

## Some Basic divide & Conquer scenario.

→ I hope you know merge sort + quick sort + binary/ternary search by now.

# 1 Closest pair of points: You are trying to find the smallest distance between two points in a given array.

lets say we have total of 10 points ( $P$ ) each having ( $x, y$ ) co-ordinate value.

$$d(P_i, P_j) = \sqrt{(x_i - x_j)^2 + (y_i - y_j)^2}$$

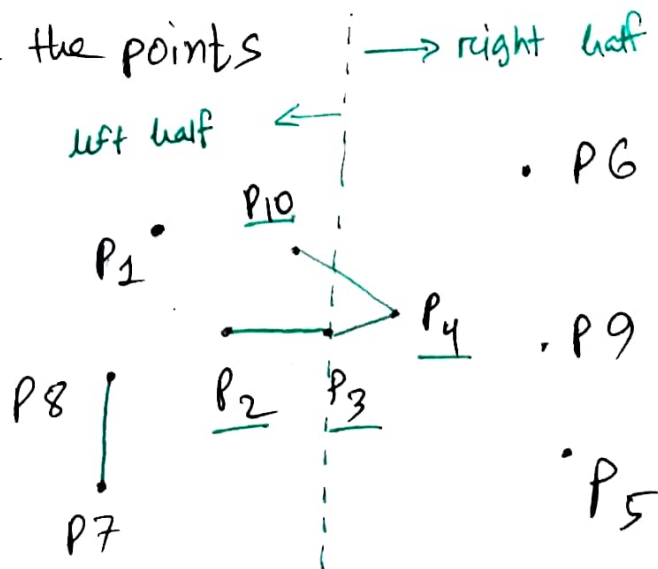
we need to find the smallest  $d(P_i, P_j)$

# approach 1: brute-force: use nested loop for two point and check all the combination  $\Rightarrow (O(n^2))$

ideas → you can sort the array with  $x$ -dimension & check the distance of  $y$

→ can use divide & conquer.

assume the points



using divide & conquer if we find the closest pair in the right half of the plane and similarly closest pair in the left half, it may solve the problem. for an example; from right half  $\Rightarrow (P_4, P_3)$  and left half  $\Rightarrow (P_8, P_7)$ . now the lesser of these two will be the answer & we can just divide it recursively and add all the answer to get the minimum.

However!! If you take a look at the pair  $(p_4, p_{10})$  which has one point in both halves, that's the issue we are ignoring. So the steps will be:

Step 1:  $L \rightarrow$  left half of  $P$  (in the example, 1, 2, 8, 7, 10)  
 $R \rightarrow$  right half of  $P$  (" " " , 3, 4, 5, 9, 6)

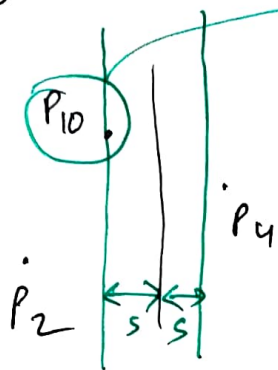
Step 2: find  $(L_1, L_2) \rightarrow$  closest pair in all points of  $L$   
 find  $(R_1, R_2) \rightarrow$  " " " " " "  $R$

step 3: S = min  $\{d^{L_1, L_2}(P_1, P_2), d(P_1, P_2)\}$

Step 4: find  $(M_1, M_2) \rightarrow$  closest split pair who intersected  
in both side  $(P_n, P_y, \underline{S}) \Rightarrow$  the range for off-set  
 is the  $S$  we calculated  
 earlier, since  $\geq S$  will  
 not be closest anyways.

Step 5: return  $\min \{ \underbrace{d(L_1, L_2), d(R_1, R_2), d(M_1, M_2)}_S \}$

Elaborating step 4, find any terminal point closest to the boundary.



here from left side, biggest  $x$  value holder  $P_{10}(\bar{x})$  will be selected. not with the value of  $s$  in step 3 the range of step 4's search will be  $\{(\bar{x}-s, \bar{x}+s), Y\} = sy$  where  $y$  is sorted. [this sort can be bypassed if it's sorted at the beginning]. now find the pair with the smallest distance  $(P_L, P_R)$  where,  $P_L$  belongs from the left side,  $P_R$  belongs from the right side.

⊛ base case can be if the total number of points are a constant small enough, just calculate it brute force. (points number  $\leq 3$ )

# optimizing step 4 is the key for better performance and  $(n \log n)$  solution. It's easier said than done.

## #2 Maximum Sub-array Sum.

Sub-array means one continuous part of an array which is  $\geq 1$  of length.  $\& \leq \text{length}(\text{array})$

to visualize the problem:

consider an array of length 3:

0	1	2
-2	10	1

 $\Rightarrow$  sub arrays are  $\rightarrow \left\{ [-2], [10], [1], [-2, 10], [10, 1], [-2, 10, 1] \right\}$

$$\max \{ \text{subarray} \} = 11 \Rightarrow [10, 1]$$

Sol<sup>N</sup>  $\Rightarrow$  bruteforce

ans =  $-\infty$

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for (subsize = 1; subsize <= n; subsize++) {  
    for (ind = 0; ind < n; ind++) {
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if (ind + subsize > n) break

sum = 0

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    for (i = ind; i < subsize (subsize + ind); i++) {
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sum += arr[i]

ans = max(ans, sum)

}  
}  
 $\Rightarrow T(n) = O(N^3)$

Sol<sup>N</sup> 2  $\rightarrow$  ~~big~~ optimized.

You can bypass the inner loop because you don't need to calculate from scratch for each subarray. example:

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1	2	3	4
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 $\rightarrow$  subarray sum = 10

$\downarrow$ 

1	2	3
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 + 4  $\rightarrow$  sum of subarray 3 + [4]

$\downarrow$ 

1	2
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 + 3  $\rightarrow$  sum of subarray 2 + [3]

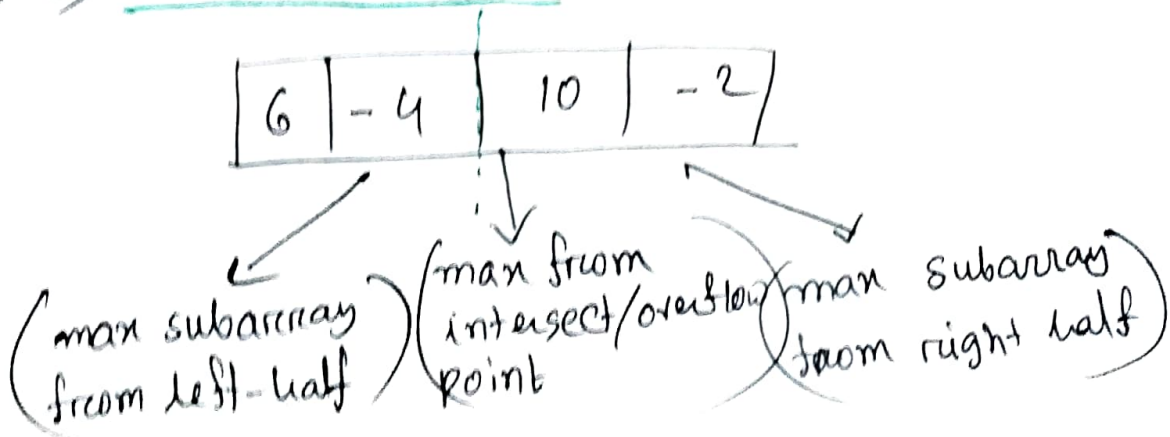
$\downarrow$ 

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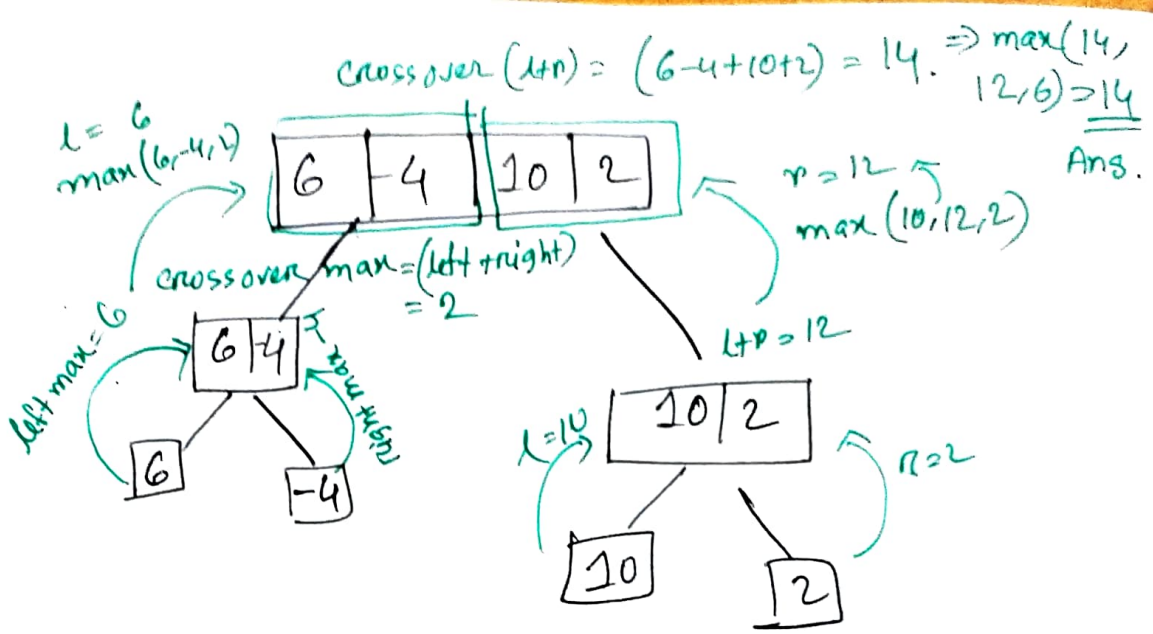
 + 2  $\rightarrow$  " " " 1 + [2]

so, we can go from the bottom to the top and use the smaller subarray sum to calculate the bigger one.  $T(n) = O(N^2)$

Sol<sup>N</sup> 3  $\Rightarrow$  divide and conquer







Pseudocode:

$\text{maxsub}(\text{arr}): (\text{arr}, \text{start}, \text{end})$

if  $\text{len}(\text{arr}) == 1$ :

return  $\text{arr}[0]$

$l\text{-max} = \text{maxsub}(\text{arr}, 0, \text{len}(\text{arr})/2)$

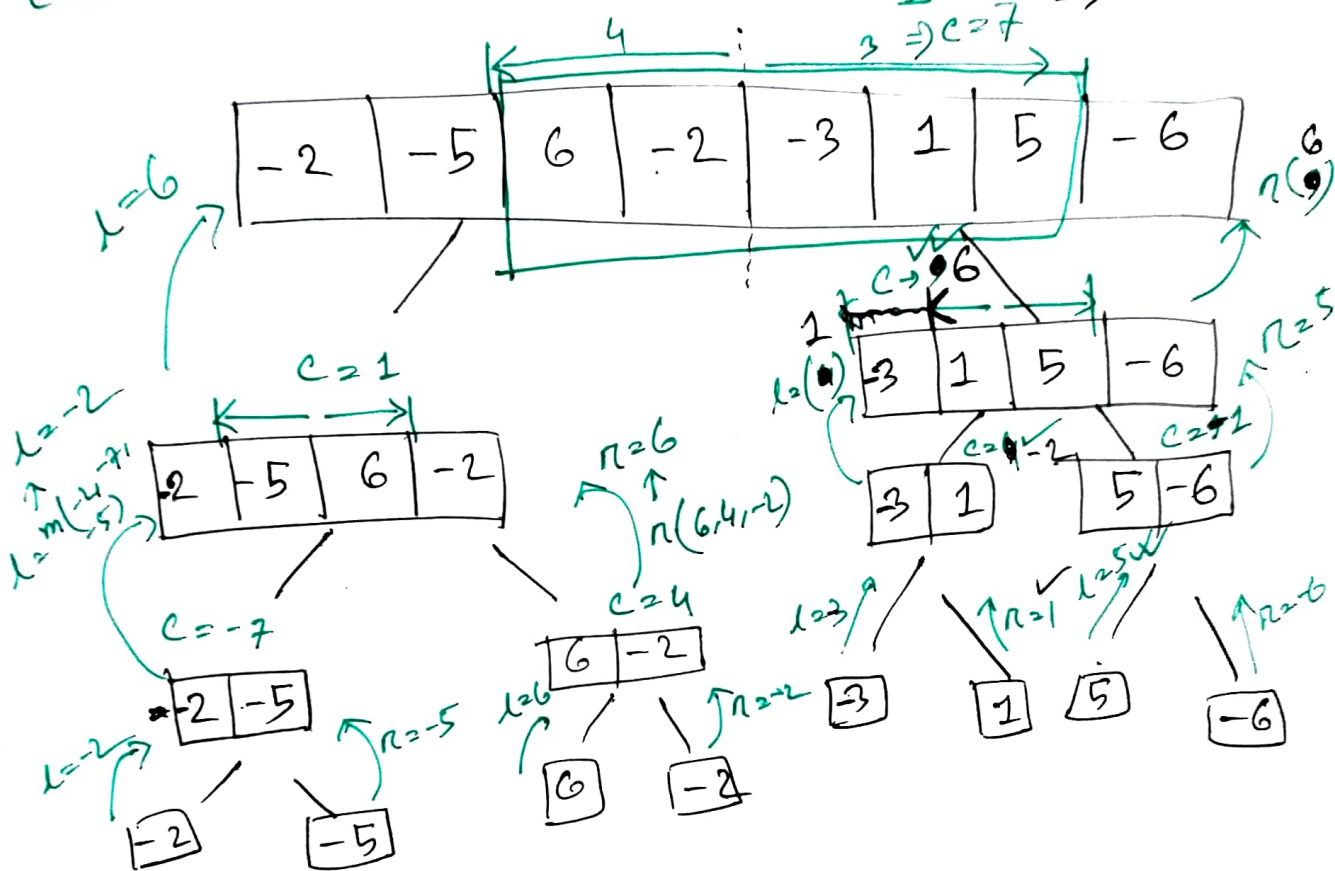
$r\text{-max} = \text{maxsub}(\text{arr}, \text{len}(\text{arr})/2, \text{len}(\text{arr}))$

for ( $i = \text{len}/2; i < \text{len}; i++$ ) {  
 $\text{sum} += \text{arr}[i]$   
 $r\text{-sum} = \max(r\text{-sum}, \text{sum})$   
 }

for ( $i = 0; i < \text{len}/2; i++$ ) {  
 $\text{sum} += \text{arr}[i]$   
 $l\text{-sum} = \max(l\text{-sum}, \text{sum})$   
 }

return  $\max(l\text{-max}, r\text{-max}, (r\text{-sum} + l\text{-sum}))$

⊛ keep in mind, the crossover sum only stores the max sum it can obtain by going from one half to another. It must cross over the mid line, another example:  
 [you can call it as maximum continuous sum]  $\rightarrow \text{max} \Rightarrow 7$



## # Integer multiplication

let's see the traditional approach:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 4567 \\
 \times 1234 \\
 \hline
 18268 \\
 13701- \\
 9134- \\
 4567- \\
 \hline
 5635678
 \end{array}$$

$\rightarrow$  ( $\sim 2n$  operation for each digit of input  $n$ ; depending how many carry bits are adding)  
 $\rightarrow$  [each row  $\rightarrow 2n \sim$ ]  
 $\rightarrow$  total  $\rightarrow \underline{2n^2}$  (approx.)

$n$  rows

Summing all values from top to bottom also takes  $\sim 2n^2$  given for each digit  $n$  additions are performed and maximum  $n$  carry bits can be there; for  $n$  digit  $\rightarrow \sim \underline{2n^2}$

So, the total time cost/run time for a multiplication of  $2n$  digit number:  $\theta(n) = \sim 4n^2$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{T(n) = O(N^2)}$$

## # Divide & Conquer Approach: [Karatsuba Multiplication]

① Observation:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 x = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline a & b \\ \hline 45 & 67 \\ \hline \end{array} \\
 y = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline c & d \\ \hline 12 & 34 \\ \hline \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$$\text{So, } x = 4567 = a \times 100 + b \Rightarrow \frac{45}{a} \times 10^2 + \frac{67}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = a * 10^{n/2} + b}$$



similarly,  $y = c * 10^{n/2} + d$

So,  $x * y \Rightarrow (a * 10^{n/2} + b) * (c * 10^{n/2} + d)$

$\Rightarrow (a * 10^{n/2}) * (c * 10^{n/2}) + (ad * 10^{n/2}) + (bc * 10^{n/2}) + bd$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{ac} * 10^{(n/2) * 2} + \boxed{ad+bc} * 10^{n/2} + \boxed{bd} \rightarrow \text{Karatsuba Equation!}$

now, if we can calculate these 4 multiplications it can be done in divide & conquer since its getting  $10^{n/2}$  each time, thus breaking it further will divide itself by another 2, almost like "merge-sort" fashion. but still, 4 multiplication each level is not the efficient approach.

The generalized version of Karatsuba has 3 steps.

(i) find  $\boxed{ac}$

(ii) find  $\boxed{bd}$

(iii) find  $\boxed{(a+b)(c+d) - ac - bd}$

$\rightarrow$  deriving;  $ac + ad + bc + bd - ac - bd$   
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{ad+bc}$ ; now making it  
 an only 3 multiplication task  
 instead of 4.

if we look at the code,

karatsuba( $x, y$ ):

if  $x < 10$  or  $y < 10$ :

| return  $x * y$

else:

$n = \max\text{-digit}(x, y)$

$h = n // 2$

$a = x // (10^h)$

$b = x \% (10^h)$

$c = y // (10^h)$

$d = y \% (10^h)$

$ac = \text{karatsuba}(a, c)$

$bd = \text{karatsuba}(b, d)$

$ad - bc = \text{karatsuba}(a+b, c+d) - ac - bd$

return  $ac * (10^{(2*h)}) + ad - bc * (10^h) + bd$

pseudocode

$$T(n) = 3T(n/2) + O(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log_2^3) \Rightarrow \underline{O(n^{1.58})}$$

it's a considerable jump-up from the traditional one. in values where  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , this will be more efficient.