

Problem 1

- (a) $A = [2, 6, 7, 1, 3, 5, 4]$
- (b) j will never reach 6, as the loop is exclusive. It iterates through 0 to 5 for j .

Value of j	Value of i	Array
0	0	[2,6,7,1,3,5,4]
1	0	[2,6,7,1,3,5,4]
2	0	[2,6,7,1,3,5,4]
3	1	[2,1,7,6,3,5,4]
4	2	[2,1,3,6,7,5,4]
5	2	[2,1,3,6,7,5,4]

- (c) $A = [2, 1, 3, 4, 7, 5, 6]$

Problem 2

- (a) Taking either the smallest or the largest element of A as the pivot would lead to the worst partition. In this case, at each iteration, we have to compare all of the elements of A to our pivot.
- (b) The resulting recurrence would be:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + \Theta(n)$$

At each iteration, we have to do $(n-1)$ comparisons. After that we would have the same problem to solve but with one less element.

- (c) We hypothesize that $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$:

Base case: $T(1) = \Theta(1)$ which holds.

Inductive hypothesis: $T(k) = \Theta(k^2) \rightarrow T(k) \leq ck^2$

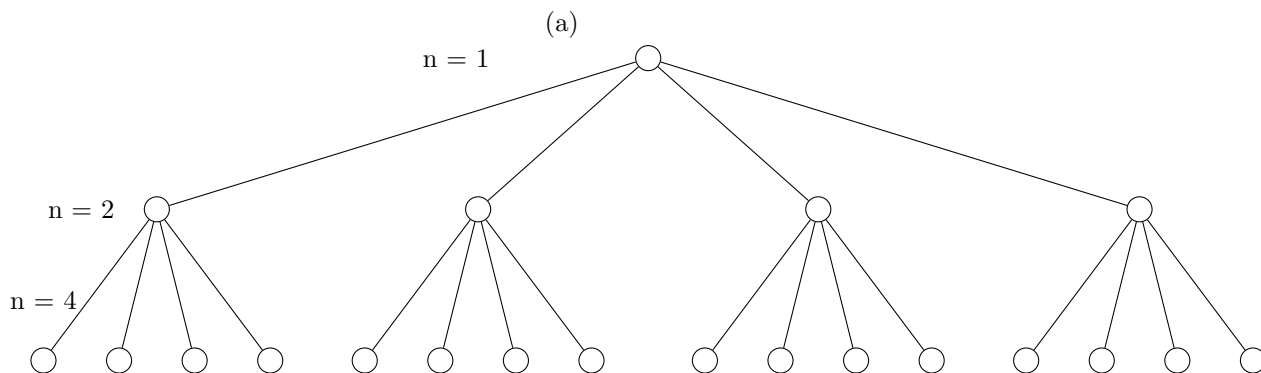
Inductive step: Does $T(k+1) = \Theta((k+1)^2)$ hold?

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(k+1) &\stackrel{?}{\leq} c(k+1)^2 \\
 &\rightarrow T(k) + ck \stackrel{?}{\leq} ck^2 + 2ck + c \\
 &\rightarrow T(k) \stackrel{\checkmark}{\leq} ck^2 + ck + c \text{ (By inductive hypothesis)} \\
 &\rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, we can solve the recurrence equation directly as follows:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + n = T(n-2) + (n-1) + n = \dots = 1 + 2 + \dots + (n-1) + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \Theta(n^2)$$

Problem 3



The recursion tree carries on with a branching factor of 4, meaning each node has four children, as the recursive call is called four times.

At depth d , the amount of work is $n/2^d$.

The tree has $\log n + 1$ levels.

The tree has n^2 leaves (referring only to the bottom layer).

- (b) The recurrence relation is $4T(n/2) + cn$, with base cn , as seen by the root of the recursion tree.

To solve for $T(n)$, we will find a pattern for the recurrence relation. Since the function is recurring by a power of 2, we will use $\log_2(n)$ for the summation. With the following summation, note how many iterations are being done, as summations are inclusive.

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)}$$

$n = 1$	$\log_2(1) = 0$
$n = 2$	$\log_2(2) = 1$
$n = 4$	$\log_2(4) = 2$
$n = 8$	$\log_2(8) = 3$

By establishing how our summation will iterate, we can find the pattern established by the values we determined.

This gives us a summation of:

$$cn \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)} 2^i + \Theta(n^2)$$

$cn \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)} 2^i$ represents the work of the internal nodes. $\Theta(n^2)$ represents the extra work of the leaves.

Now, we must find the value of the summation. Note that this summation is a geometric series. Therefore, we can follow the formula:

$$\sum_{i=0}^k r^i = \frac{r^{k+1} - 1}{r - 1}$$

The following summation has our values substituted into the sum of a geometric series formula:

$$cn \sum_{i=0}^{\log_2(n)} 2^i + \Theta(n^2) = cn \cdot \frac{2^{\log_2(n)+1} - 1}{2 - 1} + \Theta(n^2)$$

Using logarithm rules:

$$2^{\log_2(n)+1} \rightarrow 2 * 2^{\log_2(n)} \rightarrow 2n$$

So our final answer is:

$$cn \cdot (2n - 1) + \Theta(n^2) = 2cn^2 - cn + \Theta(n^2)$$

This gives us $\Theta(n^2)$.

- (c) We first show that $T(n)$ is $O(n^2)$, then we show $T(n)$ is $\Omega(n^2)$. We'll use the substitution method for this.

We choose n^2 for the substitution, so we substitute $T(n)$ as dn^2 in our equation, where d is some new constant.

$$T(n) \leq 4(d(\frac{n}{2})^2) + cn$$

$$T(n) \leq 4d \cdot \frac{n^2}{4} + cn = dn^2 + cn$$

For our cases, we will use $T(n) \leq d \cdot n^2 - cn$ as our guess.

For our base case, we'll take n to be 1.

$$T(1) \leq d(1)^2 - c(1)$$

$$T(1) \leq d - c$$

There exist constants that make this case true, so the base case holds.

Now, assume $T(n) \leq d \cdot n^2 - cn$ holds for all values of n less than n_1 , where n_1 is the upper limit of which our guess applies.

As our inductive hypothesis, we assume our guess holds for all values of $n \leq n_1$, where n_1 is the upper value of n in which our guess holds.

By assuming this, we prove that $T(n) \in O(n^2)$.

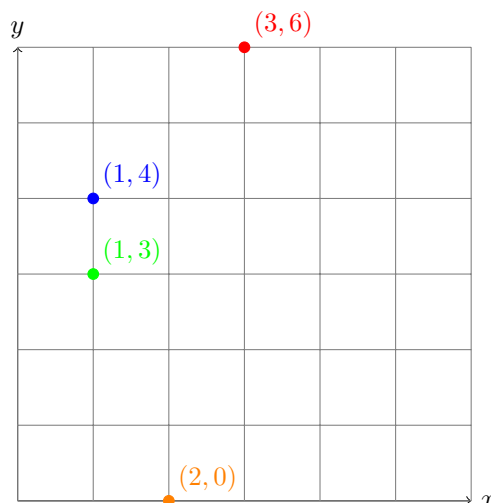
Similarly, we can assume our guess holds for all values of $n \geq n_2$, where n_2 is the lower value of n in which our guess holds.

Therefore, $T(n) \in \Omega(n^2)$.

Since we have proved both $T(n) \in \Omega(n^2)$ and $T(n) \in O(n^2)$, we know $T(n) \in \Theta(n^2)$

Problem 4

- (a) We can use a brute force algorithm to compute the distance between each two points and keep track of the least distance value. Assuming we have n points to begin with, for each point, we need to do $(n - 1)$ comparisons. This leads to $\frac{n(n-1)}{2} = \Theta(n^2)$ comparisons.
- (b) This approach fails to consider pairs that might lie across the dividing line, which could have a smaller distance than the minimum found within each half. Consider the example below:



In this example, m_{top} is the distance between points $(1, 4)$ and $(3, 6)$, while m_{bottom} is the distance between points $(1, 3)$ and $(2, 0)$. Using the approach described leads to the incorrect answer $[(1, 4), (3, 6)]$, as the distance between these two points is less than the distance between the points in the m_{bottom} . The correct answer is $[(1, 4), (1, 3)]$.

- (c) The incorrect algorithm performs recursive calls on each half, with each call handling $\frac{n}{2}$ points. The recurrence relation of this algorithm would be:

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n)$$

Solving this recurrence relation gives a time complexity of $\Theta(n \log n)$.

- (d) The number of points on each side is $\frac{n}{2}$, therefore the number of cross-comparisons would be $\frac{n}{2} \times \frac{n}{2} = \frac{n^2}{4}$. The new recurrence relation is:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n^2) \\ &\rightarrow T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2 \\ &= 2\left(2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + \frac{n^2}{4}\right) + n^2 = 2\left(2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)\right) + \frac{n^2}{2} + n^2 \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= n^2 \times \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{\log_2(n-1)}}\right) = n^2 \times \left(2 - \frac{2}{n}\right) = 2n^2 - 2n \end{aligned}$$

So the complexity is equal to $\Theta(n^2)$.

- (e) We can use the following pseudocode:

Input: List of points P in a 2D plane

Output: Closest pair of points from P and the minimum distance between them

$P_x \leftarrow$ Sort P by x-coordinates

$P_y \leftarrow$ Sort P by y-coordinates

Function ClosestPair(P_x, P_y)

if size of $P_y \leq 3$ **then**

 Find the closest pair by brute force

return Minimum distance and closest pair

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end if
 $T \leftarrow$  Top half of  $P_y$ 
 $B \leftarrow$  Bottom half of  $P_y$ 
 $T_x \leftarrow$  Sort  $T$  by x-coordinates
 $T_y \leftarrow$  Sort  $T$  by y-coordinates
 $B_x \leftarrow$  Sort  $B$  by x-coordinates
 $B_y \leftarrow$  Sort  $B$  by y-coordinates
 $d_T \leftarrow \text{ClosestPair}(T_x, T_y)$ 
 $d_B \leftarrow \text{ClosestPair}(B_x, B_y)$ 
 $d \leftarrow \min(d_T, d_B)$ 
 $S_x \leftarrow$  Points in  $P_x$  within distance  $d$  of dividing line
foreach point  $p$  in  $S_x$  do
    Check only the next 7 points in  $S_x$  for closer pairs
    Update  $d$  if a closer pair is found
end foreach
return Minimum distance  $d$  and the closest pair of points
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This pseudocode efficiently finds the pair of points with the smallest distance. It recursively splits the points into halves, finds the closest pair in each half, and then checks only 7 nearby points across the dividing line to combine the results. You can refer to Section 5.4 of Kleinberg and Tardos for the geometric proof of the 7 neighbors.

- (f) As the work done at each level is equal to $\Theta(n)$, the recurrence relation can be written as below:

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n)$$

Solving this would give the result $T(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$.