

Lecture 8: Induction and  
Sorting

+ Today

- Reading
  - JS Ch. 6
- Objectives
  - Selection sort
  - Merge Sort

## + Selection Sort

14	30	10	26	34	18	5	20
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1. Find smallest
2. Swap
3. Repeat

## + Selection Sort

```
/**
 * Sorts an integer array using iterative selection sort
 * @param array array of integers to be sorted
 */
private static void selectionSortIterative(int[] array) {

    for(int i = 0; i < array.length; ++i) {
        int min = indexOfSmallest(array, i);
        swap(array, i, min);
    }
}
```

## + Selection Sort (helper)

```
/**  
 * @param array array of integers  
 * @param startIndex valid index into array  
 * @return index of smallest value in array[startIndex...n]  
 */  
protected static int indexOfSmallest(int[] array, int startIndex) {  
  
    int smallest = startIndex;  
    for(int i = startIndex+1; i < array.length; ++i) {  
        if(array[i] < array[smallest]) {  
            smallest = i;  
        }  
    }  
    return smallest;  
}
```

## + Correctness of Selection Sort using Induction (on board)

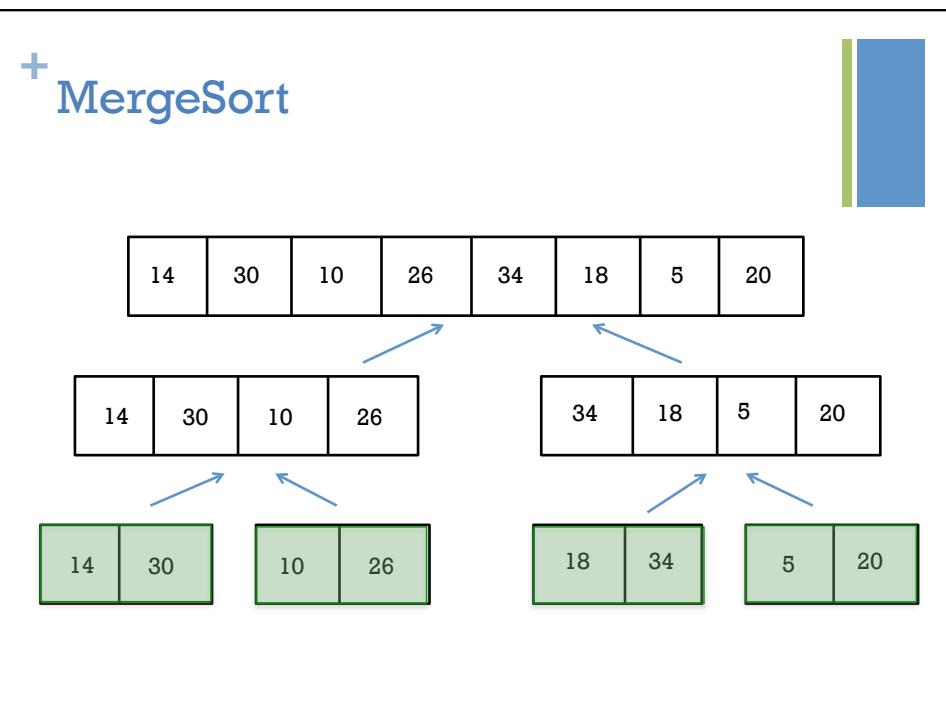
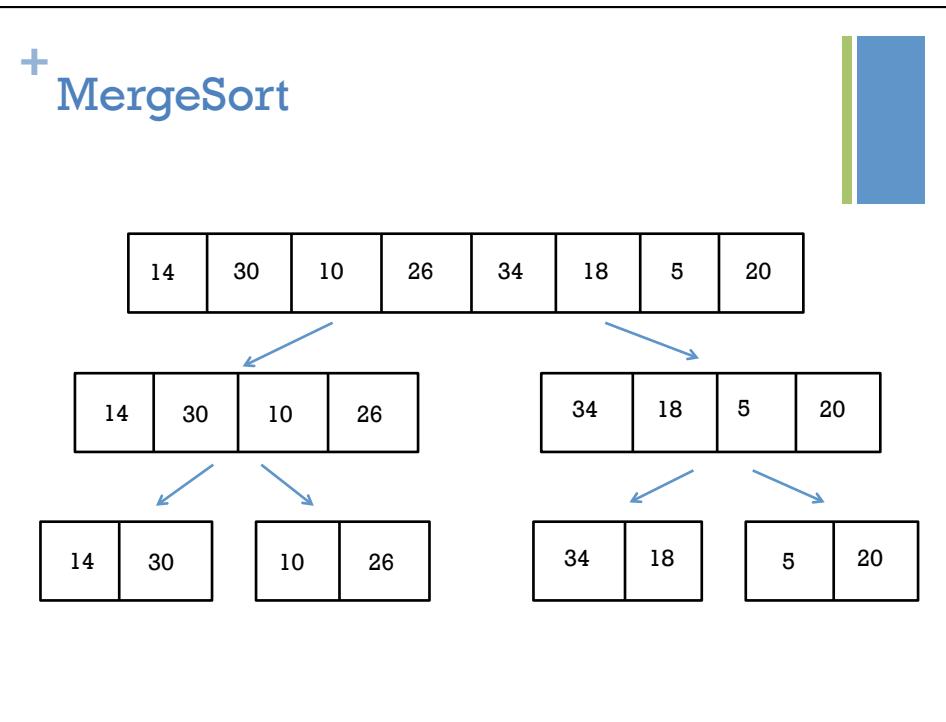
- Consider what must be true after every iteration of the for-loop in selectionSortIterative

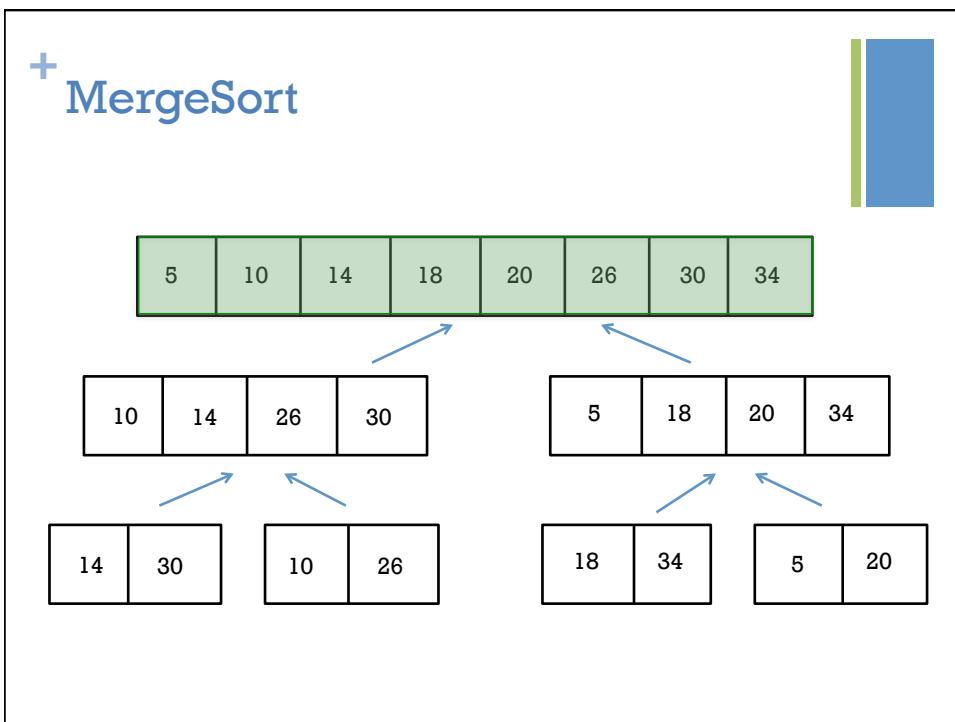
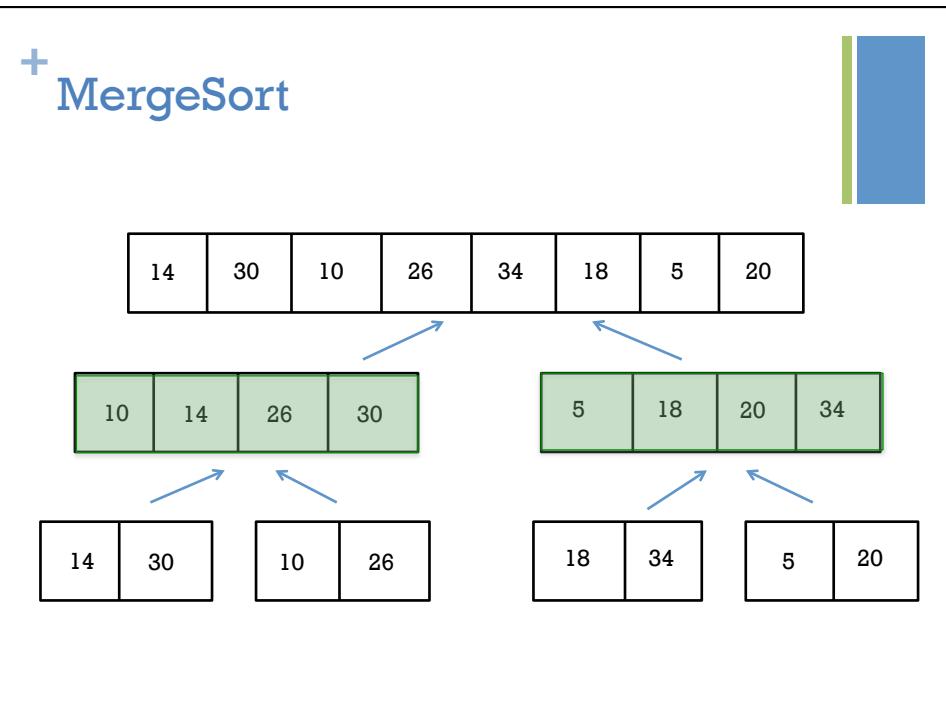
## + Complexity of Selection sort using Induction (on board)

- Count the number of comparisons performed for each iteration of the for-loop in selectionSortIterative

## + Divide and Conquer

- Divide-and-conquer is a common approach for solving problems
  - Divide the problem into smaller subproblems until the subproblems are so small that the solution is trivial
  - Combine solutions to smaller subproblems to create solution to larger problem
  - Recursion!







## Complexity of Merge Sort

- Let  $f(n)$  denote the number of comparisons performed by Merge Sort on an array of size  $n$ .
- Then we have the following recurrence relation:

$$f(n) = 2f(n/2) + n$$

- **Claim:**  $f(n) = n \log_2 n + n$



## Complexity of Merge Sort

- Claim:  $f(n) = n \log_2 n + n$
- Proof by Strong Induction
- Base Case
  - Prove for  $n = 1$
- Inductive Hypothesis
  - $f(m) = m \log_2 m + m$  for all  $m < n$
  - Now show that  $f(n) = n \log_2 n + n$