Chapter 2. (Part 2)

Divide-and-Conquer

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- *Matrix Multiplication* Algorithm
  - Recall that Algorithm 1.4 multiplies two matrices
    - strictly according *to the definition of matrix multiplication*.
    - time complexity: $T(n) = n^3 \in \Theta(n^3)$.
  - Is it possible to design an efficient algorithm
    - whose time complexity is better than $\Theta(n^3)$?
  - Strassen published an algorithm (in 1969)
    - whose *time complexity* is *better than cubic*
    - in terms of both *multiplication* and *additions/subtractions*.

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$$\begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

(Normal)

8 multiplications

4 additions

$$m_1 = (a_{11} + a_{22})(b_{11} + b_{22})$$
$$m_2 = (a_{21} + a_{22})b_{11}$$
$$m_3 = a_{11}(b_{12} - b_{22})$$
$$m_4 = a_{22}(b_{21} - b_{11})$$
$$m_5 = (a_{11} + a_{12})b_{22}$$
$$m_6 = (a_{21} - a_{11})(b_{11} + b_{12})$$
$$m_7 = (a_{12} - a_{22})(b_{21} + b_{22})$$

(Strassen's)

7 multiplications

18 additions/subtractions

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 + m_4 - m_5 + m_7 & m_3 + m_5 \\ m_2 + m_4 & m_1 + m_3 - m_2 + m_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Pertaining the Strassen's Method to *Larger Matrices*
  - that are each ***divided*** into ***four submatrices***.

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ \hline C_{21} & C_{22} \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ \hline A_{21} & A_{22} \end{array}\right] \times \left[\begin{array}{c|c} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ \hline B_{21} & B_{22} \end{array}\right]$$

$$M_1 = (A_{11} + A_{22})(B_{11} + B_{22})$$

$$M_2 = (A_{21} + A_{22})B_{11}$$

$$\dots$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 + M_4 - M_5 + M_7 & M_3 + M_5 \\ M_2 + M_4 & M_1 + M_3 - M_2 + M_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ \hline C_{21} & C_{22} \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ \hline 9 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \end{array}\right] \times \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 8 & 9 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ \hline 7 & 8 & 9 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{array}\right]$$

$$M_1 = (A_{11} + A_{22})(B_{11} + B_{22}) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 11 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 17 & 10 \\ 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 86 & 75 \\ 278 & 227 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_2 = (A_{21} + A_{22})B_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 4 \\ 10 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 9 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 104 & 115 \\ 128 & 138 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_3 =$$

$$M_4 =$$

$$M_5 =$$

$$M_6 =$$

$$M_7 =$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 43 & 53 & 54 & 37 \\ 123 & 149 & 130 & 93 \\ 95 & 110 & 44 & 41 \\ 103 & 125 & 111 & 79 \end{bmatrix}$$

ALGORITHM 2.8: Strassen (*pseudo-code*)

```
void strassen(int n, matrix_t A, matrix_t B, matrix_t& C) {
    if (n <= threshold) {
        compute C = A * B using the standard algorithm;
    }
    else {
        partition A into four submatrices A11, A12, A21, A22;
        partition B into four submatrices B11, B12, B21, B22;
        compute C = A * B using Strassen's method;
            // example recursive call:
            // strassen(n/2, A11 + A22, B11 + B22, M1);
    }
}
```

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```
typedef vector<vector<int>> matrix_t;
const int threshold = 1;

void print_matrix(int n, matrix_t M);
void resize(int n, matrix_t& mat);
void madd(int n, matrix_t A, matrix_t B, matrix_t& C);
void msub(int n, matrix_t A, matrix_t B, matrix_t& C);
void mmult(int n, matrix_t A, matrix_t B, matrix_t &C);
void partition(int m, matrix_t M,
               matrix_t& M11, matrix_t& M12, matrix_t& M21, matrix_t& M22);
void combine(int m, matrix_t& M,
               matrix_t M11, matrix_t M12, matrix_t M21, matrix_t M22);
void strassen(int n, matrix_t A, matrix_t B, matrix_t &C);
```

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```
matrix_t A11, A12, A21, A22;
matrix_t B11, B12, B21, B22;
matrix_t C11, C12, C21, C22;
matrix_t M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M6, M7;
matrix_t L, R;

int m = n / 2;
resize(m, A11); resize(m, A12); resize(m, A21); resize(m, A22);
resize(m, B11); resize(m, B12); resize(m, B21); resize(m, B22);
resize(m, C11); resize(m, C12); resize(m, C21); resize(m, C22);
resize(m, C11); resize(m, C12); resize(m, C21); resize(m, C22);
resize(m, M1); resize(m, M2); resize(m, M3); resize(m, M4); resize(m, M5);
resize(m, M6); resize(m, M7); resize(m, L); resize(m, R);
```

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```
void partition(int m, matrix_t M,
               matrix_t& M11, matrix_t& M12, matrix_t& M21, matrix_t& M22) {
    for (int i = 0; i < m; i++)
        for (int j = 0; j < m; j++) {
            M11[i][j] = M[i][j];
            M12[i][j] = M[i][j + m];
            M21[i][j] = M[i + m][j];
            M22[i][j] = M[i + m][j + m];
        }
}
```

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```
void strassen(int n, matrix_t A, matrix_t B, matrix_t &C) {
    if (n <= threshold) {
        mmult(n, A, B, C);
    }
    else {
        // Define local variables here.

        partition(m, A, A11, A12, A21, A22);
        partition(m, B, B11, B12, B21, B22);

        // Implement Strassen's Method Here.

        combine(m, C, C11, C12, C21, C22);
    }
}
```

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$m_1 = (a_{11} + a_{22})(b_{11} + b_{22})$

```
madd(m, A11, A22, L);
madd(m, B11, B22, R);
strassen(m, L, R, M1);
```

$m_2 = (a_{21} + a_{22})b_{11}$

```
madd(m, A21, A22, L);
strassen(m, L, B11, M2);
```

$m_3 = a_{11}(b_{12} - b_{22})$

```
msub(m, B12, B22, R);
strassen(m, A11, R, M3);
```

$m_4 = a_{22}(b_{21} - b_{11})$

```
msub(m, B21, B11, R);
strassen(m, A22, R, M4);
```

$m_5 = (a_{11} + a_{12})b_{22}$

```
madd(m, A11, A12, L);
strassen(m, L, B22, M5);
```

… …

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$$C_{11} = m_1 + m_4 - m_5 + m_7$$

```
madd(m, M1, M4, L);
msub(m, L,  M5, R);
madd(m, R,  M7, C11);
```

$$C_{12} = m_3 + m_5$$

```
madd(m, M3, M5, C12);
```

$$C_{21} = m_2 + m_4$$

```
madd(m, M2, M4, C21);
```

$$C_{22} = m_1 + m_3 - m_2 + m_6$$

```
madd(m, M1, M3, L);
msub(m, L,  M2, R);
madd(m, R,  M6, C22);
```

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

```
combine(m, C, C11, C12, C21, C22);
```

2.5 Strassen's Matrix Multiplication Algorithm

- Time Complexity of *Strassen's* (*multiplications*)
  - Basic Operation: one *elementary multiplication*.
  - Input Size: n, the *number of rows and columns* in the matrices.
  - For simplicity,
    - we keep dividing until $n = 1$ ($threshold = 1$).
  - Then, we can establish the recurrence:
    - $T(n) = 7T(n/2)$, for $n > 1$, n is a power of 2.
    - $T(1) = 1$.

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- Time Complexity of *Strassen's* (*multiplications*)
  - The recurrence is solved in Example B.2 in Appendix B:
    - $T(n) = n^{\lg 7} \approx n^{2.81} \in \Theta(n^{2.81})$.

$$\left.\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 7 \times T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \\ &= 7^2 \times T\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) \\ &= \cdots \\ &= 7^k \times T\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) \\ &= 7^k \times T(1) \\ &= 7^k \end{aligned}\right\} k = \lg n$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 7^{\lg n} \\ &= n^{\lg 7} \\ &\approx n^{2.81} \end{aligned}$$

$$T(n) \in \Theta(n^{2.81})$$

  - We can also apply the *Master Theorem*.

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- Time Complexity of *Strassen's* (*additions/subtractions*)
  - Basic Operation: one *elementary* *addition* or *subtraction*.
  - Input Size: n, the *number of rows and columns* in the matrices.
  - Again, for simplicity, we keep dividing until $n = 1$.
  - Then, we can establish the recurrence:
    - $T(n) = 7T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 18(\frac{n}{2})^2$, for $n > 1$, n is a power of 2. elements들의 덧셈, 곱셈
    - $T(1) = 0$.
  - The recurrence is solved in Example B.20 in Appendix B:
    - $T(n) = 6n^{\lg 7} - 6n^2 \in \Theta(n^{2.81})$
  - We can also apply the Master Theorem.

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- Comparing two algorithms:

	Standard Algorithm	Strassen's Algorithm
Multiplications	n^3	$n^{2.81}$
Additions/Subtractions	$n^3 - n^2$	$6n^{2.81} - 6n^2$

- What happen if n is not a power of 2?
  - Simply, *fill 0s to the matrices* to make the dimension a power of 2.

2.5 Strassen's Matrix Multiplication Algorithm

- *How fast* can we *multiply two matrices*?
  - There are some variants of Strassen's algorithm.
    - Some of them has more efficient complexity, to say, $\Theta(n^{2.38})$.
  - It is *provable* that the complexity requires *at least* $\Omega(n^2)$.
    - This is a *lower bound* of matrix multiplication *problem*.
  - Is it *possible* to design an efficient algorithm with $\Theta(n^2)$?
    - *No one* has ever *developed* an algorithm for it.
    - *No one* has ever *proved* that it is *not possible*.

T(n) = 11 * T(n/2) + O(1)

2.6 Arithmetic with Large Integers

- Representation of Large Integers
  - Suppose that we need to do arithmetic operations on large integers
    - whose size *exceeds* the computer's *hardware capability*.
  - A straightforward way to represent a large integer is
    - to use an array of integers,
      - in which *each array slot* stores only *one digit*.

5	4	3	1	2	7
$S[5]$	$S[4]$	$S[3]$	$S[2]$	$S[1]$	$S[0]$

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- Data Type and Linear-Time Operations:
  - To represent both *positive* and *negative* integers
    - we need *only* reserve the *high-order array slot* for the *sign*.
      - 0 for positive, 1 for negative.
  - For convenience,
    - we assume that all the large integers are positive.

```
typedef vector<int> LargeInteger;
const int threshold = 1;
```

- Data Type and Linear-Time Operations:
  - Write linear-time algorithms for
    - *addition* & subtraction.
    - *powered* by exponent: $u \times 10^m$
    - divided by exponent: u divide 10^m
      - returns the *quotient* in integer division.
    - remainder by exponent: u rem 10^m
      - return the *remainder*.

- *Addition* & Subtraction

carry							
	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
		5	6	7	8	3	2
+	9	4	2	3	7	2	3
	9	9	9	1	5	5	5

borrow							
	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	0
	9	4	2	3	7	2	3
−		5	6	7	8	3	2
	8	8	5	6	8	9	1

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```
void roundup_carry(LargeInteger& v) {
    int carry = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < v.size(); i++) {
        v[i] += carry;
        carry = v[i] / 10;
        v[i] = v[i] % 10;
    }
    if (carry != 0)
        v.push_back(carry);
}
```

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```
void ladd(LargeInteger a, LargeInteger b, LargeInteger& c) {
    c.resize(max(a.size(), b.size()));
    fill(c.begin(), c.end(), 0);
    for (int i = 0; i < c.size(); i++) {
        if (i < a.size()) c[i] += a[i];
        if (i < b.size()) c[i] += b[i];
    }
    roundup_carry(c);
}
```

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- *Multiplication* of *Large Integers*:
  - A simple algorithm for multiplying large integers
    - has a *quadratic* time complexity: $\Theta(n^2)$.

		1	2	3
$\times$			4	5
		5	10	15
$+$	4	8	12	
	4	13	22	15
	5	5	3	5

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```
void lmult(LargeInteger a, LargeInteger b, LargeInteger& c) {
    c.resize(a.size() + b.size() - 1);
    fill(c.begin(), c.end(), 0);
    for (int i = 0; i < a.size(); i++)
        for (int j = 0; j < b.size(); j++)
            c[i + j] += a[i] * b[j];
    roundup_carry(c);
}
```

- Operations with Exponents: Power, Divide, and Remainder

$u = 567{,}832, m = 3$

$u \times 10^m$	$u = 567832000$
u divide 10^m	$u = 567\cancel{832}$
u rem 10^m	$u = \cancel{567}832$

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```
void pow_by_exp(LargeInteger u, int m, LargeInteger &v) {
    if (u.size() == 0)
        v.resize(0);
    else {
        v.resize(u.size() + m);
        fill(v.begin(), v.end(), 0);
        copy(u.begin(), u.end(), v.begin() + m);
    }
}
```

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```
void rem_by_exp(LargeInteger u, int m, LargeInteger &v) {
    if (u.size() == 0)
        v.resize(0);
    else {
        // Note that u.size() can be smaller than m.
        int k = m < u.size() ? m : u.size();
        v.resize(k);
        copy(u.begin(), u.begin() + k, v.begin());
        remove_leading_zeros(v);
    }
}
```

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- **Designing an *Efficient* Multiplication Algorithm:**
  - based on the Divide-and-Conquer approach
    - to *split* an n-digit integer into two integers of *approximately* $n/2$ digits.

$567{,}832$	$=$	567×10^3	$+$	832
6 digits		3 digits		3 digits
$9{,}423{,}723$	$=$	$9{,}423 \times 10^3$	$+$	723
7 digits		4 digits		3 digits
u	$=$	$x \times 10^m$	$+$	y
n digits		$\lceil n/2 \rceil$ digits		$\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ digits

The exponent m of 10 is given by $m = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$

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$$u = x \times 10^m + y$$

$$v = w \times 10^m + z$$

$$\begin{aligned} uv &= (x \times 10^m + y)(w \times 10^m + z) \\ &= xw \times 10^{2m} + (xz + wy) \times 10^m + yz \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 567{,}832 \times 9{,}423{,}723 &= (567 \times 10^3 + 832)(9{,}423 \times 10^3 + 723) \\ &= 567 \times 9{,}423 \times 10^6 + (567 \times 723 + 9{,}423 \times 832) \times 10^3 + 832 \times 723 \\ &= 5{,}351{,}091{,}478{,}536 \end{aligned}$$

ALGORITHM 2.9: Large Integer Multiplication

```
large_integer prod(large_integer u, large_integer v)
{
    large_integer x, y, w, z;
    int n, m;

    n = maximum(number of digits in u, number of digits in v);
    if (u == 0 || v == 0)
        return 0;
    else if (n <= threshold)
        return u × v obtained in the usual way;
    else {
        m = n / 2;
        x = u divide 10^m; y = u rem 10^m;
        w = v divide 10^m; z = v rem 10^m;
        return prod(x, w)×10^2m + (prod(x, z) + prod(w, y))×10^m + prod(y, z);
    }
}
```

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```
void prod(LargeInteger u, LargeInteger v, LargeInteger &r) {
    LargeInteger x, y, w, z;
    LargeInteger t1, t2, t3, t4, t5, t6, t7, t8;
    int n = max(u.size(), v.size());
    if (u.size() == 0 || v.size() == 0)
        r.resize(0);
    else if (n <= threshold)
        lmult(u, v, r);
    else {
        int m = n / 2;
        div_by_exp(u, m, x); rem_by_exp(u, m, y);
        div_by_exp(v, m, w); rem_by_exp(v, m, z);
        // t2 <- prod(x,w) * 10^(2*m)
        prod(x, w, t1); pow_by_exp(t1, 2 * m, t2);
        // t6 <- (prod(x,z)+prod(w,y)) * 10^m
        prod(x, z, t3); prod(w, y, t4); ladd(t3, t4, t5); pow_by_exp(t5, m, t6);
        // r <- t2 + t6 + prod(y, z)
        prod(y, z, t7); ladd(t2, t6, t8); ladd(t8, t7, r);
    }
}
```

- Time Complexity of Algorithm 2.9 (*Worst-Case*)
  - Basic Operation: the *manipulation of one decimal digit* in a large integer
    - when *adding*, *subtracting*, or doing *pow*, *div*, and *rem* operations.
  - Input Size: n, the *number of digits* in each of the two integers.
  - The worst-case occurs when
    - both integers have *no digits equal to* 0,
      - because the recursion ends if and only if *threshold* is passed.
  - For simplicity, suppose that n is a power of 2.

- Time Complexity of Algorithm 2.9 (Worst-Case)
  - The operations of addition, subtraction, power, divide, and remainder
    - have linear time-complexities in terms of n, because $m = n/2$.
  - We can establish the recurrence equation:
    - $W(n) = 4W(n/2) + cn$, for $n > s$, n is a power of 2.
      - where c is a positive constant.
    - $W(s) = 0$, for $n <= s$.
  - Therefore,
    - $W(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_2 4}) = \Theta(n^2)$. (Example B.25 in Appendix B)
      - We can apply the *Master Theorem*.

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- What's happen?
  - Algorithm 2.9 is still quadratic: $\Theta(n^2)$
  - The algorithm does *four multiplications*
    - on integers with *half* as many digits as the original integers.
  - We should *reduce the number of these multiplications*.
    - to obtain an algorithm that is *better than quadratic*.

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$$u = x \times 10^m + y$$

$$v = w \times 10^m + z$$

$$uv = xw \times 10^{2m} + (xz + wy) \times 10^m + yz$$

$$r = (x + y)(w + z) = xw + (xz + yw) + yz$$

$$(xz + yw) = r - (xw + yz)$$

$$uv = xw \times 10^{2m} + \Big(\overbrace{(x + y)(w + z)}^{r} - (xw + yz)\Big) \times 10^m + yz$$

three multiplications

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ALGORITHM 2.10: Large Integer Multiplication 2

```
large_integer prod2(large_integer u, large_integer v)
{
    large_integer x, y, w, z, r, p, q;
    int n, m;
    n = maximum(number of digits in u, number of digits in v);
    if (u == 0 || v == 0)
        return 0;
    else if (n <= threshold)
        return u × v obtained in the usual way;
    else {
        m = n / 2;
        x = u divide 10^m; y = u rem 10^m;
        w = v divide 10^m; z = v rem 10^m;
        r = prod2(x + y, w + z);
        p = prod2(x, w);
        q = prod2(y, z);
        return p×10^(2m) + (r - p - q)×10^m + q;
    }
}
```

```
typedef long long largeint;
const int threshold = 1;

largeint karatsuba(largeint u, largeint v) {
    largeint x, y, w, z, p, q, r;
    int n = max(digits(u), digits(v));
    if (u == 0 || v == 0)
        return 0;
    else if (n <= threshold)
        return u * v;
    else {
        int m = n / 2;
        x = div_by_exp(u, m); y = rem_by_exp(u, m);
        w = div_by_exp(v, m); z = rem_by_exp(v, m);
        r = karatsuba(x + y, w + z);
        p = karatsuba(x, w);
        q = karatsuba(y, z);
        return pow_by_exp(p, 2*m) + pow_by_exp(r-p-q, m) + q;
    }
}
```

2.6 Arithmetic with Large Integers

- Time Complexity of Algorithm 2.10 (Worst-Case)
  - If n is a power of 2, then x, y, w, and z all have $n/2$ digits.
    - $\frac{n}{2}$ <= digits in $x + y \leq \frac{n}{2} + 1$.
    - $\frac{n}{2}$ <= digits in $w + z \leq \frac{n}{2} + 1$.

n	x	y	$x + y$	Number of Digits in $x + y$
4	10	10	20	$2 = n/2$
4	99	99	198	$3 = n/2 + 1$
8	1000	1000	2000	$4 = n/2$
8	9999	9999	19,998	$5 = n/2 + 1$

- Time Complexity of Algorithm 2.10 (Worst-Case)
  - The input sizes for the given function calls:
    - $prod2(x+y, w+z)$: $\frac{n}{2} \leq$ input size $\leq \frac{n}{2} + 1$.
    - $prod2(x, w)$: input size $= \frac{n}{2}$
    - $prod2(y, z)$: input size $= \frac{n}{2}$
  - Therefore, $W(n)$ satisfies
    - $3W(\frac{n}{2}) + cn \leq W(n) \leq 3W(\frac{n}{2} + 1) + cn$, for $n > s$, n is a power of 2.
    - $W(s) = 0$, for $n \leq s$.

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- Time Complexity of Algorithm 2.10 (Worst-Case)
  - Owing to the left inequality in the recurrence and the Master Theorem:
    - $W(n) \in \Omega(n^{\log_2 3})$.
  - We can also show that
    - $W(n) \in O(n^{\log_2 3})$. (Refer to the textbook)
  - Therefore, combining these two results,
    - $W(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_2 3})$.

2.7 Determining Thresholds

- The Effect of *Threshold* Value
  - Recursion requires
    - a fair amount of overhead in terms of computer time.
  - Consider the problem of sorting *only eight keys*:
    - Which is the faster in terms of the *execution* time?
      - Recursive Mergesort: $\Theta(n \lg n)$ or Exchange Sort: $\Theta(n^2)$.
  - We need to develop a method that *determines for what value of n*
    - it is at least as fast to call an alternative algorithm as it is
      - to divide the instance further.

2.7 Determining Thresholds

- Finding an ***Optimal Threshold***:
  - An *optimal threshold value* of n is
    - an instance size such that for any smaller instance
      - it would be at least as fast to call the other algorithm as
      - it would be to divide the instance further,
    - and for any larger instance size
      - it would be faster to divide the instance again.

2.7 Determining Thresholds

- Example: Mergesort & Exchange Sort
  - Recurrence of Mergesort (worst-case)
    - $W(n) = 2W(n/2) + 32n\ \mu s$, $W(1) = 0\ \mu s$
  - Mergesort takes $W(n) = 32n \lg n\ \mu s$, where Exchange Sort takes $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}\ \mu s$.
  - Solving the inequality $\frac{n(n-1)}{2} < 32n \lg n$, the solution is $n < 591$.
  - Is it optimal to call Exchange Sort when $n < 591$
    - and to call Mergesort otherwise?
  - Note that this analysis is *incorrect*.
  - It only tells us that if we use Mergesort and keep dividing until $n = 1$,
    - then Exchange Sort is better for $n < 591$.

2.7 Determining Thresholds

- The *Optimal Threshold* for Mergesort & Exchange Sort:
  - Suppose we modify Mergesort so that
    - Exchange Sort is called when $n \le t$ for some threshold t.
  - $W(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n(n-1)}{2}\ \mu s, & \text{for } n \le t \\ W\left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + W\left(\left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil\right) + 32n\ \mu s, & \text{for } n > t \end{cases}$
    - $W\left(\left\lfloor \frac{t}{2} \right\rfloor\right) + W\left(\left\lceil \frac{t}{2} \right\rceil\right) + 32t = \frac{t(t-1)}{2}$
    - Solving this equation, we can obtain $t = 128$. (Refer to the textbook)
  - Therefore, we have
    - an *optimal threshold* value of 128.

2.8 When not to Use Divide-and-Conquer

- Avoid the Divide-and-Conquer in the following two cases:
  1. An instance of size n is divided into
     - *two or more instances* each almost size n.
       - It leads to an *exponential-time* algorithm.
  2. An instance of size n is divided into
     - almost n *instances* of size n/c, where c is a constant.
       - It leads to $n^{\Theta(\lg n)}$ algorithm.

- Consider the following problems:
  - nth Fibonacci Term: Algorithm 1.6 (Recursive), 1.7 (Iterative)
  - Towers of Hanoi: *intrinsically* exponential algorithm.

Exercises

- The n-th Fibonacci Number using Matrix Exponentiation
  - Can we calculate the n-th Fibonacci Number by *using matrix exponentiation*?
  - Use the following relation:
    - $\begin{bmatrix} F_n \\ F_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} F_{n-1} \\ F_{n-2} \end{bmatrix}$
    - $\begin{bmatrix} F_n \\ F_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^n \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Any Questions?