

- Previous Lecture:
  - “Divide and conquer” strategies
    - Binary search
    - Merge sort
- Today’s Lecture:
  - “Divide and conquer” strategies—recursion
    - Merge sort
    - Sierpinski Triangle, revisited
- Announcements
  - Section in classrooms this week
  - CS100M final will be 5/8 (Thurs) 9am. Tell us now if you have a final exam conflict. Email Kelly Patwell with your complete exam schedule (course #s and times)

**CS101J:**  
On-line course material; in-person scheduled exams

Two (or three) options:

- Register and work thru in FALL 08. You can take ENGRD/CS 211 in Spring 09.
- Learn the material on your own in Summer 08, then in Fall 08 register + submit assignments + take the tests within the first two weeks. You can take CS211 FA08.
- Possibility: CS offers CS101J in the summer (5/28-6/19). You must be on campus to take the tests during this period.

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### Quiz 2

- 3 questions
- A quiz counts as an exercise and you can miss “several” without lowering your score. E.g., if there will be 15 exercises in total you can miss 3 (about 20%).
- Answer the quiz using your registered clicker.
- **Honor system:** Use only your clicker and don’t consult your neighbors or notes in any way.

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function y = mergeSort(x)
% x is a vector. y is a vector
% consisting of the values in x
% sorted from smallest to largest.
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n = length(x);
if n==1
    y = x;
else
    m = floor(n/2);
    y1 = mergeSort(x(1:m));
    y2 = mergeSort(x(m+1:n));
    y = merge(y1,y2);
end
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An important sub-problem is the merging of two sorted arrays into one single sorted array

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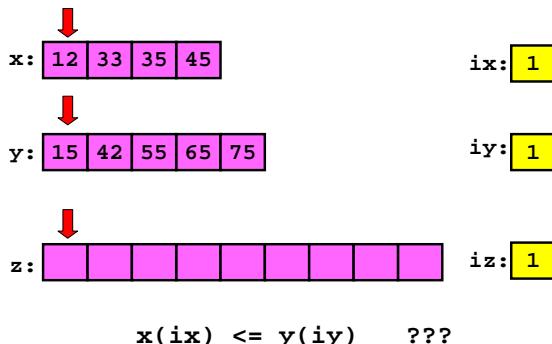
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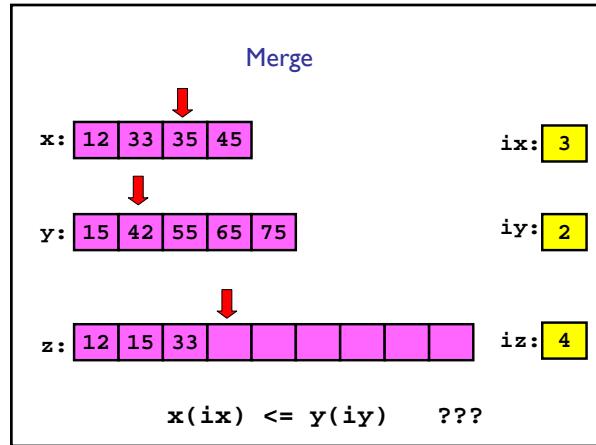
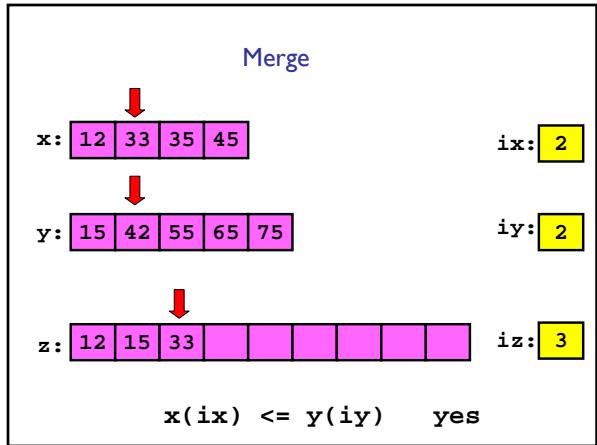
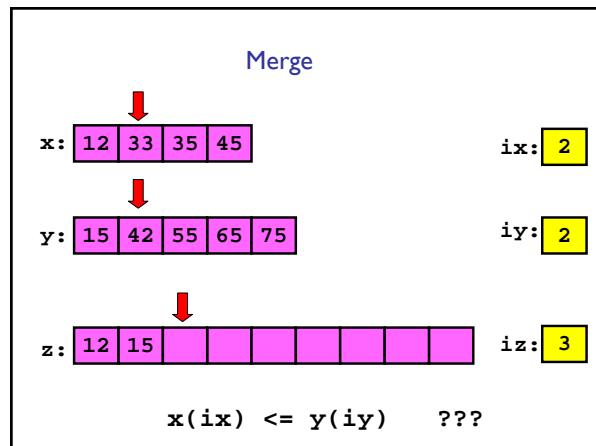
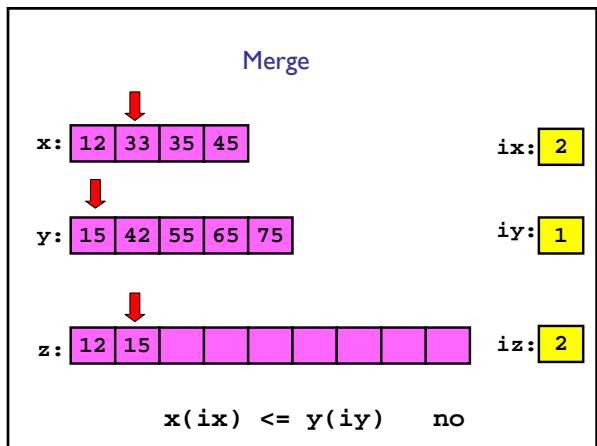
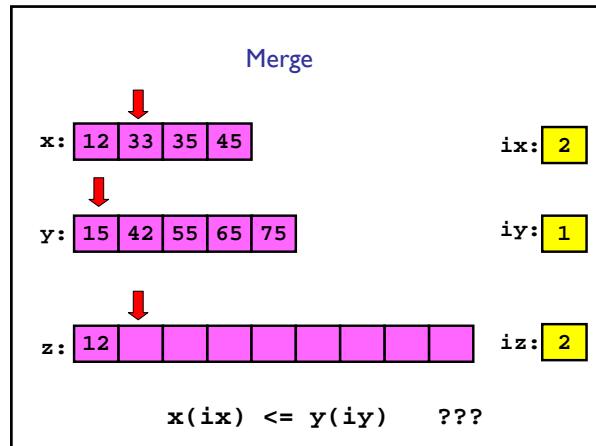
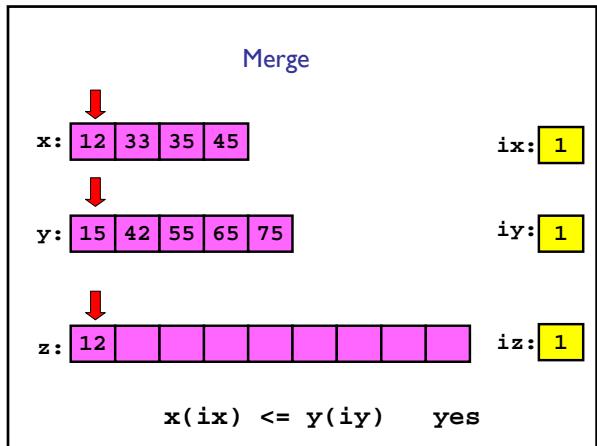
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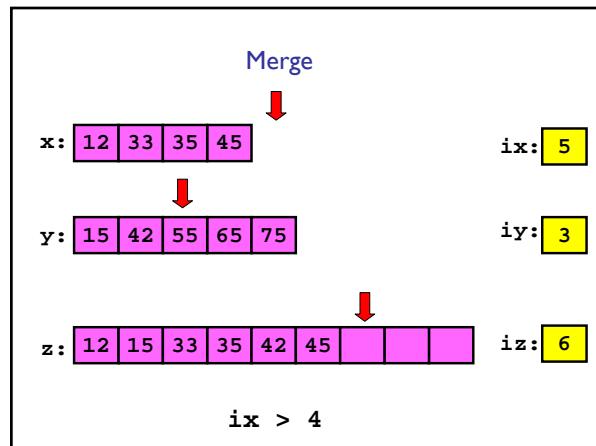
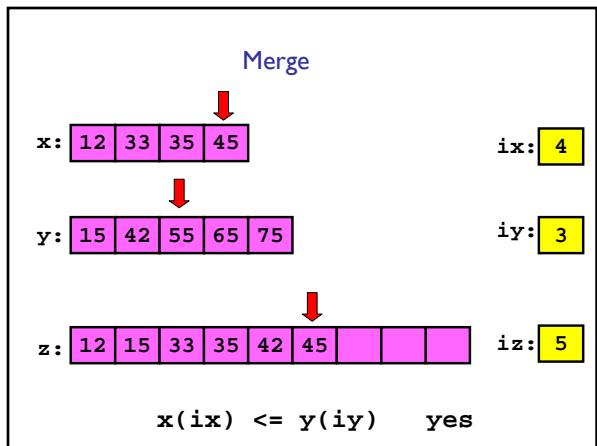
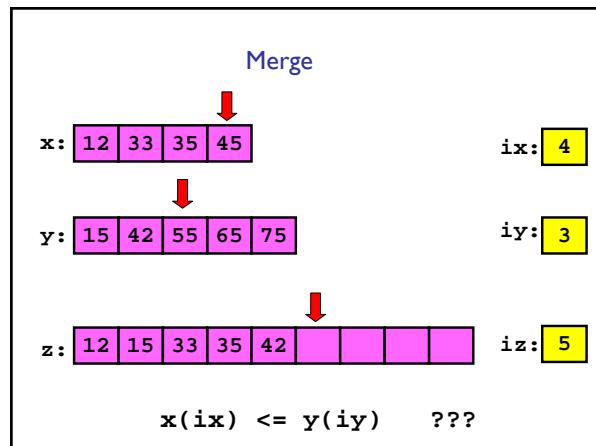
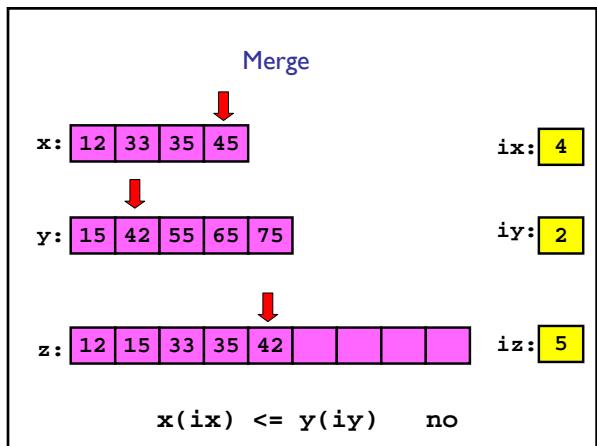
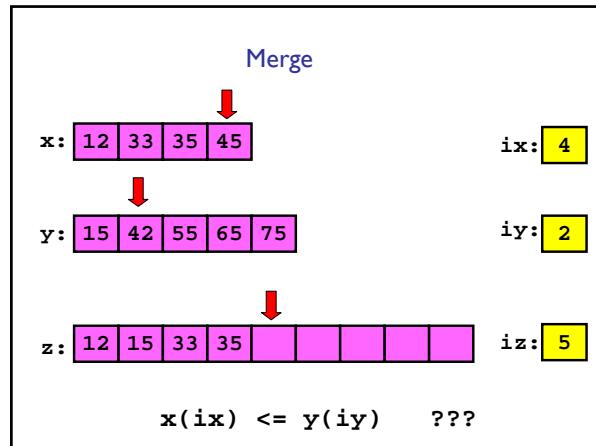
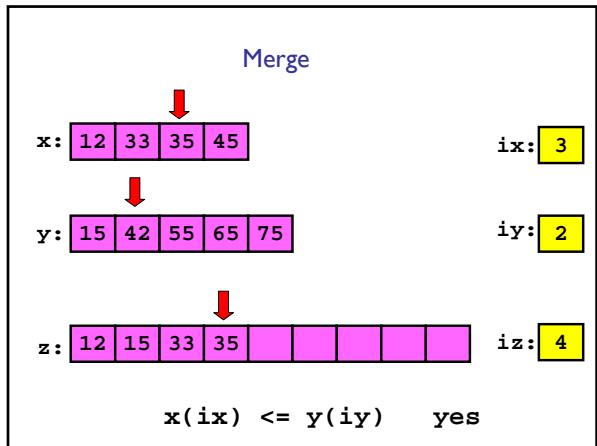
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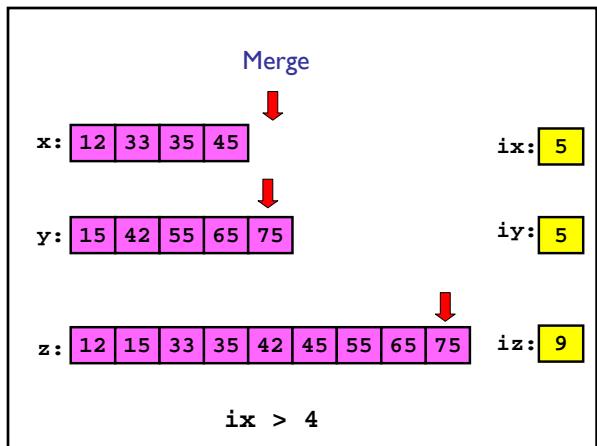
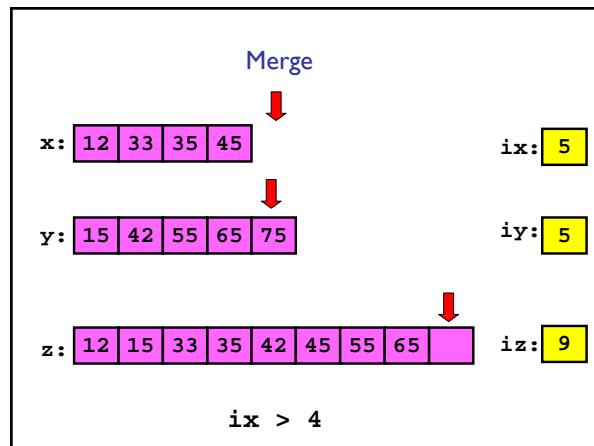
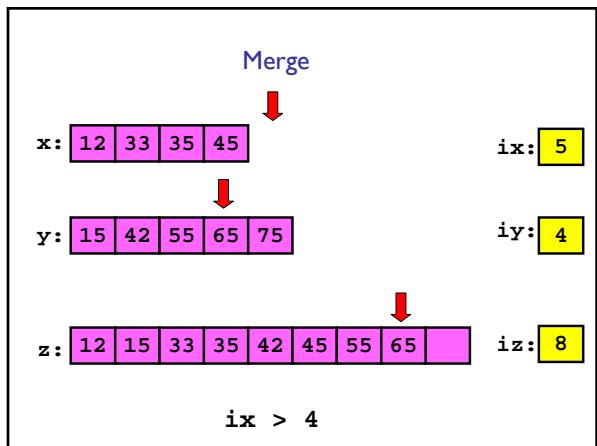
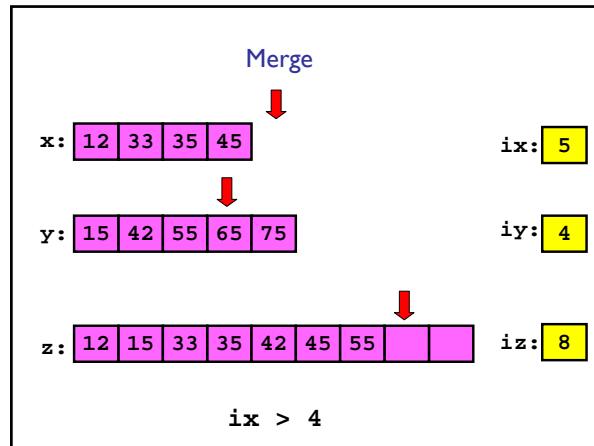
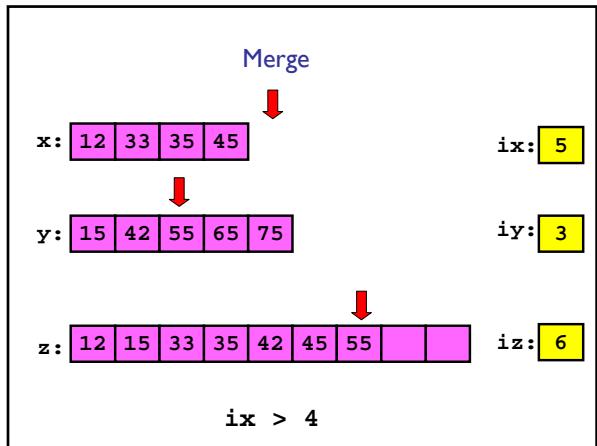
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### Merge









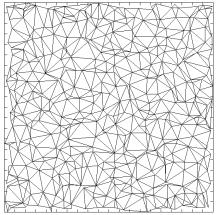
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function z = merge(x,y)
n = length(x); m = length(y);
z = zeros(1,n+m);
ix = 1; iy = 1;
for iz=1:(n+m)
    if ix > n
        z(iz)= y(iy); iy = iy+1;
    elseif iy>m
        z(iz)= x(ix); ix = ix + 1;
    elseif x(ix) <= y(iy)
        z(iz)= x(ix); ix = ix + 1;
    else
        z(iz)= y(iy); iy = iy + 1;
    end
end

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Divide-and-conquer methods also show up in geometric situations

Chop a region up into triangles with smaller triangles in “areas of interest”



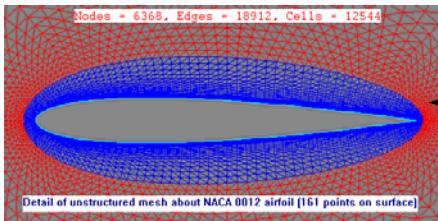
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### Mesh Generation



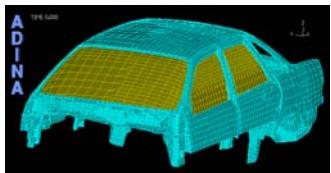
Step one in simulating flow around an airfoil is to generate a mesh and (say) estimate velocity at each mesh point.

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### Mesh Generation in 3D



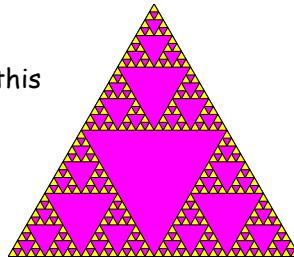
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Why is mesh generation a divide & conquer process?

Let's draw this graphic



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### The basic operation

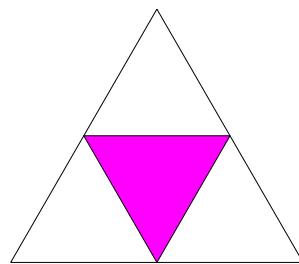
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if the triangle is big enough
    Connect the midpoints.
    Color the interior triangle mauve.
else
    Color the whole triangle yellow.
end
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### At the Start...



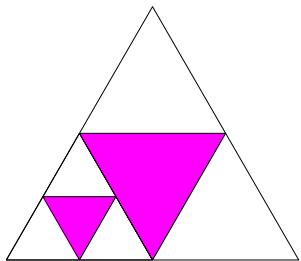
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Recur on this idea:

Apply same idea to the lower left triangle

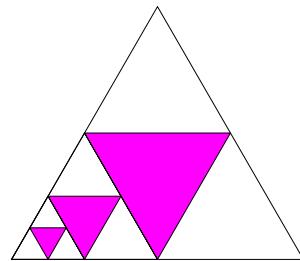


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Recur again

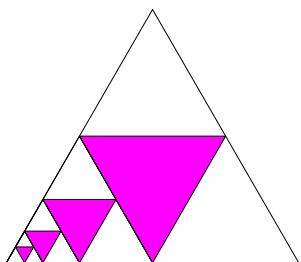


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... and again

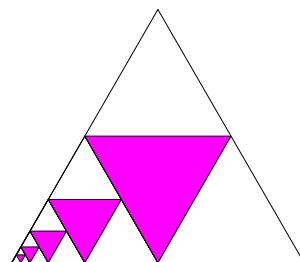


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... and again

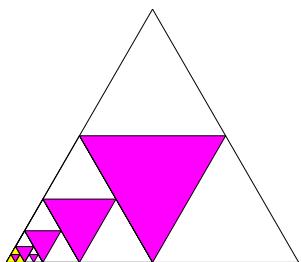


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Now, climb your way out.

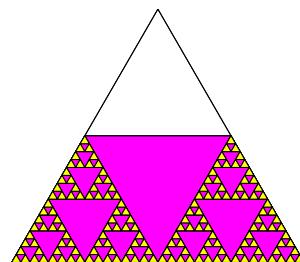


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..., etc.



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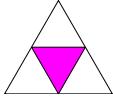
function drawTriangle(x,y,level)
% Draw recursively colored triangles.
% x,y are 3-vectors that define the vertices of a triangle.

if level==5
    % Recursion limit (depth) reached
    % Color whole triangle yellow
else
    % Draw the triangle...

    % Draw and color the interior triangle mauve

    % Apply the process to the three "corner" triangles...
end

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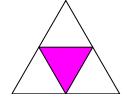


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function drawTriangle(x,y,level)
% Draw recursively colored triangles.
% x,y are 3-vectors that define the vertices of a triangle.

if level==5
    % Recursion limit (depth) reached
    fill(x,y,'y') % Color whole triangle yellow
else
    % Draw the triangle...
    plot([x(1) x(2)], [y(1) y(2)], 'k')
    % Draw and color the interior triangle mauve.
    a = [(x(1)+x(2))/2 (x(2)+x(3))/2 (x(3)+x(1))]
    b = [(y(1)+y(2))/2 (y(2)+y(3))/2 (y(3)+y(1))]
    pause
    fill(a,b,'m')
    pause
    % Apply the process to the three "corner" triangles...
    drawTriangle([x(1) a(1) a(3)], [y(1) b(1) b(3)], level+1)
    drawTriangle([x(2) a(2) a(1)], [y(2) b(2) b(1)], level+1)
    drawTriangle([x(3) a(3) a(2)], [y(3) b(3) b(2)], level+1)
end

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