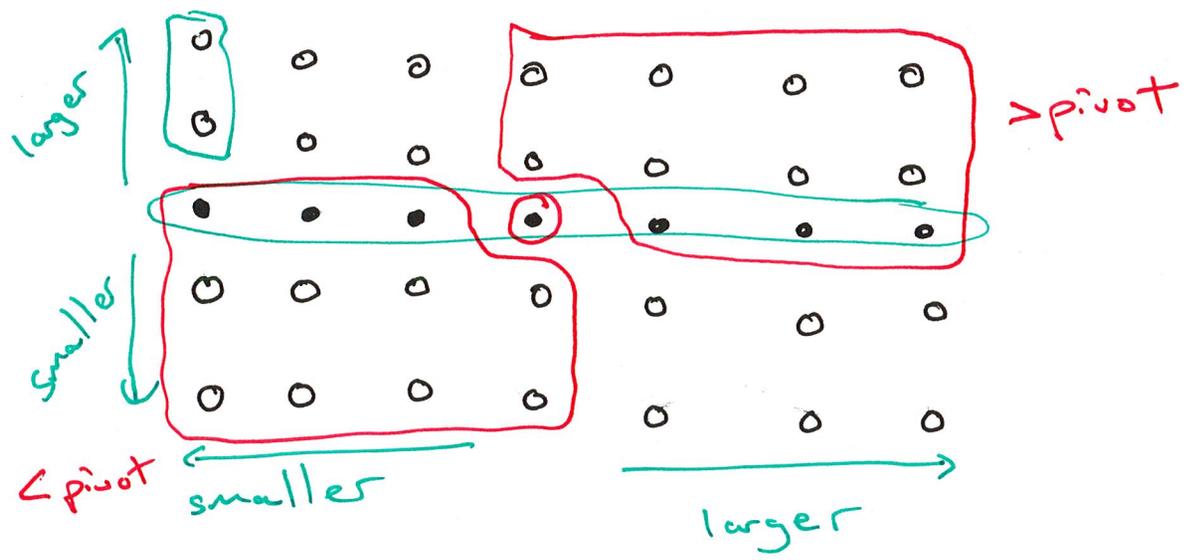


Median of Medians (Mom Select)

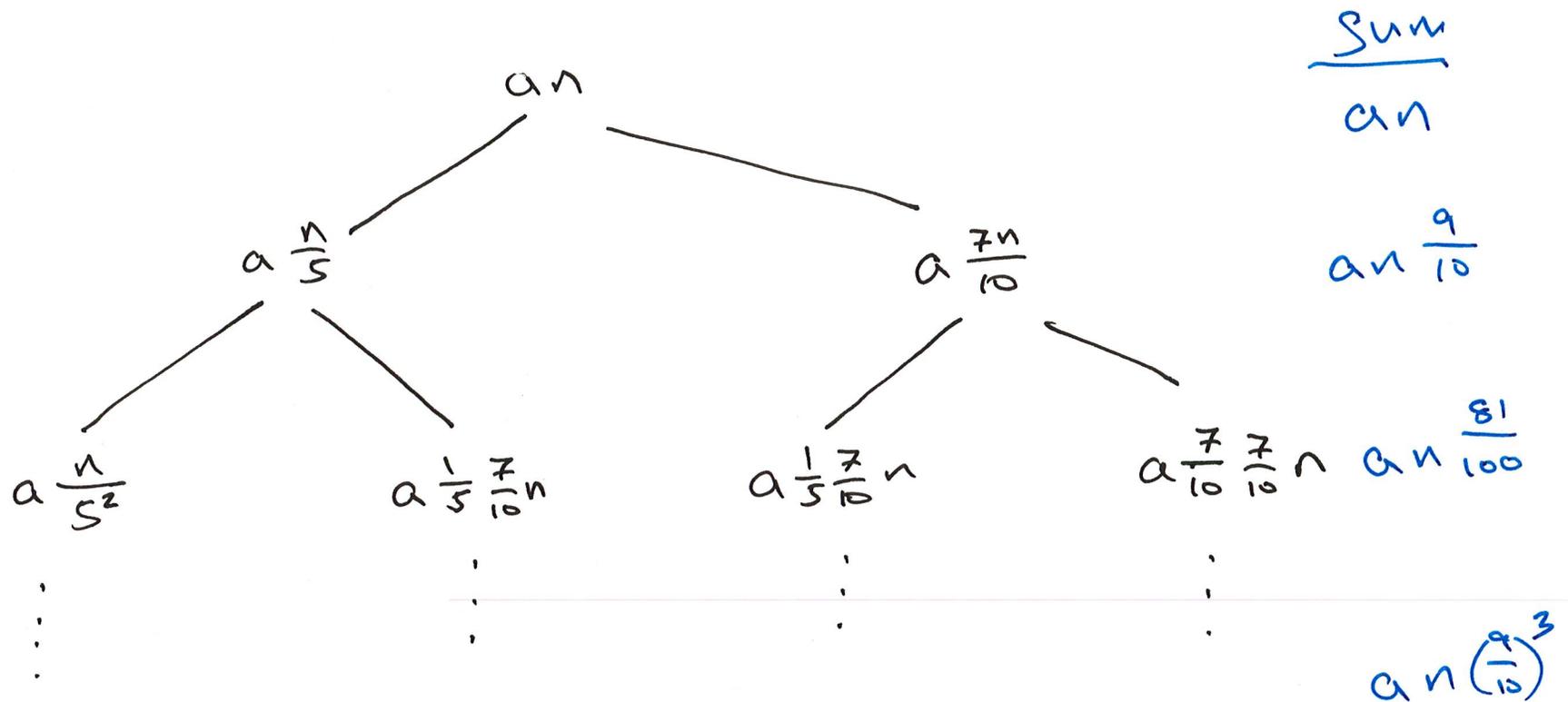
1. Divide the n elements in $\lceil \frac{n}{5} \rceil$ groups each with 5 elements $O(n)$
2. Find the median of each group of 5 by any method $O(n)$
3. Invoke MomSelect recursively on the $\lceil \frac{n}{5} \rceil$ medians to obtain the pivot
4. Swap the pivot into $A[r]$ $O(n)$ $O(1)$



$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{1}{5} n = \frac{3n}{10}$$

- half the columns contribute at least 3 items to the set of item larger than the pivot
- We recurse on at most $\frac{7n}{10}$ items

$$T(n) \leq an + T\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) + T\left(\frac{7n}{10}\right)$$



$$T(n) \leq an \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^i$$

$$= an \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{9}{10}}\right) = 10an \in O(n)$$

Dynamic Programming

- Many divide and conquer solutions are slow if implemented in straight forward way
 - because they solve the same subproblem multiple times.
- dynamic programming avoids this by storing solutions to each subproblem.
- In order to apply Dynamic Programming the problem must have 2 properties.
 1. ~~Q~~ Optimal Substructure
 2. Overlapping Subproblems

Optimal Substructure

- the optimal solution can be obtained by combining optimal solutions to subproblems.

Example: Shortest Path

- consider a graph $G = (V, E)$
- the shortest path p from u to v has optimal substructure
- take any vertex w on path p
 - ~~split~~ split p into p_1 from u to w and p_2 from w to v

- P_1 must be the shortest path from u to w
if not we could substitute that path into P reducing its length
- since P is optimal this can't happen

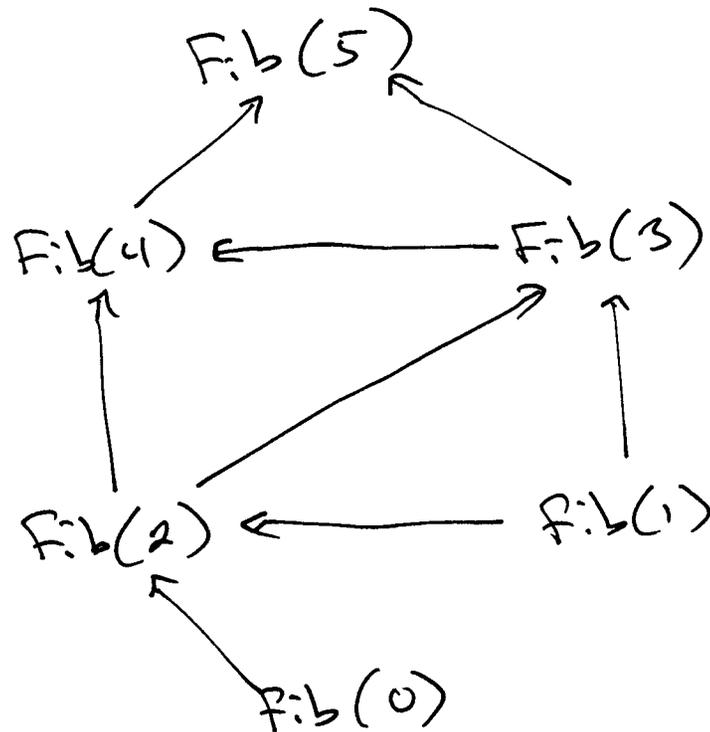
Example: Longest Path

Does not have optimal substructure

- consider a graph $G = (V, E)$
- Find the longest simple path from u to v
- let P be the longest simple path

- choose intermediate vertex w on path p
- split p into p_1 from u to w and p_2 from w to v
 - p_1 and p_2 might not be longest
- take the longest path from u to w and w to v and combine them $p'_1 p'_2$
- Is $p'_1 p'_2$ the longest path from u to v
- the conjunction of 2 simple paths is not necessarily cycle free.

- We can visualize dynamic programming as a directed acyclic graph (DAG) in which each subproblem result can contribute to multiple parents



Memoization

- A top-down approach that directly falls out of the recursive algorithm. Modify the recursive algorithm to save the solution to a subproblem before returning it. Before trying to solve a subproblem check if we already have a solution.

Tabulation

- A bottom-up solution where we restructure the problem so that subproblems are solved first.