

Definition 1

A 0-1 sequence S is **bitonic** if it can be written as the concatenation of subsequences S_1 and S_2 such that either

- ▶ S_1 is monotonically increasing and S_2 monotonically decreasing, or
- ▶ S_1 is monotonically decreasing and S_2 monotonically increasing.

Note, that this just defines **bitonic 0-1 sequences**. Bitonic sequences are defined differently.

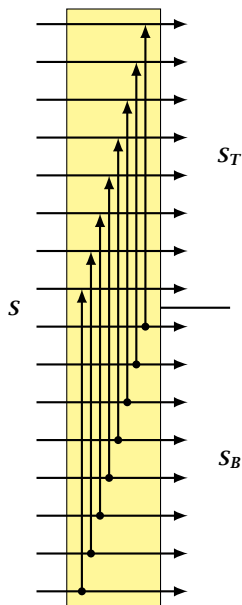
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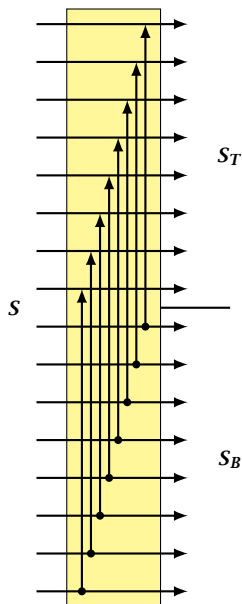
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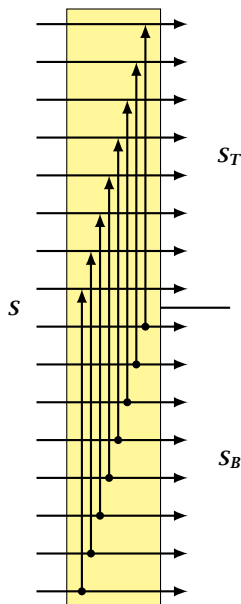
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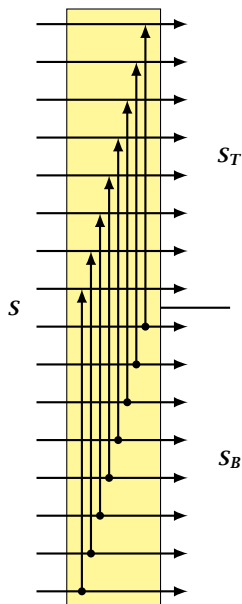
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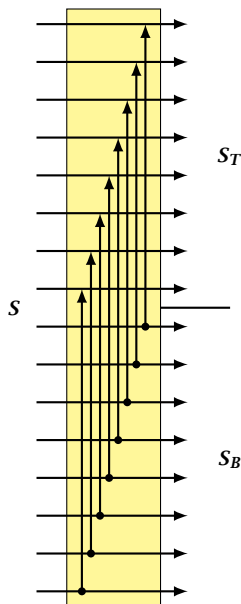
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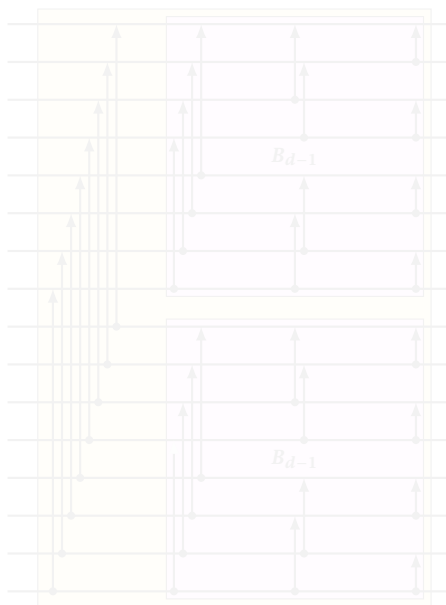
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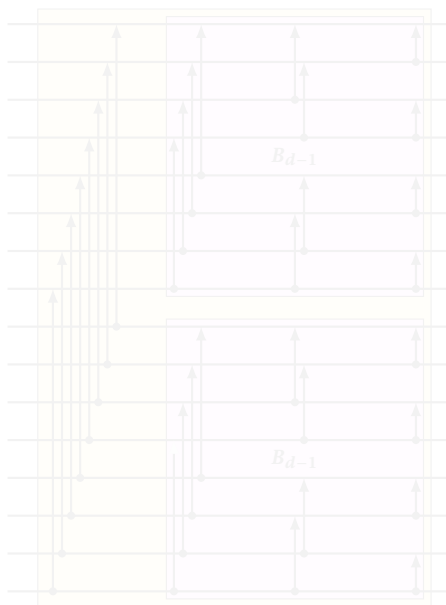
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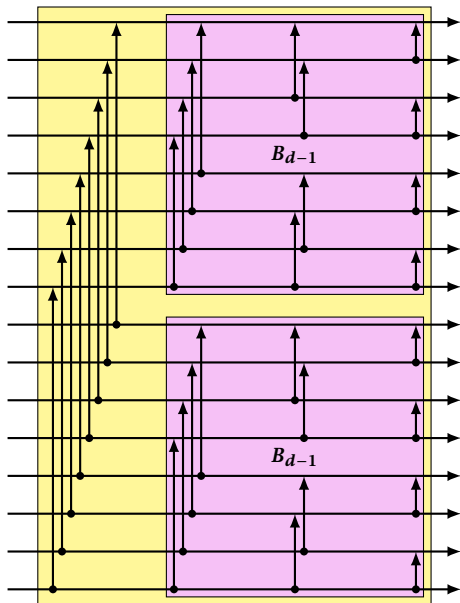
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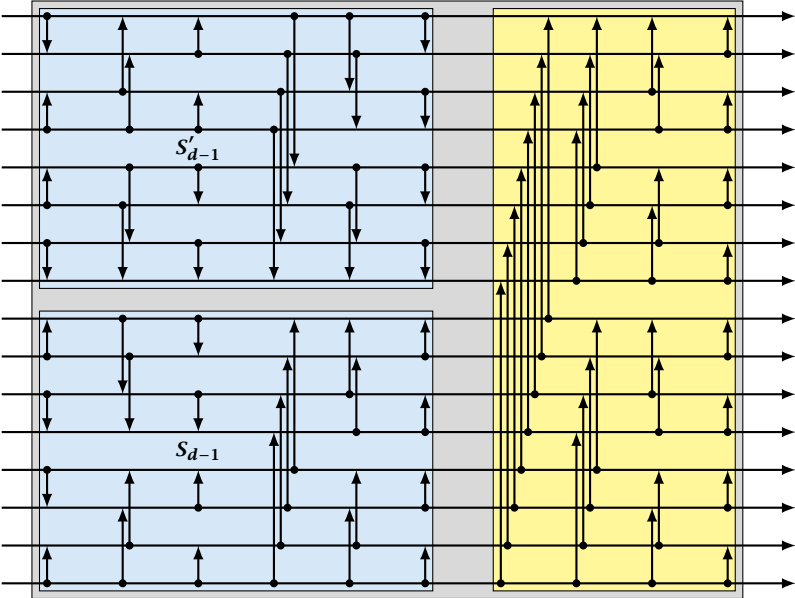
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There exists a sorting network with depth $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$ and $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$ comparators.