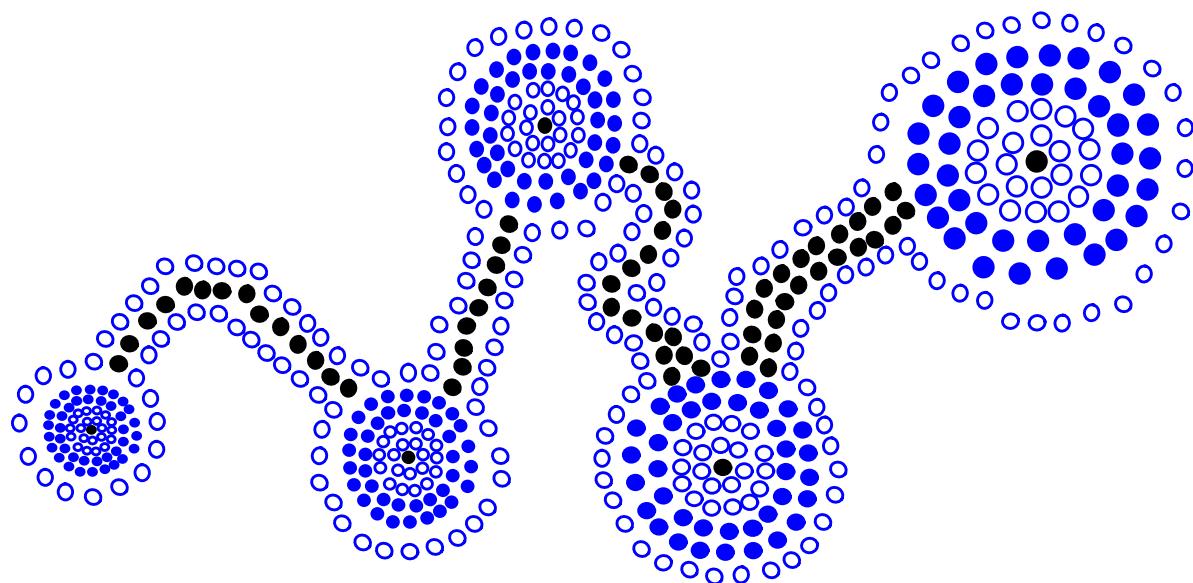


# SORTING

- Review of Sorting
- Merge Sort
- Sets



# Sorting Algorithms

- **Selection Sort** uses a priority queue P implemented with an unsorted sequence:
  - **Phase 1:** the insertion of an item into P takes  $O(1)$  time; overall  $O(n)$
  - **Phase 2:** removing an item takes time proportional to the number of elements in P  $O(n)$ : overall  $O(n^2)$
  - Time Complexity:  $O(n^2)$
- **Insertion Sort** is performed on a priority queue P which is a sorted sequence:
  - **Phase 1:** the first `insertItem` takes  $O(1)$ , the second  $O(2)$ , until the last `insertItem` takes  $O(n)$ : overall  $O(n^2)$
  - **Phase 2:** removing an item takes  $O(1)$  time; overall  $O(n)$ .
  - Time Complexity:  $O(n^2)$
- **Heap Sort** uses a priority queue K which is a heap.
  - `insertItem` and `removeMinElement` each take  $O(\log k)$ ,  $k$  being the number of elements in the heap at a given time.
  - **Phase 1:**  $n$  elements inserted:  $O(n \log n)$  time
  - **Phase 2:**  $n$  elements removed:  $O(n \log n)$  time.
  - Time Complexity:  $O(n \log n)$

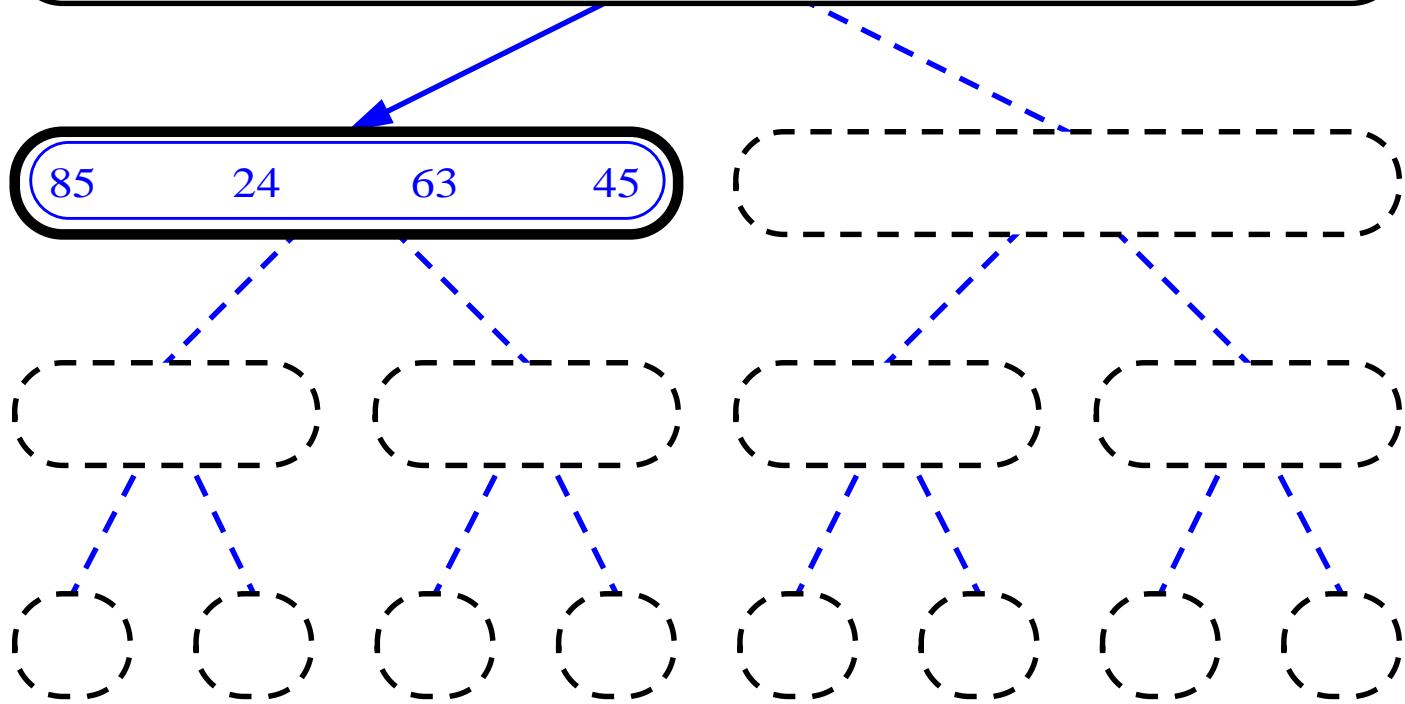
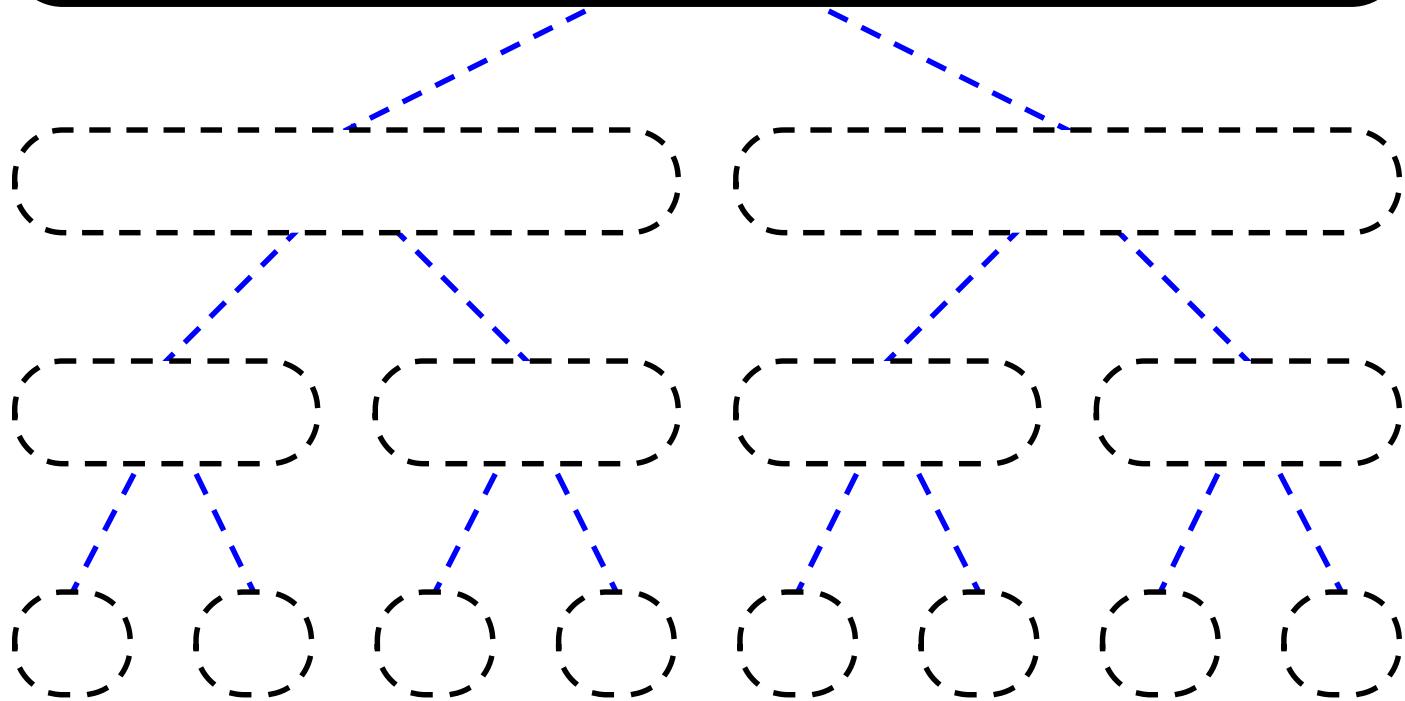
# Divide-and-Conquer

- *Divide and Conquer* is more than just a military strategy, it is also a method of algorithm design that has created such efficient algorithms as [Merge Sort](#).
- In terms or algorithms, this method has three distinct steps:
  - **Divide:** If the input size is too large to deal with in a straightforward manner, divide the data into two or more disjoint subsets.
  - **Recurse:** Use divide and conquer to solve the subproblems associated with the data subsets.
  - **Conquer:** Take the solutions to the subproblems and “merge” these solutions into a solution for the original problem.

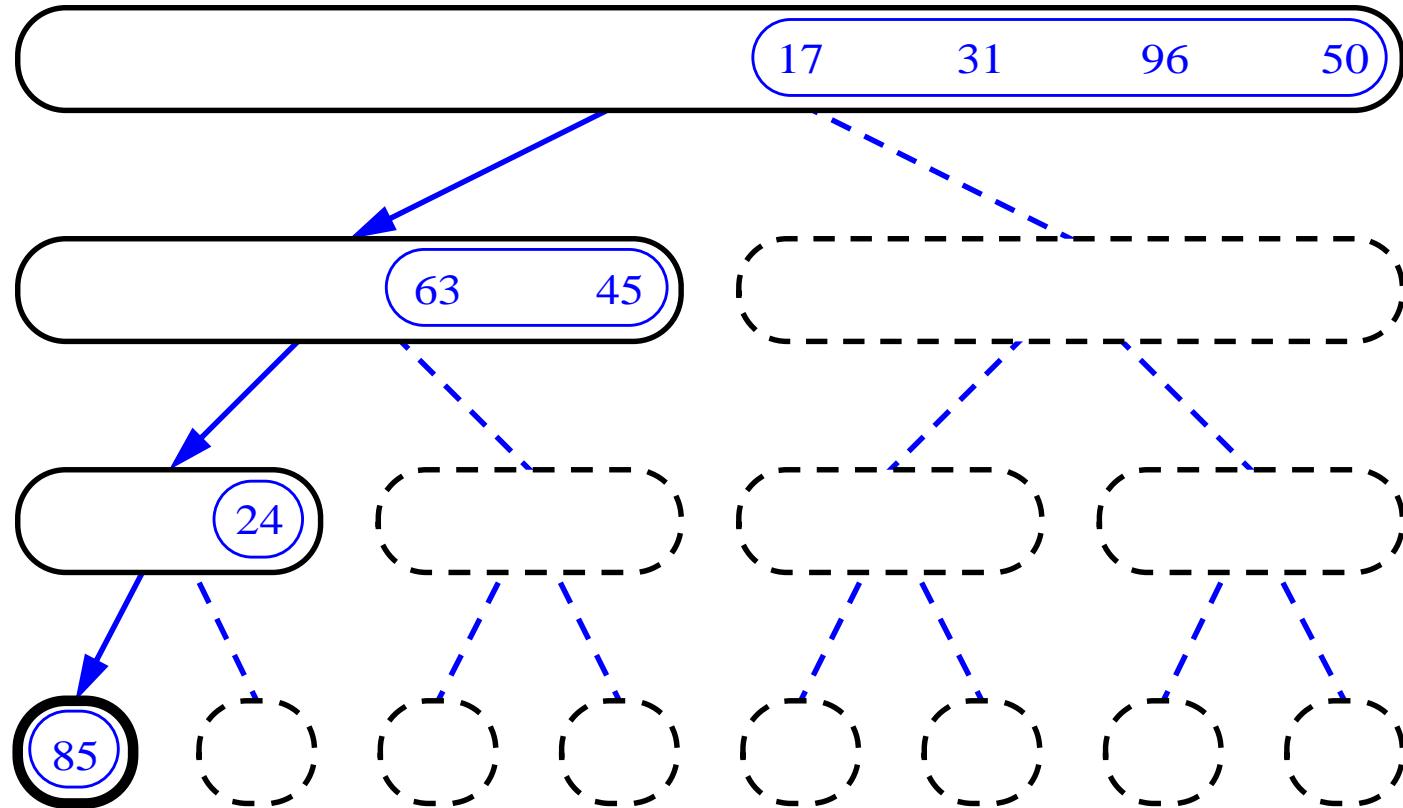
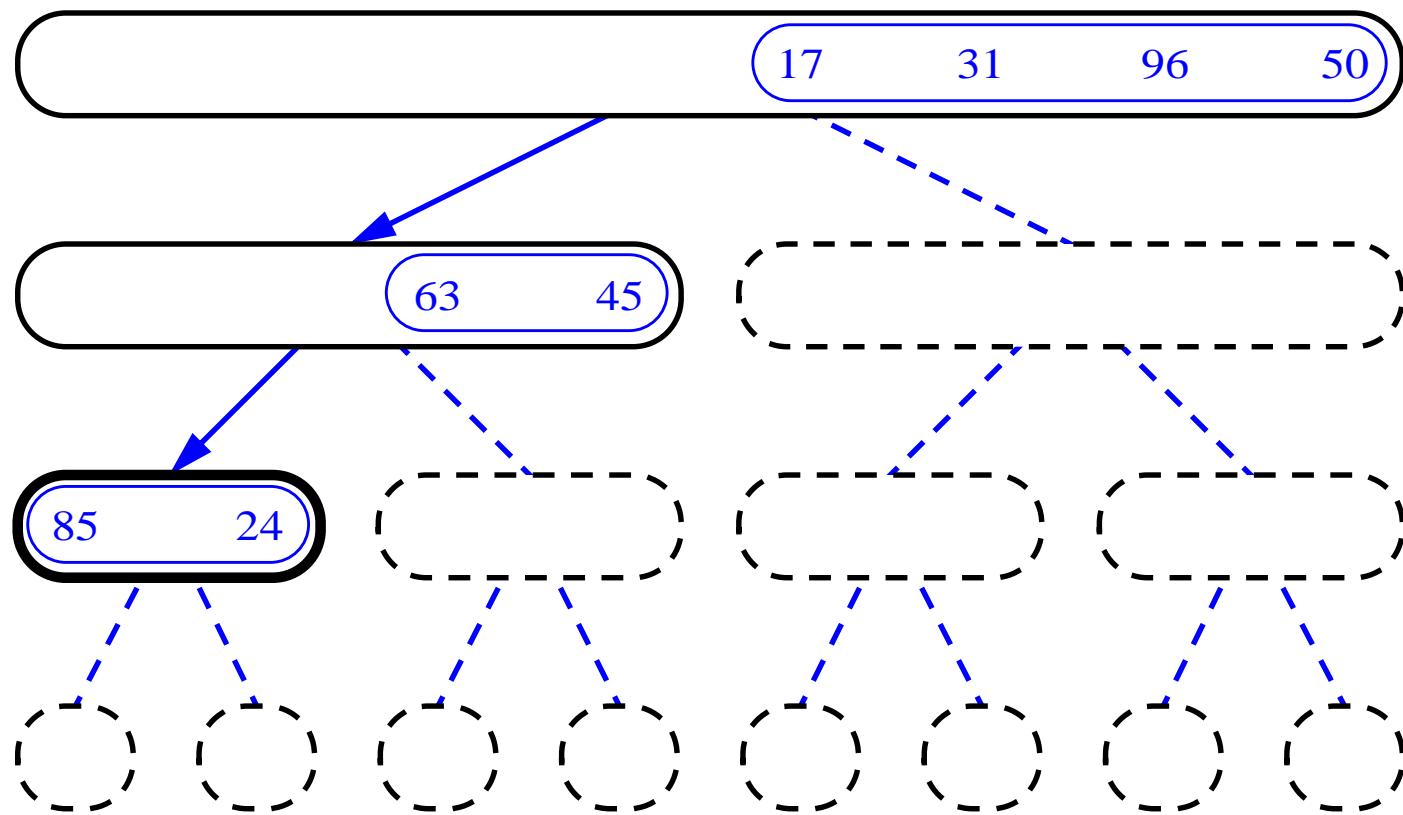
# Merge-Sort

- Algorithm:
  - **Divide:** If  $S$  has at least two elements (nothing needs to be done if  $S$  has zero or one elements), remove all the elements from  $S$  and put them into two sequences,  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , each containing about half of the elements of  $S$ . (i.e.  $S_1$  contains the first  $\lceil n/2 \rceil$  elements and  $S_2$  contains the remaining  $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$  elements.)
  - **Recurse:** Recursive sort sequences  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ .
  - **Conquer:** Put back the elements into  $S$  by merging the sorted sequences  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  into a unique sorted sequence.
- Merge Sort Tree:
  - Take a binary tree  $T$
  - Each node of  $T$  represents a recursive call of the merge sort algorithm.
  - We associate with each node  $v$  of  $T$  the set of input passed to the invocation  $v$  represents.
  - The external nodes are associated with individual elements of  $S$ , upon which no recursion is called.

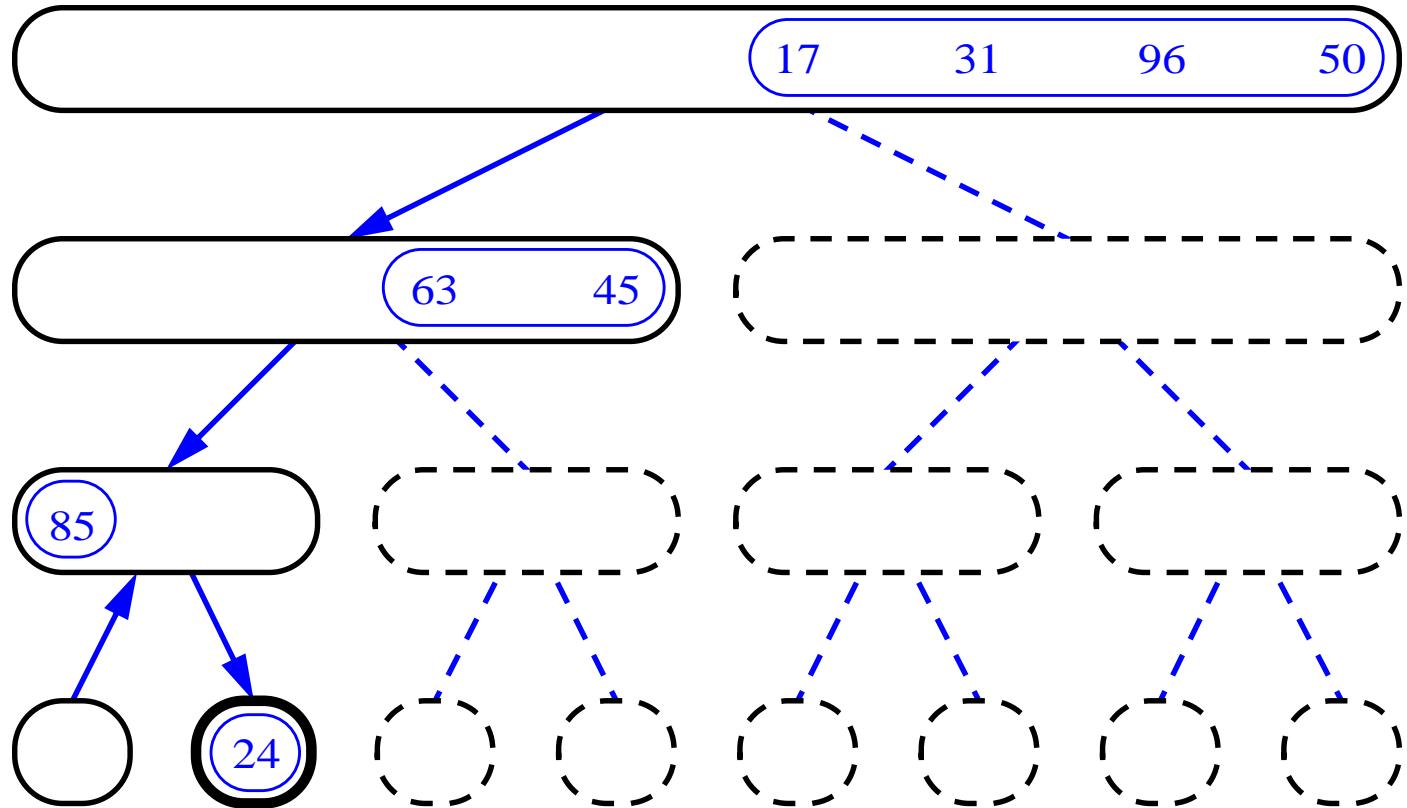
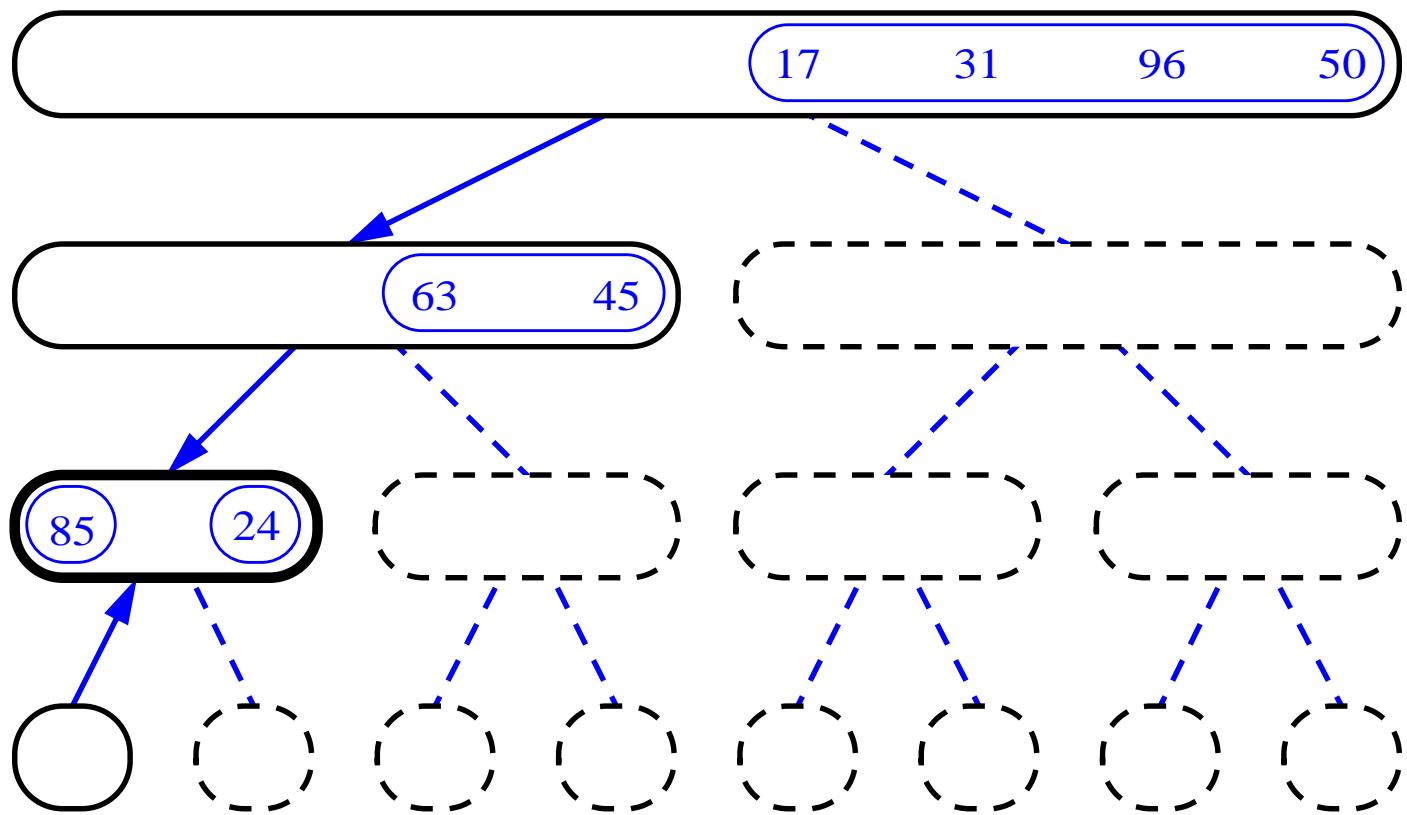
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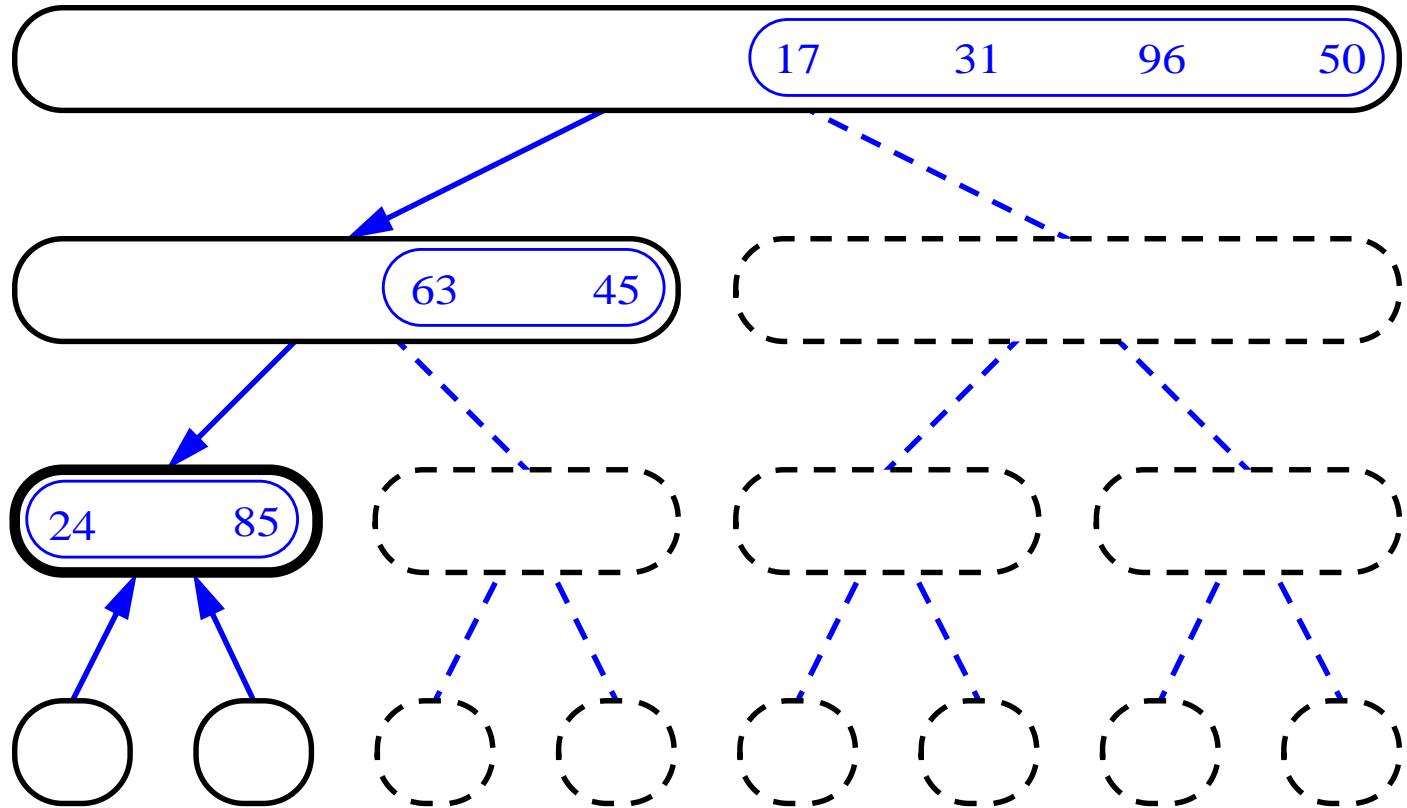
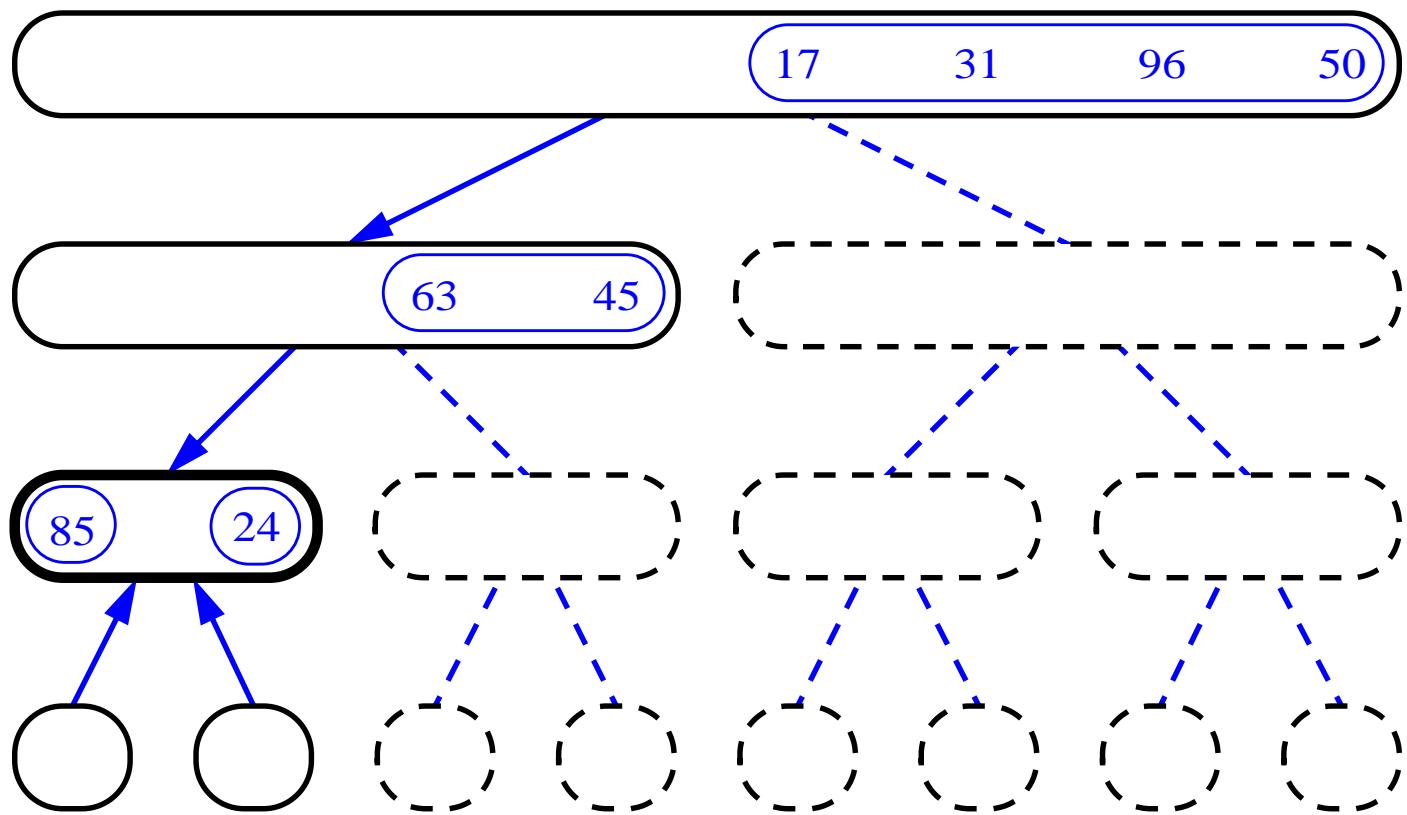
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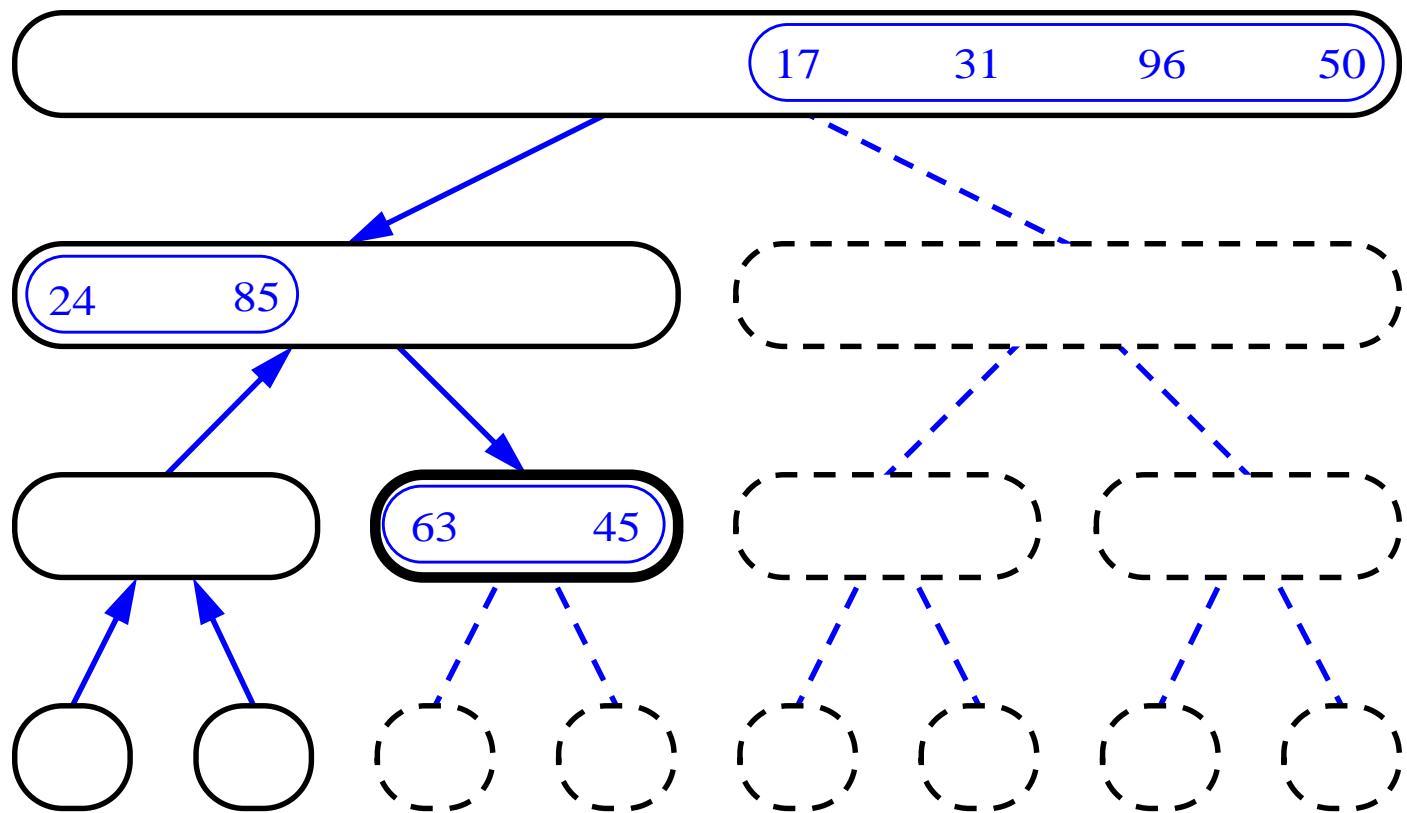
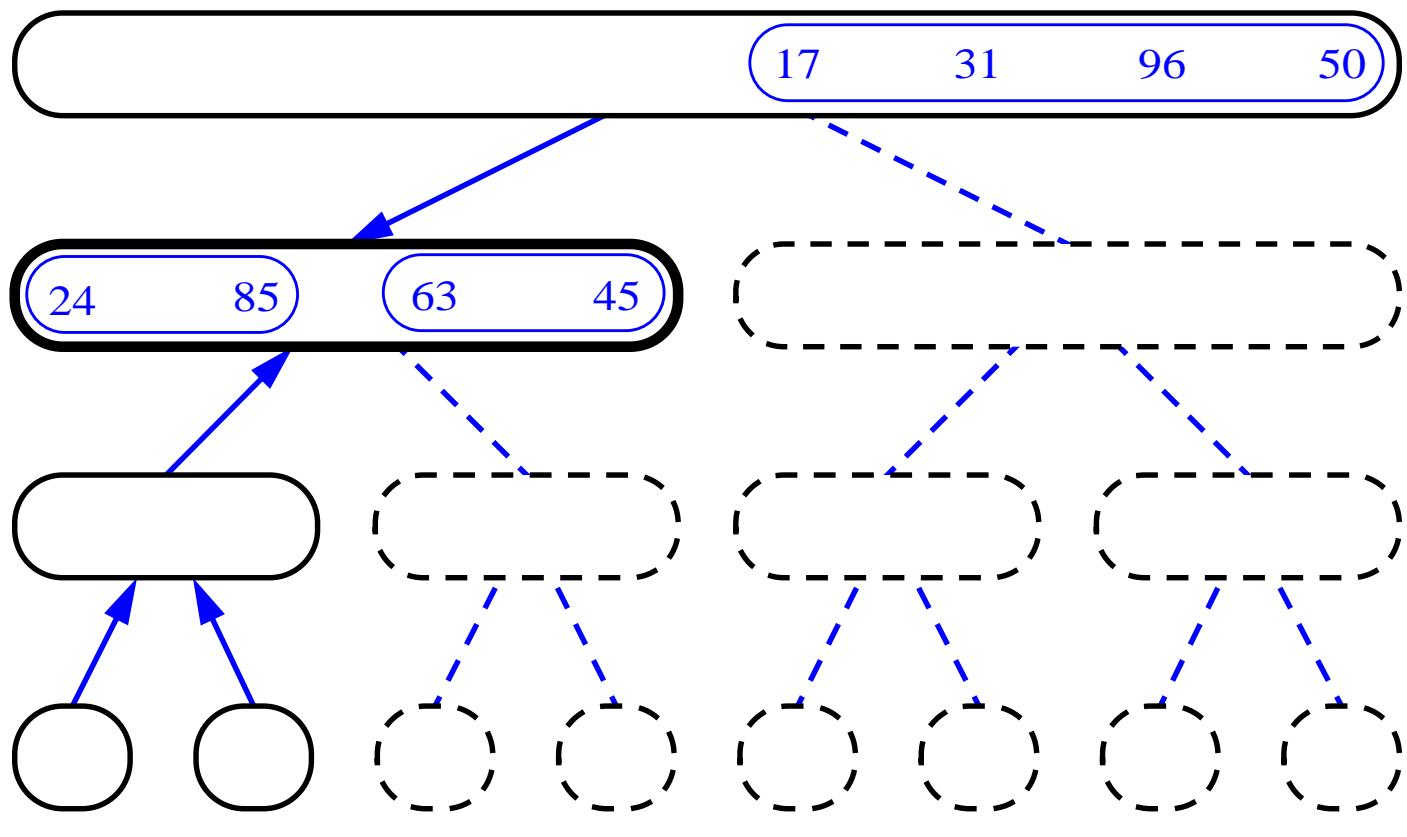
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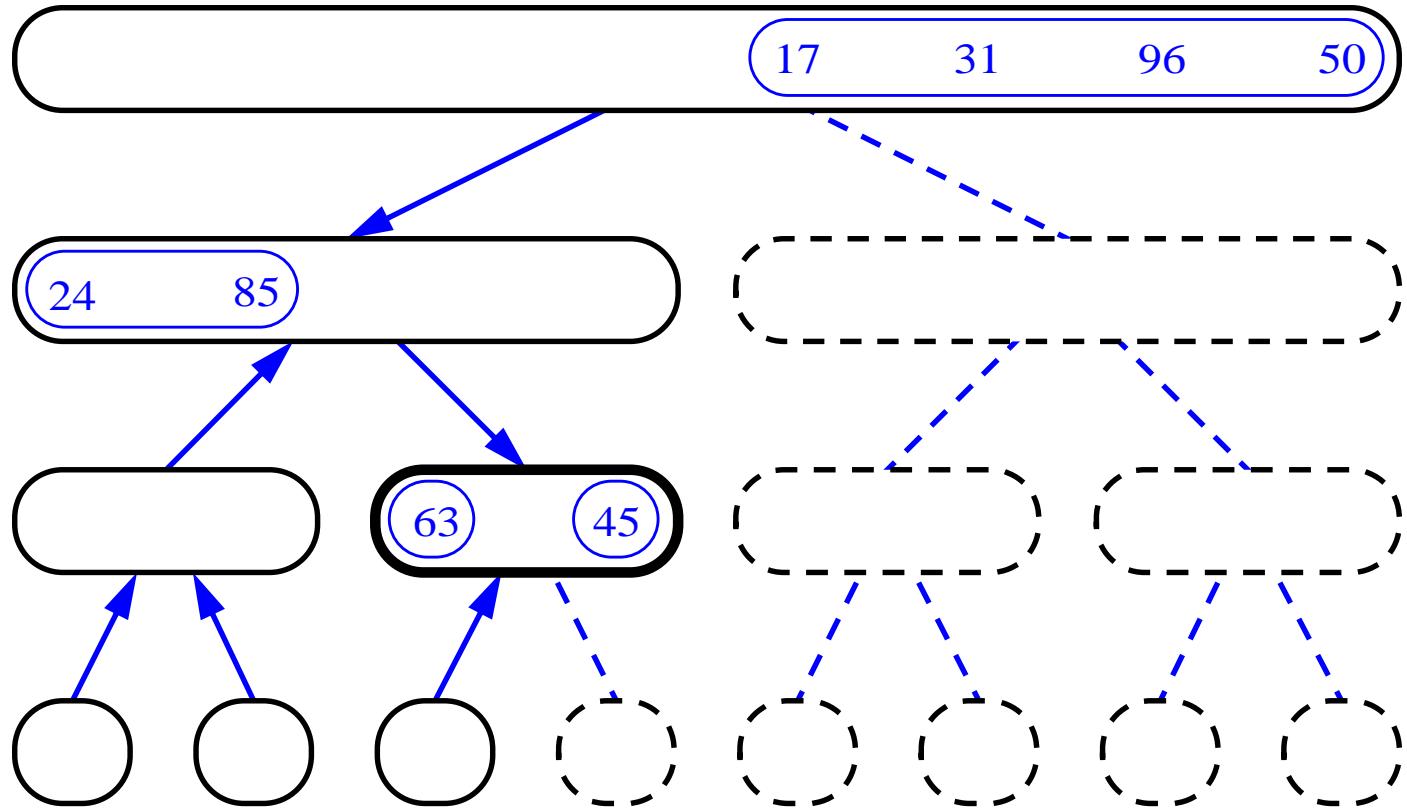
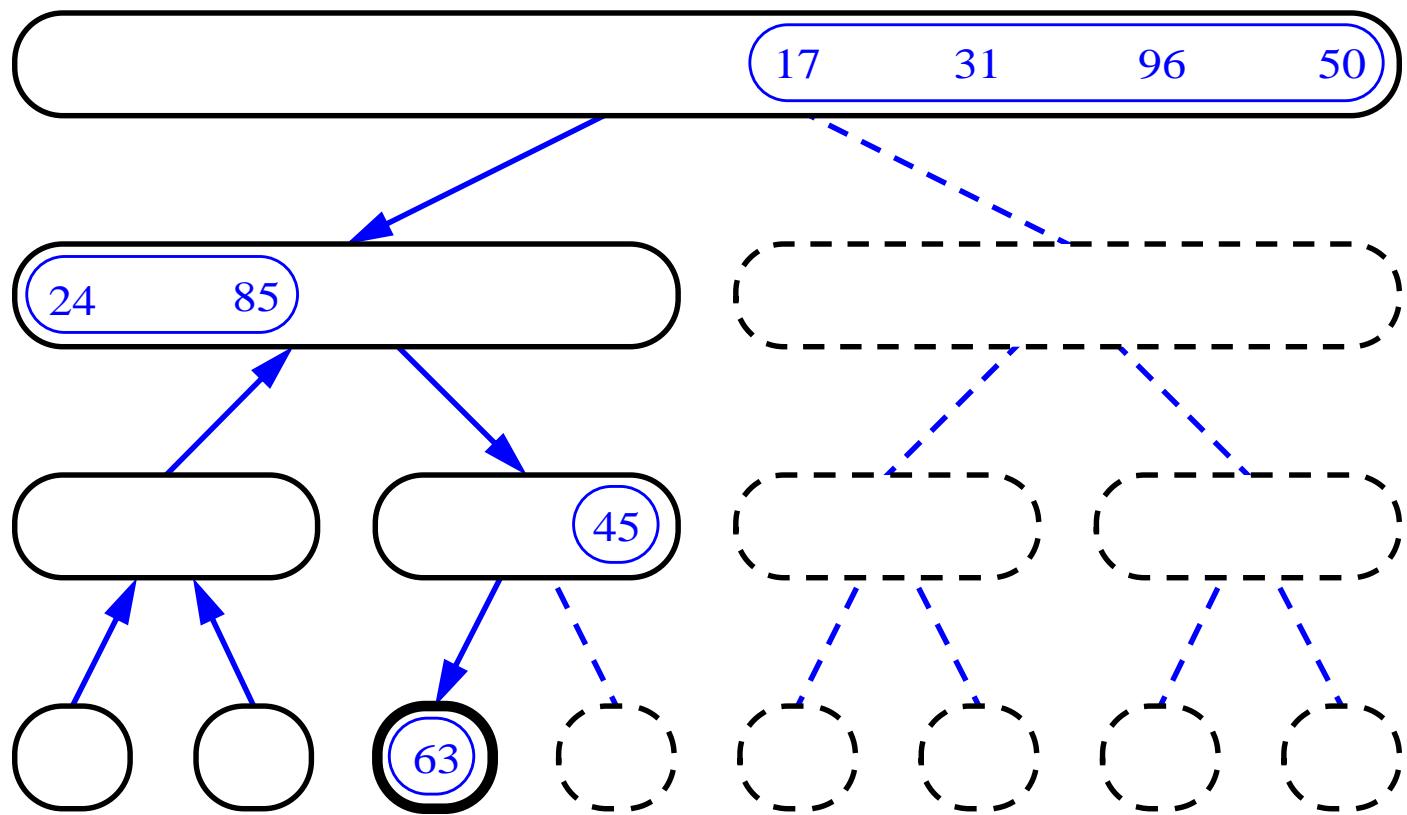
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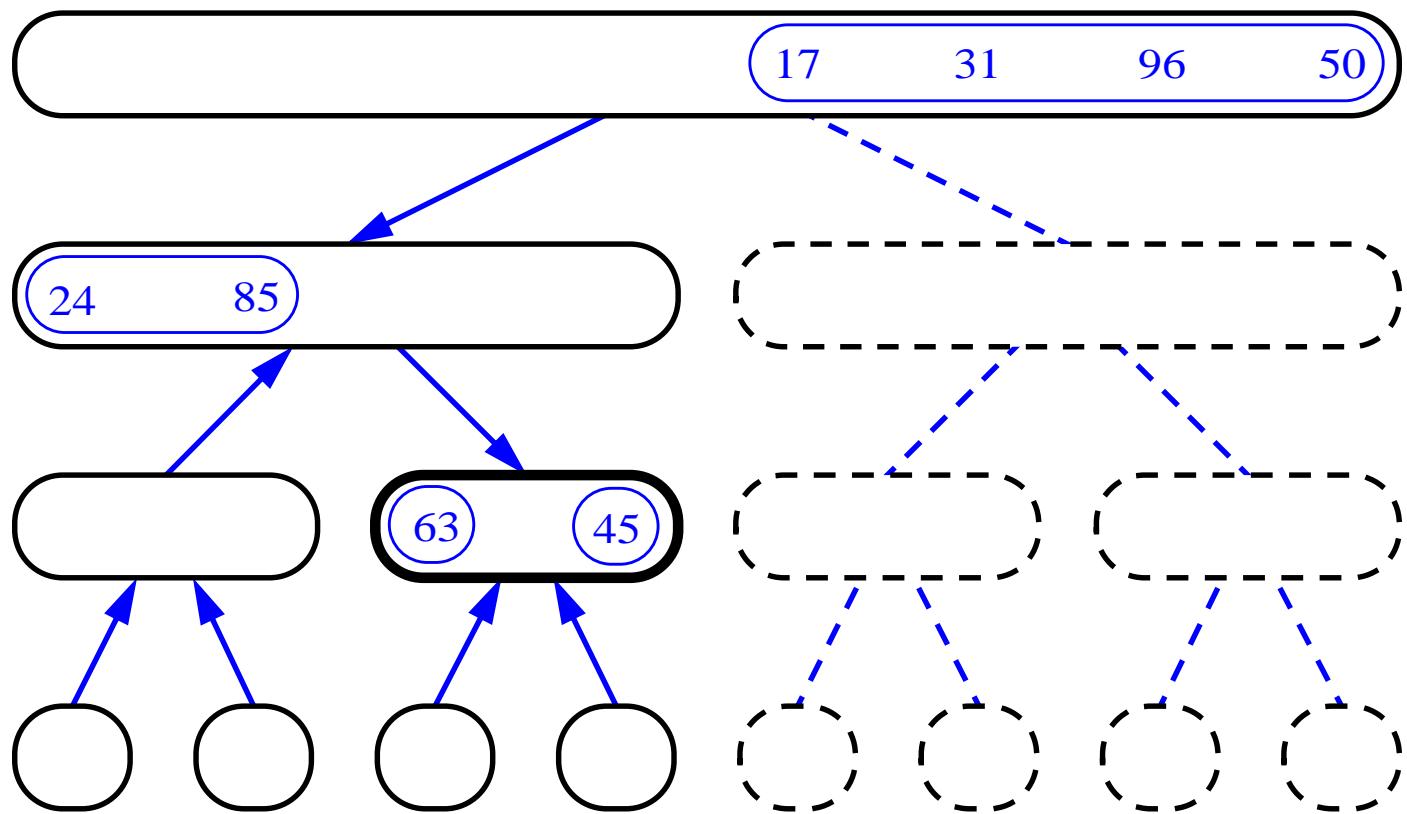
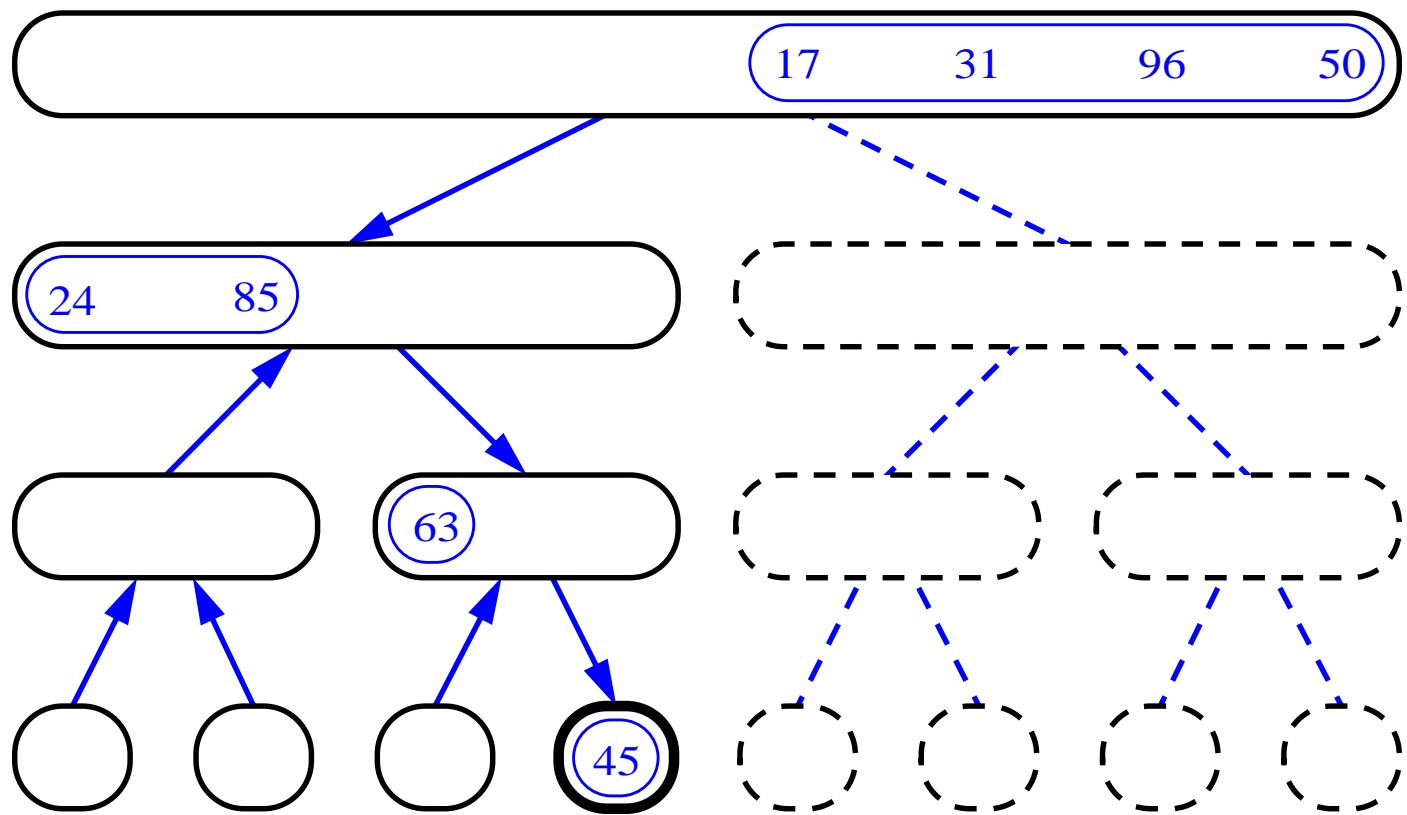
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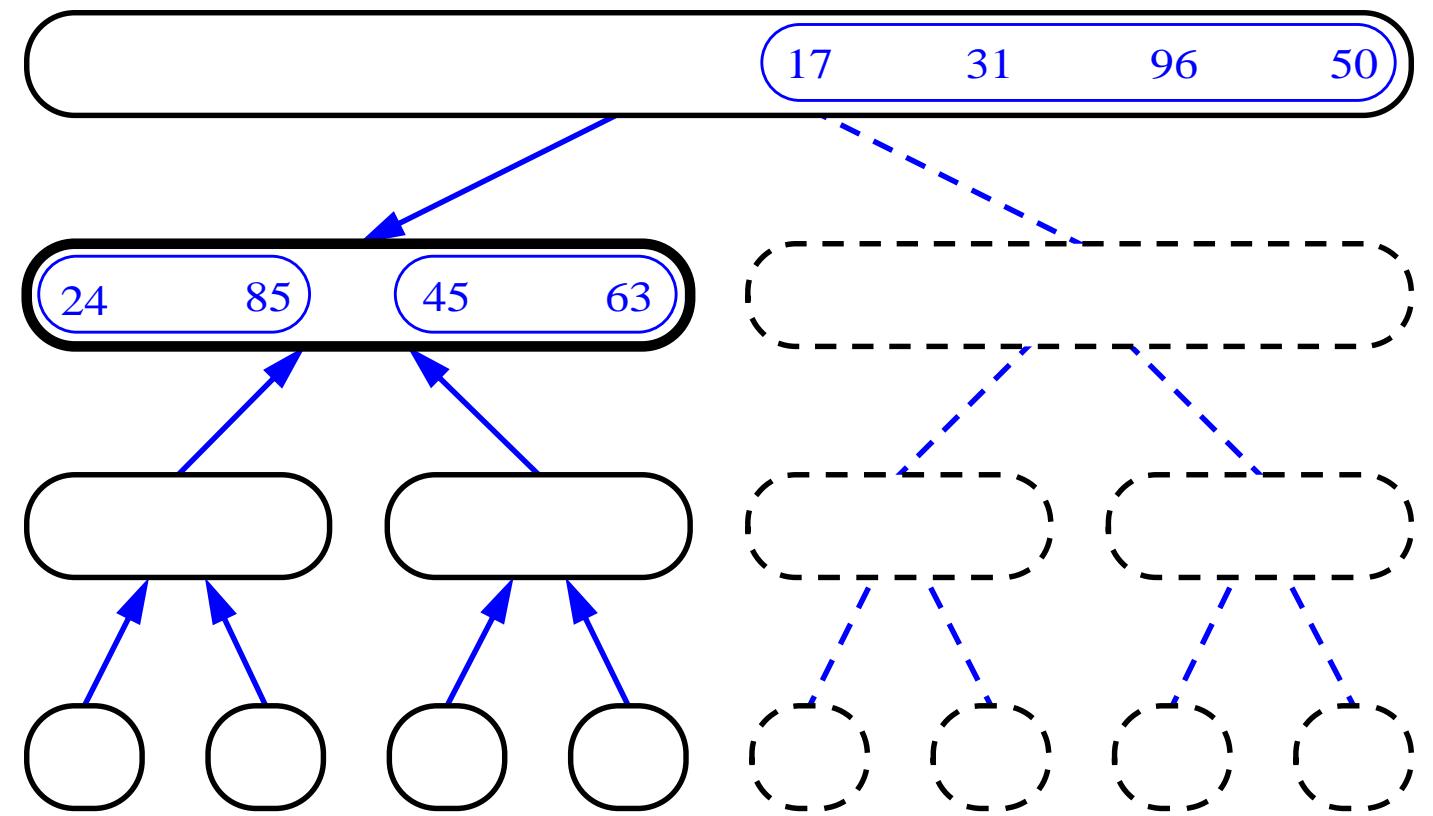
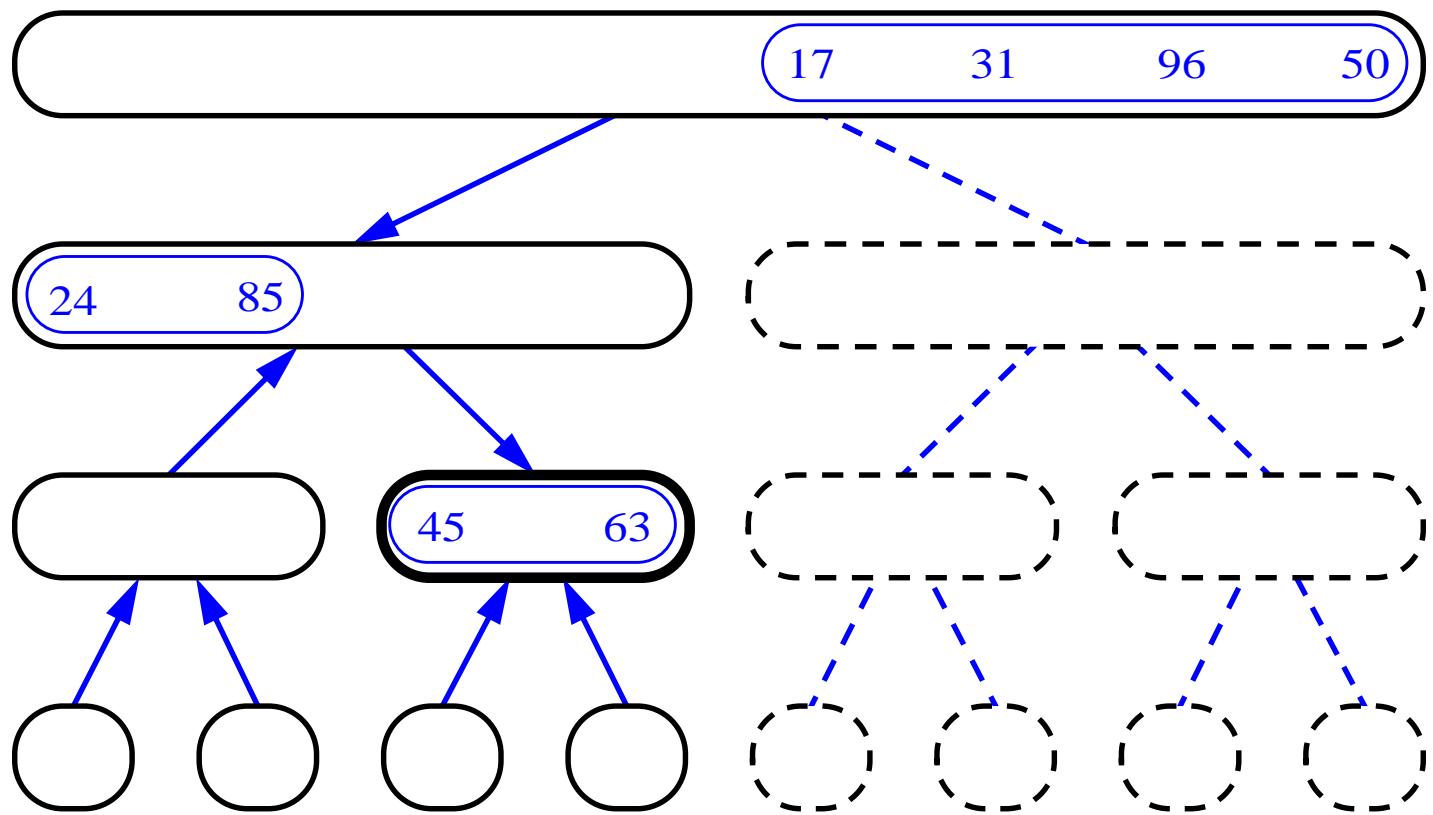
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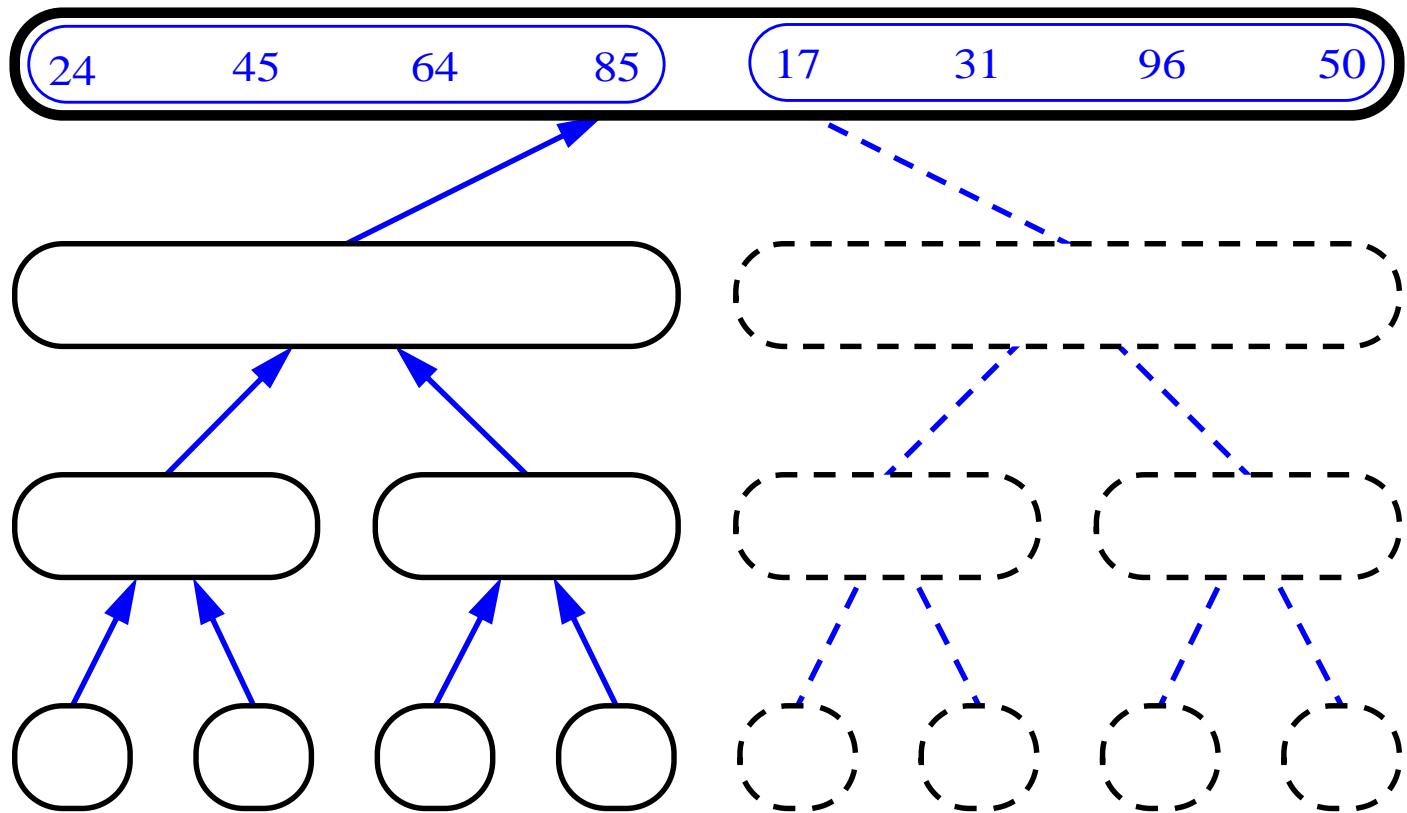
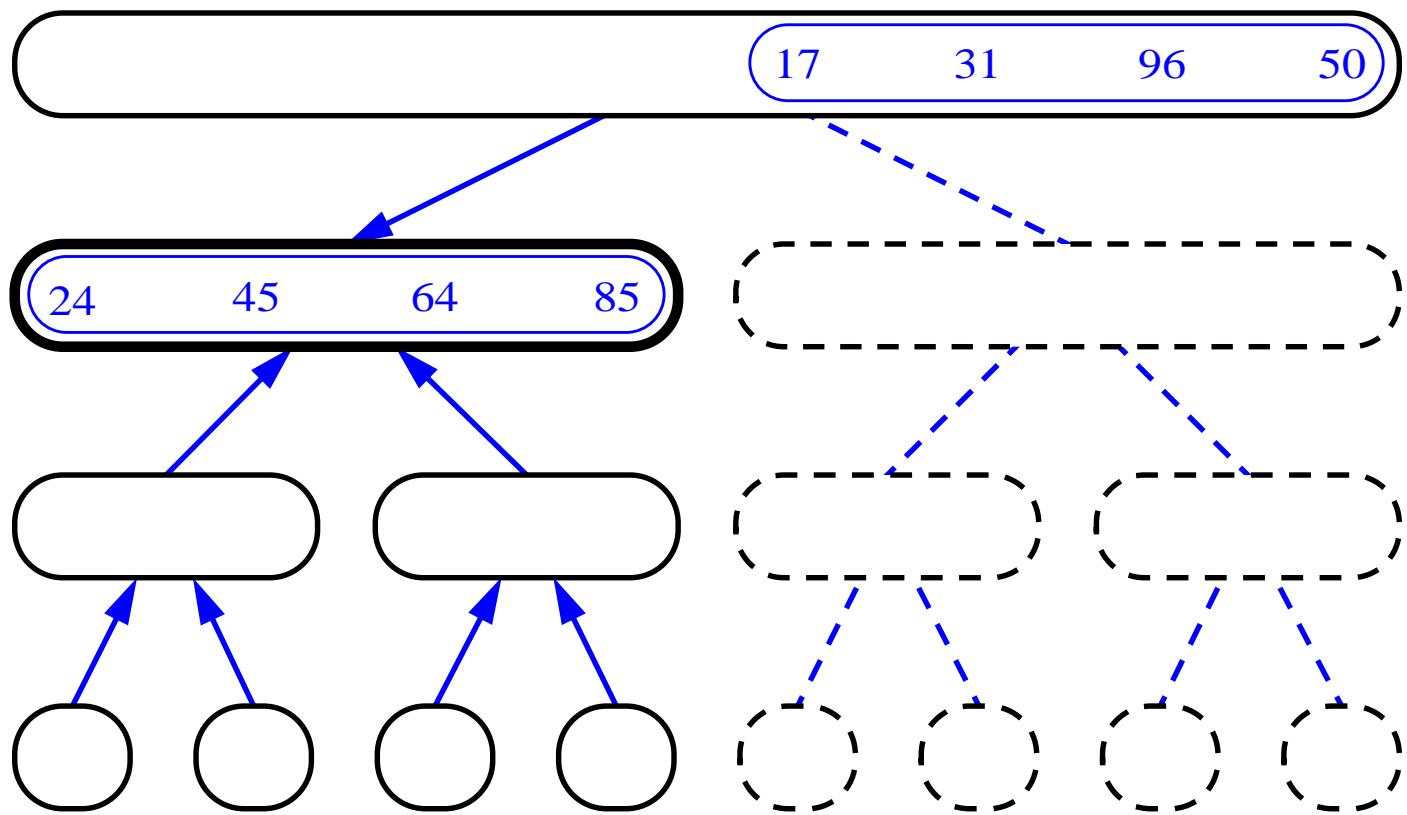
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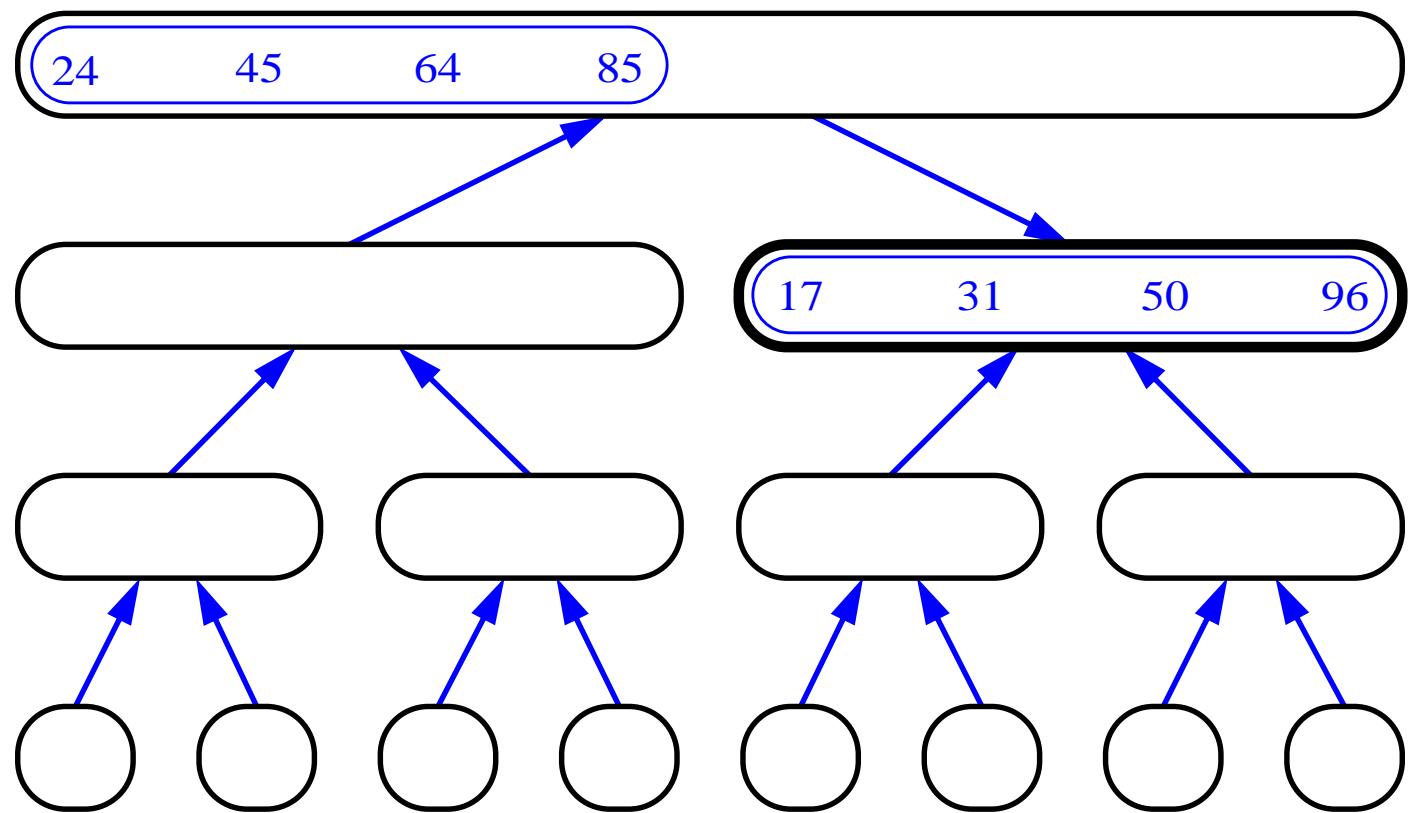
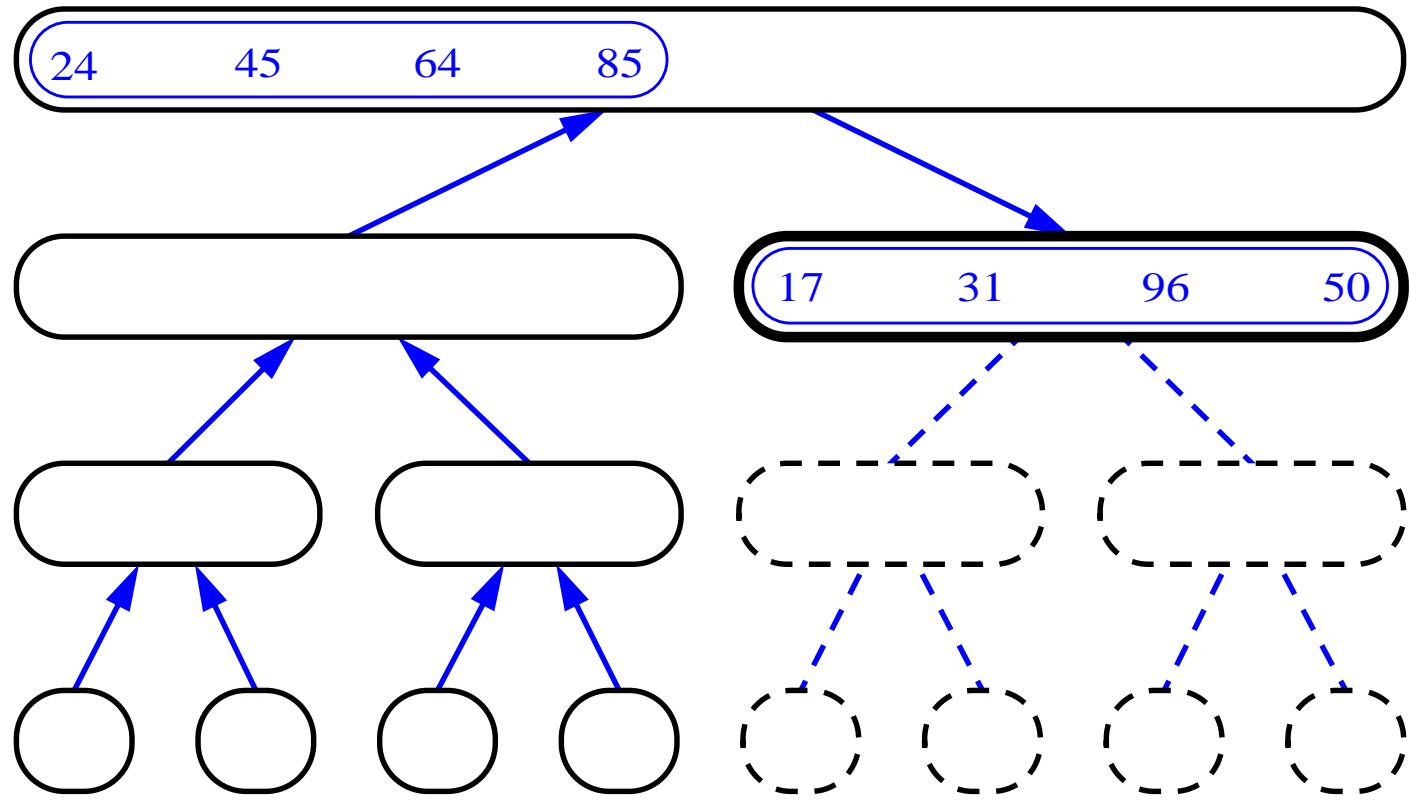
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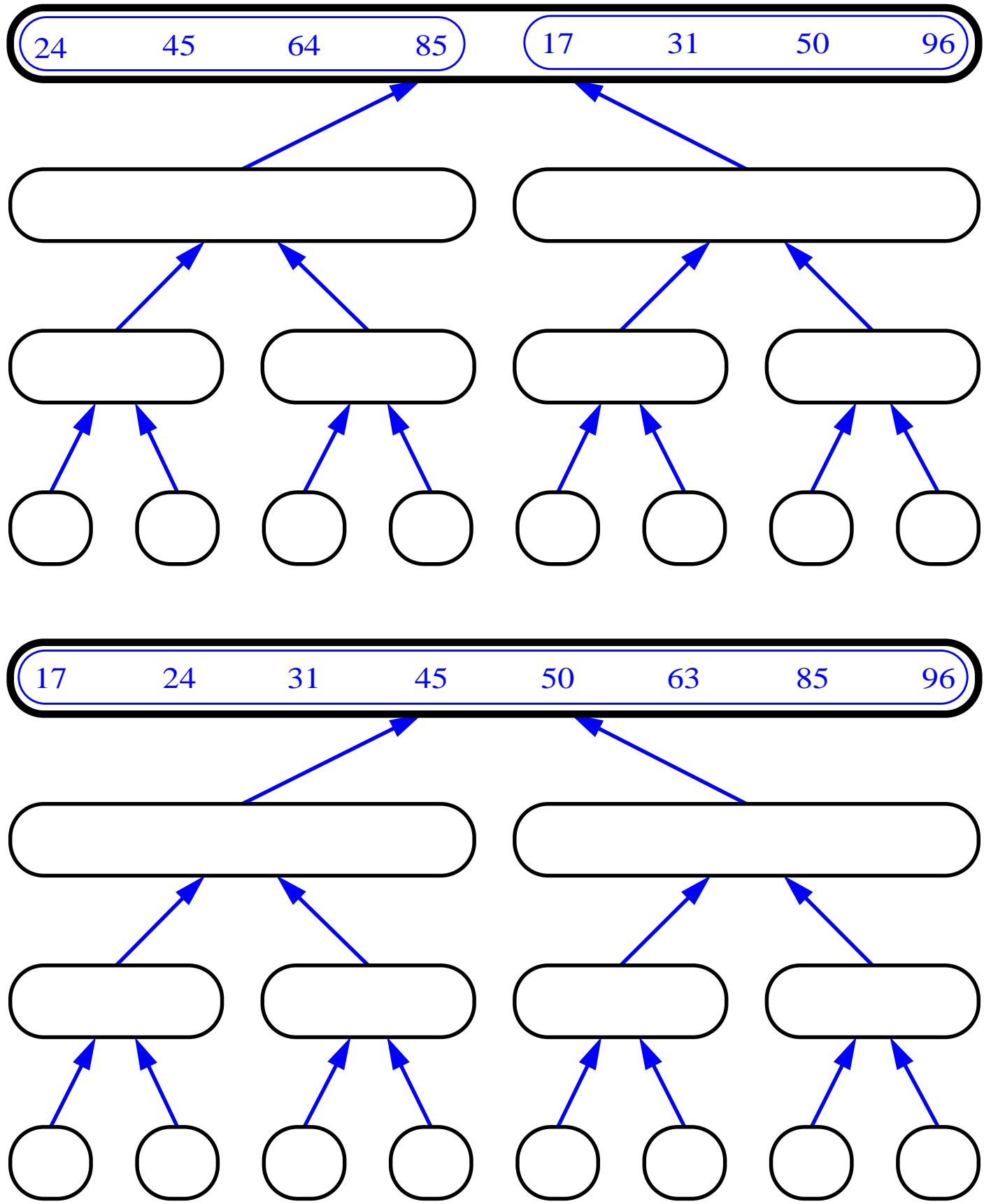
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# Merging Two Sequences

- Pseudo-code for merging two sorted sequences into a unique sorted sequence

**Algorithm merge ( $S_1, S_2, S$ ):**

**Input:** Sequence  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  (on whose elements a total order relation is defined) sorted in nondecreasing order, and an empty sequence  $S$ .

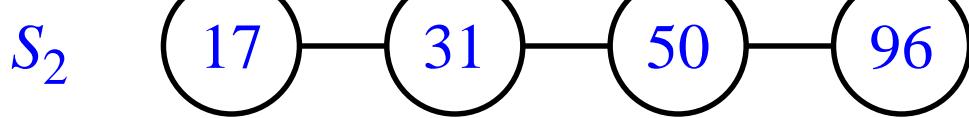
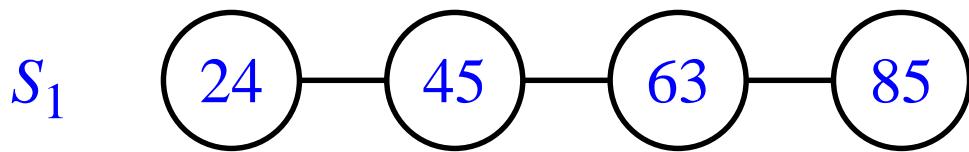
**Ouput:** Sequence  $S$  containing the union of the elements from  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  sorted in nondecreasing order; sequence  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  become empty at the end of the execution

```
while  $S_1$  is not empty and  $S_2$  is not empty do
    if  $S_1.\text{first}().\text{element}() \leq S_2.\text{first}().\text{element}()$  then
        {move the first element of  $S_1$  at the end of  $S$ }
         $S.\text{insertLast}(S_1.\text{remove}(S_1.\text{first}()))$ 
    else
        { move the first element of  $S_2$  at the end of  $S$ }
         $S.\text{insertLast}(S_2.\text{remove}(S_2.\text{first}()))$ 
while  $S_1$  is not empty do
     $S.\text{insertLast}(S_1.\text{remove}(S_1.\text{first}()))$ 
    {move the remaining elements of  $S_2$  to  $S$ }
while  $S_2$  is not empty do
     $S.\text{insertLast}(S_2.\text{remove}(S_2.\text{first}()))$ 
```

# Merging Two Sequences (cont.)

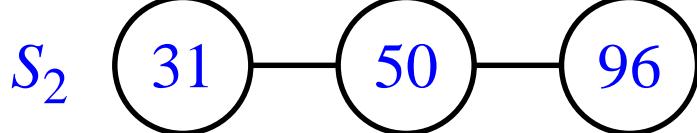
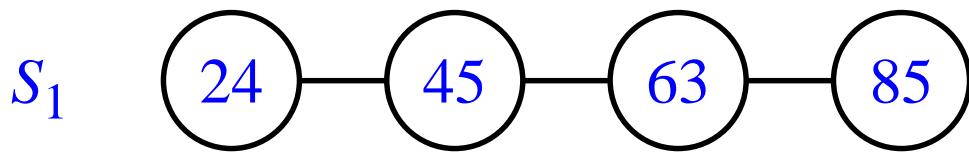
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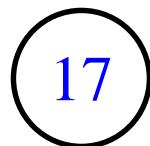


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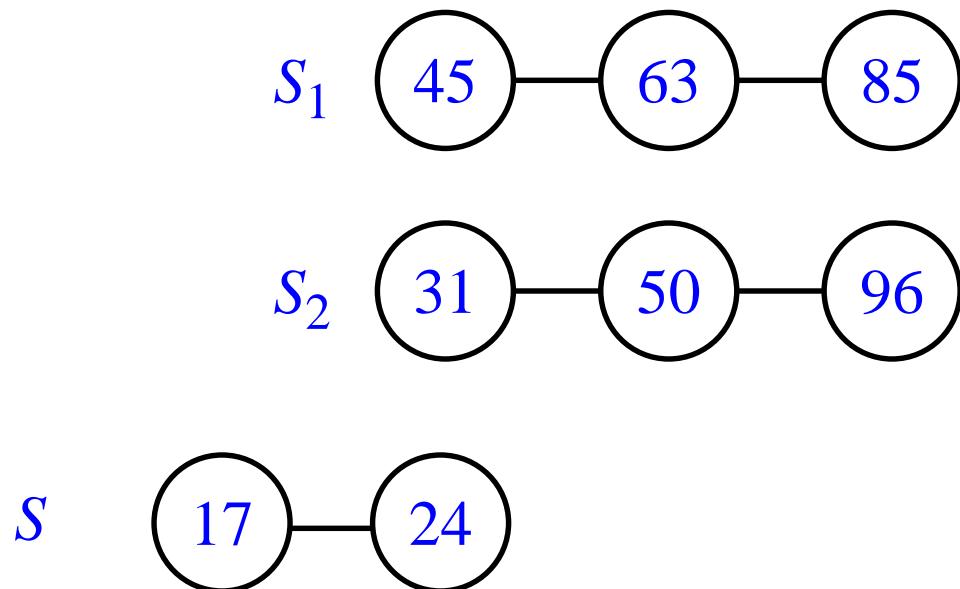


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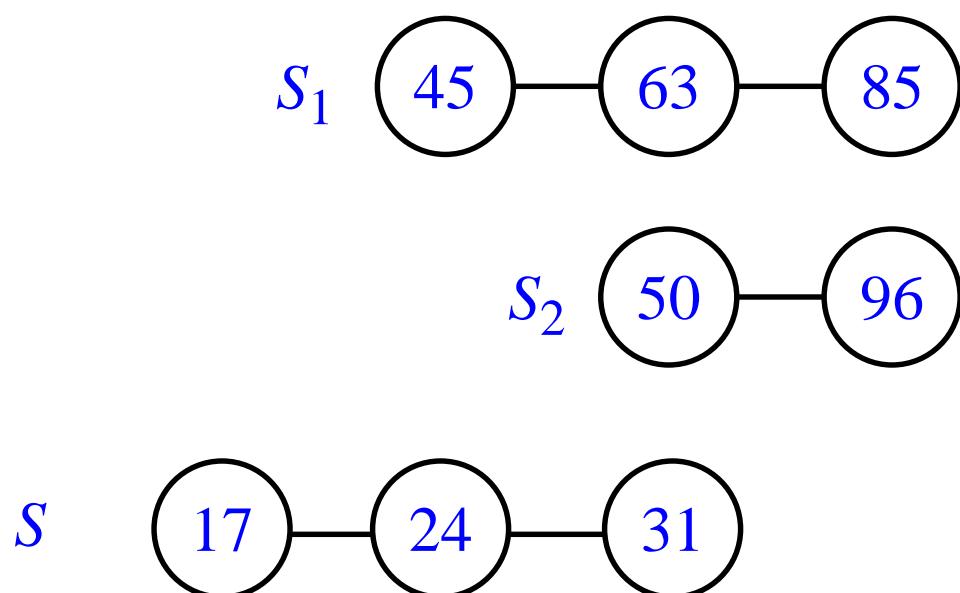


# Merging Two Sequences (cont.)

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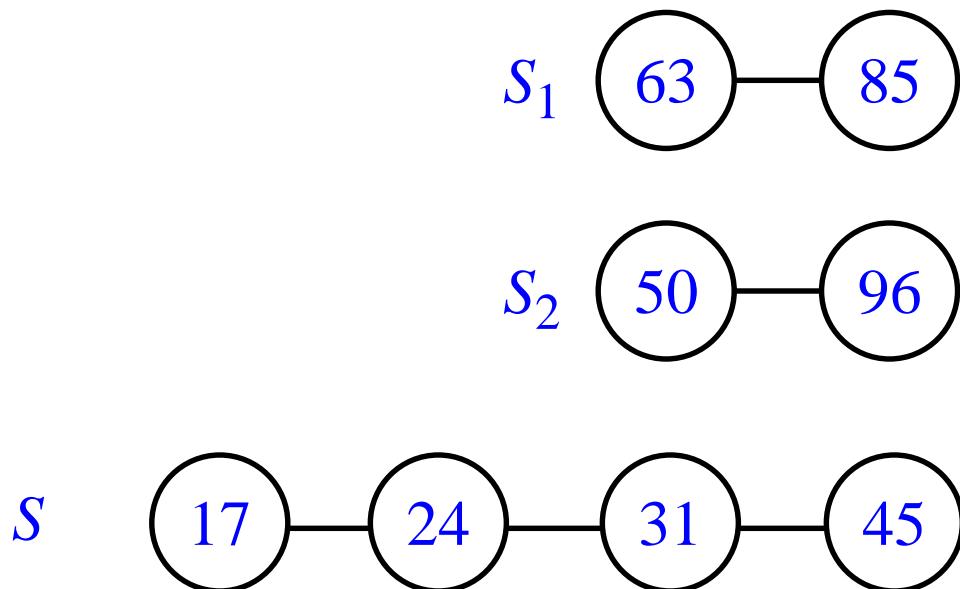


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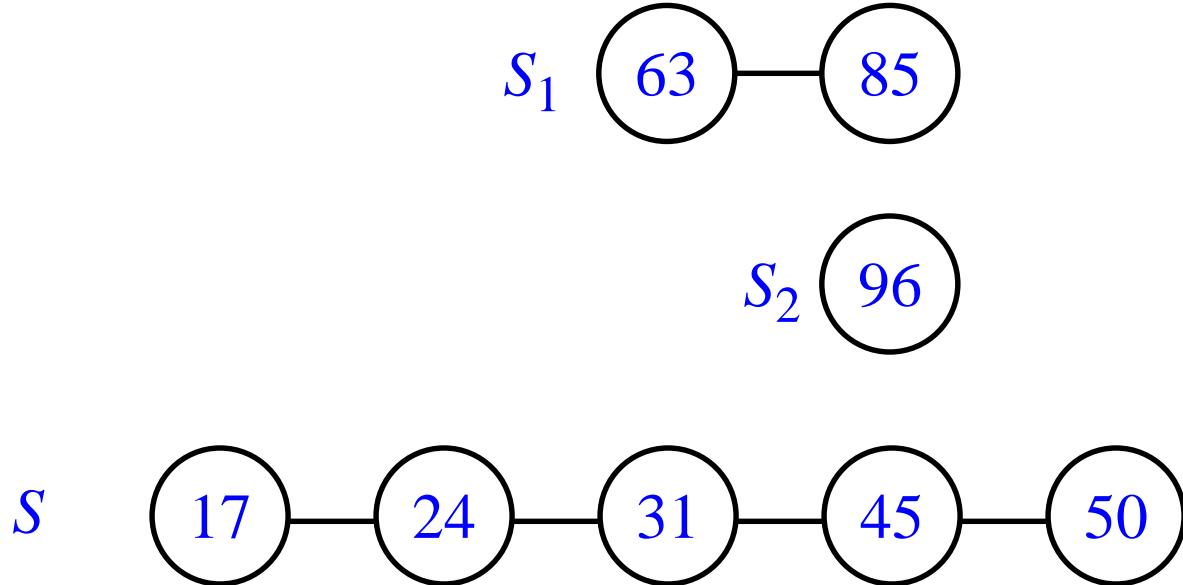


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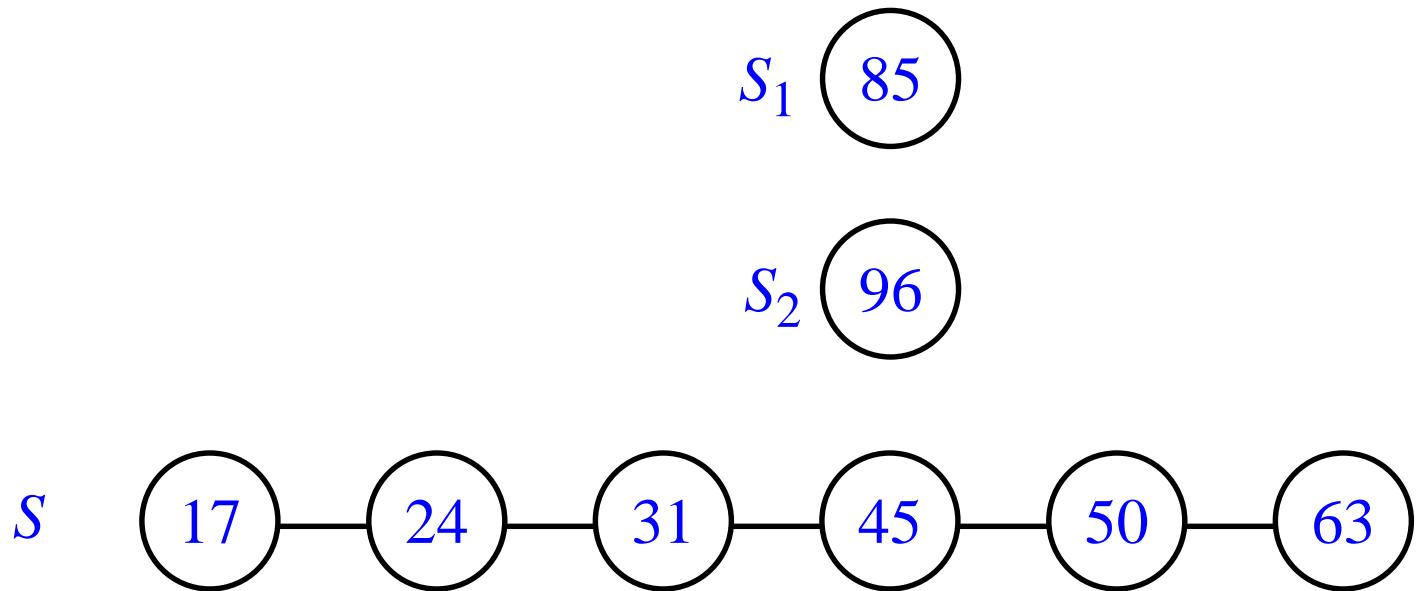


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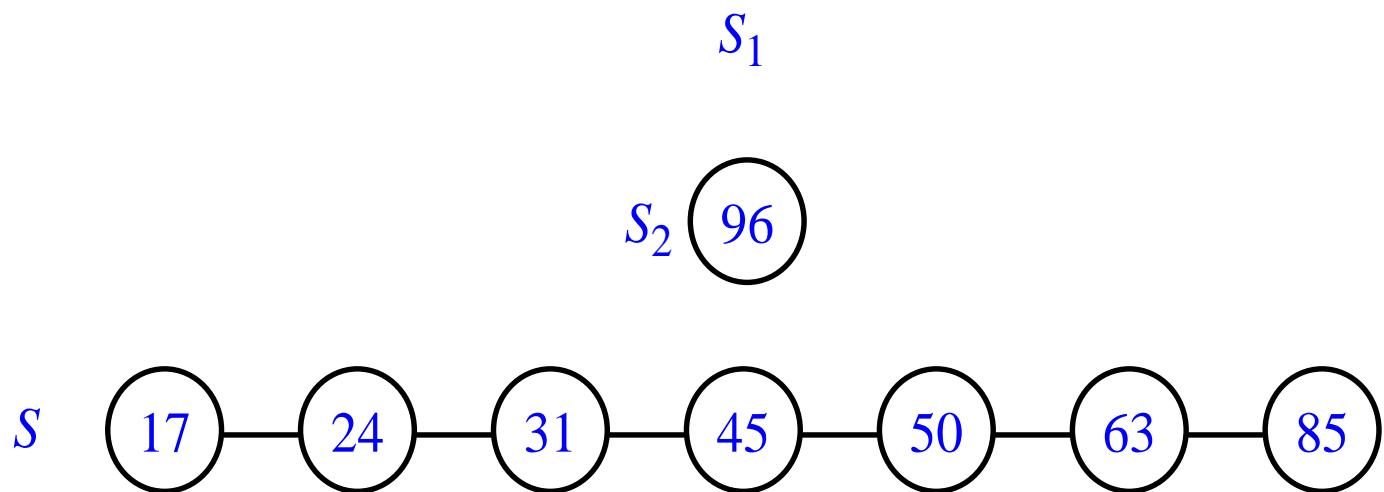


# Merging Two Sequences (cont.)

g)



h)



# Merging Two Sequences (cont.)

i)

$S_1$

$S_2$



# Java Implementation

- Interface SortObject

```
public interface SortObject {  
    //sort sequence S in nondecreasing order  
    //using comparator c  
    public void sort (Sequence S, Comparator c);  
}
```

# Java Implementation (cont.)

```
public class ListMergeSort implements SortObject {  
    public void sort(Sequence S, Comparator c) {  
        int n = S.size();  
        // a sequence with 0 or 1 element is  
        // already sorted  
        if (n < 2) return;  
        // divide  
        Sequence S1 = (Sequence)S.newContainer();  
        for (int i=1; i <= (n+1)/2; i++) {  
            S1.insertLast(S.remove(S.first()));  
        }  
        Sequence S2 = (Sequence)S.newContainer();  
        for (int i=1; i <= n/2; i++) {  
            S2.insertLast(S.remove(S.first()));  
        }  
        // recur  
        sort(S1,c);  
        sort(S2,c);  
        // conquer  
        merge(S1,S2,c,S);  
    }  
}
```

# Java Implementation (cont.)

```
public void merge(Sequence S1, Sequence S2,
    Comparator c, Sequence S) {
    while(!S1.isEmpty() && !S2.isEmpty()) {
        if(c.isLessThanOrEqualTo(S1.first().element(),
            S2.first().element())) {
            S.insertLast(S1.remove(S1.first()));
        }
        else
            S.insertLast(S2.remove(S2.first()));
    }
    if(S1.isEmpty()) {
        while(!S2.isEmpty()) {
            S.insertLast(S2.remove(S2.first()));
        }
    }
    if(S2.isEmpty()) {
        while(!S1.isEmpty()) {
            S.insertLast(S1.remove(S1.first()));
        }
    }
}
```

# Running Time of Merge-Sort

- **Proposition 1:** The merge-sort tree associated with the execution of a merge-sort on a sequence of  $n$  elements has a height of  $\lceil \log n \rceil$
- **Proposition 2:** A merge sort algorithm sorts a sequence of size  $n$  in  $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$  time
- We assume only that the input sequence  $S$  and each of the sub-sequences created by each recursive call of the algorithm can access, insert to, and delete from the first and last nodes in  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  time.
- We call the time spent at node  $v$  of merge-sort tree  $T$  the running time of the recursive call associated with  $v$ , excluding the recursive calls sent to  $v$ 's children.
- If we let  $i$  represent the depth of node  $v$  in the merge-sort tree, the time spent at node  $v$  is  $\mathcal{O}(n/2^i)$  since the size of the sequence associated with  $v$  is  $n/2^i$ .
- Observe that  $T$  has exactly  $2^i$  nodes at depth  $i$ . The total time spent at depth  $i$  in the tree is then  $\mathcal{O}(2^i n/2^i)$ , which is  $\mathcal{O}(n)$ . We know the tree has height  $\lceil \log n \rceil$
- Therefore, the time complexity is  $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$

# Set ADT

- A **Set** is a data structure modeled after the mathematical notation of a set. The fundamental set operations are *union*, *intersection*, and *subtraction*.
- A brief aside on mathematical set notation:
  - $A \cup B = \{ x: x \in A \text{ or } x \in B \}$
  - $A \cap B = \{ x: x \in A \text{ and } x \in B \}$
  - $A - B = \{ x: x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B \}$
- The specific methods for a Set A include the following:
  - **size()**:  
Return the number of elements in set A  
**Input:** None;    **Output:** integer.
  - **isEmpty()**:  
Return if the set A is empty or not.  
**Input:** None;    **Output:** boolean.
  - **insertElement(*e*)**:  
Insert the element *e* into the set A, unless *e* is already in A.  
**Input:** Object;    **Output:** None.

# Set ADT (contd.)

- **elements():**

Return an enumeration of the elements in set A.

**Input:** None;      **Output:** Enumeration.

- **isMember( $e$ ):**

Determine if  $e$  is in A.

**Input:** Object;      **Output:** Boolean.

- **union(B):**

Return  $A \cup B$ .

**Input:** Set;      **Output:** Set.

- **intersect(B):**

Return  $A \cap B$ .

**Input:** Set;      **Output:** Set.

- **subtract(B):**

Return  $A - B$ .

**Input:** Set;      **Output:** Set.

- **isEqual(B):**

Return true if and only if  $A = B$ .

**Input:** Set;      **Output:** boolean.

# Generic Merging

**Algorithm** genericMerge(*A*, *B*):

**Input:** Sorted sequences *A* and *B*

**Output:** Sorted sequence *C*

let *A'* be a copy of *A* { We won't destroy *A* and *B*}

let *B'* be a copy of *B*

**while** *A'* and *B'* are not empty **do**

*a*  $\leftarrow$  *A'*.first()

*b*  $\leftarrow$  *B'*.first()

**if** *a*  $<$  *b* **then**

        firstIsLess(*a*, *C*)

*A'*.removeFirst()

**else if** *a* = *b* **then**

        bothAreEqual(*a*, *b*, *C*)

*A'*.removeFirst()

*B'*.removeFirst()

**else**

        firstIsGreater(*b*, *C*)

*B'*.removeFirst()

**while** *A'* is not empty **do**

*a*  $\leftarrow$  *A'*.first()

        firstIsLess(*a*, *C*)

*A'*.removeFirst()

**while** *B'* is not empty **do**

*b*  $\leftarrow$  *B'*.first()

        firstIsGreater(*b*, *C*)

*B'*.removeFirst()

# Set Operations

- We can specialize the generic merge algorithm to perform set operations like union, intersection, and subtraction.
- The generic merge algorithm examines and compare the current elements of  $A$  and  $B$ .
- Based upon the outcome of the comparision, it determines if it should copy one or none of the elements  $a$  and  $b$  into  $C$ .
- This decision is based upon the particular operation we are performing, i.e. union, intersection or subtraction.
- For example, if our operation is union, we copy the smaller of  $a$  and  $b$  to  $C$  and if  $a=b$  then it copies either one (say  $a$ ).
- We define our copy actions in `firstIsLess`, `bothAreEqual`, and `firstIsGreater`.
- Let's see how this is done ...

# Set Operations (cont.)

- For union

```
public class UnionMerger extends Merger {  
    protected void firstIsLess(Object a, Object b,  
        Sequence  
        C) {  
        C.insertLast(a);  
    }  
    protected void bothAreEqual(Object a, Object b,  
        Sequence C) {  
        C.insertLast(a);  
    }  
    protected void firstIsGreater(Object b, Sequence C) {  
        C.insertLast(b);  
    }  
}
```

- For intersect

```
public class IntersectMerger extends Merger {  
    protected void firstIsLess(Object a, Object b, Sequence  
        C) {} // null method  
    protected void bothAreEqual(Object a, Object b,  
        Sequence C) {  
        C.insertLast(a);  
    }  
}
```

# Set Operations (cont.)

```
protected void firstIsGreater(Object b, Sequence C) {}  
    // null method
```

- For subtraction

```
public class SubtractMerger extends Merger {  
    protected void firstIsLess(Object a, Object b,  
        Sequence  
        C) {  
        C.insertLast(a);  
    }  
    protected void bothAreEqual(Object a, Object b,  
        Sequence C) {} // null method  
    protected void firstIsGreater(Object b, Sequence C) {}  
        // null method
```