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## 2.2 MERGESORT

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- ▶ *mergesort*
- ▶ *bottom-up mergesort*
- ▶ *sorting complexity*
- ▶ *comparators*
- ▶ *stability*

# Two classic sorting algorithms: mergesort and quicksort

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Critical components in the world's computational infrastructure.

- Full scientific understanding of their properties has enabled us to develop them into practical system sorts.
- Quicksort honored as one of top 10 algorithms of 20<sup>th</sup> century in science and engineering.

Mergesort. [this lecture]



Quicksort. [next lecture]





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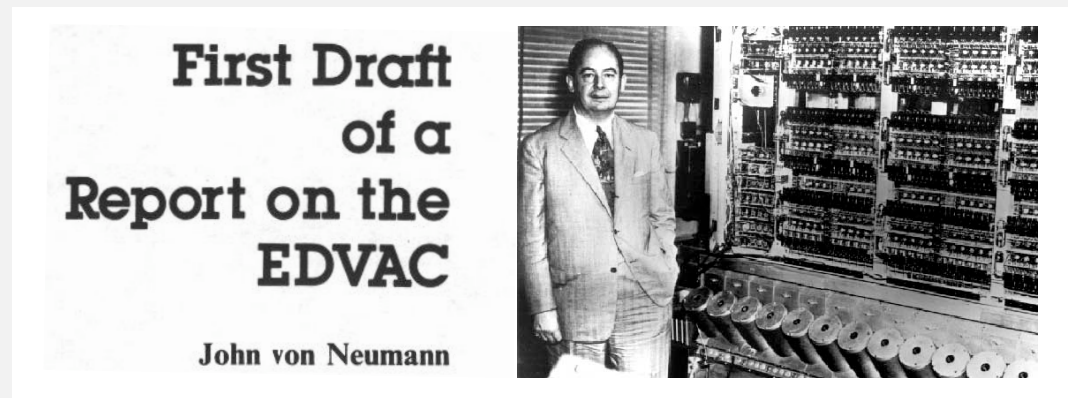
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## Basic plan.

- Divide array into two halves.
- Recursively sort each half.
- Merge two halves.

input	<u>M</u>	E	R	G	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
sort left half	E	E	G	M	O	R	R	S	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
sort right half	E	E	G	M	O	R	R	S	A	E	E	L	M	P	T	X
merge results	A	E	E	E	E	G	L	M	M	O	P	R	R	S	T	X

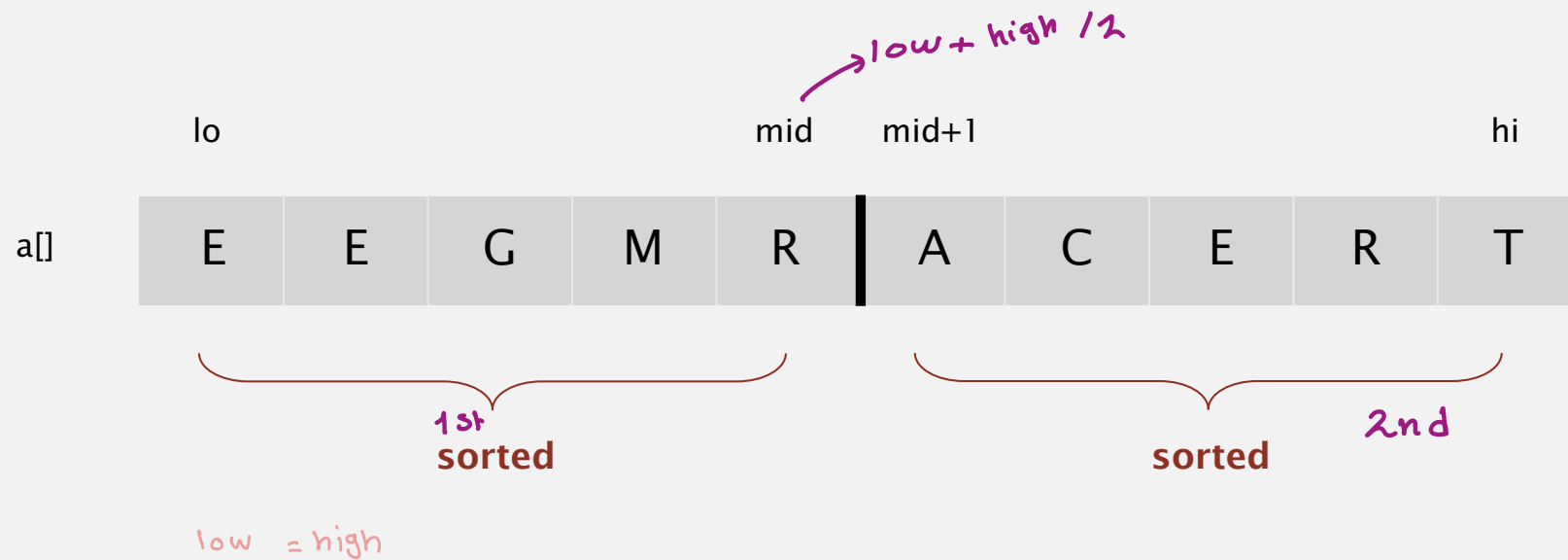
Mergesort overview



# Abstract in-place merge demo

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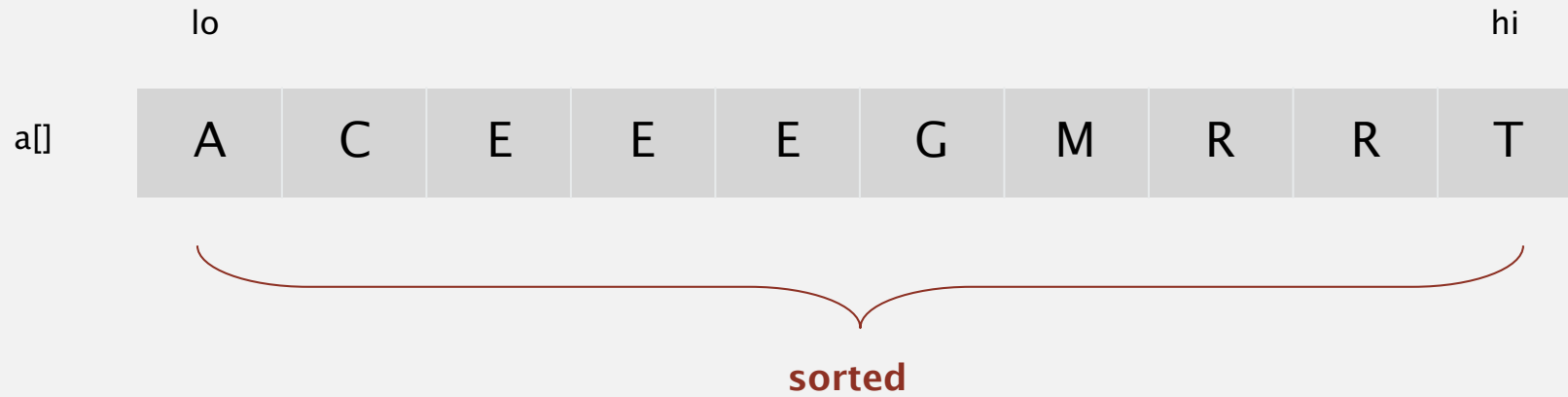
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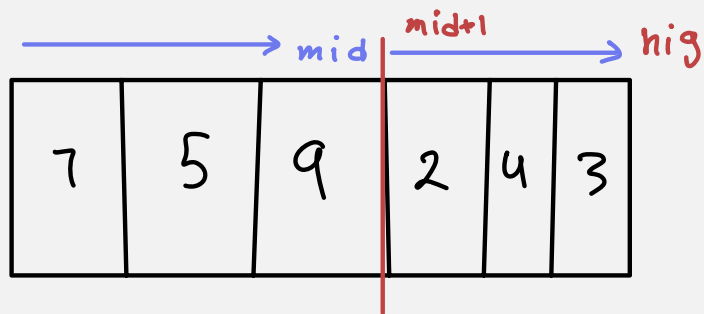
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التي اشتغل فيها

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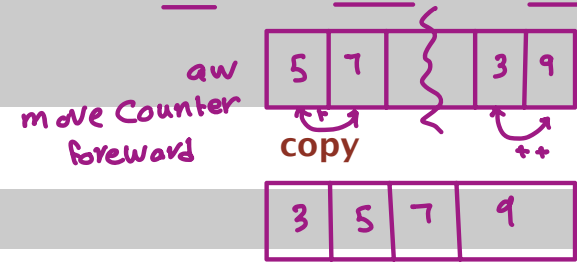
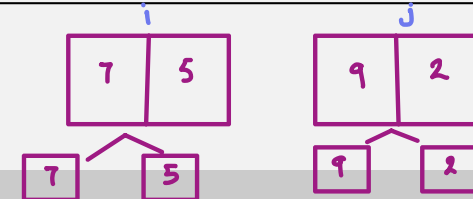
Ex:



# Merging: Java implementation



data already sorted on previous



```

private static void merge(Comparable[] a, Comparable[] aux, int lo, int mid, int hi)
{
    for (int k = lo; k <= hi; k++)
        aux[k] = a[k];

    int i = lo, j = mid+1;
    for (int k = lo; k <= hi; k++)
    {
        if (i > mid)
            a[k] = aux[j++];
        else if (j > hi)
            a[k] = aux[i++];
        else if (less(aux[j], aux[i]))
            a[k] = aux[j++];
        else
            a[k] = aux[i++];
    }
}
    
```

*sort*

*base recorment*

*for first Seat*

*move Counter forward*

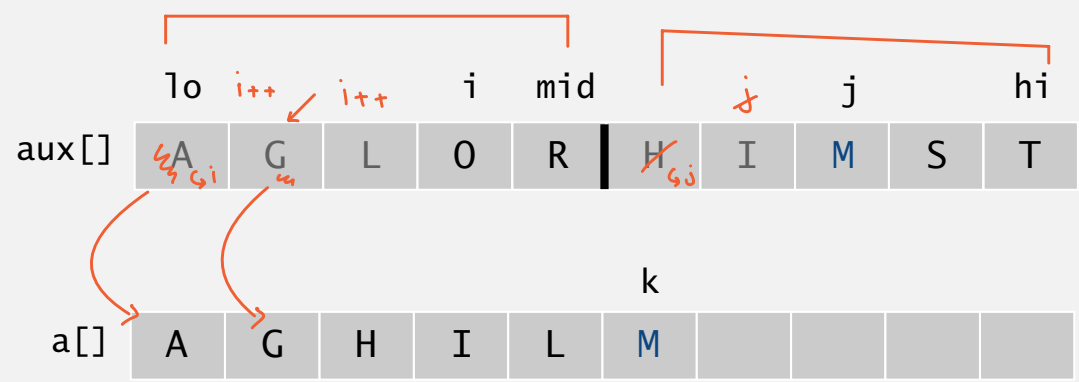
*copy*

*merge*

*أول شي د بقسمهم بس يخلص تقسيم  
يرتب قيم element لحد ما تعبر  
ال array تكون مرتبة.*

*تاخذ ال less بينهم.*

بينسخها من الترتيري \*  
بعدين بربعها مرتبة بالاهلية.



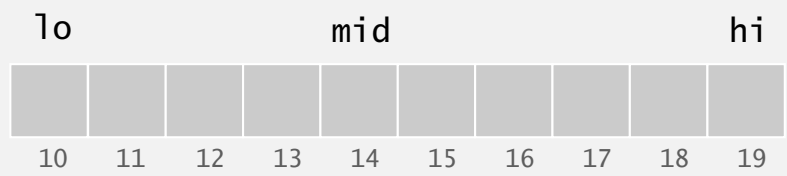
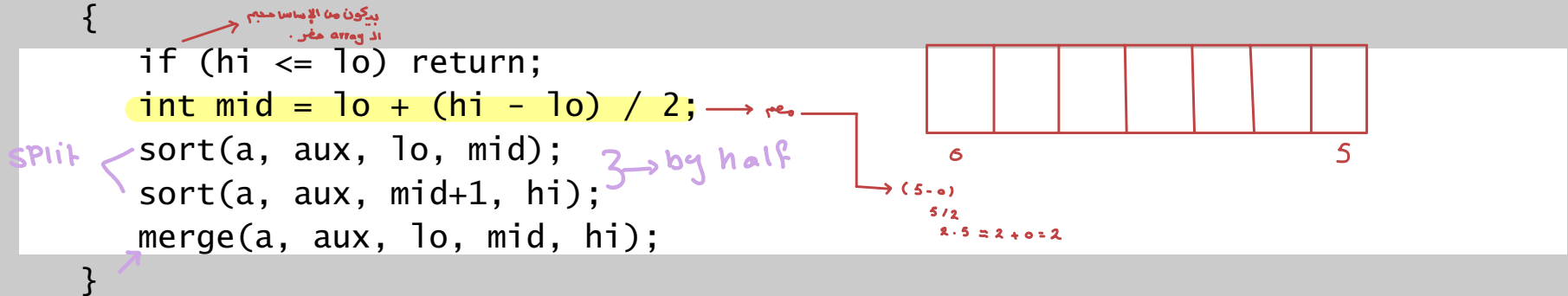
# Mergesort: Java implementation

run time:  $O(n \log_2 n)$   $n = 6$   
 $\log_2 n$   $8 \approx 4$   
 $8 = 2^{3-1}$   
 Split and merges  
 Space requirement  
 $= O(n \log_2 n)$   
 Swap  $= O(n \log_2 n)$

```
public class Merge
{
    private static void merge(...)
    { /* as before */ }

    private static void sort(Comparable[] a, Comparable[] aux, int lo, int hi)
    {
        if (hi <= lo) return;
        int mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        sort(a, aux, lo, mid);
        sort(a, aux, mid+1, hi);
        merge(a, aux, lo, mid, hi);
    }

    public static void sort(Comparable[] a)
    {
        Comparable[] aux = new Comparable[a.length];
        sort(a, aux, 0, a.length - 1);
    }
}
```



# Mergesort: trace

$lo$   $hi$   
 merge(a, aux, 0, 0, 1)  
 merge(a, aux, 2, 2, 3)  
 merge(a, aux, 0, 1, 3)  
 merge(a, aux, 4, 4, 5)  
 merge(a, aux, 6, 6, 7)  
 merge(a, aux, 4, 5, 7)  
 merge(a, aux, 0, 3, 7)  
 merge(a, aux, 8, 8, 9)  
 merge(a, aux, 10, 10, 11)  
 merge(a, aux, 8, 9, 11)  
 merge(a, aux, 12, 12, 13)  
 merge(a, aux, 14, 14, 15)  
 merge(a, aux, 12, 13, 15)  
 merge(a, aux, 8, 11, 15)  
 merge(a, aux, 0, 7, 15)

$mid$   $n-1$

subset > 1      2      a[]      3      subset > 4

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
M	E	R	G	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
E	M	R	G	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
E	M	G	R	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
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E	E	G	M	O	R	R	S	A	E	T	X	M	P	L	E
E	E	G	M	O	R	R	S	A	E	T	X	E	L	M	P
A	E	E	E	E	G	L	M	M	O	P	R	R	S	T	X

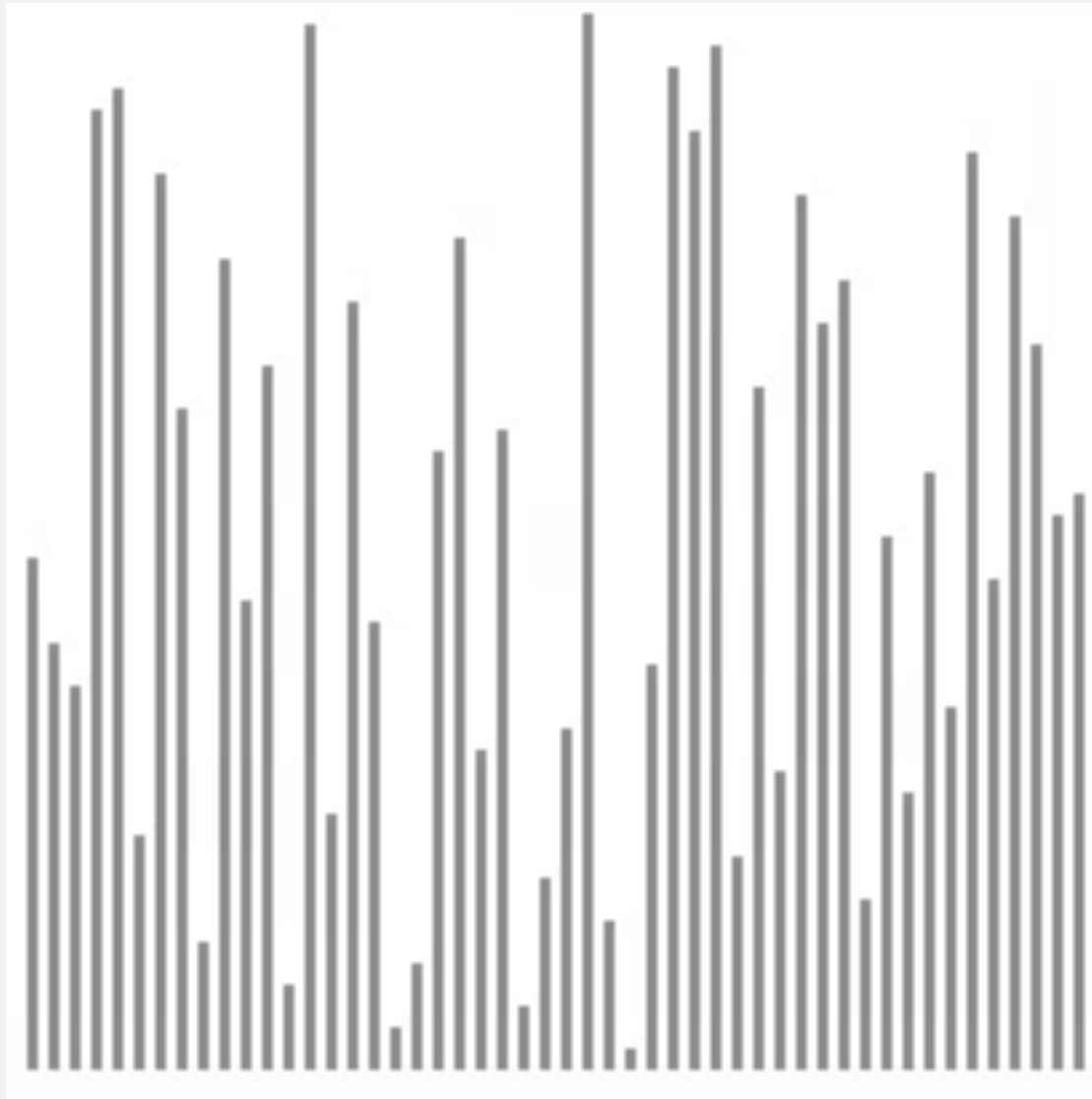
Start from here.

result after recursive call

# Mergesort: animation

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50 random items



<http://www.sorting-algorithms.com/merge-sort>

- ▲ algorithm position
- █ in order
- █ current subarray
- █ not in order



# Mergesort: empirical analysis

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## Running time estimates:

- Laptop executes  $10^8$  compares/second.
- Supercomputer executes  $10^{12}$  compares/second.

computer	insertion sort ( $N^2$ )			mergesort ( $N \log N$ )		
	thousand	million	billion	thousand	million	billion
home	instant	2.8 hours	317 years	instant	1 second	18 min
super	instant	1 second	1 week	instant	instant	instant

*faster* →

**Bottom line.** Good algorithms are better than supercomputers.

# Mergesort: number of compares → كم عدد المقارنات التي عندي .

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**Proposition.** Mergesort uses  $\leq N \lg N$  compares to sort an array of length  $N$ .

**Pf sketch.** The number of compares  $C(N)$  to mergesort an array of length  $N$  satisfies the recurrence:

$$C(N) \leq C(\lceil N/2 \rceil) + C(\lfloor N/2 \rfloor) + N \quad \text{for } N > 1, \text{ with } C(1) = 0.$$

↑ left half (الاول)    ↑ right half (الثاني)    ↑ merge (عددنا)

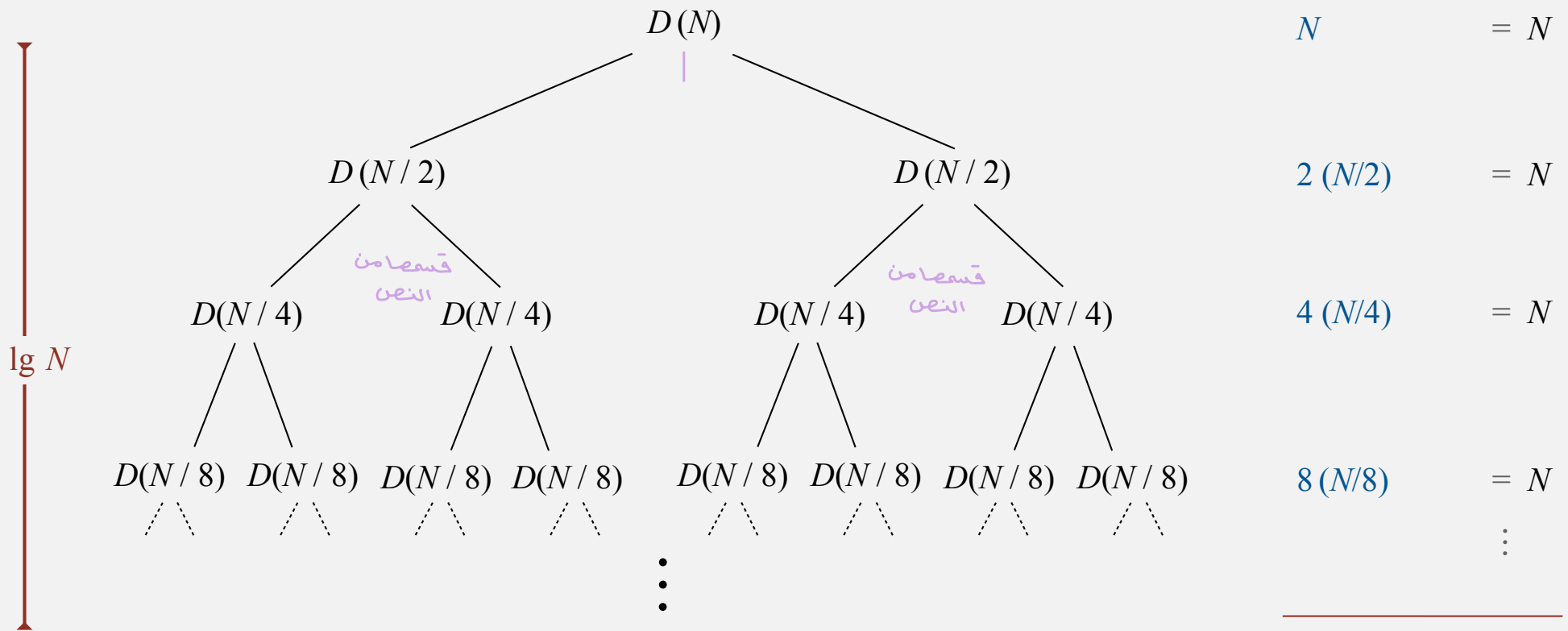
We solve the recurrence when  $N$  is a power of 2: ← result holds for all  $N$   
(analysis cleaner in this case)

$$D(N) = 2 D(N/2) + N, \text{ for } N > 1, \text{ with } D(1) = 0.$$

# Divide-and-conquer recurrence: proof by picture

**Proposition.** If  $D(N)$  satisfies  $D(N) = 2D(N/2) + N$  for  $N > 1$ , with  $D(1) = 0$ , then  $D(N) = N \lg N$ .

**Pf 1.** [assuming  $N$  is a power of 2]



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$$T(N) = N \lg N$$

# Divide-and-conquer recurrence: proof by induction

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**Proposition.** If  $D(N)$  satisfies  $D(N) = 2 D(N/2) + N$  for  $N > 1$ , with  $D(1) = 0$ , then  $D(N) = N \lg N$ .

**Pf 2.** [assuming  $N$  is a power of 2]

- Base case:  $N = 1$ .
- Inductive hypothesis:  $D(N) = N \lg N$ .
- Goal: show that  $D(2N) = (2N) \lg (2N)$ .

*$N \lg n \rightarrow$  big-oh merge sort*

$$D(2N) = 2 D(N) + 2N$$

given

$$= 2 N \lg N + 2N$$

inductive hypothesis

$$= 2 N (\lg (2N) - 1) + 2N$$

algebra

$$= 2 N \lg (2N)$$

QED

# Mergesort: number of array accesses

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**Proposition.** Mergesort uses  $\leq 6 N \lg N$  array accesses to sort an array of length  $N$ .

**Pf sketch.** The number of array accesses  $A(N)$  satisfies the recurrence:

$$A(N) \leq A(\lceil N/2 \rceil) + A(\lfloor N/2 \rfloor) + 6N \text{ for } N > 1, \text{ with } A(1) = 0.$$

**Key point.** Any algorithm with the following structure takes  $N \log N$  time:

*n Place Quick*

*= O(N)*

*Mergesort: n log n*

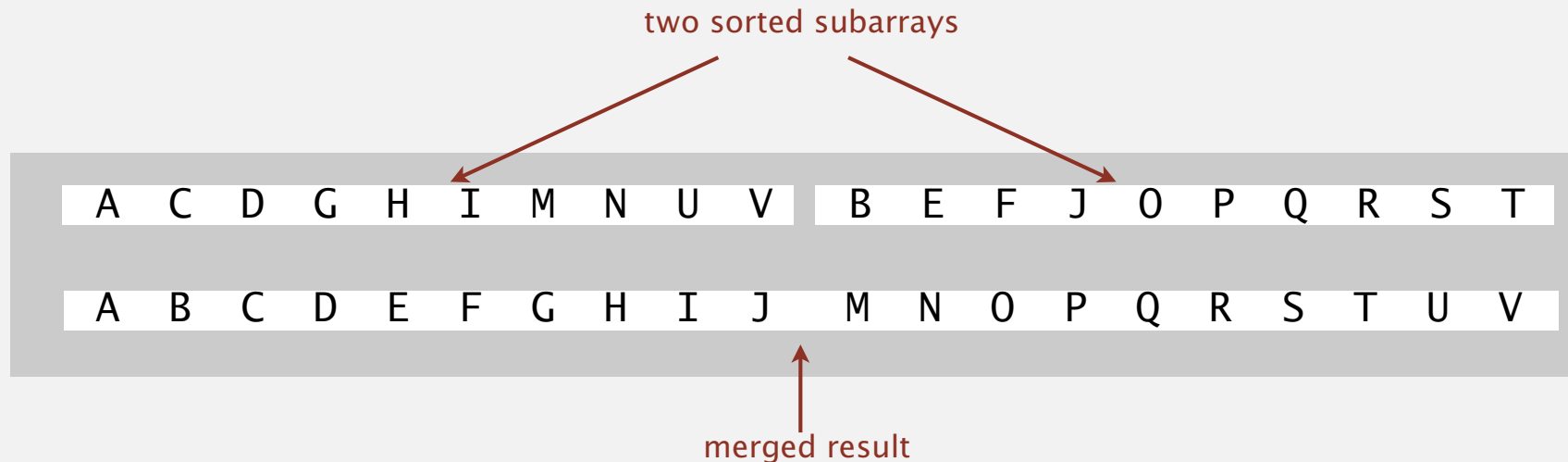
```
public static void linearithmic(int N)
{
    if (N == 0) return;
    linearithmic(N/2); ← solve two problems
    linearithmic(N/2); ← of half the size
    linear(N); ← do a linear amount of work
}
```

**Notable examples.** FFT, hidden-line removal, Kendall-tau distance, ...

# Mergesort analysis: memory → التخزين

**Proposition.** Mergesort uses extra space proportional to  $N$ .

**Pf.** The array `aux[]` needs to be of length  $N$  for the last merge.



**Def.** A sorting algorithm is **in-place** if it uses  $\leq c \log N$  extra memory.

**Ex.** Insertion sort, selection sort, shellsort.

**Challenge 1 (not hard).** Use `aux[]` array of length  $\sim \frac{1}{2} N$  instead of  $N$ .

**Challenge 2 (very hard).** In-place merge. [Kronrod 1969]

# Java 6 system sort

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Basic algorithm for sorting objects = mergesort.

- Cutoff to insertion sort = 7.
- Stop-if-already-sorted test.
- Eliminate-the-copy-to-the-auxiliary-array trick.

**Arrays.sort(a)**



<http://www.java2s.com/Open-Source/Java/6.0-JDK-Modules/j2me/java/util/Arrays.java.html>



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# Bottom-up mergesort

## Basic plan.

- Pass through array, merging subarrays of size 1.
- Repeat for subarrays of size 2, 4, 8, ....

*\* split one by one*

		a[i]															
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		M	E	R	G	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
<b>sz = 1</b>	merge(a, aux, 0, 0, 1)	E	M	R	G	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
	merge(a, aux, 2, 2, 3)	E	M	G	R	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
	merge(a, aux, 4, 4, 5)	E	M	G	R	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
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	merge(a, aux, 12, 12, 13)	E	M	G	R	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
	merge(a, aux, 14, 14, 15)	E	M	G	R	E	S	O	R	T	E	X	A	M	P	L	E
<b>sz = 2</b>	merge(a, aux, 0, 1, 3)	E	G	M	R	E	S	O	R	E	T	A	X	M	P	E	L
	merge(a, aux, 4, 5, 7)	E	G	M	R	E	O	R	S	E	T	A	X	M	P	E	L
	merge(a, aux, 8, 9, 11)	E	G	M	R	E	O	R	S	A	E	T	X	M	P	E	L
	merge(a, aux, 12, 13, 15)	E	G	M	R	E	O	R	S	A	E	T	X	E	L	M	P
<b>sz = 4</b>	merge(a, aux, 0, 3, 7)	E	E	G	M	O	R	R	S	A	E	T	X	E	L	M	P
	merge(a, aux, 8, 11, 15)	E	E	G	M	O	R	R	S	A	E	E	L	M	P	T	X
<b>sz = 8</b>	merge(a, aux, 0, 7, 15)	A	E	E	E	E	G	L	M	M	O	P	R	R	S	T	X

# Bottom-up mergesort: Java implementation

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```
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{
    private static void merge(...)
    { /* as before */ }

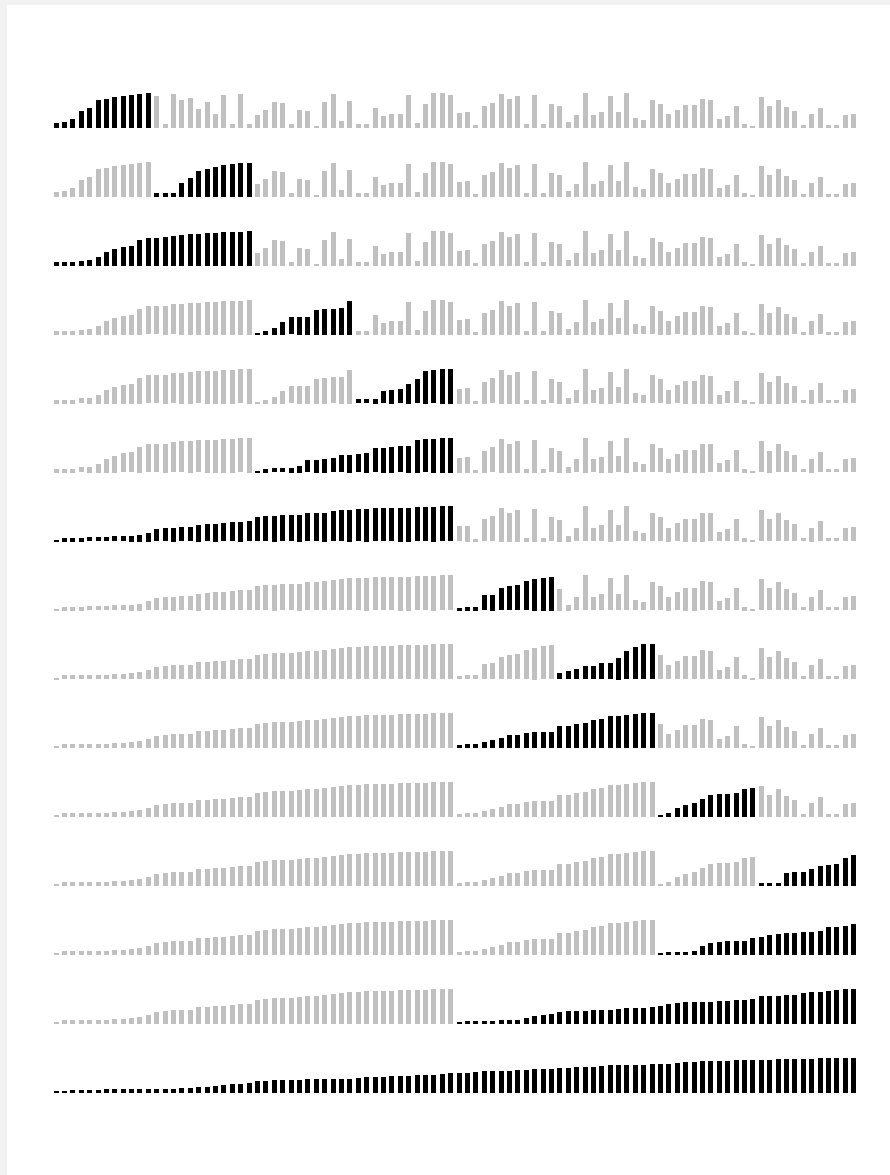
    public static void sort(Comparable[] a)
    {
        int N = a.length;
        Comparable[] aux = new Comparable[N];
        for (int sz = 1; sz < N; sz = sz+sz)
            for (int lo = 0; lo < N-sz; lo += sz+sz)
                merge(a, aux, lo, lo+sz-1, Math.min(lo+sz+sz-1, N-1));
    }
}
```

but about 10% slower than recursive,  
top-down mergesort on typical systems

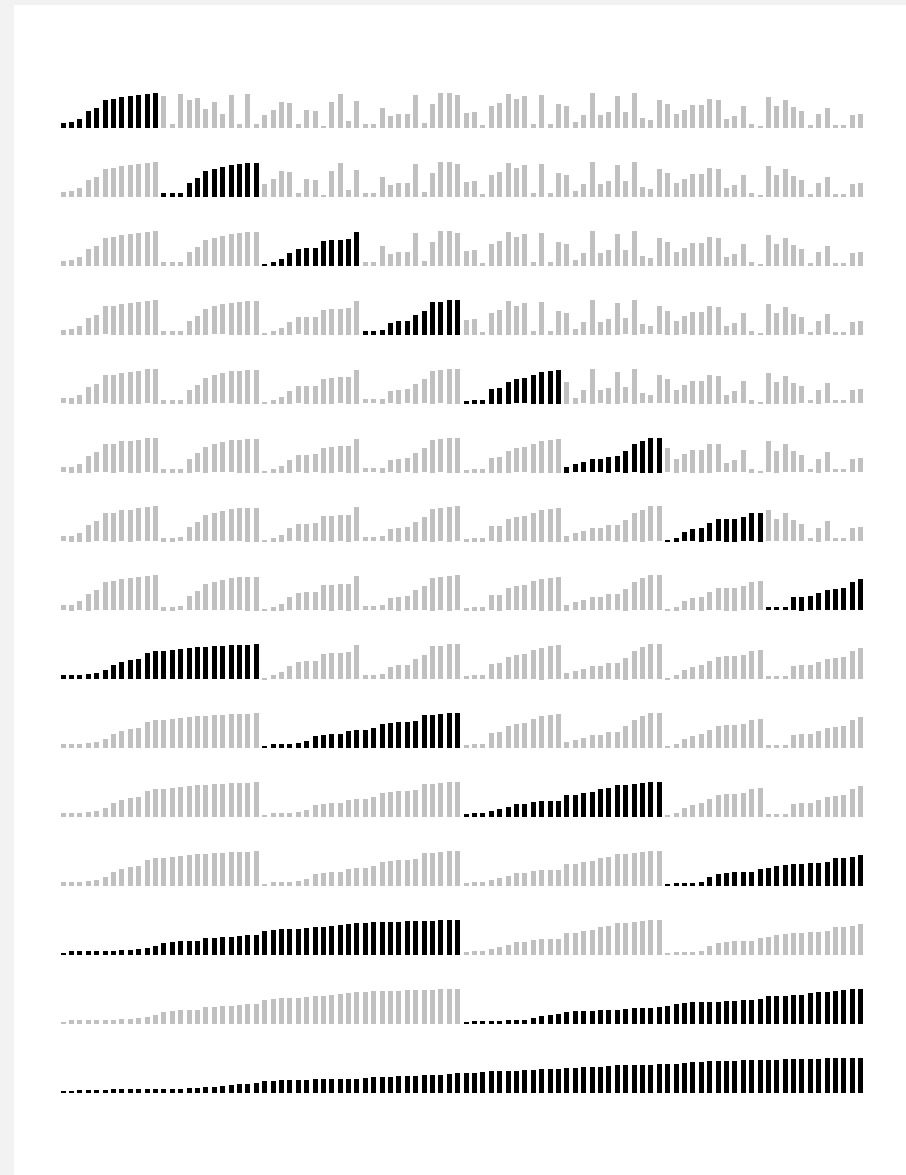
**Bottom line.** Simple and <sup>iteration we use</sup> **non-recursive** version of mergesort.

$O(n \log n)$

# Mergesort: visualizations













top-down mergesort (cutoff = 12)



bottom-up mergesort (cutoff = 12)











# Sort countries by gold medals

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NOC	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
 United States (USA)	46	29	29	104
 China (CHN)§	38	28	22	88
 Great Britain (GBR)*	29	17	19	65
 Russia (RUS)§	24	25	32	81
 South Korea (KOR)	13	8	7	28
 Germany (GER)	11	19	14	44
 France (FRA)	11	11	12	34
 Italy (ITA)	8	9	11	28
 Hungary (HUN)§	8	4	6	18
 Australia (AUS)	7	16	12	35

# Sort countries by total medals

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 Japan (JPN)	7	14	17	38
 Australia (AUS)	7	16	12	35
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 Italy (ITA)	8	9	11	28

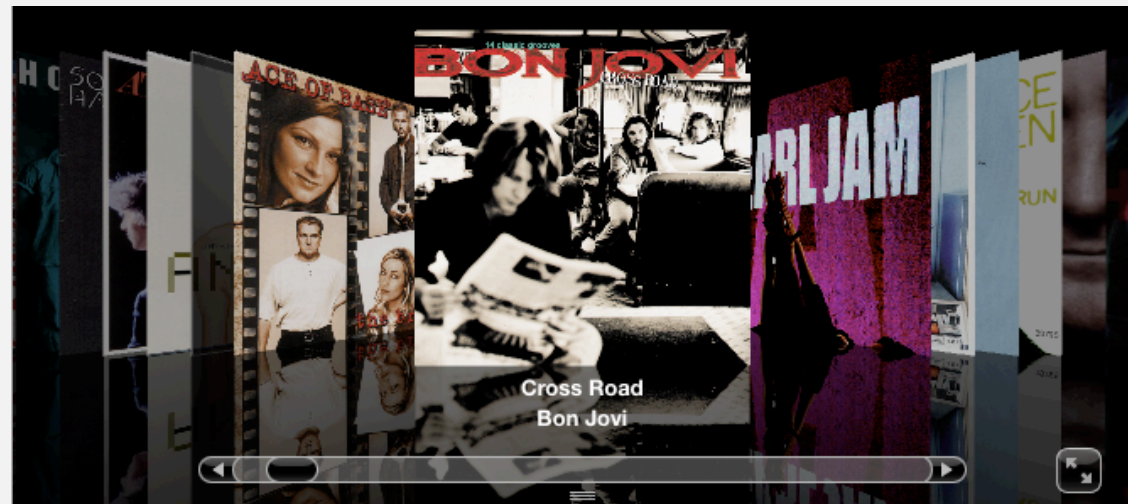
# Sort music library by artist



The screenshot shows a music player interface. At the top, there is a carousel of album covers. The central cover is for Bruce Springsteen's "Born In The U.S.A.", with the text "Born In The U.S.A. Bruce Springsteen" overlaid. Below the carousel is a playback control bar. Underneath the player is a table listing songs, sorted by artist. The table has columns for Name, Artist, Time, and Album. The song "Dancing In The Dark" by Bruce Springsteen is highlighted in blue.

	Name	Artist	Time	Album
12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Let It Be	The Beatles	4:03	Let It Be
13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Take My Breath Away	BERLIN	4:13	Top Gun – Soundtrack
14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Circle Of Friends	Better Than Ezra	3:27	Empire Records
15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dancing With Myself	Billy Idol	4:43	Don't Stop
16	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rebel Yell	Billy Idol	4:49	Rebel Yell
17	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Piano Man	Billy Joel	5:36	Greatest Hits Vol. 1
18	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pressure	Billy Joel	3:16	Greatest Hits, Vol. II (1978 – 1985) (Disc 2)
19	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Longest Time	Billy Joel	3:36	Greatest Hits, Vol. II (1978 – 1985) (Disc 2)
20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Atomic	Blondie	3:50	Atomic: The Very Best Of Blondie
21	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sunday Girl	Blondie	3:15	Atomic: The Very Best Of Blondie
22	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Call Me	Blondie	3:33	Atomic: The Very Best Of Blondie
23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dreaming	Blondie	3:06	Atomic: The Very Best Of Blondie
24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hurricane	Bob Dylan	8:32	Desire
25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Times They Are A–Changin'	Bob Dylan	3:17	Greatest Hits
26	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Livin' On A Prayer	Bon Jovi	4:11	Cross Road
27	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beds Of Roses	Bon Jovi	6:35	Cross Road
28	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Runaway	Bon Jovi	3:53	Cross Road
29	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rasputin (Extended Mix)	Boney M	5:50	Greatest Hits
30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Have You Ever Seen The Rain	Bonnie Tyler	4:10	Faster Than The Speed Of Night
31	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total Eclipse Of The Heart	Bonnie Tyler	7:02	Faster Than The Speed Of Night
32	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Straight From The Heart	Bonnie Tyler	3:41	Faster Than The Speed Of Night
33	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Holding Out For A Hero	Bonny Tyler	5:49	Meat Loaf And Friends
34	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dancing In The Dark	Bruce Springsteen	4:05	Born In The U.S.A.
35	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thunder Road	Bruce Springsteen	4:51	Born To Run
36	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Born To Run	Bruce Springsteen	4:30	Born To Run
37	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jungleland	Bruce Springsteen	9:34	Born To Run
38	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Turn Turn Turn (To Everything)	The Byrds	3:57	Forrest Gump The Soundtrack (Disc 2)

# Sort music library by song name



	Name	Artist	Time	Album
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alive	Pearl Jam	5:41	Ten
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All Over The World	Pixies	5:27	Bossanova
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All Through The Night	Cyndi Lauper	4:30	She's So Unusual
4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Allison Road	Gin Blossoms	3:19	New Miserable Experience
5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ama, Ama, Ama Y Ensancha El ...	Extremoduro	2:34	Deltoya (1992)
6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> And We Danced	Hooters	3:50	Nervous Night
7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As I Lay Me Down	Sophie B. Hawkins	4:09	Whaler
8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Atomic	Blondie	3:50	Atomic: The Very Best Of Blondie
9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automatic Lover	Jay-Jay Johanson	4:19	Antenna
10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Baba O'Riley	The Who	5:01	Who's Better, Who's Best
11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beautiful Life	Ace Of Base	3:40	The Bridge
12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Beds Of Roses</b>	<b>Bon Jovi</b>	<b>6:35</b>	<b>Cross Road</b>
13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Black	Pearl Jam	5:44	Ten
14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bleed American	Jimmy Eat World	3:04	Bleed American
15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Borderline	Madonna	4:00	The Immaculate Collection
16	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Born To Run	Bruce Springsteen	4:30	Born To Run
17	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both Sides Of The Story	Phil Collins	6:43	Both Sides
18	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bouncing Around The Room	Phish	4:09	A Live One (Disc 1)
19	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Boys Don't Cry	The Cure	2:35	Staring At The Sea: The Singles 1979-1985
20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brat	Green Day	1:43	Insomniac
21	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Breakdown	Deerheart	3:40	Deerheart
22	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bring Me To Life (Kevin Roen Mix)	Evanescence Vs. Pa...	9:48	
23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Californication	Red Hot Chili Pepp...	1:40	
24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Call Me	Blondie	3:33	Atomic: The Very Best Of Blondie
25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Can't Get You Out Of My Head	Kylie Minogue	3:50	Fever
26	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Celebration	Kool & The Gang	3:45	Time Life Music Sounds Of The Seventies - C
27	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chainz Chainz	Sukhwinder Singh	5:11	Bombay Dreams

# Comparable interface: review

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**Comparable interface:** sort using a type's **natural order**.

```
public class Date implements Comparable<Date>
{
    private final int month, day, year;

    public Date(int m, int d, int y)
    {
        month = m;
        day   = d;
        year  = y;
    }
    ...
    public int compareTo(Date that)
    {
        if (this.year < that.year ) return -1;
        if (this.year > that.year ) return +1;
        if (this.month < that.month) return -1;
        if (this.month > that.month) return +1;
        if (this.day   < that.day   ) return -1;
        if (this.day   > that.day   ) return +1;
        return 0;
    }
}
```

natural order



# Comparator interface

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Comparator interface: sort using an **alternate order**.

```
public interface Comparator<Key>
{
    int compare(Key v, Key w)    compare keys v and w
}
```

Required property. Must be a **total order**.

string order	example
<b>natural order</b>	Now is the time
<b>case insensitive</b>	is Now the time
<b>Spanish language</b>	café cafetero cuarto <b>churro</b> nube <b>ñoño</b>
<b>British phone book</b>	McKinley Mackintosh

# Comparator interface: system sort

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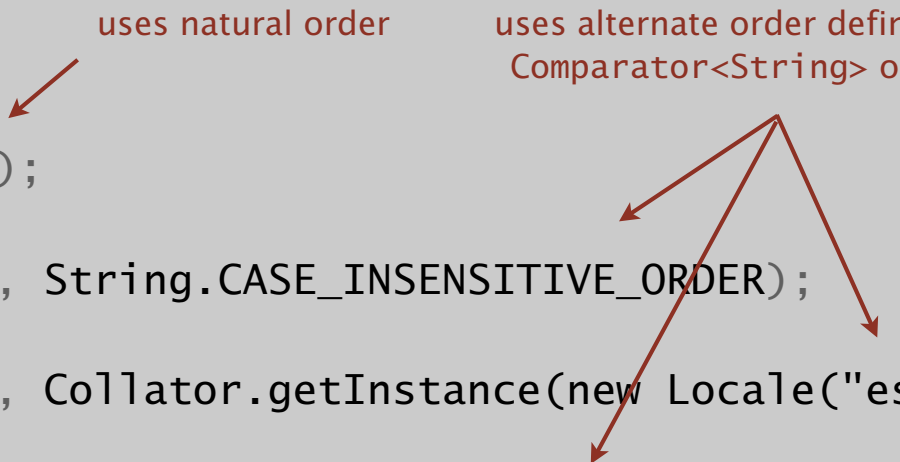
## To use with Java system sort:

- Create Comparator object.
- Pass as second argument to `Arrays.sort()`.

```
String[] a;
...
Arrays.sort(a);
...
Arrays.sort(a, String.CASE_INSENSITIVE_ORDER);
...
Arrays.sort(a, Collator.getInstance(new Locale("es")));
...
Arrays.sort(a, new BritishPhoneBookOrder());
...
```

uses natural order

uses alternate order defined by  
Comparator<String> object



**Bottom line.** Decouples the definition of the data type from the definition of what it means to compare two objects of that type.

# Comparator interface: using with our sorting libraries

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To support comparators in our sort implementations:

- Use `Object` instead of `Comparable`.
- Pass `Comparator` to `sort()` and `less()` and use it in `less()`.

insertion sort using a `Comparator`

```
public static void sort(Object[] a, Comparator comparator)
{
    int N = a.length;
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
        for (int j = i; j > 0 && less(comparator, a[j], a[j-1]); j--)
            exch(a, j, j-1);
}

private static boolean less(Comparator c, Object v, Object w)
{ return c.compare(v, w) < 0; }

private static void exch(Object[] a, int i, int j)
{ Object swap = a[i]; a[i] = a[j]; a[j] = swap; }
```

# Comparator interface: implementing

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## To implement a comparator:

- Define a (nested) class that implements the Comparator interface.
- Implement the `compare()` method.

```
public class Student
{
    private final String name;
    private final int section;
    ...
}
```

```
public static class ByName implements Comparator<Student>
{
    public int compare(Student v, Student w)
    { return v.name.compareTo(w.name); }
}
```

```
public static class BySection implements Comparator<Student>
{
    public int compare(Student v, Student w)
    { return v.section - w.section; }
}
```

 this trick works here  
since no danger of overflow

# Comparator interface: implementing

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## To implement a comparator:

- Define a (nested) class that implements the Comparator interface.
- Implement the `compare()` method.

```
Arrays.sort(a, new Student.ByName());
```

Andrews	3	A	664-480-0023	097 Little
Battle	4	C	874-088-1212	121 Whitman
Chen	3	A	991-878-4944	308 Blair
Fox	3	A	884-232-5341	11 Dickinson
Furia	1	A	766-093-9873	101 Brown
Gazsi	4	B	766-093-9873	101 Brown
Kanaga	3	B	898-122-9643	22 Brown
Rohde	2	A	232-343-5555	343 Forbes

```
Arrays.sort(a, new Student.BySection());
```

Furia	1	A	766-093-9873	101 Brown
Rohde	2	A	232-343-5555	343 Forbes
Andrews	3	A	664-480-0023	097 Little
Chen	3	A	991-878-4944	308 Blair
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## 2.2 MERGESORT

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- ▶ *mergesort*
- ▶ *bottom-up mergesort*
- ▶ *sorting complexity*
- ▶ *comparators*
- ▶ *stability*

# Stability → لمن يتكرر الـ element يكون محافظا على قيمة بالاصل .

A typical application. First, sort by name; **then** sort by section.

```
Selection.sort(a, new Student.ByName());
```

Andrews	3	A	664-480-0023	097 Little
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```
Selection.sort(a, new Student.BySection());
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@#%&@! Students in section 3 no longer sorted by name.

A **stable** sort preserves the relative order of items with equal keys.

لمن دلتهم صدى الترتيب نفس الـ بالجدول (ترتيب الاصل)

لمن الـ Key مكررة بيحل بحافظه على ترتيبهم الاصل قبل ما ترتب .

# Stability

Q. Which sorts are stable?

A. Need to check algorithm (and implementation).

sorted by time	sorted by location (not stable)	sorted by location (stable)
Chicago 09:00:00	Chicago 09:25:52	Chicago 09:00:00
Phoenix 09:00:03	Chicago 09:03:13	Chicago 09:00:59
Houston 09:00:13	Chicago 09:21:05	Chicago 09:03:13
Chicago 09:00:59	Chicago 09:19:46	Chicago 09:19:32
Houston 09:01:10	Chicago 09:19:32	Chicago 09:19:46
Chicago 09:03:13	Chicago 09:00:00	Chicago 09:21:05
Seattle 09:10:11	Chicago 09:35:21	Chicago 09:25:52
Seattle 09:10:25	Chicago 09:00:59	Chicago 09:35:21
Phoenix 09:14:25	Houston 09:01:10	Houston 09:00:13
Chicago 09:19:32	Houston 09:00:13	Houston 09:01:10
Chicago 09:19:46	Phoenix 09:37:44	Phoenix 09:00:03
Chicago 09:21:05	Phoenix 09:00:03	Phoenix 09:14:25
Seattle 09:22:43	Phoenix 09:14:25	Phoenix 09:37:44
Seattle 09:22:54	Seattle 09:10:25	Seattle 09:10:11
Chicago 09:25:52	Seattle 09:36:14	Seattle 09:10:25
Chicago 09:35:21	Seattle 09:22:43	Seattle 09:22:43
Seattle 09:36:14	Seattle 09:10:11	Seattle 09:22:54
Phoenix 09:37:44	Seattle 09:22:54	Seattle 09:36:14

*no longer sorted by time*

*still sorted by time*

# Stability: insertion sort

(B, 7), (C, 7), (D, 2)

Proposition. **Insertion sort is stable.**

output = Selection Sort

```
public class Insertion
{
    public static void sort(Comparable[] a)
    {
        int N = a.length;
        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
            for (int j = i; j > 0 && less(a[j], a[j-1]); j--)
                exch(a, j, j-1);
    }
}
```

i	j	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	<u>B<sub>1</sub></u>	A <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>
1	0	A <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>
2	1	A <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>
3	2	A <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>
4	4	A <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>
		A <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>

Pf. Equal items never move past each other.

# Stability: selection sort

Proposition. Selection sort is not stable.

```
public class Selection
{
    public static void sort(Comparable[] a)
    {
        int N = a.length;
        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
        {
            int min = i;
            for (int j = i+1; j < N; j++)
                if (less(a[j], a[min]))
                    min = j;
            exch(a, i, min);
        }
    }
}
```

i	min	0	1	2
0	2	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	A
1	1	A	B <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>
2	2	A	B <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>
		A	B <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>

Pf by counterexample. Long-distance exchange can move one equal item past another one.

# Stability: mergesort

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Proposition. Mergesort is **stable**.

```
public class Merge
{
    private static void merge(...)
    { /* as before */ }

    private static void sort(Comparable[] a, Comparable[] aux, int lo, int hi)
    {
        if (hi <= lo) return;
        int mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        sort(a, aux, lo, mid);
        sort(a, aux, mid+1, hi);
        merge(a, aux, lo, mid, hi);
    }

    public static void sort(Comparable[] a)
    { /* as before */ }
}
```

Pf. Suffices to verify that merge operation is stable.

# Stability: mergesort

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**Proposition.** Merge operation is **stable**.

```
private static void merge(...)
{
    for (int k = lo; k <= hi; k++)
        aux[k] = a[k];

    int i = lo, j = mid+1;
    for (int k = lo; k <= hi; k++)
    {
        if (i > mid)          a[k] = aux[j++];
        else if (j > hi)     a[k] = aux[i++];
        else if (less(aux[j], aux[i])) a[k] = aux[j++];
        else                 a[k] = aux[i++];
    }
}
```

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>3</sub>	B	D	A <sub>4</sub>	A <sub>5</sub>	C	E	F	G

**Pf.** Takes from left subarray if equal keys.

# Sorting summary

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$O(n)$

	inplace?	stable?	best	average	worst	remarks
selection	✓	<del>✗</del>	$\frac{1}{2} N^2$	$\frac{1}{2} N^2$	$\frac{1}{2} N^2$	$N$ exchanges
insertion	✓	✓	<i>sorted data</i> $N$	$\frac{1}{4} N^2$	$\frac{1}{2} N^2$	عدد الترتيبات كثيرة use for small $N$ or partially ordered
<del>shell</del>	<del>✓</del>	<del></del>	<del><math>N \log_3 N</math></del>	<del>?</del>	<del><math>c N^{3/2}</math></del>	<del>tight code; subquadratic</del>
merge		✓	$\frac{1}{2} N \lg N$	$N \lg N$	$N \lg N$	$N \log N$ guarantee; stable
<del>timsort</del>	<del></del>	<del>✓</del>	<del><math>N</math></del>	<del><math>N \lg N</math></del>	<del><math>N \lg N</math></del>	<del>improves mergesort when preexisting order</del>
<del>?</del>	<del>✓</del>	<del>✓</del>	<del><math>N</math></del>	<del><math>N \lg N</math></del>	<del><math>N \lg N</math></del>	<del>holy sorting grail</del>

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