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Quiz!

Scheduling Discussion

SUN	MON	TUES	Thurs - Fri
PS Due	Reflect	Respond to Reflect (answer Q)	QUIZ on Canvas / in class

Learning Goals

- Describe closest points D&C strategy
- Apply greedy design strategy

Divide + Conquer Example:

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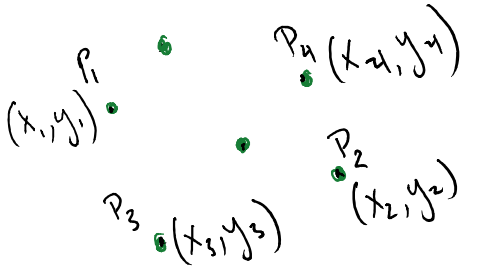

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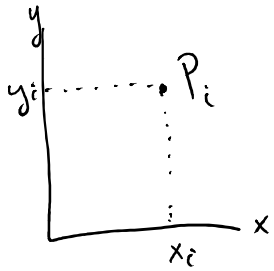

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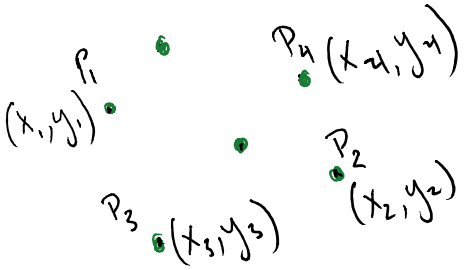

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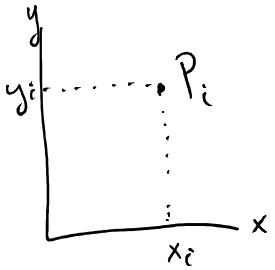

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Applications:

- Air traffic control
- Robotics
- Detecting repeated sequences of DNA
- Creating 3-D images out of stereo images (matching closest regions that are the same)
- Geography Info Systems: detect doubled boundaries

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A) $O(\sqrt{n})$ $O(n)$ **$O(n^2)$** $O(2^n)$

↳ Need to check each pair. $\binom{n}{2} = O(n^2)$ pairs. Calculating distance for each pair is $O(1)$.

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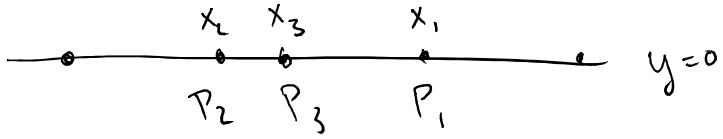

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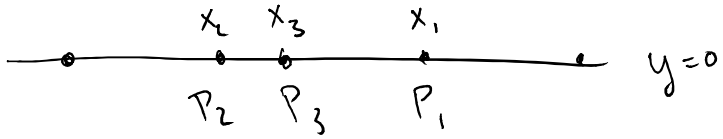

- Write pseudo code for an $O(n \log n)$ time algorithm
- If time, try to prove correctness

1. Sort ← $O(n \log n)$
2.
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minDist = ∞
for i = 1 to n-1
    if (x_{i+1} - x_i) < minDist
        minDist = x_{i+1} - x_i
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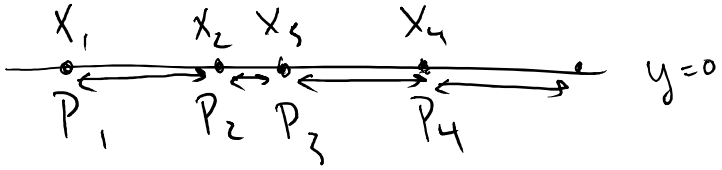
← $O(n)$

$O(n \log n)$

Loop over sorted points, check distance only between adjacent points. Return min distance found.



* Closest pair is adjacent... why?
* Naive still uses $O(n^2)$, if try to check all pairs

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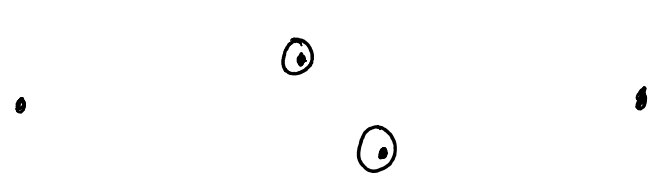

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Divide:

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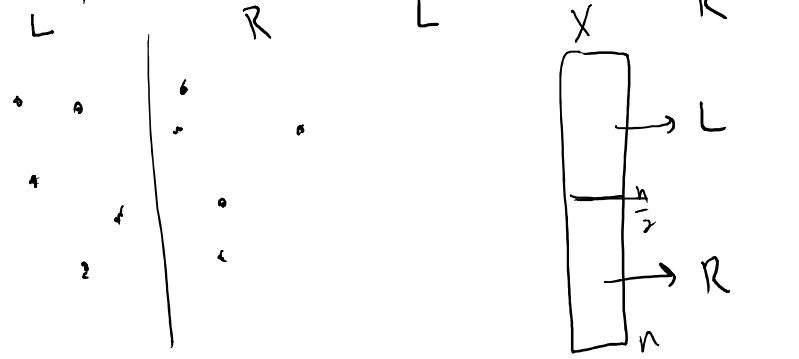

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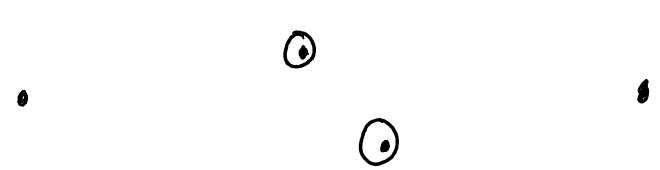

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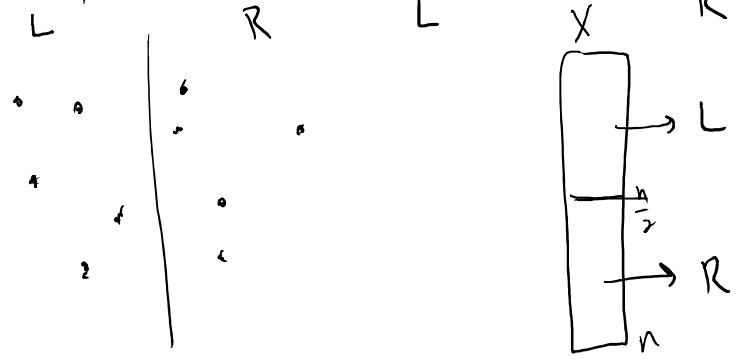

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Otherwise: 3 gets split into 2 and 1. Can't compare one point to itself

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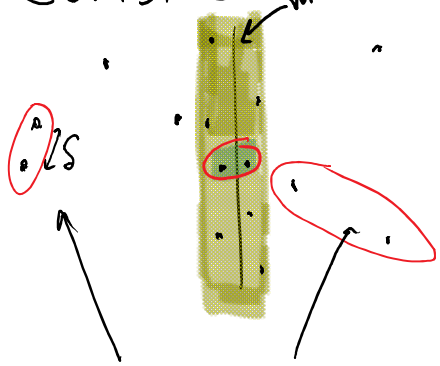
4. Combine: midline

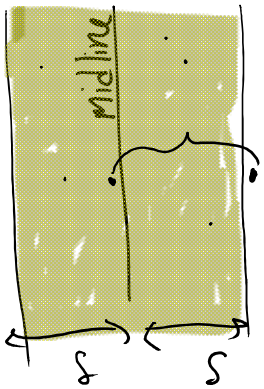


If overall closest pair is on either side :). But in trouble if closest pair crosses :(

Let δ be $\min\{CP(L), CP(R)\}$

Claim ★: Only need to look at a region within δ of the midline.

Otherwise: Contradiction



distance greater than δ, so not the closest pair

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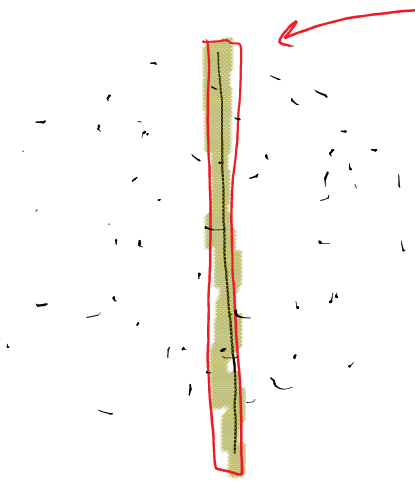

If squint, looks like points on a line!

1. Sort
2. For-loop to look at nearest neighbors