

# Geometric Range Search

## Range Tree: Optimization

- Idea

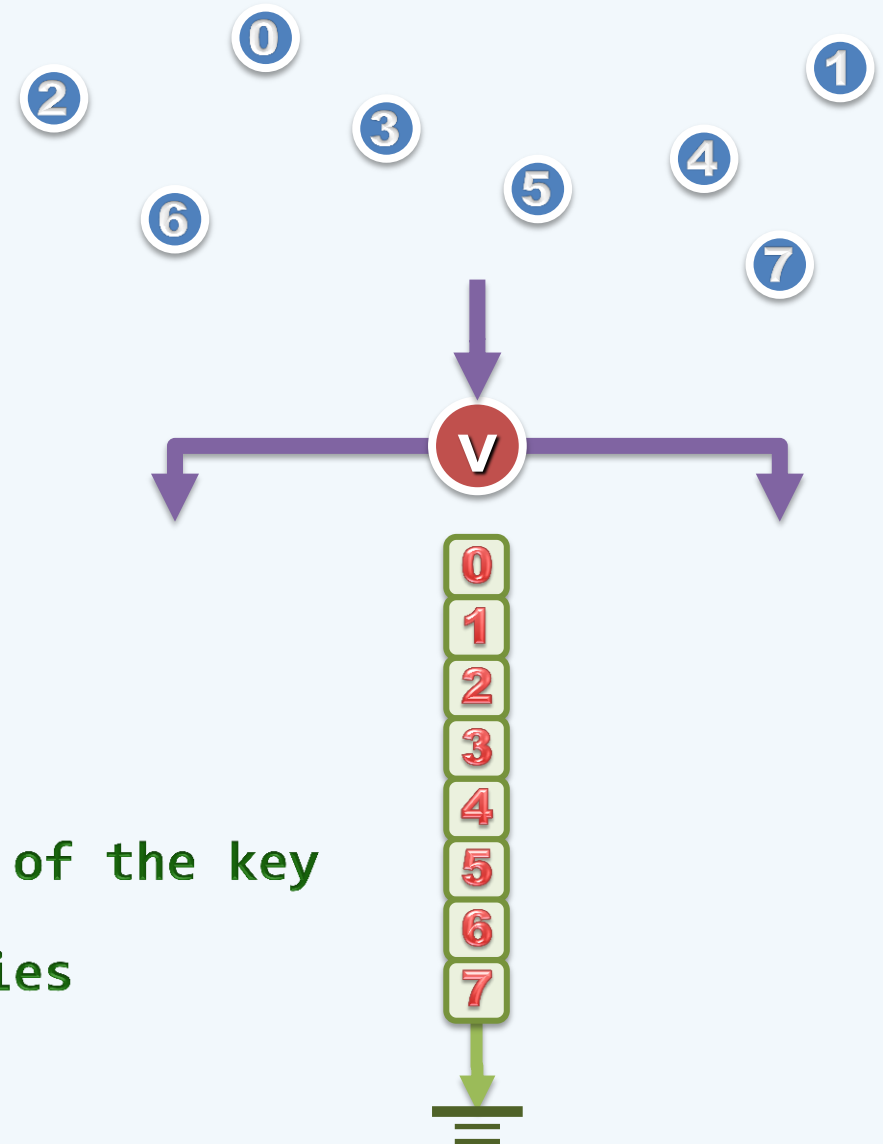
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❖ So the idea for an improvement is that  
we merge all the different lists  
into a single massive list

∴ Thus, to answer a planar query, we can

- do a global search in this list  
in  $O(\log n)$  time, and then
- use the information about the location of the key  
to answer each of the remaining y-queries  
in  $O(1)$  time



❖ In our case, the massive list on which  
we will do one search is  
the entire set of points,  
sorted by their  $y$ -coordinates

❖ We will do one expensive ( $O(\log n)$  time) search  
on the  $y$ -list for the root

// after this, however, we claim that ...

❖ While descending the  $x$ -tree, we can  
keep track of the position of  $y$ -range  
in each auxiliary list  
in constant time

