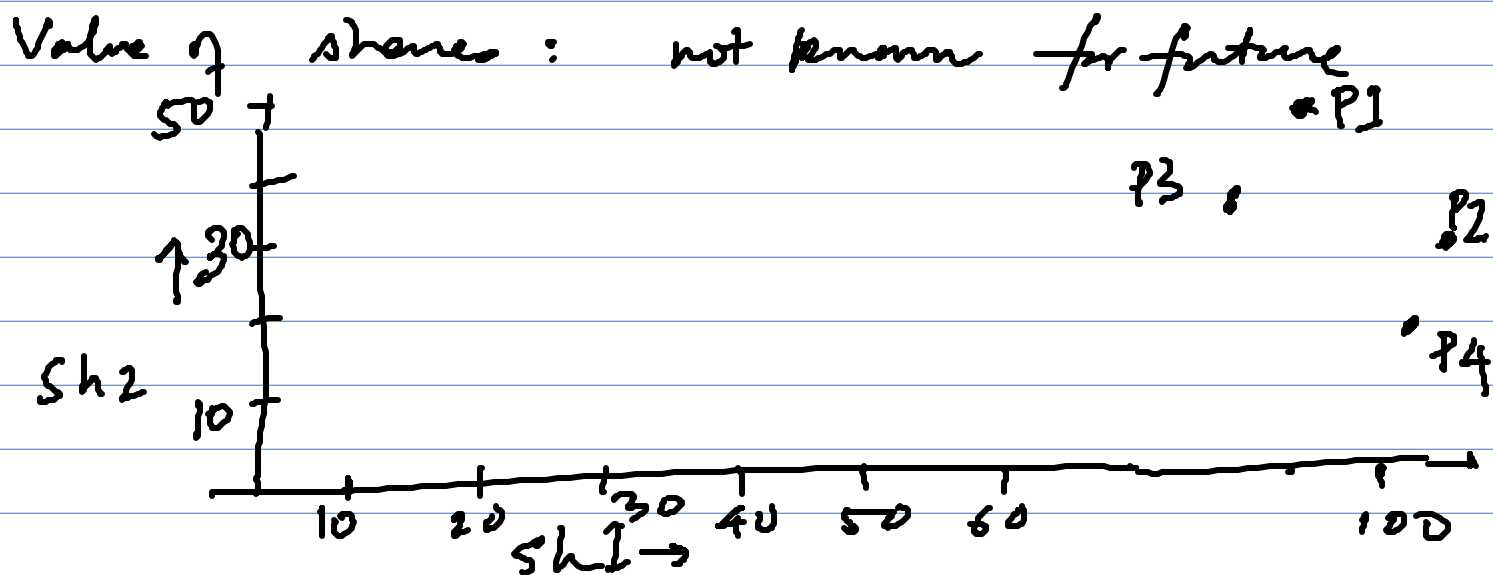


CSL 852 Computational Geometry

Lecture 3

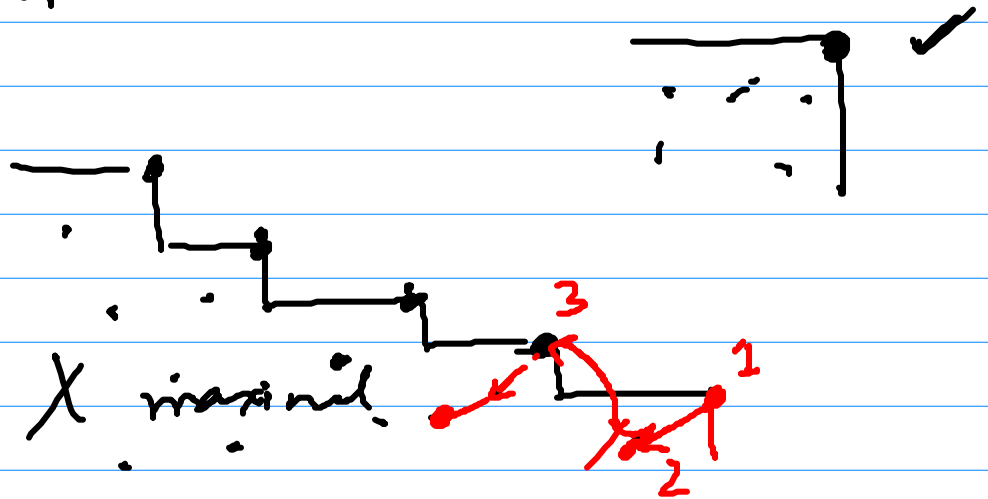
	\checkmark P1	\checkmark P2	P3	P4
Sh1	100	120	90	115
Sh2	50	30	40	20



P_i dominates P_j iff $x_i > x_j$ and $y_i > y_j$

Given a set S of n points in d dimensions we want to identify $S' \subset S$, such that $\forall p \in S'$, there does not exist any point $q \in S$ such that q dominates p . S' is called the maximal points of S .

Problem Find the set of maximal points among a given set S of n points.



1. Sort the points along x axis
2. Starting from the point with the largest x coordinate, we move left (in decreasing values of x) and maintain the value of the largest y coordinate till now, say Y_{max} $O(n \log n)$

If for the current point p
 $y_p < Y_{max}$ then p is not max
 else p is maximal

For each point additional $O(1) \Rightarrow$ total $O(n)$ ($Y_{max} \leftarrow y_p$)

Can we do better?
 Lower bound argument

Idea of $\Omega(n \log n)$ lower bound
for maximal points

Construct an input $(x_i, y_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$

Such that $x_i + y_i = C$.

How many maximal points?

For any pair p_i, p_j

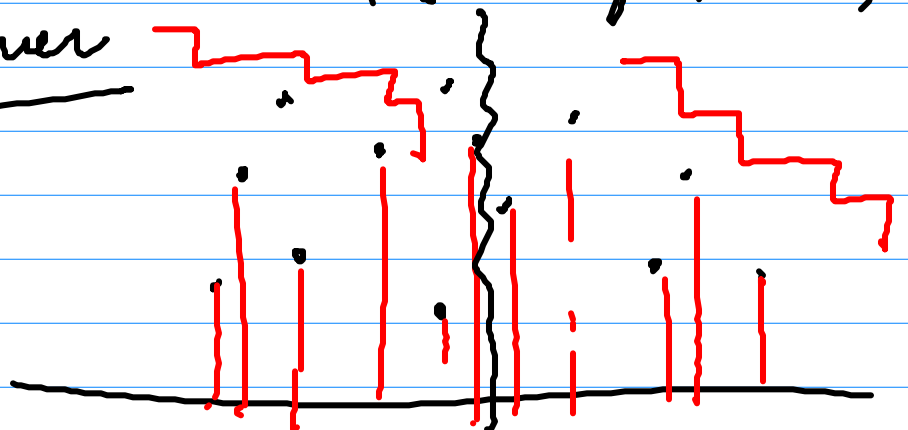
either (i) $x_i > x_j$ and $y_i < y_j$

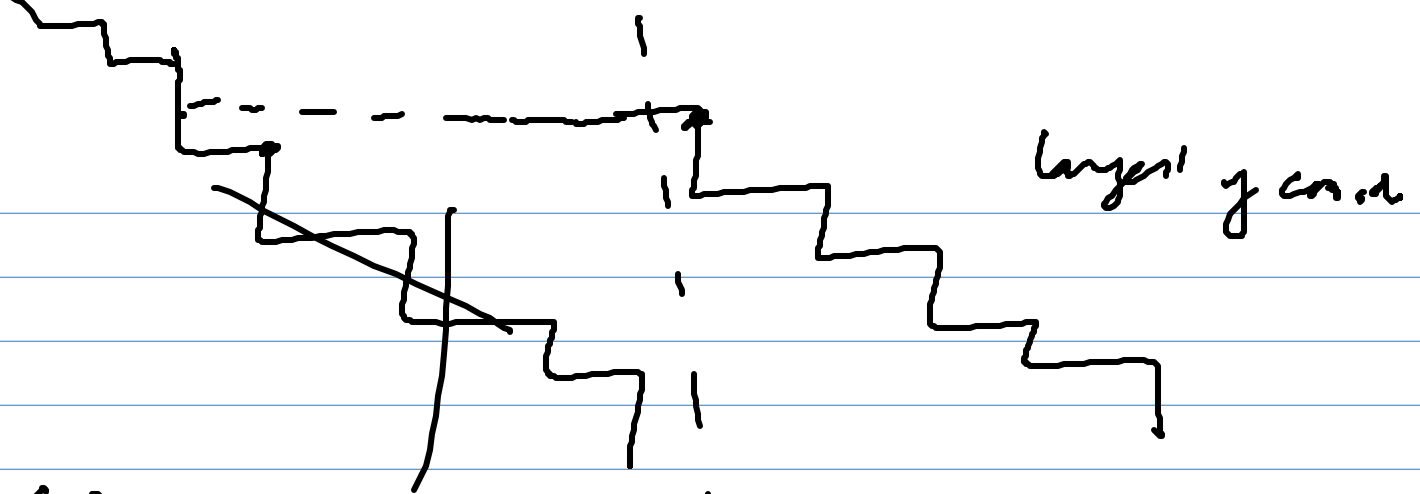
(ii) or $x_i < x_j$ and $y_i > y_j$

At the end of any algorithm for
maximal, there is information
about the comparison between
every pair of points, i.e. we can
sort (without any further comparisons)

So it cannot be faster than sorting,
i.e. the lower bound of sorting applies

Divide and conquer

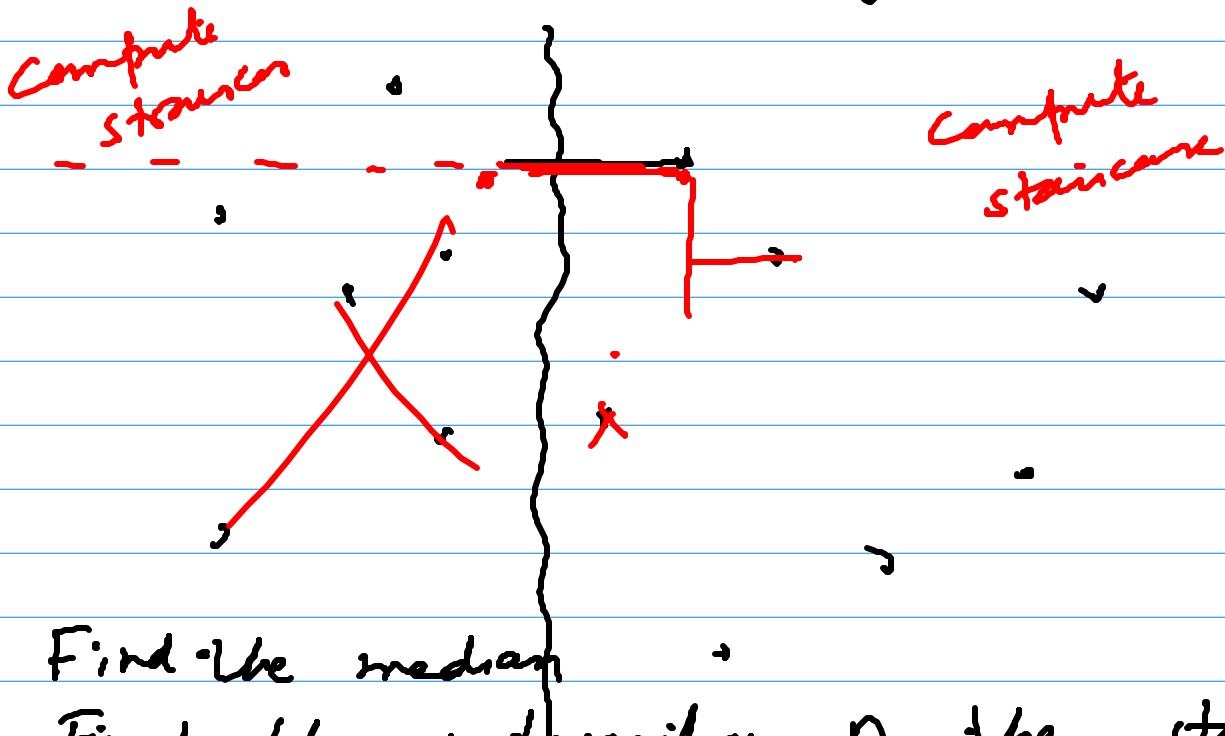




$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n) \quad T(1) = O(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log n) \quad \text{median + merging}$$

- Faster algorithm when there is only one maximal point
- Output size may be crucial



1. Find the median
2. Find the intersection of the staircase with median and eliminate all points below it (and to its left)
3. Compute staircase of left, comp. right staircase

$$T(n) = O(n) + T(n_L) + T(n_R)$$

$$n_L, n_R \leq \frac{n}{2}$$

Suppose h is the size of final output (h is not known)

$$T(n, h) = O(n) + T(n_L, h_L)$$

$$+ T(n_R, h_R)$$

$$n_L, n_R \leq \frac{n}{2}$$

$$h_L + h_R = h - 1$$

time for input
size n and
output size h

$$T(n, h) = O(n \log h)$$

(Can be shown that this is optimal w.r.t input & output sizes)