

Lecture 12: Divide and conquer

- Merge sort
- Quick sort
- Quick select
- Binary search
- Medians of Medians
- Multiplying polynomials of degree 1
- Multiplying large numbers (Karatsuba's algorithm)

Merge (A, B)
 A B - sorted arrays/list
 merge = merge the two lists into a single sorted list.
 $O(|A| + |B|) = O(n)$ $n = |A| + |B|$

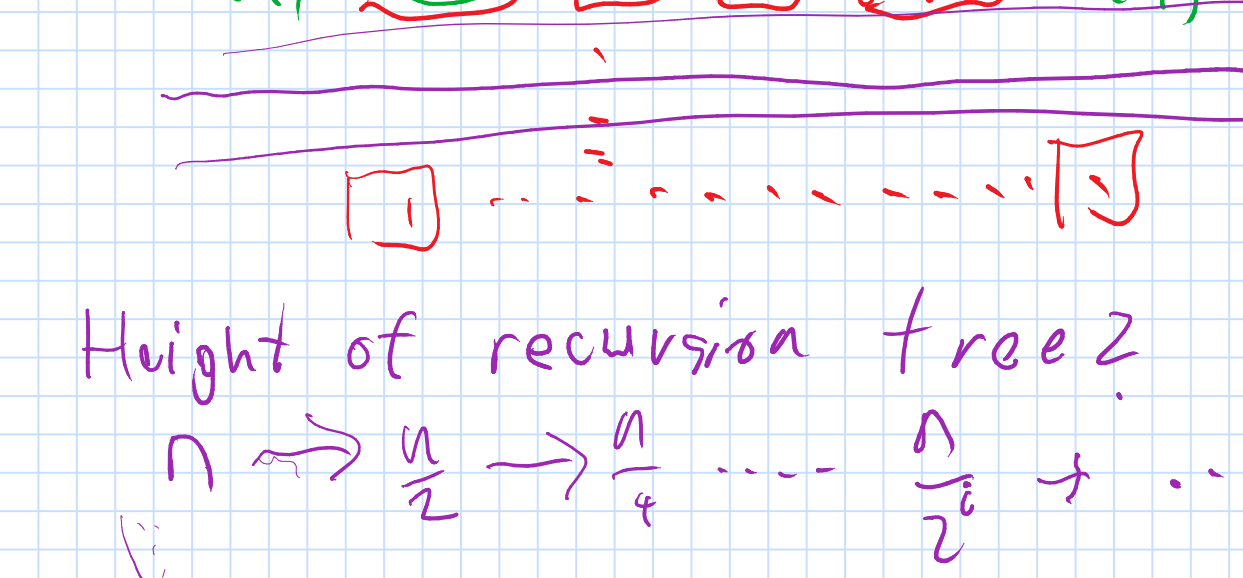
Merge Sort (A[1...n]):
 If $n \leq 1$ then return A
 $A_L \leftarrow \text{MergeSort}(A[1, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor])$
 $A_R \leftarrow \text{MergeSort}(A[\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1, \dots, n])$
 return merge(A_L, A_R)

$$T(n) \leq O(1) + T(\frac{n}{2}) + T(\frac{n}{2}) + O(n)$$

$$T(n) \leq O(n) + T(\frac{n}{2}) + T(\frac{n}{2})$$

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

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



Height of recursion tree?
 $n \rightarrow \frac{n}{2} \rightarrow \frac{n}{4} \dots \frac{n}{2^i} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 1$

$$h = \log_2 n$$

Total RT is $h \cdot O(n) = O(n \log n)$.

$$H(n) = H(\frac{n}{2}) + 1 \quad H(n) = O(\log n)$$

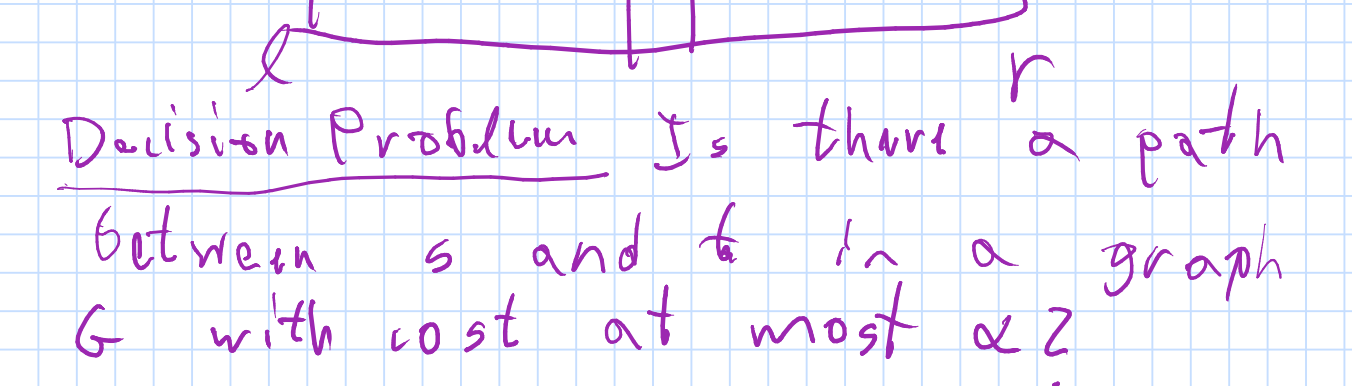
$$B(n) = B(\frac{n}{2}) + O(1)$$

Binary search

A[1...n] sorted array

I: value x

Q: Is x in A?



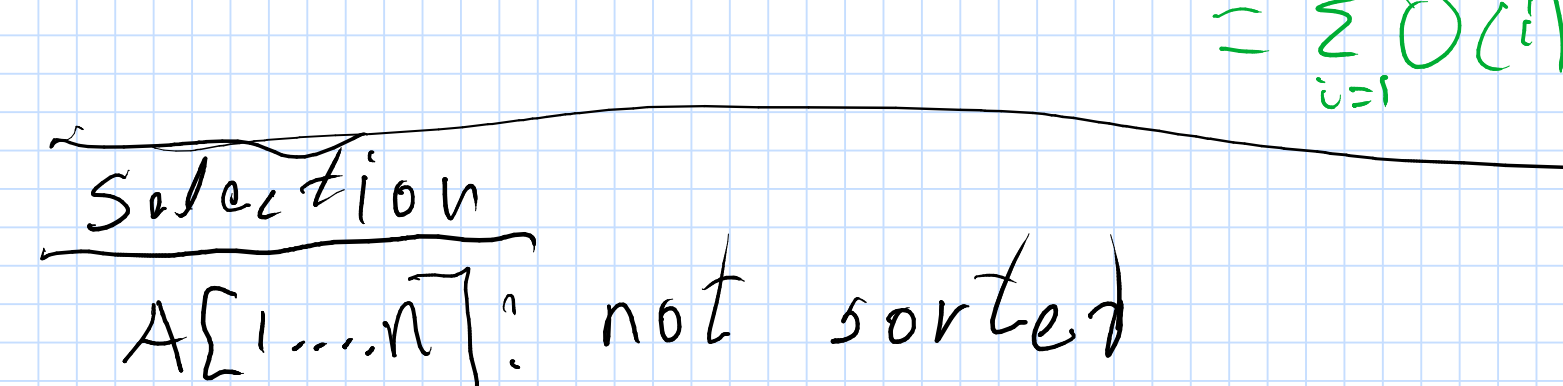
Binary Search (A[i...j], x)
 If $j \leq i$ return false
 $m \leftarrow (i+j)/2$
 if $A[m] = x$ return TRUE
 if $A[m] > x$ then
 return BS(A[i...m-1], x)
 return BS(A[m+1...j], x)

Decision Problem Is there a path between s and t in a graph G with cost at most c?

purple box solving decision problem

Solve search problem?

QuickSort



$$Q(n) = O(n) + T(l) + T(r)$$

optimistic view

$$l = r = \frac{n}{2}$$

$$O(n) = O(n) + Q(\frac{n}{2}) + Q(\frac{n}{2})$$

$$= O(n \log n)$$

Pessimistic view

$$Q(n) = O(n) + Q(0) + Q(n-1)$$

$$= O(n) + Q(n-1)$$

$$= O(n) + O(n-1) + Q(n-2)$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n O(i) = O(n^2)$$

Selection

A[1...n]: not sorted

k: number

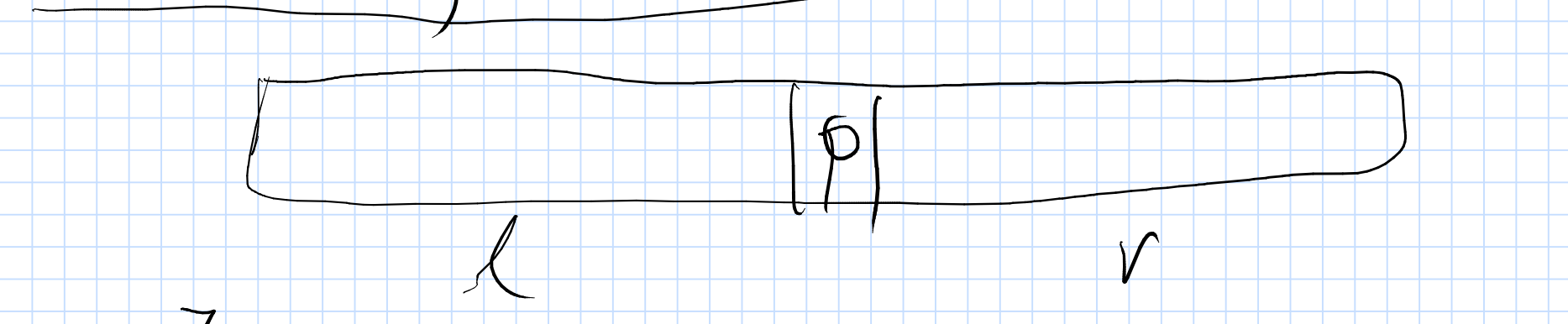
output the element of rank k in A

output kth smallest number in A

sort $\Rightarrow$ output kth entry in sorted array

$$O(n \log n)$$

QuickSelect



If $l < k$ then return p
 If $l \geq k$ then return QuickSelect(A[l...q], k-l-1)
 return QS(A[l+2...n], k-l-1)

$$Q(n) = O(n) + \max(Q(l), Q(r))$$

$$Q(n) = O(n) + \min(Q(l), Q(r))$$

optimistic analysis

$$= O(n) + Q(\frac{n}{2})$$

$$= O(n) + O(\frac{n}{2}) + Q(\frac{n}{4})$$

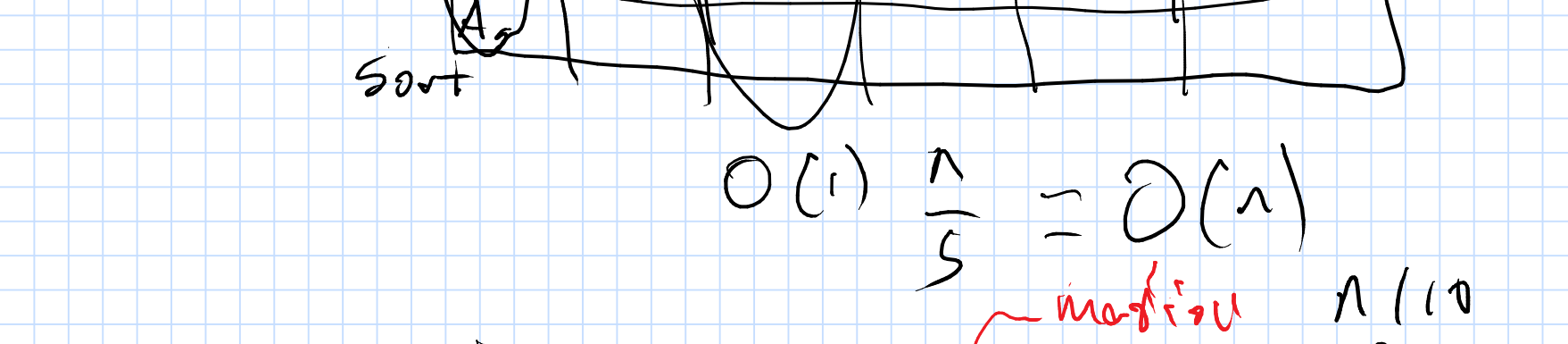
$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} O(\frac{n}{2^i}) = O(n)$$

$$Q(n) = O(n) + \max(Q(l), Q(r))$$

worst case analysis

$$= O(n) + Q(n-1)$$

$$= O(n^2)$$



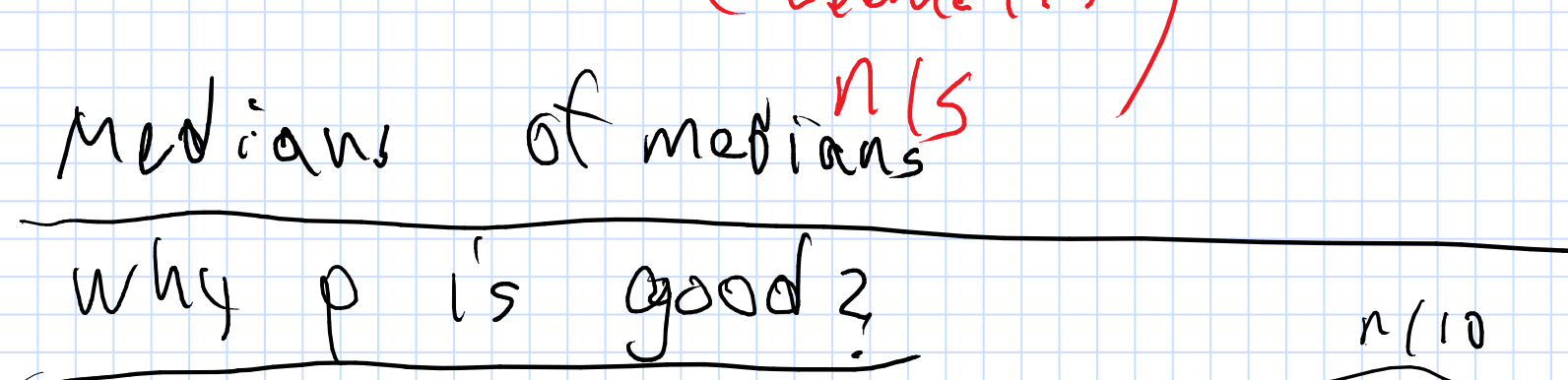
$$Q(n) = O(n) + Q(\frac{7n}{8})$$

$$Q(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} O((\frac{7}{8})^i n)$$

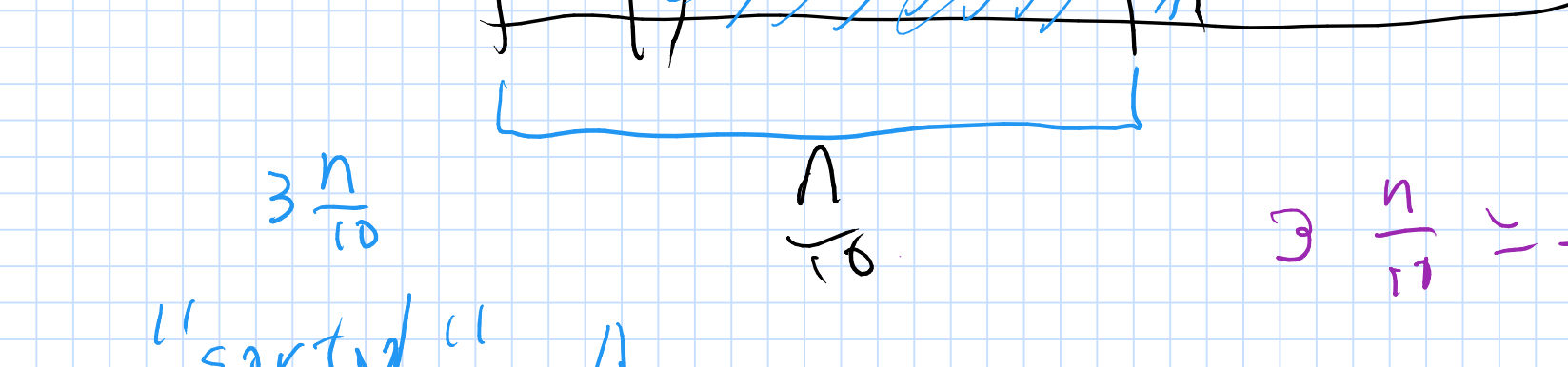
$$= O(n \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\frac{7}{8})^i)$$

$$= O(n \cdot 8) = O(n)$$

Deterministic



$$O(1) \frac{n}{5} = O(n)$$

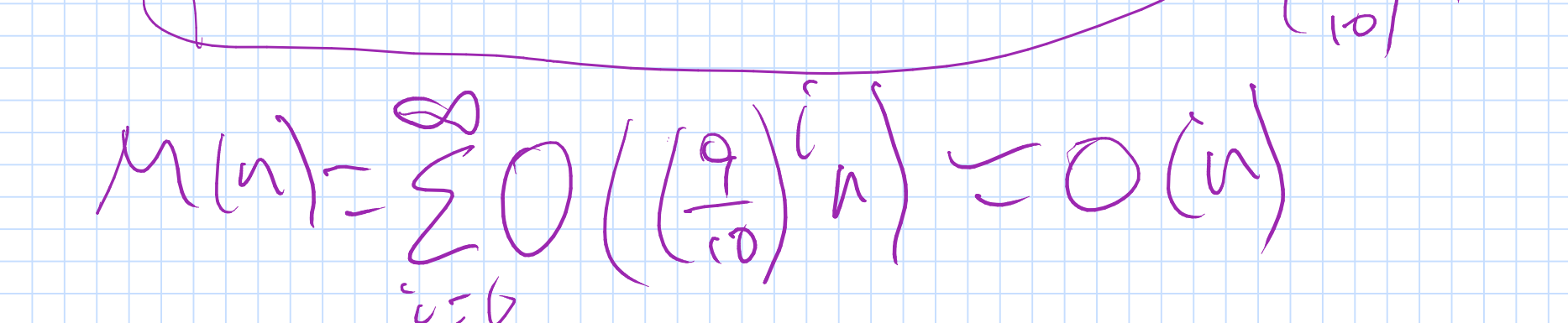


median = element of rank $\lceil \frac{n}{5} \rceil$

$p \leftarrow \text{median}(\text{medians of medians})$

medians of medians

why p is good?



$$\frac{3n}{10}$$

$$\frac{n}{10}$$

$$3 \frac{n}{10} = \frac{3n}{10}$$

$$M(n) = O(n) + M(\frac{n}{5}) + M(\frac{7n}{10})$$

$$M(n) = O(n) + M(\frac{n}{5}) + M(\frac{7n}{10})$$

$$= \frac{9}{10}n$$

$$M(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} O((\frac{9}{10})^i n) = O(n)$$

$$N(n) = O(n) + N(\frac{n}{10}) + N(\frac{9n}{10})$$

$$= O(n \log n)$$

QS(A[1...n], k)

$p \leftarrow A[i]$

$A_L \leftarrow [A < p]$ for $i=1$ to n if $A[i] < p$ then $A_L \leftarrow \text{push}(A[i])$

$A_R \leftarrow [A > p]$

$A \leftarrow A_L \mid p \mid A_R$

If we used 3-tuple instead of 5

$$M(n) = O(n) + M(\frac{n}{3}) + M(\frac{2n}{3}) = O(n \log n)$$

