

Divide-and-conquer

- Divide a problem of size n
- Conquer: " a " subproblems of size " $\frac{n}{b}$ " of the size of the original problem
- Combine

$$T(n) = \text{Divide}(n) + a \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + \text{Combine}(n)$$

$$a \geq 1 \\ b > 1$$

$$T(n) = a \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n) \rightarrow \text{solve with Master Theorem}$$

- Algorithm with running time $T(n) = \Theta(n \lg n)$

Divide-and-conquer:

- Conquer: algorithm recurses on 2 subproblems of size $\frac{n}{2}$
- Divide and Combine take $O(n)$

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

$$T(n) = 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn \quad c = \text{const}$$

$$\text{case 2 Master Theorem} \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n \lg n)$$

- Algorithm with running time $T(n) = \Theta(n)$

Divide-and-conquer:

- Conquer: algorithm recurses on 1 subproblem of size $\frac{n}{2}$
- Divide and Combine take $O(n)$

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

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn \quad c = \text{const}$$

$$cn \text{ vs } n^{\log_2 2} = n^0 = 1$$

$$cn = \Omega(n^\epsilon) \text{ for } \epsilon = 1$$

Regularity condition checks

\Rightarrow case 3 of the Master Theorem

$$T(n) = \Theta(n)$$

• Algorithm with running time $T(n) = \Theta(\lg n)$

Divide-and-conquer:

- Conquer: algorithm recurses on 1 subproblem of size $\frac{n}{2}$
- Divide and Combine take $\Theta(1)$

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(1)$$

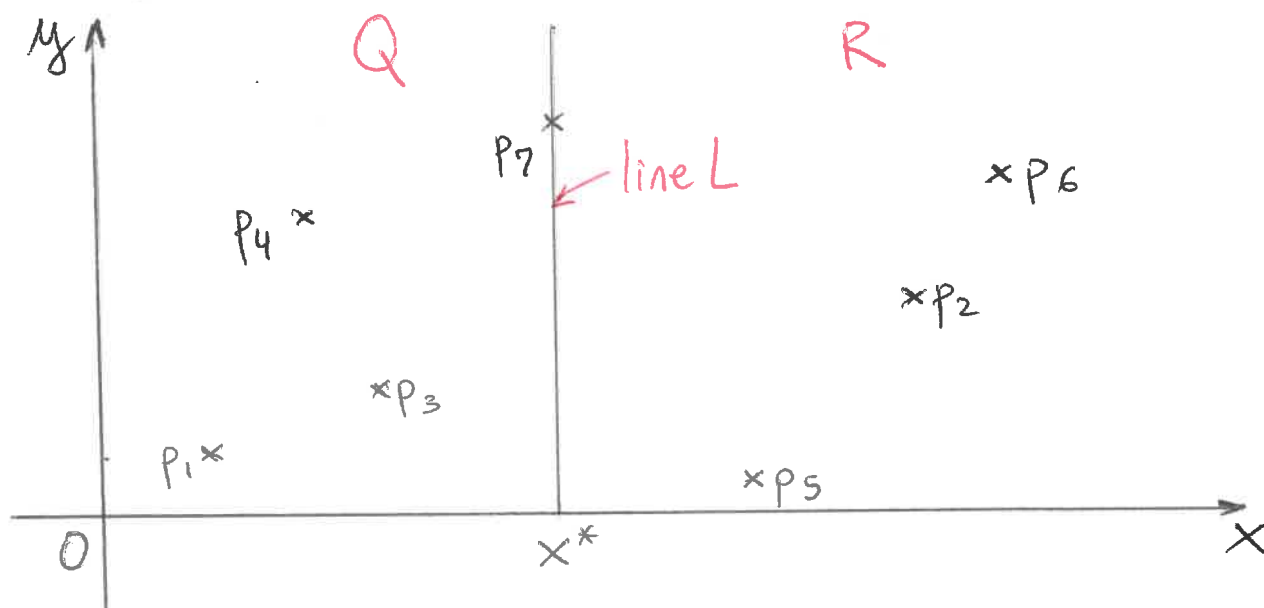
$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + c \quad c = \text{const}$$

$$c \sim n^{\log_2 1} = n^0 = 1$$

$c = \Theta(1) \Rightarrow$ case 2 of the Master Theorem

$$T(n) = \Theta(\lg n)$$

Finding the closest pair of points.



$n = 7$ points

$P = \langle P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5, P_6, P_7 \rangle$

• sort P by the x - and y -coordinate

$O(n \cdot \lg n)$

This operation is performed only once, before divide-and-conquer

$P_x = \langle P_1, P_4, P_3, P_7, P_5, P_2, P_6 \rangle$

sort points by x -coordinate

$P_y = \langle P_5, P_1, P_3, P_2, P_4, P_6, P_7 \rangle$

sort points by y -coordinate

$$n = \left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil + \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$$

number of points
in Q

number of points
in R

Divide step $O(n)$

$Q_x = \langle P_1, P_4, P_3, P_7 \rangle$

$R_x = \langle P_5, P_2, P_6 \rangle$

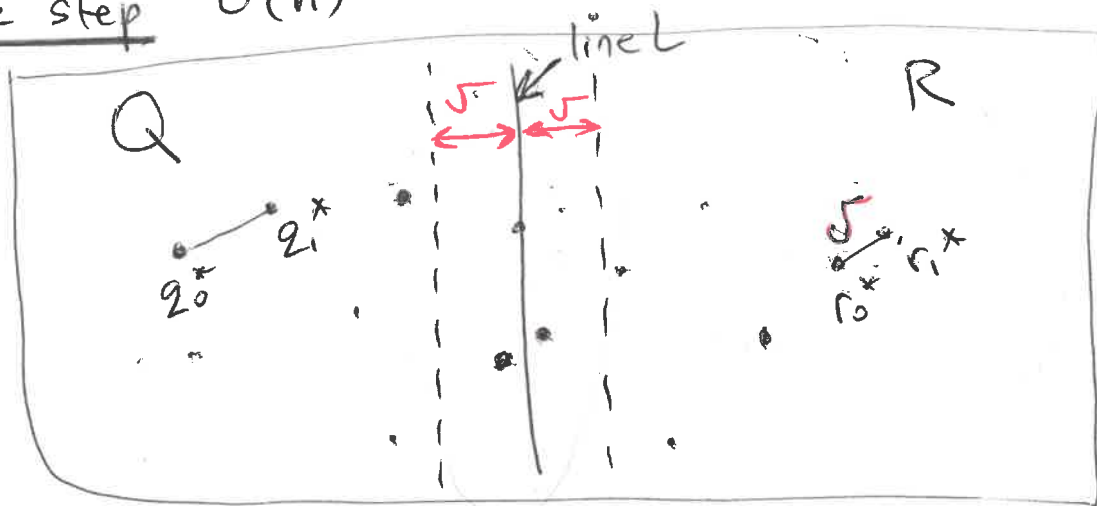
$Q_y = \langle P_1, P_3, P_4, P_7 \rangle$

$R_y = \langle P_5, P_2, P_6 \rangle$

• use a flag array to remember which points are in Q and R

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	1	0	1	1	1	0

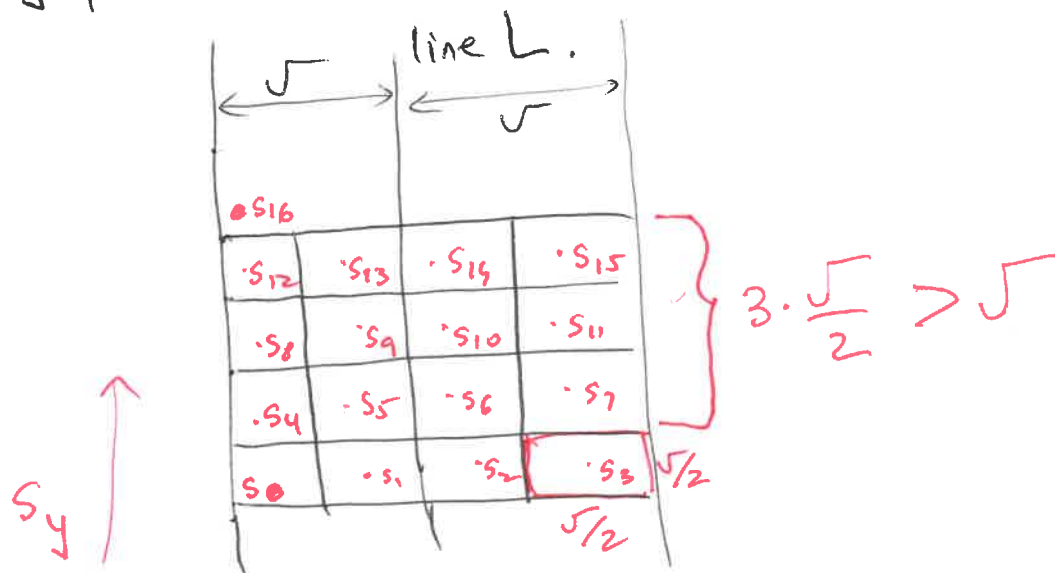
Combine step $O(n)$



set S of points

S_y - elements listed in increasing order of y -coordinate

- check if there are two points $s, s' \in S$ such that $d(s, s') < \sqrt{5}$
- how many points do we need to check in S_y ?



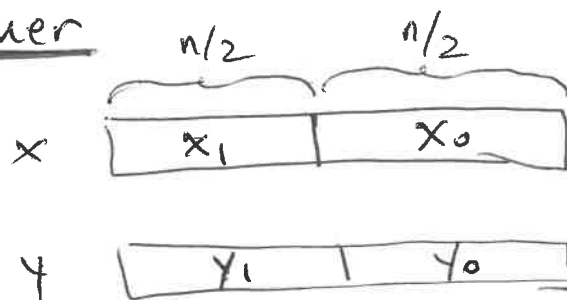
$S_y = \langle \dots, s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_{15} \rangle$

- check only the next 15 points in S_y
- the 16th point is separated by at least 3 rows, therefore the distance $> 3 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} > \sqrt{5}$

Integer Multiplication

$x \cdot y$ x and y have n bits

Divide-and-conquer



$$\begin{aligned}x \cdot y &= (x_1 \cdot 2^{n/2} + x_0)(y_1 \cdot 2^{n/2} + y_0) = \\&= \underline{x_1 \cdot y_1} \cdot 2^n + (\underline{x_1 y_0} + \underline{x_0 y_1}) 2^{n/2} + \underline{x_0 y_0}\end{aligned}$$

• Divide: $\Theta(1)$

• Conquer: $4 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2})$

• Combine: $\Theta(n)$

$$T(n) = 4 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2}) + \Theta(n)$$

$$T(n) = 4 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2}) + cn$$

$$cn \text{ vs } n^{\log_2 4} = n^2$$

$$cn = O(n^{2-\epsilon}) \quad \epsilon=1$$

Case 1 Master Theorem $\Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

Better (more efficient) solution

$$p = (\underline{x_1 + x_0})(\underline{y_1 + y_0}) = \underline{x_1 y_1} + \underline{x_1 y_0 + x_0 y_1} + \underline{x_0 y_0}$$

$$x \cdot y = x_1 \cdot y_1 \cdot 2^n + (p - x_0 y_0 - x_1 y_1) \cdot 2^{n/2} + x_0 y_0$$

This solution uses only 3 subproblems

• Divide: $\Theta(1)$

• Conquer: $3 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2})$

• Combine: $\Theta(n)$

$$T(n) = 3 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2}) + \Theta(n)$$

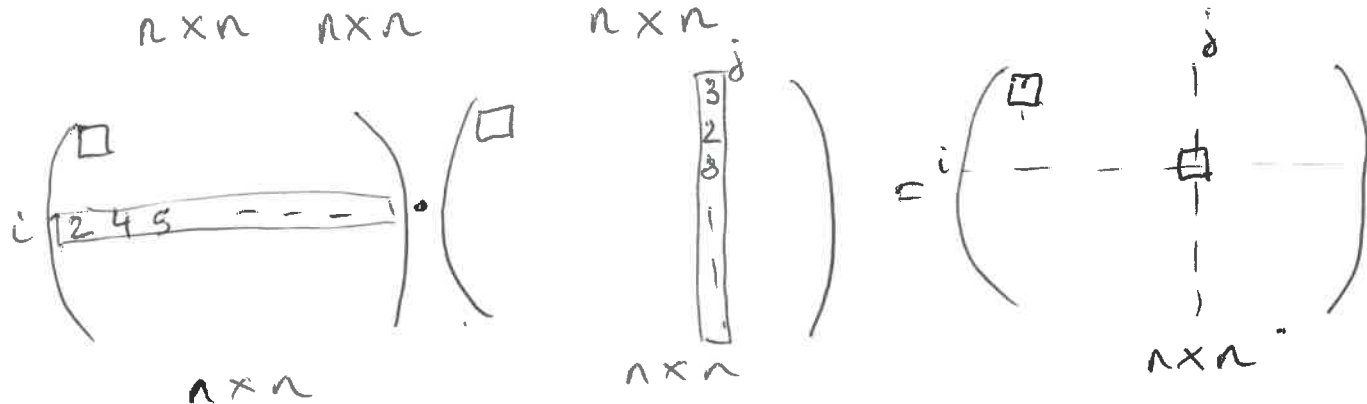
Case 1 Master Theorem

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{1.59})$$

Matrix product

$$A \cdot B = C$$

$n \times n \quad n \times n \quad n \times n$



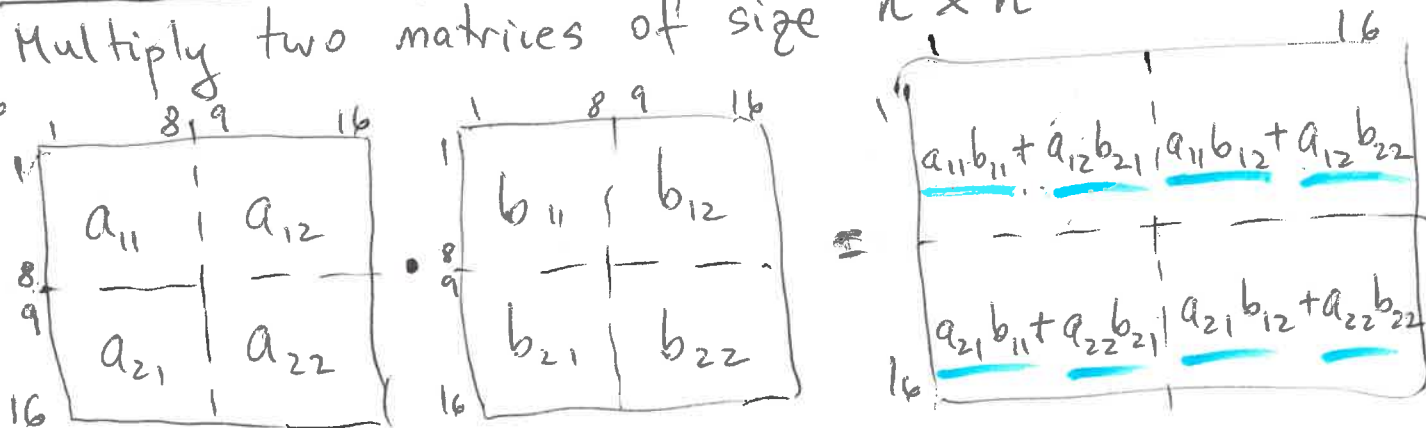
$A \cdot B$ takes $\Theta(n^3)$

$A + B$ takes $\Theta(n^2)$

Divide-and-conquer

Multiply two matrices of size $n \times n$

$n=16$



Divide: $\Theta(1)$

Conquer: $8 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2})$

Combine: $\Theta(n^2)$

$$T(n) = 8 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2}) + \Theta(n^2)$$

$$T(n) = 8 \cdot T(\frac{n}{2}) + c \cdot n^2 \quad c = \text{const}$$

$$cn^2 = O(n^{3-\epsilon}) \quad \epsilon = 2$$

case 1 of the Master Theorem $\Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$

no improvement
in RT!

Note: more efficient algorithm = Strassen's algorithm - with $T(n) = \Theta(n^{2.8})$