

## FINDING MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM

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Following algorithm gives recursive (Divide-and-conquer) solution for finding maximum and minimum problem.

MaxMin( $i, j, \max, \min$ )

$a[1..n]$  is a global array, parameters  $i$  and  $j$  are integers,  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$ ,  $\max$  and  $\min$  store the maximum and minimum elements present in subarray.

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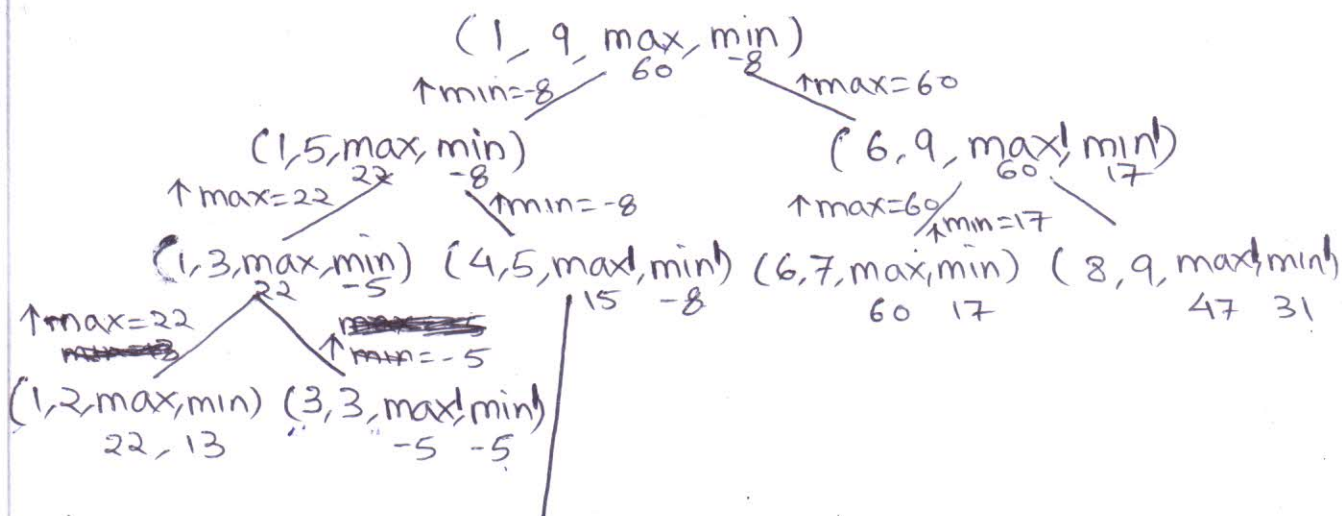
{ if ( $i = j$ ) /* for single element */
  {
     $\max = \min = a[i]$ 
  }
  else if ( $i = j - 1$ ) /* for two elements */
  {
    if ( $a[i] < a[j]$ )
    {
       $\max = a[j], \min = a[i]$ 
    }
    else
    {
       $\max = a[i], \min = a[j]$ 
    }
  }
}
else
{
   $mid = \lfloor \frac{(i+j)}{2} \rfloor$  /* find mid of array */
  MaxMin( $i, mid, \max, \min$ ) /* recursive call */
  MaxMin( $mid+1, j, \max1, \min1$ )
  if ( $\max < \max1$ )
  {  $\max = \max1$  }
  if ( $\min > \min1$ )
  {  $\min = \min1$  }
}
}

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
22	13	-5	-8	15	60	17	31	47



max=60  
min=-8

## Complexity Analysis

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} T(\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil) + T(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor) + 2 & n > 2 \\ 1 & n = 2 \\ 0 & n = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 2 \\ &= 2\left(2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 2\right) + 2 \\ &= 4T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 4 + 2 \\ &\dots \\ &= 2^{k-1} T(2) + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq k-1} 2^i \\ &= 2^{k-1} + 2^k - 2 = \frac{3n}{2} - 2 \end{aligned}$$

by Master's theorem  
 $n \log_a^b = n \log_2^2 = n$   
 $f(n) < n \log_a^b$

by case 1  
 $\theta(n \log_a^b) = \theta(n)$