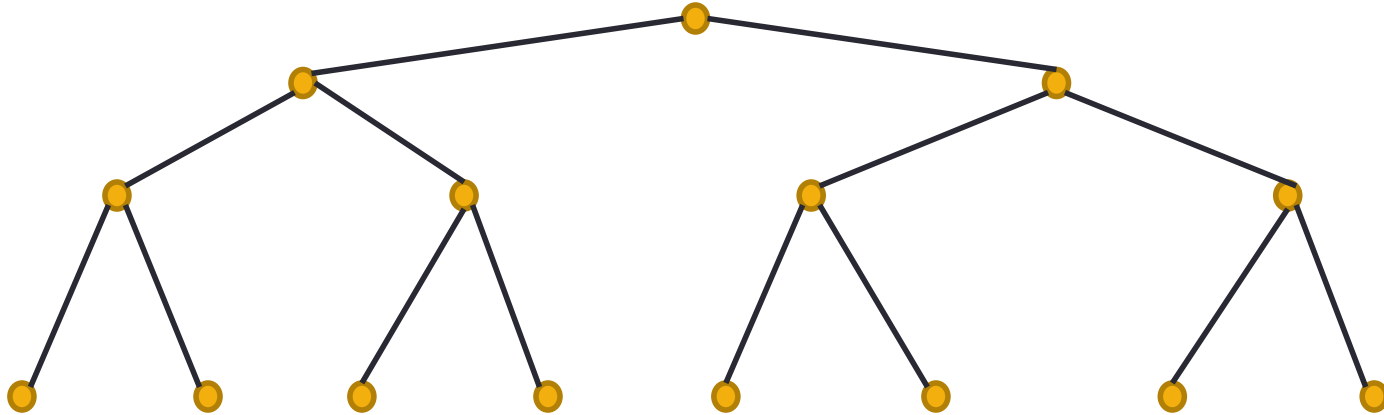


COL351: Slides for Lecture Component 20

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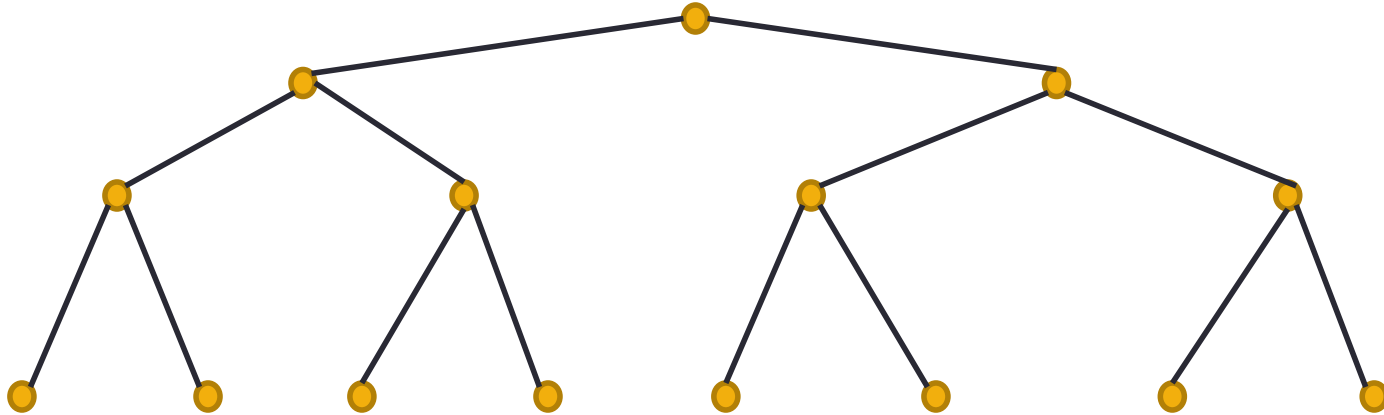
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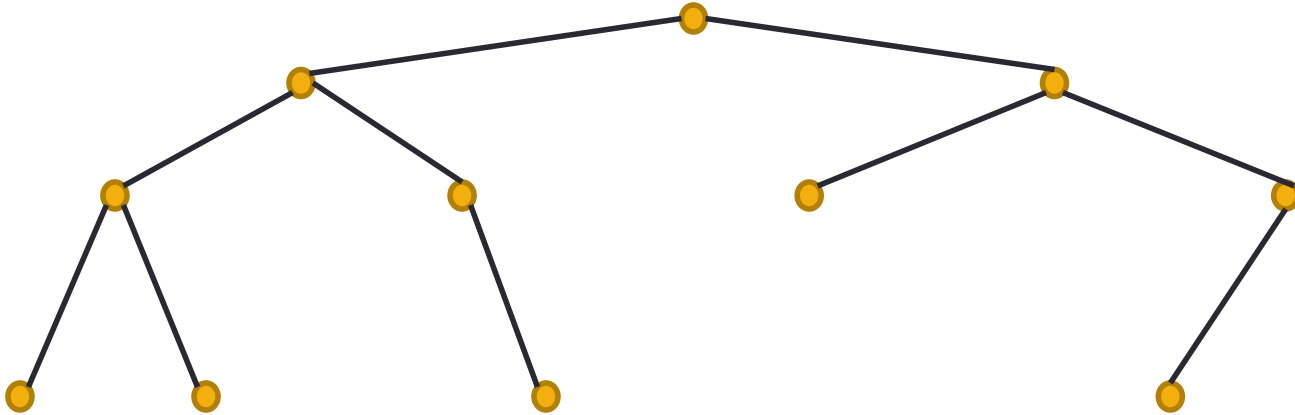
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- Notice that each child's subtree is half of the problem so we get a nice divide and conquer structure.



Divide and Conquer Trees

- If the tree is uneven, we can still use the same strategy but we need to take a bit of care when calculating runtime.

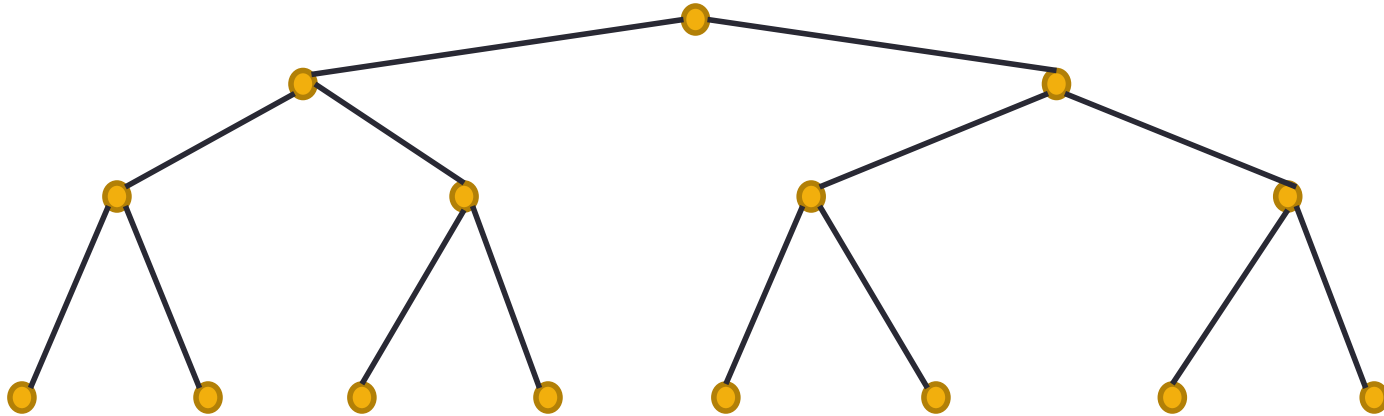


Least common ancestor

- Given a binary tree with n vertices, we wish to compute $LCA(x, y)$ for each pair of vertices x, y .
- $LCA(x, y)$ is the least common ancestor of x and y . Or in other words, the “youngest” common ancestor of x and y .
- For example, the LCA of me and my brother is our parent. The LCA of me and my uncle is my grandparent (his parent.) A vertex can be its own ancestor so the LCA of me and my father is my father.

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Least common ancestor

- What pairs of vertices will have the root r as their least common ancestor?
- For each vertex v , set $lca(v, r) = r$.
- For each pair of vertices u, v such that u is in the left subtree and v is in the right subtree, set $lca(u, v) = r$.
- Now what? Are we done?
- Recurse on the left and right subtrees!!!!

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If the binary tree is uneven then the runtime recurrence is

$$T(n) = T(L) + T(R) + O(LR)$$

Where L is the size of the left subtree and R is the size of the right subtree.

What do you think the total runtime will be? Take a guess and we can check it!!!

Uneven DC runtime

- $T(n) = T(L) + T(R) + O(LR)$
- We guess that it would take $O(n^2)$. So let's try to prove this using induction.
- Claim: $T(n) \leq cn^2$ for all $n \geq 1$ and for some constant c that is bigger than $T(1)$ and bigger than the coefficient in the $O(LR)$ term.

Uneven DC runtime

- Base case. $T(1) < c(1^2)$. True by choice of c .
- Suppose that for some $n > 1$, $T(k) < ck^2$ for all k such that $1 \leq k < n$.
- Then

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &< T(L) + T(R) + cLR \leq cL^2 + cR^2 + cLR \\ &< cL^2 + cR^2 + 2cLR = c(L + R)^2 = c(n - 1)^2 < cn^2 \end{aligned}$$

Make Heap

- Problem: Given a list of n elements, form a heap containing all elements.

Divide and conquer strategy

- Assume $n = 2^k - 1$. (Add blank elements if needed)
- Divide the list into two lists of size $\frac{n-1}{2}$ and a left-over element
- Make heaps with both (in sub-trees of root)
- Put left-over element at root.
- “Trickle down” top element to reinstate heap property

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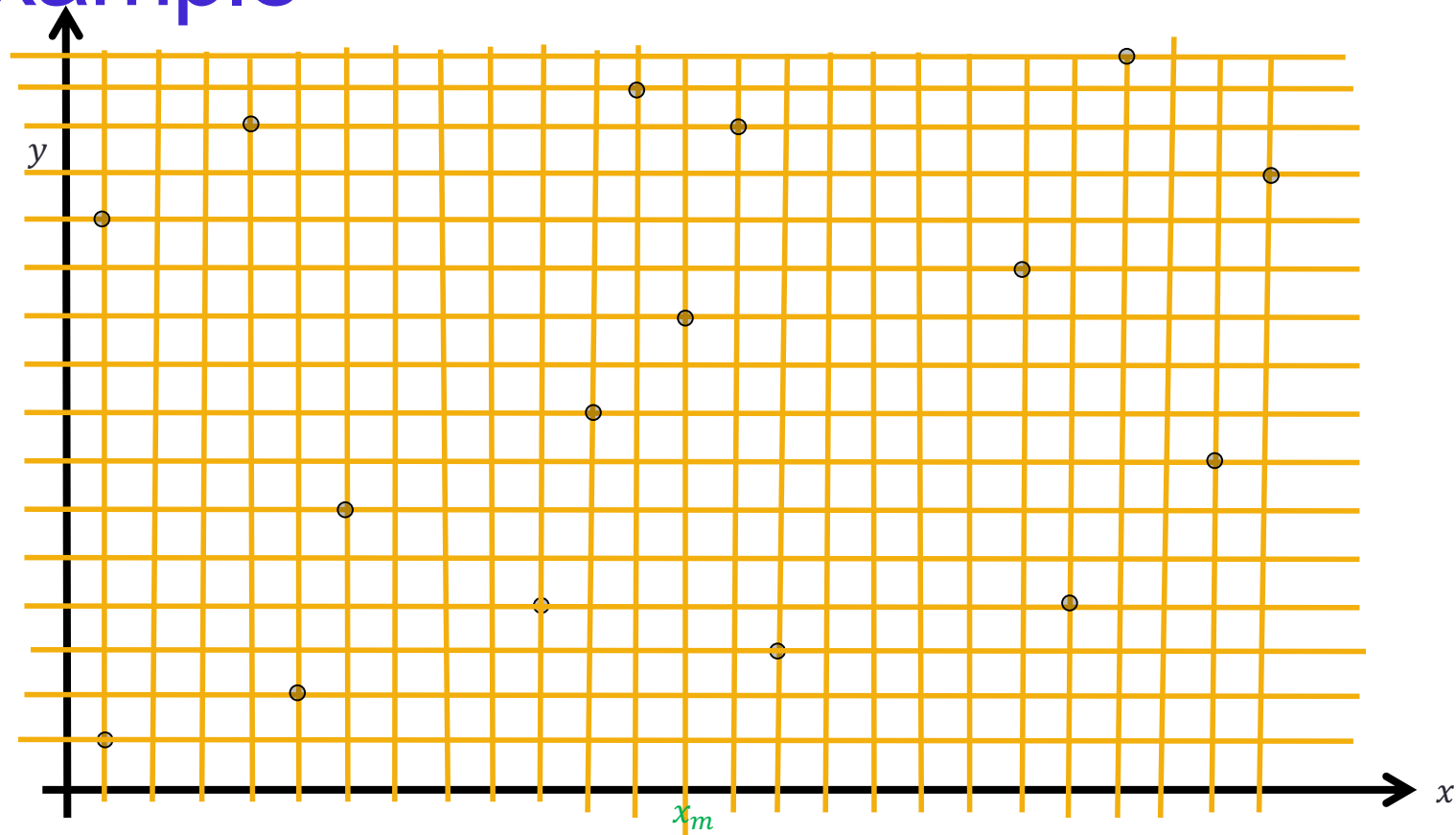
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- $L(n) < T(n) < H(n)$
- Apply Master Theorem: Both $L(n)$ and $H(n)$ are $O(n)$,
- So $T(n)$ is $O(n)$

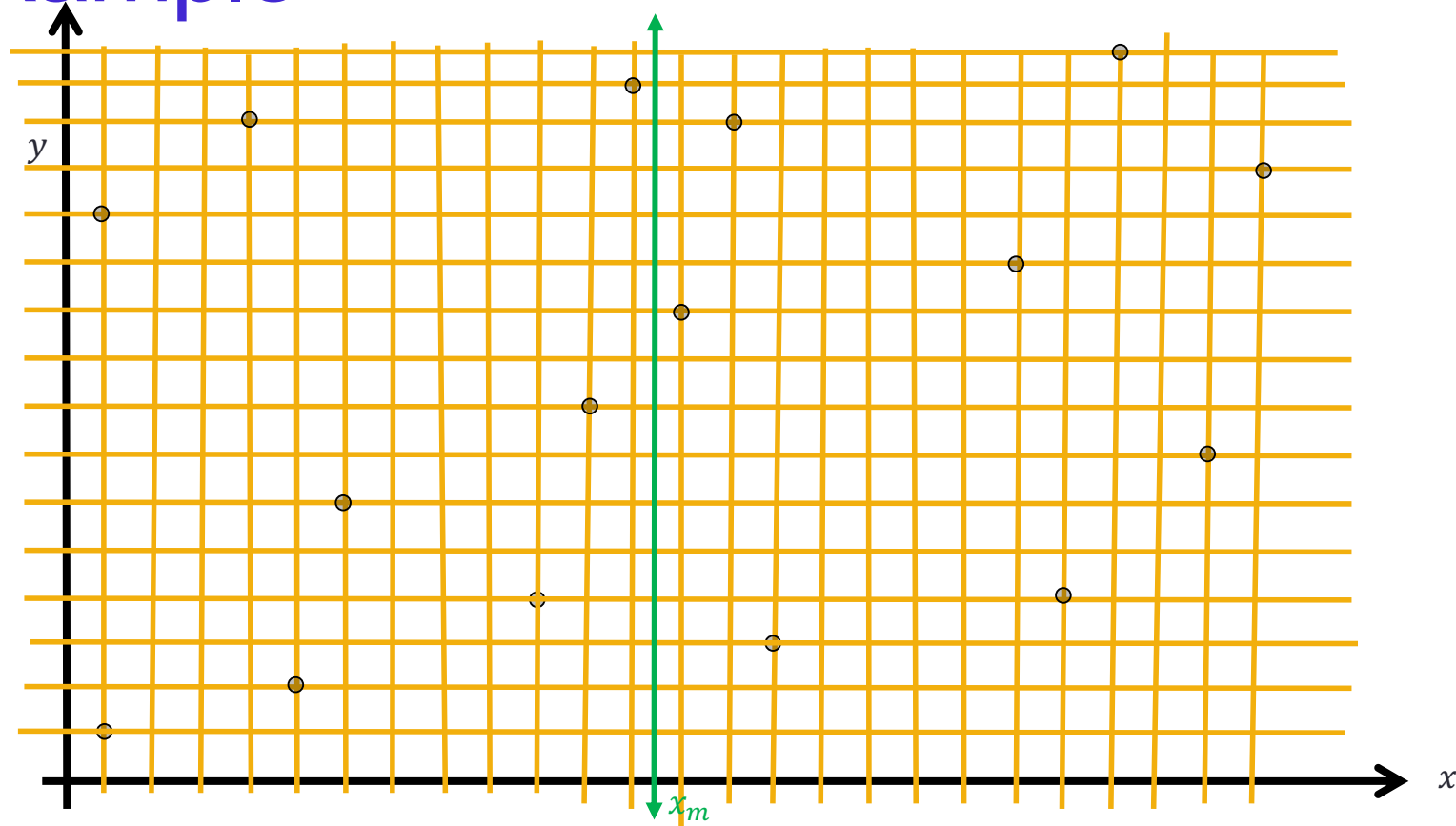
minimum distance

- Given a list of coordinates, $[(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)]$, find the distance between the closest pair.
- Brute force solution?
- $\text{min} = 0$
- for i from 1 to $n-1$:
 - for j from $i+1$ to n :
 - if $\text{min} > \text{distance}((x_i, y_i), (x_j, y_j))$
- return min

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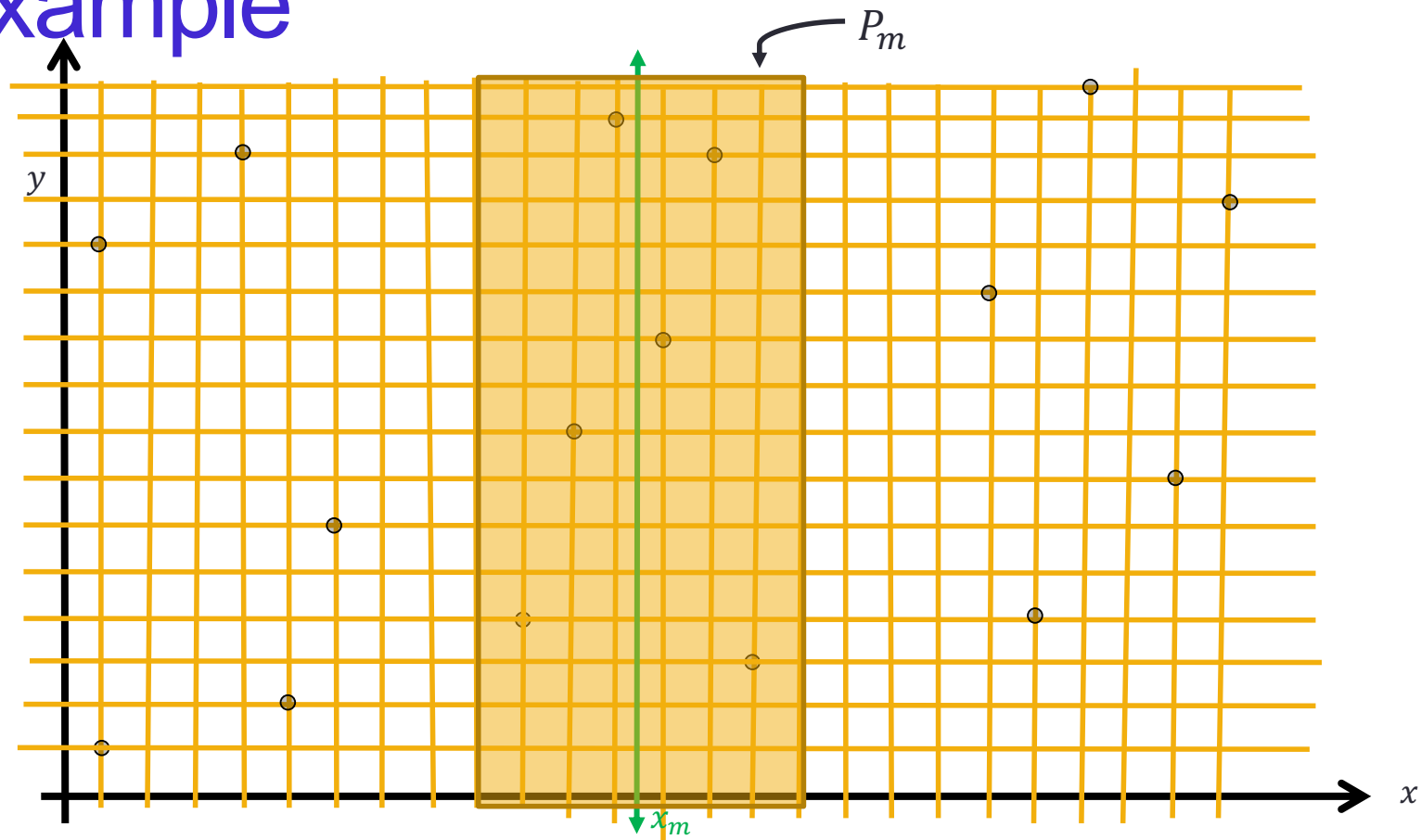
Divide and conquer

- Partition the points by x , according to whether they are to the left or right of the median
- Recursively find the minimum distance points on the two sides.
- Need to compare to the smallest “cross distance” between a point on the left and a point on the right
- Only need to look at “close” points

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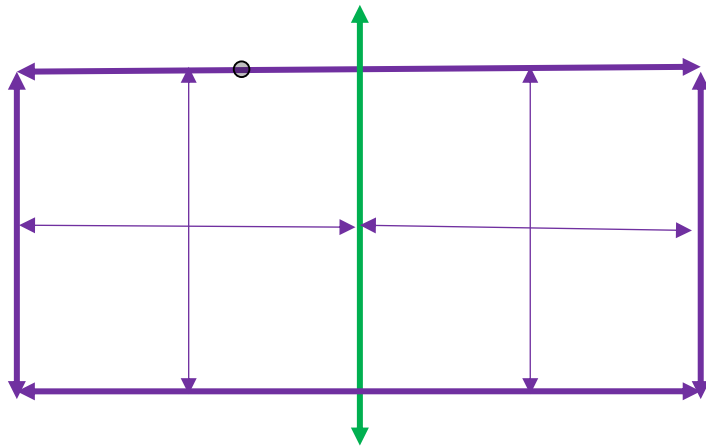


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- Worst case, how many points could this be?

Combine step

- Given a point $(x, y) \in P_m$, let's look in a $2d \times d$ rectangle with that point at its upper boundary:



- There could not be more than 8 points total because if we divide the rectangle into $8 \frac{d}{2} \times \frac{d}{2}$ squares then there can never be more than one point per square.
- Why???

Combine step

- So instead of comparing (x, y) with every other point in P_m we only have to compare it with at most a constant c points lower than it (smaller y)
- To gain quick access to these points, let's sort the points in P_m by y values.
- The points above must be in the c points before our current point in this sorted list
- Now, if there are k vertices in P_m we have to sort the vertices in $O(k \log k)$ time and make at most ck comparisons in $O(k)$ time for a total combine step of $O(k \log k)$.
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- Runtime recursion:

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This is $T(n) = O(n (\log n)^2)$

Pre-processing : Sort by both x and y , keep pointers between sorted lists Maintain sorting in recursive calls reduces to $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + O(n)$, so $T(n)$ is $O(n \log n)$