

## CSCI 5010: Exercise List 13

**Problem 1.** Describe an algorithm to build a kd-tree on  $n$  points in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  in  $O(n \log n)$  time.  
(Hint 1: it is easy to do  $O(n \log^2 n)$  time. For improvement to  $O(n \log n)$ , prepare two sorted lists of the points at the beginning: one on the x-coordinate and the other on the y-coordinate. Then think about how to maintain the two lists incrementally *without* sorting as you build the levels of the tree in a top-down fashion.)  
(Hint 2: the problem is trivial if you know how to find the median in linear time without sorting.)

**Problem 2. (Range Searching on Rectangles).** Let  $S$  be a set of  $n$  axis-parallel rectangles in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Given an axis-parallel rectangle  $q$ , a query reports all the rectangles  $r \in S$  such that  $r \cap q \neq \emptyset$ . Describe a data structure of  $O(n)$  size that answers such a query in  $O(n^{3/4} + k)$  time, where  $k$  is the number of rectangles reported.

**Problem 3.** Same problem as above, but give a structure with space consumption  $O(n \log^3 n)$  and query time  $O(\log^4 n + k)$ .

**Problem 4 (Constrained Top-1 Search).** Let  $S$  be a set of  $n$  points in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . A *constrained top-1 search* query specifies:

- real numbers  $c_1, c_2$ , and
- an axis-parallel rectangle  $q$ .

It returns a point  $(x, y) \in S \cap q$  that maximizes the function  $c_1x + c_2y$ . Describe a data structure of  $O(n \log^2 n)$  space that is able to answer any such query in  $O(\log^3 n)$  time.