



## Lecture 6

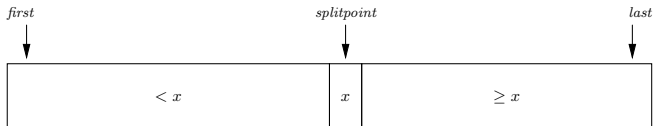
Av. case analysis of quick sort,  
divide and conquer,  
mergesort

CS 161 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

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# Pseudocode for Quicksort

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def quickSort(A,first,last):  
    if first < last:  
        splitpoint = split(A,first,last)  
        quickSort(A,first,splitpoint-1)  
        quickSort(A,splitpoint+1,last)
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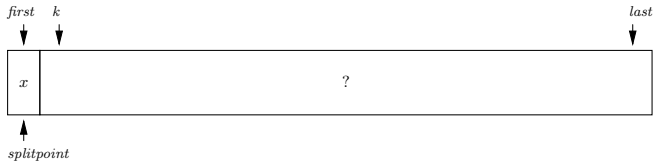
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    for k = first+1 to last do:  
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Loop invariants:

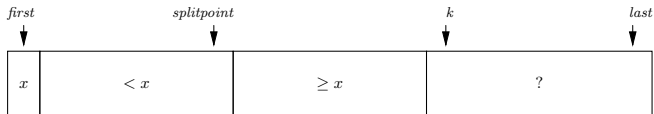
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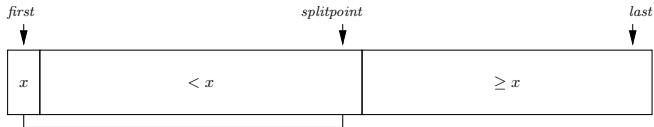
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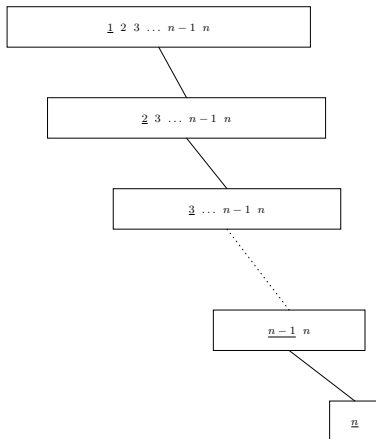
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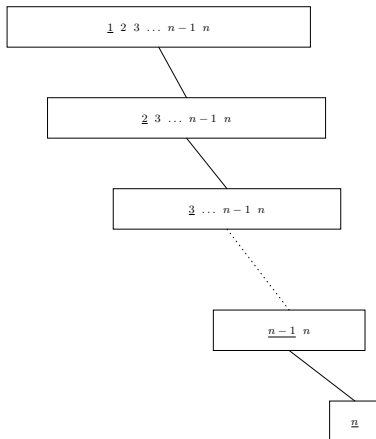


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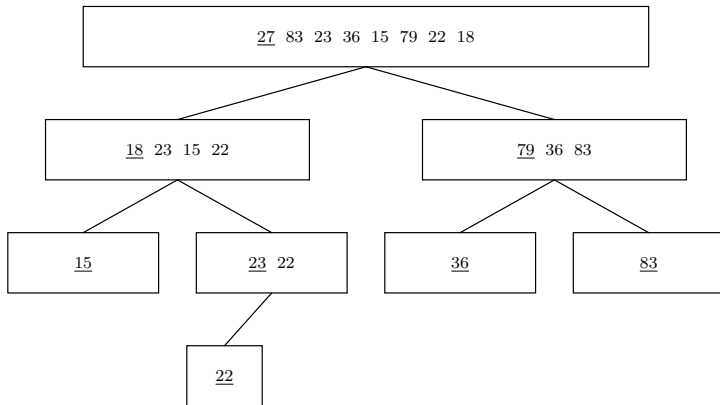
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3. Combine solution of subproblem(s) into solution of original problem

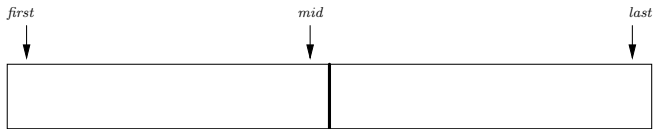
We will discuss two sorting algorithms based on this paradigm:

- ▶ Quicksort (done)
- ▶ Mergesort

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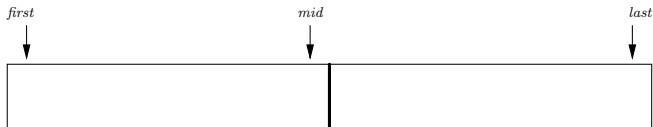
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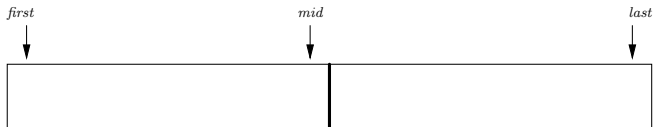
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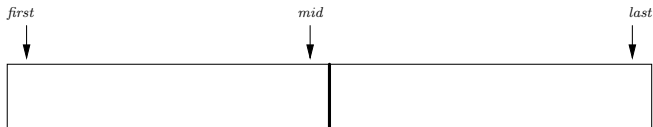
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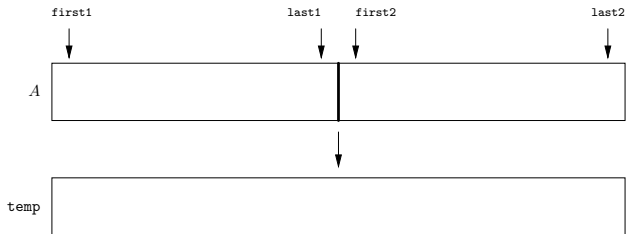
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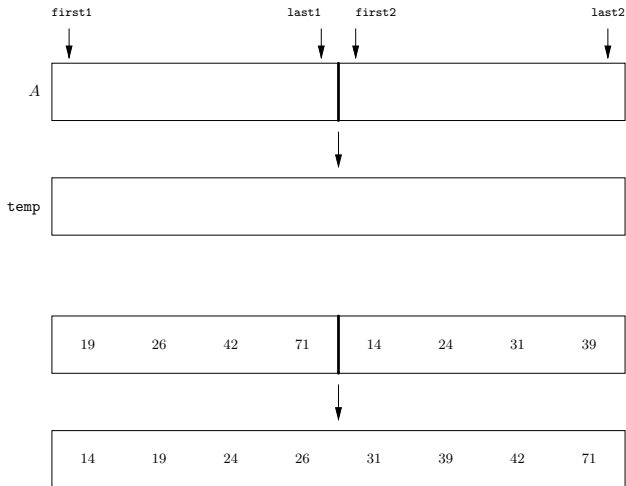
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    if first < last:  
        mid =  $\lfloor (first + last)/2 \rfloor$   
        mergeSort(A,first,mid)  
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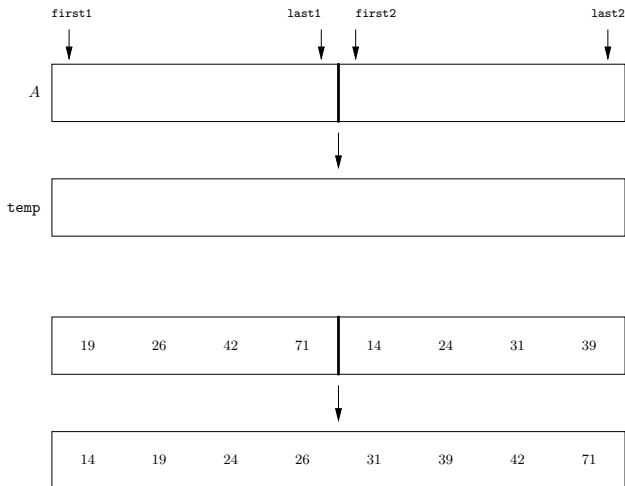
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Merging two lists of total size  $n$  requires at most  $n - 1$  comparisons.

## Code for the merge step

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    index1 = first1; index2 = first2; tempIndex = 0  
    // Merge into temp array until one input array is exhausted  
    while (index1 <= last1) and (index2 <= last2)  
        if A[index1] <= A[index2]:  
            temp[tempIndex++] = A[index1++]  
        else:  
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    // Copy appropriate trailer portion  
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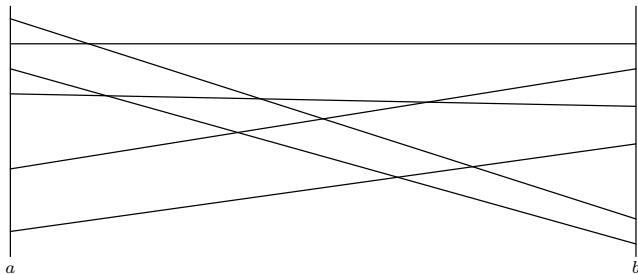
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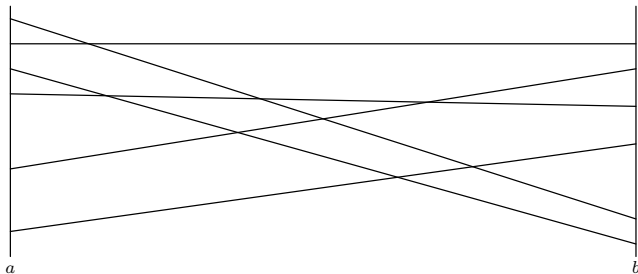
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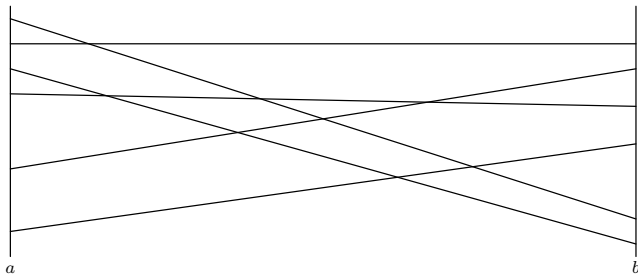
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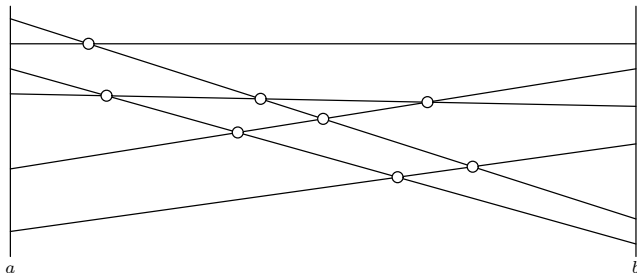




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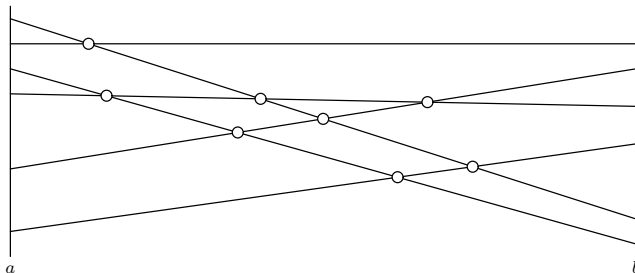
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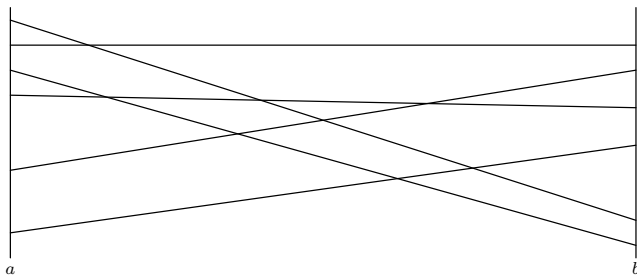
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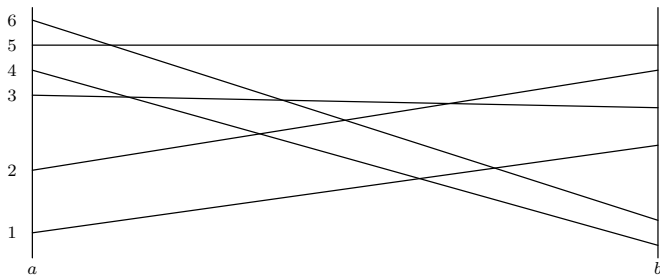
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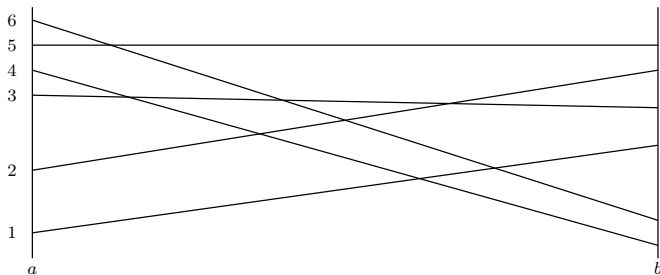
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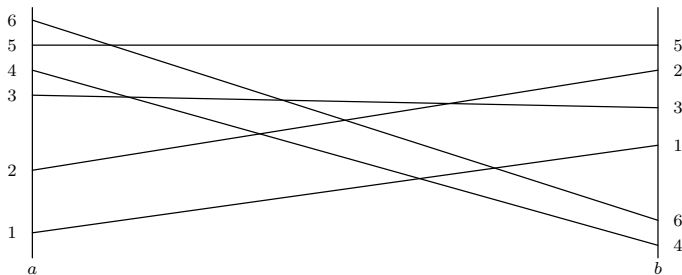
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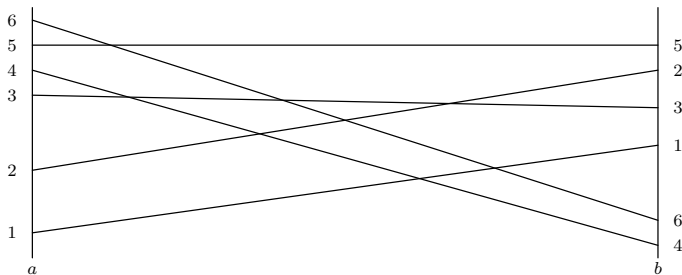
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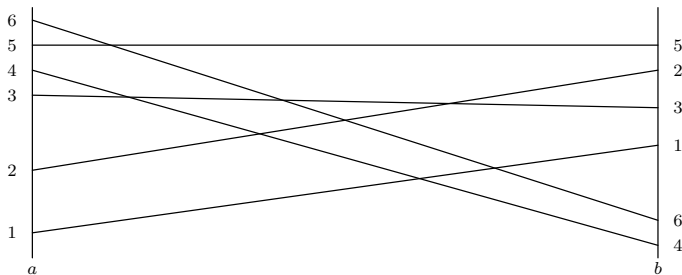
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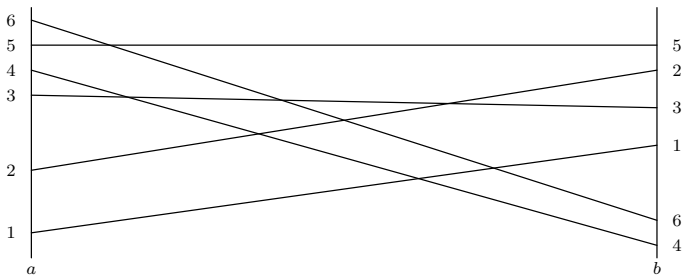
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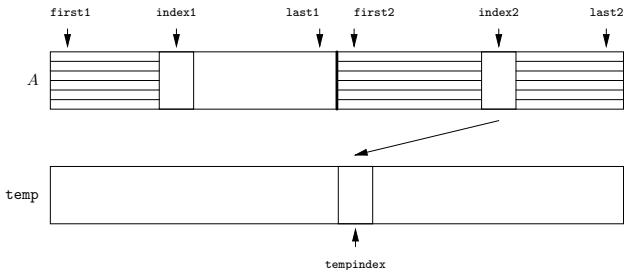
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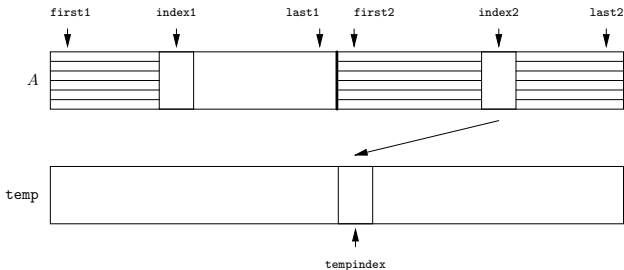
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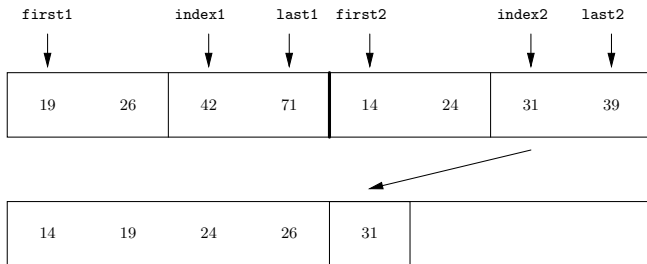


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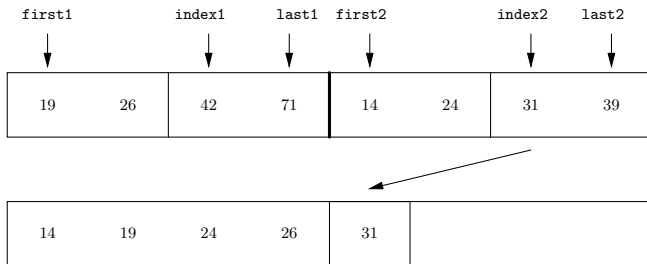
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    while (index1 <= last1) and (index2 <= last2)
        if A[index1] <= A[index2]:
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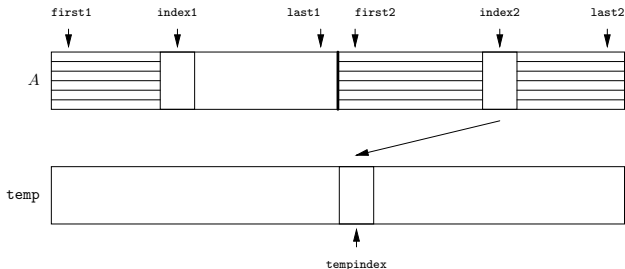
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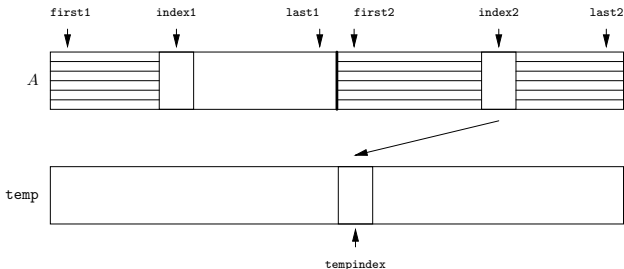
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