

# Parallel Sort

## Parallel and Distributed Computing

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- Parallel Sort
  - Hyperquicksort
  - PSRS, Parallel Sorting by Regular Sampling
  - Odd-Even Transposition Sort

# Sorting Problem

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Given an unordered sequence, obtain an ordered one through permutations of the elements in the sequence.

Typically the value being sorted (**key**) is part of record with additional values (**satellite data**).

Efficiency of sorting is particularly important as it is used as part of many algorithms.

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Smaller hidden constants in **Quicksort** make it popular.

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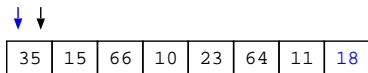
function partition(array, left, right, pivotIndex)
  pivotValue := array[pivotIndex]
  swap array[pivotIndex] and array[right] // Move pivot to end
  storeIndex := left
  for i from left to right - 1
    if array[i] <= pivotValue
      swap array[i] and array[storeIndex]
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  // Move pivot to its final place
  swap array[storeIndex] and array[right]
  return storeIndex
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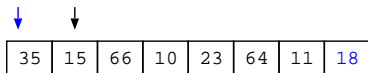
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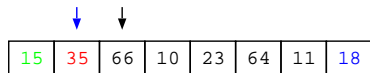
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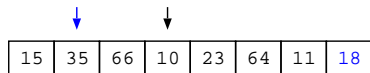
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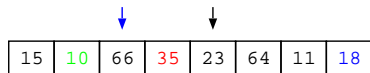
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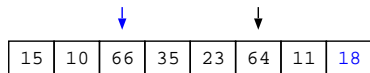
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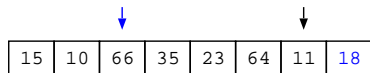
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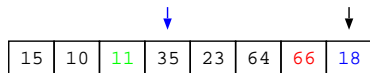
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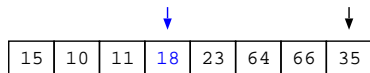


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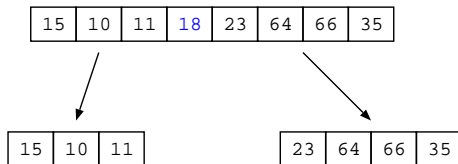




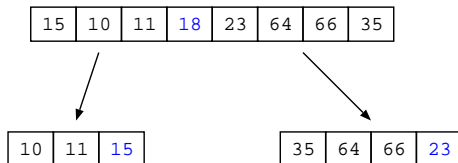
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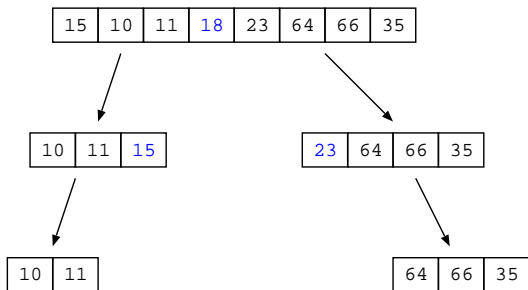
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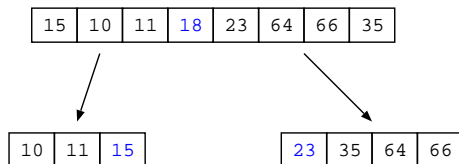
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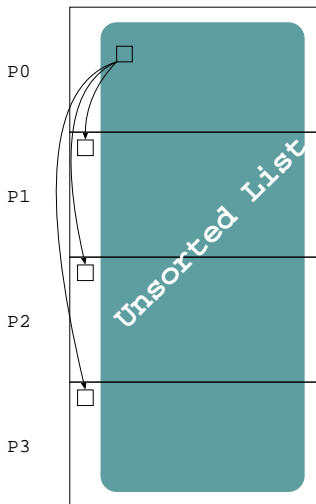


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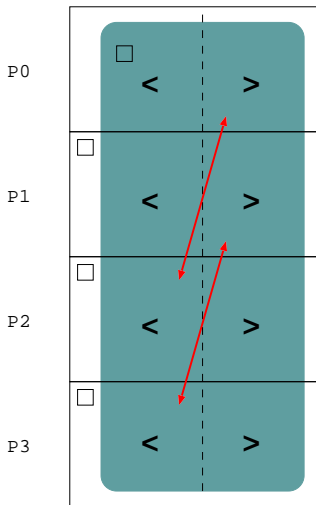
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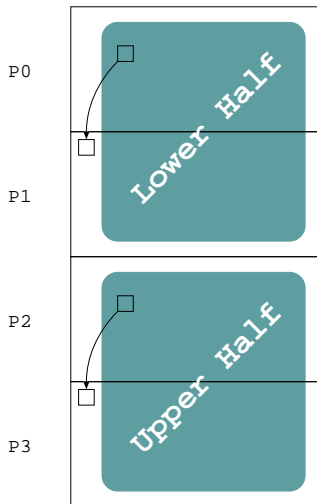
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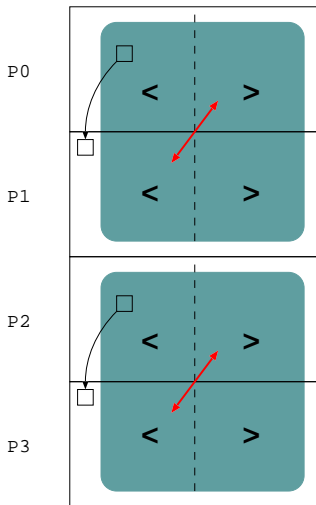
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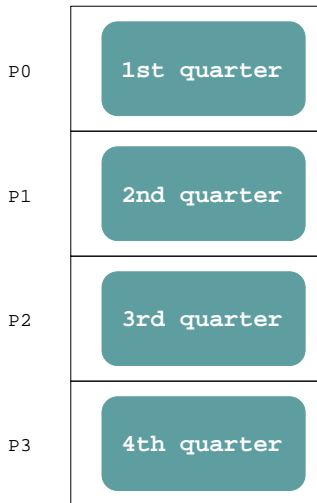
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Limitation of parallel quicksort: poor balancing of list sizes.

**Hyperquicksort:** sort elements before broadcasting pivot.

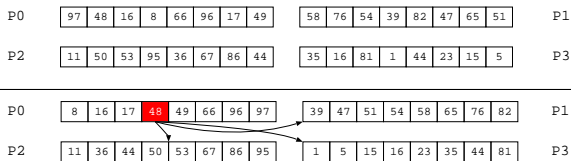
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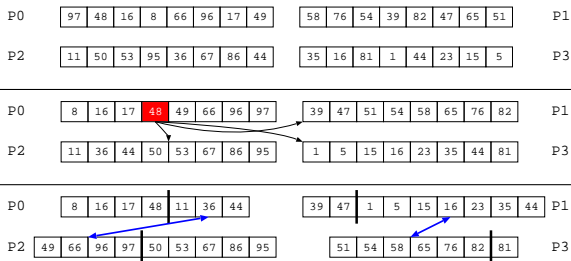
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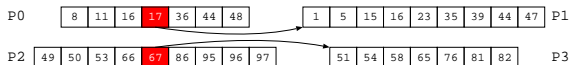
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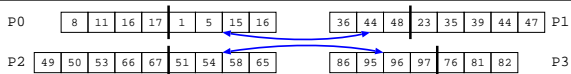
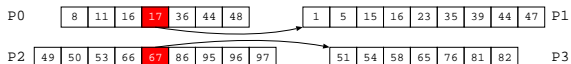
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$$C = \frac{\varepsilon(n, p)}{1 - \varepsilon(n, p)} \leq 2 \Rightarrow \varepsilon(n, p) \leq \frac{2}{3}$$

Cannot maintain high efficiency!

# Limitations on the Scalability of Hyperquicksort

- analysis assumes lists remain balanced
- as  $p$  increases, each processor's share of list decreases
- hence, as  $p$  increases, likelihood of lists becoming unbalanced increases
- unbalanced lists lowers efficiency

A better solution is to get sample values from all processes before choosing median.

# Parallel Sorting by Regular Sampling

## Parallel Sorting by Regular Sampling, PSRS:

- each process sorts its share of elements
- each process selects regular samples of sorted list
- one process gathers and sorts samples, chooses pivot values from sorted sample list, and broadcasts these pivot values
- each process partitions its list into  $p$  pieces, using pivot values
- each process sends partitions to other processes
- each process merges its partitions

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P0 

15	46	48	6	93	39	72	91	14
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P1 

36	69	40	89	61	97	12	21	54
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P2 

53	97	84	58	32	27	33	72	20
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# Comparison of Parallel QuickSorting Algorithms

Three parallel algorithms based on quicksort.

Keeping list sizes balanced:

- Parallel quicksort: **poor**
- Hyperquicksort: **better**
- PSRS algorithm: **excellent**

Average number of times each key moved:

- Parallel quicksort and hyperquicksort:  $\frac{\log p}{2}$
- PSRS algorithm:  $\frac{p-1}{p}$

# Odd-Even Transposition Sort

- Based on Bubble Sort
- Consists of two distinct phases:
  - Even phase
    - compare and swaps are executed on pairs  $(a[0],a[1]); (a[2],a[3]); (a[4],a[5]); \dots$
  - Odd phase
    - compare and swaps are executed on pairs  $(a[1],a[2]); (a[3],a[4]); (a[5],a[6]); \dots$
- Sorting is complete after at most  $n$  phases

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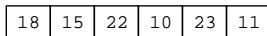
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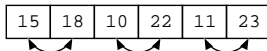
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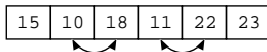
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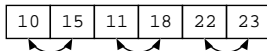
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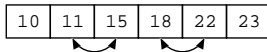
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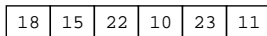
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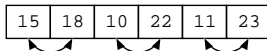
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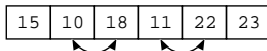
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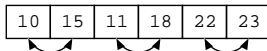
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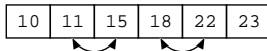
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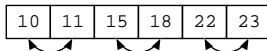
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# Odd-Even Transposition Sort Program

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Can we do better in the parallel algorithm?



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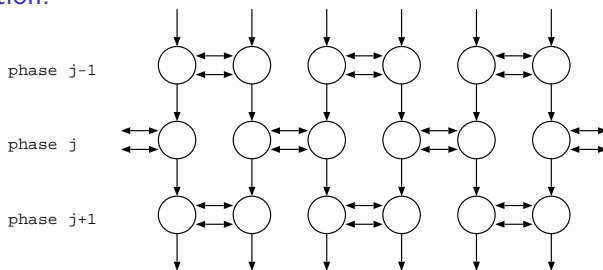
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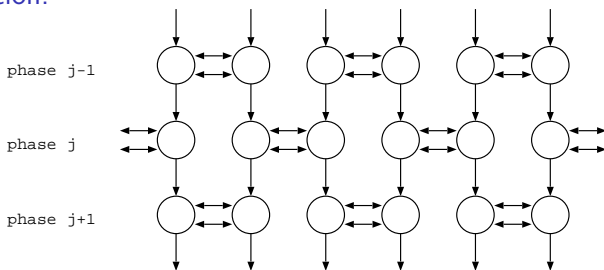


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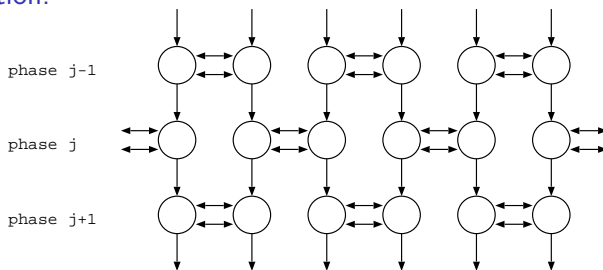
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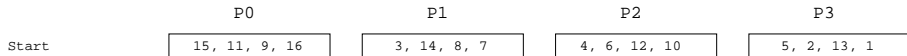
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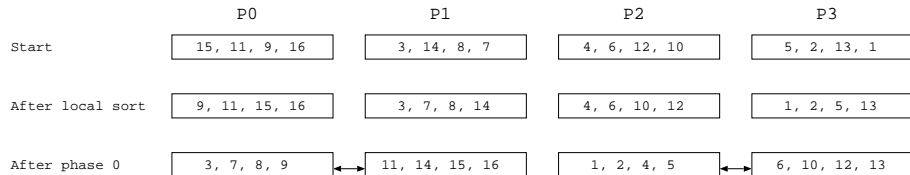


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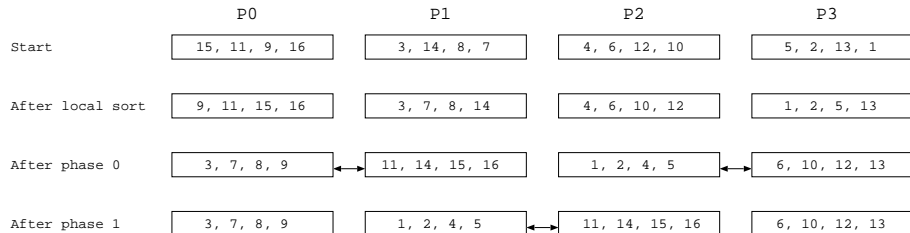
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After local sort	9, 11, 15, 16	3, 7, 8, 14	4, 6, 10, 12	1, 2, 5, 13



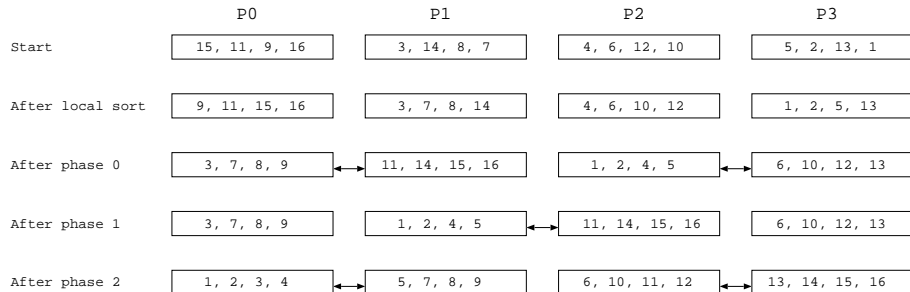
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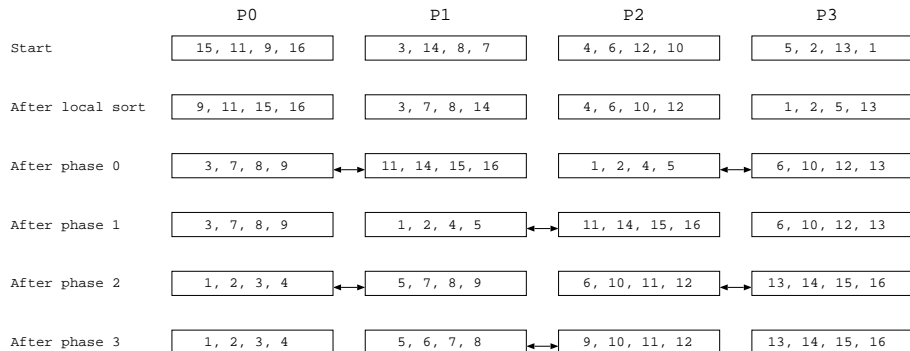
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# Isoefficiency Analysis of Odd-Even Sort

Isoefficiency analysis:  $T(n, 1) \geq CT_0(n, p)$

Sequential time complexity:  $T(n, 1) = O(n \log n)$

Parallel overhead dominated by exchanges:  $O(n)$

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⇒ Poor scalability.

# Comparison of Parallel Sorting Algorithms

## Hyperquicksort

Total time:  $O(\frac{n}{p} \log n)$

Scalability function:  $p^{C-1}$

⇒ Scalability is only good for  $C \leq 2$ .

## PSRS

Total time:  $O(\frac{n}{p} \log n)$

Scalability function:  $p^{C-1}$

⇒ Same scalability as hyperquicksort.

## Odd-Even Sort

Total time:  $O(\frac{n}{p} \log n + n)$

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- Parallel Sort
  - Hyperquicksort
  - PSRS, Parallel Sorting by Regular Sampling
  - Odd-Even Transposition Sort

- Efficient parallelization of numerical algorithms