Geometric data structures

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- The cost incurred may exceed the actual output size of the 2-d range query.

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- ► The query time can be improved to O(log n + k) using the technique of *fractional cascading*.
- ▶ Given a set S of n points in the plane, we can construct a Kd-tree in O(n log n) time and O(n) space, so that rectangle queries can be executed in O(√n + k) time. Here, the number of points in the query rectangle is k.



Given a 2-d rectangle query [a, b]X[c, d], we can identify subtrees whose leaf nodes are in the range [a, b] along the X-direction.

Only a subset of these leaf nodes lie in the range [c, d] along the Y-direction.





 $T_{assoc(v)}$ is a binary search tree on y-coordinates for points in the leaf nodes of the subtree tooted at v in the tree T.

The point p is duplicated in $T_{assoc(v)}$ for each v on the search path for p in tree T.

The total space requirement is therefore $O(n \log n)$.



We perform 1-d range queries with the y-range [c, d] in each of the subtrees adjacent to the left and right search paths within the x-range [a, b] in the tree T.

Since the search path is $O(\log n)$ in size, and each y-range query requires $O(\log n)$ time, the total cost of searching is $O(\log^2 n)$. The reporting cost is O(k) where k points lie in the query rectangle.

FINDING INTERVALS CONTAINING A VERTICAL QUERY LINE/SEGMENT



Simpler queries ask for reporting all intervals intersecting the vertical line $X = x_{query}$.

More difficult queries ask for reporting all intervals intersecting a vertical segment joining (x'_{query}, y) and (x'_{query}, y') .

CONSTRUCTING THE INTERVAL TREE



The set *M* has intervals intersecting the vertical line $X = x_{mid}$, where x_{mid} is the median of the x-coordinates of the 2*n* endpoints. The root node has intervals *M* sorted in two independent orders (i) by right end points (B-E-A), and (ii) left end points (A-E-B).

Answering queries using an interval tree



The set L and R have at most n endpoints each.

So they have at most $\frac{n}{2}$ intervals each.

Clearly, the cost of (recursively) building the interval tree is $O(n \log n)$.

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The space required is linear.

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For $x_{query} < x_{mid}$, we do not traverse subtree for subset R. For $x'_{query} > x_{mid}$, we do not traverse subtree for subset L. Clearly, the cost of reporting the k intervals is $O(\log n + k)$. REPORTING (PORTIONS OF) ALL RECTILINEAR SEGMENTS INSIDE A QUERY RECTANGLE



For detecting segments with one (or both) ends inside the rectangle, it is sufficient to maintain rectangular range query apparatus for output-sensitive query processing.

REPORTING SEGMENTS WITH NO ENDPOINTS INSIDE THE QUERY RECTANGLE



Report all (horizontal) segments that cut across the query rectangle or include an entire (top/bottom) bounding edge. Use either the right (or left) edge, and the top (or bottom) edge of the query rectangle.

RIGHT EDGES X AND X' OF TWO QUERY RECTANGLES



Use an interval tree of all the horizontal segments and the right bounding edge of the query rectangle like X or X'.

This helps reporting all segments cutting the right edge of the query rectangle.

Use the rectangle query for vertical segment X and find points A, B and C in the rectangle with left edge at minus infinity. For X', report B, C and D, similarly.

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