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# Orthogonal Range Searching <br> Carola Wenk 

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Input: $n$ points in $d$ dimensions

- E.g., representing a database of $n$ records each with $d$ numeric fields

Query: Axis-aligned box (in 2D, a rectangle)

- Report on the points inside the box:
- Are there any points?
- How many are there?
- List the points.



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Goal: Preprocess points into a data structure to support fast queries

- Primary goal: Static data structure
- In 1D, we will also obtain a dynamic data structure supporting insert and delete


## 1D range searching

In 1 D , the query is an interval:


First solution:

- Sort the points and store them in an array
- Solve query by binary search on endpoints.
- Obtain a static structure that can list
$k$ answers in a query in $O(k+\log n)$ time.
Goal: Obtain a dynamic structure that can list $k$ answers in a query in $O(k+\log n)$ time.


## 1D range searching

In 1 D , the query is an interval:


New solution that extends to higher dimensions:

- Balanced binary search tree
- New organization principle: Store points in the leaves of the tree.
- Internal nodes store copies of the leaves to satisfy binary search property:
- Node $x$ stores in $k e y[x]$ the maximum key of any leaf in the left subtree of $x$.


## Example of a 1D range tree


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## Pseudocode, part 1: Find the split node

1D-Range-Query $\left(T,\left[x_{1}, x_{2}\right]\right)$
$w \leftarrow \operatorname{root}[T]$
while $w$ is not a leaf and $\left(x_{2} \leq \operatorname{key}[w]\right.$ or $\left.\operatorname{key}[w]<x_{1}\right)$
do if $x_{2} \leq k e y[w]$
then $w \leftarrow$ left $[w]$
else $w \leftarrow \operatorname{right}[w]$
$/ / w$ is now the split node
[traverse left and right from w and report relevant subtrees]


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## Pseudocode, part 2: Traverse left and right from split node

1D-Range-Query $\left(T,\left[x_{1}, x_{2}\right]\right)$
[find the split node]
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if $w$ is a leaf
then output the leaf $w$ if $x_{1} \leq \operatorname{key}[w] \leq x_{2}$
else $v \leftarrow$ left $[w]$
// Left traversal
while $v$ is not a leaf
do if $x_{1} \leq k e y[v]$
then output the subtree rooted at right $[v]$
$v \leftarrow l e f t[v]$
else $v \leftarrow \operatorname{right}[v]$
output the leaf $v$ if $x_{1} \leq \operatorname{key}[v] \leq x_{2}$ [symmetrically for right traversal]

## Analysis of 1D-RANGE-QUERY

Query time: Answer to range query represented by $\mathrm{O}(\log n)$ subtrees found in $\mathrm{O}(\log n)$ time.
Thus:

- Can test for points in interval in $\mathrm{O}(\log n)$ time.
- Can report all $k$ points in interval in $\mathrm{O}(\mathrm{k}+\log n)$ time.
- Can count points in interval in $\mathrm{O}(\log n)$ time


## Space: $\mathrm{O}(n)$

Preprocessing time: $\mathrm{O}(n \log n)$


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Store a primary 1D range tree for all the points based on $x$-coordinate.
Thus in $\mathrm{O}(\log n)$ time we can find $\mathrm{O}(\log n)$ subtrees representing the points with proper $x$-coordinate. How to restrict to points with proper $y$-coordinate?


## 2D range trees



Idea: In primary 1 D range tree of $x$-coordinate, every node stores a secondary 1D range tree based on $y$-coordinate for all points in the subtree of the node. Recursively search within each.


## 2 D range tree example

Secondary trees


## Analysis of 2D range trees

Query time: $\operatorname{In} \mathrm{O}\left(\log ^{2} \mathrm{n}\right)=\mathrm{O}\left((\log n)^{2}\right)$ time, we can represent answer to range query by $O\left(\log ^{2} n\right)$ subtrees.
Total cost for reporting $k$ points: $\mathrm{O}\left(k+(\log n)^{2}\right)$.
Space: The secondary trees at each level of the primary tree together store a copy of the points. Also, each point is present in each secondary tree along the path from the leaf to the root. Either way, we obtain that the space is $\mathrm{O}(n \log n)$.
Preprocessing time: $\mathrm{O}(n \log n)$

## d-dimensional range trees

Each node of the secondary
$y$-structure stores a tertiary

$z$-structure representing the points in the subtree rooted at the node, etc.

Save one $\log$ factor using fractional cascading
Query time: $\mathrm{O}\left(k+\log ^{d} n\right)$ to report $k$ points. Space: $O\left(n \log ^{d-1} n\right)$
Preprocessing time: $\mathrm{O}\left(n \log ^{d-1} n\right)$

## Search in Subsets

Given: Two sorted arrays $A_{1}$ and $A$, with $A_{1} \subseteq A$ A query interval $[1, r]$
Task: Report all elements $e$ in $A_{1}$ and $A$ with $l \leq e \leq r$ Idea: Add pointers from $A$ to $A_{1}$ : $\rightarrow$ For each $a \in A$ add a pointer to the smallest element $b \in A_{1}$ with $b \geq a$
Query: Find $l \in A$, follow pointer to $A_{1}$. Both in $A$ and $A_{1}$ sequentially output all elements in $[l, r]$.


Runtime: $\mathrm{O}((\log n+k)+(1+k))=\mathrm{O}(\log n+k))$

## Search in Subsets (cont.)

Given: Three sorted arrays $A_{1}, A_{2}$, and $A$, with $A_{1} \subseteq A$ and $A_{2} \subseteq A$


Runtime: $\mathrm{O}((\log n+k)+(1+k)+(1+k))=\mathrm{O}(\log n+k))$
Range trees:


## Fractional Cascading: Layered Range Tree

Replace 2D range tree with a layered range tree, using sorted arrays and pointers instead of the secondary range trees.

Preprocessing:
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Query:

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## d-dimensional range trees

Query time: $\mathrm{O}\left(k+\log ^{d-1} n\right)$ to report $k$ points, uses fractional cascading in the last dimension
Space: $O\left(n \log ^{d-1} n\right)$
Preprocessing time: $\mathrm{O}\left(n \log ^{d-1} n\right)$

Best data structure to date:
Query time: $\mathrm{O}\left(k+\log ^{d-1} n\right)$ to report $k$ points.
Space: $O\left(n(\log n / \log \log n)^{d-1}\right)$
Preprocessing time: $\mathrm{O}\left(n \log ^{d-1} n\right)$

