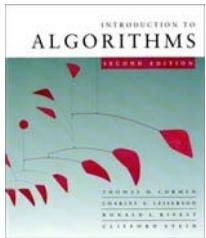


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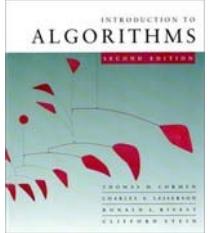


Merge sort

MERGE-SORT $A[1 \dots n]$

1. If $n = 1$, done.
2. Recursively sort $A[1 \dots \lceil n/2 \rceil]$ and $A[\lceil n/2 \rceil + 1 \dots n]$.
3. “*Merge*” the 2 sorted lists.

***Key subroutine:* MERGE**



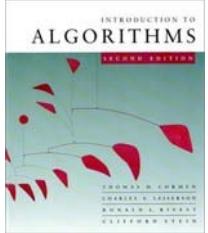
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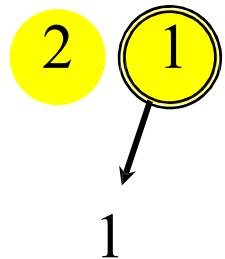


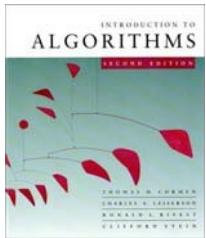
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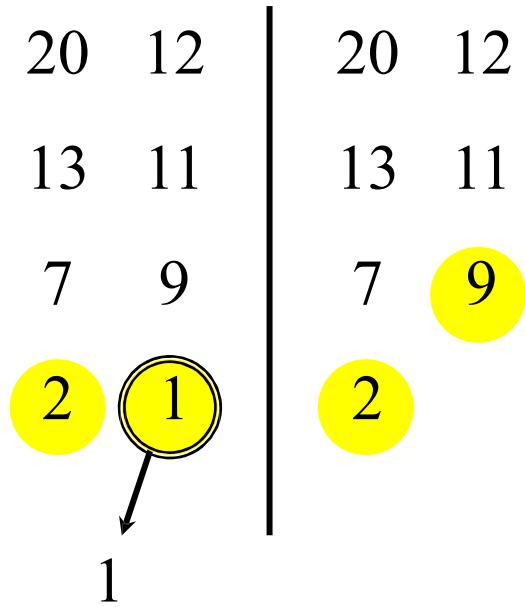
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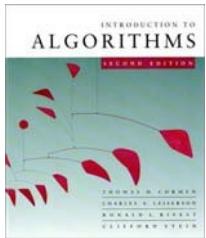
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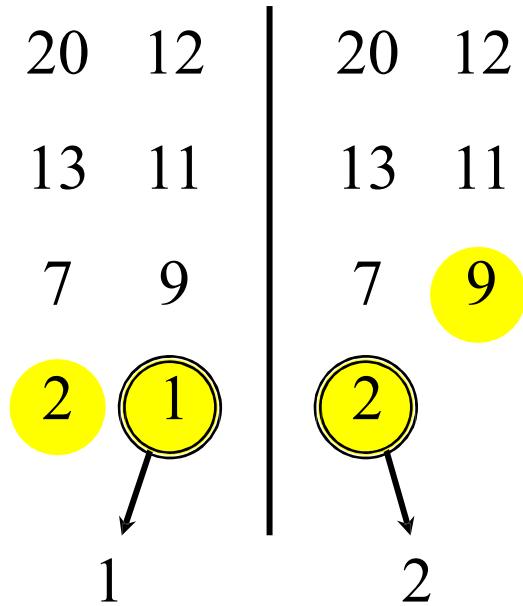


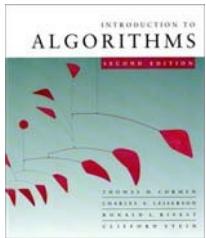
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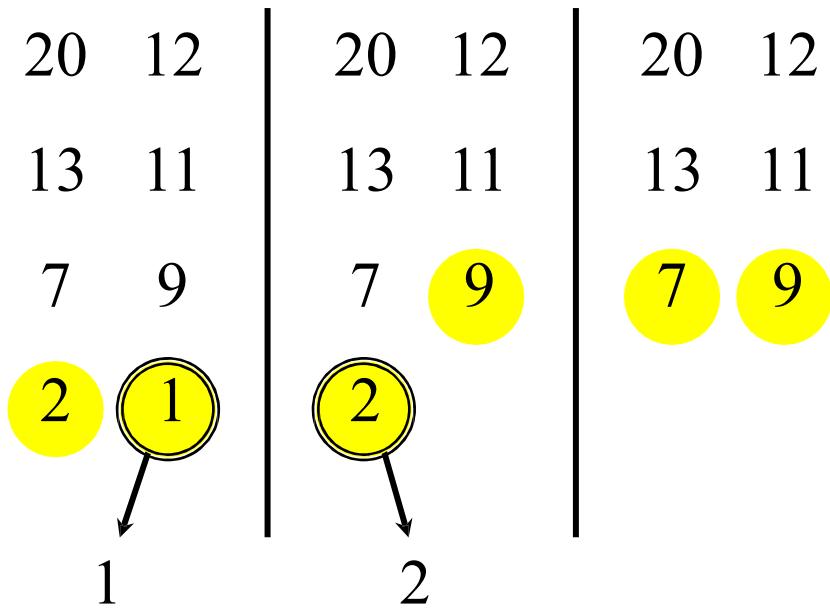


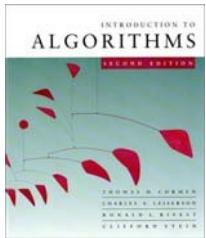
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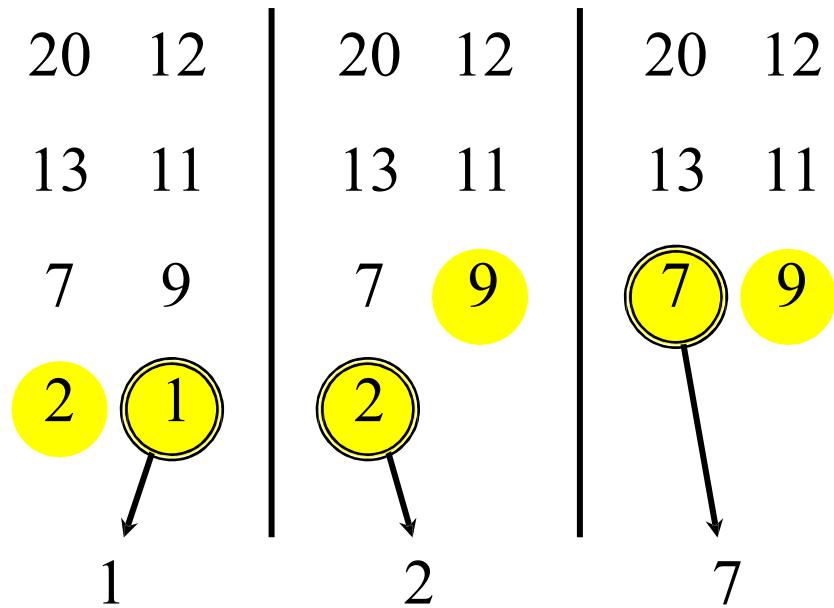


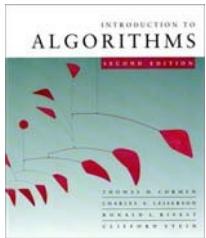
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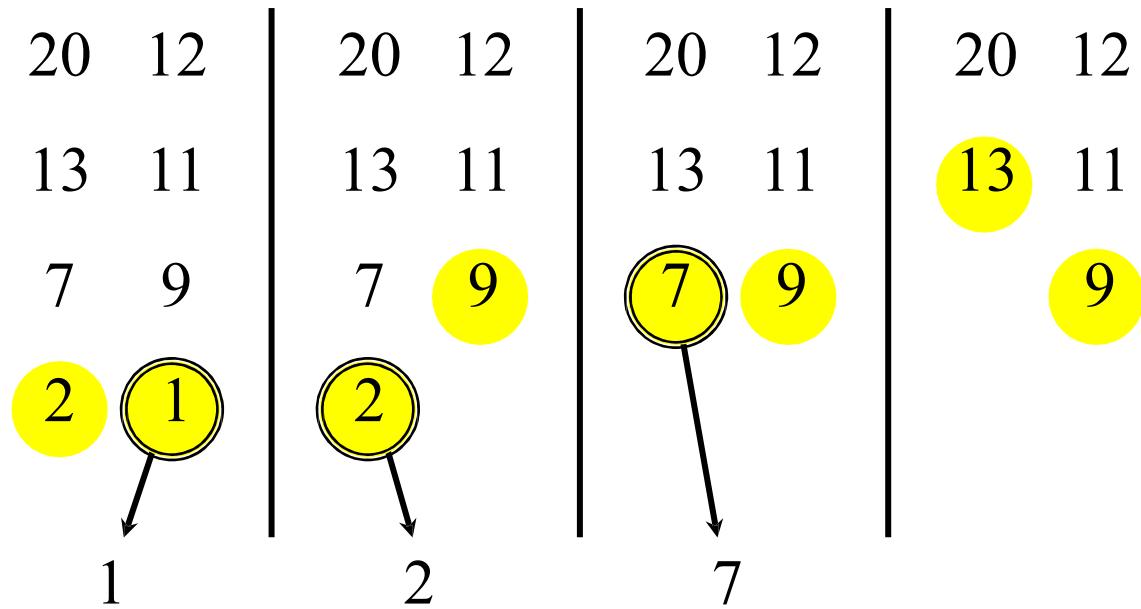


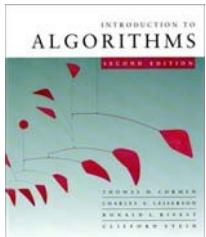
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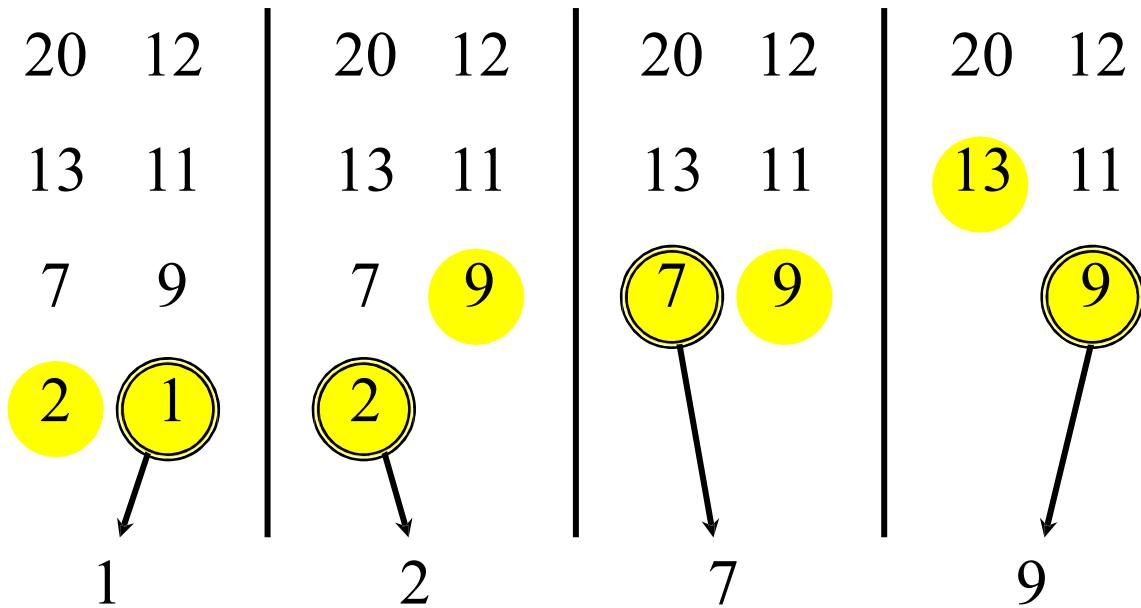


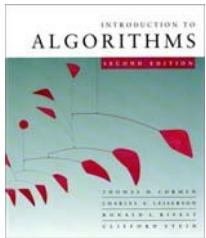
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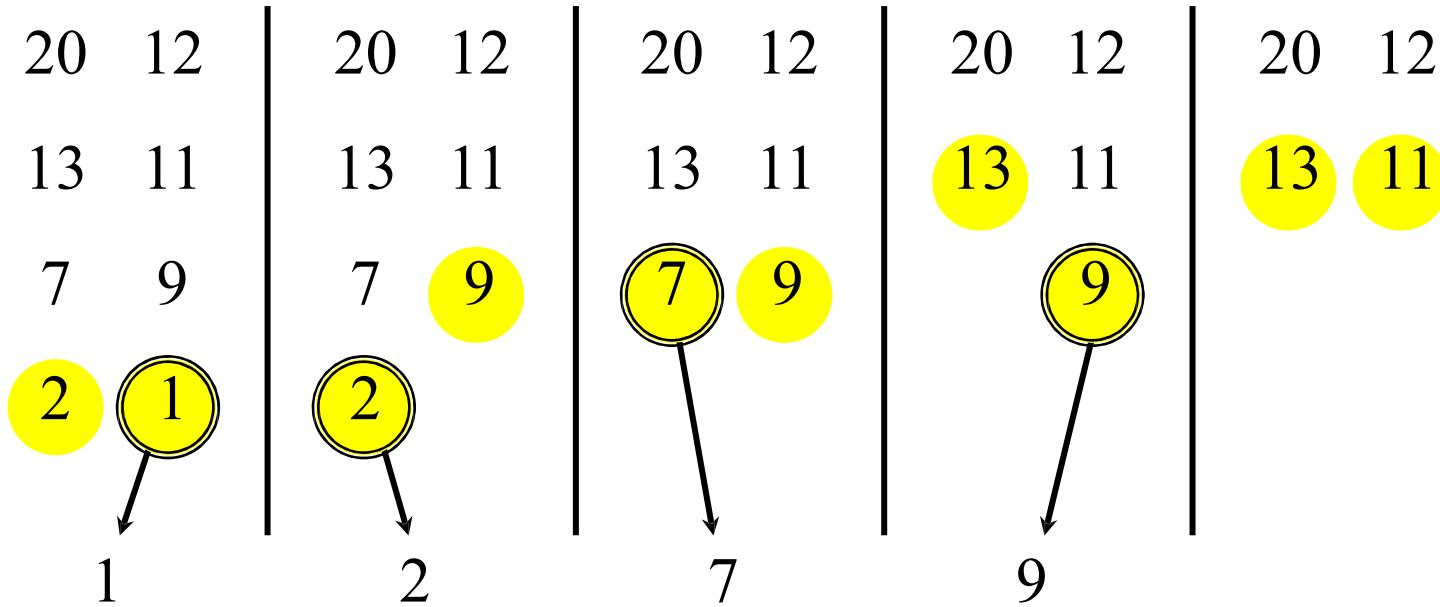


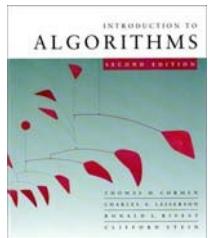
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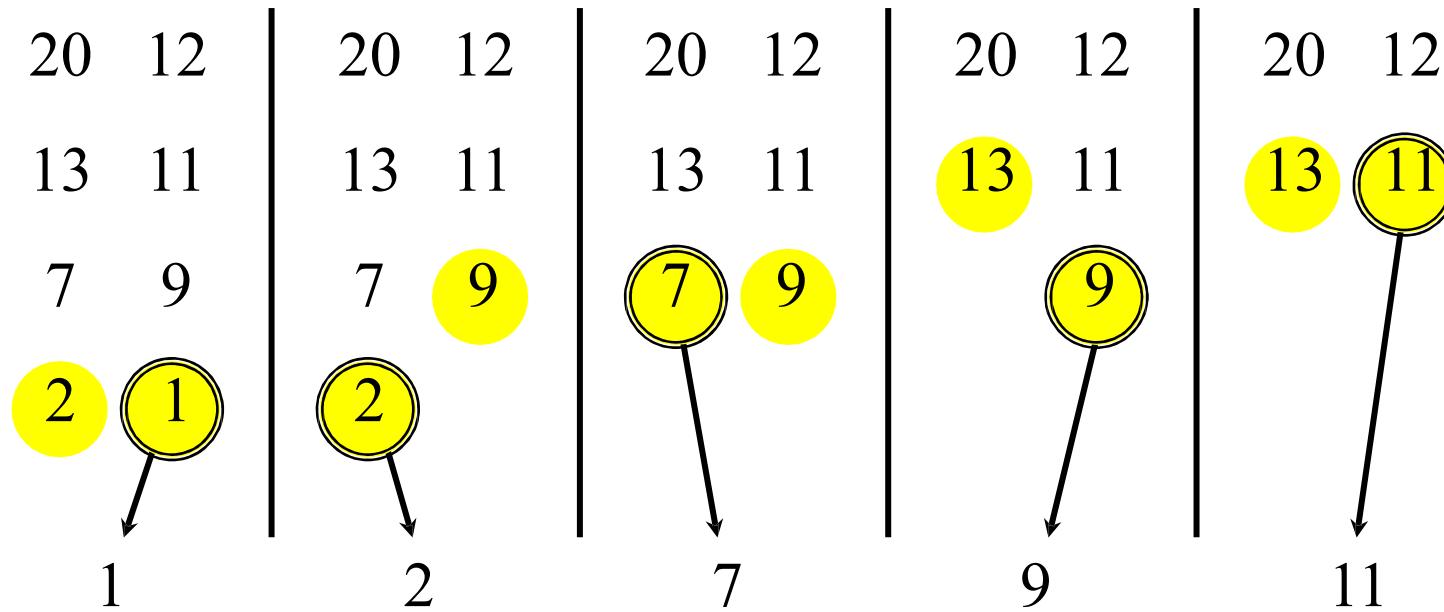


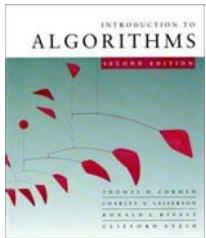
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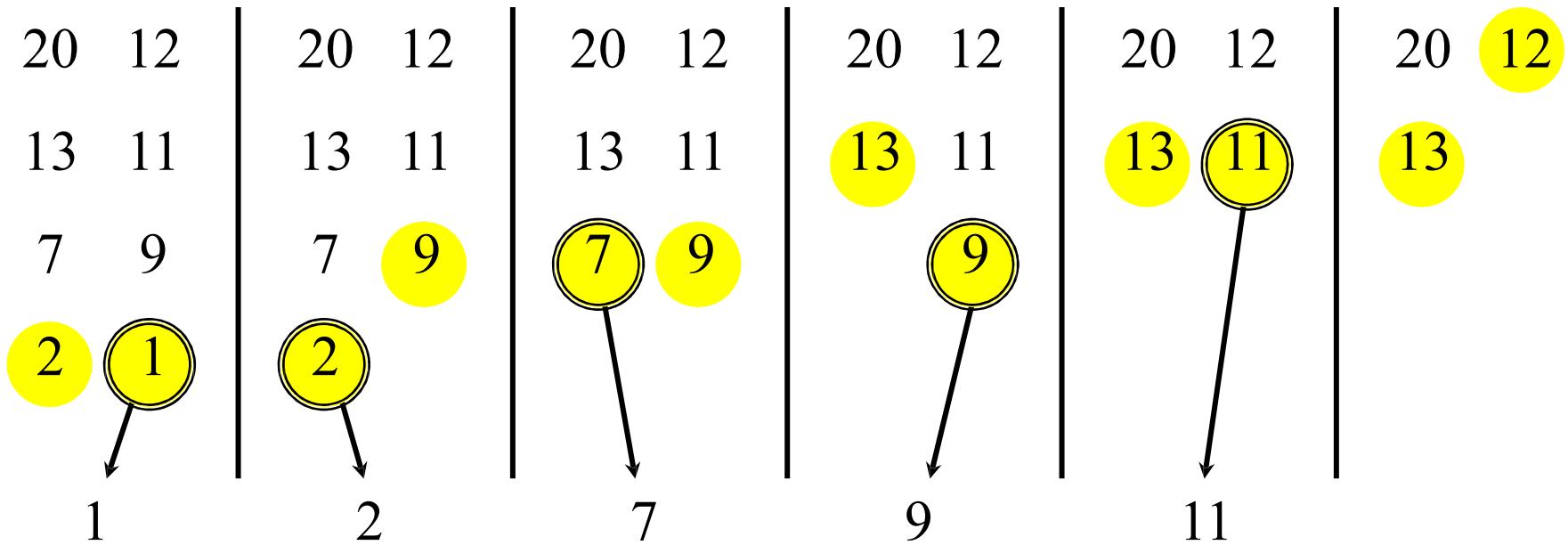


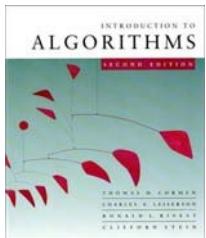
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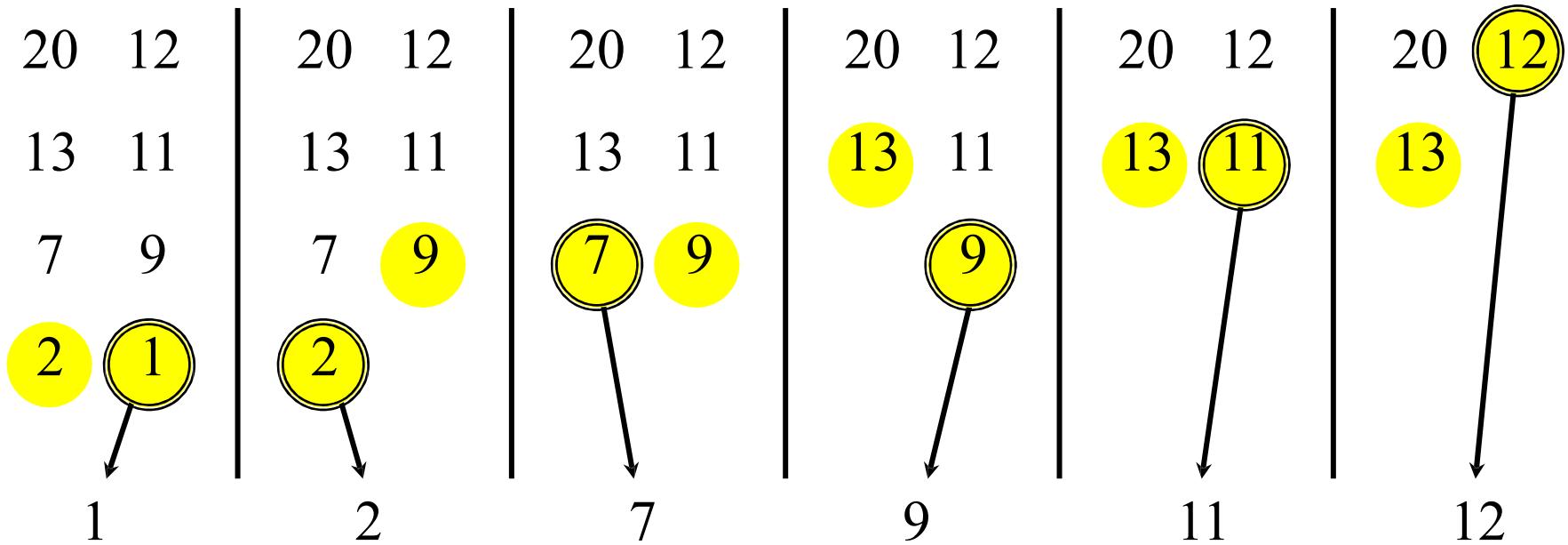


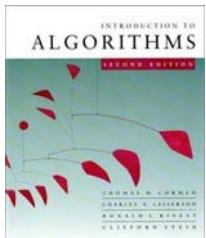
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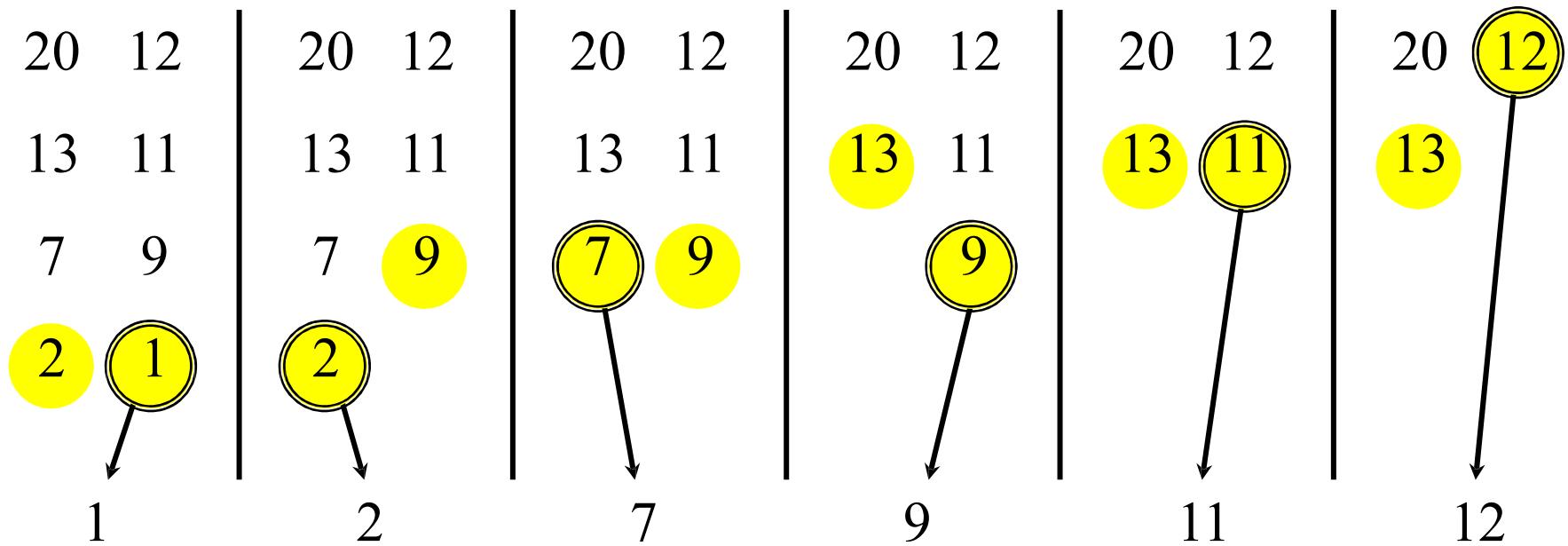


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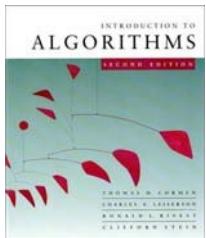


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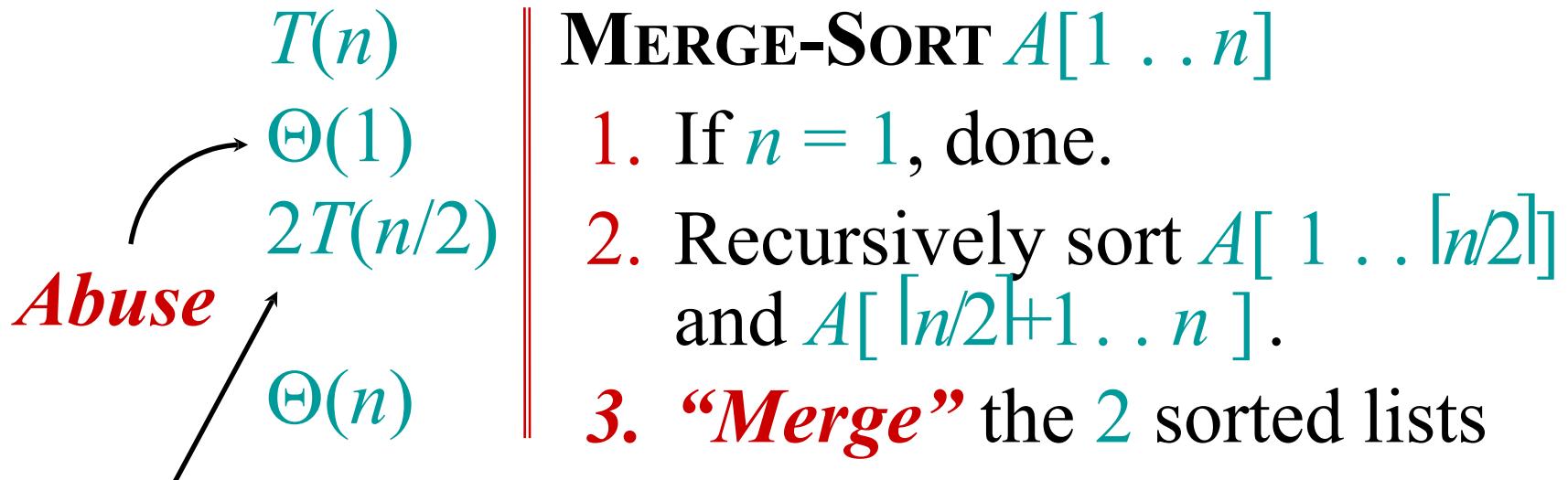
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MERGE(A, p, q, r)

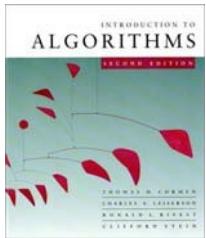
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1   $n_1 = q - p + 1$ 
2   $n_2 = r - q$ 
3  let  $L[1 \dots n_1 + 1]$  and  $R[1 \dots n_2 + 1]$  be new arrays
4  for  $i = 1$  to  $n_1$ 
5     $L[i] = A[p + i - 1]$ 
6  for  $j = 1$  to  $n_2$ 
7     $R[j] = A[q + j]$ 
8   $L[n_1 + 1] = \infty$ 
9   $R[n_2 + 1] = \infty$ 
10  $i = 1$ 
11  $j = 1$ 
12 for  $k = p$  to  $r$ 
13   if  $L[i] \leq R[j]$ 
14      $A[k] = L[i]$ 
15      $i = i + 1$ 
16   else  $A[k] = R[j]$ 
17      $j = j + 1$ 
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Analyzing merge sort



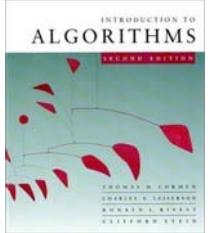
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Recurrence for merge sort

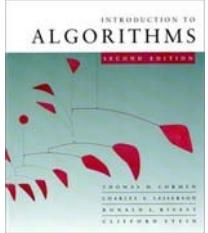
$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & \text{if } n = 1; \\ 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1. \end{cases}$$

- We shall usually omit stating the base case when $T(n) = \Theta(1)$ for sufficiently small n , but only when it has no effect on the asymptotic solution to the recurrence.
- CLRS and Lecture 2 provide several ways to find a good upper bound on $T(n)$.



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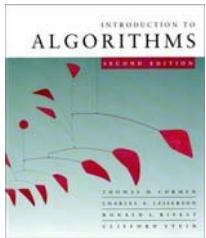
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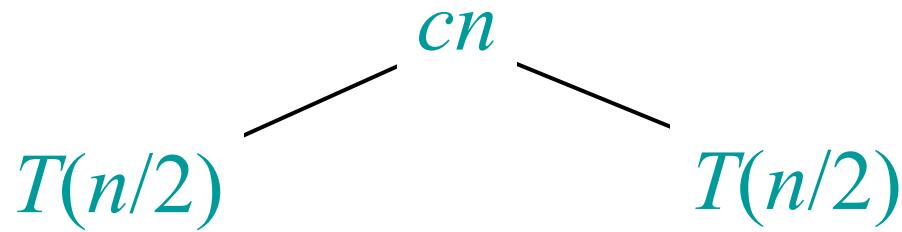
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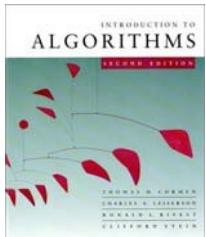
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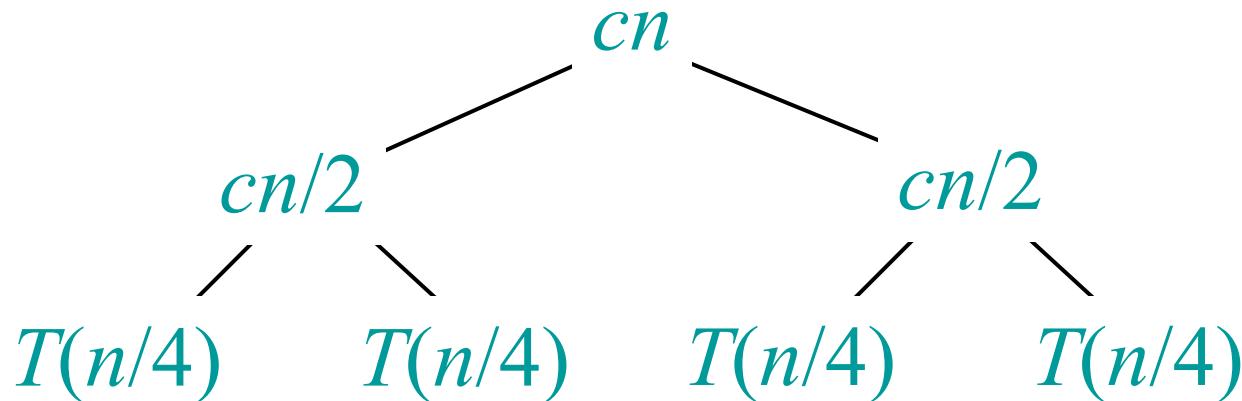
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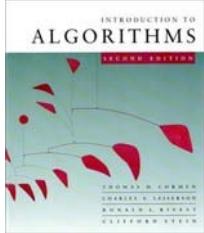




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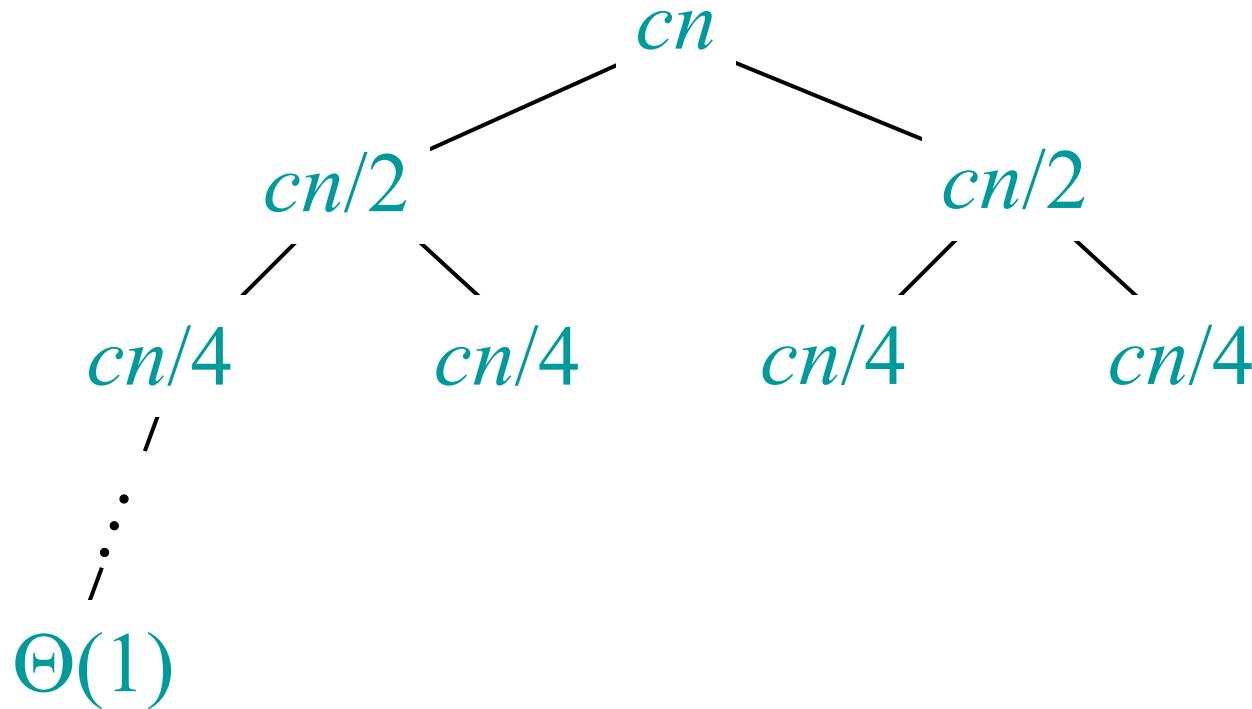
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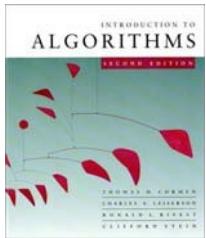




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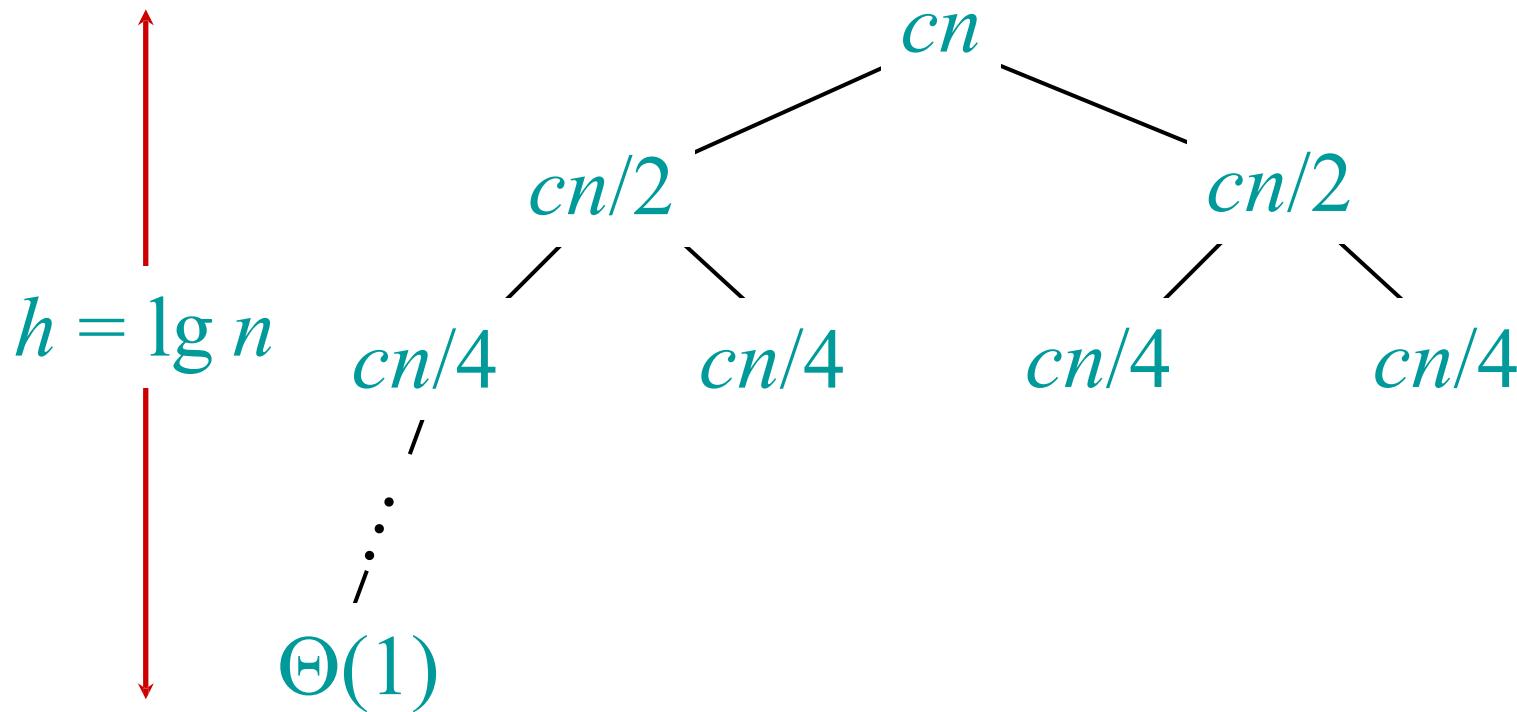
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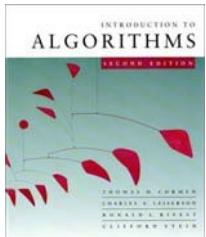




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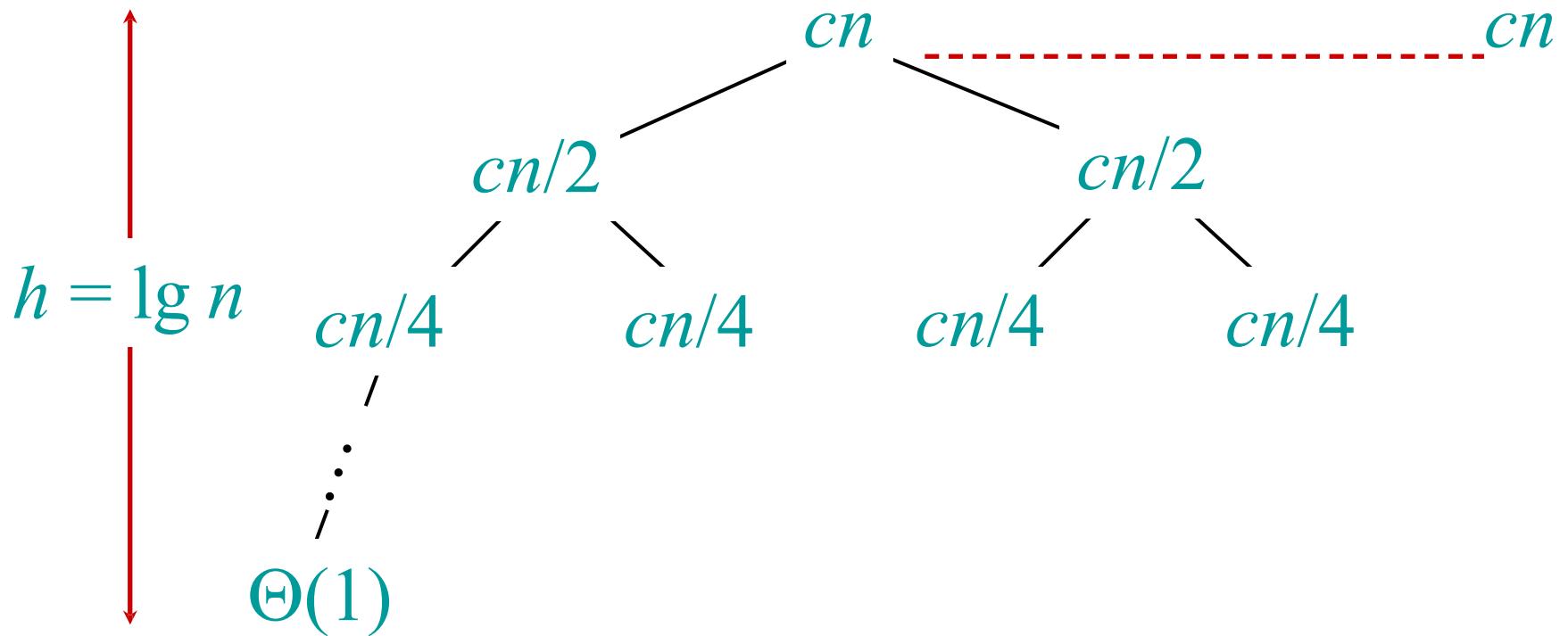
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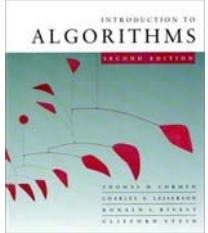




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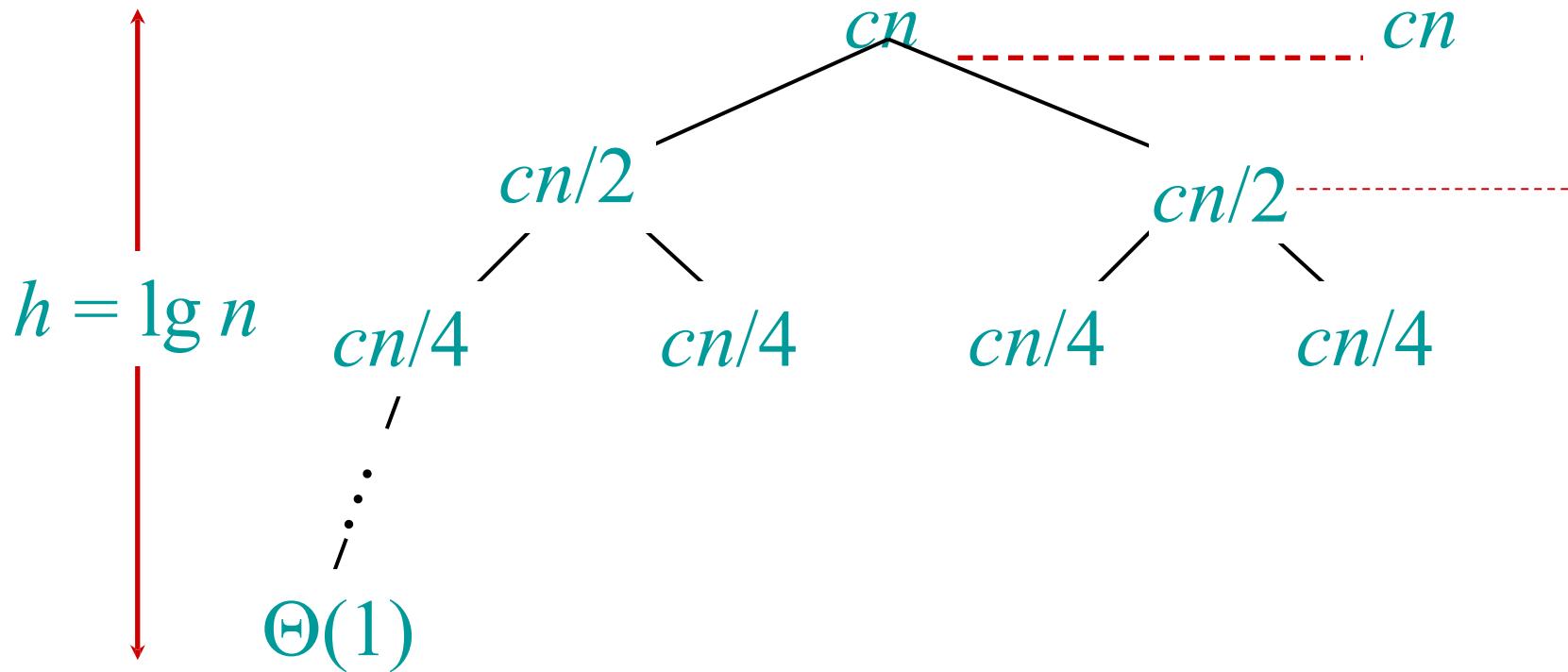
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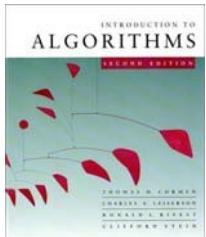




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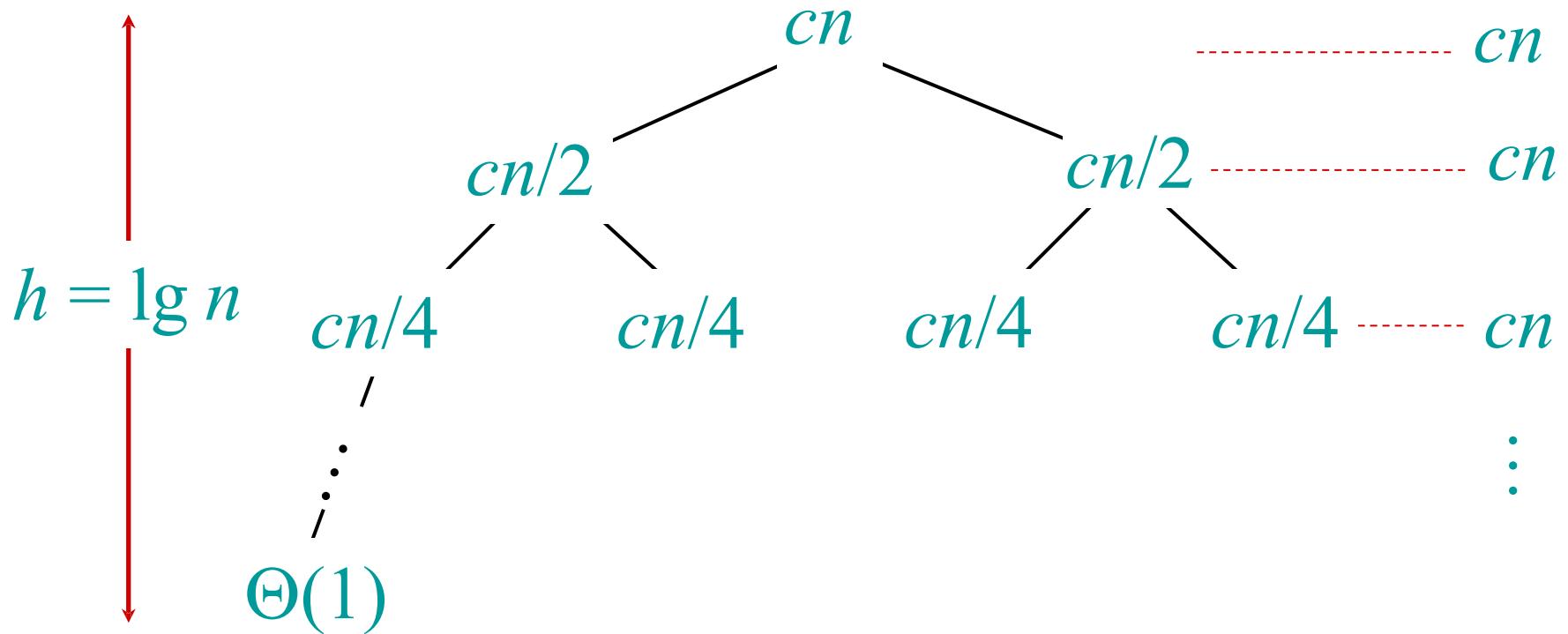
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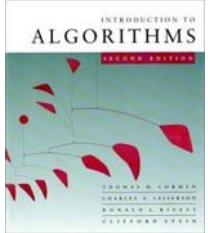




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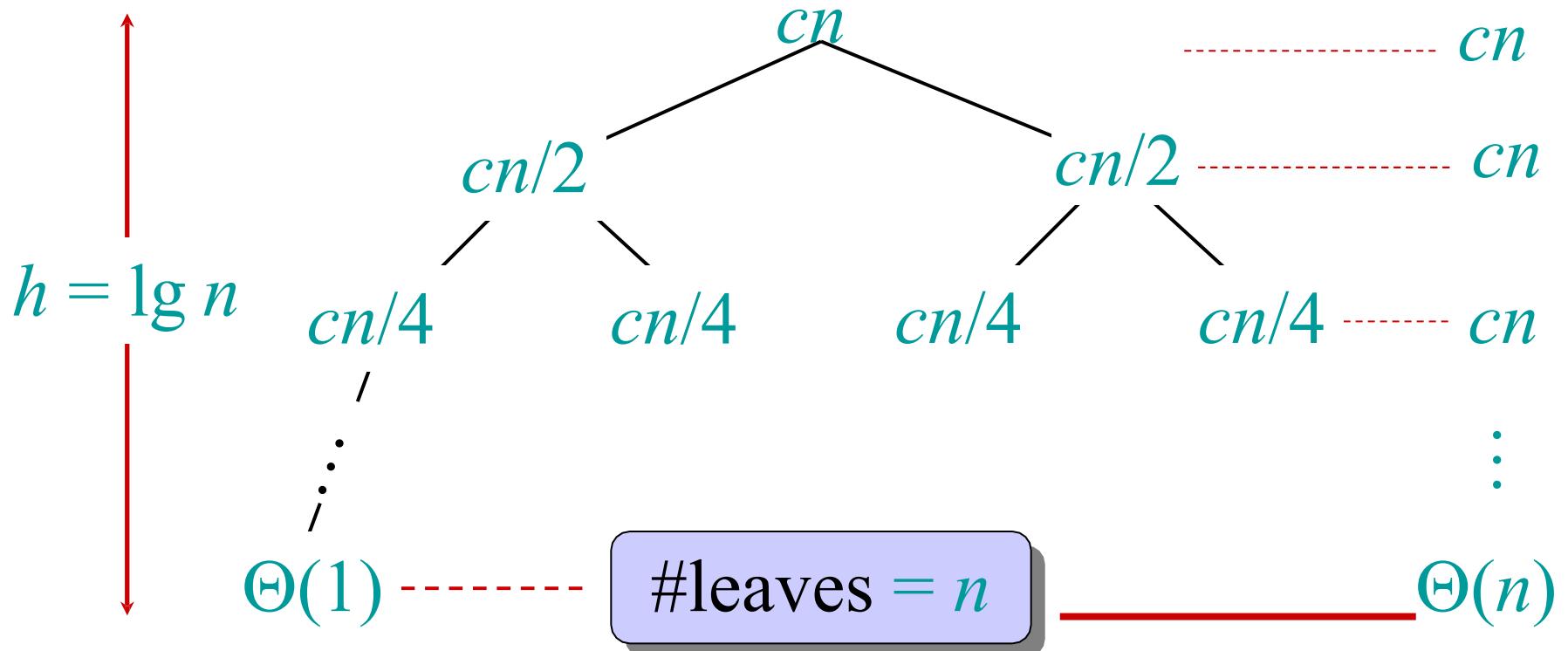
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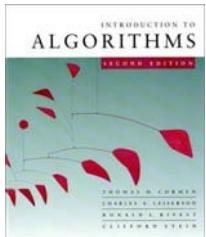




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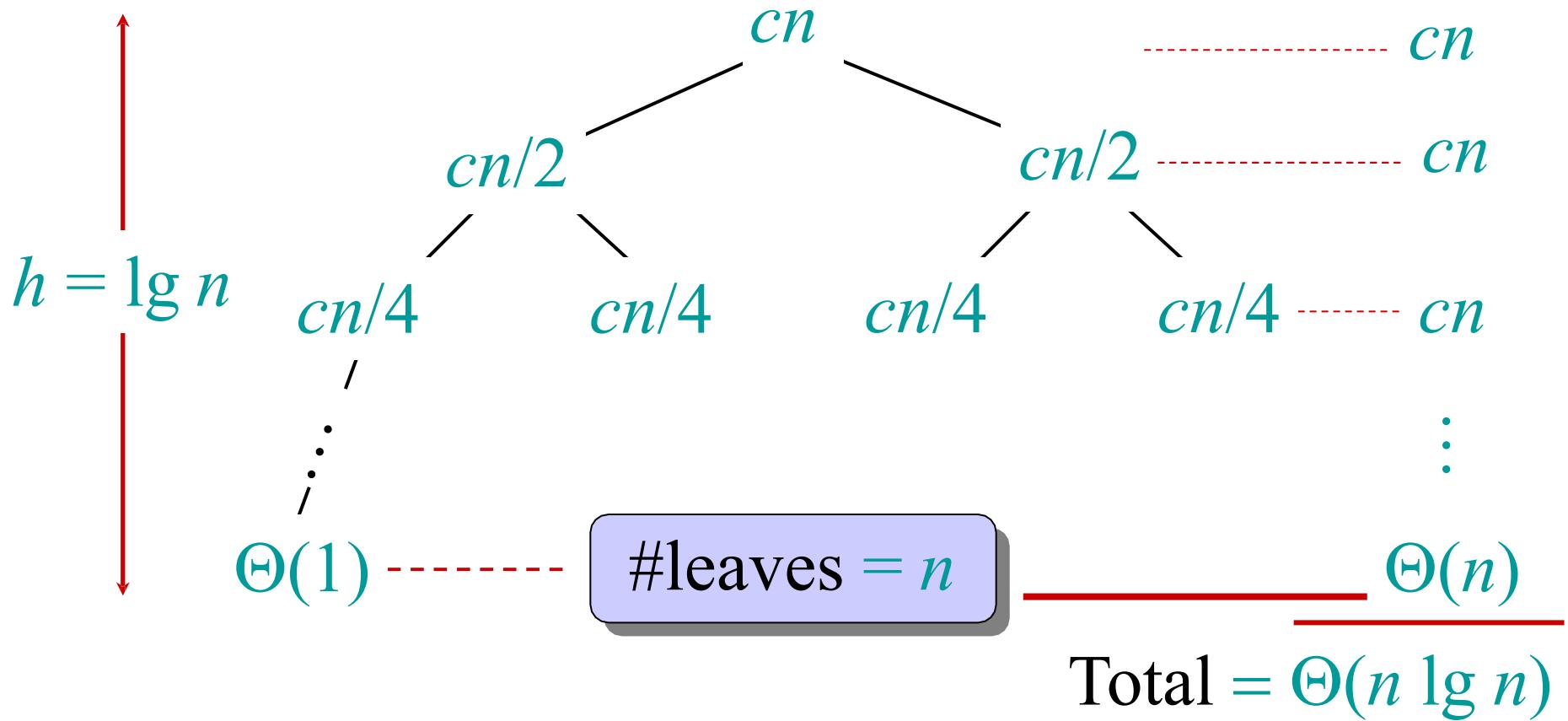
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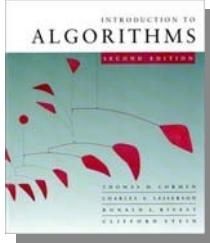




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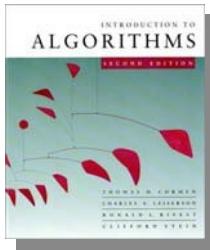
Merge sort

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2. ***Conquer:*** Recursively sort 2 subarrays.
3. ***Combine:*** Linear-time merge.

$$T(n) = 2 T(n/2) + \Theta(n)$$

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A diagram illustrating the recurrence relation for Merge Sort. The equation $T(n) = 2 T(n/2) + \Theta(n)$ is shown. The terms $2 T(n/2)$ and $\Theta(n)$ are enclosed in yellow circles. Three arrows point from the text labels to these circled terms: one arrow from "# subproblems" points to the first $T(n/2)$; another arrow from "subproblem size" points to the same term; and a third arrow from "work dividing and combining" points to the $\Theta(n)$ term.



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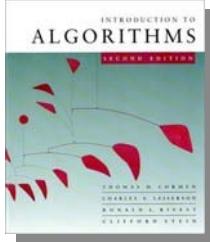
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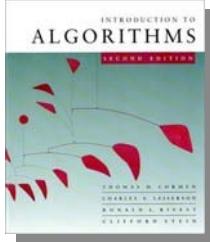
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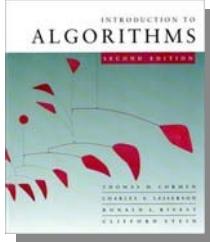
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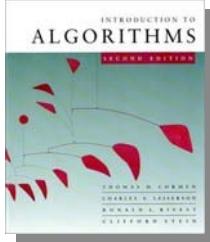
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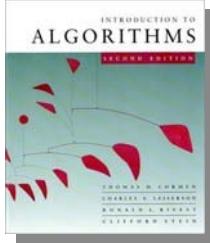
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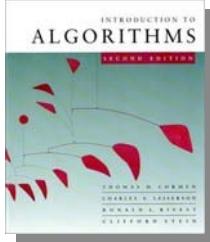


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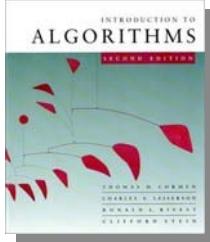
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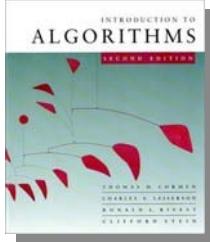




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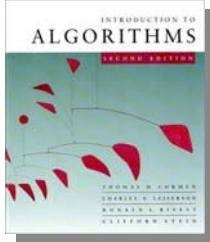




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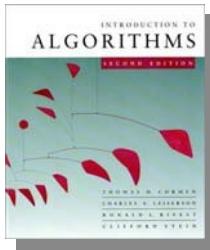
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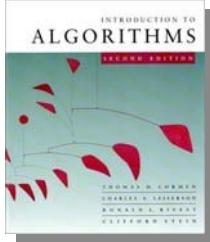
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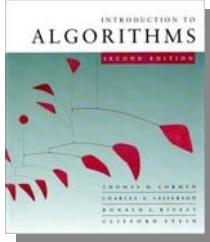
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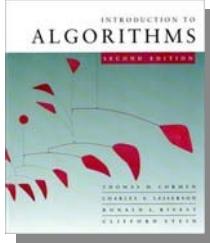
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Naive algorithm: $\Theta(n)$.

Divide-and-conquer algorithm:

$$a^n = \begin{cases} a^{n/2} \cdot a^{n/2} & \text{if } n \text{ is even;} \\ a^{(n-1)/2} \cdot a^{(n-1)/2} \cdot a & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + \Theta(1) \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(\lg n).$$