



## Lecture 6

Divide and conquer (cont.),  
master theorem, integer  
multiplication, maxima set

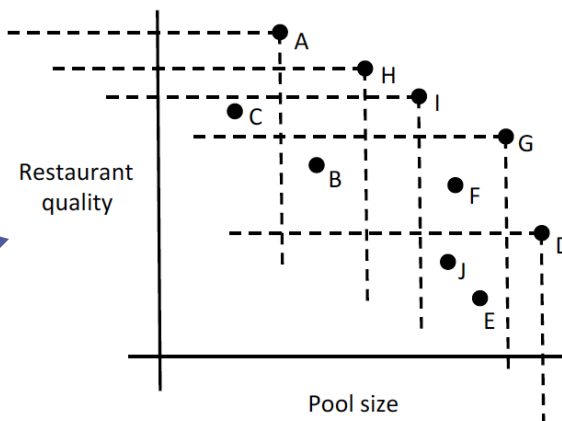
CS 161 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

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# Application: Maxima Sets

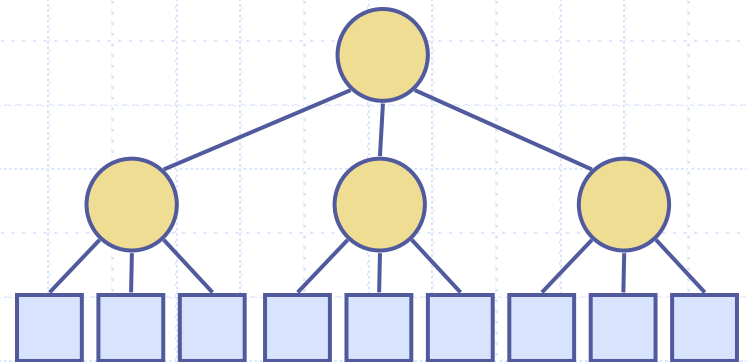
- ◆ We can visualize the various trade-offs for optimizing two-dimensional data, such as points representing hotels according to their pool size and restaurant quality, by plotting each as a two-dimensional point,  $(x, y)$ , where  $x$  is the pool size and  $y$  is the restaurant quality score.
- ◆ We say that such a point is a **maximum point** in a set if there is no other point,  $(x', y')$ , in that set such that  $x \leq x'$  and  $y \leq y'$ .
- ◆ The maximum points are the best potential choices based on these two dimensions and finding all of them is the **maxima set** problem.

We can efficiently find all the maxima points by divide-and-conquer. Here the set is  $\{A, H, I, G, D\}$ .



# Divide-and-Conquer

- ◆ **Divide-and conquer** is a general algorithm design paradigm:
  - **Divide**: divide the input data  $S$  in two or more disjoint subsets  $S_1, S_2, \dots$
  - **Conquer**: solve the subproblems recursively
  - **Combine**: combine the solutions for  $S_1, S_2, \dots$ , into a solution for  $S$
- ◆ The base case for the recursion are subproblems of constant size
- ◆ Analysis can be done using **recurrence equations**



# Merge-Sort Review

- ◆ Merge-sort on an input sequence  $S$  with  $n$  elements consists of three steps:
  - **Divide**: partition  $S$  into two sequences  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  of about  $n/2$  elements each
  - **Conquer**: recursively sort  $S_1$  and  $S_2$
  - **Combine**: merge  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  into a unique sorted sequence

**Algorithm** *mergeSort(S)*

**Input** sequence  $S$  with  $n$  elements

**Output** sequence  $S$  sorted according to  $C$

**if**  $S.size() > 1$

$(S_1, S_2) \leftarrow partition(S, n/2)$

*mergeSort*( $S_1$ )

*mergeSort*( $S_2$ )

$S \leftarrow merge(S_1, S_2)$

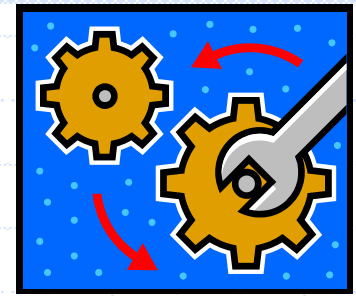
# Recurrence Equation Analysis



- ◆ The conquer step of merge-sort consists of merging two sorted sequences, each with  $n/2$  elements and implemented by means of a doubly linked list, takes at most  $bn$  steps, for some constant  $b$ .
- ◆ Likewise, the basis case ( $n < 2$ ) will take at  $b$  most steps.
- ◆ Therefore, if we let  $T(n)$  denote the running time of merge-sort:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } n < 2 \\ 2T(n/2) + bn & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

- ◆ We can therefore analyze the running time of merge-sort by finding a **closed form solution** to the above equation.
  - That is, a solution that has  $T(n)$  only on the left-hand side.



# Iterative Substitution

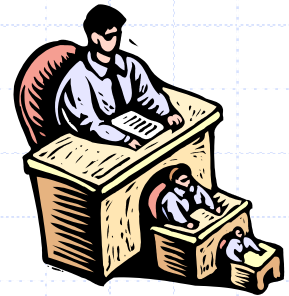
- ◆ In the iterative substitution, or “plug-and-chug,” technique, we iteratively apply the recurrence equation to itself and see if we can find a pattern:

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + bn \\&= 2(2T(n/2^2)) + b(n/2) + bn \\&= 2^2 T(n/2^2) + 2bn \\&= 2^3 T(n/2^3) + 3bn \\&= 2^4 T(n/2^4) + 4bn \\&= \dots \\&= 2^i T(n/2^i) + ibn\end{aligned}$$

- ◆ Note that base,  $T(n)=b$ , case occurs when  $2^i=n$ . That is,  $i = \log n$ .

- ◆ So, 
$$T(n) = bn + bn \log n$$

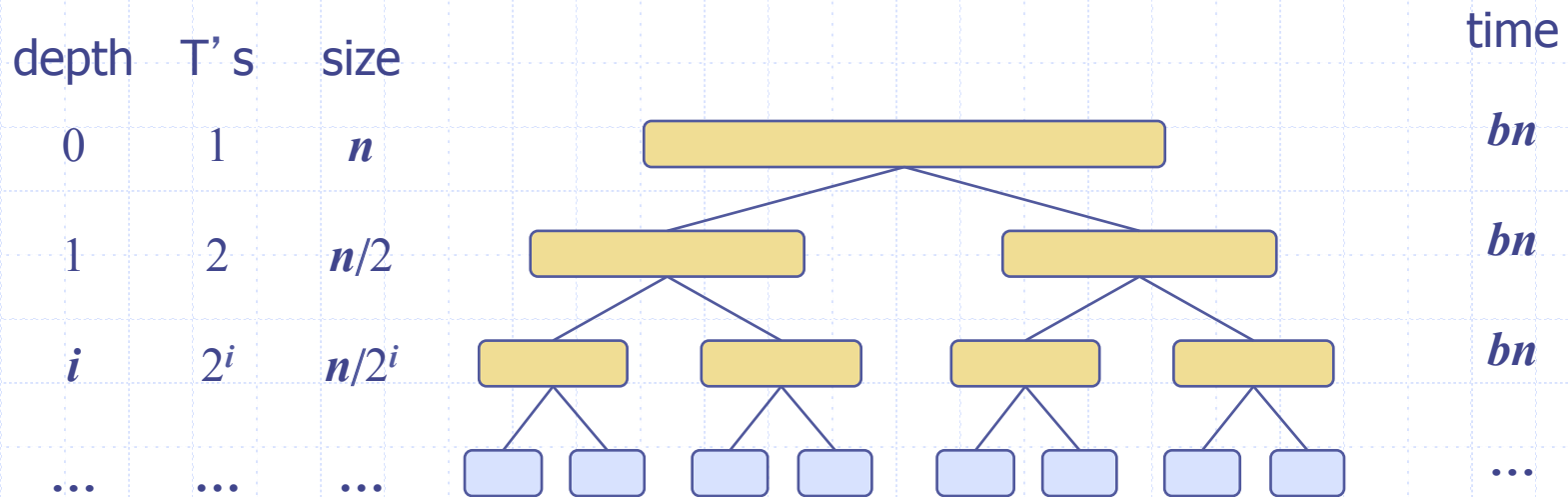
- ◆ Thus,  $T(n)$  is  $O(n \log n)$ .



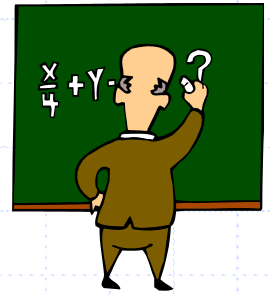
# The Recursion Tree

- ◆ Draw the recursion tree for the recurrence relation and look for a pattern:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } n < 2 \\ 2T(n/2) + bn & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$



Total time =  $bn + bn \log n$   
(last level plus all previous levels)



# Guess-and-Test Method

- ◆ In the guess-and-test method, we guess a closed form solution and then try to prove it is true by induction:

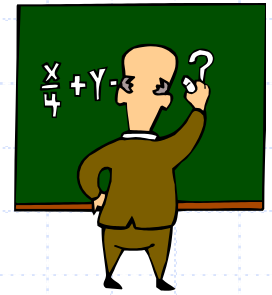
$$T(n) = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } n < 2 \\ 2T(n/2) + bn \log n & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

- ◆ Guess:  $T(n) < cn \log n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + bn \log n \\ &= 2(c(n/2) \log(n/2)) + bn \log n \\ &= cn(\log n - \log 2) + bn \log n \\ &= cn \log n - cn + bn \log n \end{aligned}$$

- ◆ Wrong: we cannot make this last line be less than  $cn \log n$





# Guess-and-Test Method, (cont.)

- ◆ Recall the recurrence equation:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } n < 2 \\ 2T(n/2) + bn \log n & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

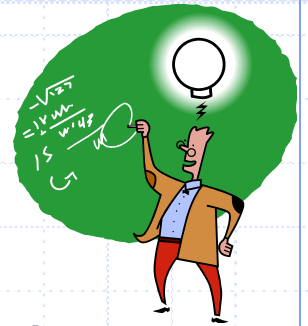
- ◆ Guess #2:  $T(n) < cn \log^2 n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + bn \log n \\ &= 2(c(n/2) \log^2(n/2)) + bn \log n \\ &= cn(\log n - \log 2)^2 + bn \log n \\ &= cn \log^2 n - 2cn \log n + cn + bn \log n \\ &\leq cn \log^2 n \end{aligned}$$

- if  $c > b$ .

- ◆ So,  $T(n)$  is  $O(n \log^2 n)$ .

- ◆ In general, to use this method, you need to have a good guess and you need to be good at induction proofs.



# Master Method

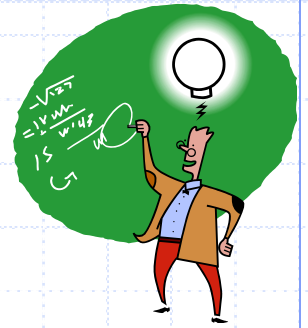
- ◆ Many divide-and-conquer recurrence equations have the form:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n < d \\ aT(n/b) + f(n) & \text{if } n \geq d \end{cases}$$

- ◆ The Master Theorem:

1. if  $f(n)$  is  $O(n^{\log_b a - \varepsilon})$ , then  $T(n)$  is  $\Theta(n^{\log_b a})$
2. if  $f(n)$  is  $\Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^k n)$ , then  $T(n)$  is  $\Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log^{k+1} n)$
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provided  $af(n/b) \leq \delta f(n)$  for some  $\delta < 1$ .

# Master Method, Example 1



◆ The form: 
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◆ The Master Theorem:

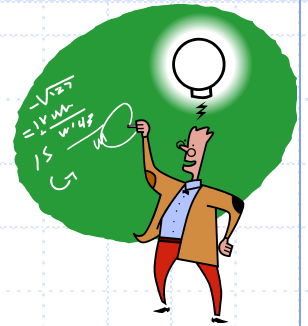
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◆ Example:

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n$$

Solution:  $\log_b a = 2$ , so case 1 says  $T(n)$  is  $O(n^2)$ .

# Master Method, Example 2



◆ The form: 
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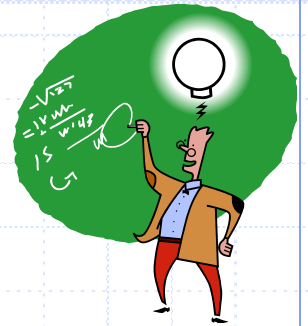
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◆ Example:

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n \log n$$

Solution:  $\log_b a = 1$ , so case 2 says  $T(n)$  is  $O(n \log^2 n)$ .

# Master Method, Example 3



◆ The form: 
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◆ The Master Theorem:

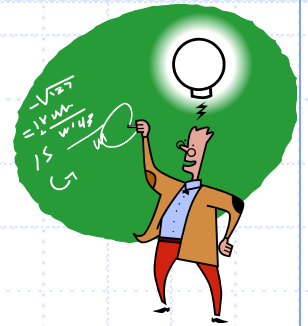
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◆ Example:

$$T(n) = T(n/3) + n \log n$$

Solution:  $\log_b a = 0$ , so case 3 says  $T(n)$  is  $O(n \log n)$ .

# Master Method, Example 4



◆ The form: 
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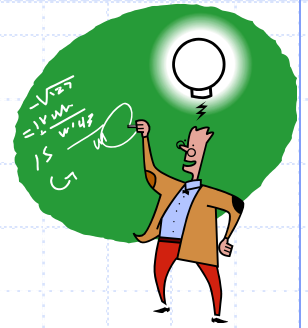
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◆ Example:

$$T(n) = 8T(n/2) + n^2$$

Solution:  $\log_b a = 3$ , so case 1 says  $T(n)$  is  $O(n^3)$ .

# Master Method, Example 5



◆ The form: 
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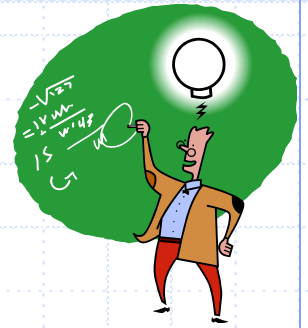
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◆ Example:

$$T(n) = 9T(n/3) + n^3$$

Solution:  $\log_b a = 2$ , so case 3 says  $T(n)$  is  $O(n^3)$ .

# Master Method, Example 6



◆ The form: 
$$T(n) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } n < d \\ aT(n/b) + f(n) & \text{if } n \geq d \end{cases}$$

◆ The Master Theorem:

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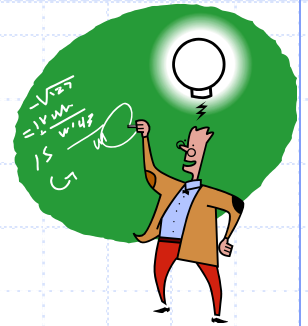
◆ Example:

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + 1 \quad (\text{binary search})$$

Solution:  $\log_b a = 0$ , so case 2 says  $T(n)$  is  $O(\log n)$ .



# Master Method, Example 7



◆ The form: 
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◆ The Master Theorem:

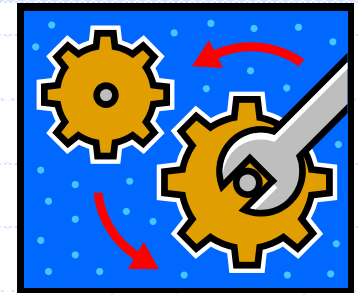
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◆ Example:

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \log n \quad (\text{heap construction})$$

Solution:  $\log_b a = 1$ , so case 1 says  $T(n)$  is  $O(n)$ .

# Sketch of Proof of the Master Theorem



- ◆ Using iterative substitution, let us see if we can find a pattern:

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= aT(n/b) + f(n) \\&= a(aT(n/b^2)) + f(n/b) + bn \\&= a^2T(n/b^2) + af(n/b) + f(n) \\&= a^3T(n/b^3) + a^2f(n/b^2) + af(n/b) + f(n) \\&= \dots \\&= a^{\log_b n}T(1) + \sum_{i=0}^{(\log_b n)-1} a^i f(n/b^i) \\&= n^{\log_b a}T(1) + \sum_{i=0}^{(\log_b n)-1} a^i f(n/b^i)\end{aligned}$$

- ◆ We then distinguish the three cases as
  - The first term is dominant
  - Each part of the summation is equally dominant
  - The summation is a geometric series

# Integer Multiplication

## ◆ Algorithm: Multiply two n-bit integers I and J.

- Divide step: Split I and J into high-order and low-order bits

$$I = I_h 2^{n/2} + I_l$$

$$J = J_h 2^{n/2} + J_l$$

- We can then define  $I * J$  by multiplying the parts and adding:

$$\begin{aligned} I * J &= (I_h 2^{n/2} + I_l) * (J_h 2^{n/2} + J_l) \\ &= I_h J_h 2^n + I_h J_l 2^{n/2} + I_l J_h 2^{n/2} + I_l J_l \end{aligned}$$

- So,  $T(n) = 4T(n/2) + n$ , which implies  $T(n)$  is  $O(n^2)$ .
- But that is no better than the algorithm we learned in grade school.

# An Improved Integer Multiplication Algorithm

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## ◆ Algorithm: Multiply two n-bit integers I and J.

- Divide step: Split I and J into high-order and low-order bits

$$I = I_h 2^{n/2} + I_l$$

$$J = J_h 2^{n/2} + J_l$$

- Observe that there is a different way to multiply parts:

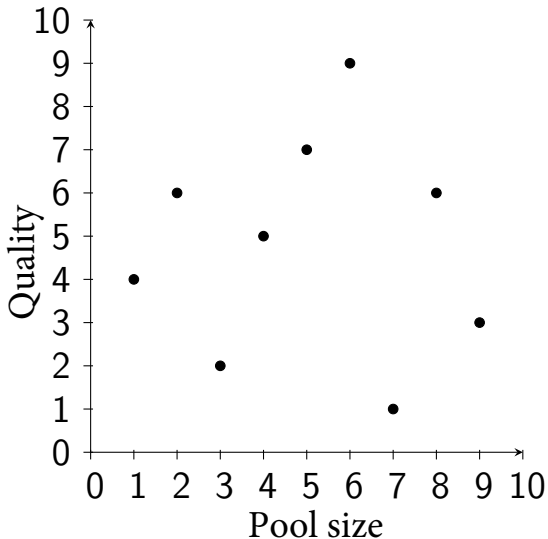
$$\begin{aligned} I * J &= I_h J_h 2^n + [(I_h - I_l)(J_l - J_h) + I_h J_h + I_l J_l] 2^{n/2} + I_l J_l \\ &= I_h J_h 2^n + [(I_h J_l - I_l J_l - I_h J_h + I_l J_h) + I_h J_h + I_l J_l] 2^{n/2} + I_l J_l \\ &= I_h J_h 2^n + (I_h J_l + I_l J_h) 2^{n/2} + I_l J_l \end{aligned}$$

- So,  $T(n) = 3T(n/2) + n$ , which implies  $T(n)$  is  $O(n^{\log_2 3})$ , by the Master Theorem.
- Thus,  $T(n)$  is  $O(n^{1.585})$ .

# Maxima Set Problem Statement

- ▶ We have a database of hotels.
- ▶ Each hotel has:
  - ▶ a pool size ( $x$ -coordinate)
  - ▶ quality of restaurant ( $y$ -coordinate)
  - ▶ Assume all coordinates distinct
- ▶ Want hotel with largest pool and best restaurant  
Might not be a unique hotel.
  - ▶ One might have largest pool, other best restaurant.
  - ▶ Return **the set** that aren't wrong.
    - ▶ Any where no other hotel has both larger pool and better restaurant.

# Maxima Set Example



# Minima Set Brute Force

Sort hotels along any dimension

**for**  $i = 1 \rightarrow n - 1$  **do**

**for**  $j = i + 1 \rightarrow n$  **do**

**if**  $A_i$  has larger pool and better food than  $A_j$

            Remove  $A_j$

**return** All hotels that we did not remove

▶ This is  $O(n^2)$ .

# Beginning Divide and Conquer

MaximaSet( $S$ )

**if**  $n \leq 1$  **then**

**return**  $S$

$p \leftarrow$  median point in  $S$  by  $x$ -coordinate

$L \leftarrow$  points less than  $p$

$G \leftarrow$  points greater than **or equal to**  $p$

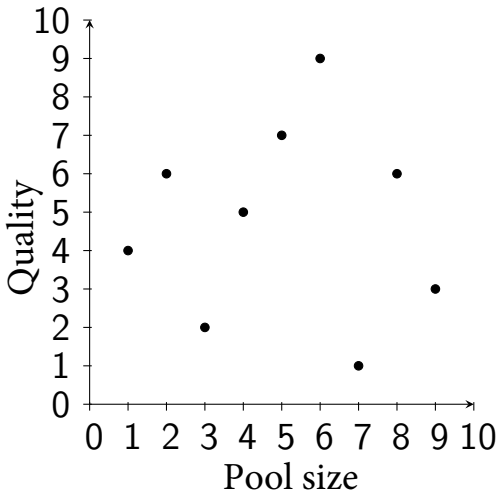
$M_1 \leftarrow$  MaximaSet( $L$ )

$M_2 \leftarrow$  MaximaSet( $G$ )

► **return**  $M_1 \cup M_2?$



# Example revisited



- From  $M_1 \cup M_2$ , which point(s) belong for sure?

## Finding a correct recombine

MaximaSet( $S$ )

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**return**  $S$

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$M_1 \leftarrow$  MaximaSet( $L$ )

$M_2 \leftarrow$  MaximaSet( $G$ )

▶ return  $M_1 \cup M_2$ ?

▶ How do I recombine correctly?

# Improved Recombine

$M_1 \leftarrow \text{MaximaSet}(L)$

$M_2 \leftarrow \text{MaximaSet}(G)$

**for** each  $a \in M_1$  **do**

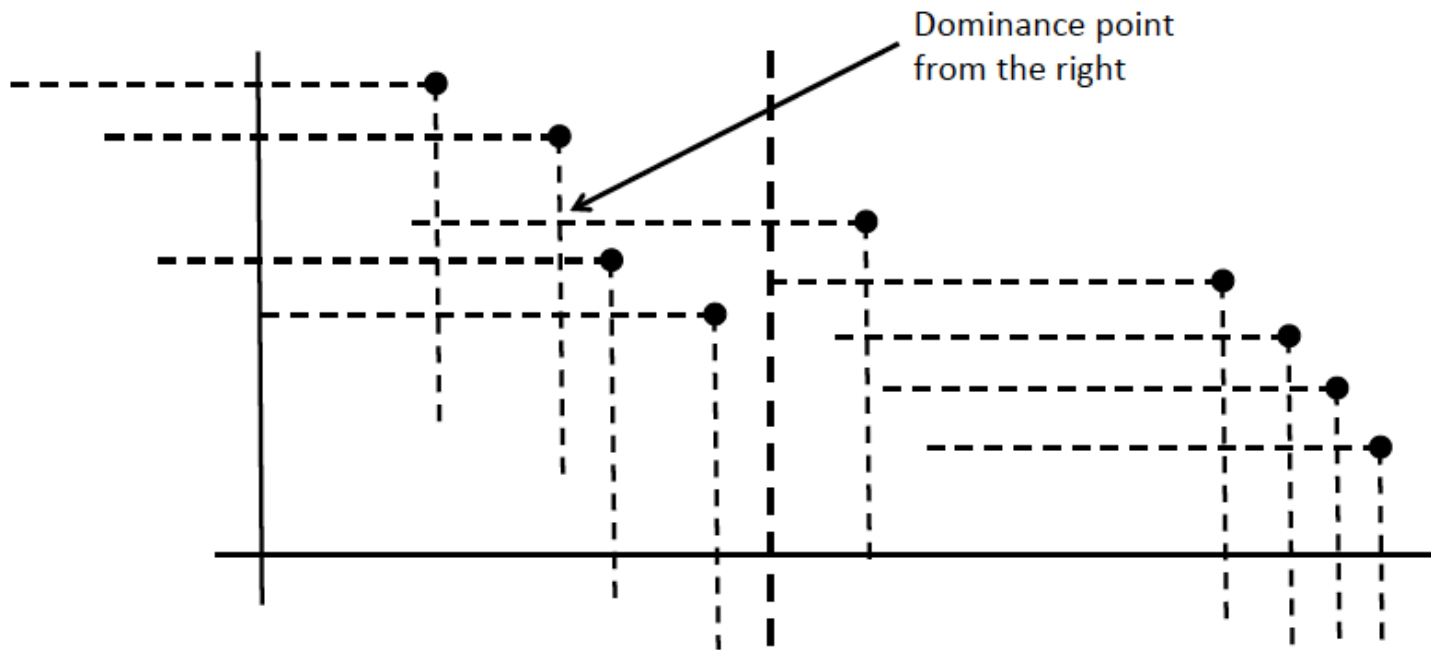
**for** each  $b \in M_2$  **do**

**if**  $a$  better than  $b$  **then**

            remove  $b$  from  $M_2$

- ▶ How can we improve the “recombine” step?
- ▶ What is the resulting running time?

# Example for the Combine Step



# Analysis

- ◆ In either case, the rest of the non-recursive steps can be performed in  $O(n)$  time, so this implies that, ignoring floor and ceiling functions (as allowed by the analysis of Exercise C-11.5), the running time for the divide-and-conquer maxima-set algorithm can be specified as follows (where  $b$  is a constant):

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} b & \text{if } n < 2 \\ 2T(n/2) + bn & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

- ◆ Thus, according to the Master Theorem, this algorithm runs in  $O(n \log n)$  time.