

# CS 4102: Algorithms

## Lecture 11: Dynamic Programming

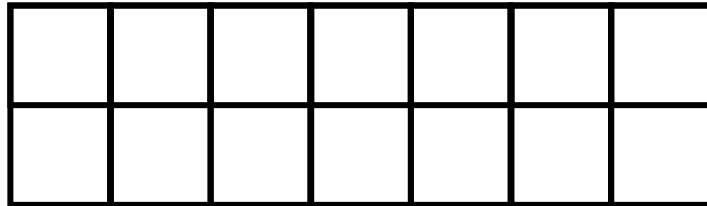
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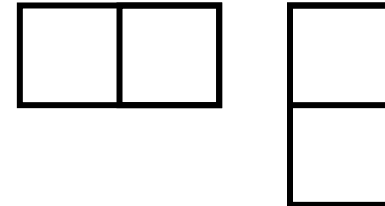
# Warm Up

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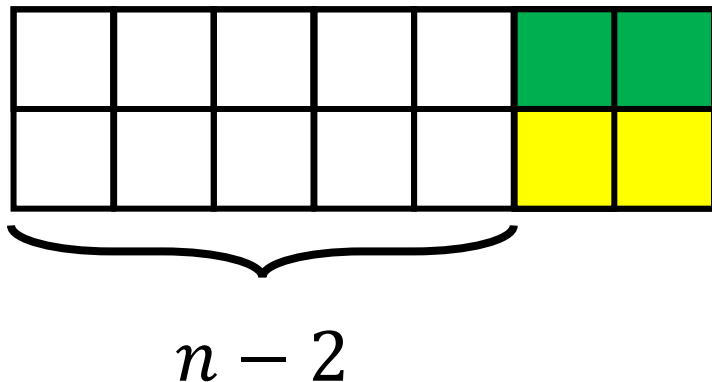
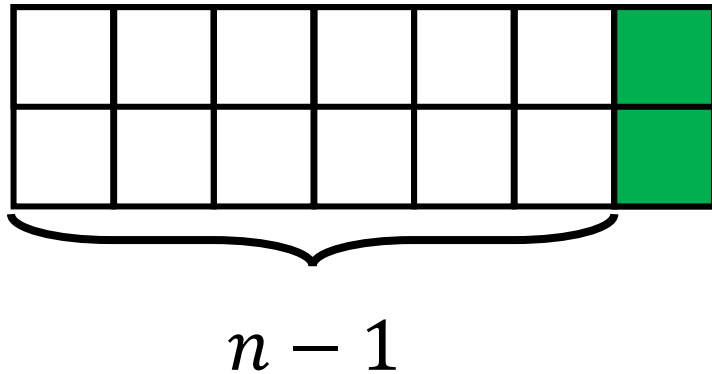


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# Today's Keywords

Dynamic programming

Maximum sum contiguous subarray

Tiling dominoes

Log cutting

Matrix chaining

**CLRS Readings:** Chapter 14

# Homework

- **HW3** due ~~Tuesday, October 1, 11pm~~ **Wednesday, October 2, 11pm**
  - Divide and conquer algorithms
  - Written (use LaTeX!) – Submit both **zip** and **pdf**!
- **Regrade office hours:**
  - Thursday 11am-12pm (Rice 210)
  - Thursday 4pm-5pm (Rice 501)

# Maximum Sum Subarray Problem

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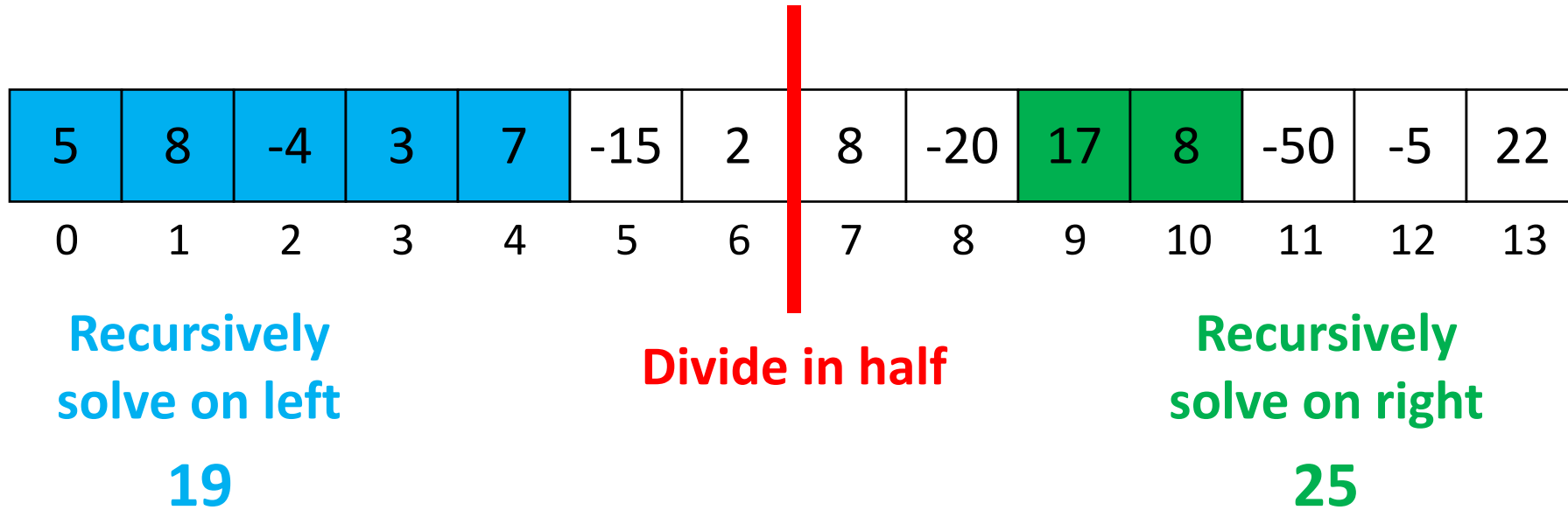
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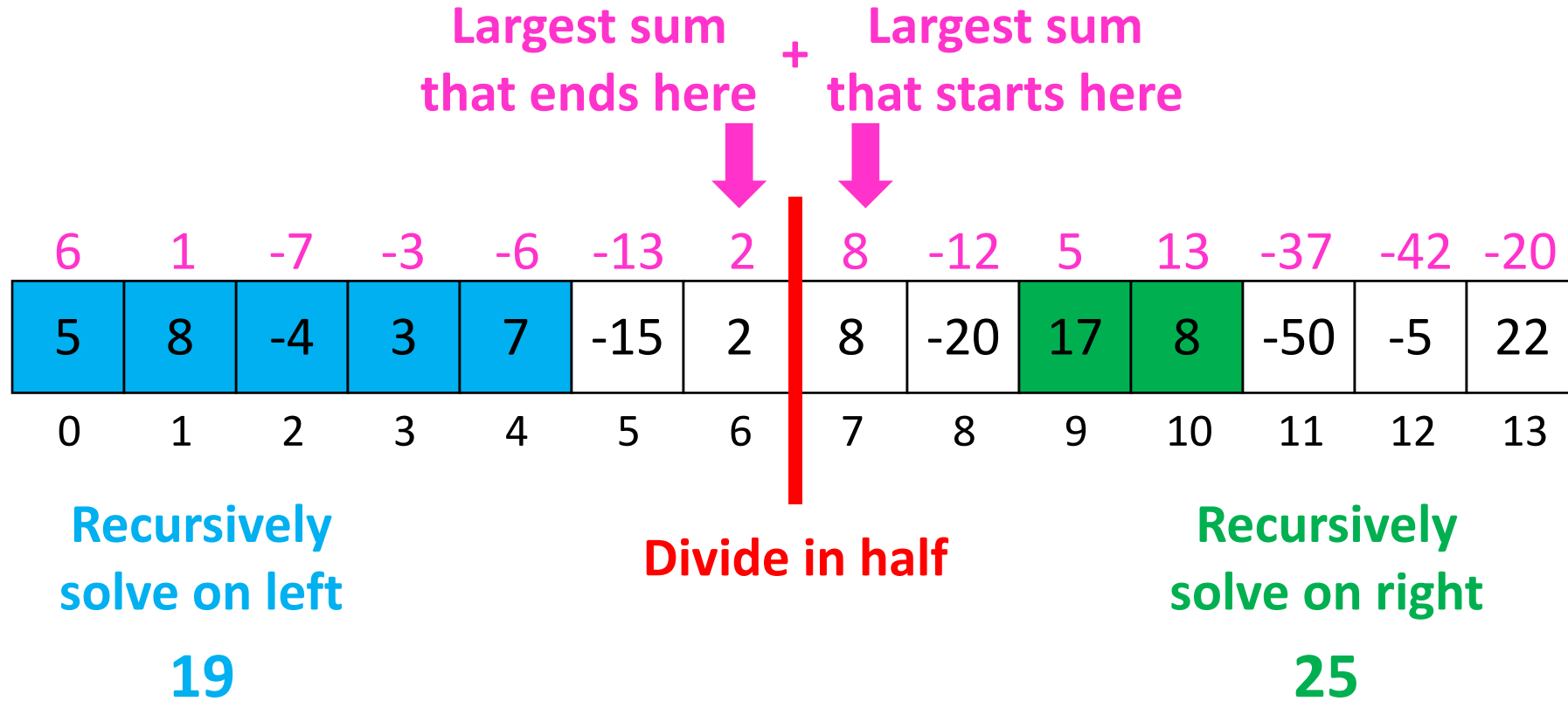
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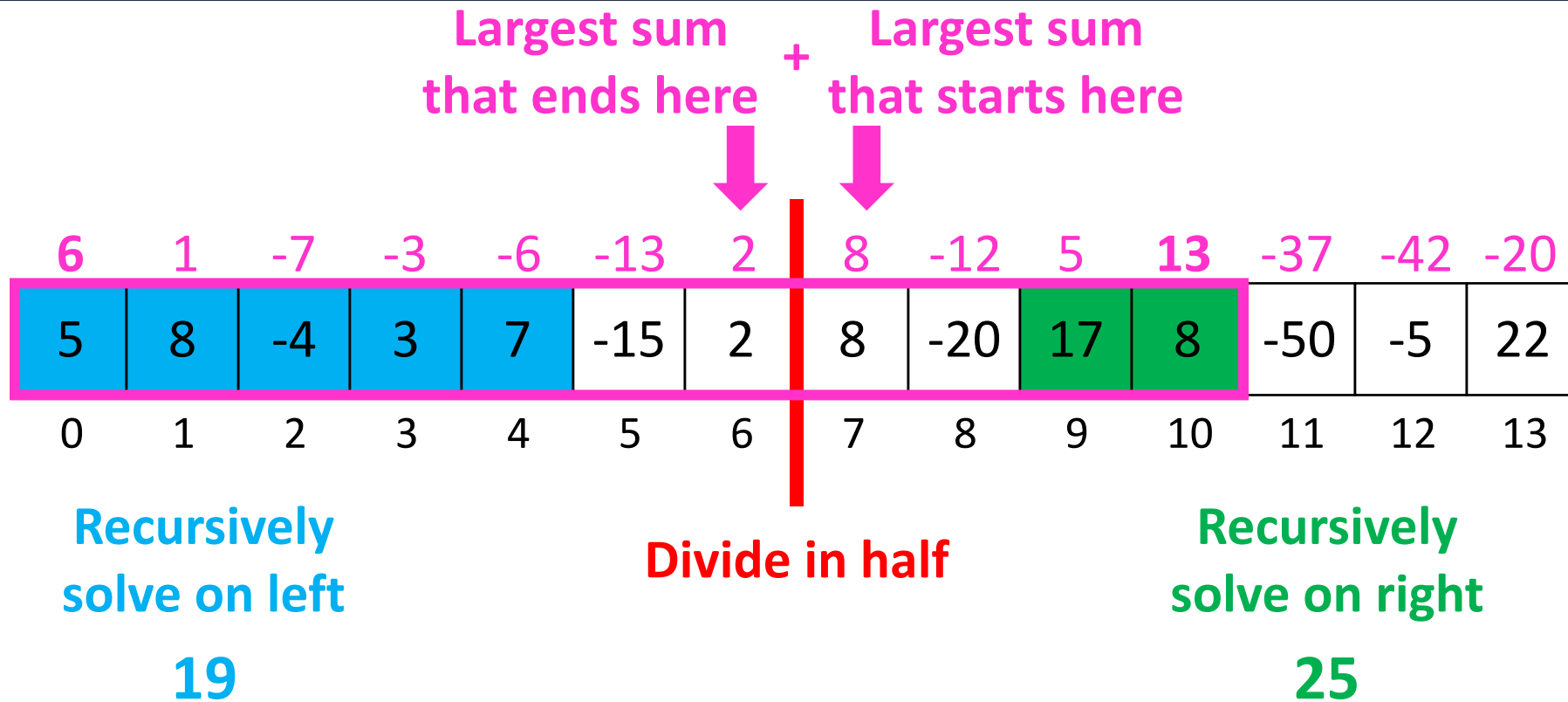


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## Combine

- Find the best subarray that “spans the divide” and output best among all candidates

# Unbalanced Divide and Conquer


Best subarray that spans divide must include last element:  $BED(n)$

- $BED(n) = \max(BED(n - 1) + arr[n], 0)$

Best subarray must either include or exclude the last element

- $BSL(n) = \max(BSL(n - 1), BED(n))$

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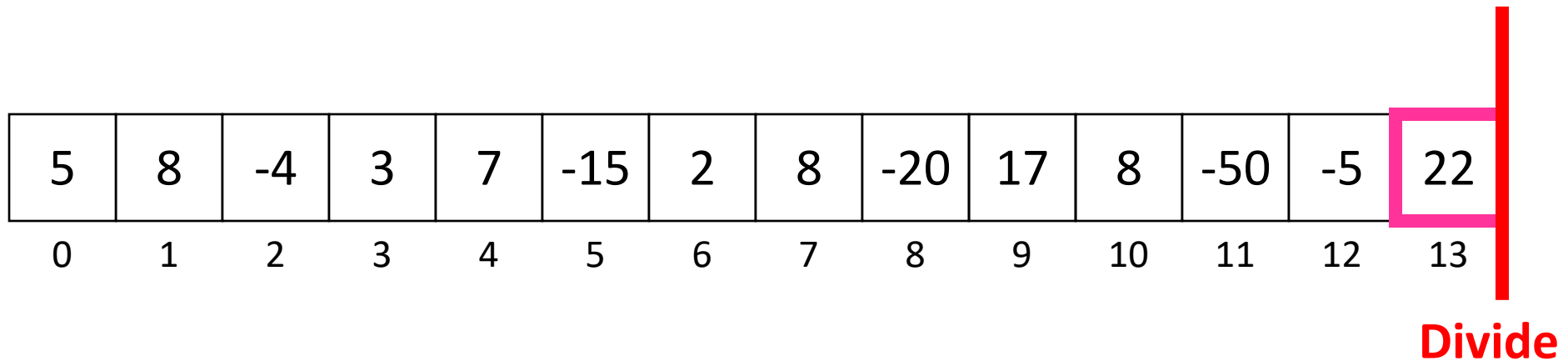
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- New best subarray ending at the divide:
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- New best on the left:
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If we compute  $BED(n - 1)$  and  $BSL(n - 1)$ , then Combine is constant-time!

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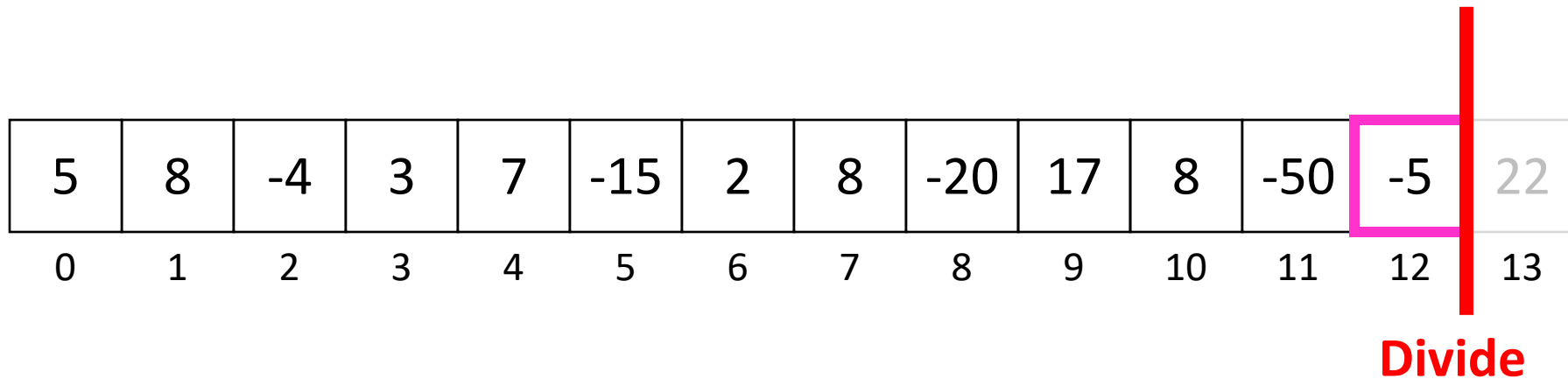


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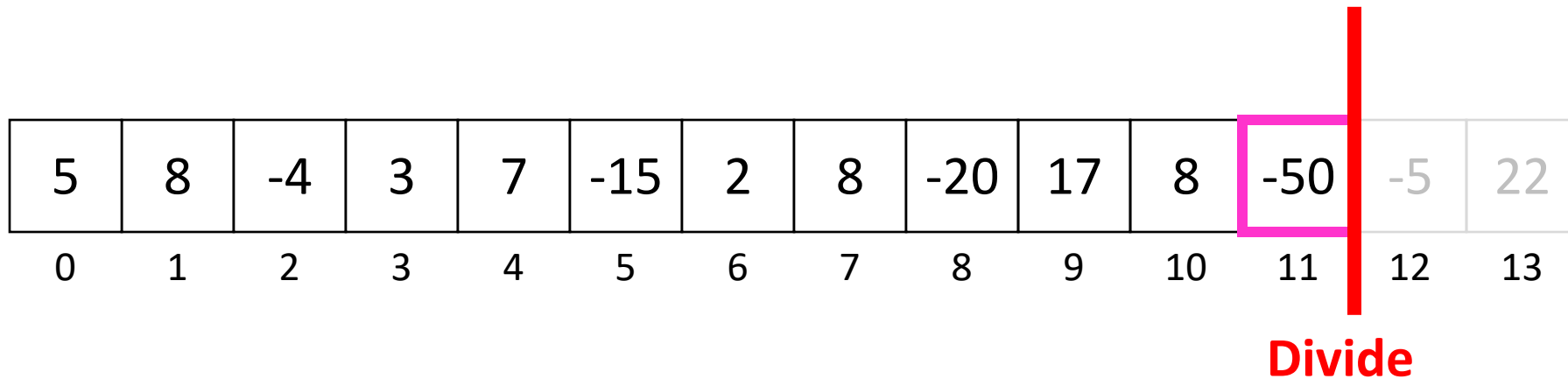
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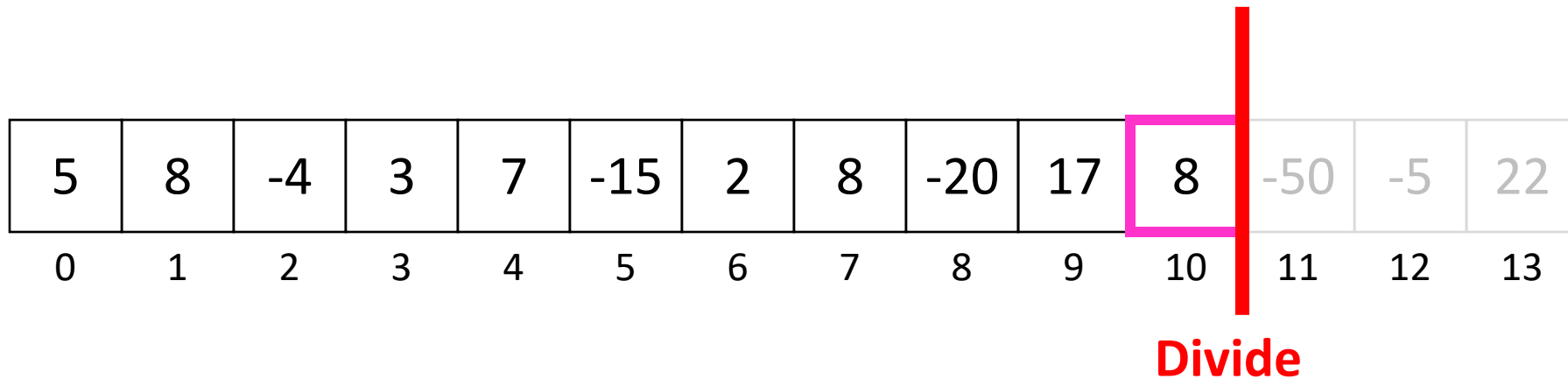
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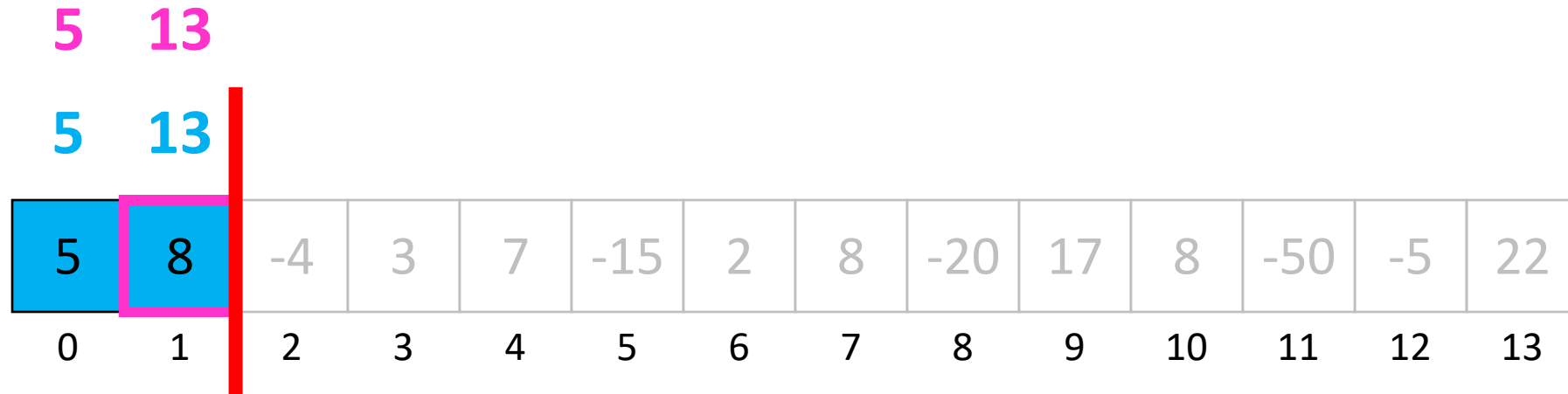
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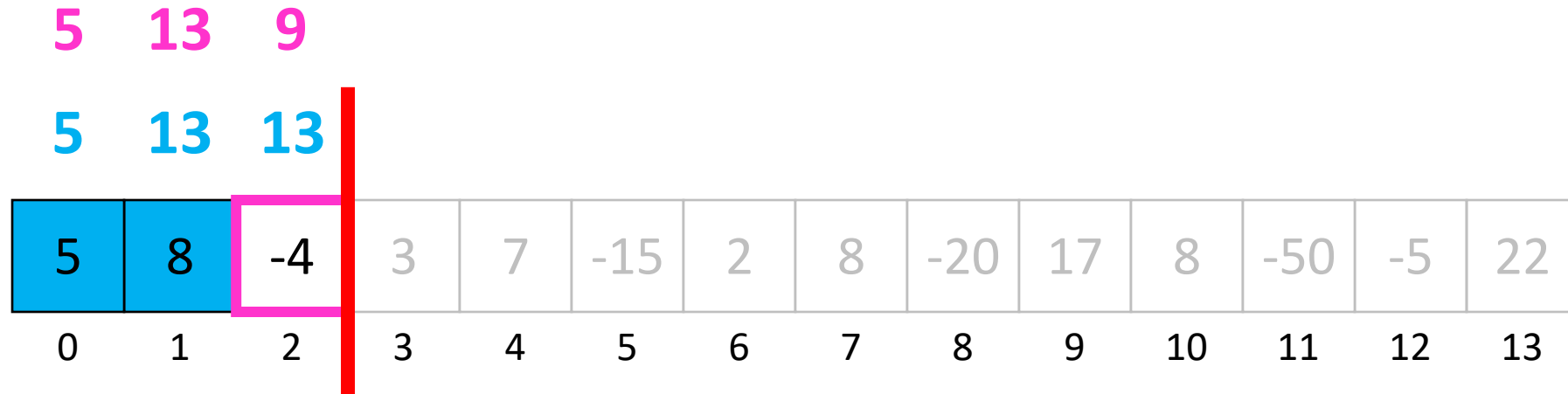
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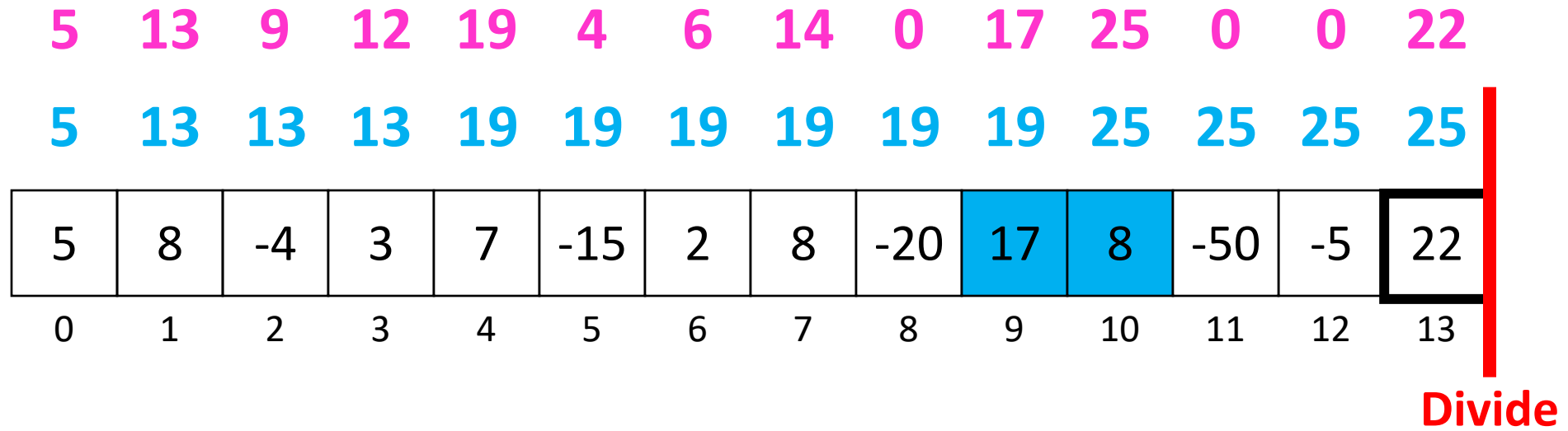
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# Was Unbalanced Better?

Old:  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n) \in \Theta(n \log n)$

- We split into 2 problems of size  $n/2$
- Linear time combine (to find arrays that span the cut)

New:  $T(n) = T(n-1) + T(1) + \Theta(1) \in \Theta(n)$

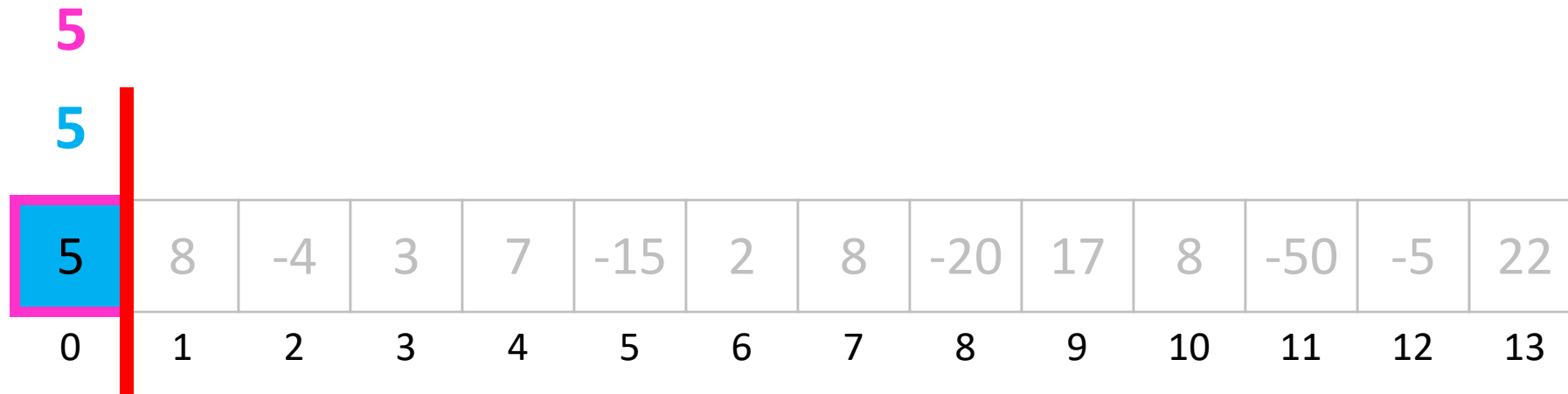
- We split into 2 problems of size  $n-1$  and 1
- Constant time combine



$\Theta(1)$



# Another Look at the Recursion



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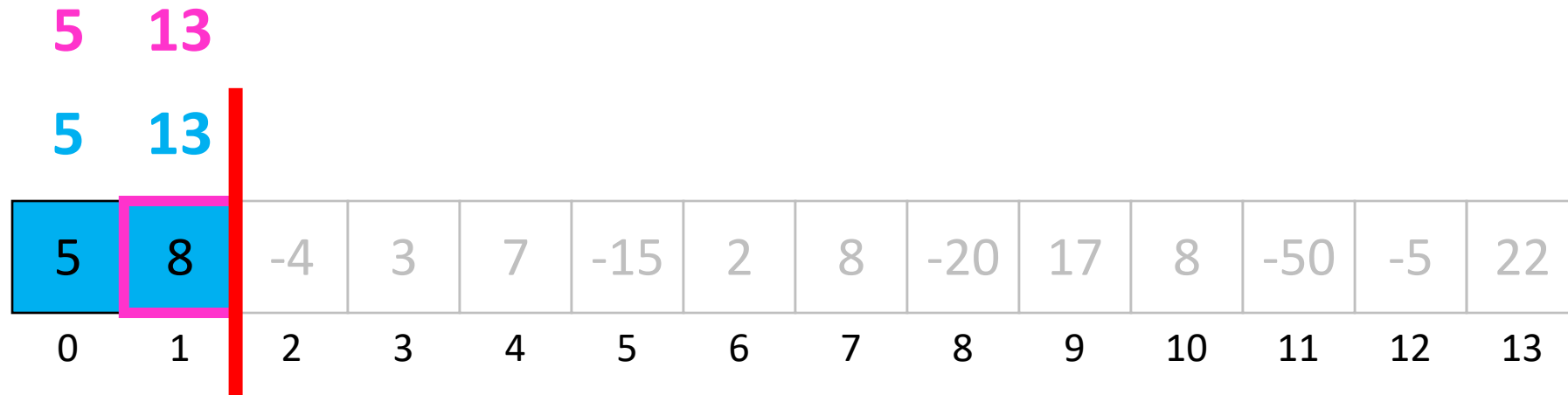
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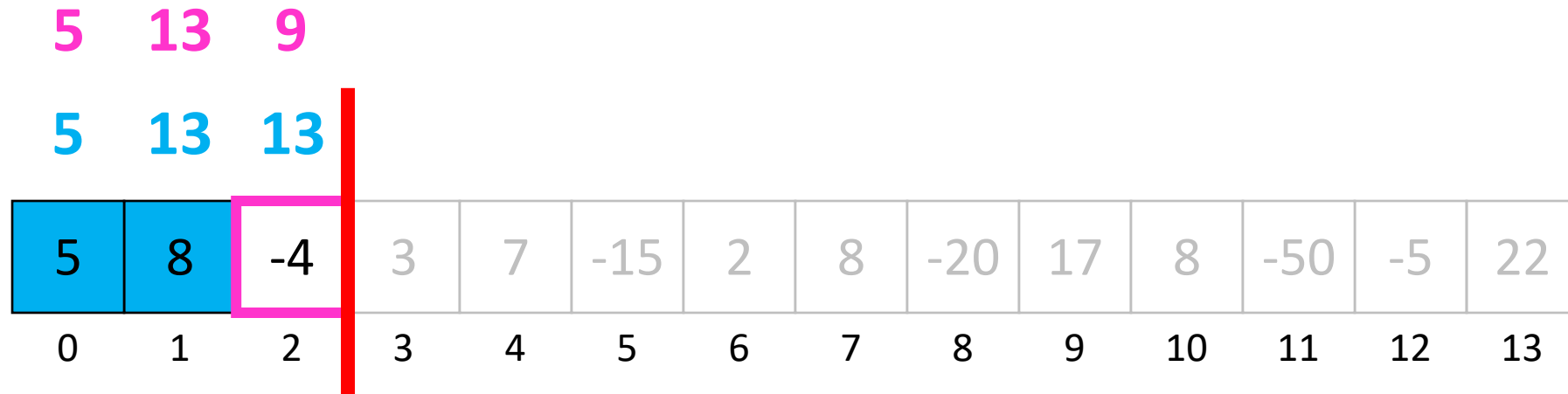
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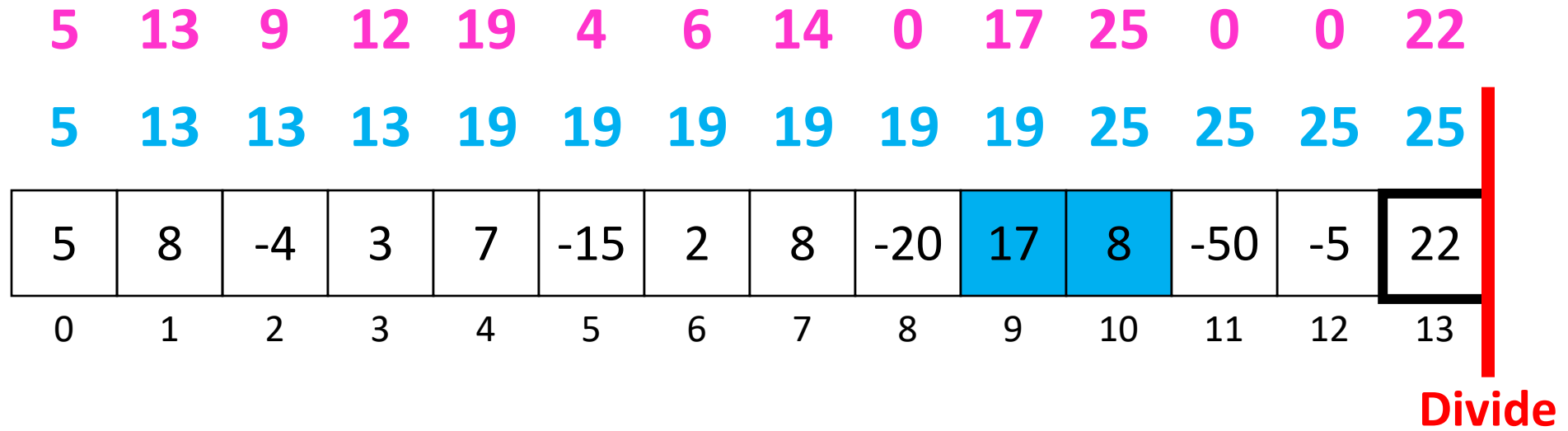
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**Observation:** No need to recurse! Just maintain two numbers and iterate from 1 to  $n$ : **best value so far**, **best value ending at current position**

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# End of Midterm Exam Materials!

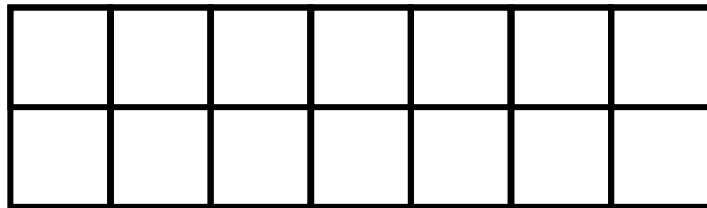


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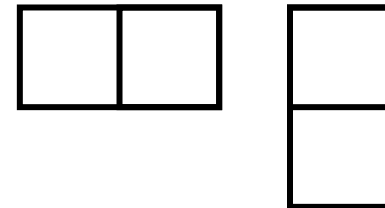
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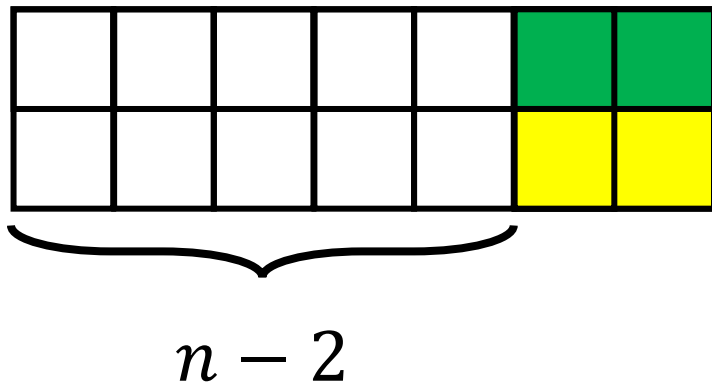
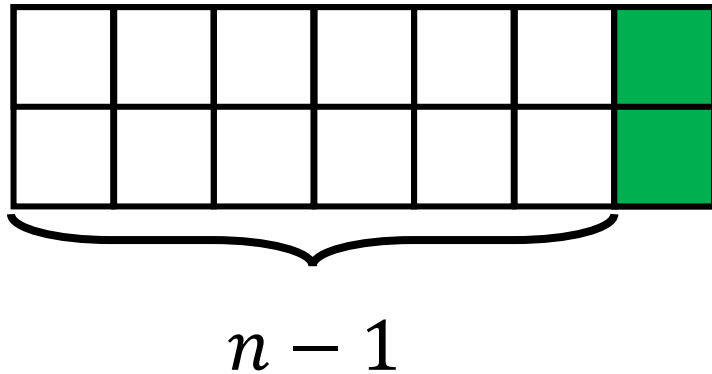


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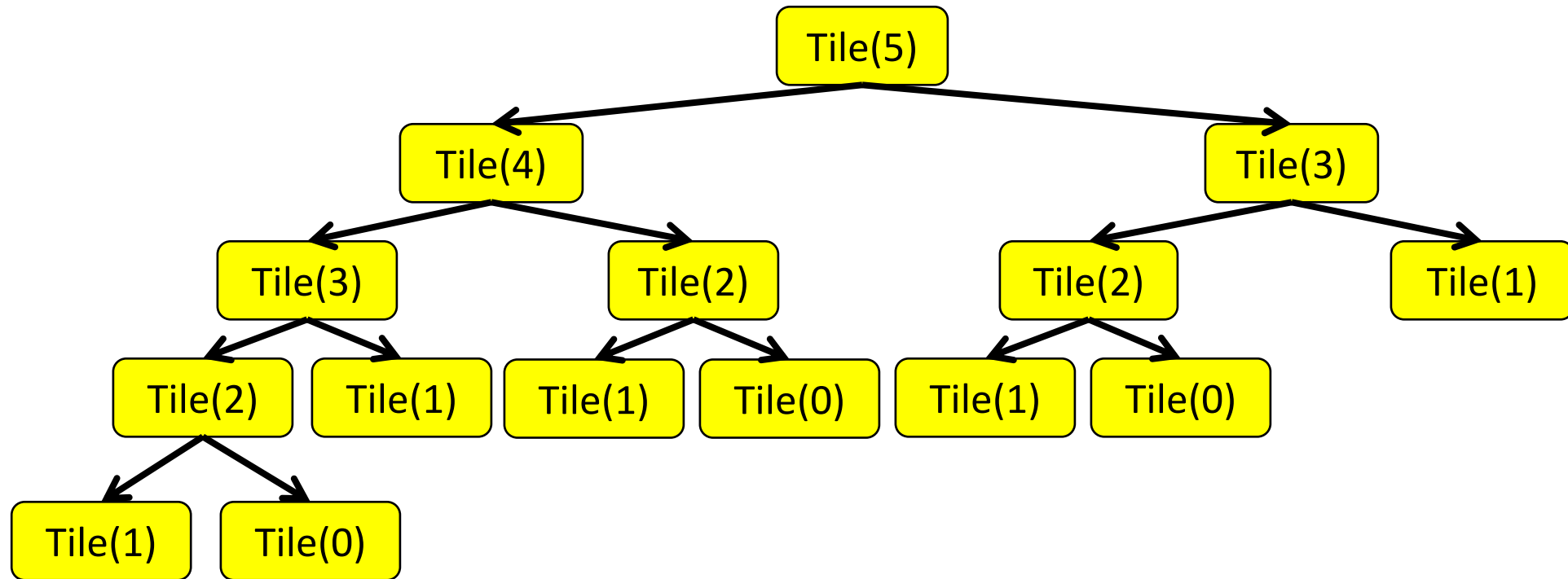
# How to compute $\text{Tile}(n)$ ?

```
def tile(n):  
    if n < 2:  
        return 1  
    return tile(n-1) + tile(n-2)
```

Problem?

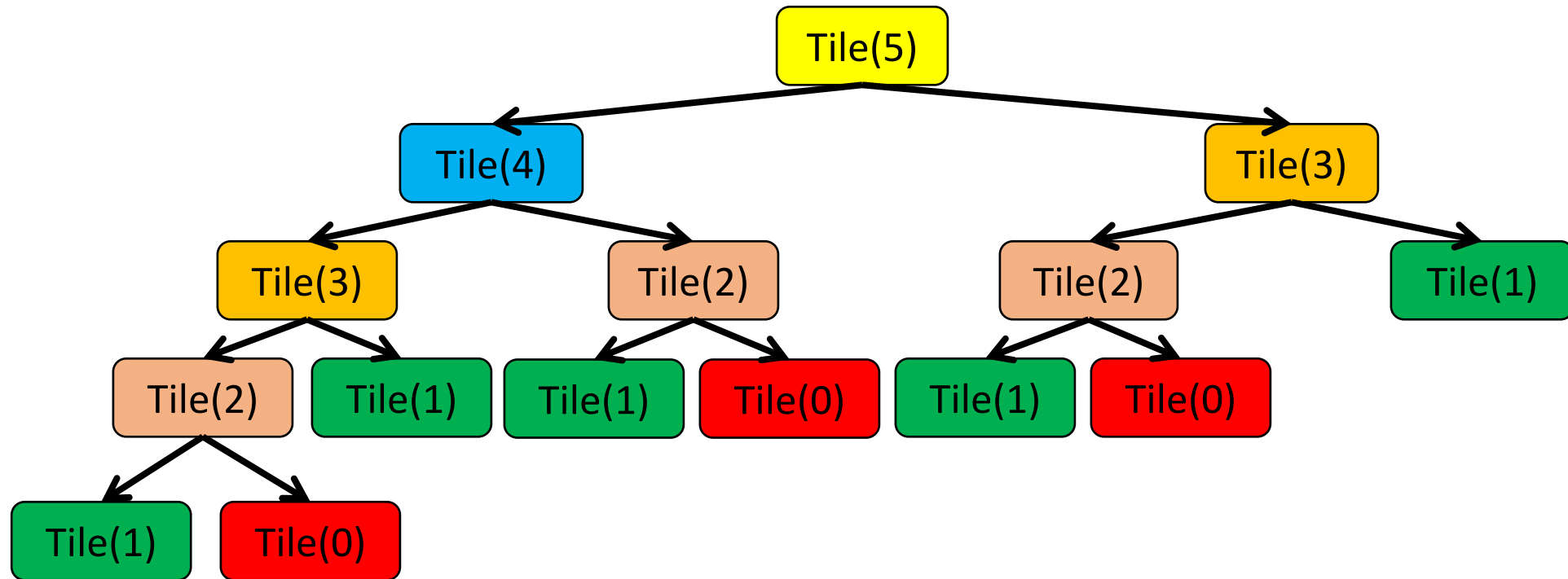


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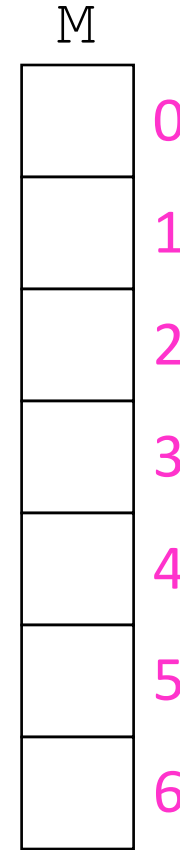
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But lots of redundant calls...

We only computed  
 $n$  distinct values

# Computing $\text{Tile}(n)$ with Memory ("Top Down")

```
initialize array M of size n
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**Runtime:**  $\Theta(n)$

**Bottom-Up:** Can also iterate through  $M$  and fill in entries sequentially

M	
1	0
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2	2
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8	5
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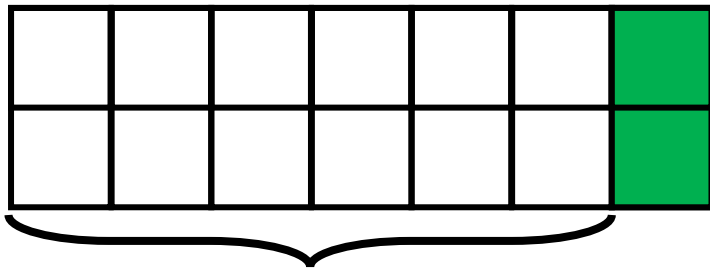
**Bottom-Up:**  
Fill in entries from  
small instances to  
large instances

# Dynamic Programming

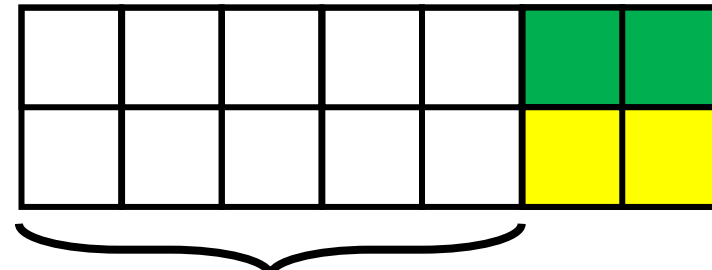
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**General idea:** Identify recursive structure of the problem and express solution to larger instances in terms of solutions to smaller instances



$n - 1$



$n - 2$

# Generic Divide and Conquer

```
def myDCalgo(problem):  
  
    if baseCase(problem):  
        solution = solve(problem)  
  
        return solution  
    for subproblem of problem: # After dividing  
        subsolutions.append(myDCalgo(subproblem))  
    solution = Combine(subsolutions)  
  
    return solution
```

# Generic Top-Down Dynamic Programming

```
mem = {}  
def myDPalgo(problem):  
    if mem[problem] not empty:  
        return mem[problem]  
    if baseCase(problem):  
        solution = solve(problem)  
        mem[problem] = solution  
        return solution  
    for subproblem of problem:  
        subsolutions.append(myDPalgo(subproblem))  
    solution = OptimalSubstructure(subsolutions)  
    mem[problem] = solution  
    return solution
```

Also called  
“memoization”

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# Log Cutting

**Given:** a log of length  $n$ , a list (of length  $n$ ) of prices  $P$

**Problem:** Find the best way to cut the log

$P[i]$  is the price  
of a cut of size  $i$

<b>Price:</b>	1	5	8	9	10	17	17	20	24	30
<b>Length:</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10



**Problem formulation:** Find lengths  $\ell_1, \dots, \ell_k$  that maximizes

$$\sum_{i \in [k]} P[\ell_i] \text{ and such that } \sum_{i \in [k]} \ell_i = n$$

**Brute Force:**  $O(2^n)$

# A “Greedy” Approach

**Greedy algorithms** (next unit) build a solution by picking the best option “right now”

- **Possible strategy:** choose the most profitable cut first

<b>Price:</b>	1	18	24	36	50	50
<b>Length:</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6



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Greedy solution is suboptimal

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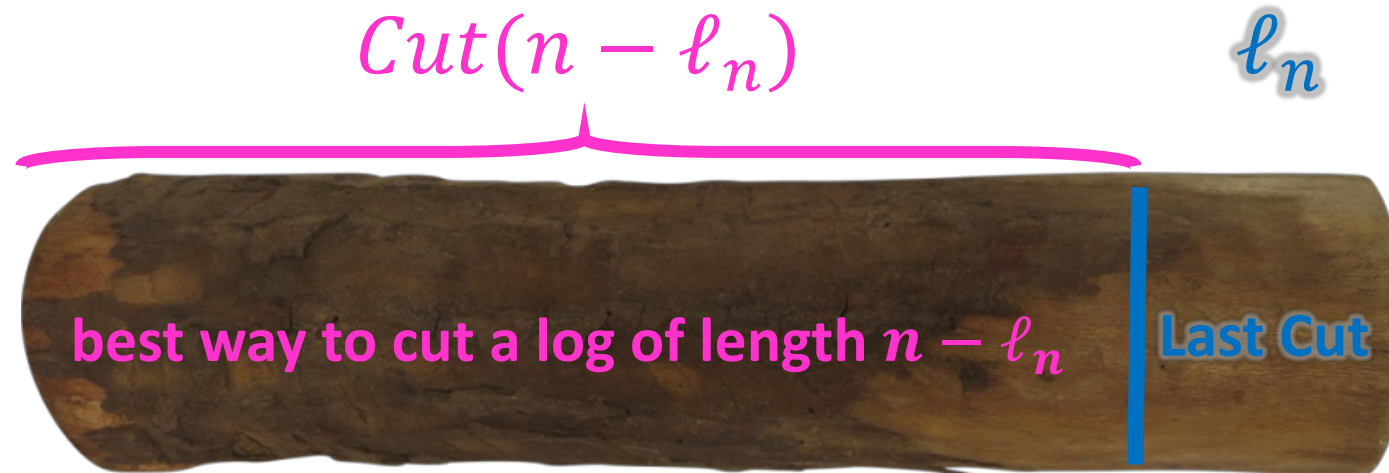
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# Step 1: Identify Recursive Structure

$P[i]$  = value of a cut of length  $i$

$\text{Cut}(n)$  = value of best way to cut a log of length  $n$

$$\text{Cut}(n) = \max \begin{cases} \text{Cut}(n-1) + P[1] \\ \text{Cut}(n-2) + P[2] \\ \vdots \\ \text{Cut}(0) + P[n] \end{cases}$$



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## 2. Select a Good Order for Solving Subproblems

Solve smallest subproblem first

$$\text{Cut}(0) = 0$$

$\text{Cut}(i):$	0						
Length:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6

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$$\text{Cut}(1) = \text{Cut}(0) + P[1]$$

**Cut(*i*):**

0	1					
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**Length:**    0    1    2    3    4    5    6

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$$\text{Cut}(2) = \max \begin{cases} \text{Cut}(1) + P[1] \\ \text{Cut}(0) + P[2] \end{cases}$$

**Cut(*i*):**

0	1	18				
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$$\text{Cut}(3) = \max \begin{cases} \text{Cut}(2) + P[1] \\ \text{Cut}(1) + P[2] \\ \text{Cut}(0) + P[3] \end{cases}$$

**Cut(*i*):**

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# Log Cutting Pseudocode

initialize memory C

**Run Time:**  $O(n^2)$

cut(n) :

    C[0] = 0

    for i = 1 to n:

        best = 0

        for j = 1 to i:

            best = max(best, C[i-j] + P[j])

        C[i] = best

    return C[n]

# Finding the Cuts

This procedure told us the profit, but not the cuts themselves

**Idea:** remember the choice that you made, then backtrack

# Remembering the Choices

initialize memory C, choices

cut(n):

    C[0] = 0

    for i = 1 to n:

        best = 0

        for j = 1 to i:

            if best < C[i-j] + P[j]:

                best = C[i-j] + P[j]

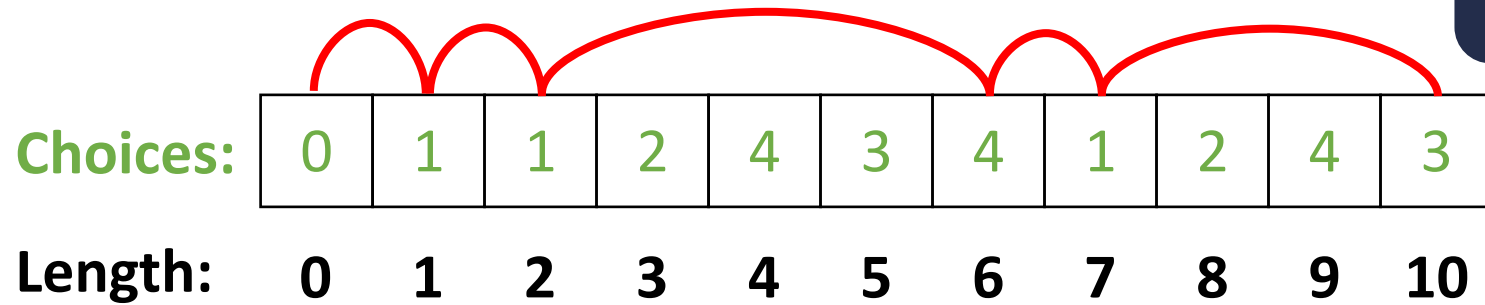
                choices[i] = j ← size of the last cut

    C[i] = best

return C[n], choices

# Reconstruct the Cuts

Backtrack through the choices:



Optimal cut for log of length 10 is to first cut segment of length 3





# Backtracking Pseudocode

```
i = n
while i > 0:
    print choices[i]
    i = i - choices[i]
```

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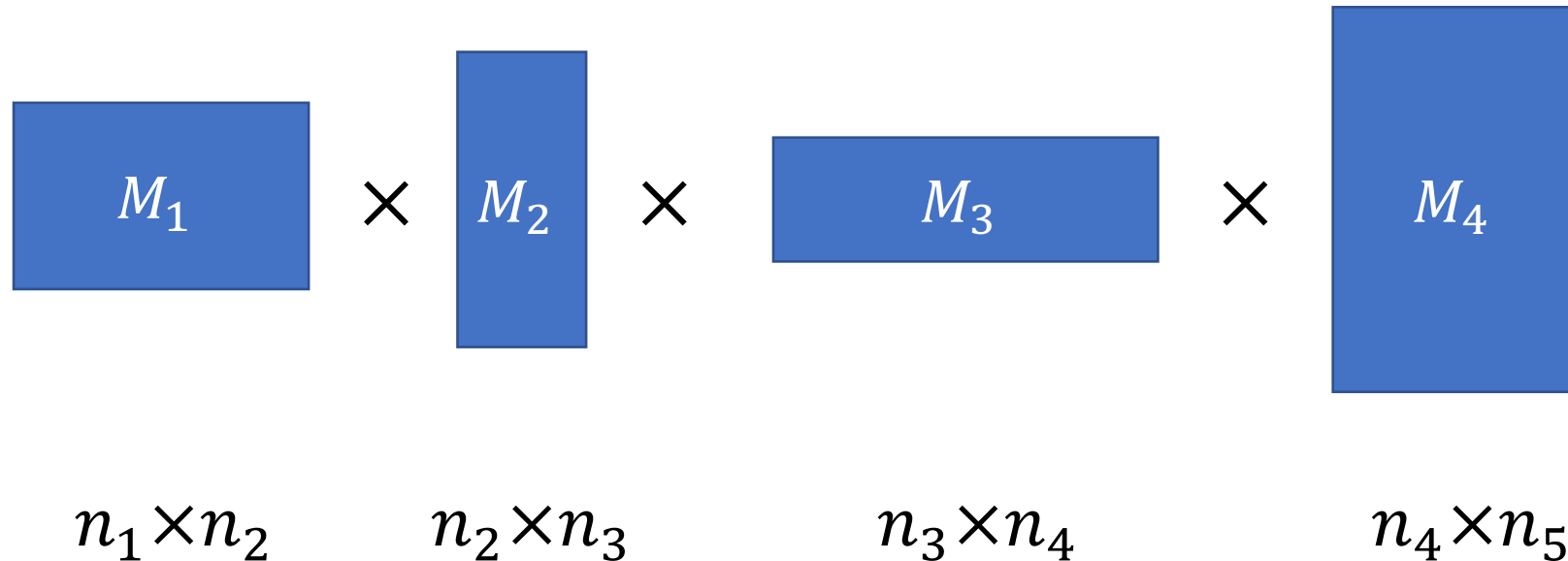
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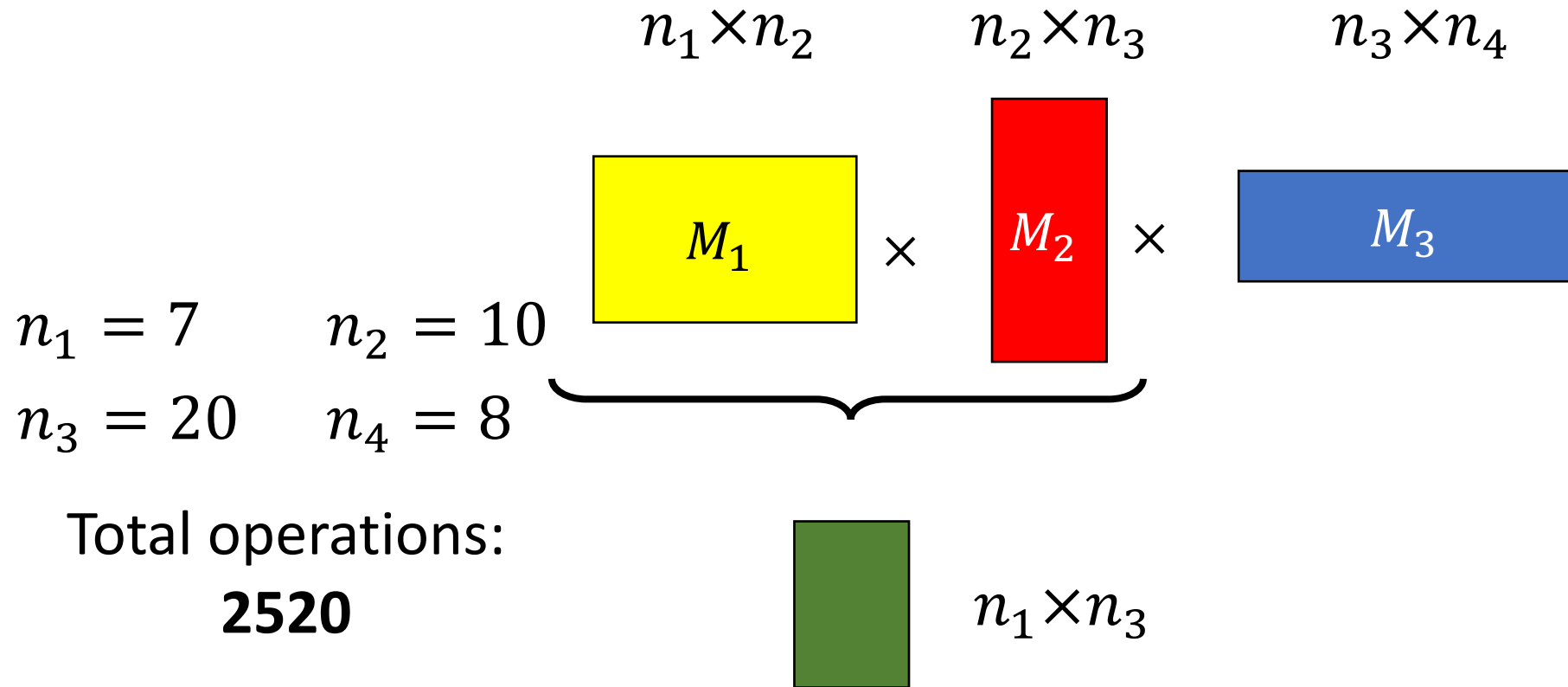
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**Remember:** matrix multiplication is associative

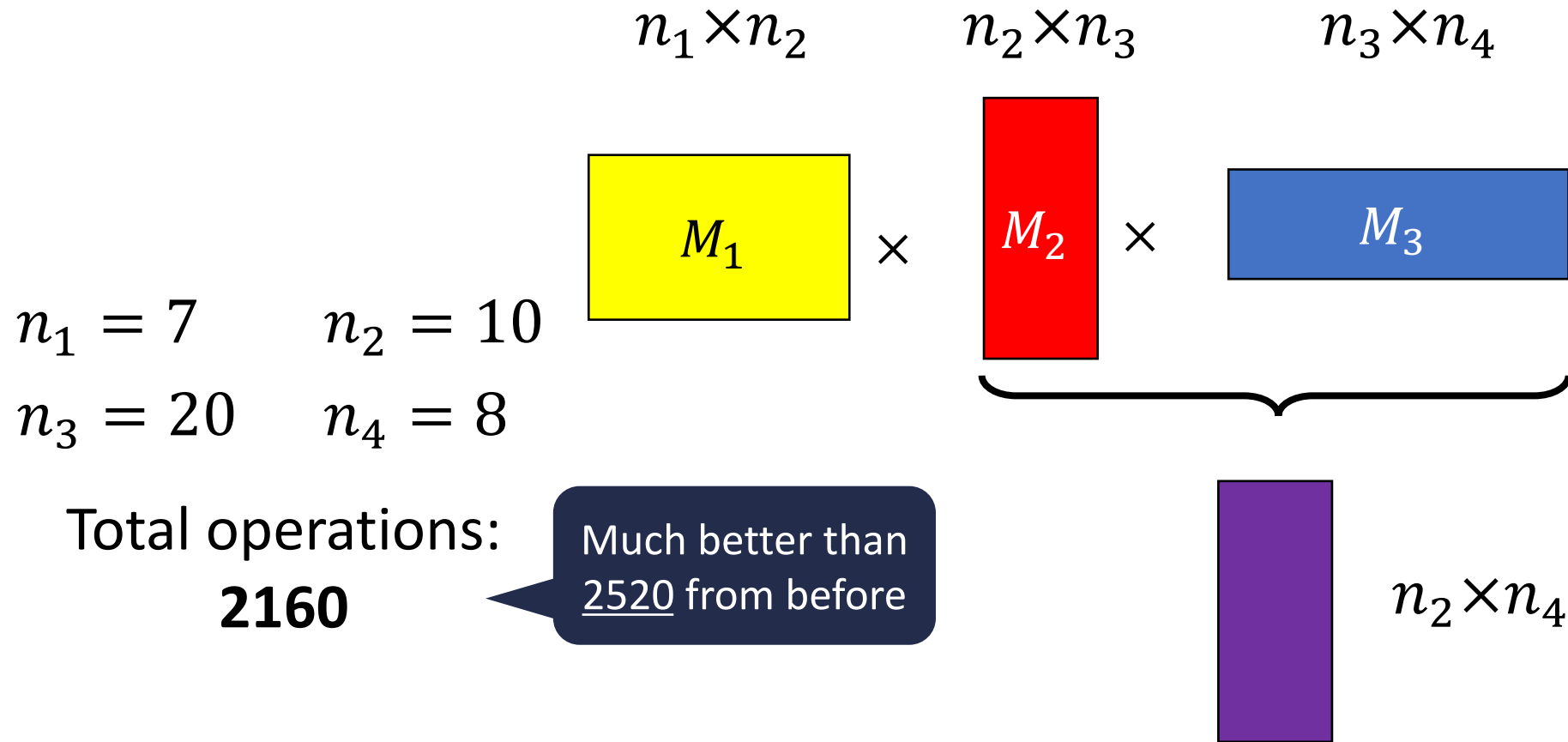
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