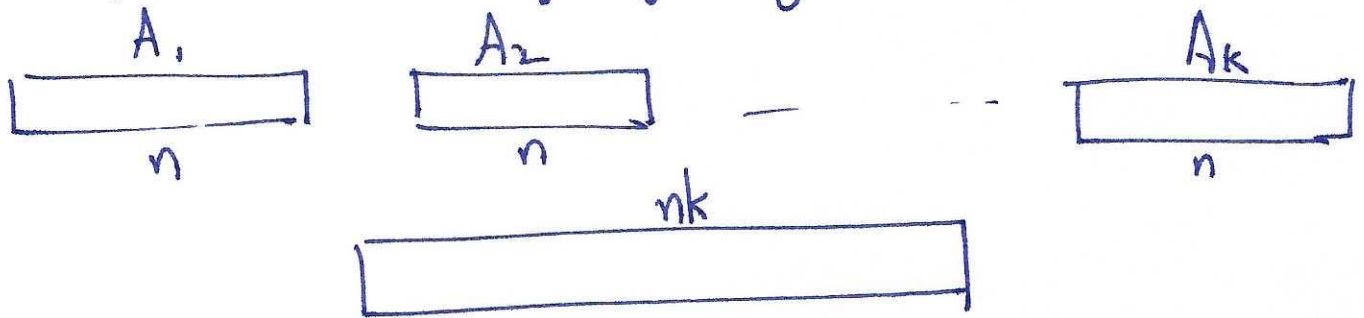


More on design of algorithms  
and running time analysis

Merge  $k$  sorted arrays of length  $n$



$B = \text{sort of union of arrays}$

Trivial solution:

\* ~~✗~~ Copy all arrays into  $B$ . Use Mergesort/ $O(n \log n)$  sort on  $B$ .

Running time

1) Copy all arrays into output array  $B$ .  $O(nk)$

2) Sort  $B$  using Mergesort.  $O(nk \log nk)$

$$= O(nk \log n + nk \log k)$$

\* Repeated merge  $A_i$  ~~into~~ with sort of  $A_1 \cup A_2 \dots A_{i-1}$

1) Copy  $A_1$  into  $B$ .  $O(n)$

2) for  $i = 2$  to  $k$

{  
(2a) Merge  $B$  with  $A_i$  into array  $C$ .  $O(|A_i| + |B|)$   
(2b) Copy  $C$  to  $B$ .  $O(|C|)$   
}

Sorted

$n$                        $(i-1)n$

By linear time merge

Steps 2a and 2b take  $O(in)$  time in  $i^{\text{th}}$  iteration.

Total running time =  $O\left(\sum_{i=2}^k in\right) = O(k^2 n) = \boxed{O(nk^2)}$

vs  $O(nk \log n + nk \log k)$

$$\boxed{\sum_{i=2}^k i} \leq \boxed{\sum_{i=1}^k i} = \frac{k(k+1)}{2} = O(k^2)$$

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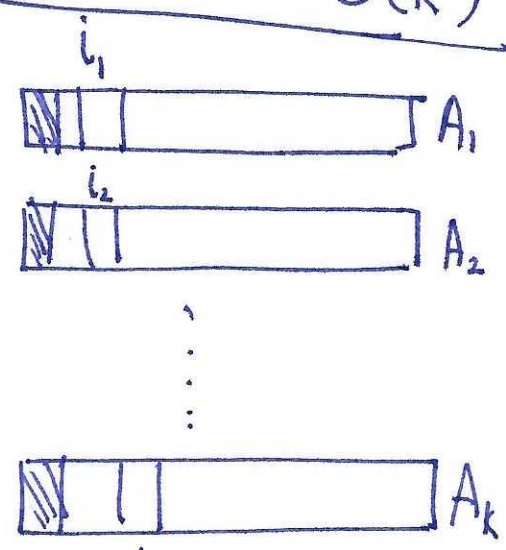
1) Initialize indices  $i_1 = i_2 = \dots = i_k = 0$   
and  $i_B = 0$   $O(k)$

2) while ( $i_B < nk$ )

{  
(2a) Find min. among  $A_1[i_1], A_2[i_2], \dots, A_k[i_k]$  using a for loop  $O(k)$

(2b) Copy minimum to  $B[i_B]$ , and increment corresponding index (the min.)  $O(1)$

(2c)  $i_B++$   $O(1)$   
}





Running time analysis: Steps (2a), (2b), (2c) run in  $O(k)$

The loop in step (2) runs  $nk$  times, so the total running time is  $O(nk^2)$ . Step 1 runs in  $O(k)$ .

So total running time is  $O(nk^2 + k) = O(nk^2)$ .

$O(2k) = O(k)$

1) Create a min heap  $H$  with objects (~~pairs~~ triples)  $O(k)$   
 $(A_1[0], 0, 1) (A_2[0], 0, 2) (A_3[0], 0, 3) \dots (A_k[0], 0, k)$

with first element as key. (val, index in array, index which of array)

2) Initialize  $i_B = 0$

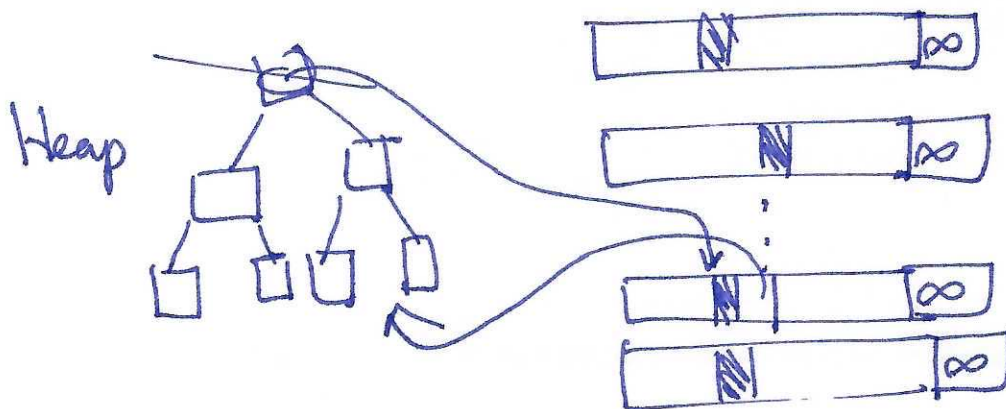
3) for  $i_B$  from 0 to  $nk-1$

$O(\log k)$  (3a) Extract min from  $H$ . Let it be ~~(val, j)~~. (val, ind, j)

$O(1)$  (3b) Set  $B[i_B] = \text{val}$ . Increment  $i_B$ .

$O(\log k)$  (3c) Insert  $(A_j[\text{ind}+1], \text{ind}+1, j)$  into  $H$ .

$O(nk \log k)$



## Running time analysis

Step 1 runs in  $O(k)$  by BuildHeap procedure.

Step 2 runs in  $O(1)$ .

Steps (3a) & (3c) run in  $O(\log k)$  by MinHeap properties

Step (3b) runs in  $O(1)$

The loop in Step 3 runs for  $O(nk)$  iterations, so the running time is  $O(nk \log k)$ .

Total running time =  $O(k + 1 + nk \log k) = O(nk \log k)$

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Let us consider input as a 2D array of size  $k \times n$

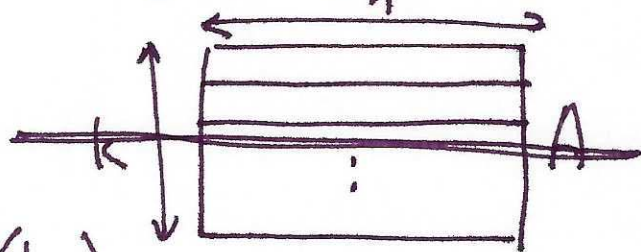
Rows are sorted

0) If  $k=1$ , return A  $O(n)$

1) Split A into  $A_{up}$  ( $\frac{k}{2} \times n$ )

and  $A_{down}$  ( $\frac{k}{2} \times n$ )

$O(kn)$



2) Recursively "solve"  $A_{up}$  to get array  $B_{up}$   $T(k/2)$

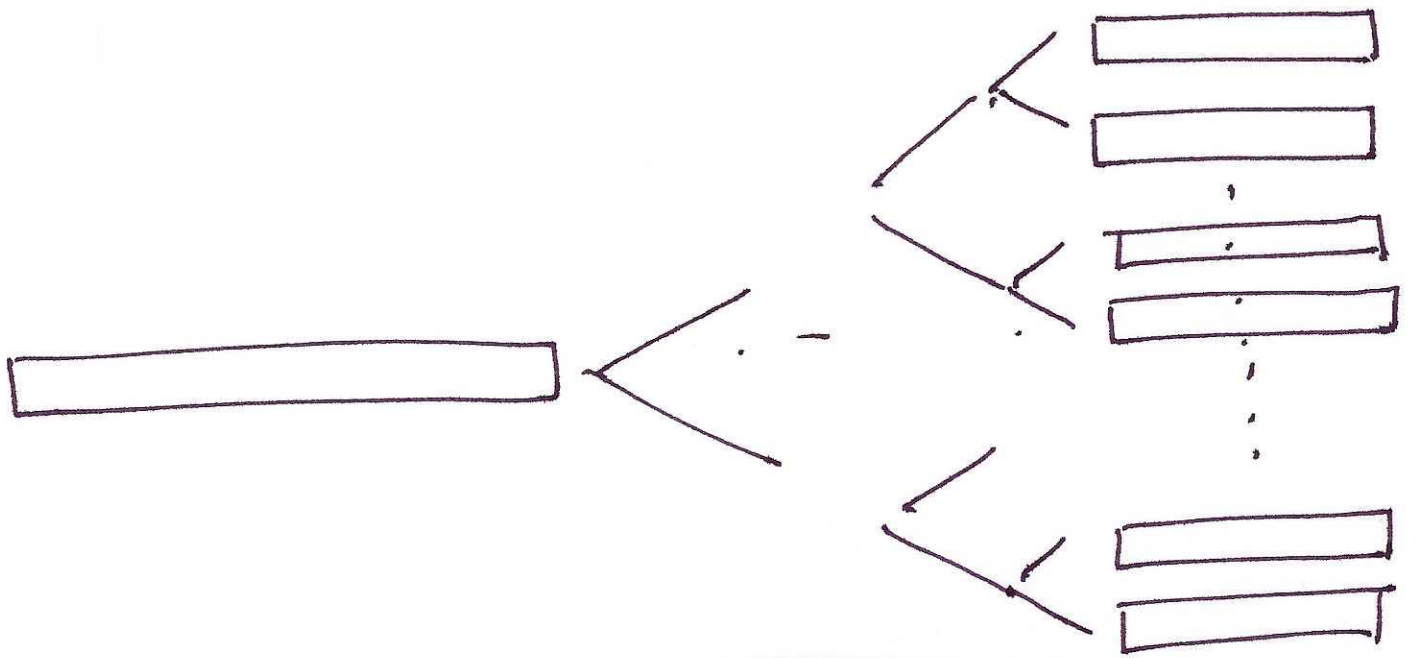
3) ~~and~~ Recursively "solve"  $A_{down}$  to get  $B_{down}$ .  $T(k/2)$

4) Merge  $B_{up}$  and  $B_{down}$  to get output  $O(nk)$

$T(k) =$  worst case run time to merge  $k$  arrays

$$T(k) \leq 2T\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) + O(nk) \quad T(k) = O(nk \log k)$$

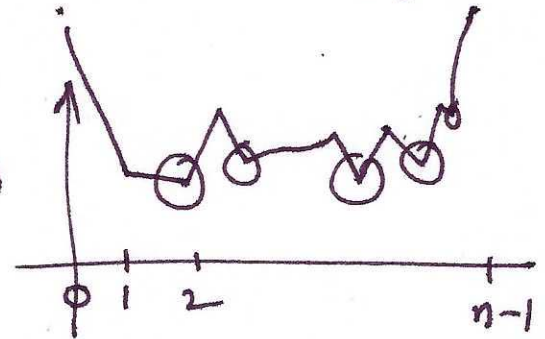




Q. Find local min. of an array.  $A$

$i$  is a local min if  $A[i-1] \geq A[i] \leq A[i+1]$  (1)

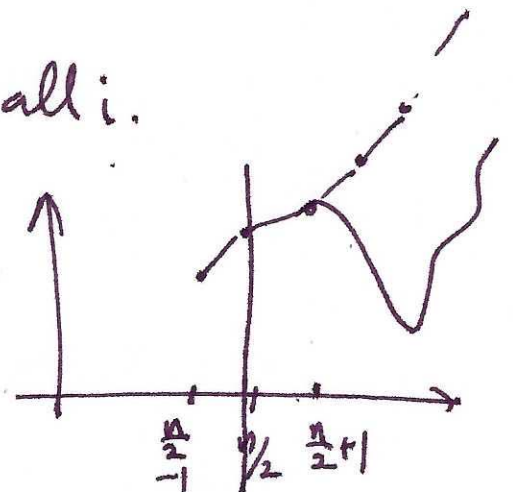
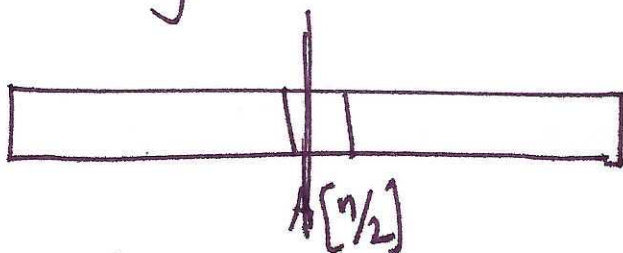
(Assume  $A[0] = A[n-1] = \infty$ )



Brute force:

Single for loop checks (1) for all  $i$ .

Running time =  $O(n)$



Check if  $A[n/2]$  is a local min. If it is, done.

If not,

Thm: Consider any portion of the array  $A[i..j]$  and suppose  $A[i] \geq A[i+1]$  and  $A[j] \geq A[j-1]$ . Then, there exists a local min. in  $A[i..j]$ .

- localmin(A, start, end) (We guarantee that  $A[start] \geq A[start+1]$  and  $A[end] \geq A[end-1]$ )
0. If  $|end - start| \leq 4$ , find local min using brute force.  $O(1)$
  1. <sup>Compare</sup> Check  $A[\frac{start+end}{2}]$  with  $A[mid-1]$  and  $A[mid+1]$   
 $A[mid]$   $O(1)$
  2. If  $A[mid]$  is local min, done.  $O(1)$ .
  3. If  $A[mid] > A[mid-1]$ , return localmin(A, start, mid-1)  
 else return localmin(A, mid, end)

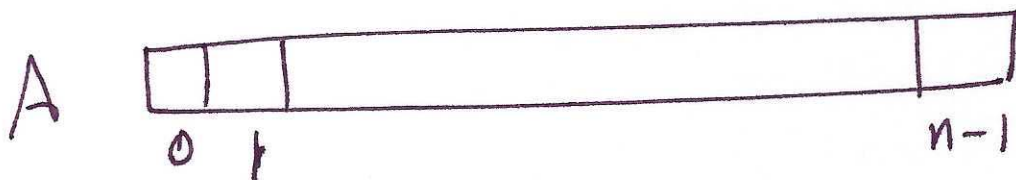
Recurrence is the SAME as binary search

$$T(n) \leq T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(1)$$

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

# Stock Market Problem.

Given an array of prices (each day has a different price), what is the max profit that can be made by one trade?



Buy on day  $i$  and sell on day  $j > i$

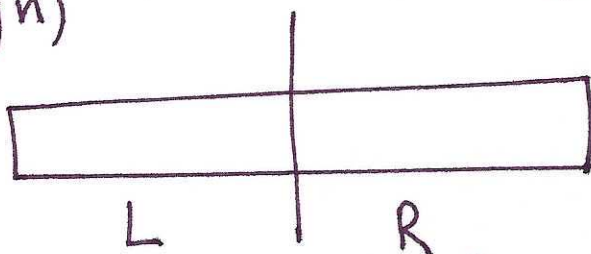
$$\text{Profit} = A[j] - A[i]$$

Find the pair of indices  $i < j$  s.t.  $A[j] - A[i]$  is maximized.

Brute force solution gives running time

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

$$\Theta(n^2)$$



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

Recursively find best profit in L

Recursively find best profit in R

What if you buy in L ( $i < \frac{n}{2}$ ) and sell in R ( $j \geq \frac{n}{2}$ )? } Can be solved in  $O(n)$