Chapter – 2 – Divide and Conquer Algorithm

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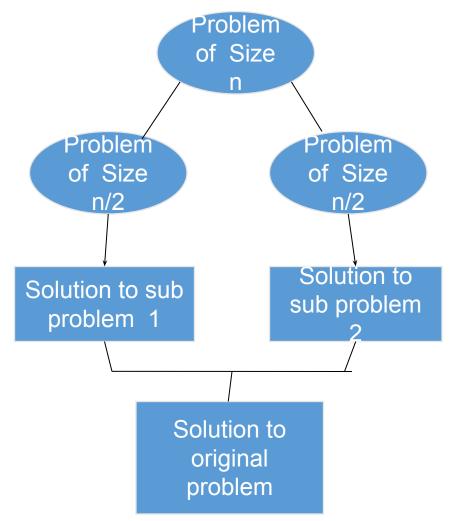
Introduction

Divide & conquer is a general algorithm design strategy with a general plan as follows:

- •1. DIVIDE: A problem's instance is divided into several smaller instances of the same problem, ideally of about the same size.
- •2. RECUR: Solve the sub-problem recursively.
- •3. CONQUER: If necessary, the solutions obtained for the smaller instances are combined to get a solution to the original instance.

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Diagram shows the general divide & conquer plan



General Algorithm for Divide & Conquer

```
Divide&Conquer(I, S)
pre: I = instance of a problem
post: S = feasible solution for I
partion I into I<sub>1</sub>, ..., I<sub>k</sub>
for each lk
  if Ik can be solved optimally do so
        and let Sk be this solution
  otherwise Divide&Conquer(Ik, Sk)
combine S<sub>1</sub>, ..., S<sub>k</sub> into S
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• The computing time of above procedure of divide and conquer is given by the recurrence relation

•T(n)= g(n) ,if n is small
$$T(n1)+T(n2)+...+T(nr)+f(n)$$
,if n is sufficiently large

Introduction

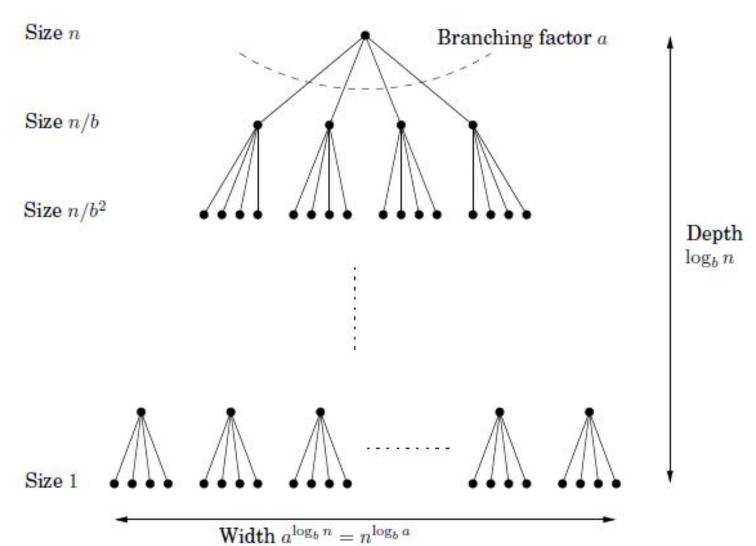
- The real work is done piecemeal, in three different places: in the partitioning of problems into sub problems; at the very tail end of the recursion, when the sub problems are so small that they are solved outright; and in the gluing together of partial answers.
- These are held together and coordinated by the algorithm's core recursive structure.
- As an introductory example, we'll see how this technique yields a new algorithm for multiplying numbers, one that is much more efficient than the method we all learned in elementary school!

Recurrence relations

- Divide-and-conquer algorithms often follow a generic pattern: they tackle a problem of size n by recursively solving, say, a sub problems of size n/b and then combining these answers in $O(n \land d)$ time, for some a; b; d > 0 (in the multiplication algorithm, a = 3, b = 2, and d = 1).
- Their running time can therefore be captured by the equation T(n) = aT([n/b]) + O(n/d).
- We next derive a closed-form solution to this general recurrence so that we no longer have to solve it explicitly in each new instance.

Recurrence relations

Each problem of size n is divided into a subproblems of size n/b.



Recurrence relations

Master theorem² If $T(n) = aT(\lceil n/b \rceil) + O(n^d)$ for some constants a > 0, b > 1, and $d \ge 0$, then

$$T(n) \ = \ \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} O(n^d) & \text{if } d > \log_b a \\ O(n^d \log n) & \text{if } d = \log_b a \\ O(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } d < \log_b a \,. \end{array} \right.$$

subproblems, each of size n/b^k The total work done at this level is

$$a^k \times O\left(\frac{n}{b^k}\right)^d = O(n^d) \times \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^k$$
.

- Consider that we want to perform operation 1234*981.
- We need to divide the integer in two portion left and right. (12 and 34)
- $1234 = 10 \land 2 * 12 + 34 = 1234$
- For 0981 * 1234 consider following things.

•
$$w = 09$$
, $x = 81$, $y = 12$ and $z = 34$

• 0981 * 1234 =
$$(10^2 + x)^*(10^2 + z)$$

= $10^4 + 10^2(x^2 + x^2) + x^2$
= $1080000 + 1278000 + 2754$
= 1210554

- The above procedure still needs four half-size multiplications; wy, wz, xy and xz.
- The key observation is that there is no need to compute both wz and xy; all we really need is the sum of these two terms.
- Is it possible to obtain wz + xy at the cost of single multiplication? Our equeation is like
- Result = (w + x) * (y + z) = wy + (wz + xy) + xz

• There is one mathematical formula that we are going to apply here

•
$$(wz + xy) = (w + x)*(y + z) - wy - xz$$

•
$$q = xz = 81 * 34 = 2754$$

•
$$r = (w + x) * (y + z) = 90 * 46 = 4140$$

• 0981 * 1234 =
$$10 \land 4 p + 10 \land 2 (r-p-q) + q$$

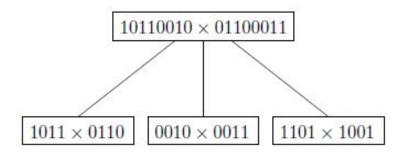
- If each of the three half size multiplications is carried out by the classic algorithm, the time needed to multiply two n figure numbers is f(n). For some constants c, g(n) is the time needed for additions, shifts, and overhead operations. So the total time required is,
 - T(n)=f(n)+c.g(n)
- So, the recurrence relation to multiply large integers problem is
 - T(n)=3T(n/2)+n

Calculate multiplication of following number using divide and conquer

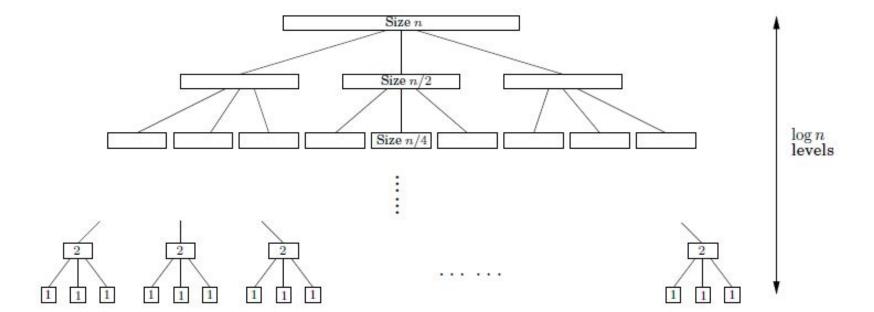
• 1234*4321 = ?

Divide-and-conquer integer multiplication. (a) Each problem is divided into three subproblems. (b) The levels of recursion.

(a)



(b)



- At each successive level of recursion the sub problems get halved in size.
- At the (log 2 n)th level, the sub problems get down to size 1, and so the recursion ends.
- Therefore, the height of the tree is log 2 n.
- The branching factor is 3. Each problem recursively produces three smaller ones. With the result that at depth k in the tree there are 3 k sub problems, each of size n/2 k.

• For each sub problem, a linear amount of work is done in identifying further sub problems and combining their answers. Therefore the total time spent at depth k in the tree is

$$3^k \times O\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^k \times O(n)$$

At the very top level, when k = 0, this works out to O(n). At the bottom, when $k = \log_2 n$, it is $O(3^{\log_2 n})$, which can be rewritten as $O(n^{\log_2 3})$ (do you see why?). Between these two endpoints, the work done increases geometrically from O(n) to $O(n^{\log_2 3})$, by a factor of 3/2 per level. The sum of any increasing geometric series is, within a constant factor, simply the last term of the series: such is the rapidity of the increase (Exercise 0.2). Therefore the overall running time is $O(n^{\log_2 3})$, which is about $O(n^{1.59})$.

A divide-and-conquer algorithm for integer multiplication.

```
function multiply (x, y)
Input: Positive integers x and y, in binary
Output: Their product
n = \max(\text{size of } x, \text{ size of } y)
if n=1: return xy
x_L, x_R = leftmost \lceil n/2 \rceil, rightmost \lceil n/2 \rceil bits of x
y_L, y_R = \text{leftmost } \lceil n/2 \rceil, rightmost \lceil n/2 \rceil bits of y
P_1 = \text{multiply}(x_L, y_L)
P_2 = \text{multiply}(x_R, y_R)
P_3 = \text{multiply}(x_L + x_R, y_L + y_R)
return P_1 \times 2^n + (P_3 - P_1 - P_2) \times 2^{n/2} + P_2
```

Binary Search

```
Function Binary_Search (T[1...n], x)
          i □ 1; j □ n
          while i < j do
                k \square (i+j)/2;
                if (x < T[k])
                     j \square k-1;
                if(x == T[k])
                     i, j □ k;
                     return k
                if(x > T[k])
                     i \square k + 1;
```

Binary Search

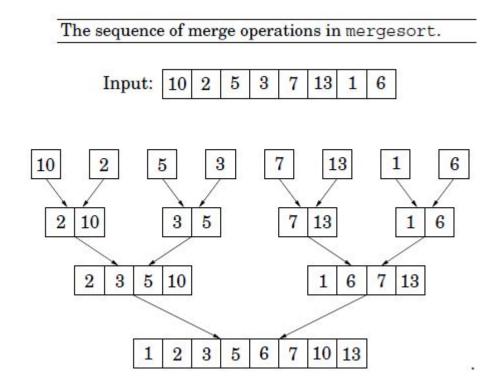
```
Function binrec(T[i...j], x)
{
          if(j<i)
               return -1
          else
               k \square (i + j)/2
               if(x==t[k]) then
                    return k
               else if(x <= t[k]) then
                    return binrec(T[i..k-1], x)
               else
                    return binrec(T[k+1...j], x)
```

Complexity of Binary Search Method

- •When n= 64 BinarySearch is called to reduce size to n=32 When n= 32 BinarySearch is called to reduce size to n=16 When n= 16 BinarySearch is called to reduce size to n=8 When n= 8 BinarySearch is called to reduce size to n=4 When n= 4 BinarySearch is called to reduce size to n=2 When n= 2 BinarySearch is called to reduce size to n=1
- •Let us consider a more general case where n is a power of 2. Let us say $n = 2^k$.
- 2k = n Taking log of both sidesk = log n
 - Recurrence for binary search is T(n)=T(n/2)+1 (the time to search in an array of 1 element is constant)

We conclude from there that the time complexity of the Binary search method is **O(log n)**.

•The problem of sorting a list of numbers lends itself immediately to a divide-and-conquer strategy: split the list into two halves, recursively sort each half, and then *merge the two* sorted sub lists.



- The correctness of this algorithm is self-evident, as long as a correct merge subroutine is specified.
- If we are given two sorted arrays x[1...k] and y[1...l], how do we efficiently merge them into a single sorted array z[1...k+l]?
- Well, the very first element of z is either x[1] or y[1], whichever is smaller. The rest of z[.] can then be constructed recursively.

```
    MergeSort(A,p,r)
        if p>r
        return
        q=(p+r)/2
        MergeSort(A,p,q)
        MergeSort(A,q+1,r)
        MERGE(A,p,q,r)
```

```
• MERGE (A, p, q, r )
                n_1 \leftarrow q - p + 1
             n_2 \leftarrow r - q
            Create arrays L[1..n_1 + 1] and R[1..n_2 + 1]
            for i \leftarrow 1 to n_1 then
                 do L[i] \leftarrow A[p + i - 1]
           for j \leftarrow 1 to n_2 then
                 do R[j] \leftarrow A[q+j]
            L[n_1 + 1] \leftarrow \infty
            R[n_2 + 1] \leftarrow \infty
          i \leftarrow 1
          i \leftarrow 1
           FOR k \leftarrow p TO r
               DO IF L[i] \leq R[i]
                     THEN A[k] \leftarrow L[i]
                           i \leftarrow i + 1
                     ELSE A[k] \leftarrow R[j]
                           i \leftarrow i + 1
```

- Time taken for divide is f(n)=2T(n/2) because of two half size partitions.
- For merge linear amount of work is done, so time taken is g(n)=O(n).
- Thus merge's are linear, and the overall time taken by merge sort is
 - T(n) = 2T(n/2) + O(n); or $O(n \log n)$

• Given an array of n elements (e.g., integers):

• If array only contains one element, return array

Else

pick one element to use as pivot.

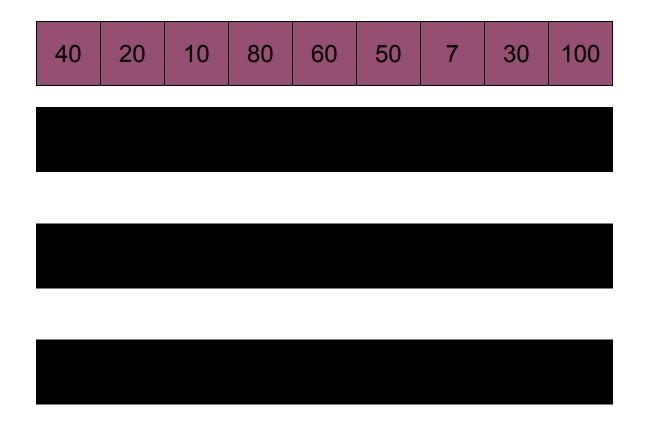
Partition elements into two sub-arrays:

Elements less than or equal to pivot

Elements greater than pivot

Quick sort two sub-arrays

Return results



```
Procedure partition(A,p,r)
    x < -A[r]
    i<-p-1
        for j<-p to r-1
        if A[j] \le x
             then i<-i+1
             exchange A[i]<->A[j]
        exchange A[i+1]<->A[r]
        return i+1
```

- Quick Sort analysis
 - Assume that keys are random, uniformly distributed.
 - Best case running time: O(n log n)
 - •Worst case running time? $O(n \land 2)$
 - •Recursion:
 - Partition splits array in two sub-arrays:
 - one sub-array of size 0
 - the other sub-array of size n-1
 - Quicksort each sub-array
 - Depth of recursion tree? O(n)
 - Number of accesses per partition? O(n)

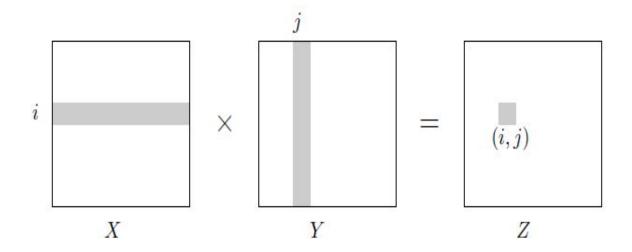
- Quick Sort analysis
 - Assume that keys are random, uniformly distributed.
 - Best case running time: O(n log n)
 - \bullet T(n)<=2T(n/2)+ \varnothing (n)
 - •Worst case running time? $O(n \land 2)$
 - •T(n)=T(n-1)+T(0)+ \varnothing (n)=T(n-1)+ \varnothing (n)
 - •Recursion:
 - Partition splits array in two sub-arrays:
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 - Number of accesses per partition? ∅(n)

Matrix Multiplication

The product of two $n \times n$ matrices X and Y is a third $n \times n$ matrix Z = XY, with (i, j)th entry

$$Z_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} X_{ik} Y_{kj}.$$

To make it more visual, Z_{ij} is the dot product of the *i*th row of X with the *j*th column of Y:



In general, XY is not the same as YX; matrix multiplication is not commutative.

Iterative Matrix Multiplication

```
Input: matrices A and B

Let C be a new matrix of the appropriate size

For i from 1 to n:

For j from 1 to p:

Let sum = 0

For k from 1 to m:

Set sum \leftarrow sum + A_{ik} \times B_{kj}

Set C_{ij} \leftarrow sum

Return C
```

Recursive Matrix Multiplication

```
Function MMult(A, B, n)
If n = 1
        Output A × B
Else
       Compute A11, B11, . . ., A22, B22 % by computing m = n/2
       X1 \leftarrow MMult(A11, B11, n/2)
       X2 \leftarrow MMult(A12, B21, n/2)
       X3 \leftarrow MMult(A11, B12, n/2)
       X4 \leftarrow MMult(A12, B22, n/2)
       X5 \leftarrow MMult(A21, B11, n/2)
       X6 \leftarrow MMult(A22, B21, n/2)
       X7 \leftarrow MMult(A21, B12, n/2)
       X8 \leftarrow MMult(A22, B22, n/2)
       C 11 \leftarrow X1 + X2
       C 12 \leftarrow X3 + X4
       C21 \leftarrow X5 + X6
       C22 \leftarrow X7 + X8
        Output C
End If
```

Matrix Multiplication

- The preceding formula implies an $O(n \land 3)$ algorithm for matrix multiplication: there are $n \land 2$ entries to be computed, and each takes O(n) time.
- For quite a while, this was widely believed to be the best running time possible, and it was even proved that in certain models of computation no algorithm could do better.
- It was therefore a source of great excitement when in 1969, the German mathematician Volker Strassen announced a signicantly more efficient algorithm, based upon divide-and-conquer.

Matrix Multiplication

Matrix multiplication is particularly easy to break into subproblems, because it can be performed blockwise. To see what this means, carve X into four $n/2 \times n/2$ blocks, and also Y:

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}, \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} E & F \\ G & H \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then their product can be expressed in terms of these blocks and is exactly as if the blocks were single elements (Exercise 2.11).

$$XY = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E & F \\ G & H \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} AE + BG & AF + BH \\ CE + DG & CF + DH \end{bmatrix}$$

We now have a divide-and-conquer strategy: to compute the size-n product XY, recursively compute eight size-n/2 products AE, BG, AF, BH, CE, DG, CF, DH, and then do a few $O(n^2)$ -time additions. The total running time is described by the recurrence relation

$$T(n) = 8T(n/2) + O(n^2).$$

Optimized Matrix Multiplication Algorithm

```
Strassen(A, B)
```

```
If n = 1
                                A=[1\ 2]
                                   341
                                 B=[1 2
                                   341
Output A × B
Else
      Compute A11, B11, . . ., A22, B22 % by computing m = n/2
      P1 \leftarrow Strassen(A11, B12 - B22)
      P2 \leftarrow Strassen(A11 + A12, B22)
      P3 \leftarrow Strassen(A21 + A22, B11)
      P4 \leftarrow Strassen(A22, B21 - B11)
      P5 \leftarrow Strassen(A11 + A22, B11 + B22)
      P6 \leftarrow Strassen(A12 - A22, B21 + B22)
      P7 ← Strassen(A11 - A21, B11 + B12)
      C 11 \leftarrow P5 + P4 - P2 + P6
      C 12 \leftarrow P1 + P2
      C21 \leftarrow P3 + P4
      C.22 \leftarrow P1 + P5 - P3 - P7
      Output C
```

Matrix Multiplication

$$XY = \begin{bmatrix} P_5 + P_4 - P_2 + P_6 & P_1 + P_2 \\ P_3 + P_4 & P_1 + P_5 - P_3 - P_7 \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$P_1 = A(F - H)$$
 $P_5 = (A + D)(E + H)$
 $P_2 = (A + B)H$ $P_6 = (B - D)(G + H)$
 $P_3 = (C + D)E$ $P_7 = (A - C)(E + F)$
 $P_4 = D(G - E)$

The new running time is

$$T(n) = 7T(n/2) + O(n^2),$$

which by the master theorem works out to $O(n^{\log_2 7}) \approx O(n^{2.81})$.

Exponentiation

- •Let a and n be two integers. We wish to compute the exponentiation $x = a^n$.
- For simplicity, we shall assume throughout this section that n > 0.
- •If n is small, the obvious algorithm is adequate.

```
Function exposeq(a, n)
{
    r □ a
    for i □ 1 to n-1 do r □ a*r
    return r
}
```

Complexity of this algorithm is O(n)

Exponentiation

•a
$$\wedge$$
 n = return a if n = 1
return (a \wedge n/2) \wedge 2 if n is even
return a * a \wedge n-1 otherwise

$$a \land 29 = a * a \land 28 = a(a \land 14) \land 2 \dots$$

Which involves only three multiplications and four squaring instead of the 28 multiplication.

Exponentiation

```
•Function expoDC(a, n)
{
    if n = 1
        then
        return a
    else
    return a * expoDC(a, n - 1)
}
```

Recurrence relation for recursive exponentiation problem

$$T(n)=T(n-1)+1$$

Now the complexity of above algorithm is O(log n)

Any Question?

