

- The nodes of the kd-tree are identified with a region of space.
- The children of a node N form a partition of the region N .

A Generic Algorithm for Range Searching

Search (T : tree, R : range)

If T is a single node n

{ If $n.\text{point} \in R$, return $n.\text{point}$ *
else return \emptyset . **

}

If $T.\text{left} \subseteq R$, $G = \text{Report}(T.\text{left})$

else if $T.\text{left} \cap R \neq \emptyset$, $G = \text{Search}(T.\text{left}, R)$
else $G = \emptyset$

If $T.\text{right} \subseteq R$, $D = \text{Report}(T.\text{right})$

else if $T.\text{right} \cap R \neq \emptyset$, $D = \text{Search}(T.\text{right}, R)$
else $D = \emptyset$

return $G \cup D$ ***

Note: easy to modify this to do range counting. Report returns # leaves.

* return 1
** return 0
*** return $G+D$

Search still works w/o this code

recursive calls

To Implement:

\subseteq Inclusion

$\cap \neq \emptyset$ Nonempty Intersection

Report

Report (T)

If T is a single node n

Then return $n.\text{point}$

Else

return $\text{Report}(T.\text{left}) \cup$

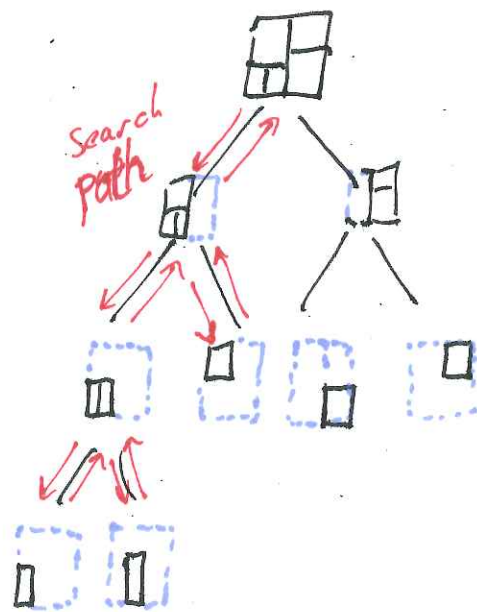
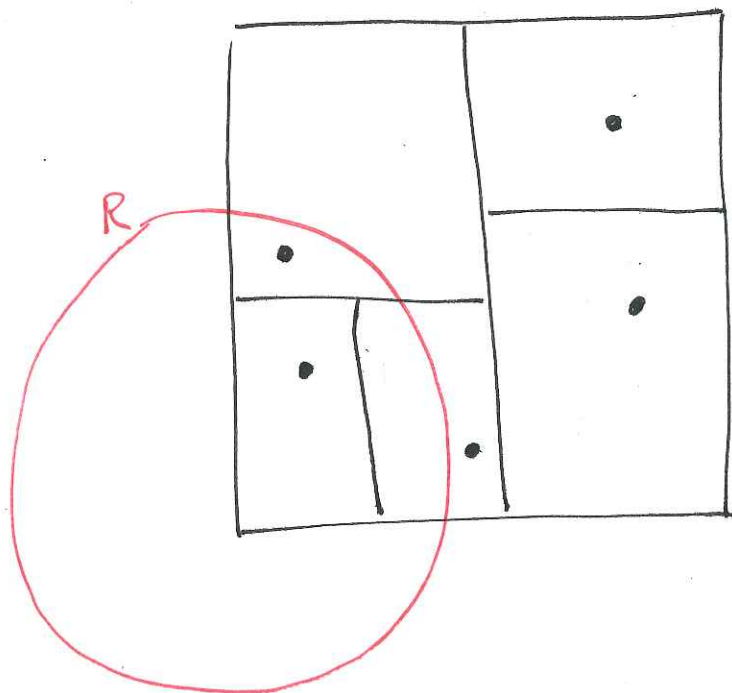
$\text{Report}(T.\text{right})$

The algorithm is generic in two ways:

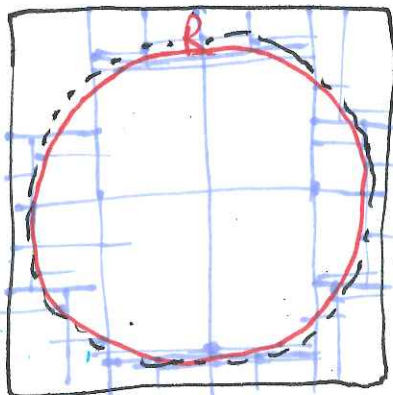
(1) How we partition space.

(2) What kinds of ranges are supported.

Let's look at another popular class of ~~pa~~ ranges: balls (or disks).



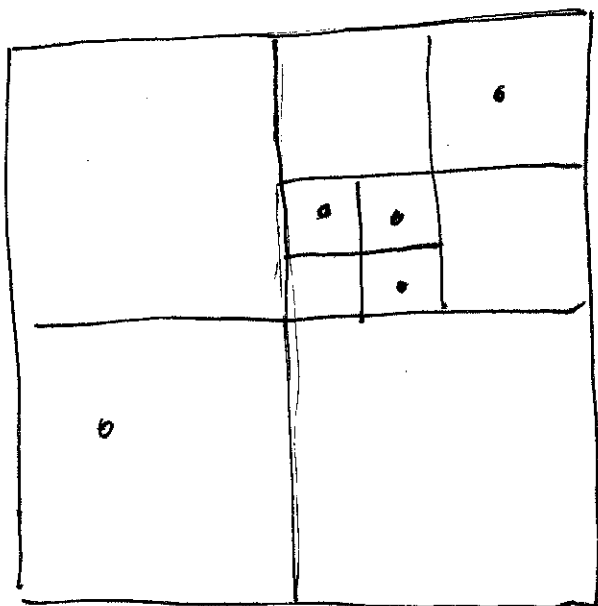
Note: $O(\sqrt{n} + k)$ Analysis for orthogonal ranges does not apply to disks!



R intersects every box but contains no points. Running time $O(n)$.

Another way to partition space: The Quadtree (QT)

Def A Quadtree is a 4-ary tree in which every node is a square and the 4 children of any node decompose it into 4 equal pieces.



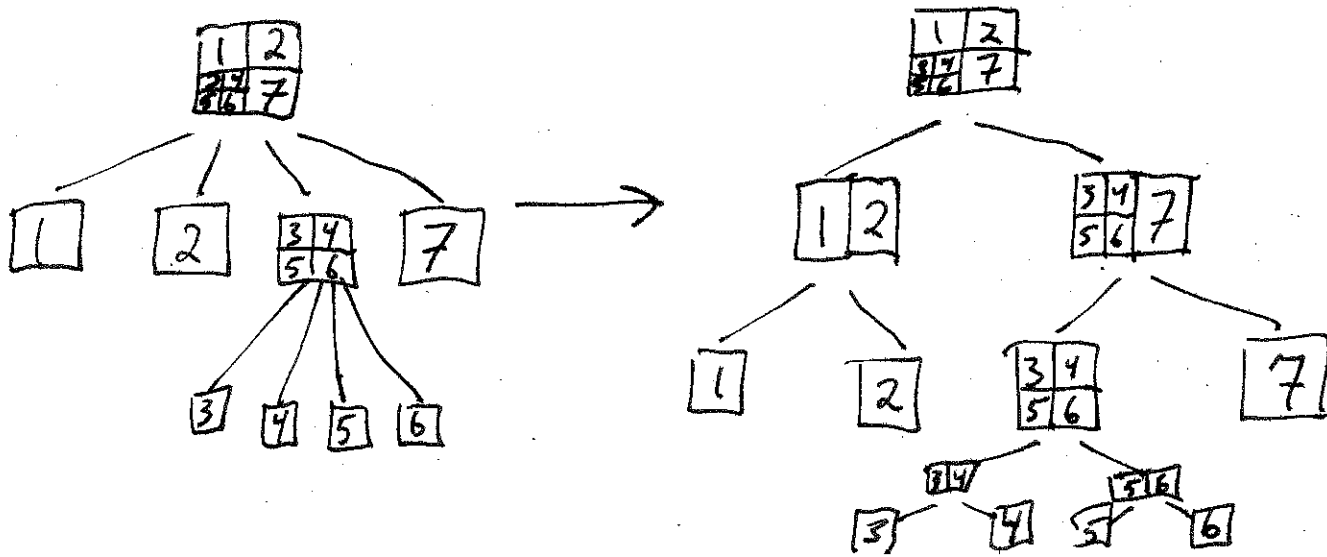
Advantages:

- No need to compute medians
- Cells are square (useful for ANN)

Simple Algorithm:

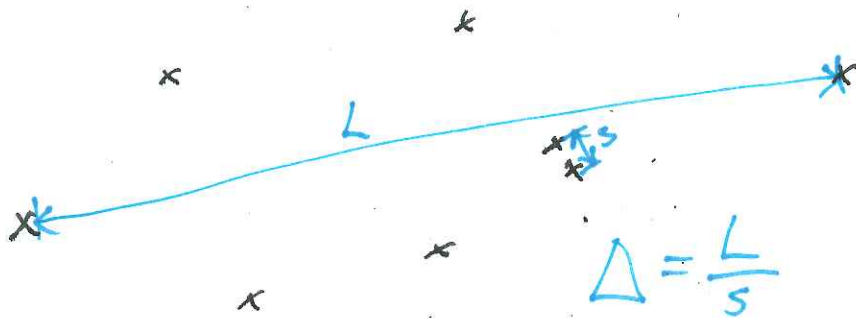
While any square has more than one point, split it.
~~Split the node containing all of the~~
Assume root size \approx diameter(P)

Note: We can treat the QT like its a binary tree.



Def The spread Δ of a point set P is the ratio of the largest to smallest pairwise distances.

example



Claim: The depth of a QT for P is $O(\log \Delta)$.

pf Assuming size ^(i.e. side length) of root is $O(L)$, observe that at each level the size goes down by a factor of 2.

At level i , size is $\frac{O(L)}{2^i}$

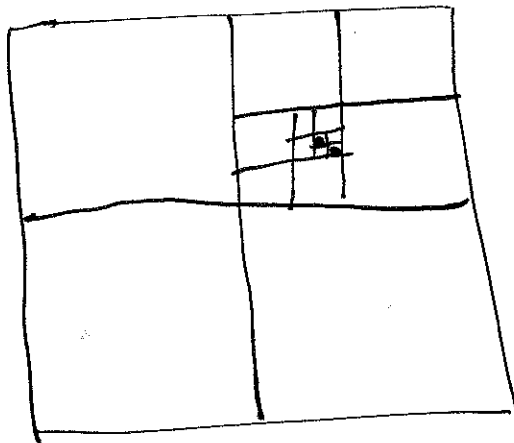
Consider a node whose children have max depth k
Let p, q be two such children.

$$\boxed{! ?} \quad \|p - q\| \leq \frac{\sqrt{2} \cdot O(L)}{2^{k-1}}$$

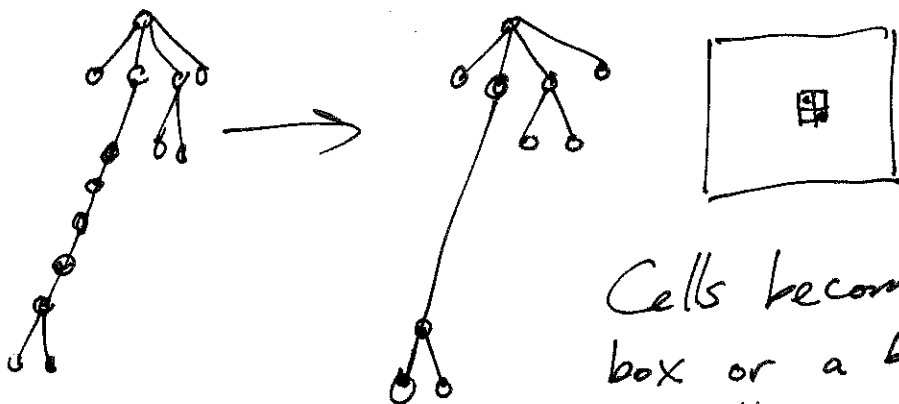
$$\Delta \geq \frac{L}{\|p - q\|} \geq \frac{2^{k-1}}{\sqrt{2} O(L)} \Rightarrow k = O(\log \Delta)$$

Compressed Quadrees

The Bad Case:
many splits for
few points.



The idea: "Compress" paths in the quadtree.



Cells become either a
box or a box with a
smaller box cut out of it.

Claim: The depth of a compressed quadtree is $O(n)$.