

$$\delta = \min (d(q_0, q_1), d(r_0, r_1))$$

$\exists a \ q \in Q, \ r \in R \text{ s.t.}$

$d(q, r) < \delta$ iff

$\exists s \neq s' \in S \text{ s.t. } d(s, s') < \delta$



Recall: S_x, S_y from $P_x \& P_y$ in $O(n)$ time.

KICKASS PROPERTY LEMMA

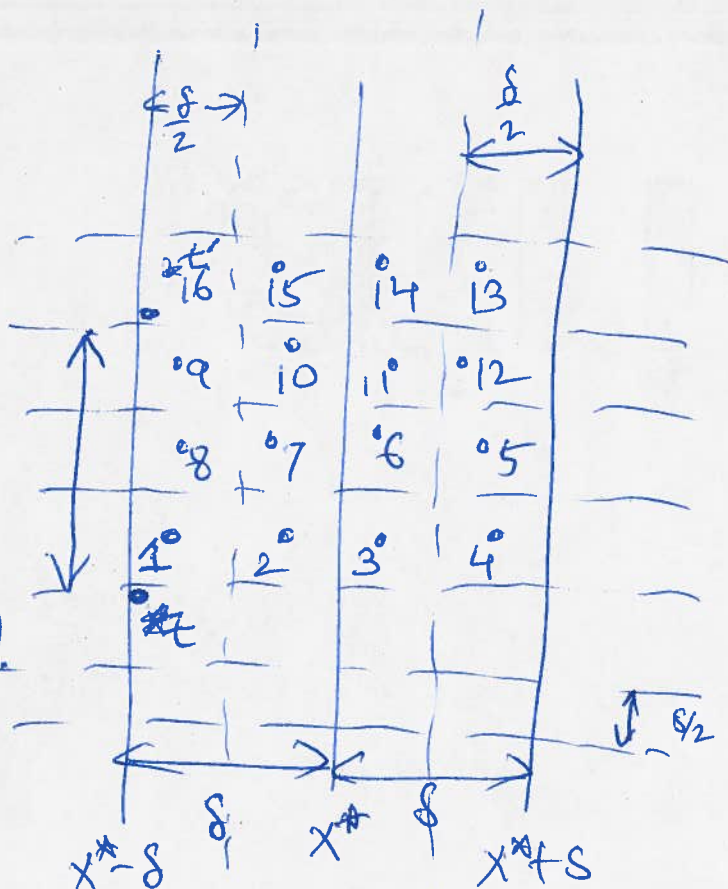
If $k, k' \in S$ s.t. $d(k, k') < \delta \Rightarrow k, k'$ are within 15 positions of each other in S_y

$\Rightarrow O(n)$ time implementation for Closest-in-box(...)
(Do a linear scan & keep track of closest pairs in $(i, i+1), (i, i+2), \dots, (i, i+15)$)

Pf of Kickass Prop Lemma:

Assume t' is ≥ 16 positions away from t .

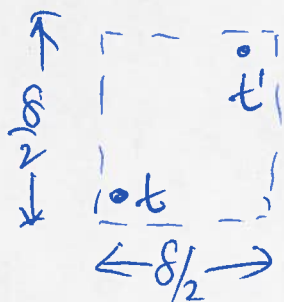
$\frac{3\delta}{2} > \delta$
 $\Rightarrow$ contradiction!



t comes before t' in S_y

$$d(t, t') < \delta$$

Claim 1:



t' & t can't be in the same box

$$d(t, t') \leq \sqrt{\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)^2}$$

Contradiction as both $t, t' \in Q$ or $t, t' \in R$

$$\leftarrow = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \delta < \delta.$$