



First idea:

$$A \cdot B = (2^{n/2} A' + A'') \cdot (2^{n/2} B' + B'')$$

$$= \boxed{2^n A' B' + (A' B'' + A'' B') 2^{n/2} + A'' B''}$$

(3-addition, 2-shifts, 4 Multiplications on  $n/2$  bit numbers)

$O(n)$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = 4 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

["Master" then:  $T(n) = a T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + O(n^d)$ ,  $d < \frac{\log a}{\log b}$ ]

Then  $O(n^{\log_b a})$

$a=4, b=2$

$$\Rightarrow O\left(n^{\log_2 4}\right) = O(n^2)$$

No Progress!

Clever idea:

$$(A' + A'') \cdot (B' + B'') = A' B' + \underbrace{A' B'' + A'' B'} + A'' B''$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{A' B'' + A'' B'} = \underline{(A' + A'') \cdot (B' + B'') - A' B' - A'' B''}$$

(6 addition, 2 shifts, 3 multiplications)

$$\underline{A' B'}, A'' B'', (A' + A'') \cdot (B' + B'')$$

Mult(A, B)

1. if  $n=1$  then constant work
2. Else divide A into  $A', A''$  B  $n/2$  bits each  
 " B "  $B', B''$  " "

- $\frac{n}{2}$  bit  
Mult.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 3. \quad C_1 = \text{Mult}(A', B') \\ 4. \quad C_2 = \text{Mult}(A'', B'') \\ 5. \quad C_3 = \text{Mult}((A' + A''), (B' + B'')) \end{array} \right.$
6. Return:  $C_1 2^n + (C_3 - C_1 - C_2) \cdot 2^{n/2} + C_3$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = 3 T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow O(n^{\log_2 3}) = O(n^{1.59})$$

Significant Progress!

Note: can be improved

$$T(n) = 5 T\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + O(n) \rightarrow O(n^{1.47})$$

$$T(n) = 7 T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + O(n) \rightarrow O(n^{1.41})$$

⋮

$O(n^{1+\epsilon})$  for any constant  $\epsilon > 0$ .  
(Toom-Cook '63)

$\rightarrow O(n \log n \log \log n)$  (Schönhage - Strassen '71)

$O(n \log n \log \log \log \dots \log n)$  (Fürer '07)

$O(n \log n)$  (constant  $\log \log \dots \log n$ ) (ruen)

$O(n \log n)$  (Harvey - Moeren '20)

Is this the best? OPEN!!

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Problem 2: Selection.

Given  $n$  numbers <sup>(unsorted)</sup>  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$

Find  $k^{\text{th}}$  smallest number.

eg. 60, 80, 42, 10, 99, 75, 35, 25

$k=4 \rightarrow 42$

eg.  $k = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$   
Median.

Algo 0: Sort & look up  
 $O(n \log n)$  time

Algo 1: Selectionsort Variant  
 $O(kn)$  time  $\leftarrow$

Algo 2: Heapsort Variant  
 $(\underbrace{n}_{\text{Heap}} + \underbrace{k \log n}_{\text{Selection}})$  if  $k = \frac{n}{2} \Rightarrow O(n)$

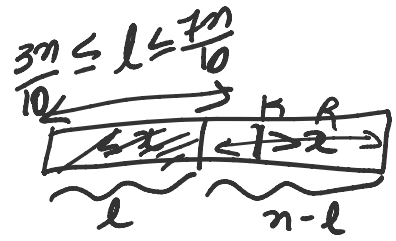
$\underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}$  Heap building  
 $\underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}$  k delete-min

Algo 3: Quicksort Variant.

Select  $(\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}, k)$

1. If  $n=1$  return  $a_1$

2. Pick a pivot  $x$  **How?**



$O(n)$  { 3. Partition into  $L = \{a_i \mid a_i \leq x\}$   $l = |L|$   
 $R = \{a_i \mid a_i > x\}$

4. If  $(l \geq k)$  then return select(L, k)  
 Else return select(R, k-l)

$$T(n) = \max \{ T(l), T(n-l) \} + O(n)$$

Best case:  $l = \frac{n}{2}$

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

$$= O\left(\frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{4} + \frac{n}{8} + \dots + 1\right)$$

$$= O(n)$$

Worst case  $l=1$  OR  $l=(n-1)$

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

$$= O(n + (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 1)$$

$$= O(n^2)$$

Algo by Blum, Floyd, Rivest, Pratt, Tarjan (1973)

**Clever idea:** Pick a good pivot  $x$   
 close to median by  
 taking median of medians of 5s.

Replace line 2 by:

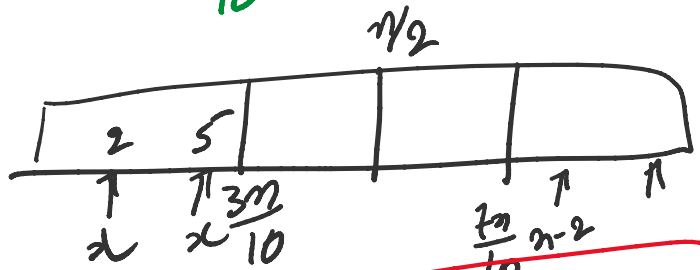
$$\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$$

2.1 Split  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$  into groups  $G_1, \dots, G_{n/5}$   
 each of 5 ele.

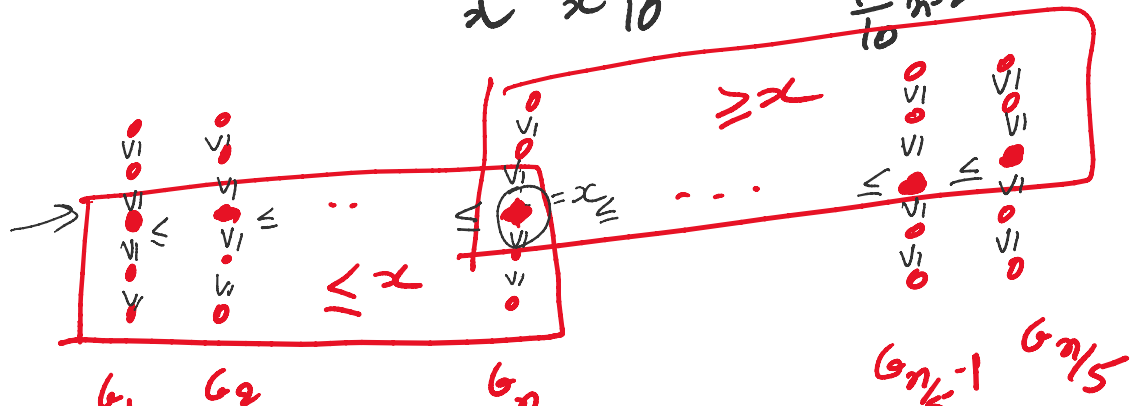
$O(n) \Rightarrow$  2.2 For  $i=1$  to  $n/5$  do  $x_i = \text{median of } G_i$

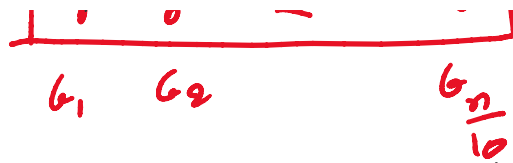
2.3.  $x = \text{select}(\{x_1, \dots, x_{n/5}\}, \frac{n}{10})$

Lemma:  $\frac{3n}{10} \leq l \leq \frac{7n}{10}$



pf:





$\rightarrow$  # groups w/  $X_i \leq x$  is  $\frac{n}{10}$   
 $\rightarrow$  In each group 3 elements  $\leq X_i \leq x$   
 As these  $\frac{n}{10}$

$\rightarrow$  At least  $\frac{3n}{10}$  elements  $\leq x$ .

By symmetric argument  $\frac{3n}{10} \geq x$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\frac{3n}{10} \leq l \leq \frac{7n}{10}$$

$$T(n) = \max \left\{ T(l), T(n-l) \right\} + T\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + O(n)$$

$$= T\left(\frac{7n}{10}\right) + T\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + O(n)$$

(Guess & Verify)

$$= \underline{O(n)}$$

$$\left( \because \frac{7}{10} + \frac{1}{5} < 1 \right)$$