

Lecture 24

Dynamic Programming: Rod Cutting (contd.), LCS

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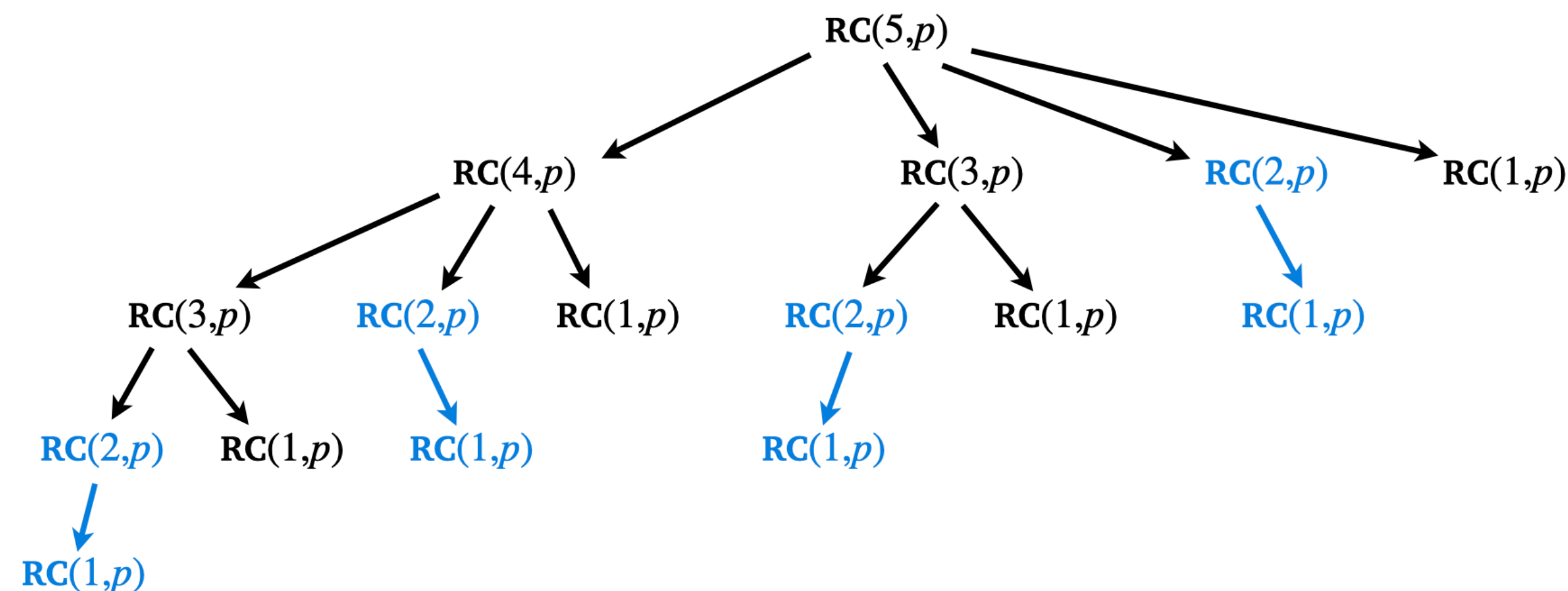
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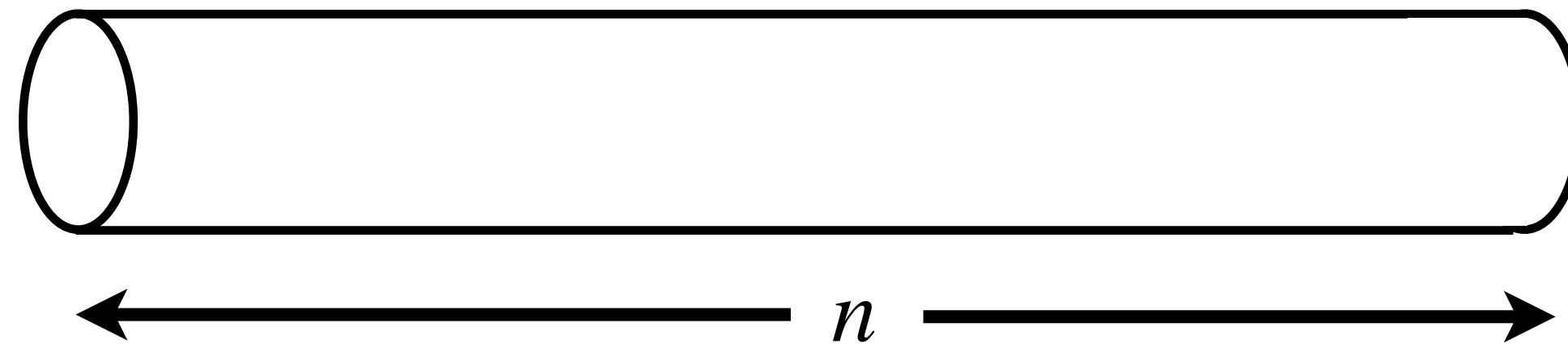
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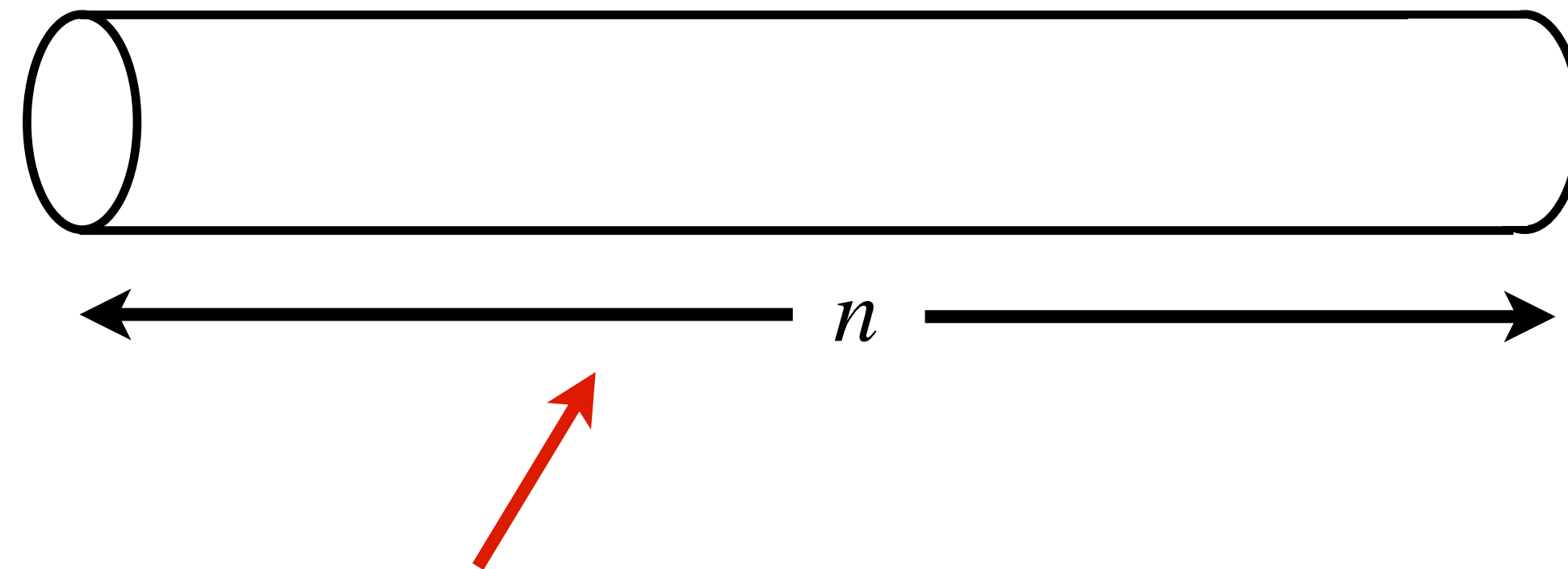
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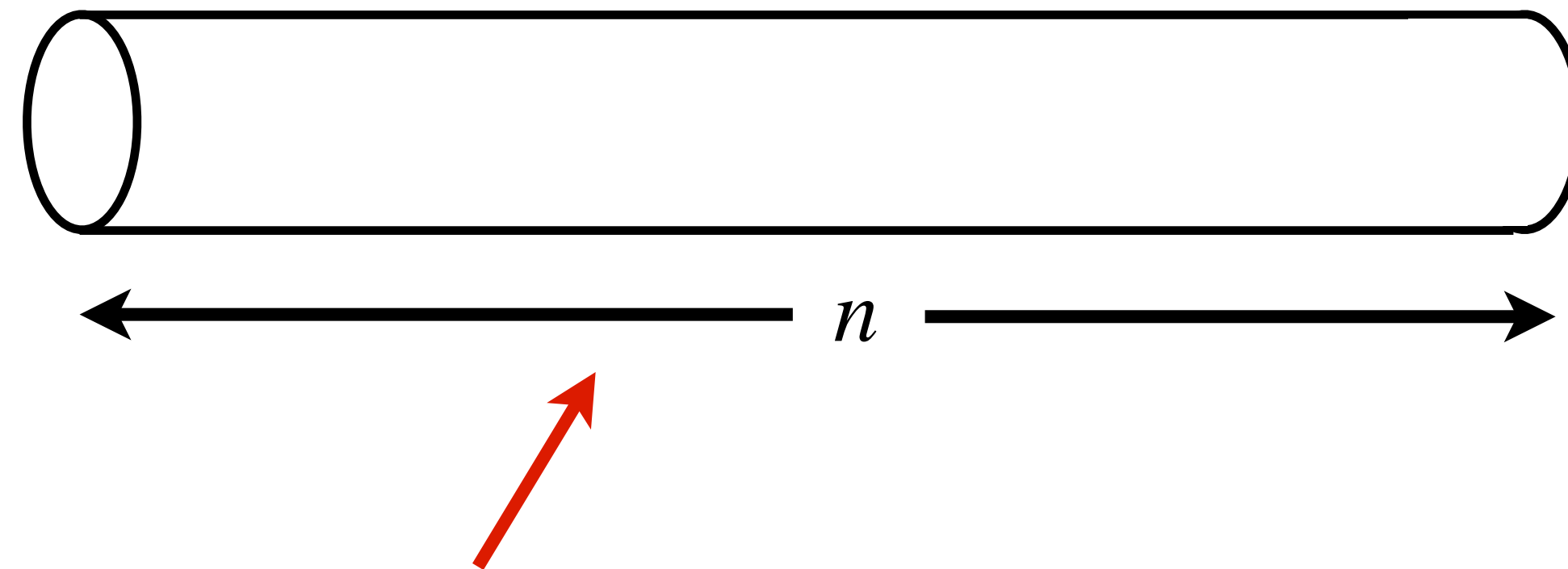


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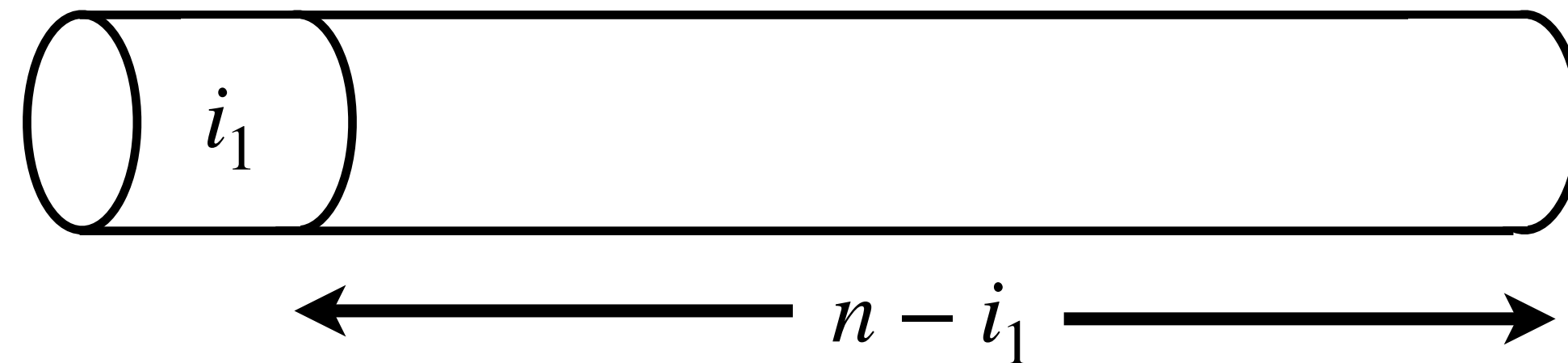


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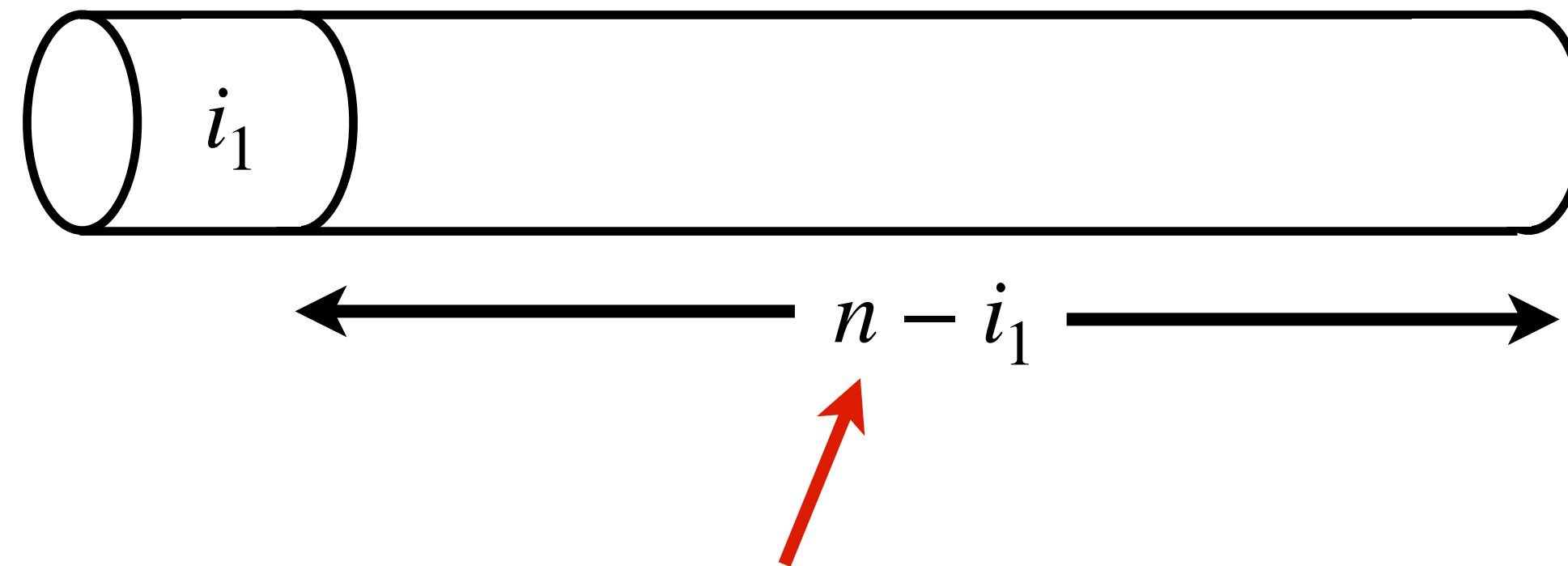
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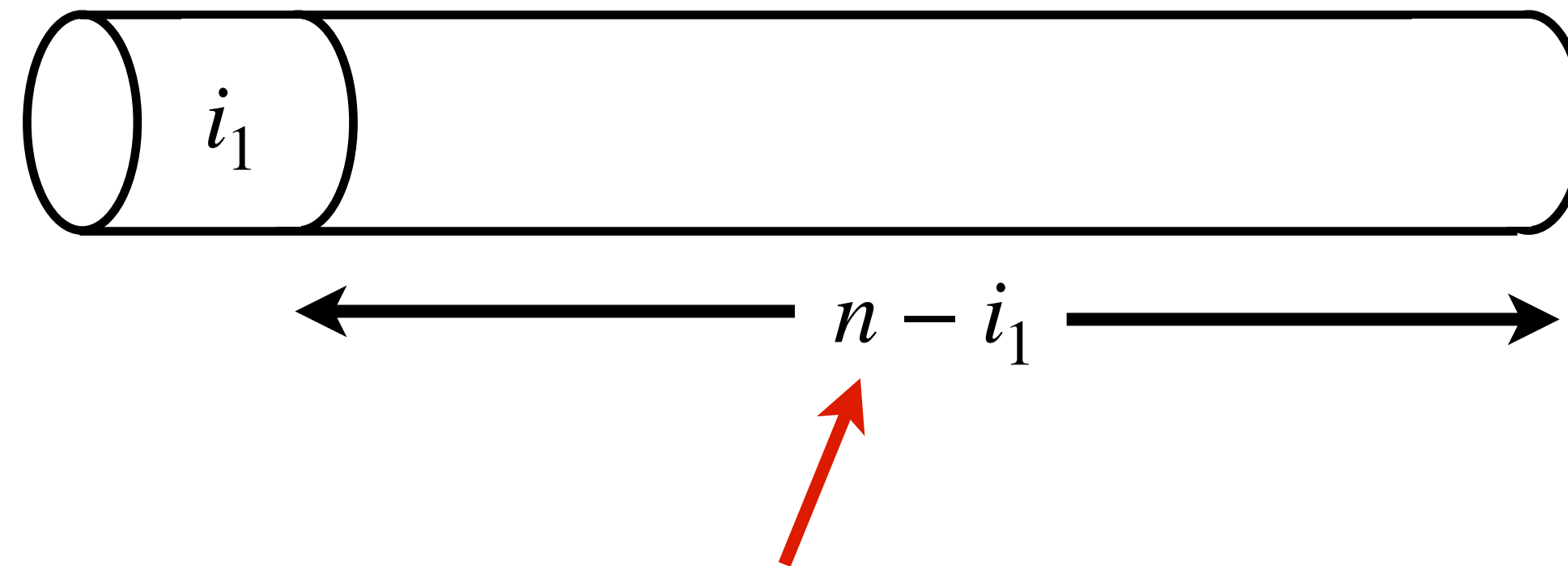


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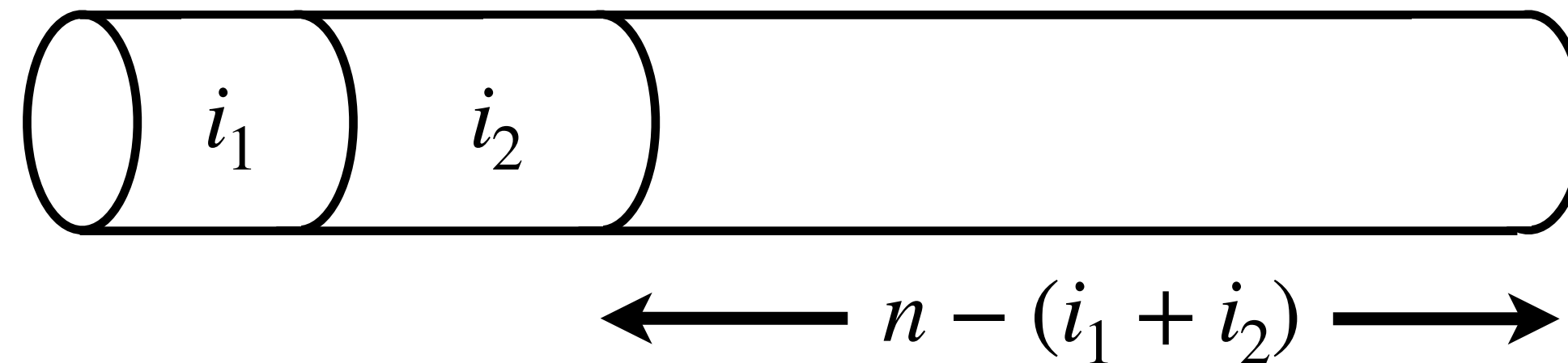


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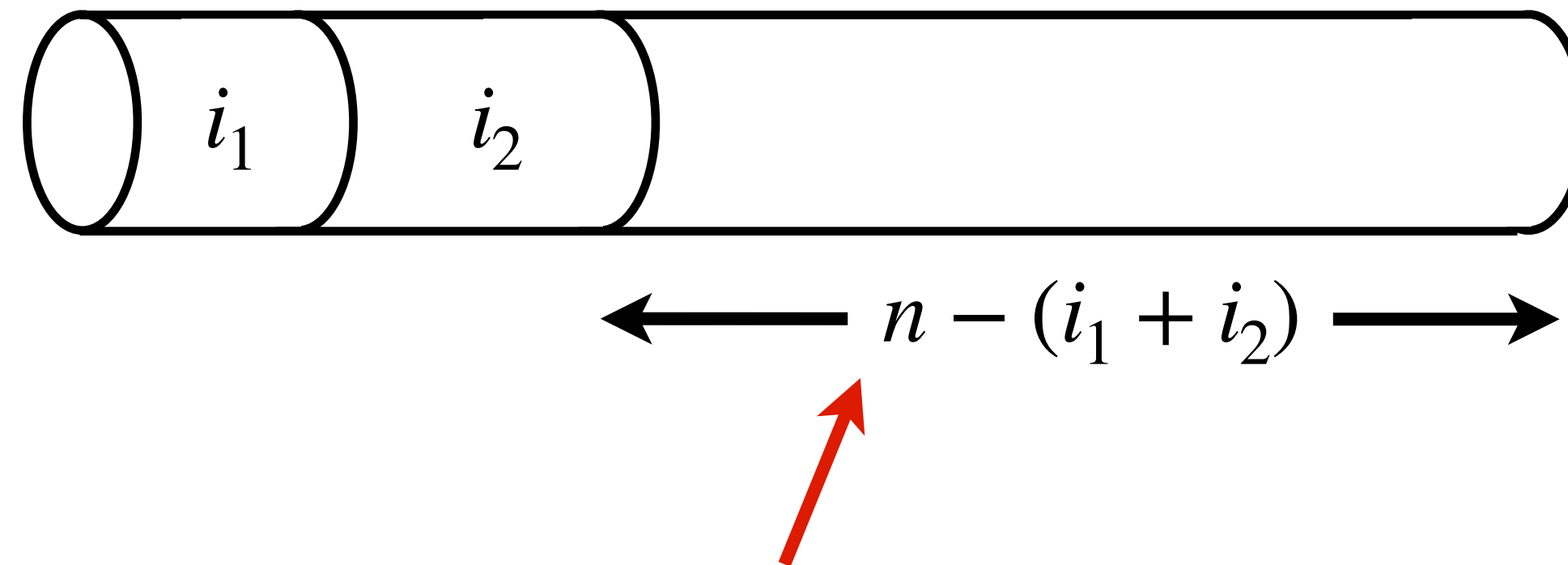
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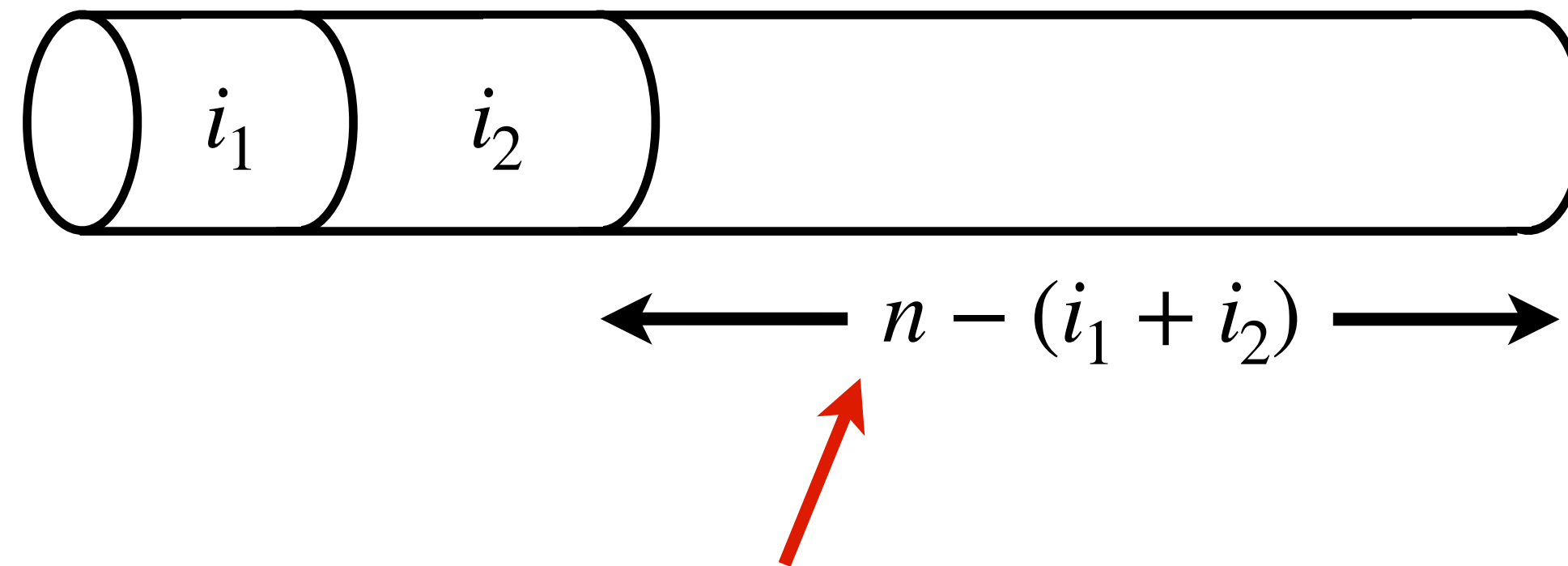


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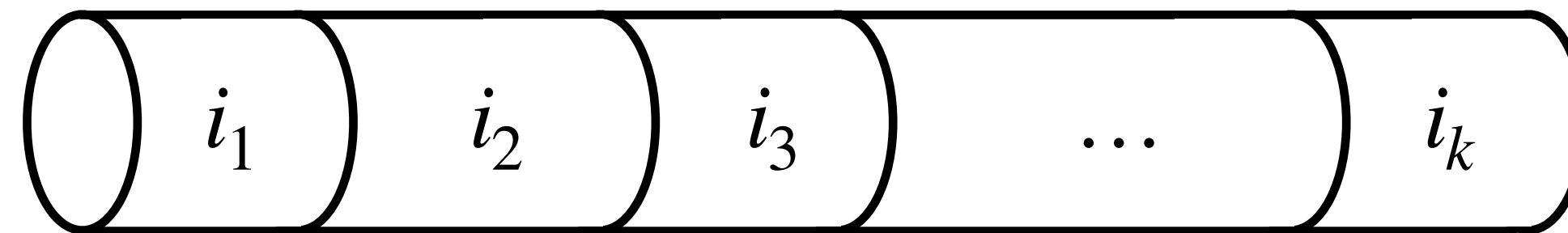


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Input: Two sequences X and Y .

Output: Length of the longest common subsequence.

Application of LCS:

- LCS of two sequences or strings is a measure of how similar they are.
- Used to find similarity of DNAs which can be seen as strings of "A", "C", "G", and "T" characters which represent nucleotides.

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Generating all the subsequences takes $O(2^{|x|})$ time.



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