# Algorithms Chapter 4 Divide-and-Conquer

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#### Outline

- The substitution method
- The recursion-tree method
- The master method
- The maximum-subarray problem
- Strassen's algorithm for matrix multiplication

#### The purpose of this chapter

- When an algorithm contains a recursive call to itself, its running time can often be described by a recurrence.
- ▶ A recurrence is an equation or inequality that describes a function in terms of its value on small inputs.
  - ▶ For example: the worst-case running time of Merge-Sort

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \theta(1) & \text{if } n = 1, \\ 2T(n/2) + \theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1. \end{cases}$$

- ▶ The solution is  $T(n) = \Theta(n \lg n)$ .
- Three methods for solving recurrences
  - the substitution method
  - the recursion-tree method
  - the master method

## Technicalities<sub>1/2</sub>

- The running time T(n) is only defined when n is an integer, since the size of the input is always an integer for most algorithms.
  - ▶ For example: the running time of Merge-Sort is really

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \theta(1) & \text{if } n = 1, \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + \theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1. \end{cases}$$

- Typically, we ignore the boundary conditions.
- Since the running time of an algorithm on a constant-sized input is a constant, we have  $T(n) = \Theta(1)$  for sufficiently small n.
- Thus, we can rewrite the recurrence as

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n).$$

## Technicalities<sub>2/2</sub>

- When we state and solve recurrences, we often omit floors, ceilings, and boundary conditions.
- We forge ahead without these details and later determine whether or not they matter.
- ▶ They usually don't, but it is important to know when they do.

## The substitution method<sub>1/3</sub>

- ▶ The substitution method entails two steps:
  - Guess the form of the solution
  - Use mathematical induction to find the constants and show that the solution works
- ▶ This method is powerful, but it obviously can be applied only in cases when it is easy to guess the form of the answer

## The substitution method<sub>2/3</sub>

For example: determine an upper bound on the recurrence  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$ , where T(1) = 1.

- guess that the solution is  $T(n) = O(n \lg n)$
- ▶ prove that there exist positive constants c>0 and  $n_0$  such that  $T(n) \le cn \lg n$  for all  $n \ge n_0$
- ▶ Basis step:
  - ▶ when n=1,  $T(1) \le c_1 1 \lg 1 = 0$ , which is at odds with T(1)=1
  - ▶ since the recurrence does not depend directly on T(1), we can replace T(1) by T(2)=4 and T(3)=5 as the base cases
  - ▶  $T(2) \le c_1 2 \lg 2$  and  $T(3) \le c_1 3 \lg 3$  for any choice of  $c_1 \ge 2$
  - ▶ thus, we can choose  $c_1$  = 2 and  $n_0$  = 2

## The substitution method<sub>3/3</sub>

#### ▶ Induction step:

- ▶ assume  $T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) \le c_2 \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$  for  $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$
- ▶ then,  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$   $\leq 2(c_2 \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \lg(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)) + n$   $\leq c_2 n \lg(n/2) + n$   $= c_2 n \lg n - c_2 n \lg 2 + n$   $= c_2 n \lg n - c_2 n + n$  $\leq c_2 n \lg n$
- ▶ the last step holds as long as  $c_2 \ge 1$
- ▶ There exist positive constants  $c = \max\{2, 1\}$  and  $n_0 = 2$  such that  $T(n) \le cn \lg n$  for all  $n \ge n_0$

#### Making a good guess

- **Experience**:  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 17) + n$ 
  - when n is large, the difference between  $T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$  and  $T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 17)$  is not that large: both cut n nearly evenly in half.
  - we make the guess that  $T(n) = O(n \lg n)$
- ▶ Loose upper and lower bounds:  $T(n)=2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)+n$ 
  - prove a lower bound of  $T(n) = \Omega(n)$  and an upper bound of  $T(n) = O(n^2)$
  - gradually lower the upper bound and raise the lower bound until we converge on the tight solution of  $T(n) = \Theta(n \lg n)$

#### Recursion trees:

will be introduced later

#### Subtleties

Consider the recurrence:

$$T(n) = T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + 1$$

- **guess** that the solution is O(n), i.e.,  $T(n) \le cn$
- then,  $T(n) \le c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor + (c \lceil n/2 \rceil + 1)$ = cn + 1
- c does not exist
- ▶ new guess  $T(n) \le cn b$
- then,  $T(n) \le (c \lfloor n/2 \rfloor b) + (c \lceil n/2 \rceil b) + 1$ = cn - 2b + 1 $\le cn - b$  for  $b \ge 1$
- ▶ also, the constant c must be chosen large enough to handle the boundary conditions

#### Avoiding pitfalls

- It is easy to err in the use of asymptotic notation.
- For example:  $T(n) = 2T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + n$ 
  - guess that the solution is O(n), i.e.,  $T(n) \le cn$

▶ the error is that we haven't proved the **exact form** of the inductive hypothesis, that is, that  $T(n) \le cn$ 

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#### The recursion-tree method

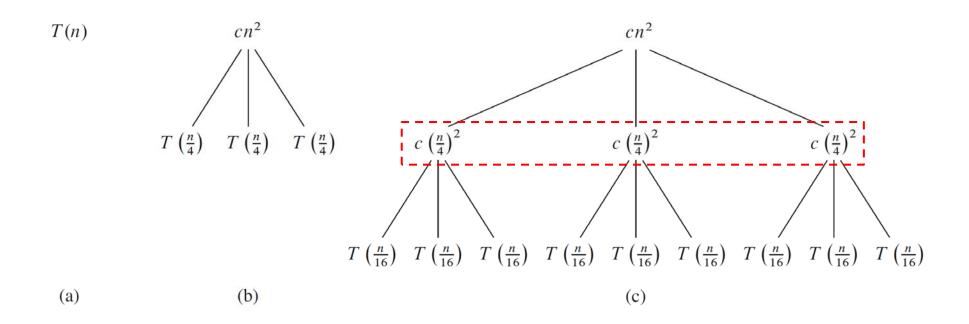
- A recursion tree is best used to generate a good guess, which is then verified by the substitution method.
- ▶ Tolerating a small amount of "sloppiness", we could use recursion-tree to generate a good guess.
- One can also use a recursion tree as a direct proof of a solution to a recurrence.
- Ideas:
  - ▶ in a recursion tree, each node represents the cost of a single subproblem
  - sum the costs within each level to obtain a set of per-level costs
  - sum all the per-level costs to determine the total cost

#### An example

- For example:  $T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + \Theta(n^2)$
- ▶ Tolerating the sloppiness:
  - ignore the floor in the recurrence
  - assume n is an exact power of 4
- Rewrite the recurrence as  $T(n) = 3T(n/4) + cn^2$

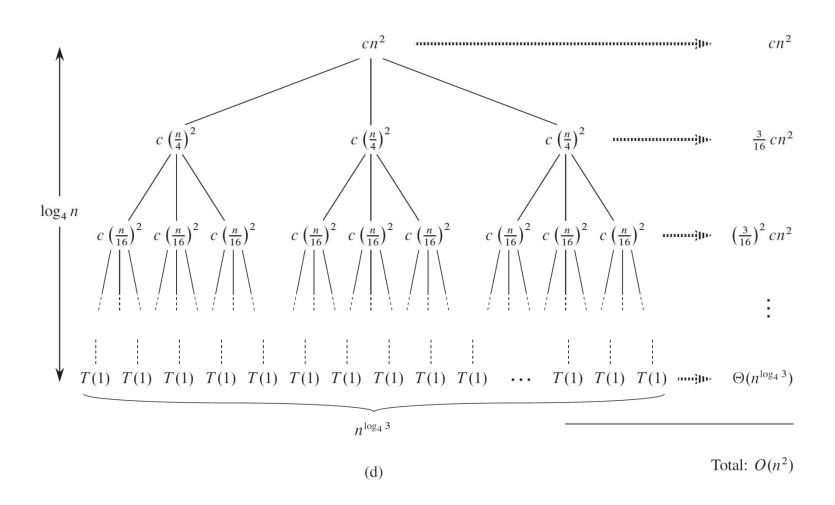
## The construction of a recursion tree $_{1/2}$

 $T(n) = 3T(n/4) + cn^2$ 



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## The construction of a recursion tree $_{2/2}$



## Determine the cost of the tree $_{1/2}$

- ▶ The subproblem size for a node at depth i is  $n/4^i$ .
- ▶ Thus, the tree has  $\log_4 n + 1$  levels  $(0, 1, 2, ..., \log_4 n)$ .
- ▶ Each node at depth *i*, has a cost of  $c(n/4^i)^2$  for  $0 \le i \le \log_4 n$ .
- So, the total cost over all nodes at depth i is  $3^i * c(n/4^i)^2 = (3/16)^i cn^2$ .
- ▶ The last level, at  $\log_4 n$ , has  $3^{\log_4 n} = n^{\log_4 3}$  nodes.
- The cost of the entire tree:

$$T(n) = cn^{2} + \frac{3}{16}cn^{2} + (\frac{3}{16})^{2}cn^{2} + \dots + (\frac{3}{16})^{\log_{4}n - 1}cn^{2} + (\frac{3}{16})^{\log_{4}n}cn^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_{4}n} (\frac{3}{16})^{i}cn^{2}$$

$$= \frac{(3/16)^{\log_{4}n + 1} - 1}{(3/16) - 1}cn^{2}$$

## Determine the cost of the tree $_{2/2}$

▶ Take advantage of small amounts of sloppiness, we have

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{\log_4 n} (\frac{3}{16})^i cn^2$$

$$< \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\frac{3}{16})^i cn^2 = \frac{1}{1 - (3/16)} cn^2$$

$$= \frac{16}{13} cn^2 = O(n^2)$$

▶ Thus, we have derived a guess of  $T(n) = O(n^2)$ .

#### Verify the correctness of our guess

- Now we can use the substitution method to verify that our guess is correct.
- ▶ We want to show that  $T(n) \le dn^2$  for some constant d > 0.
- $\blacktriangleright$  Using the same constant c > 0 as before, we have

$$T(n) = 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + \theta(n^2)$$

$$\leq 3T(\lfloor n/4 \rfloor) + cn^2$$

$$\leq 3d\lfloor n/4 \rfloor^2 + cn^2$$

$$\leq 3d(n/4)^2 + cn^2$$

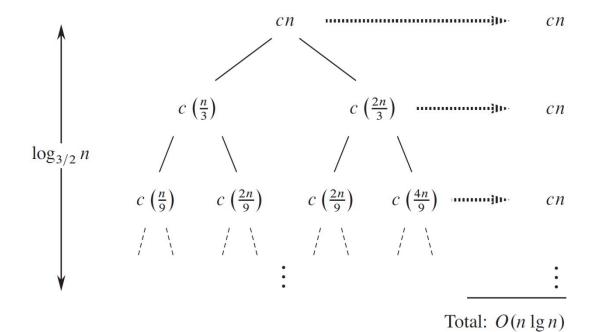
$$= 3/16dn^2 + cn^2$$

$$\leq dn^2,$$

where the last step holds for  $d \ge (16/13)c$ .

#### Another example

- Another example: T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + O(n).
- ▶ The recursion-tree:



#### Determine the cost of the tree

- In the figure, we get a value of *cn* for every level.
- ▶ The height of tree is  $log_{3/2}n$ .
- Intuitively, we expect the solution to the recurrence to be at most  $O(cn \log_{3/2} n) = O(n \lg n)$ .
- ▶ The recursion tree has fewer than  $2^{\log_{3/2} n} = n^{\log_{3/2} 2}$  leaves.
- The total cost of all leaves would then be  $\theta(n^{\log_{3/2} 2})$  , which is  $\omega(n \lg n)$ .
- Also, not all levels contribute a cost of exactly cn.
- ▶ Thus, we derived a guess of  $T(n) = O(n \lg n)$ .

#### Verify the correctness of our guess

We can verify the guess by the substitution method.

▶ We have 
$$T(n) = T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + O(n)$$
  
 $\leq T(n/3) + T(2n/3) + cn$   
 $\leq d(n/3)\lg(n/3) + d(2n/3)\lg(2n/3) + cn$   
 $= (d(n/3)\lg n - d(n/3)\lg 3)$   
 $+ (d(2n/3)\lg n - d(2n/3)\lg(3/2)) + cn$   
 $= dn\lg n - d((n/3)\lg 3 + (2n/3)\lg 3 - (2n/3)\lg 2) + cn$   
 $= dn\lg n - dn(\lg 3 - 2/3) + cn$   
 $\leq dn\lg n$   
for  $d \geq c/(\lg 3 - (2/3))$ .

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## The master method<sub>1/2</sub>

The master method provides a "cookbook" method for solving recurrences of the form

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

- ▶  $a \ge 1$  and b > 1 are constants
- $\blacktriangleright$  f(n) is an asymptotically positive function
- It requires memorization of three cases, but then the solution of many recurrences can be determined quite easily.

## The master method<sub>2/2</sub>

- The recurrence T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n) describes the running time of an algorithm that
  - divides a problem of size n into a subproblems, each of size n/b
  - $\blacktriangleright$  each of subproblems is solved recursively in time T(n/b)
  - the cost of dividing and combining the results is f(n)
- For example, the recurrence arising from the MERGE-SORT procedure has a = 2, b = 2, and  $f(n) = \Theta(n)$ .
- Normally, we omit the floor and ceiling functions when writing divide-and-conquer recurrences of this form.

#### Master theorem

▶ Master theorem: Let  $a \ge 1$  and b > 1 be constants, let f(n) be a function, and let T(n) be defined on the nonnegative integers by the recurrence

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

where we interpret n/b to mean either  $\lfloor n/b \rfloor$  or  $\lceil n/b \rceil$ . Then, T(n) can be bounded asymptotically as follows.

- 1. If  $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a \varepsilon})$  for some constant  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then  $T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a})$ .
- 2. If  $f(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a})$ , then  $T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a} \lg n)$ .
- 3. If  $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \varepsilon})$  for some constant  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and if  $af(n/b) \le cf(n)$  for some constant c < 1 and all sufficiently large n, then  $T(n) = \theta(f(n))$ .

#### Intuition behind the master method

- Intuitively, the solution to the recurrence is determined by comparing the two functions f(n) and  $n^{\log_b a}$ .
  - Case 1: if  $n^{\log_b a}$  is asymptotically larger than f(n) by a factor of  $n^{\epsilon}$  for some constant  $\epsilon > 0$ , then the solution is  $T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a})$ .
  - Case 2: if  $n^{\log_b a}$  is asymptotically equal to f(n), then the solution is  $T(n) = \theta(n^{\log_b a} \lg n)$ .
  - Case 3: if  $n^{\log_b a}$  is asymptotically smaller then f(n) by a factor of  $n^{\varepsilon}$ , and the function f(n) satisfies the "regularity" condition that  $af(n/b) \le cf(n)$ , then the solution is  $T(n) = \theta(f(n))$ .
- ▶ The three cases do not cover all the possibilities for f(n).

## Using the master method<sub>1/3</sub>

- Example 1: T(n) = 9T(n/3) + n
  - For this recurrence, we have a = 9, b = 3, f(n) = n.
  - Thus,  $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_3 9} = \theta(n^2)$ .
  - ▶ Since  $f(n) = O(n^{\log_3 9 \varepsilon})$ , where  $\varepsilon = 1$ , we can apply case 1.
  - ▶ The solution is  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ .
- Example 2: T(n) = T(2n/3) + 1
  - For this recurrence, we have a = 1, b = 3/2, f(n) = 1.
  - Thus,  $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_{3/2} 1} = n^0 = 1$ .
  - ▶ Since  $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a}) = \theta(1)$ , we can apply case 2.
  - ▶ The solution is  $T(n) = \Theta(\lg n)$ .

## Using the master method<sub>3/3</sub>

- Example 4:  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n \lg n$ 
  - For this recurrence, we have a = 2, b = 2,  $f(n) = n \lg n$ .
  - The function  $f(n) = n \lg n$  is asymptotically larger than  $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_2 2} = n$ .
  - But, it is not polynomially larger since the ratio  $f(n)/n^{\log_b a} = (n \lg n)/n = \lg n \text{ is asymptotically less than } n^{\epsilon} \text{ for any positive constant } \epsilon.$
  - Consequently, the recurrence falls into the gap between case 2 and case 3.
- If g(n) is asymptotically larger than f(n) by a factor of  $n^{\varepsilon}$  for some constant  $\varepsilon>0$ , then we said g(n) is **polynomially larger** than f(n).

## Using the master method<sub>2/3</sub>

- Example 3:  $T(n) = 3T(n/4) + n \lg n$ 
  - For this recurrence, we have a = 3, b = 4,  $f(n) = n \lg n$ .
  - Thus,  $n^{\log_b a} = n^{\log_4 3} = O(n^{0.793})$ .
  - For sufficiently large n,  $af(n/b) = 3(n/4) \lg(n/4) \le (3/4) n \lg n = cf(n)$  for c = 3/4.
  - ► Since  $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_4 3 + \varepsilon})$  with  $\varepsilon \approx 0.2$  and the regularity condition holds for f(n) case 3 applies.
  - ▶ The solution is  $T(n) = \Theta(n \lg n)$ .

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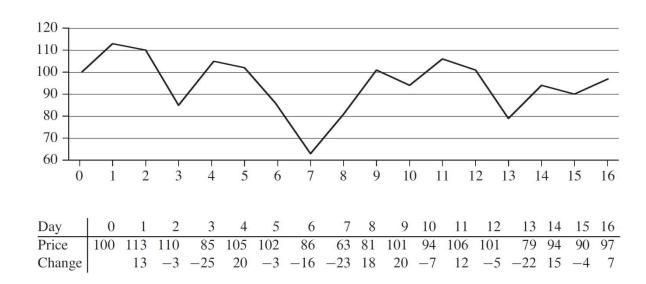
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#### The maximum-subarray problem

- ▶ **Input:** An array A[1...n] of numbers.
  - Assume that some of the numbers are negative, because this problem is trivial when all numbers are nonnegative.
- Output: Indices i and j such that A[i...j] has the greatest sum of any contiguous subarray of array A.
- For example:
  - ▶ The subarray A[8...11], with sum 43, has the greatest sum of any contiguous subarray of array A.

### An application

- You have the prices that a stock traded at over a period of n consecutive days.
- When should you have bought the stock? When should you have sold the stock?

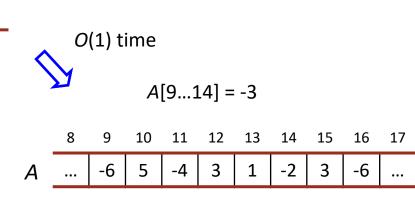


#### Solving by brute-force algorithm

#### **▶** Brute-force algorithm:

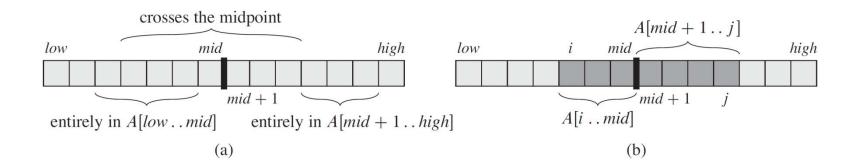
- Check all  $\binom{n}{2} + n = \theta(n^2)$  subarrays.
- Organize the computation so that each subarray A[i...j] takes O(1) time.
- So that the brute-force solution takes  $\theta(n^2)$  time.

A[9...13] = -1



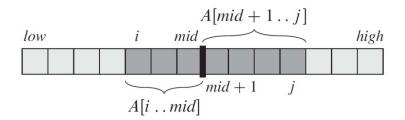
## Solving by divide-and-conquer

- Divide by splitting into two subarrays A[low...mid] and A[mid+1...high], mid is the midpoint of A[low...high].
- Conquer by recursively finding a maximum subarrays of the two subarrays A[low...mid] and A[mid+1...high].
- Combine by finding a maximum subarray that crosses the midpoint, and using the best solution out of the three.



### Maximum subarray that crosses the midpoint

- Not a smaller instance of the original problem: has the added restriction that the subarray must cross the midpoint.
- Any subarray crossing the midpoint A[mid] is made of two subarrays A[i...mid] and A[mid+1...j].
- Find maximum subarrays of the form A[i...mid] and A[mid+1...j] and then combine them.





 $left\text{-}sum = 3 \qquad sum = 3 \qquad max\text{-}left = 12$   $low \qquad mid \qquad high$   $8 \quad 9 \quad 10 \quad 11 \quad 12 \quad 13 \quad 14 \quad 15 \quad 16 \quad 17$   $A \quad ... \quad -6 \quad 5 \quad -4 \quad 3 \quad 1 \quad -2 \quad 3 \quad -6 \quad ...$ 



 left-sum = 3
 sum = -1
 max-left = 12

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 $left\text{-}sum = 4 \qquad sum = -2 \qquad max\text{-}left = 10$   $low \qquad mid \qquad high$   $8 \quad 9 \quad 10 \quad 11 \quad 12 \quad 13 \quad 14 \quad 15 \quad 16 \quad 17$   $... \quad -6 \quad 5 \quad -4 \quad 3 \quad 1 \quad -2 \quad 3 \quad -6 \quad ...$ 



 left-sum = 4
 sum = 4
 max-left = 10

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# Find-Max-Crossing-Subarray

```
FIND-MAX-CROSSING-SUBARRAY(A, low, mid, high)
       left-sum \leftarrow −∞
                                                                       \Theta(1)
       sum \leftarrow 0
       for i \leftarrow mid downto low
            sum \leftarrow sum + A[i]
            if sum > left-sum
                                                                       \Theta(n)
5.
                  left-sum \leftarrow sum
                  max-left \leftarrow i
       right-sum ← -\infty
8.
                                                                       \Theta(1)
       sum \leftarrow 0
9.
       for j \leftarrow mid + 1 to high
10.
            sum \leftarrow sum + A[j]
11.
             if sum > right-sum
                                                                       \Theta(n)
12.
                  right-sum \leftarrow sum
13.
                  max-right \leftarrow j
14.
                                                                                       Time: \Theta(n).
       return (max-left, max-right, left-sum + right-sum)
15.
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#### Divide-and-conquer procedure

```
FIND-MAXIMUM-SUBARRAY(A, low, high)
      if high == low
         return (low, high, A[low]) // base case: only one element
      else mid \leftarrow |(low + high)/2|
         (left-low, left-high, left-sum) \leftarrow
                                                                       T(n/2)
              FIND-MAXIMUM-SUBARRAY(A, low, mid)
         (right-low, right-high, right-sum) \leftarrow
5.
              FIND-MAXIMUM-SUBARRAY(A, mid+1, high)
         (cross-low, cross-high, cross-sum) \leftarrow
6.
              FIND-MAX-CROSSING-SUBARRAY(A, low, mid, high)
      if left-sum ≥ right-sum and left-sum ≥ cross-sum
7.
         return (left-low, left-high, left-sum)
8.
      elseif right-sum≥left-sum and right-sum≥cross-sum
9.
                                                                        \Theta(1)
         return (right-low, right-high, right-sum)
10.
      else return (cross-low, cross-high, cross-sum)
11.
     Initial call: FIND-MAXIMUM-SUBARRAY(A, 1, n)
```

# Analyzing maximum-subarray

▶ For simplicity, assume that *n* is a power of 2.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \theta(1) & \text{if } n = 1, \\ 2T(n/2) + \theta(n) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ The base case occurs when n = 1.
- ▶ **Divide**: compute the middle of the subarray,  $D(n) = \Theta(1)$ .
- **Conquer**: Recursively solve 2 subproblems, each of size n/2.
- ► Combine: Combining consists of calling FIND-MAX-CROSSING-SUBARRAY, which takes  $\Theta(n)$  time, and a constant number of constant-time tests  $\Rightarrow C(n) = \Theta(n) + \Theta(1)$  time for combining.
- ▶ By using master method, we have  $T(n) = \Theta(n \lg n)$ .

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## Matrix multiplication

- ▶ Input: Two  $n \times n$  matrices,  $A = (a_{ij})$  and  $B = (b_{ij})$ .
- Output:  $n \times n$  matrix,  $C = (c_{ij})$ , where  $C = A \cdot B$ , i.e.,

$$c_{ji} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{ik} b_{kj}$$
 for  $i, j = 1, 2, ..., n$ .

- Need to compute  $n^2$  entries of C.
- Each entry is the sum of *n* values.

```
SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY (A, B)

1. n \leftarrow A.rows

2. let C be \ a \ new \ n \times n \ matrix

3. \mathbf{for} \ i \leftarrow 1 \ \mathbf{to} \ n

4. \mathbf{for} \ j \leftarrow 1 \ \mathbf{to} \ n

5. c_{ij} \leftarrow 0

6. \mathbf{for} \ k \leftarrow 1 \ \mathbf{to} \ n

7. c_{ij} \leftarrow c_{ij} + a_{ik} \cdot b_{kj} Time: \Theta(n^3).

8. Return C
```

## Simple divide-and-conquer method

▶ Partition each of A, B and C into four  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices, so that we rewrite the equation  $C = A \cdot B$  as

$$\begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

▶ The four corresponding equations are:

- $C_{11} = A_{11} \cdot B_{11} + A_{12} \cdot B_{21},$
- $C_{12} = A_{11} \cdot B_{12} + A_{12} \cdot B_{22},$
- $C_{21} = A_{21} \cdot B_{11} + A_{22} \cdot B_{21},$
- $C_{22} = A_{21} \cdot B_{12} + A_{22} \cdot B_{22}.$
- ▶ Each of these equations multiplies two  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices and then adds their  $n/2 \times n/2$  products.

## Procedure of matrix-multiply-recursive

```
SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY-RECURSIVE (A, B)
       n \leftarrow A.rows
       let C be a new n \times n matrix
      if n == 1
                                              // base case: only one element
                                                                                             \Theta(1)
           c_{11} \leftarrow a_{11} \cdot b_{11}
       else partition each of A, B and C into four n/2 \times n/2 matrices
           C_{11} \leftarrow \text{SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY-RECURSIVE } (A_{11}, B_{11})
                 + SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY-RECURSIVE (A_{12}, B_{21})
           C_{12} \leftarrow \text{SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY-RECURSIVE} (A_{11}, B_{12})
7.
                 + SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY-RECURSIVE (A_{12}, B_{22})
           C_{21} \leftarrow \text{SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY-RECURSIVE}(A_{21}, B_{11})
8.
                 + SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY-RECURSIVE (A_{22}, B_{21})
           C_{22} \leftarrow \text{SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY-RECURSIVE}(A_{21}, B_{12})
9.
                 + SQUARE-MATRIX-MULTIPLY-RECURSIVE (A_{22}, B_{22})
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10.

return C

#### Analyzing

For simplicity, assume that n is a power of 2.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \theta(1) & \text{if } n = 1, \\ 8T(n/2) + \theta(n^2) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ The base case occurs when n = 1.
- ▶ **Divide**: Partition A, B and C into four  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices by index calculation takes  $\Theta(1)$ ,  $D(n) = \Theta(1)$ .
- **Conquer**: Recursively solve 8 subproblems, each of size n/2.
- ▶ **Combine**: Combining takes  $\Theta(n^2)$  time to add  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices four times.  $\Rightarrow C(n) = \Theta(n^2)$  time for combining.
- ▶ By using master method, we have  $T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$ .

#### Strassen's method

- Step 1: partition each of A, B and C into four  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices. Time:  $\Theta(1)$ .
- Step 2: create 10 matrices  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$ ,...,  $S_{10}$ , each of which is  $n/2 \times n/2$  and is the sum or difference of two matrices created in step 1. Time:  $\Theta(n^2)$ .
- Step 3: using the submatrices created in Step 1 and the 10 matrices created in step 2, recursively compute seven matrix products  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$ ,...,  $P_7$ . Each matrix  $P_i$  is  $n/2 \times n/2$ . Time: 7T(n/2).
- Step 4: Compute the desired submatrices  $C_{11}$ ,  $C_{12}$ ,  $C_{21}$ ,  $C_{22}$  of the result matrix C by adding and subtracting various combinations of the  $P_i$  matrices. Time:  $\Theta(n^2)$ .

## Step 2: create the 10 matrices

- $S_1 = B_{12} B_{22}$ ,
- $S_2 = A_{11} + A_{12}$
- $S_3 = A_{21} + A_{22}$ ,
- $S_4 = B_{21} B_{11}$ ,
- $S_5 = A_{11} + A_{22}$ ,
- $S_6 = B_{11} + B_{22}$ ,
- $S_7 = A_{12} A_{22}$
- $S_8 = B_{21} + B_{22}$ ,
- $S_9 = A_{11} A_{21}$ ,
- $S_{10} = B_{11} + B_{12}$ . Time:  $\Theta(n^2)$ .

#### Step 3: create the 7 matrices

- $P_1 = A_{11} \cdot S_1 = A_{11} \cdot B_{12} A_{11} \cdot B_{22}$
- $P_2 = S_2 \cdot B_{22} = A_{11} \cdot B_{22} + A_{12} \cdot B_{22}$
- $P_3 = S_3 \cdot B_{11} = A_{21} \cdot B_{11} + A_{22} \cdot B_{11}$
- $P_4 = A_{22} \cdot S_4 = A_{22} \cdot B_{21} A_{22} \cdot B_{11}$
- $P_5 = S_5 \cdot S_6 = A_{11} \cdot B_{11} + A_{11} \cdot B_{22} + A_{22} \cdot B_{11} + A_{22} \cdot B_{22},$
- $P_6 = S_7 \cdot S_8 = A_{12} \cdot B_{21} + A_{12} \cdot B_{22} A_{22} \cdot B_{21} A_{22} \cdot B_{22}$
- $P_7 = S_9 \cdot S_{10} = A_{11} \cdot B_{11} + A_{11} \cdot B_{12} A_{21} \cdot B_{11} A_{21} \cdot B_{12}$

Time: 7T(n/2).

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## Step 4: construct submatrices of *C*

Time:  $\Theta(n^2)$ .

- $C_{11} = P_5 + P_4 P_2 + P_6 ,$
- $C_{12} = P_1 + P_2$
- $C_{21} = P_3 + P_4$
- $C_{22} = P_5 + P_1 P_3 P_7$ .

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#### Analyzing

For simplicity, assume that n is a power of 2.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \theta(1) & \text{if } n = 1, \\ 7T(n/2) + \theta(n^2) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- $\blacktriangleright$  The base case occurs when n=1.
- ▶ **Divide**: Partition A, B and C into four  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices by index calculation takes  $\Theta(1)$ . Creating the matrices  $S_1, S_2, ..., S_{10}$ , each of which is  $n/2 \times n/2$  takes  $\Theta(n^2)$ ,  $D(n) = \Theta(1) + \Theta(n^2) = \Theta(n^2)$ .
- **Conquer**: Recursively solve 7 subproblems, each of size n/2.
- ▶ Combine: Combining takes  $\Theta(n^2)$  time to add and subtract  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices.  $\Rightarrow C(n) = \Theta(n^2)$  time for combining.
- ▶ By using master method, we have  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\lg 7})$ .