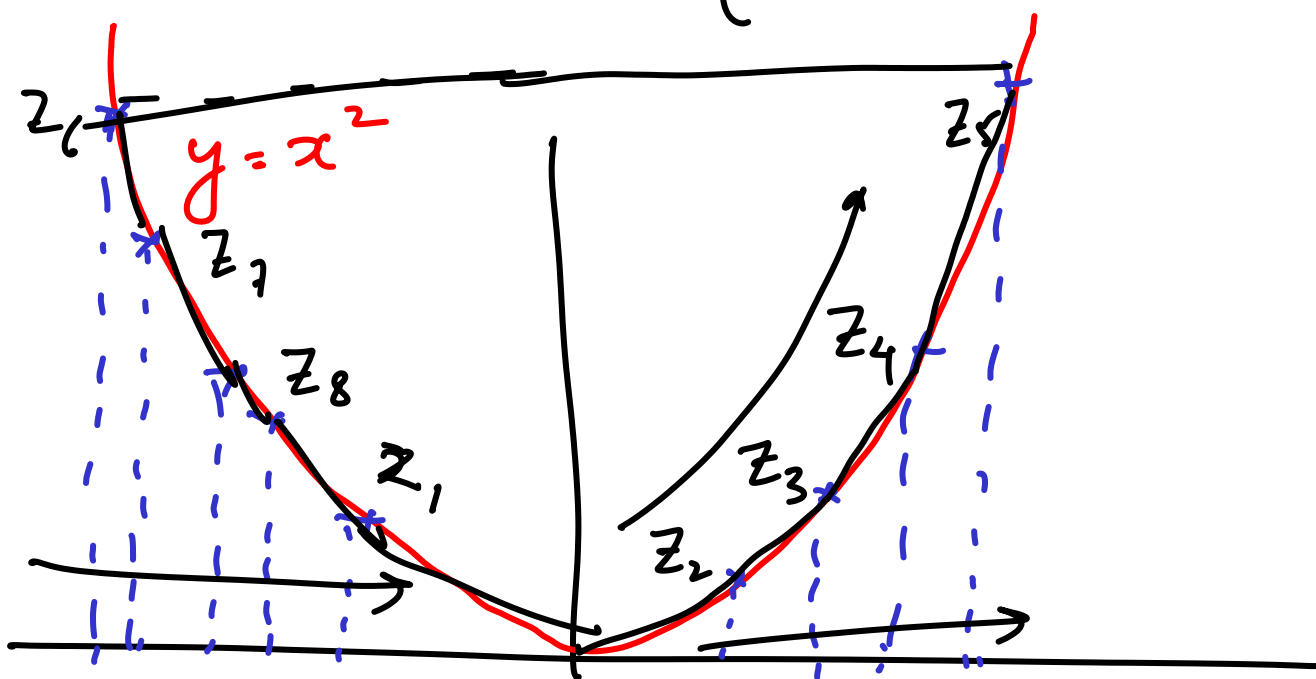


A lower bound for planar convex hull.

Consider an input  $S = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  that we want to sort.

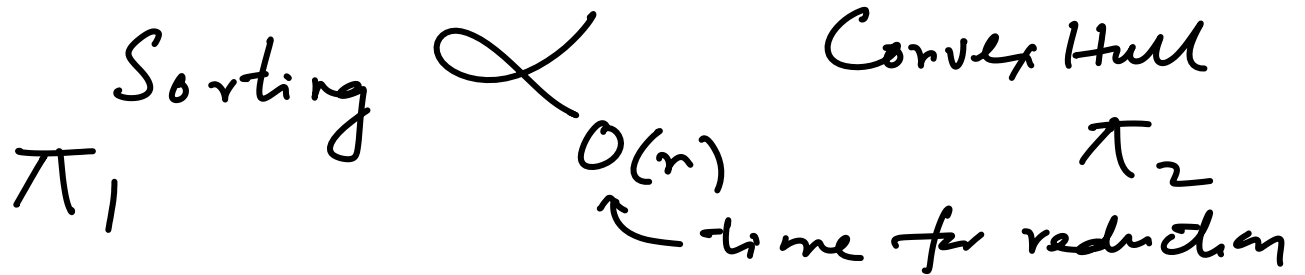
Construct  $S' = \{(x_1, x_1^2), (x_2, x_2^2), \dots, (x_n, x_n^2)\}$



Construct  $CH(S')$ .  $CH(S')$  will contain all points of  $S$  as boundary points.

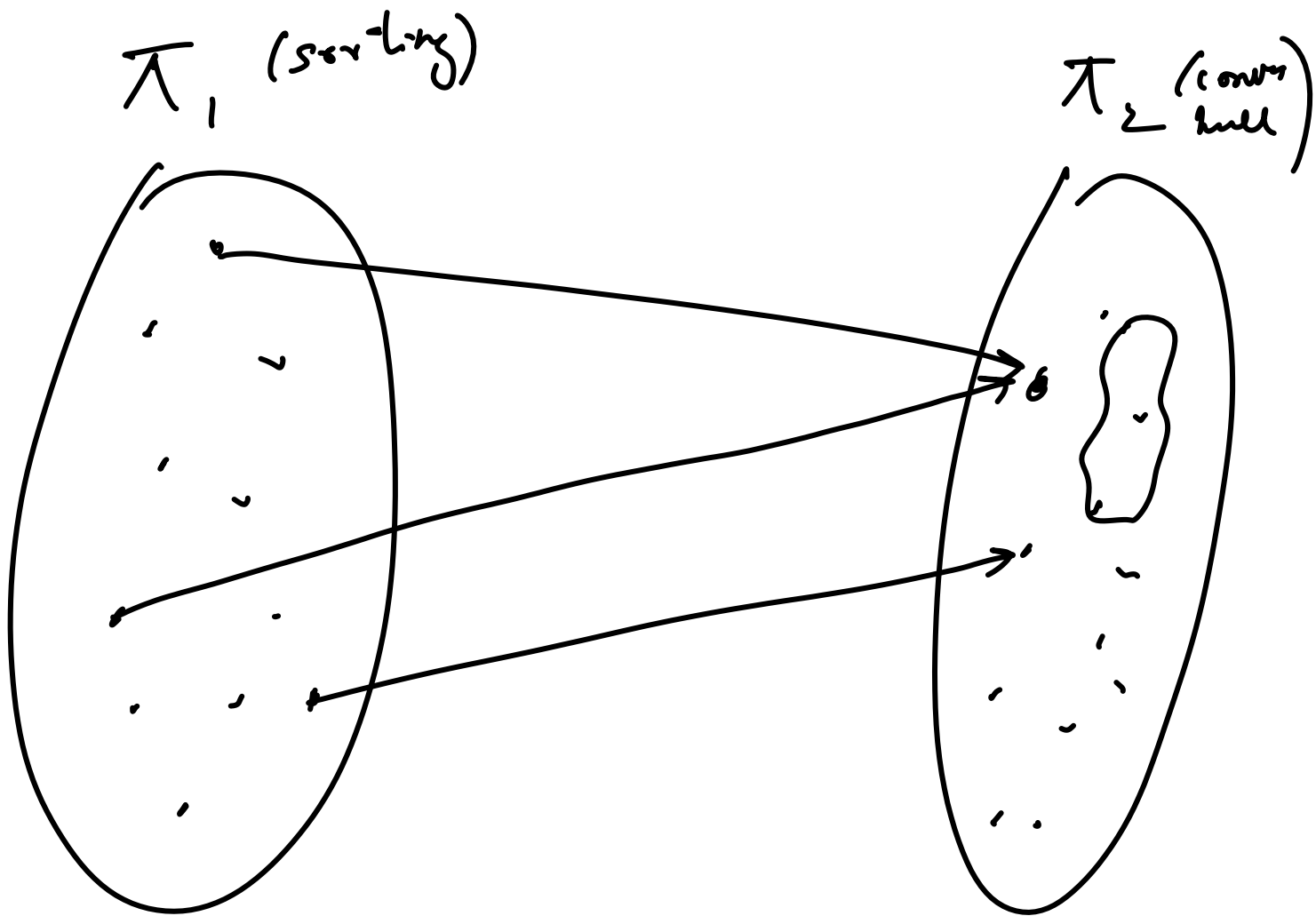
Claim: We can read out the sorted order of  $S$  from  $CH(S')$  in  $O(n)$  time.

We have reduced the problem of sorting  $S$  to  $CH(S')$  in  $O(n)$  time



$\Rightarrow$  The time to construct convex hull is asymptotically as much as sorting.

Reduction involves constructing an instance of  $\pi_2$  given an instance of  $\pi_1$ . Then solve  $\pi_2$  and map the solution of  $\pi_2$  to  $\pi_1$ .



- lower bound of  $\pi_2$  is at least as much as the lower bound of  $\pi_1$
- upper bound of  $\pi_2$  is also an upper bound of  $\pi_1$

Model of computation for Convex hulls require testing polynomials of degree  $\geq 2$

$$x_i^2 - x_i x_j \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0$$

$$\boxed{|x_i - x_j|} \stackrel{?}{\leq} 0 \leftarrow \text{degree 1 comparison}$$

Given a polynomial,

$$P(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

We want to evaluate  $P(x_0)$  for  
some  $x_0$

We need  $O(n)$  multiplications and  
additions

We want to evaluate  $P(x)$  at

$$x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3 \quad \dots \quad x_{n-1}$$

$$(x_i \neq x_j)$$

$\Rightarrow \Omega(n^2)$  algorithm if we  
use the previous method

Can we do better?

An alternate representation of polynomials is the point evaluation given at  $n$  distinct points for degree  $n$  polynomial

so  $\begin{pmatrix} (x_0, P(x_0)) \\ (x_1, P(x_1)) \\ \vdots \\ (x_{n-1}, P(x_{n-1})) \end{pmatrix}$  gives the polynomial  $P(x)$

Evaluation and Interpolations enable us to switch between the representations (Verify - that interpolation using standard formulae takes  $O(n^2)$ -time)

Question : Can we do better?

If we choose  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}$  "carefully" - then we can do it

$$P(x) = \underline{a_0} + a_1 x + \underline{a_2} x^2 + \dots + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

(assume  $n$  is a power of 2)

$$P_E(x) = a_0 + a_2 x + a_4 x^2 + \dots + a_{n-2} x^{\frac{n}{2}-1}$$

(even coefficients)

$$P_O(x) = a_1 + a_3 x + a_5 x^2 + \dots + a_{n-1} x^{\frac{n}{2}-1}$$

Then

$$P(x) = P_E(x^2) + x \cdot P_O(x^2)$$

If  $x_0 = -x_{n/2}$

then

$$P(x_0) = P_E(x_0^2) + x_0 \cdot P_O(x_0^2)$$

$$P(x_{n/2}) = P_E(x_{n/2}^2) + x_{n/2} \cdot P_O(x_{n/2}^2)$$

$$= P_E(x_0^2) - x_0 \cdot P_O(x_0^2)$$

Check

$$x_1 = -x_{n/2+1} \quad x_2 = -x_{n/2+2} \dots$$

$$x_i = -x_{n/2+i}$$

$$x_0 \quad x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \dots \quad x_{n/2} \quad x_{n/2+1} \quad \dots \quad x_{n-1}$$

To evaluate the polynomial  $P(x)$  at  $x_i$  and  $x_{i+n/2}$ ,

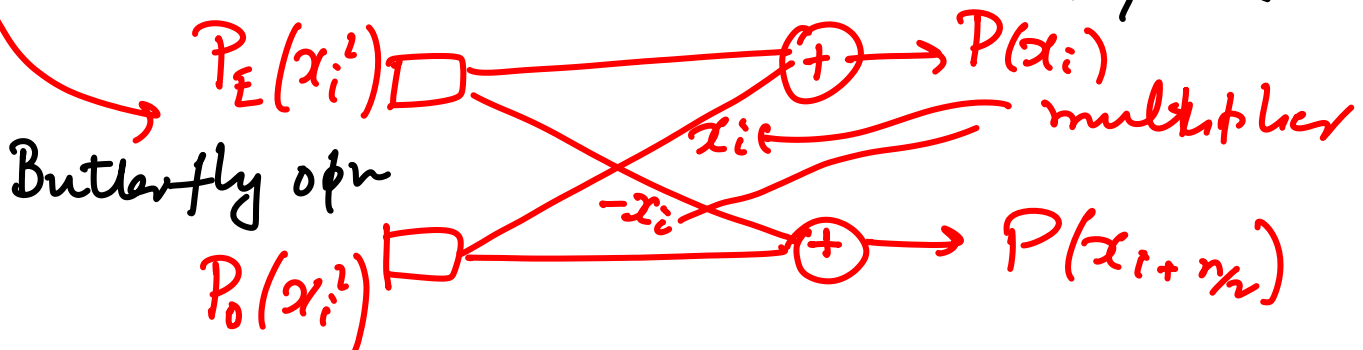
we evaluate the polynomials  $P_0(x_i^2)$  and  $P_E(x_i^2)$

These are  $\frac{n}{2}$ -coefficient polynomials (half the size of  $P(x)$ )

$$P(x_i) = P_E(x_i^2) + x_i \cdot P_0(x_i^2)$$

$$P(x_{i+n/2}) = P_E(x_i^2) - x_i \cdot P_0(x_i^2)$$

with an extra multiplication and two extra additions we have the values of  $P(x_i)$  and  $P(x_{i+n/2})$   $0 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1$



$$P(x) a_0 a_1 a_2 \dots a_{n-1} = P_0(x) a_1 a_3 a_5 \dots$$

$$+ P_E(x) a_0 a_2 a_4 \dots + O(n)$$

↑  
mult by 8  
additions

by choosing  $x_i = -x_{n/2+i}$

$P_0()$  has to be evaluated at  $a_1 a_3 a_5 a_7$   
 $x_0^2, x_1^2, \dots, x_{n/2-1}^2$

We must choose  $x_0^2 = -x_{n/4}^2$   
 $\Rightarrow x_{n/4}/x_0 = \sqrt{-1}$



For the next level of recursion,  
 i.e.  $\frac{n}{4}$  coeff polynomials to be  
 evaluated at  $\frac{n}{4}$  points, we would  
 like to satisfy  $x_0^4 = -1 x_{n/8}^4$

⋮

At the  $j^{\text{th}}$  level of recursion

$$x_0^{2^{j-1}} = -x_{\frac{n}{2^j}}^{2^{j-1}} \quad j=1, 2, \dots, \log_2 n$$

$$x_0^{n/2} = -x_1^{n/2}$$

for  $j = \log_2 n$

$$\left(\frac{x_1}{x_0}\right)^{n/2} = -1 \Rightarrow \frac{x_1}{x_0} = \boxed{(-1)^{\frac{1}{n/2}}}$$

This is  $n^{\text{th}}$  root of unity, say  $\omega$

$$\omega^n = 1 \quad \cdot \quad (\omega)^{n/2} = -1$$

. I./ we choose

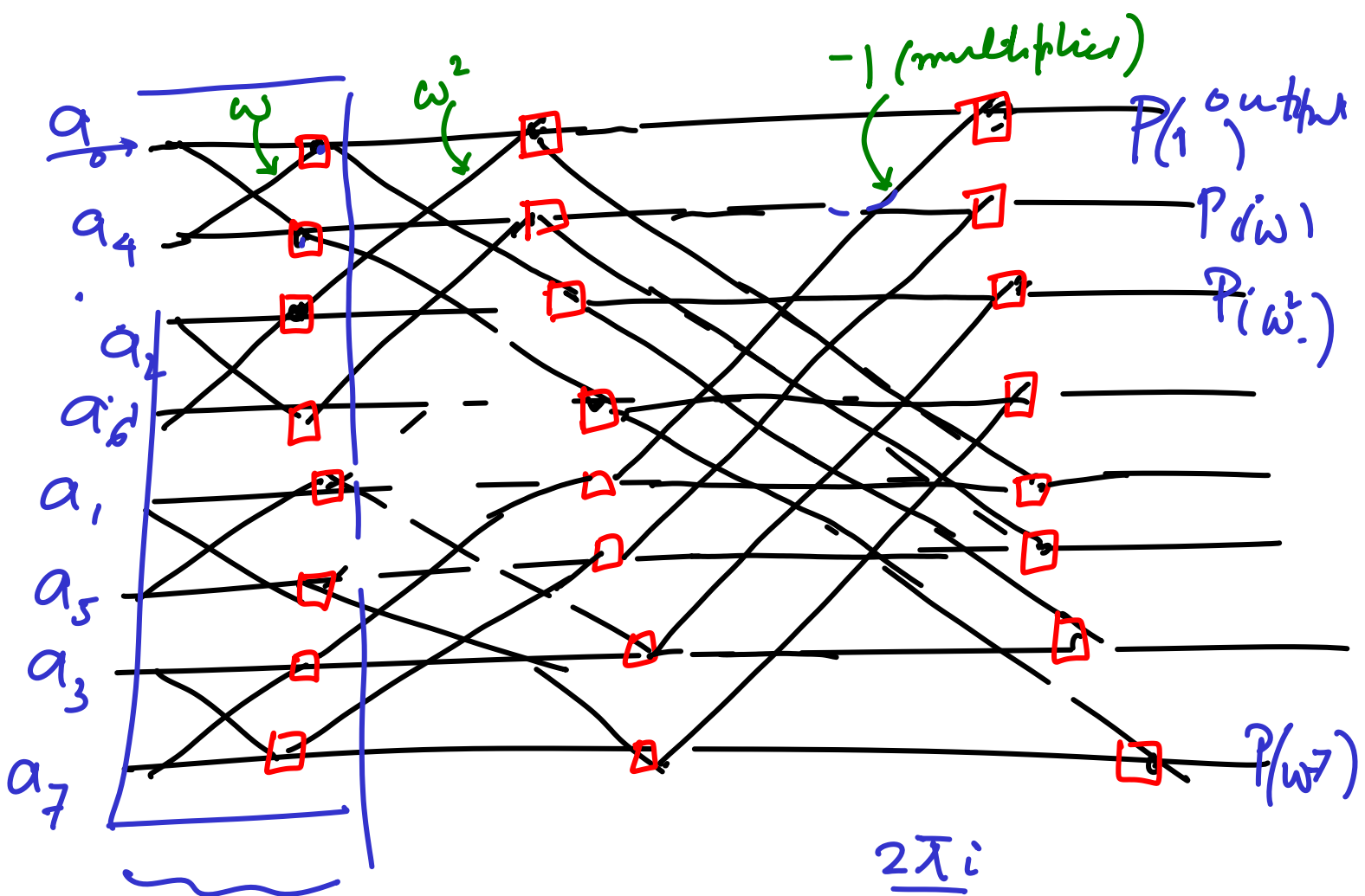
$$x_0 = 1 = \omega^0 \quad x_1 = \omega, \quad \omega_2 = \omega^2 \dots$$
$$x_{n-1} = \omega^{n-1}$$

then the above equations are satisfied

The time to compute a  $n$ -coeff  
polynomial at  $n$  points

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

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log n) \quad \text{multiplications} \\ \text{+ additions}$$



lowest  
level  $n$   
recursion

$$\omega = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n}}$$

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$$\omega^8 = 1$$

Multiply two polynomials

$$P_A(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

$$P_B(x) = b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 + \dots + b_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

$$P_{AB}(x) = P^1(x) \times P^2(x) = a_0 b_0 +$$

$$(a_1 b_0 + b_1 a_0) x$$

convolution  $(a_2 b_0 + a_1 b_1 + b_2 a_0) x^2$

$$\vdots$$
$$(a_k b_0 + a_{k-1} b_1 + a_{k-2} b_2 + \dots + a_0 b_k) x^k$$

Go for the point, value representation  
of  $P_A(x)$  and  $P_B(x)$  in  $2n-1$  points

Multiplication in this representation is  
simple since  $P_A(x_0) \cdot P_B(x_0) = P_{AB}(x_0)$