

Quicksort

Choose a *pivot* element

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Rearrange the elements into two partitions

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elements \leq *pivot* elements \geq *pivot*

...and repeat for the partitions

Partitioning Algorithm

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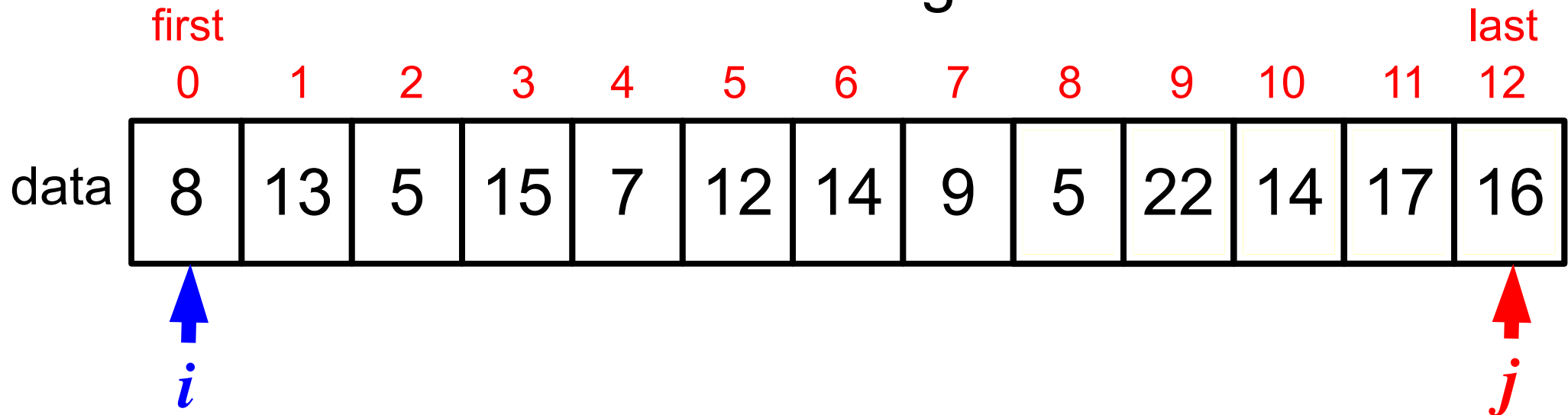
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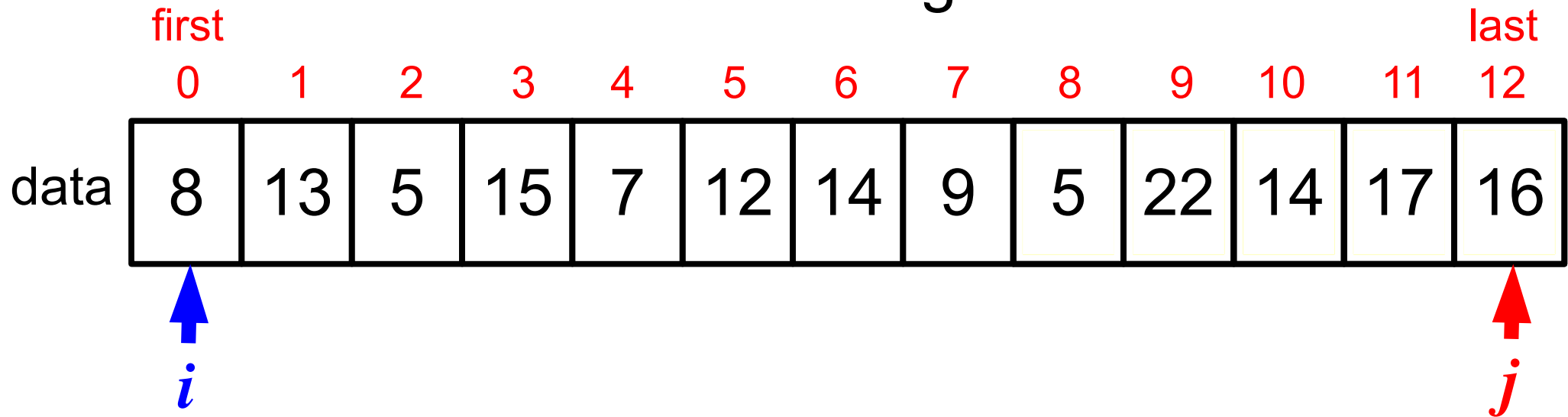
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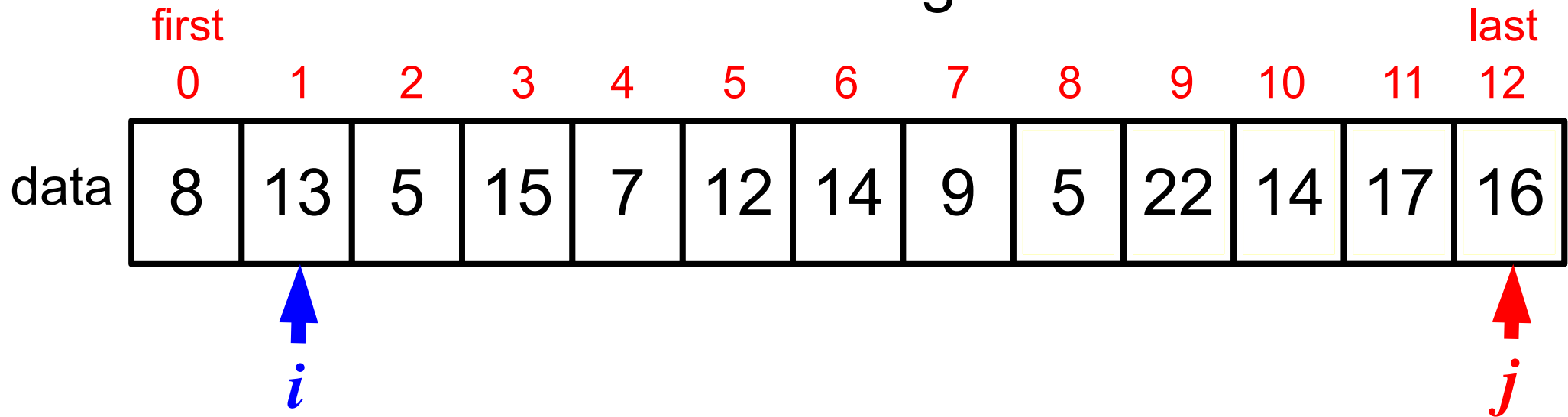
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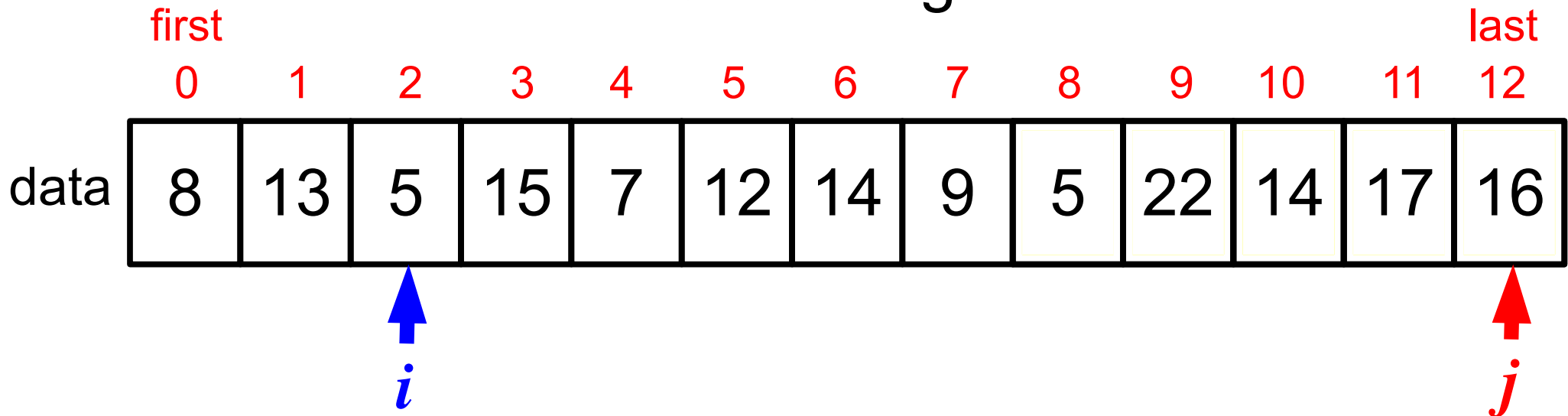
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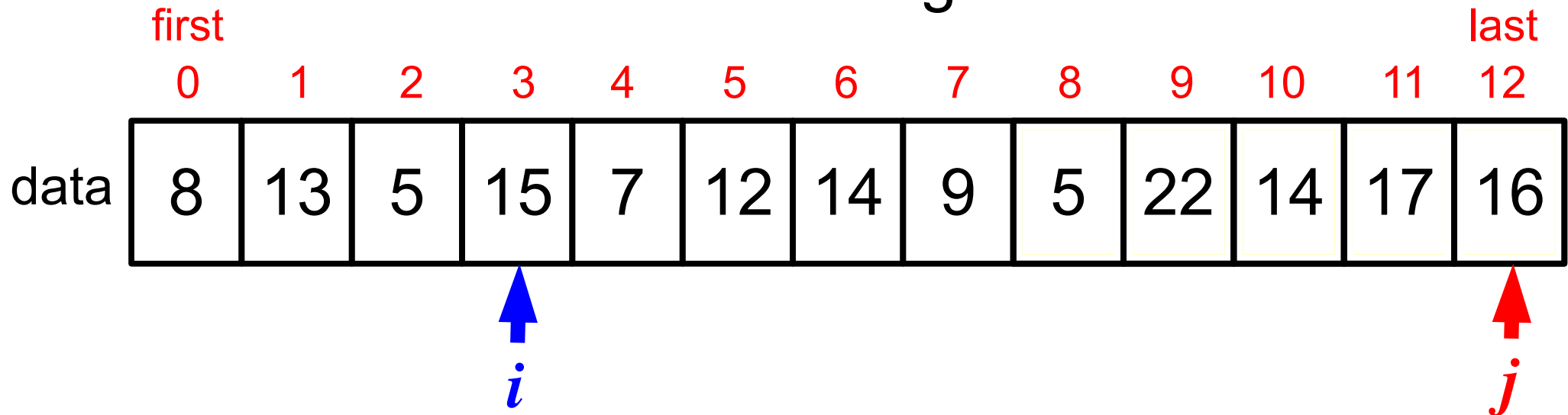
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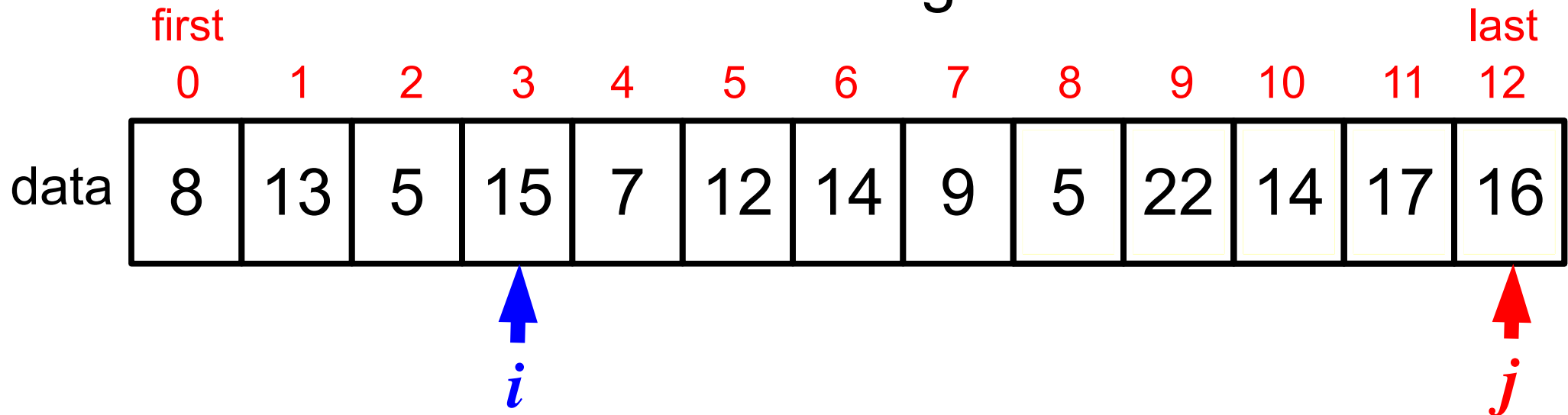
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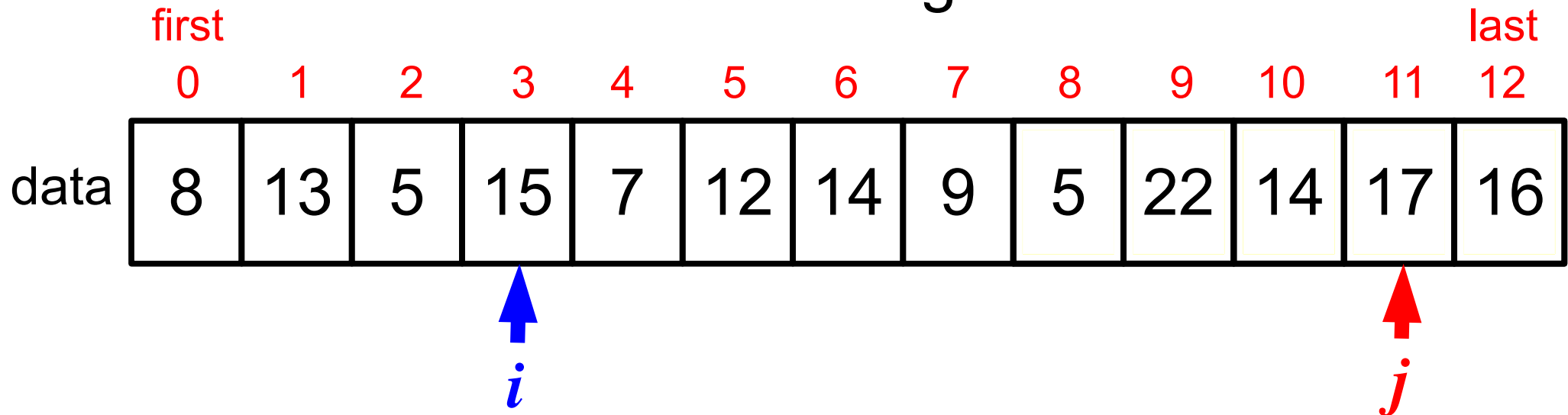
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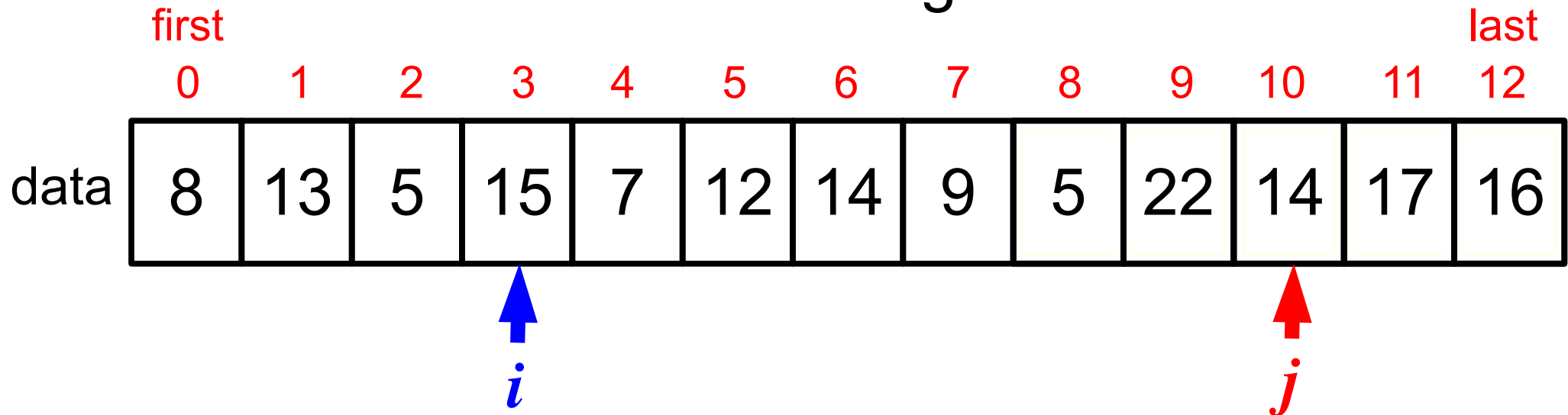
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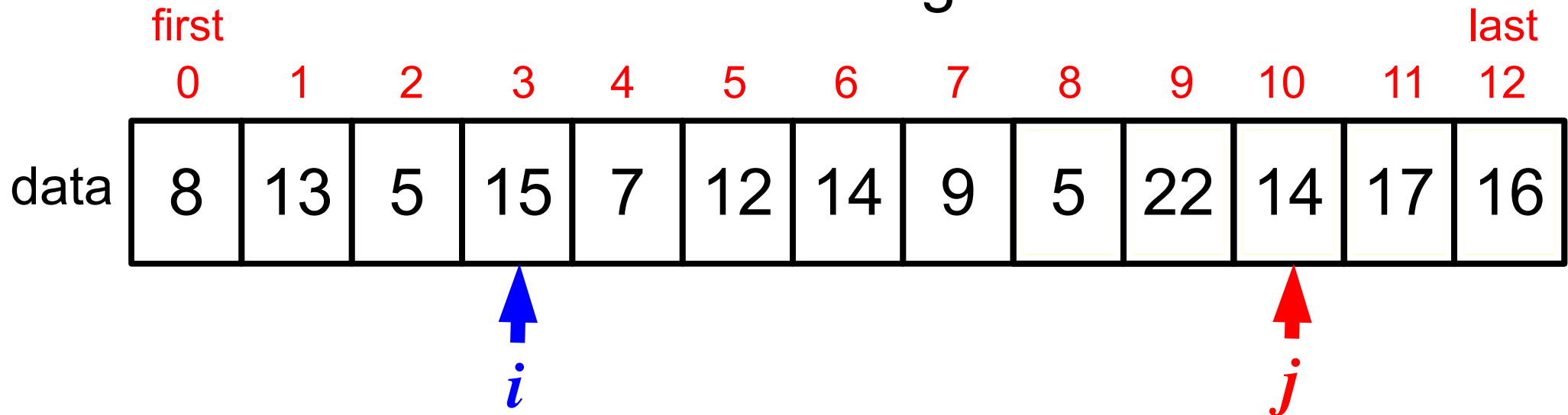
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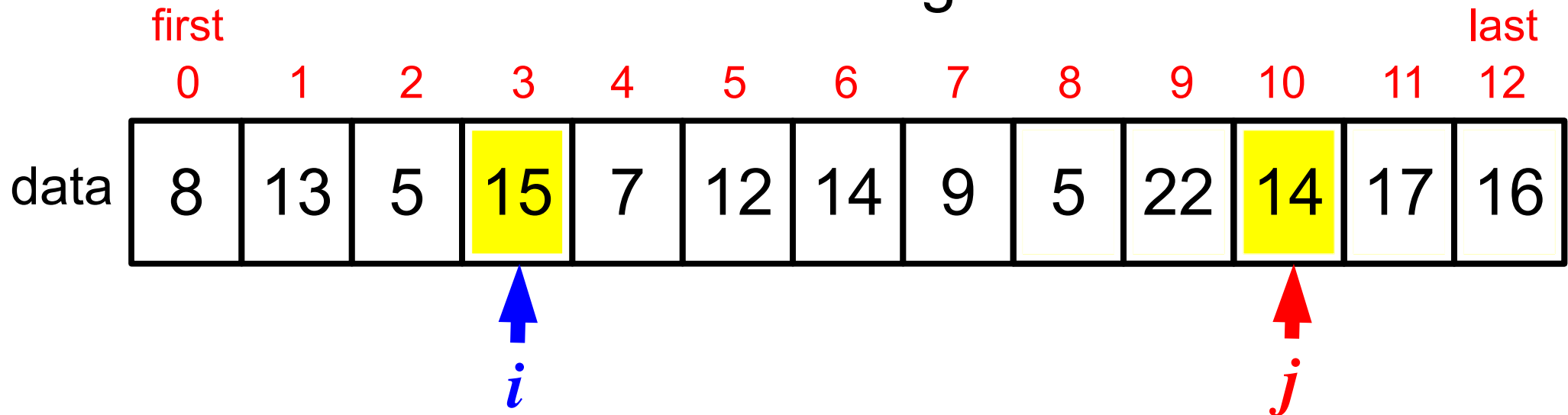
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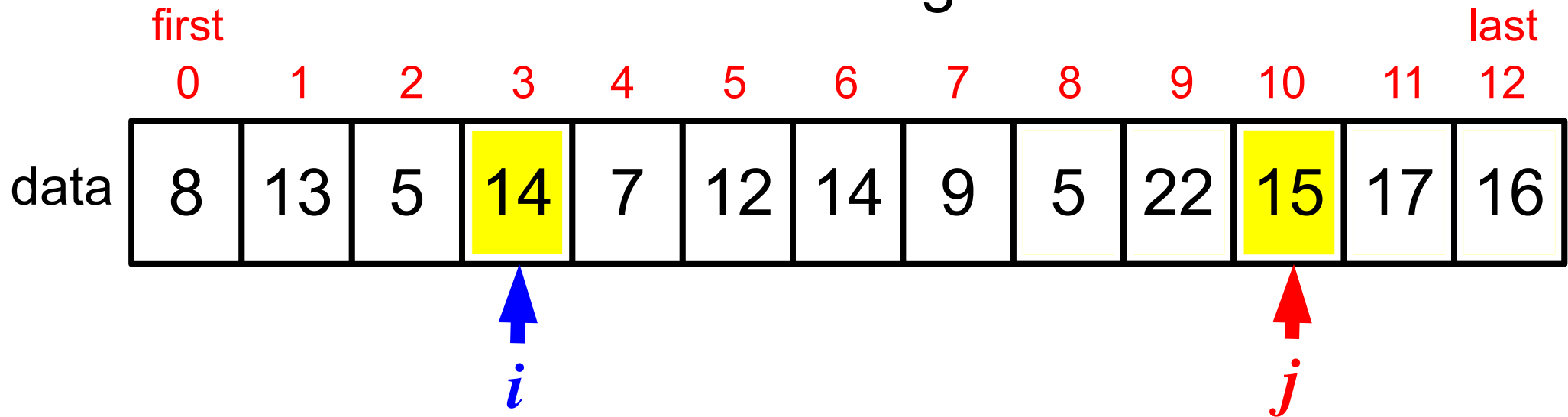
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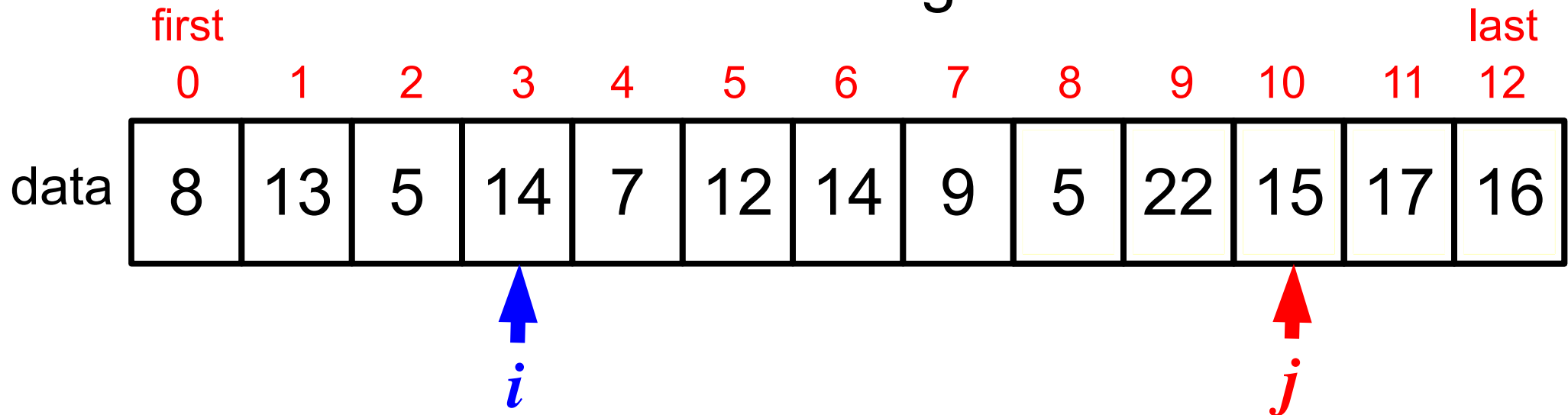
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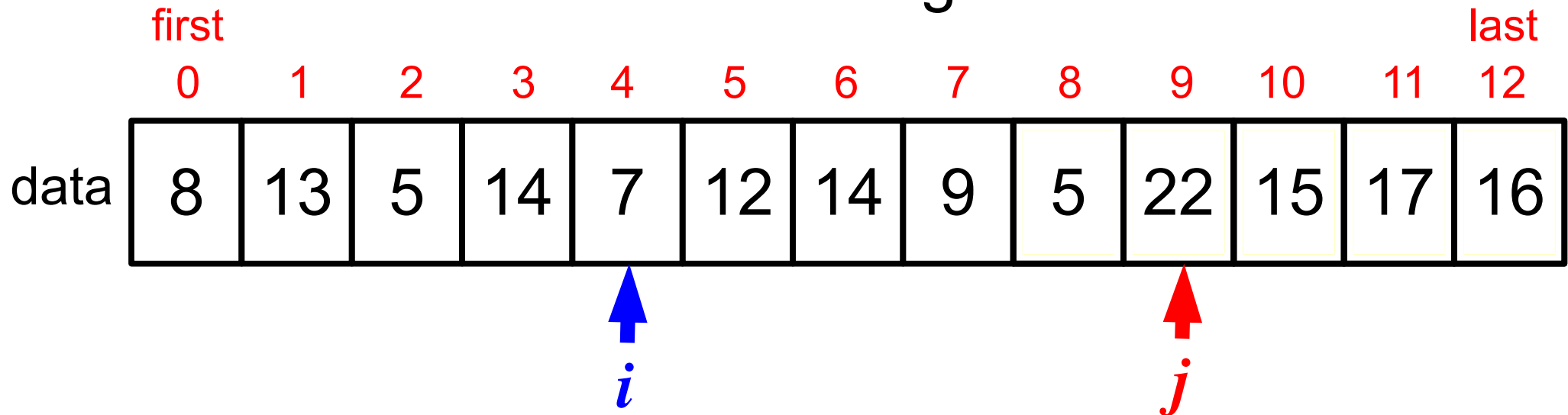
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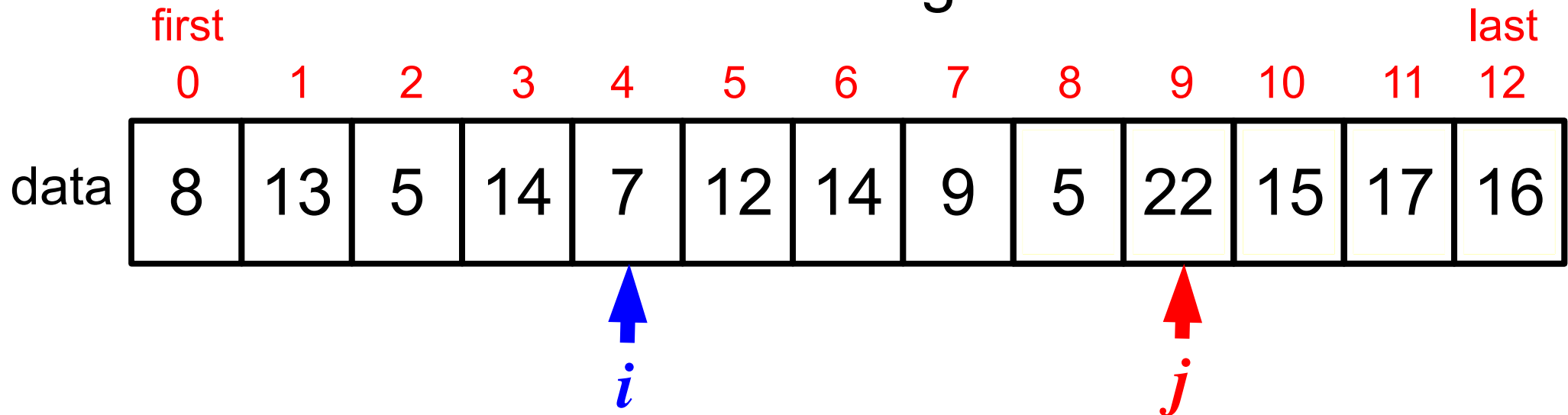
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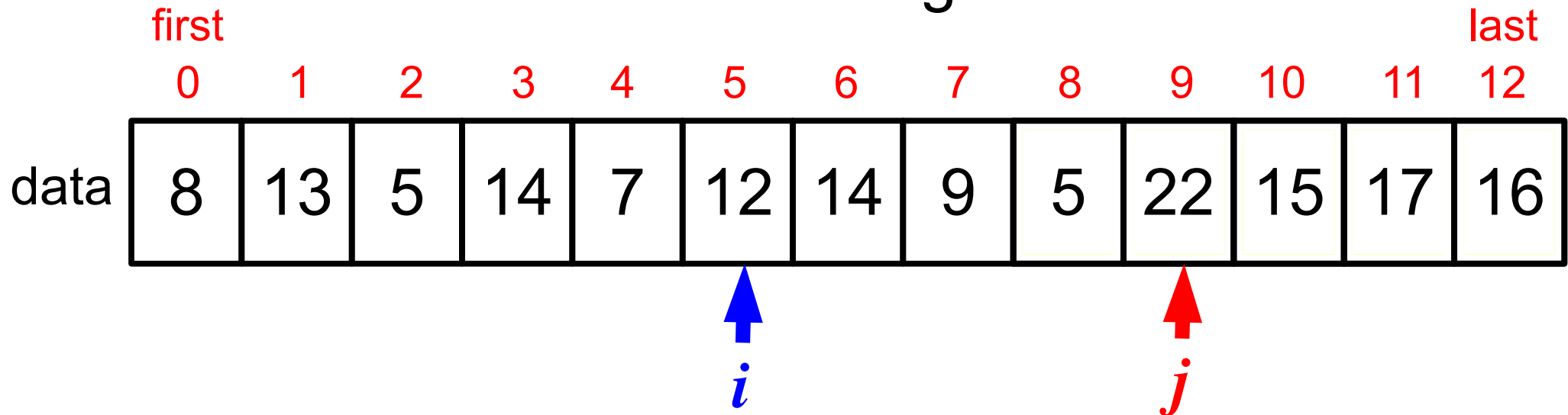
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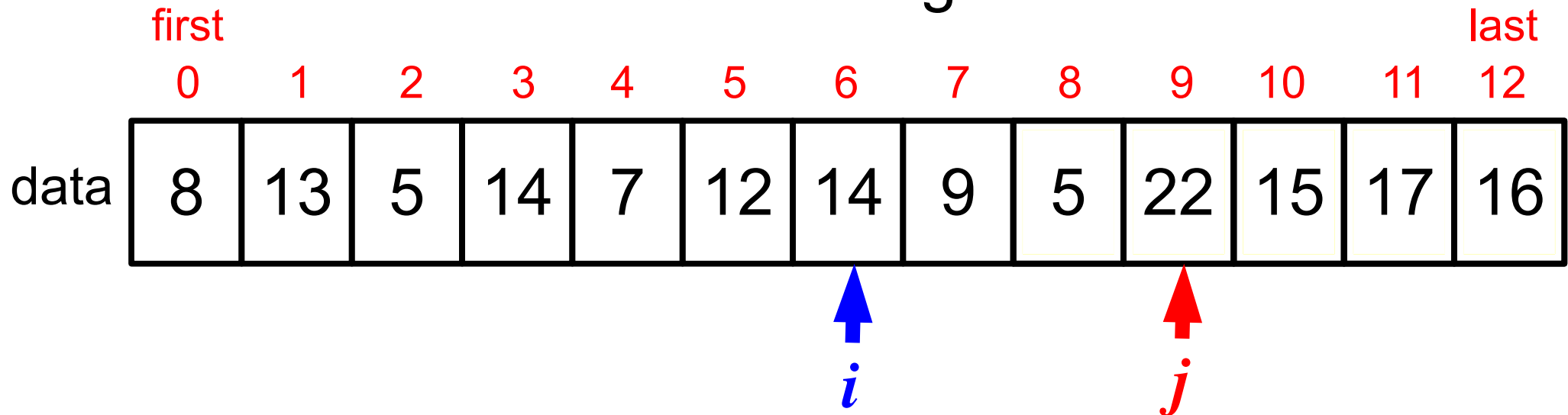
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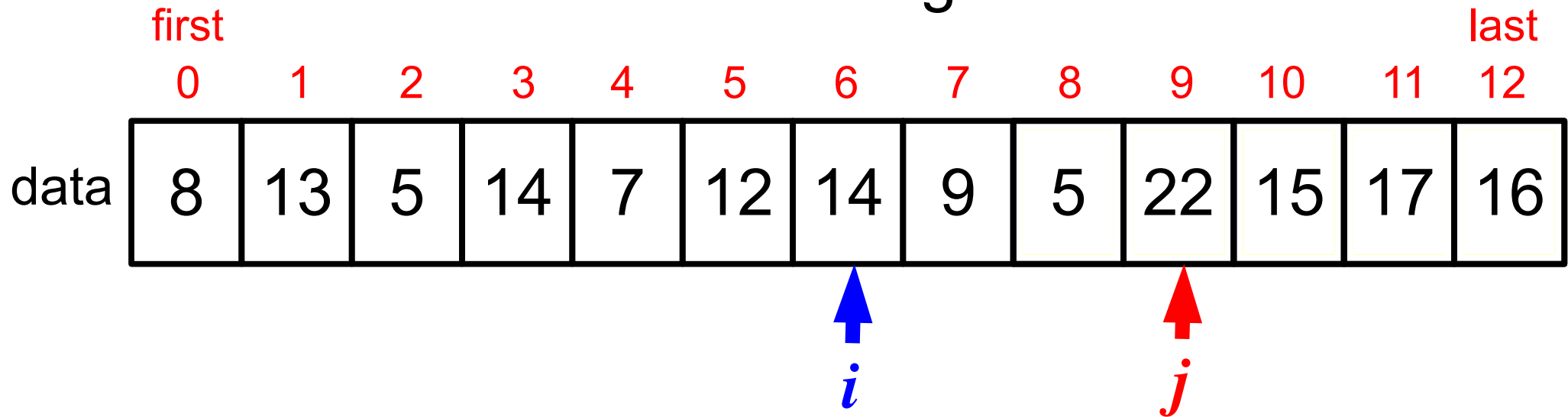
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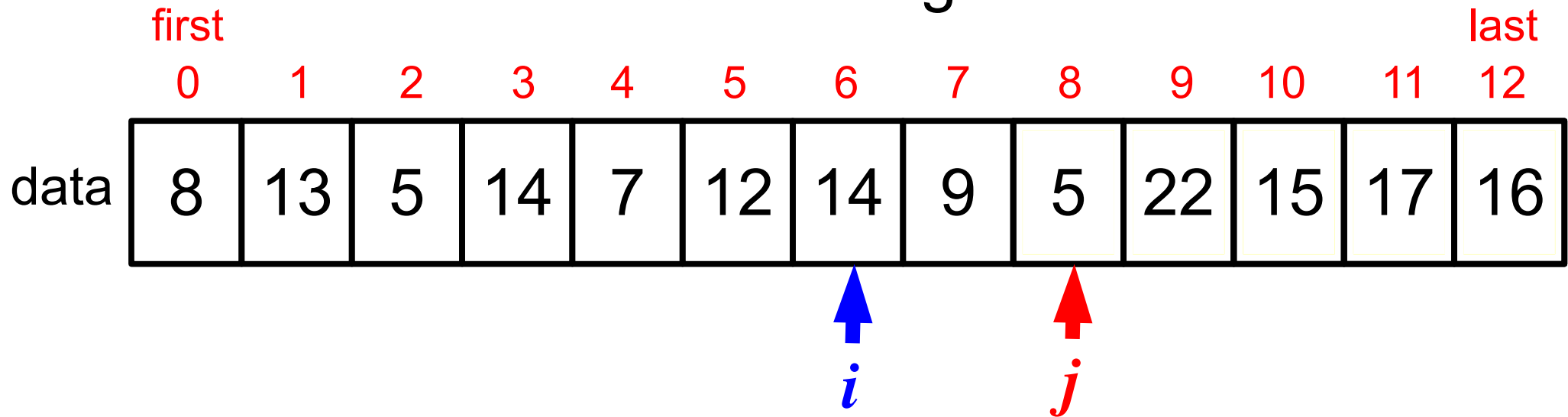
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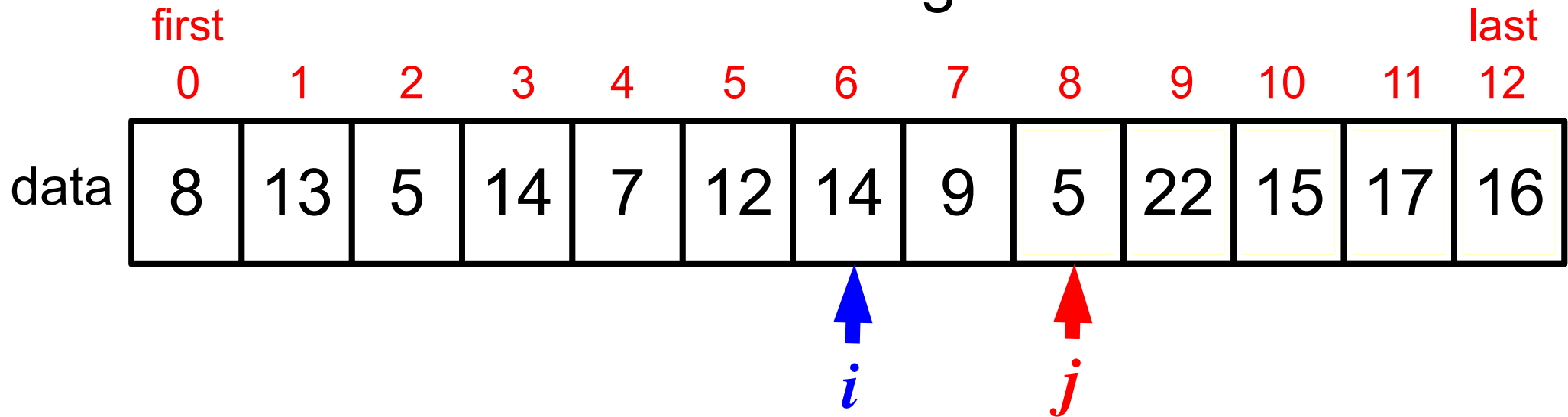
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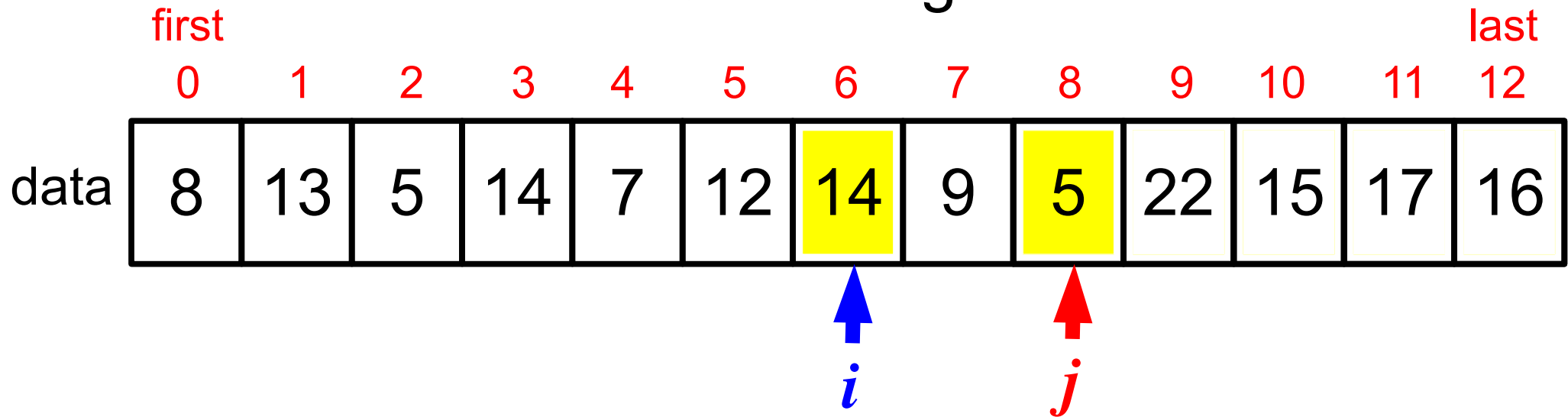
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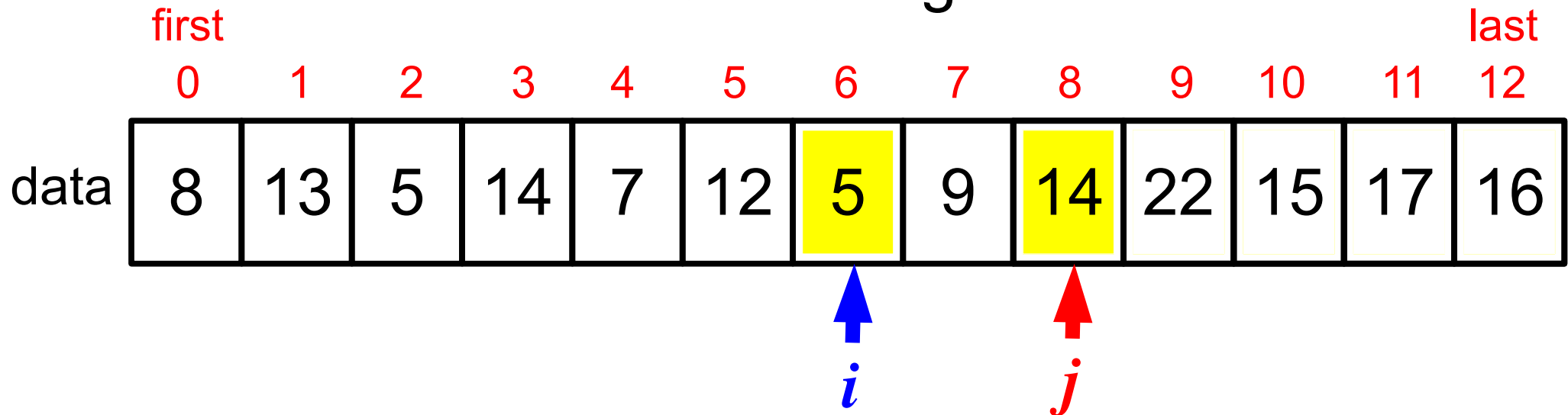
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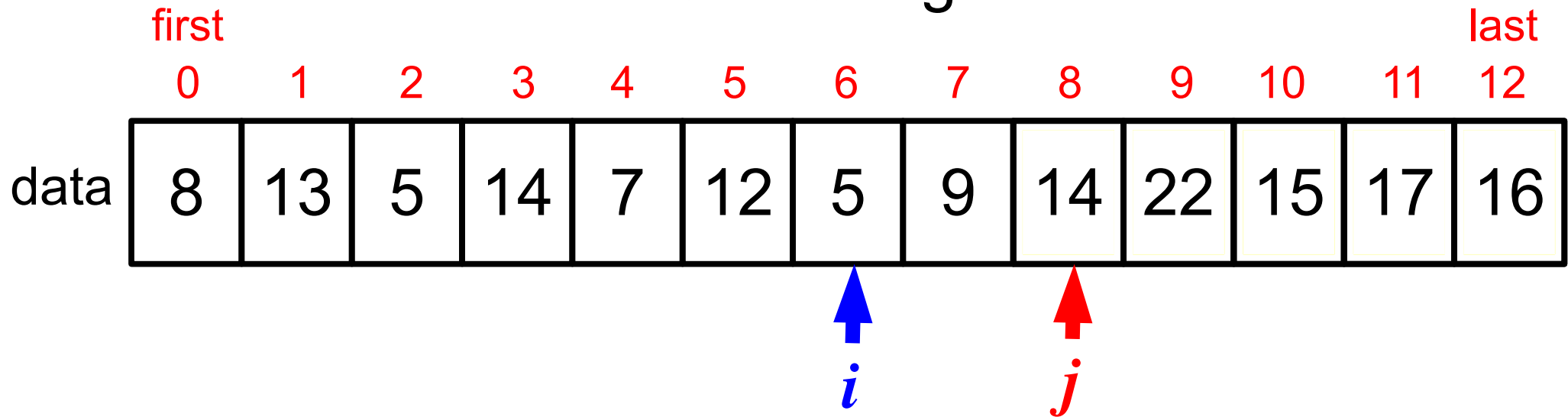
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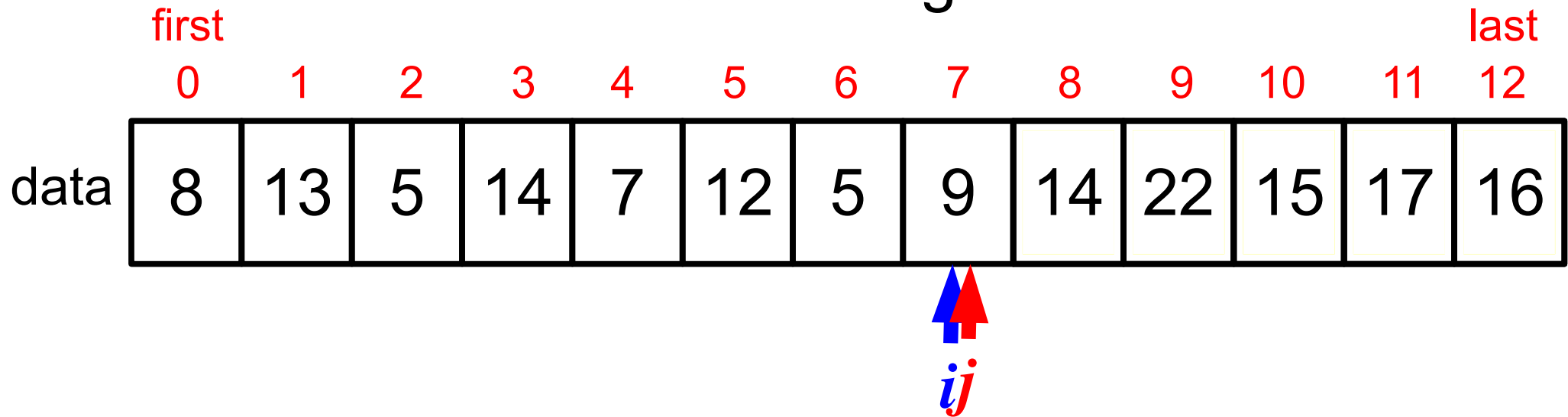
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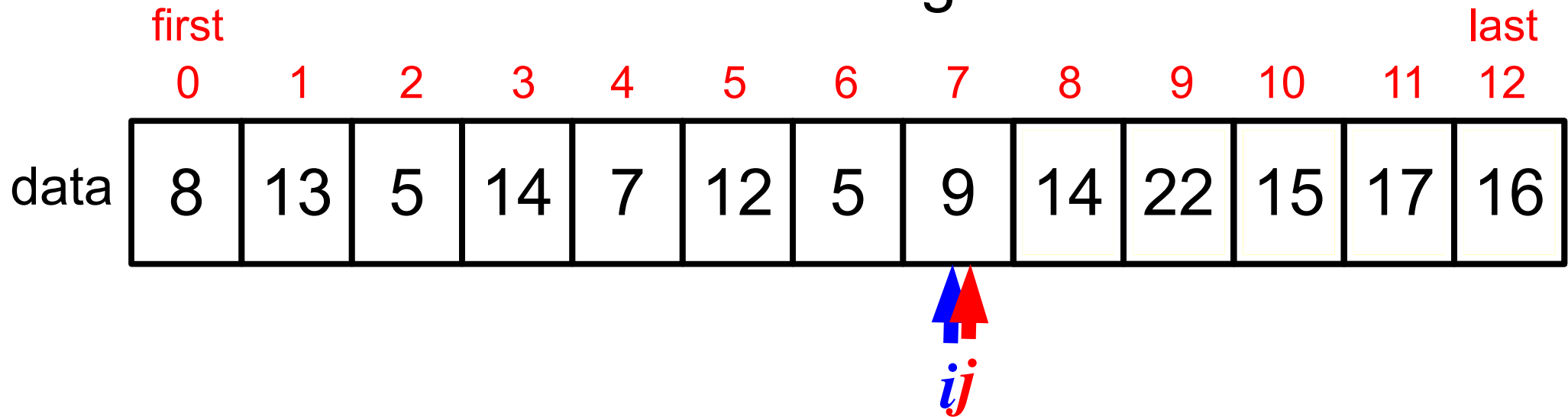
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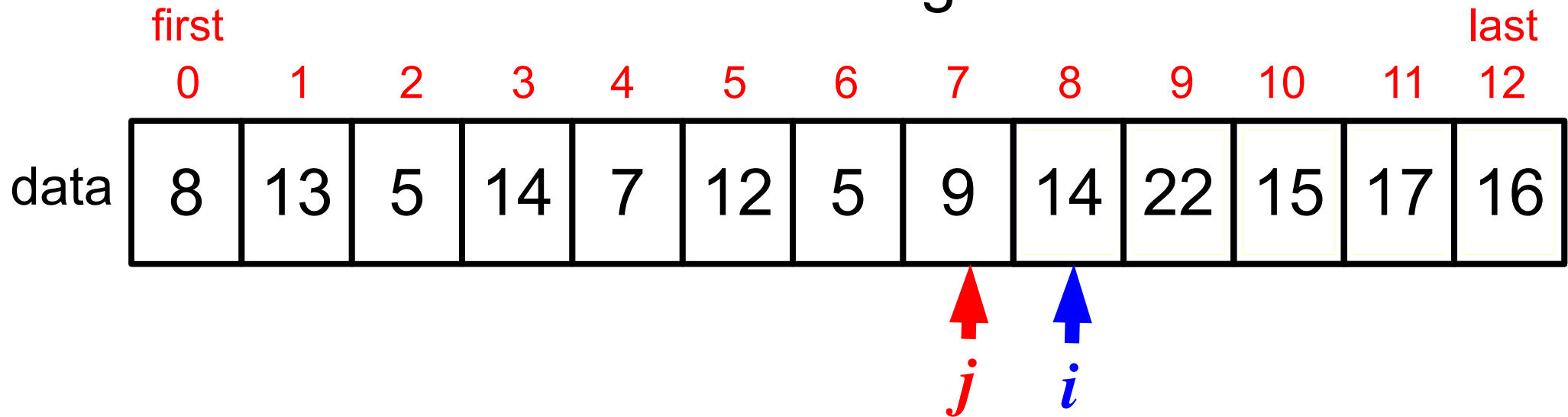
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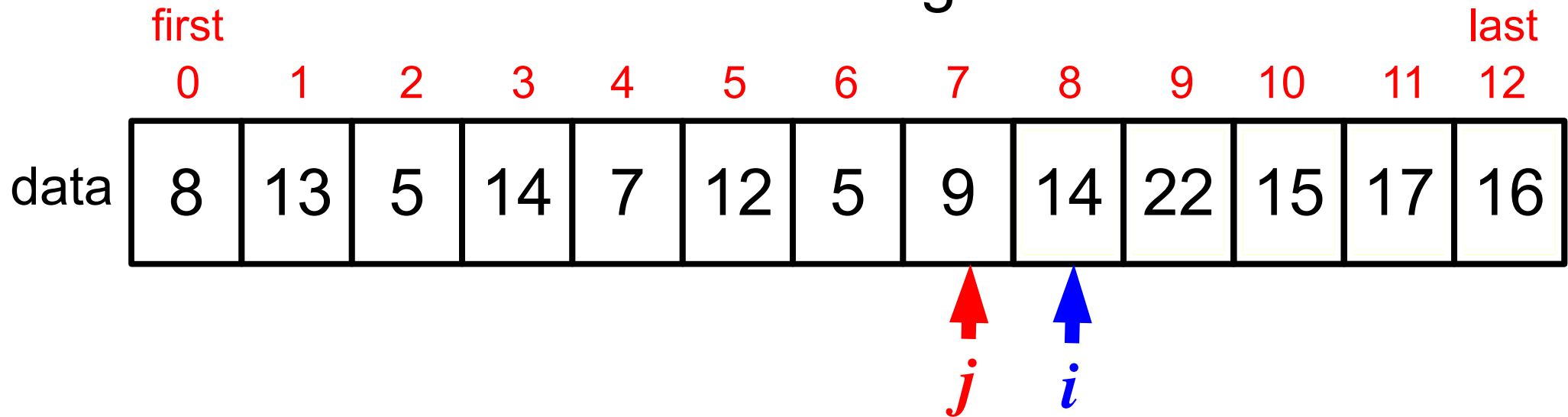
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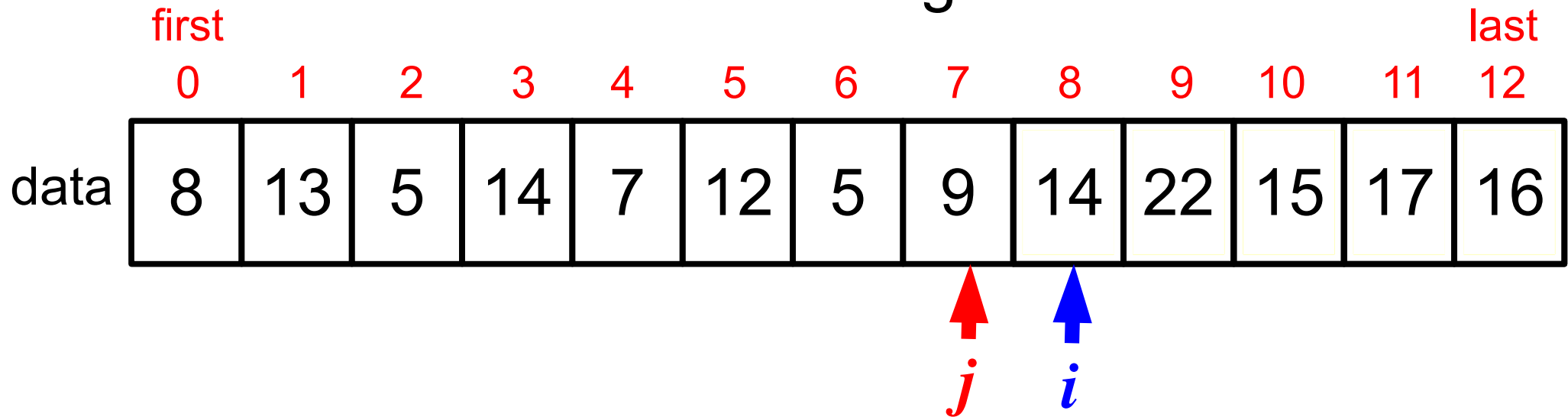
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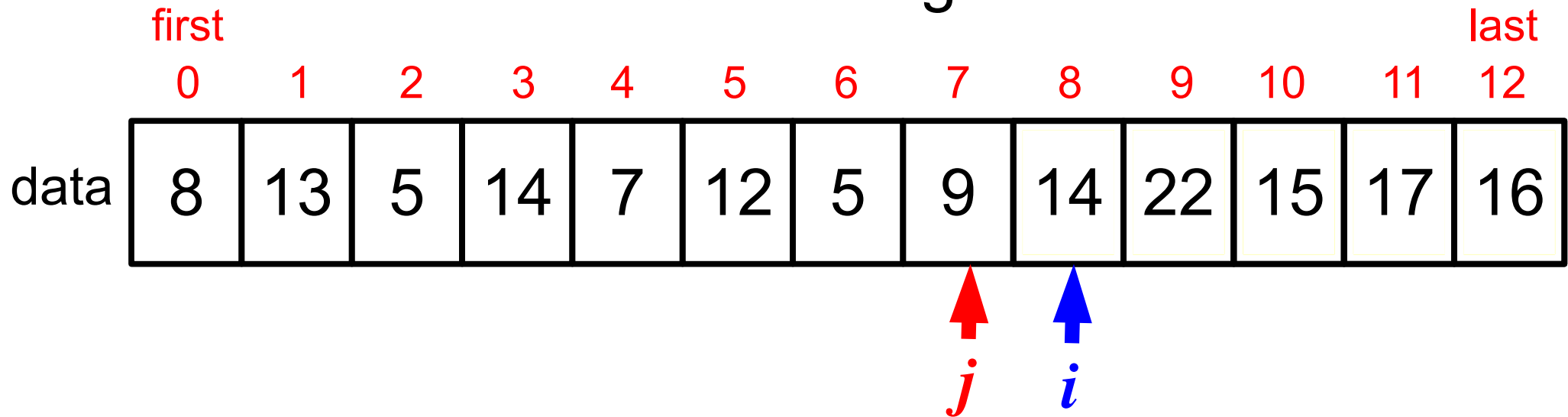
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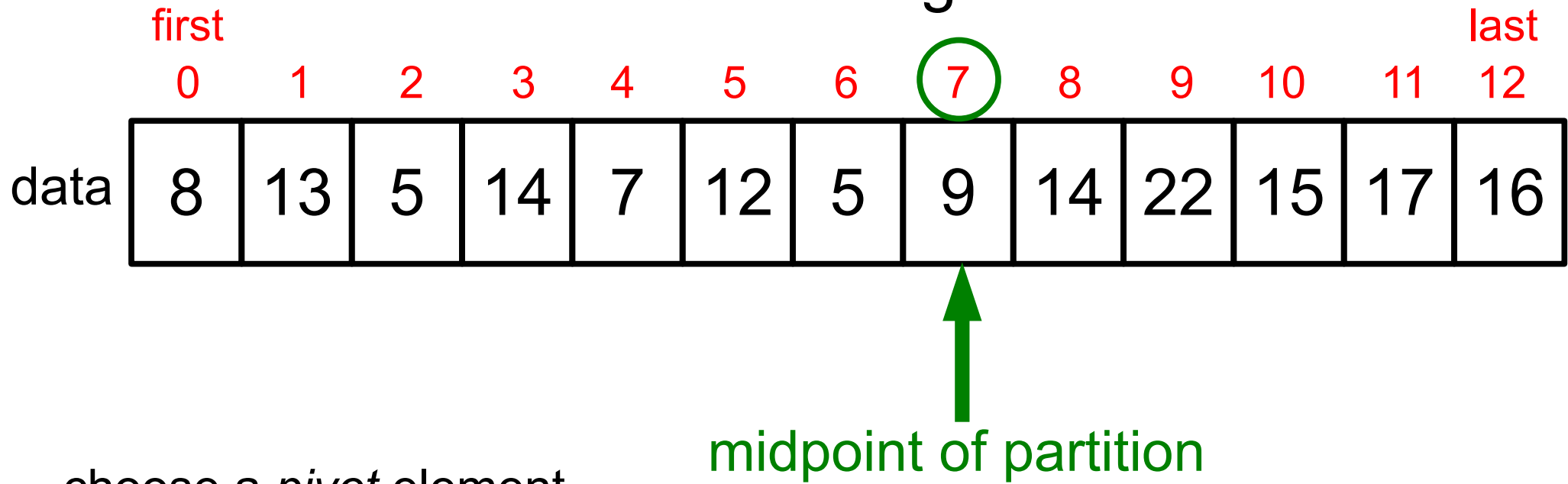
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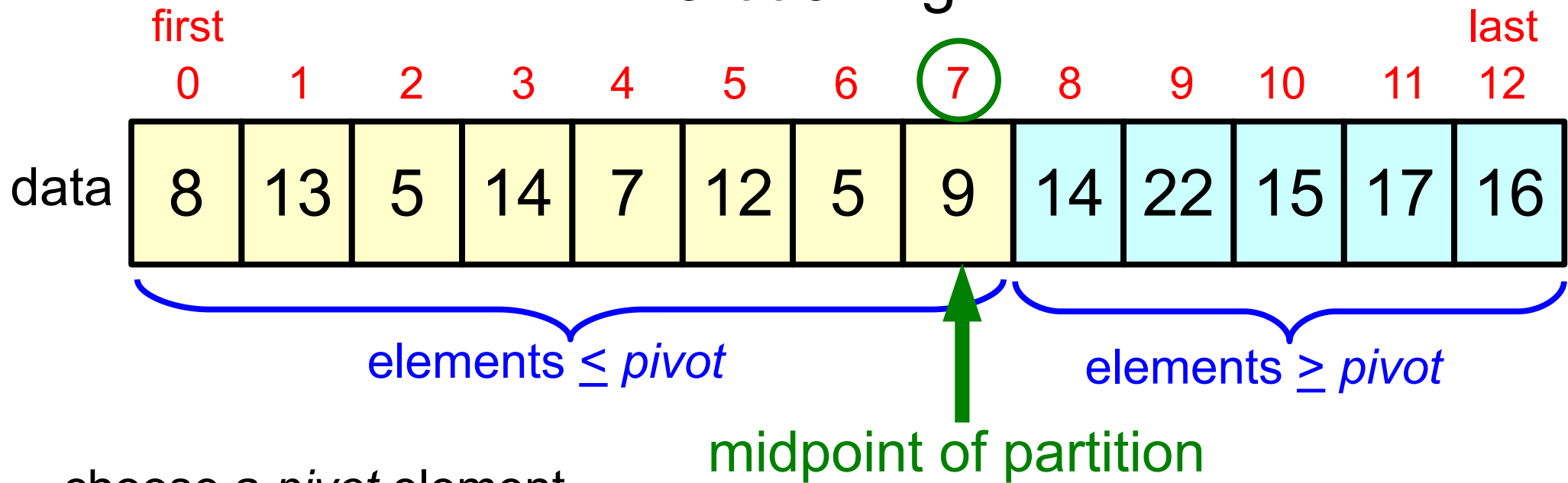
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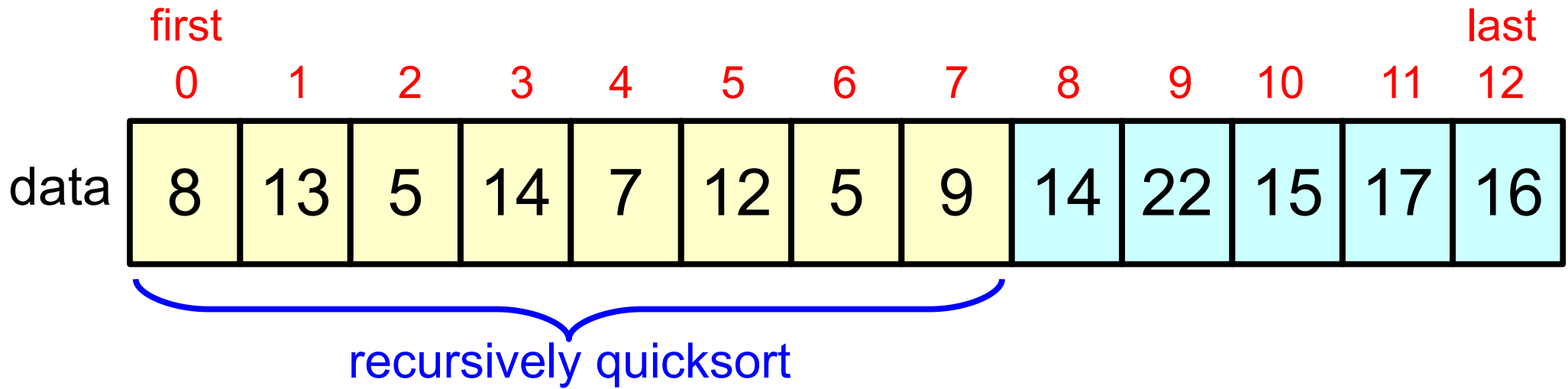
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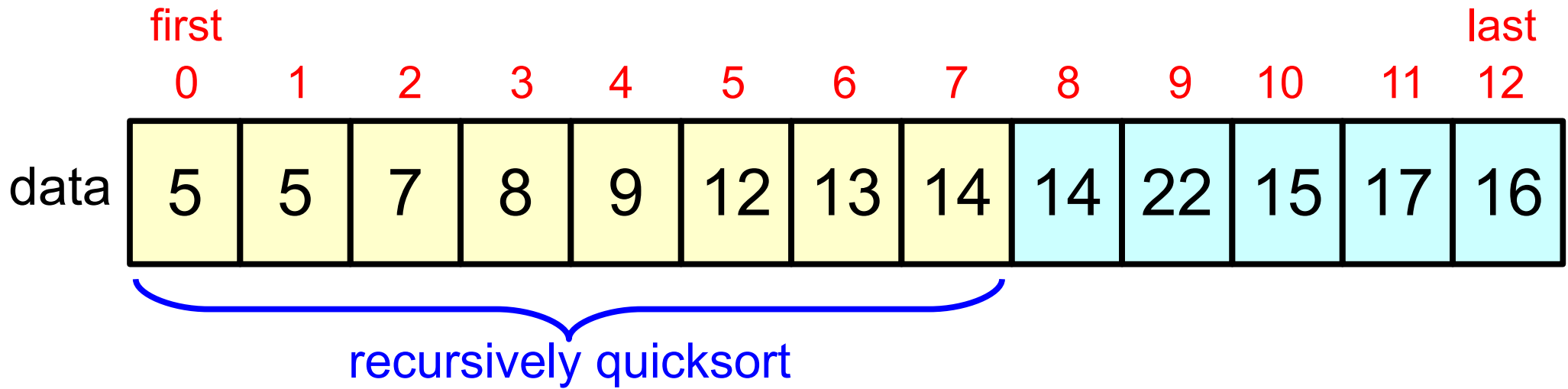
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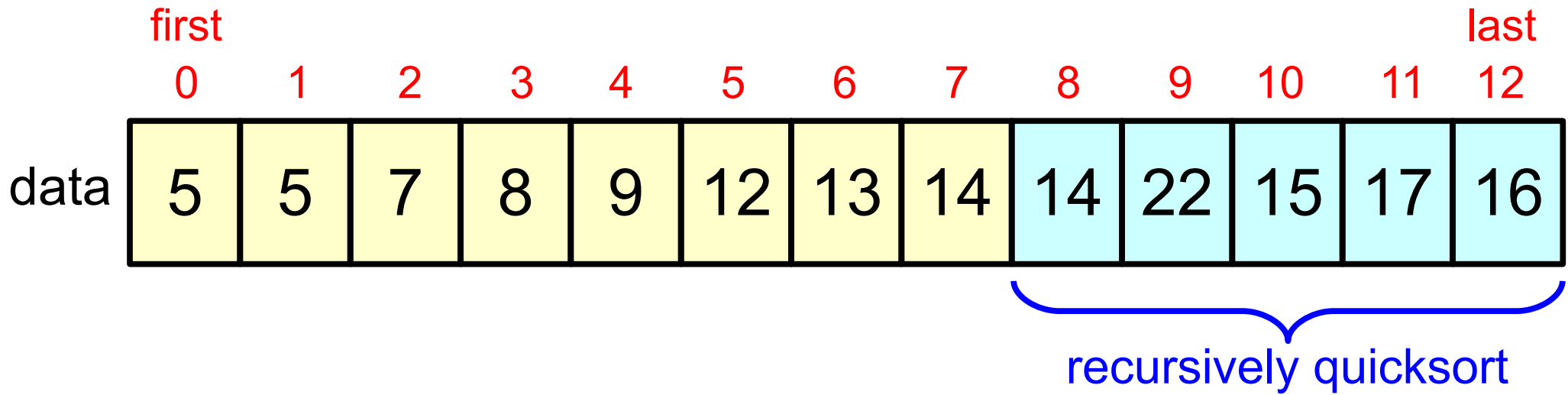
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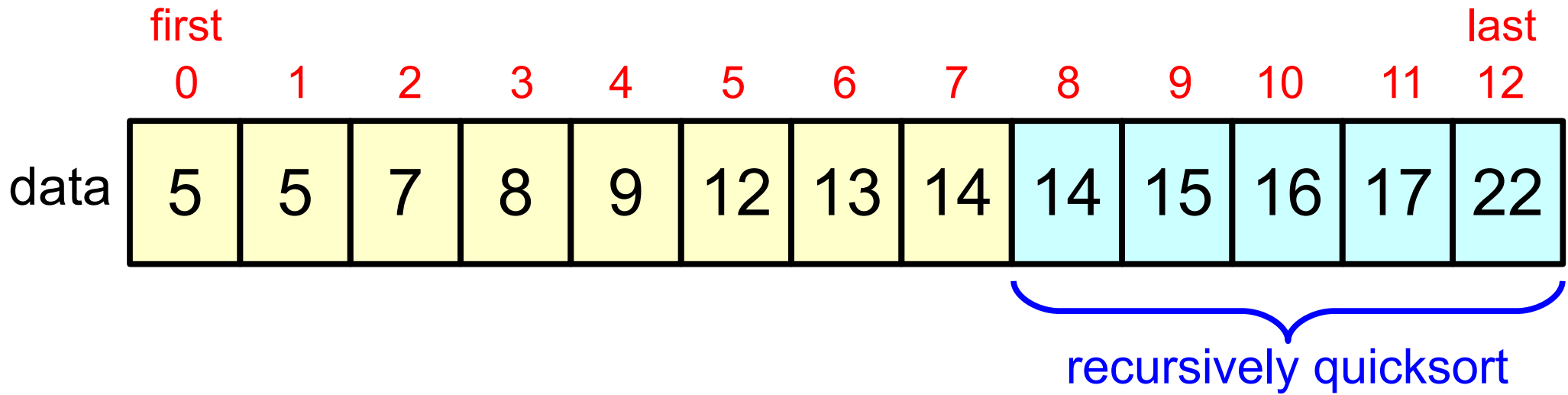
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