

$$\begin{array}{r}
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 \times 1101 \\
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 \end{array}$$

(b)

even as an algorithmic question. But, in fact, elementary schoolers are taught a concrete (and quite efficient) algorithm to multiply two  $n$ -digit numbers  $x$  and  $y$ . You first compute a “partial product” by multiplying each digit of  $y$  separately by  $x$ , and then you add up all the partial products. (Figure 5.8 should help you recall this algorithm. In elementary school we always see this done in base-10, but it works exactly the same way in base-2 as well.) Counting a single operation on a pair of bits as one primitive step in this computation, it takes  $O(n)$  time to compute each partial product, and  $O(n)$  time to combine it in with the running sum of all partial products so far. Since there are  $n$  partial products, this is a total running time of  $O(n^2)$ .

## First Idea

$$\begin{aligned} xy &= (x_1 \cdot 2^{n/2} + x_0)(y_1 \cdot 2^{n/2} + y_0) \\ &= \underbrace{x_1 y_1 \cdot 2^n} + \underbrace{(x_1 y_0 + x_0 y_1) \cdot 2^{n/2}} + \underbrace{x_0 y_0}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

$$T(n) \leq 4T(n/2) + cn$$

$$T(n) \leq O(n^2).$$

## Second Idea

$$(x_1 + x_0)(y_1 + y_0) = \underbrace{x_1 y_1} + \underbrace{x_1 y_0} + \underbrace{x_0 y_1} + \underbrace{x_0 y_0}.$$

$$T(n) \leq 3T(n/2) + cn$$

$$O(n^{\log_2 3}) = O(n^{1.59}).$$

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Recursive-Multiply( $x, y$ ):

Write  $x = x_1 \cdot 2^{n/2} + x_0$

$y = y_1 \cdot 2^{n/2} + y_0$

Compute  $x_1 + x_0$  and  $y_1 + y_0$

$p = \text{Recursive-Multiply}(x_1 + x_0, y_1 + y_0)$

$x_1 y_1 = \text{Recursive-Multiply}(x_1, y_1)$

$x_0 y_0 = \text{Recursive-Multiply}(x_0, y_0)$

Return  $x_1 y_1 \cdot 2^n + (p - x_1 y_1 - x_0 y_0) \cdot 2^{n/2} + x_0 y_0$

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