

RAM model of computation

Entire input resides in RAM. But bringing from DRAM \gg CPU Time.

CPU Time = free

Time Complexity = No. of scans to solve it.

$$\text{RAM Size} = O(\sqrt{n})$$

Algo		Algo A	Algo B	Algo C
No. of scans	$O(n)$	$\frac{\sqrt{n}}{2}$	$O(\log n)$	$\frac{2}{\text{optimal}}$

$n = 2^{2K}$ for some K , all distinct.

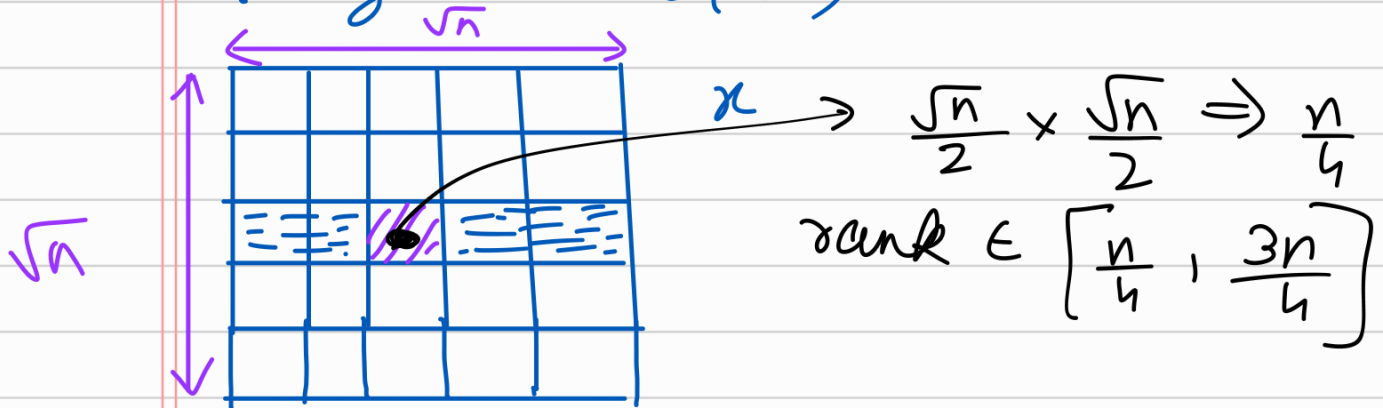
$\frac{\sqrt{n}}{2}$ scans

- Compute smallest \sqrt{n} elements in 1 scan.
- Compute next smallest \sqrt{n} elements in 1 scan.
- Keep computing for $\frac{\sqrt{n}}{2}$ times.

$O(\log n)$ scans

- we find an element with rank $\in \left[\frac{n}{4}, \frac{3n}{4}\right]$ in 1 scan.
- find its rank in entire array
- if rank $< \frac{n}{2} \Rightarrow$ remove all elements smaller than it.
- if rank $> \frac{n}{2} \Rightarrow$ remove all elements greater than it.

- find the element in row array.
 → repeat $O(\log n)$ times to bring down the size to $O(\sqrt{n})$



middle row \rightarrow row of medians of each \sqrt{n} size array. $x =$ median of medians.

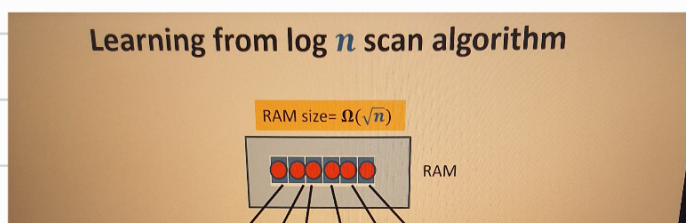
2 Scans Algo

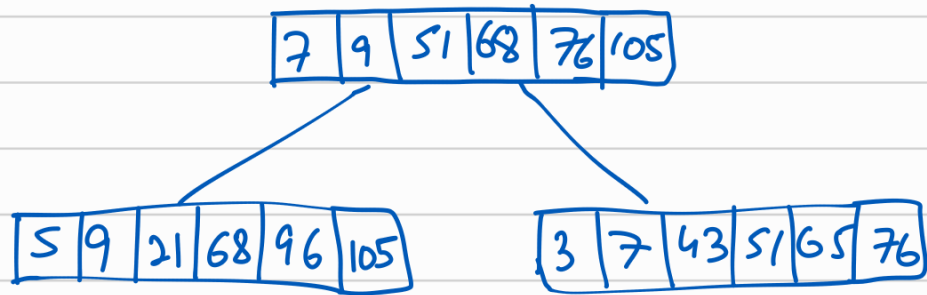
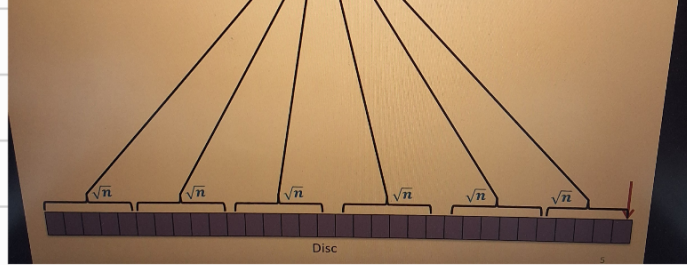
- We find an element with $\text{rank} \in \frac{n}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{n}}{2}$
 → Keep largest $\frac{\sqrt{n}}{2}$ numbers less than x
 → Keep smallest $\frac{\sqrt{n}}{2}$ nos. greater than x .

Well separated numbers

The \sqrt{n} numbers we keep in the RAM from each set of \sqrt{n} be well separated.

Any element with rank i in the sample has rank $i\sqrt{n}$ in the set.
 (in the root (\sqrt{n} ele))
 (in n elements.)





- sort each contiguous chunk of \sqrt{n} numbers.
- pick alt numbers in the sample.

