


# CS 4800: Algorithms & Data


Lecture 5

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$$T(n) = a \cdot T(n/b) + f(n)$$

case 1:   $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$   
 $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$

case 2:   $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log n)$   
 $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$

case 3:   $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$   
 $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$   
 and  $c < 1$  s.t.  $c \cdot f(n) > a f\left(\frac{n}{b}\right)$

1.  $T(n) = 8T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n^2)$
2.  $T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n)$
3.  $T(n) = T\left(\frac{7n}{9}\right) + 15$
4.  $T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n^3)$

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2.  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_2 3})$
3.  $T(n) = \Theta(\log n)$
4.  $T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$



$$T(n) = 2T(\sqrt{n}) + \log n$$

- $m = \log n$
- $F(m) = T(n)$
- $F(m) = 2F\left(\frac{m}{2}\right) + m$
- $F(m) = \Theta(m \log m)$
- $T(n) = F(m) = \Theta(m \log m) = \Theta(\log n \log \log n)$

Median

Problem: given a list of  $n$  elements, find the element of rank  $n/2$  (half are larger, half are smaller)  
can generalize to  $i$

first solution: sort and pluck.

$$\Theta(n \log n)$$

Problem: given a list of  $n$  elements, find the element of rank  $i$ .

**key insight:**

Only need partial ordering



- Pick an element  $p$
- Partition the list using  $p$  as pivot
- Recurse on the side containing  $i^{\text{th}}$  element



# Partition a list



GOAL: start with THIS LIST and END with THAT LIST

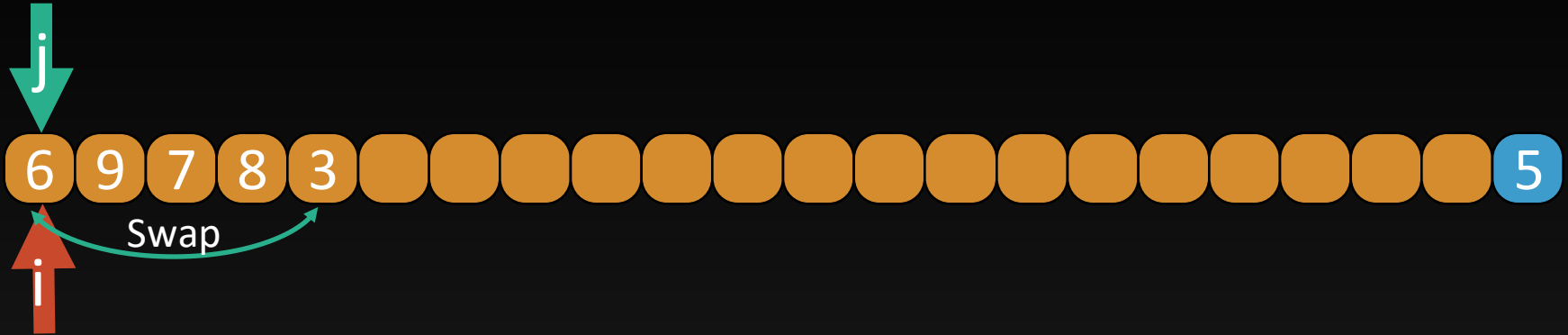


less than



greater than

# Partition a list



- $i \leftarrow l$  //  $A[l..i-1]$  will be the elements  $< p$
- For  $j \leftarrow l$  to  $r - 1$ 
  - If  $A[j] < p$  then
    - Swap  $A[i]$  and  $A[j]$
    - $i \leftarrow i + 1$
- Swap  $A[i]$  and  $A[r]$

# Select algorithm



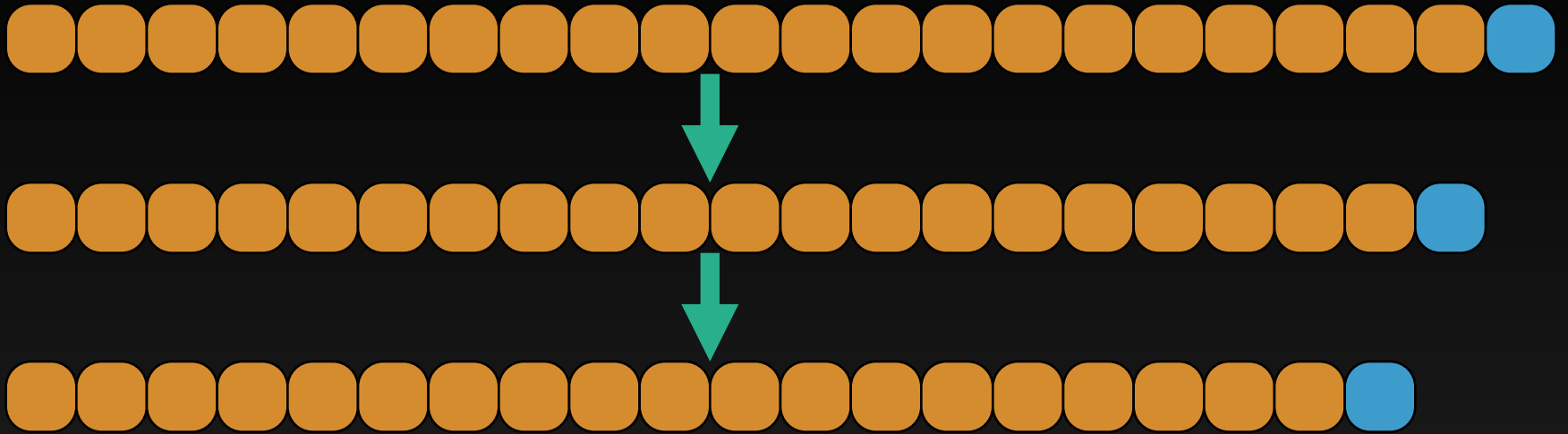
`select(A[1, ..., n], i)`

- Handle base case  $n=1$
- $\text{pivot} = a[n]$
- Partition about pivot, resulting in pivot at position  $r$
- If  $i = r$ , return pivot
- If  $i < r$ , `select(A[1, ..., r-1], i)`
- If  $i > r$ , `select(A[r+1, ..., n], i-r)`

Assume equal partition every time

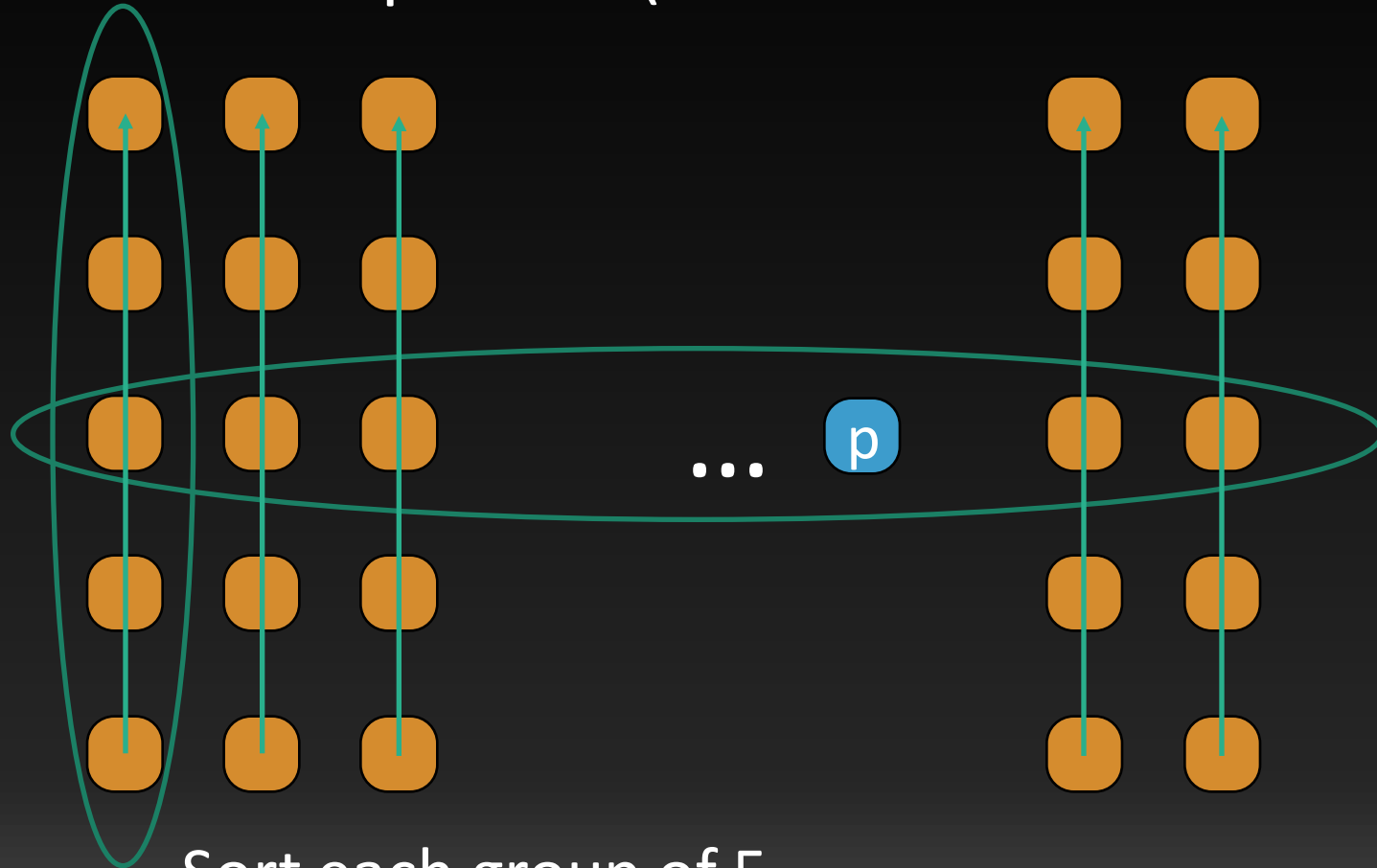
$$T(n) = T(n/2) + O(n)$$

Bad pivots? e.g. sorted array



$$\Omega(n^2)$$

# Good pivot (median of medians)



Sort each group of 5

Recurse to  
find median  
of medians

# Time to find pivot

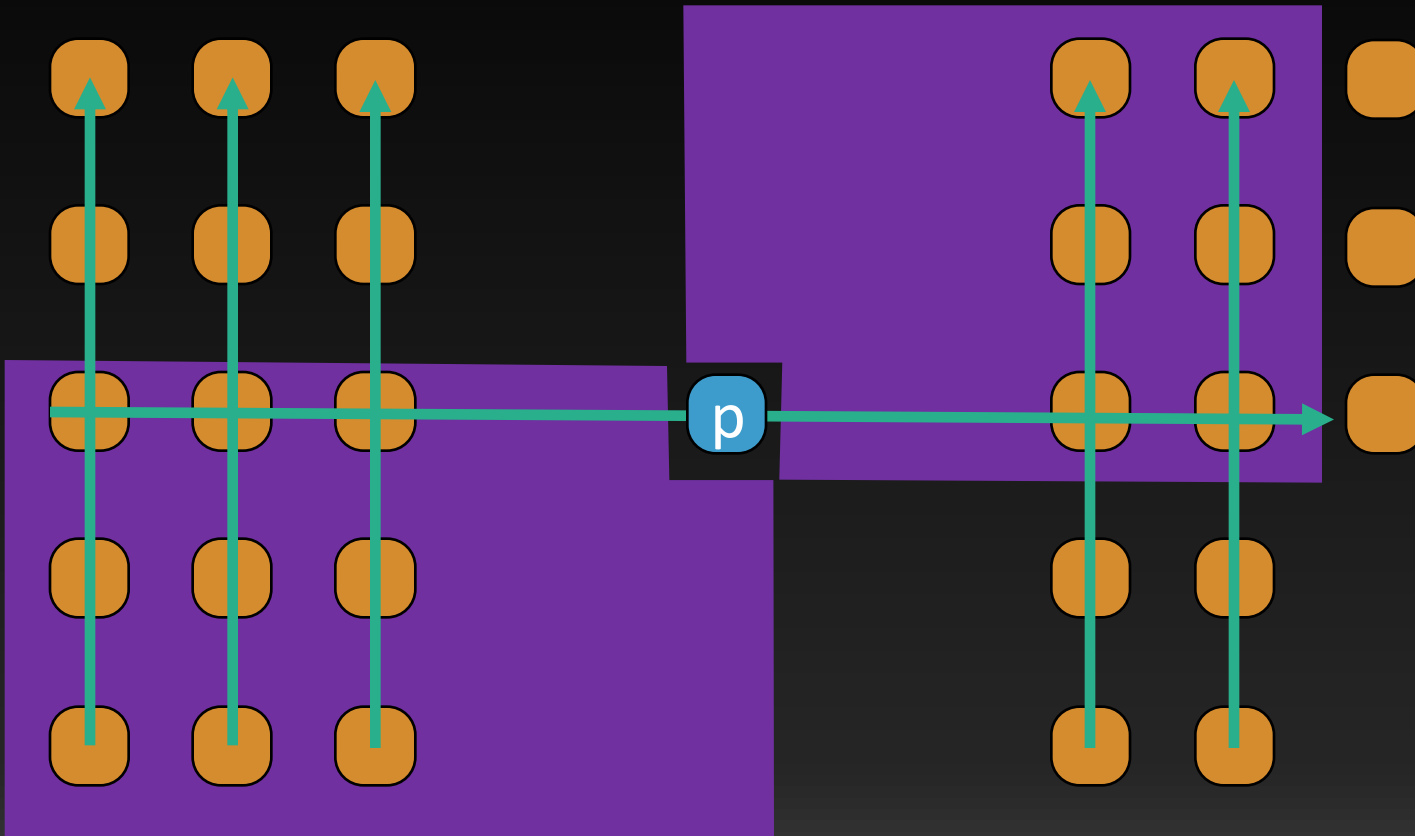
- $P(n)$ : time to find pivot
- $S(n)$ : time to select
- $P(n) = S(n/5) + O(n)$

`select(A[1, ..., n], i)`

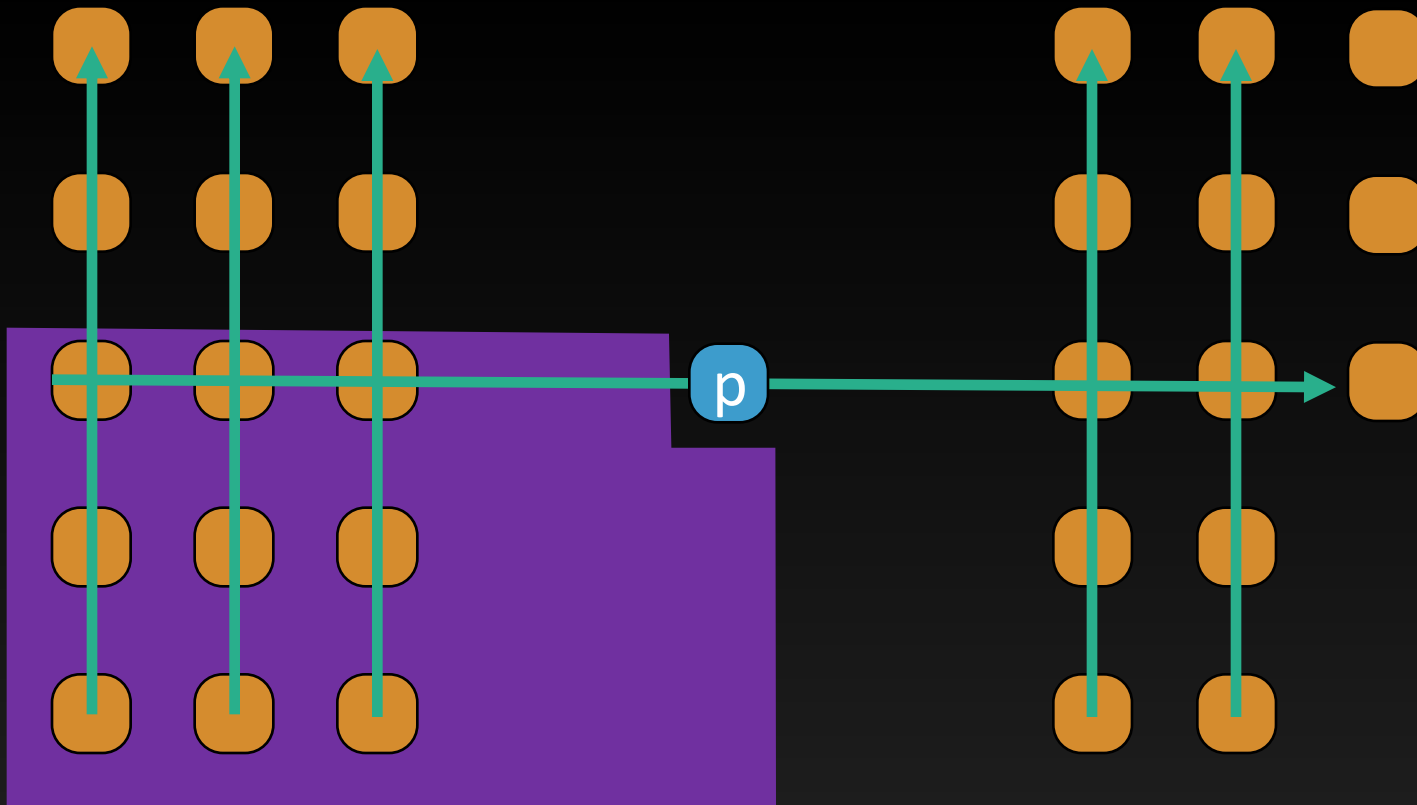
- Handle base cases  $n < 15$
- $pivot \leftarrow pivot(A[1, \dots, n])$
- Partition about pivot, resulting in pivot at position  $r$
- If  $i = r$ , return pivot
- If  $i < r$ , `select(A[1, ..., r-1], i)`
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# Quality of pivot

All larger than p



All smaller than p



All smaller than  $p$

$\lfloor n/5 \rfloor$  groups of 5  $\geq n/5 - 1$  groups

$\geq \left\lceil \frac{\left(\frac{n}{5} - 1\right)}{2} \right\rceil$  groups to the left of  $p$  (including  $p$ 's group)  $\geq \frac{\frac{n}{5} - 1}{2}$

$\geq \frac{3\left(\frac{n}{5} - 1\right)}{2}$  elements  $\leq p$  (3 elements per group)  $\geq \frac{3n}{10} - \frac{3}{2}$  elements



# How many elts smaller than pivot?

- The rank of pivot  $\geq \frac{3n}{10} - \frac{3}{2}$
- Similarly, the number of elements  $\geq$  pivot is at least  $\frac{3n}{10} - \frac{3}{2}$
- On recursive call, at most  $n - \left(\frac{3n}{10} - \frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{7n}{10} + \frac{3}{2}$  elements remain

# Running time

- $S(n) = S\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + S\left(\frac{7n}{10} + \frac{3}{2}\right) + O(n)$

# Discussion problem

- $S(n) = S\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + S\left(\frac{7n}{10} + \frac{3}{2}\right) + c \cdot n$
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- Hypothesis :  $S(n) \leq d \cdot n$  for constant  $d$
- Base case  $n \leq 30$ : can pick  $d$  large enough for all base cases
- Inductive case: assume true for  $n < k$ , will prove for  $n = k > 30$
- $S(k) = S\left(\frac{k}{5}\right) + S\left(\frac{7k}{10} + \frac{3}{2}\right) + c \cdot k$
- By assumption,  $S(k) \leq d \cdot \frac{k}{5} + d \cdot \left(\frac{7k}{10} + \frac{3}{2}\right) + c \cdot k$
- $S(k) \leq d \cdot \left(\frac{9k}{10} + \frac{3}{2}\right) + c \cdot k$   

$$\leq d \cdot \left(\frac{19k}{20}\right) + c \cdot k$$
- The RHS is  $\leq dk$  if  $d > 20c$  (which we can ensure by picking  $d$  as large as need)