

# CS 146: Data Structures and Algorithms

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# Review of Sorting Algorithms

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- Insertion sort
- Shellsort
- Heapsort
- Mergesort
- Quicksort
  
- What is going on with these sorts?

# Analysis of Quicksort

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- What is the running time to quicksort a list of  $N$ ?
- Partition the array into two subarrays (constant  $cN$  time).
- A recursive call on each subarray.
- A **recurrence relation**:

$$T(N) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } N = 0 \text{ or } 1 \\ T(i) + T(N - i - 1) + cN & \text{if } N > 1 \end{cases}$$

- where  $i$  is the number of values in the left partition.

# Analysis of Quicksort

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- The performance of quicksort is highly dependent on ...
  - ... the quality of the choice of pivot.

# Quicksort: Best Case Analysis

$$T(N) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } N = 0 \text{ or } 1 \\ T(i) + T(N - i - 1) + cN & \text{if } N > 1 \end{cases}$$

- The pivot is always the median. Each subarray is the same size.

$$T(N) = 2T(N/2) + cN$$

Divide through by  $N$ :

$$\frac{T(N)}{N} = \frac{T(N/2)}{N/2} + c$$

Telescope:

$$\frac{T(N/2)}{N/2} = \frac{T(N/4)}{N/4} + c$$

$$\frac{T(N/4)}{N/4} = \frac{T(N/8)}{N/8} + c$$

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$$\frac{T(2)}{2} = \frac{T(1)}{1} + c$$

Add and cancel (there are  $\log N$  equations):

$$\frac{T(N)}{N} = \frac{T(1)}{1} + c \log N$$

Therefore:

$$T(N) = N + cN \log N = \theta(N \log N)$$

# Quicksort: Average Case Analysis

$$T(N) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } N = 0 \text{ or } 1 \\ T(i) + T(N - i - 1) + cN & \text{if } N > 1 \end{cases}$$

- Each size for a subarray after partitioning is equally likely, with probability  $1/N$ :

$$T(N - i - 1) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} T(j)$$

Since there are two partitions:

$$T(N) = \frac{2}{N} \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} T(j) \right] + cN$$

Multiply by  $N$ :

$$NT(N) = 2 \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} T(j) \right] + cN^2 \quad (\text{a})$$

Substitute  $N$  by  $N-1$ :  $(N-1)T(N-1) = 2 \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{N-2} T(j) \right] + c(N-1)^2 \quad (\text{b})$

Subtract (a) – (b):  $NT(N) - (N-1)T(N-1) = 2T(N-1) + 2cN - c$

# Quicksort: Average Case Analysis, cont'd

$$NT(N) - (N-1)T(N-1) = 2T(N-1) + 2cN - c$$

Rearrange and drop the insignificant  $-c$ :

$$NT(N) = (N+1)T(N-1) + 2cN$$

Divide through by  $N(N+1)$ :

$$\frac{T(N)}{N+1} = \frac{T(N-1)}{N} + \frac{2c}{N+1}$$

Telescope:

$$\frac{T(N-1)}{N} = \frac{T(N-2)}{N-1} + \frac{2c}{N}$$

$$\frac{T(N-2)}{N-1} = \frac{T(N-3)}{N-2} + \frac{2c}{N-1}$$

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•  
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$$\frac{T(2)}{3} = \frac{T(1)}{2} + \frac{2c}{3}$$

Add and cancel

# Quicksort: Average Case Analysis, cont'd

Add and cancel:

$$\frac{T(N)}{N+1} = \frac{T(1)}{2} + 2c \sum_{i=3}^{N+1} \frac{1}{i}$$

Recall the harmonic number:  $\sum_{i=3}^{N+1} \frac{1}{i} \approx \log_e N$

And so:

$$\frac{T(N)}{N+1} = O(\log N)$$

Therefore:

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



# Quicksort: Worst Case Analysis

$$T(N) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } N = 0 \text{ or } 1 \\ T(i) + T(N - i - 1) + cN & \text{if } N > 1 \end{cases}$$

- The pivot is always the smallest value of the partition, and so  $i = 0$ .

$$T(N) = T(N - 1) + cN$$

Telescope:

$$T(N - 1) = T(N - 2) + c(N - 1)$$

$$T(N - 2) = T(N - 3) + c(N - 2)$$

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$$T(2) = T(1) + c(2)$$

Add and cancel:

$$T(N) = T(1) + c \sum_{i=2}^N i = \theta(N^2)$$

# Quicksort: Worst Case Analysis, *cont'd*

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- The pivot is always the smallest value of the partition, and so  $i = 0$ .

$$T(N) = T(1) + c \sum_{i=2}^N i = \theta(N^2)$$

- How does this explain the very bad behavior of quicksort when the data is already sorted?

# Quicksort: Worst Case Analysis, *cont'd*

N = 100,000

| ALGORITHM                   | MOVES          | COMPARES             | MILLISECONDS |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Insertion sort              | 0              | 99,999               | 0            |
| Shellsort suboptimal        | 0              | 1,500,006            | 4            |
| Shellsort Knuth             | 0              | 967,146              | 4            |
| Heap sort                   | 1,900,851      | 3,882,389            | 12           |
| Merge sort array            | 3,337,856      | 853,904              | 17           |
| Merge sort linked list      | 1,115,021      | 815,024              | 29           |
| <b>Quicksort suboptimal</b> | <b>400,000</b> | <b>5,000,150,000</b> | <b>4,857</b> |
| Quicksort optimal           | 400,000        | 1,968,946            | 6            |

# Assignment #5

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- Add **heapsort**, **mergesort**, and **quicksort** to your work for Assignment #4.
- Do two versions of **mergesort**:
  - Sort an array.
  - Sort a linked list.
- Do two versions of **quicksort**:
  - Suboptimal first element as the pivot choice.
  - Median-of-three pivot choice.

# Assignment #5, *cont'd*

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- Total sorts:
  - Insertion sort
  - Shellsort (two versions, optimal and suboptimal h sequences)
  - Heapsort
  - Mergesort (two versions, array and linked list)
  - Quicksort (two versions, optimal and suboptimal pivot choices)

# Assignment #5, *cont'd*

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- For each sort, your program should output:
  - How much **time** it took.
  - Count **comparisons** it made between two values.
  - Count **moves** it made of the values.
- **Verify that your arrays are properly sorted!**
- You should output these results in a single table for easy comparison.

## Assignment #5, cont'd

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- You may choose a partner to work with you on this assignment.
  - Both of you will receive the same score.
- Email your answers to [ron.mak@sjsu.edu](mailto:ron.mak@sjsu.edu)
  - Subject line:  
**CS 146 Assignment #5: *Your Name(s)***
  - CC your partner when you email your solution.
- **Due Friday, July 24 at 11:59 PM.**

# Break

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# A General Lower Bound for Sorting

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- Any sorting algorithm that uses **only comparisons** requires  $\Omega(N \log N)$  comparisons in the **worst case**.
- Prove: Any sorting algorithm that uses only comparisons requires  $\lceil \log(N!) \rceil$  comparisons in the **worst case** and  $\log(N!)$  comparisons **on average**.

$$\log(N!) = \Omega(N \log N)$$

# A General Lower Bound for Sorting, *cont'd*

- Every sorting algorithm that uses **only comparisons**

can be represented by a **decision tree**.

- The number of comparisons is equal to the depth of the deepest leaf.

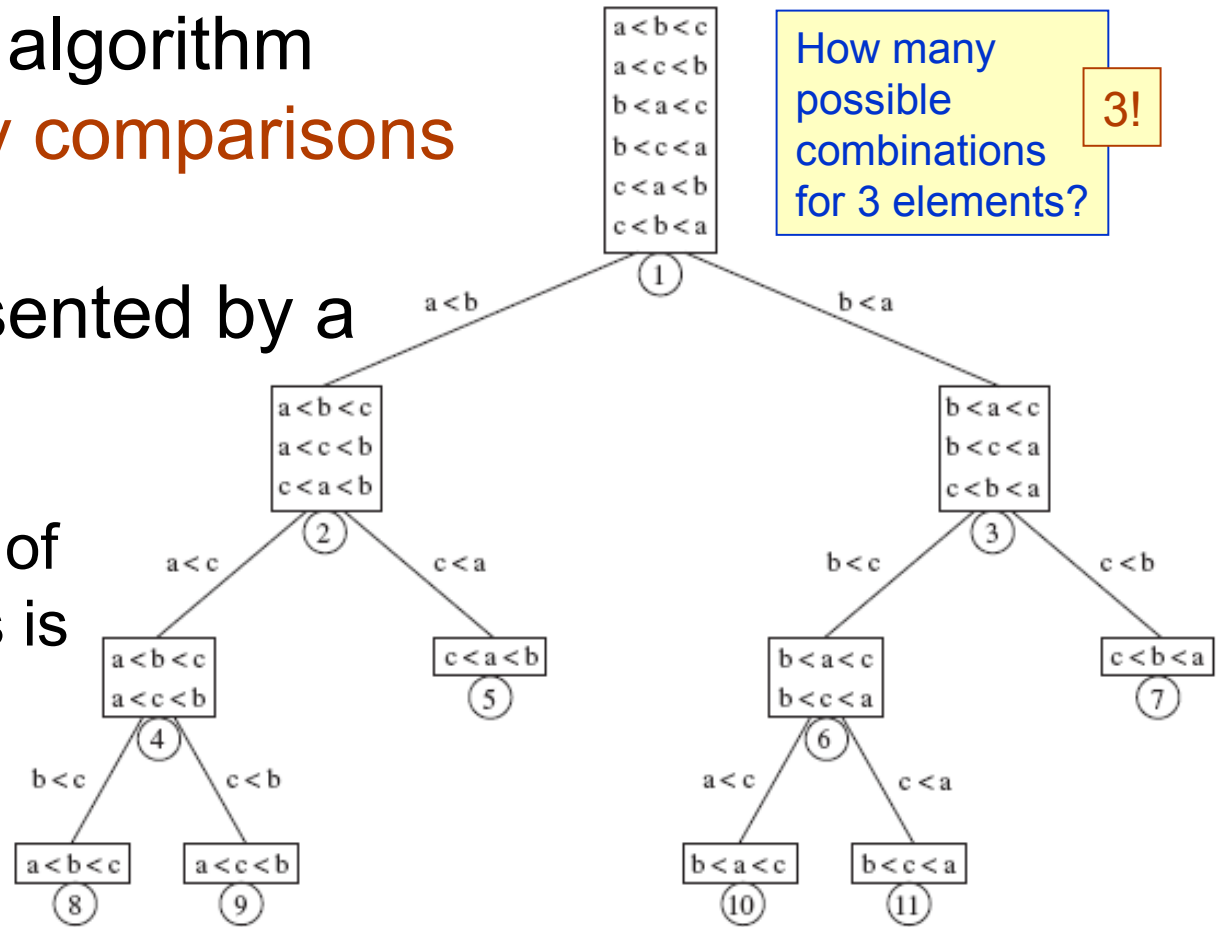


Figure 7.18 A decision tree for three-element sort

# Some Decision Tree Properties

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- A binary tree of depth  $d$  has at most  $2^d$  leaves.
- A binary tree with  $L$  leaves must have depth at least  $\lceil \log L \rceil$ .
- Any sorting algorithm that uses only comparisons between elements requires at least  $\lceil \log(N!) \rceil$  comparisons in the worst case.
  - A decision tree to sort  $N$  elements must have  $N!$  leaves.

# A General Lower Bound for Sorting, *cont'd*

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- Prove: Any sorting algorithm that uses only **comparisons between elements** requires  $\Omega(N \log N)$  comparisons.

# A General Lower Bound for Sorting, *cont'd*

$$\log(N!) = \log(1 \bullet 2 \bullet 3 \bullet \dots \bullet N) = \log(1) + \log(2) + \log(3) + \dots + \log(N)$$

Delete the first half of the terms:

$$\geq \log\left(\frac{N}{2}\right) + \log\left(\frac{N}{2} + 1\right) + \log\left(\frac{N}{2} + 2\right) + \dots + \log N$$

Replace each remaining term by the smallest one,  $\log(N/2)$ :

$$\geq \log\left(\frac{N}{2}\right) + \log\left(\frac{N}{2}\right) + \log\left(\frac{N}{2}\right) + \dots + \log\left(\frac{N}{2}\right)$$

There are  $N/2$  of these  $\log(N/2)$  terms:

$$= \frac{N}{2} \log\left(\frac{N}{2}\right) = \frac{N}{2} \log(N \bullet 2^{-1}) = \frac{N}{2} [(\log N) - 1] = \frac{N}{2} \log N - \frac{N}{2}$$

Therefore:

$$\log(N!) = \Omega(N \log N)$$

# A General Lower Bound for Sorting, *cont'd*

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$$\log(N!) = \Omega(N \log N)$$

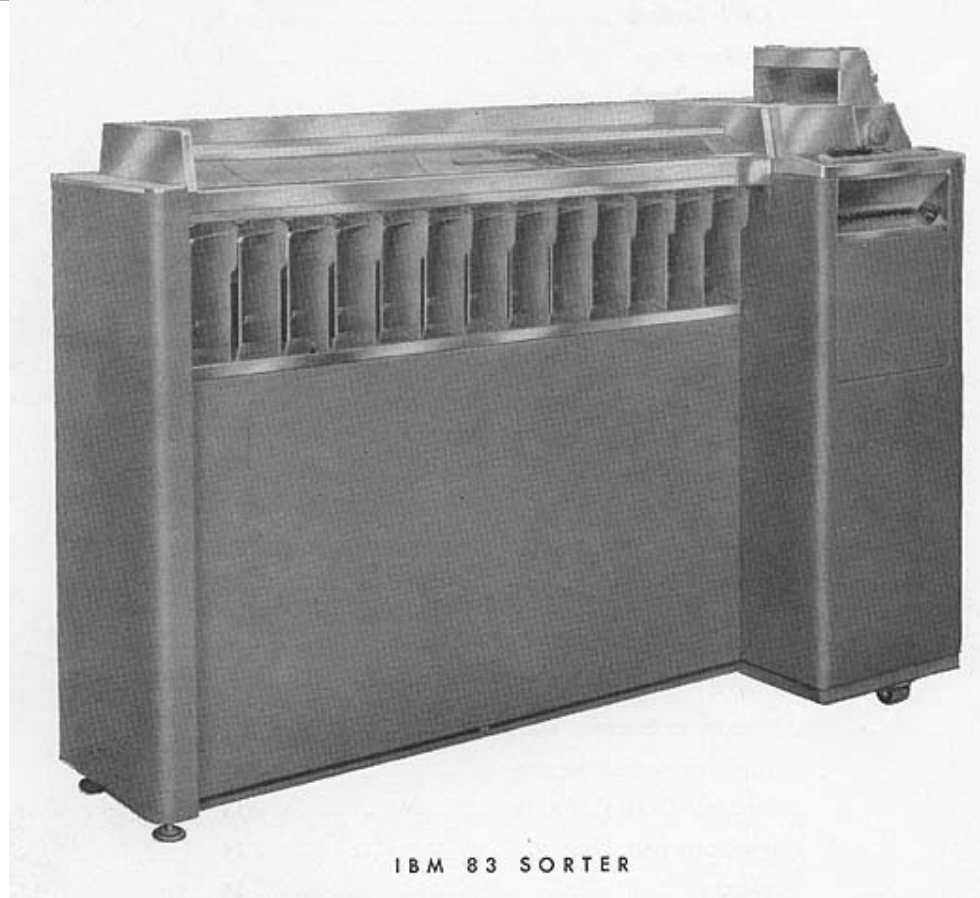
- Therefore, you cannot devise a sorting algorithm based on **comparing elements** that will be faster than  $\Omega(N \log N)$  in the **worst case**.

# Bucket Sort and Radix Sort

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- **Bucket sorting** relies on using a number of bins, or buckets, into which the values to be sorted are entered.
- **Sorting time is linear** rather than  $O(N \log N)$ .
  - Does not rely on comparisons.
- A form of bucket sort is the **radix sort**.
  - Used to sort values each of which has a limited number of characters.
    - Example: 3-digit numbers.
  - Radix sort was used by the old electromechanical IBM card sorters to sort punched cards.

# IBM 083 Card Sorter



- 1950s vacuum-tube and mechanical technology.
- Sorted up to 1000 cards per minute.



# Punched Cards

- A punched card had up to 12 punches per column, numbered 0-9 and 11 and 12.
  - The card sorter had 12 bins (plus a reject bin).

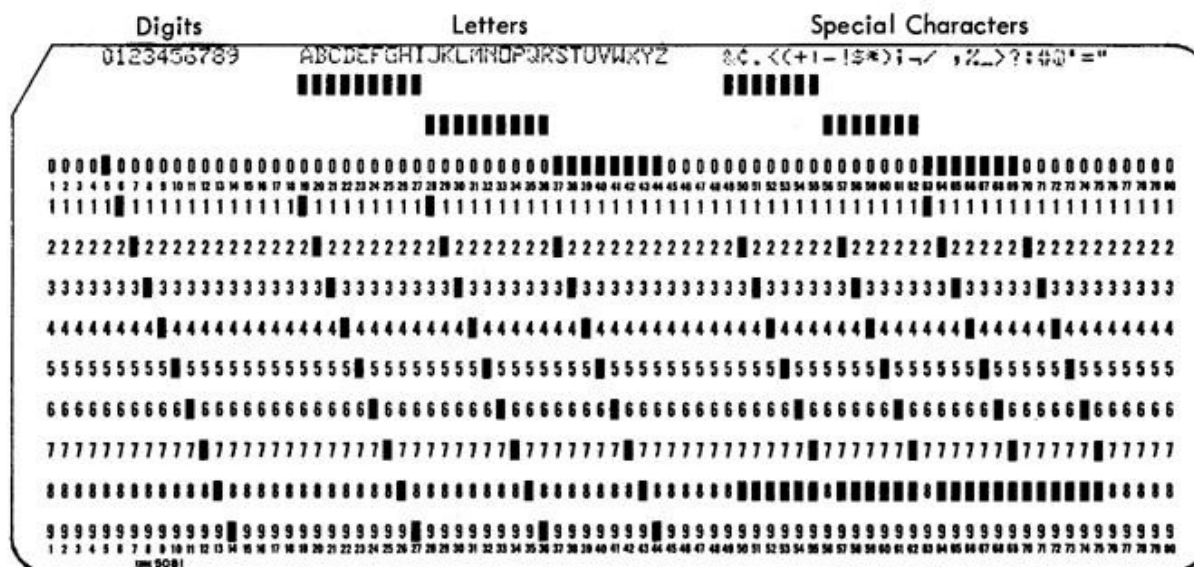


Figure 4. Card Codes and Graphics for 64-Character Set

# Sorting Punched Cards

- How to sort cards punched with 3-digit numbers

(in the same columns):

- **First sort on the units digit.**

- Each card drops into the appropriate bin based on the units digit.
- Carefully remove the cards from the bins, keeping them in order.

- **Next sort on the tens digit.**

- Each card drops into the appropriate bin based on the 10s digit.
- Carefully remove the cards from the bins, keeping them in order.

- **Finally sort on the hundreds digit.**

- Each card drops into the appropriate bin based on the 100s digit.
- Carefully remove the cards from the bins, keeping them in order.

# Radix sorting with an old electromechanical punched card sorter.

Cards in  
hopper  
before sort

|     |
|-----|
| 040 |
| 723 |
| 200 |
| 336 |
| 976 |
| 132 |
| 002 |
| 135 |
| 542 |

Cards in pockets after sort

|   |   |   |     |     |   |     |     |   |     |    |    |   |
|---|---|---|-----|-----|---|-----|-----|---|-----|----|----|---|
|   |   |   | 336 |     |   |     | 132 |   |     |    |    |   |
|   |   |   | 976 | 135 |   | 723 | 002 |   | 040 |    |    |   |
|   |   |   |     |     |   |     | 542 |   | 200 |    |    |   |
| 9 | 8 | 7 | 6   | 5   | 4 | 3   | 2   | 1 | 0   | 11 | 12 | R |

(a) Column 43 (Units Digit) Sorted

|     |
|-----|
| 336 |
| 976 |
| 135 |
| 723 |
| 132 |
| 002 |
| 542 |
| 040 |
| 200 |

|   |   |     |   |   |   |     |     |     |     |    |    |   |
|---|---|-----|---|---|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|
|   |   |     |   |   |   | 542 | 336 |     |     |    |    |   |
|   |   | 976 |   |   |   | 040 | 135 |     | 002 |    |    |   |
|   |   |     |   |   |   |     | 132 | 723 | 200 |    |    |   |
| 9 | 8 | 7   | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3   | 2   | 1   | 0   | 11 | 12 | R |

(b) Column 42 (Tens Digit) Sorted

|     |
|-----|
| 976 |
| 542 |
| 040 |
| 336 |
| 135 |
| 132 |
| 723 |
| 002 |
| 200 |

|     |   |     |   |     |   |     |     |     |     |    |    |   |
|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|
| 976 |   | 723 |   | 542 |   | 336 | 200 | 135 | 040 |    |    |   |
|     |   |     |   |     |   |     |     | 132 | 002 |    |    |   |
|     |   |     |   |     |   |     |     |     |     |    |    |   |
| 9   | 8 | 7   | 6 | 5   | 4 | 3   | 2   | 1   | 0   | 11 | 12 | R |

(c) Column 41 (Hundreds Digit) Sorted

Fig. 4-6

# Magnetic Tape Sorting

- Most magnetic tapes can be read and written in one direction only.
  - You can also rewind a tape.



# Magnetic Tape Sorting, *cont'd*



# Magnetic Tape Sorting, *cont'd*

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- Suppose you have data you want to sort.
- The unsorted data records initially all reside on one magnetic tape.
- You have 4 tape drives and 3 blank tapes.
- The computer's memory can hold and sort only 3 data records at a time.
- Perform an **external merge sort**.

# Magnetic Tape Merge Sort

|    |  |
|----|--|
| T1 | 81 94 11 96 12 35 17 99 28 58 41 75 15 |
| T2 |  |
| T3 |  |
| T4 |  |

Can you follow what's happening?  
(These slides are animated.)

|    |                      |
|----|----------------------|
| T1 |                      |
| T2 |                      |
| T3 | 11 81 94 17 28 99 15 |
| T4 | 12 35 96 41 58 75    |

|    |                      |
|----|----------------------|
| T1 | 11 12 35 81 94 96 15 |
| T2 | 17 28 41 58 75 99    |
| T3 |                      |
| T4 |                      |

# Magnetic Tape Merge Sort, *cont'd*

|    |                   |    |
|----|-------------------|----|
| T1 | 11 12 35 81 94 96 | 15 |
| T2 | 17 28 41 58 75 99 |    |
| T3 |                   |    |
| T4 |                   |    |

|    |                                     |  |
|----|-------------------------------------|--|
| T1 |                                     |  |
| T2 |                                     |  |
| T3 | 11 12 17 28 35 41 58 75 81 94 96 99 |  |
| T4 | 15                                  |  |

|    |  |  |
|----|--|--|
| T1 | 11 12 15 17 28 35 41 58 75 81 94 96 99 |  |
| T2 |  |  |
| T3 |  |  |
| T4 |  |  |