT(LENGTH(LIST) / 2)  
  A = HALFHEARTEDMERGESORT(LIST[:PIVOT])  
  B = HALFHEARTEDMERGESORT(LIST[PIVOT:])  
  // UMMMMM  
  RETURN [A, B] // HERE. SORRY.
```

```
DEFINE FASTBOGOSORT(LIST):  
  // AN OPTIMIZED BOGOSORT  
  // RUNS IN  $O(N \log N)$   
  FOR N FROM 1 TO LOG(LENGTH(LIST)):  
    SHUFFLE(LIST):  
    IF ISSORTED(LIST):  
      RETURN LIST  
  RETURN "KERNEL PAGE FAULT (ERROR CODE: 2)"
```

```
DEFINE JOBSITEINTERVIEWQUICKSORT(LIST):  
  OK SO YOU CHOOSE A PIVOT  
  THEN DIVIDE THE LIST IN HALF  
  FOR EACH HALF:  
    CHECK TO SEE IF IT'S SORTED  
    NO, WAIT, IT DOESN'T MATTER  
    COMPARE EACH ELEMENT TO THE PIVOT  
    THE BIGGER ONES GO IN A NEW LIST  
    THE EQUAL ONES GO INTO, UH  
    THE SECOND LIST FROM BEFORE  
    HANG ON, LET ME NAME THE LISTS  
    THIS IS LIST A  
    THE NEW ONE IS LIST B  
    PUT THE BIG ONES INTO LIST B  
    NOW TAKE THE SECOND LIST  
    CALL IT LIST, UH, A2  
    WHICH ONE WAS THE PIVOT IN?  
    SCRATCH ALL THAT  
    IT JUST RECURSIVELY CALLS ITSELF  
    UNTIL BOTH LISTS ARE EMPTY  
    RIGHT?  
    NOT EMPTY, BUT YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN  
    AM I ALLOWED TO USE THE STANDARD LIBRARIES?
```

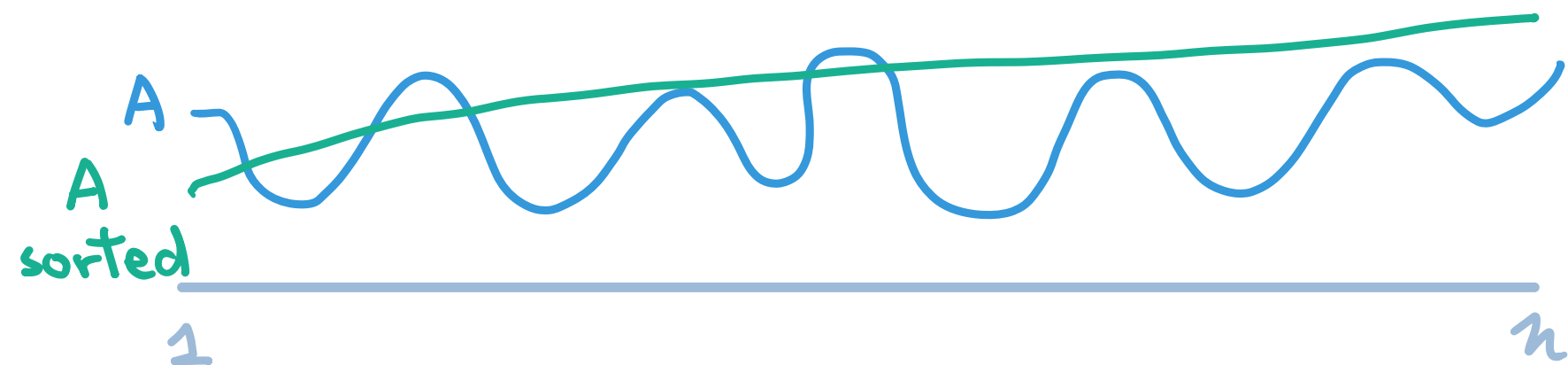
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DEFINE PANICSORT(LIST):  
  IF ISSORTED(LIST):  
    RETURN LIST  
  FOR N FROM 1 TO 10000:  
    PIVOT = RANDOM(0, LENGTH(LIST))  
    LIST = LIST[PIVOT:] + LIST[:PIVOT]  
    IF ISSORTED(LIST):  
      RETURN LIST  
  IF ISSORTED(LIST):  
    RETURN LIST  
  IF ISSORTED(LIST): // THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING  
    RETURN LIST  
  IF ISSORTED(LIST): // COME ON COME ON  
    RETURN LIST  
  // OH JEEZ  
  // I'M GONNA BE IN SO MUCH TROUBLE  
  LIST = [ ]  
  SYSTEM("SHUTDOWN -H +5")  
  SYSTEM("RM -RF ./")  
  SYSTEM("RM -RF ~/*")  
  SYSTEM("RM -RF /")  
  SYSTEM("RD /S /Q C:\*") // PORTABILITY  
  RETURN [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

Input: n numbers

✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
5, 1, 8, 9, 2, 6, 7, 4, 11, 7, 9

Goal: sorted list

1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7, 8, 9, 9, 11



Human sort

5, 1, 8, 9, 2, 6, 7, 4, 11, 7, 9



- what comes first?
- what comes second?

1, 2, 3

5, 1, 8, 9, 2, 6, 7, 4, 11, 7, 9

$$\frac{n}{2} \times \frac{n}{2} \geq \frac{n^2}{4}$$

 - what comes first?
- what comes second?

$$\overbrace{n + (n-1) + (n-2) + \frac{n}{2} + 1}^{h/2} \geq \frac{n^2}{4}$$



builds sorted list from beginning to end.

each time, we scan the list of n inputs

n iterations
 $\times$ n items scanned per iteration

$\approx n^2$ time

Big-O

n	iterations
$\times n$	items scanned per iteration
n^2	time

" $O(n^2)$ ": there exists constants N , c > 0 s.t.

for all $n > N$, the algorithm terminates in
at most cn^2 steps

WTF "step"?! varies by computer, language, ~
low-level details only effect the constant

$O(m)$ hides the constant so we can develop a
general THEORY OF ALGORITHMS

Human sort: $O(n^2)$ time
(aka selection sort)

Better?

n^2 = each # is compared to every other #

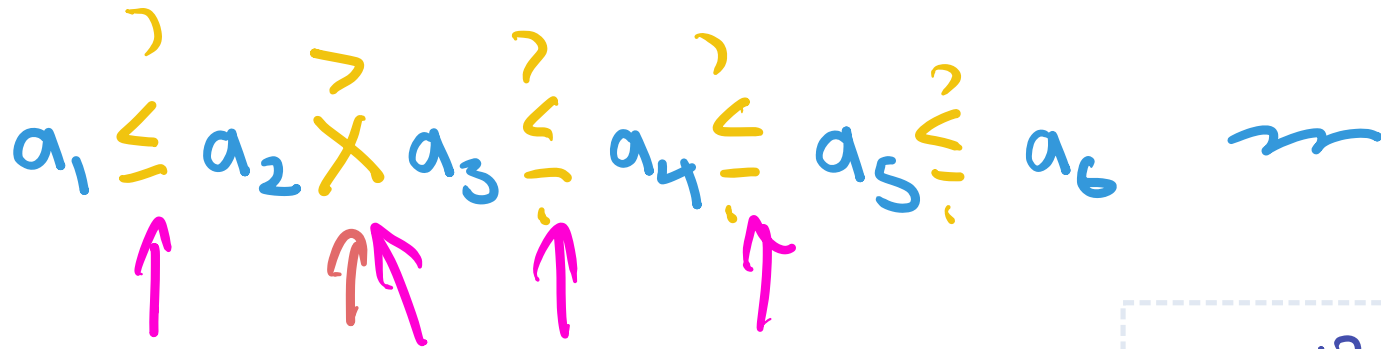
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do we really need all comparisons?

Slightly different perspective: verification

given array $A[1 \sim n]$ that is supposedly sorted

how long does it take to verify A is sorted?



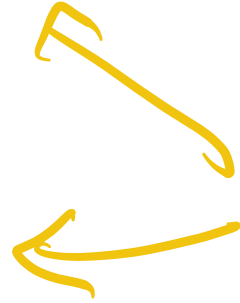
$O(n)$

sorted? ($A[1 \sim n]$)

- ① for $i=1, \dots, n-1$
 - ⓐ if $A[i] > A[i+1]$
 - ① return False
 - ② return True

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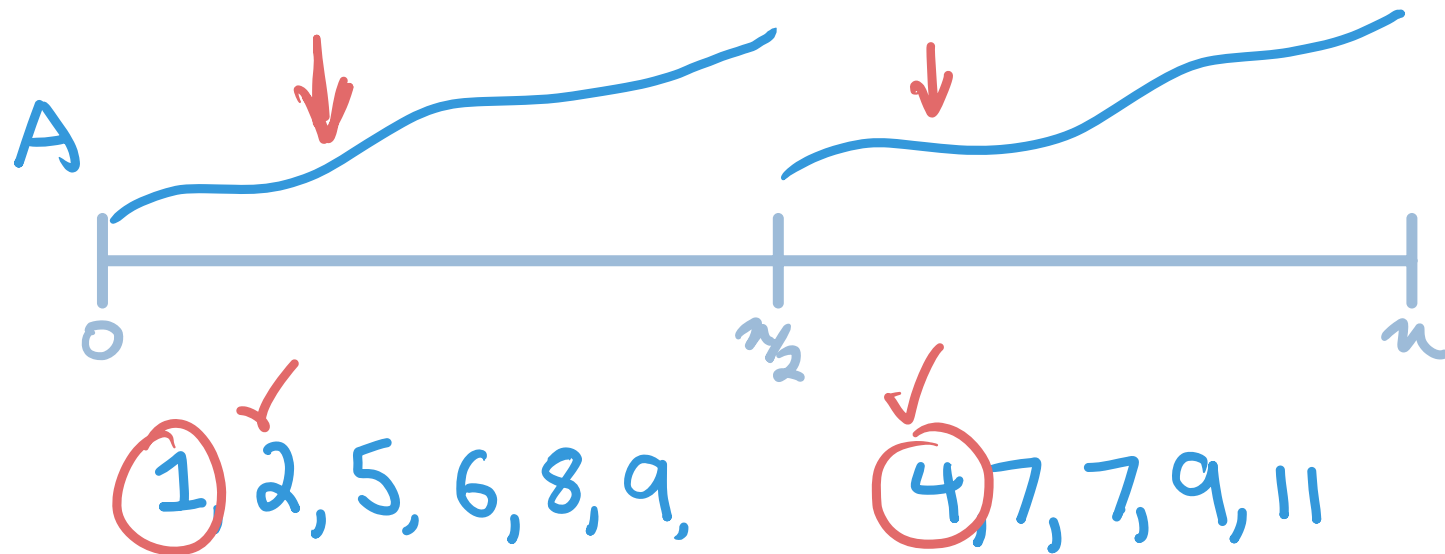
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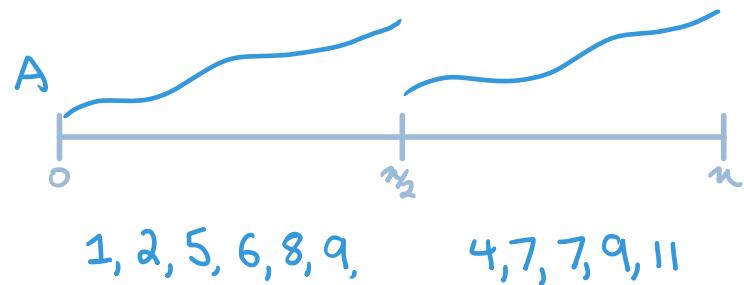
1 2 4

n iterations

$O(1)$ time per iteration

$O(n)$

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- declares input/output of algo
- "contract" algo must fulfill
- induction hypothesis for proofs of correctness

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/ In the general case, we divide the input in half and recursively sort each half. */*

2. Let $m = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$.

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③ Prove correctness

argue algo satisfies recursive spec for all n
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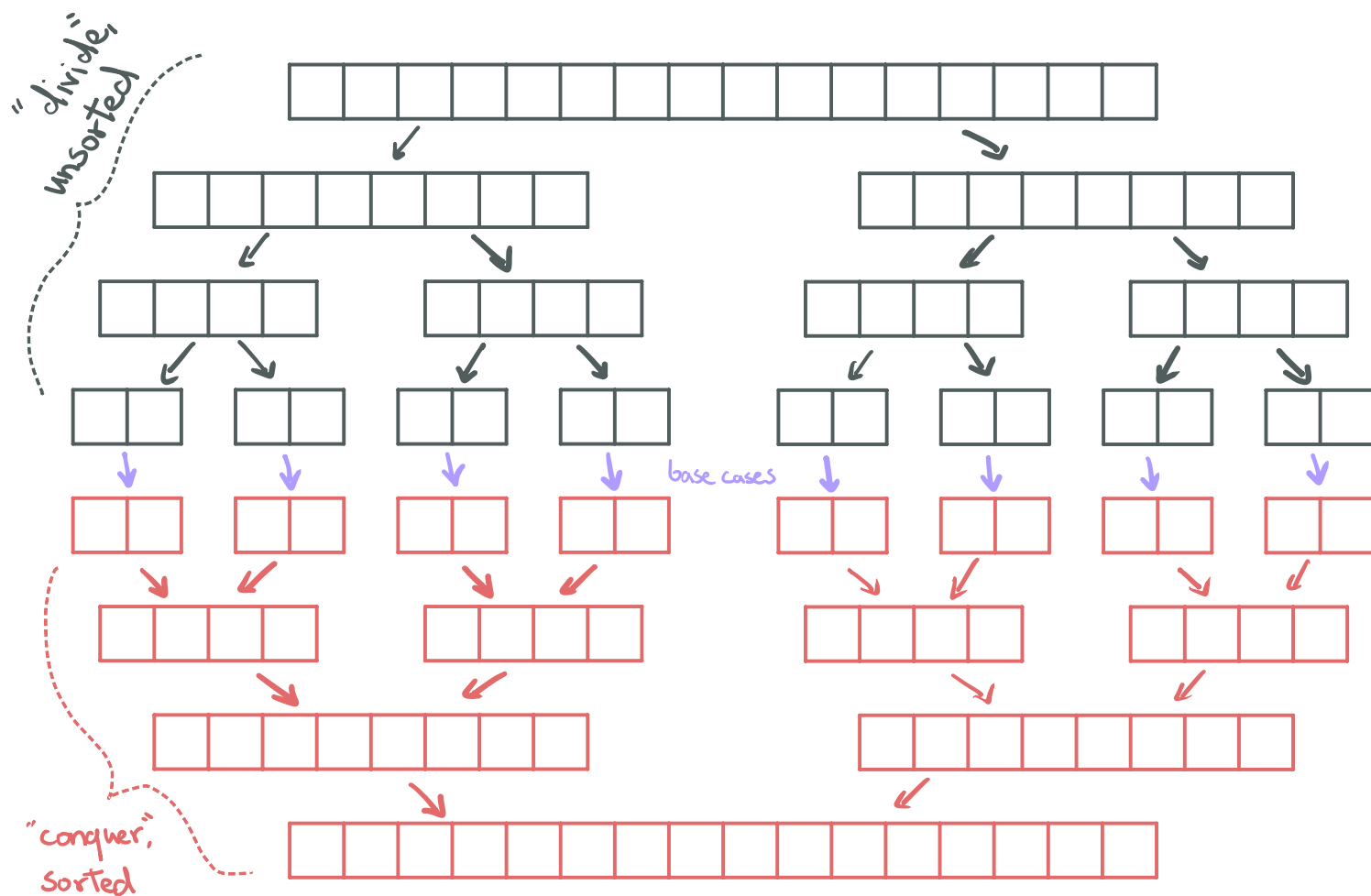
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Running time analysis

$T(n)$ = time for input of size n

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n \leq 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + O(n) & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

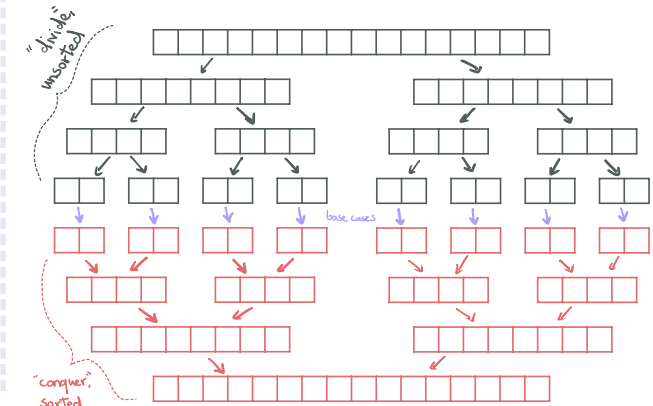
$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + O(n) \\ &\approx \underline{\underline{2T(n/2) + O(n)}} \end{aligned}$$

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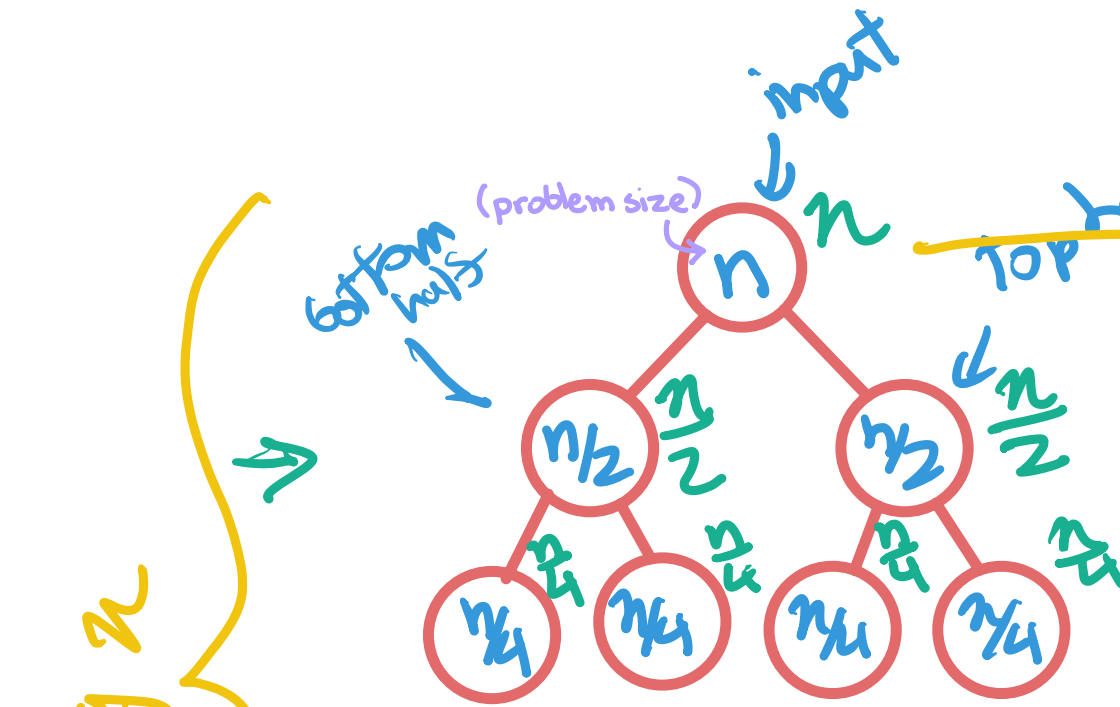


$$T(n/2)$$

Recursion tree

$$\underline{T(1) = T(0) = 1}$$

$$\underline{T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)}$$



$$\frac{\text{Work}}{n}$$

$$n$$

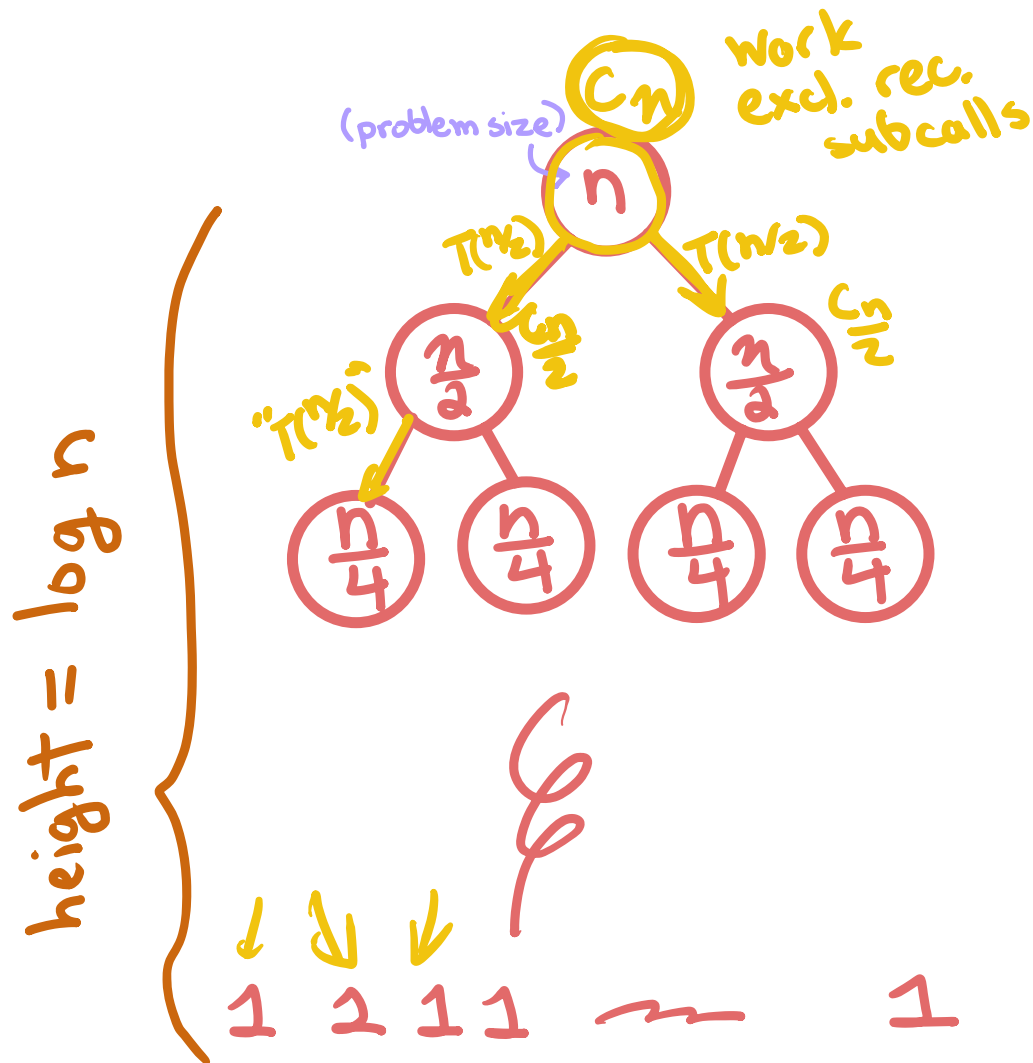
$$n$$

$$+ 2^i \cdot \frac{n}{2^i} = n$$

$$1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad \sim \quad 1$$

$$O(n \log n)$$

Recursion tree



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Work

$$Cn \quad Cn$$

$$\frac{Cn}{2} + \frac{Cn}{2} = Cn \quad Cn$$

$$4 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{4}\right) = n \quad Cn$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2^k \cdot \frac{n}{2^k} = n \end{array} \right. \quad Cn$$

$$+ n \cdot 1 = n$$

$$Cn \times \log(n) = O(n \log n)$$

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

III

Lower Bounds For Sorting

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merge-sort: $O(n \log n)$. better? optimal?

Goal: prove lower bound for all sorting algorithms

e.g. prove any correct algorithm has to take at least

$\Omega(f(n))$ time

"big-Omega"

(like $O(n)$ but for lower bounds)

Comparison model

- Input: $x_1, \dots, x_n$ comparable
- only info is via comparison queries
"is $x_i < x_j$?"

Goal lower bound # comparison Q's

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Suppose algo makes k queries
and outputs list $(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_n})$

1. $x_{i_1} < x_{j_1}?$

2. $x_{i_2} < x_{j_2}?$

3. $x_{i_3} < x_{j_3}?$

4. $x_{i_4} < x_{j_4}?$

$\vdots$

k. $x_{i_k} < x_{j_k}?$

$\Rightarrow (x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, x_{i_3}, \dots, x_{i_n})$

Comparison model

- Input: $x_1, \dots, x_n$ comparable
- only info via comparison queries
"is $x_i < x_j$?"

Goal lower bound # comparisons

• output is a function of k queries

• each query has 2 outcomes

$\Rightarrow$ at most 2^k possible outputs

meanwhile...

$n!$ possible lists

$$n! = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdot \dots \cdot 1 \geq \frac{n}{2} \cdot \frac{n}{2} \cdot \dots \cdot 1$$

$\sim \frac{n}{2}$

$$2^k \geq n!$$

$$k \geq \log_2(n!) \quad [n! \geq (\frac{n}{2})^{n/2}]$$

$$\geq \frac{n}{2} \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$$

$$k \geq \Omega(n \log n)$$

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1 $x_{i_1} < x_{j_1}$?
2 $x_{i_2} < x_{j_2}$?
3 $x_{i_3} < x_{j_3}$?
4 $x_{i_4} < x_{j_4}$?
⋮
 k $x_{i_k} < x_{j_k}$?

$\Rightarrow (x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, x_{i_3}, \dots, x_{i_n})$

- output is a function of k queries
 - each query has 2 outcomes (YES/NO)
- $\Rightarrow$ at most 2^k possible outputs

Theorem In the comparison (only) model, any (correct, deterministic) sorting algorithm makes $\Omega(n \log n)$ comparisons in the worst case.

Upper bound
 $O(n \log n)$
(mergesort)

Lower bound
 $\Omega(n \log n)$

in general (any lower bound) $\leq$ (any upper bound)

here we also have
(an upper bound) $[O(n \log n)]$ $\approx$ (some constant) $\leq$ (a lower bound) $[\Omega(n \log n)]$ for all n
indep. of n

bounds mutually certify each other to be optimal
"bounds are tight" (up to constants)

Conclusion: $n \log n$ is "right answer" for sorting in comparison model

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Homework

- Homework 0 due January 17.
- Homework 1 due January 24.
- Homework 2 due January 31.
- Homework 3 due February 7.
- Homework 4 due February 21.
- Homework 5 due February 28.
- Homework 6 due March 6.
- Homework 7 due March 20.
- Homework 8 due April 3.
- Homework 9 due April 10.
- Homework 10 due April 17.

Class schedule²

1. *January 8.* Searching and sorting, including binary search, merge sort, and lower bounds for sorting (chapter 1). *On zoom:* <https://purdue-edu.zoom.us/j/98283084796?pwd=MEE1RlhSdi9BUksyY3lCZWZhcXpNZz09>
2. *January 10.* Induction and recursion (chapter 2). *On zoom:* <https://purdue-edu.zoom.us/j/93963400762?pwd=ZVY1bXd4MGVKVDdjZn1ESkh2N2Izd09>
3. *January 12.* Catch-up day.

¹Office hours canceled on the week of January 8 due to travel.

²All future dates are tentative. Lecture materials and video recordings can be found at the end of each chapter.