

# Karatsuba algorithm using divide & conquer

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$$a = x_h y_h$$

$$d = x_l y_l$$

$$e = (x_h + x_l)(y_h + y_l) - a - d$$

$$xy = ab^n + eb^{n/2} + d$$

ex

$$1234 \times 4321$$

$$a_1 = 12 \times 43 \quad d_1 = 34 \times 21$$

$$e_1 = 12 + 34 \times 43 + 21 - a_1 - d_1$$

solving for  $a_1$

$$a_1 = 12 \times 43$$

$$a_2 = 1 \times 4 = 4$$

$$d_2 = 2 \times 3 = 6$$

$$e_2 = (1+2)(4+3) - a_2 - d_2 = 11$$

$$xy = ar^n + eb^{n/2} + d$$

$$= 12 \times 43$$

$$= 4 \times 10^2 + 11 \times 10^1 + 6 = 516$$

solving for  $d_1$

$$d_1 = 34 \times 21$$

$$a_2 = 3 \times 2 = 6$$

$$d_2 = 4 \times 1 = 4$$

$$e_2 = (3+4)(2+1) - a_2 - d_2 = 11$$

$$xy = 6 \times 10^2 + 11 \times 10 + 4 = 714$$

solving for  $e_1 = (46 \times 64) - a_1 - d_1$

$$a_2 = 4 \times 6 = 24$$

$$d_2 = 6 \times 4 = 24$$

$$e_2 = (4+6)(6+4) - a_2 - d_2 = 52$$

$$xy = 24 \times 10^2 + 52 \times 10^1 + 24 - 714 - 516 = 1714$$

$$a_1 = 516 \quad d_1 = 714 \quad e_1 = 1714$$

Plugging into  $xy$

$$ax^n + ex^{n/2} + d.$$

$$xy = (516)10^4 + (1714)10^2 + 714$$

$$xy = 5,332,114.$$

$$T(n) = 3T(n/2) + O(n)$$

$$= O(n^{\log_2 3})$$

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 3})$$

Algorithm karatsuba(a,b):

// input a,b

// output solution

If a or b has one digit then  
return  $a * b$ .

else:

let n be number of digit in  $\max\{a,b\}$ .

let  $a_L$  and  $a_R$  be left & right halves of a.

let  $b_L$  and  $b_R$  be left & right halves of b.

let  $x_1$  hold  $\text{karatsuba}(a_L, b_L)$

let  $x_2$  hold  $\text{karatsuba}(a_L + a_R, b_L + b_R)$

let  $x_3$  hold  $\text{karatsuba}(a_R, b_R)$

return  $x_1 * 10^{n/2} + (x_2 - x_1 - x_3) * 10^{n/2} + x_3$ .

end if

end