

Chapter 5 Divide and Conquer



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Divide-and-Conquer

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- Break up problem into several parts.
- Solve each part recursively.
- Combine solutions to sub-problems into overall solution.

Most common usage.

- Break up problem of size n into two equal parts of size $\frac{1}{2}$ n in linear time.
- Solve two parts recursively.
- Combine two solutions into overall solution in linear time.

Consequence.

■ Divide-and-conquer: $\Theta(n \log n)$

5.1 Mergesort

Sorting

Sorting. Given n elements, rearrange in ascending order.

Obvious sorting applications.

List files in a directory.

Organize an MP3 library.

List names in a phone book.

Display Google PageRank

results.

Problems become easier once sorted.

Find the median.
Find the closest pair.
Binary search in a database.
Identify statistical outliers.
Find duplicates in a mailing list.

Non-obvious sorting applications.

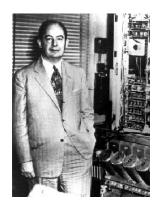
Data compression.
Computer graphics.
Interval scheduling.
Computational biology.
Minimum spanning tree.
Supply chain management.
Simulate a system of particles.
Book recommendations on
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Load balancing on a parallel computer.

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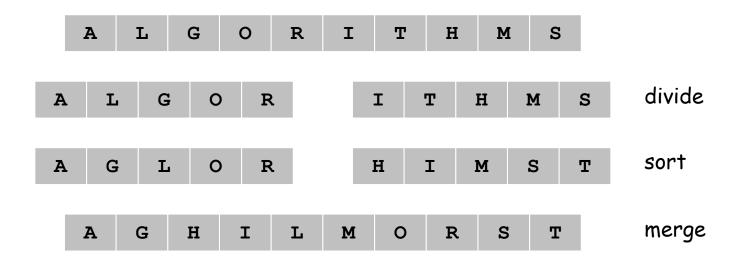
Mergesort

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- Divide array into two halves.
- Recursively sort each half.
- Merge two halves to make sorted whole.

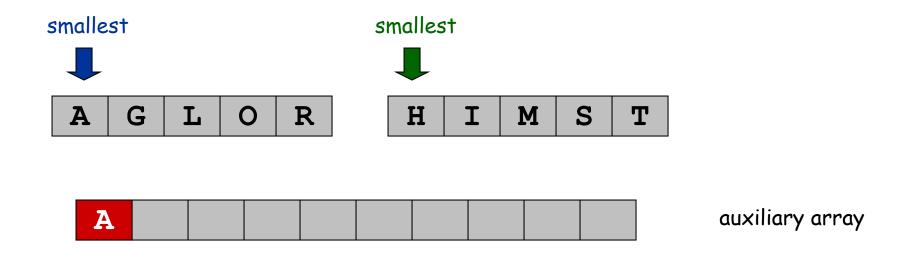


Jon von Neumann (1945)



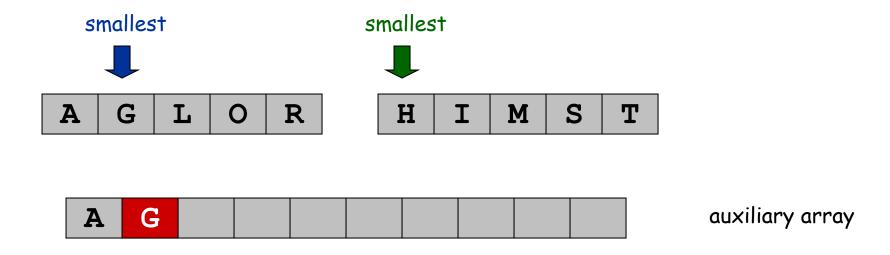
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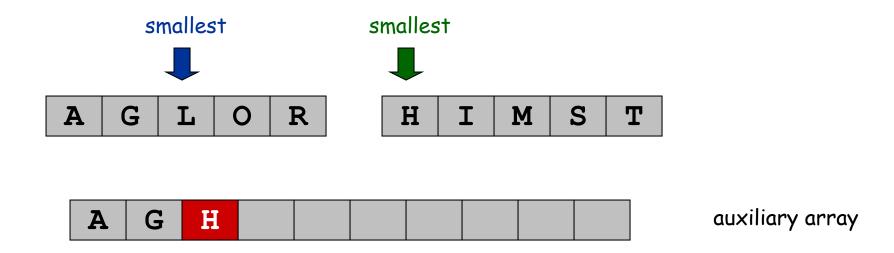
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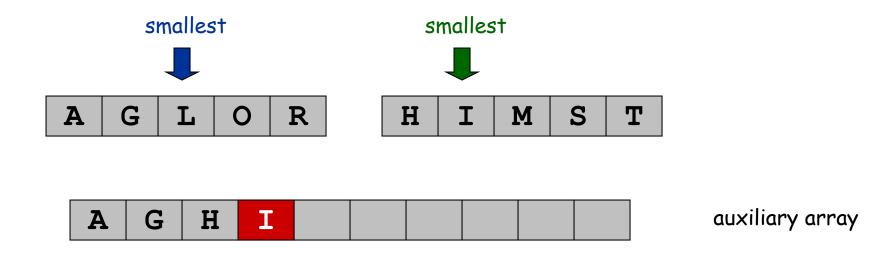
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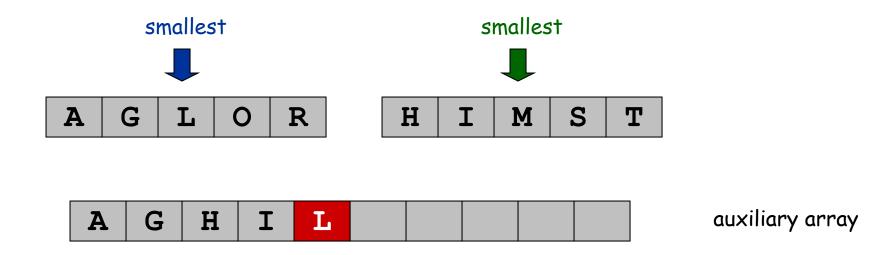
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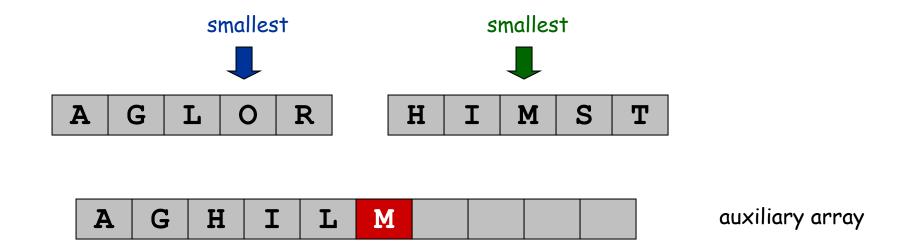
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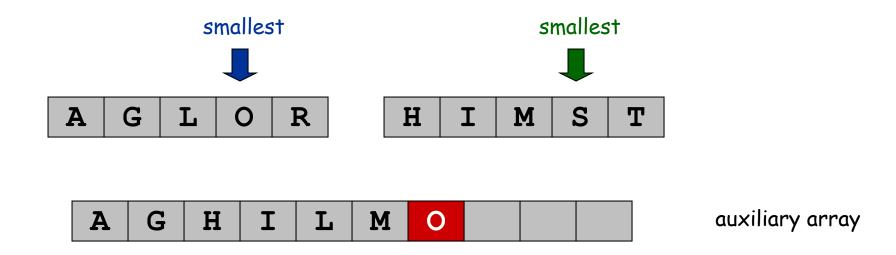
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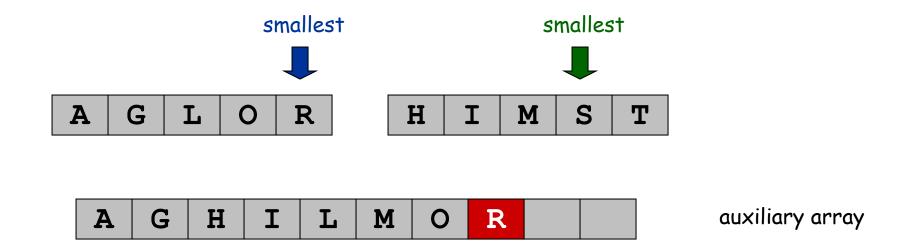
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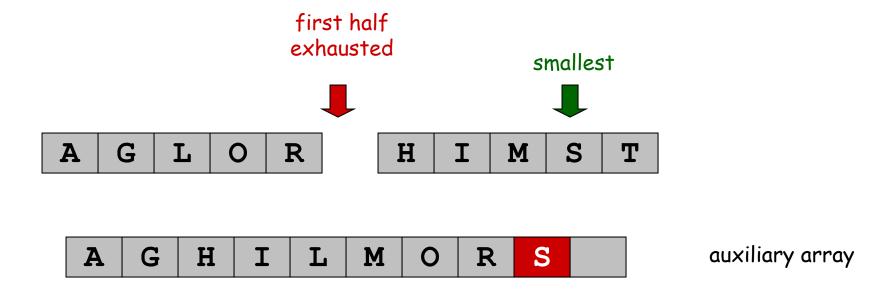
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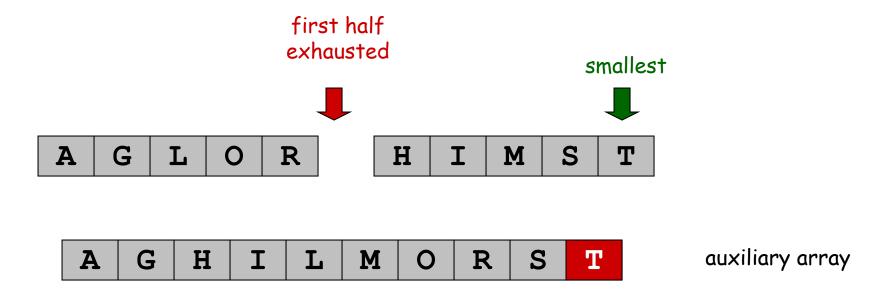
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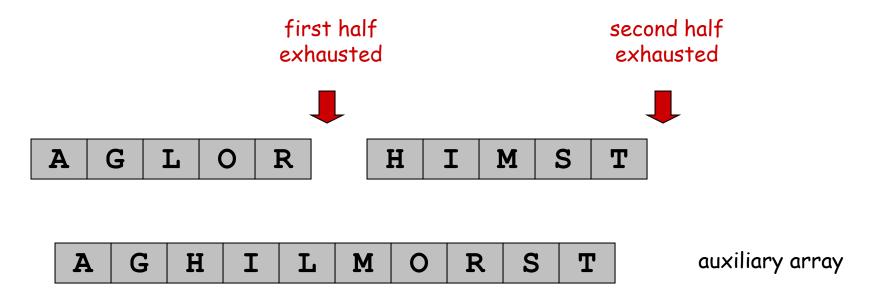
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A Useful Recurrence Relation

Def. T(n) = number of comparisons to mergesort an input of size n.

Mergesort recurrence.

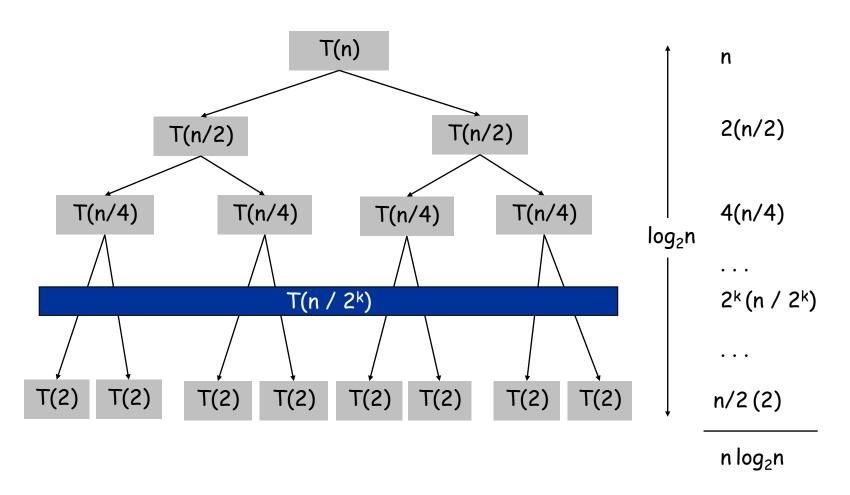
$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lceil n/2 \rfloor) + n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
solve left half $n = 1$ otherwise

Solution. $T(n) = O(n \log_2 n)$.

Assorted proofs. We describe several ways to prove this recurrence. Initially we assume n is a power of 2 and replace \leq with =.

Proof by Recursion Tree

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 1\\ 2T(n/2) + n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
sorting both halves merging



Proof by Telescoping

Claim. If T(n) satisfies this recurrence, then $T(n) = n \log_2 n$.

assumes n is a power of 2

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Pf. For n > 1:
$$\frac{T(n)}{n} = \frac{2T(n/2)}{n} + 1$$

$$= \frac{T(n/2)}{n/2} + 1$$

$$= \frac{T(n/4)}{n/4} + 1 + 1$$
...
$$= \frac{T(n/n)}{n/n} + \underbrace{1 + \dots + 1}_{\log_2 n}$$

$$= \log_2 n$$

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Pf. (by induction on n)

- Base case: n = 1.
- Inductive hypothesis: $T(n) = n \log_2 n$.
- Goal: show that $T(2n) = 2n \log_2 (2n)$.

$$T(2n) = 2T(n) + 2n$$

= $2n\log_2 n + 2n$
= $2n(\log_2(2n)-1) + 2n$
= $2n\log_2(2n)$

Analysis of Mergesort Recurrence

Claim. If T(n) satisfies the following recurrence, then $T(n) \le n \lceil \log_2 n \rceil$.

$$T(n) \leq \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(\lceil n/2 \rfloor) + n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
solve left half solve right half merging

Pf. (by induction on n)

- Base case: n = 1.
- Define $n_1 = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$, $n_2 = \lceil n/2 \rceil$.
- Induction step: assume true for 1, 2, ..., n-1.

$$T(n) \leq T(n_{1}) + T(n_{2}) + n$$

$$\leq n_{1} \lceil \log_{2} n_{1} \rceil + n_{2} \lceil \log_{2} n_{2} \rceil + n$$

$$\leq n_{1} \lceil \log_{2} n_{2} \rceil + n_{2} \lceil \log_{2} n_{2} \rceil + n$$

$$= n \lceil \log_{2} n_{2} \rceil + n$$

$$\leq n(\lceil \log_{2} n \rceil - 1) + n$$

$$= n \lceil \log_{2} n \rceil$$

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$$\Rightarrow \log_{2} n_{2} \leq \lceil \log_{2} n \rceil - 1$$

5.3 Counting Inversions

Counting Inversions

Music site tries to match your song preferences with others.

- You rank n songs.
- Music site consults database to find people with similar tastes.

Similarity metric: number of inversions between two rankings.

- My rank: 1, 2, ..., n.
- Your rank: $a_1, a_2, ..., a_n$.
- Songs i and j inverted if i < j, but $a_i > a_j$.

	Songs									
	Α	В	С	D	Е					
Me	1	2	3	4	5					
You	1	3	4	2	5					

Inversions 3-2, 4-2

Brute force: check all $\Theta(n^2)$ pairs i and j.

Applications

Applications.

- Voting theory.
- Collaborative filtering.
- Measuring the "sortedness" of an array.
- Sensitivity analysis of Google's ranking function.
- Rank aggregation for meta-searching on the Web.
- Nonparametric statistics (e.g., Kendall's Tau distance).

Divide-and-conquer.

1	5	4	8	10	2	6	9	12	11	3	7
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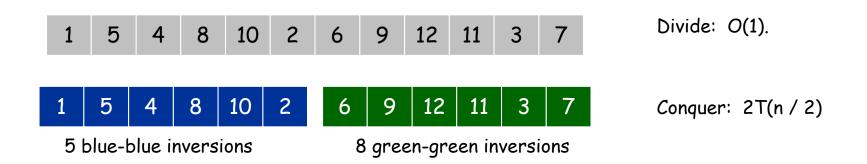
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Divide-and-conquer.

5-4, 5-2, 4-2, 8-2, 10-2

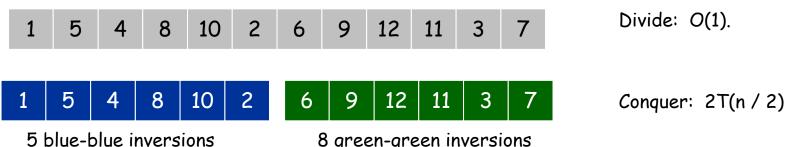
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6-3, 9-3, 9-7, 12-3, 12-7, 12-11, 11-3, 11-7

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- Divide: separate list into two pieces.
- Conquer: recursively count inversions in each half.
- Combine: count inversions where a_i and a_j are in different halves, and return sum of three quantities.

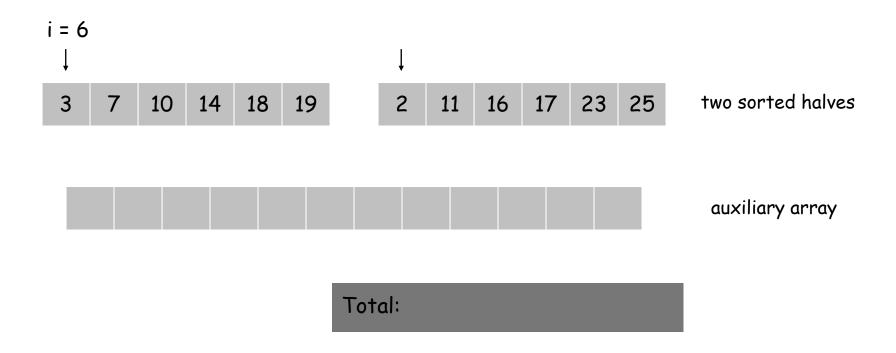


8 green-green inversions

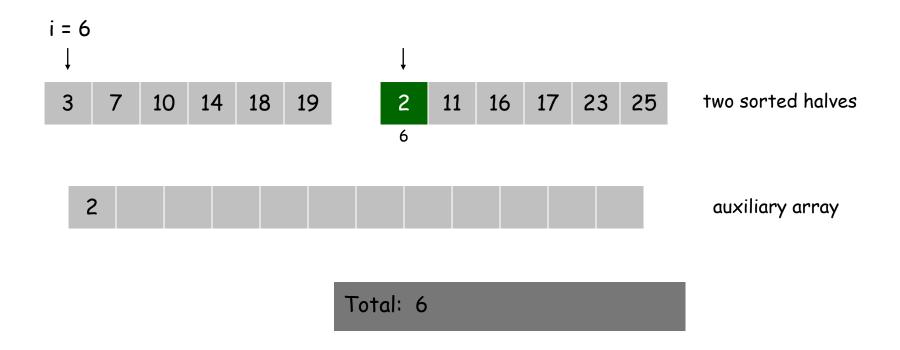
9 blue-green inversions Combine: ??? 5-3, 4-3, 8-6, 8-3, 8-7, 10-6, 10-9, 10-3, 10-7

Total = 5 + 8 + 9 = 22.

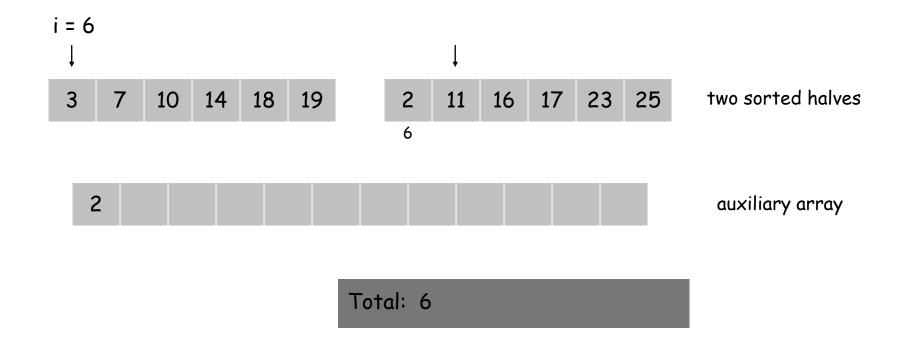
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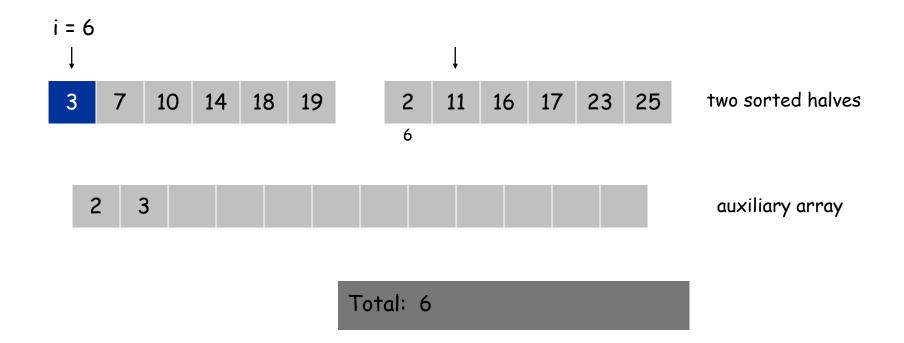
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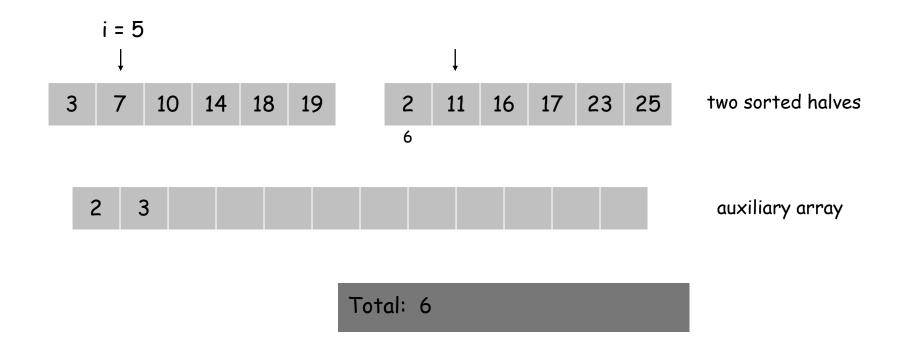
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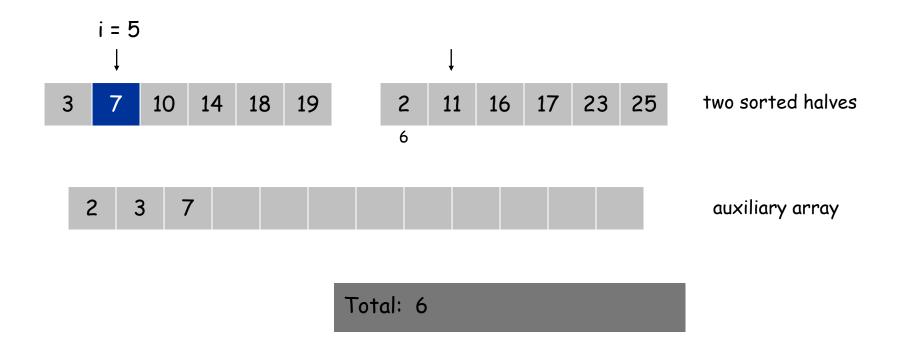
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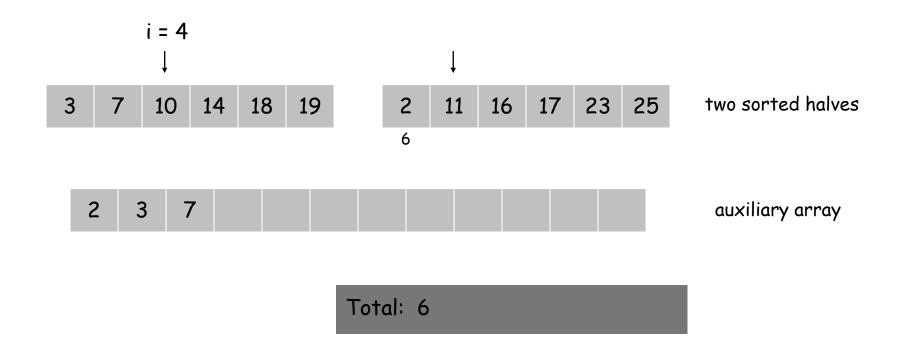
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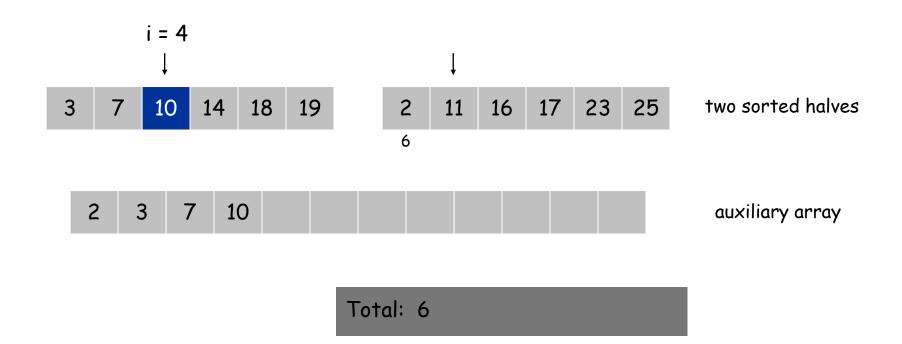
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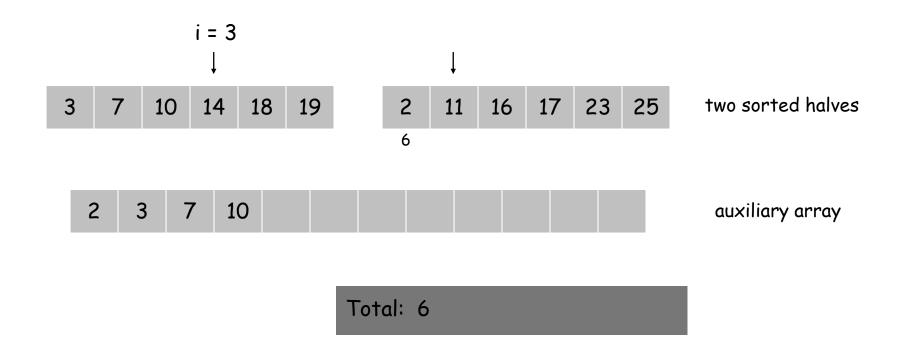
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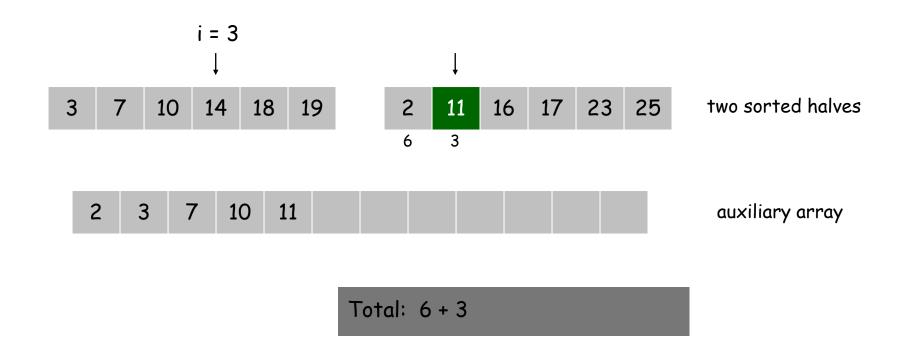
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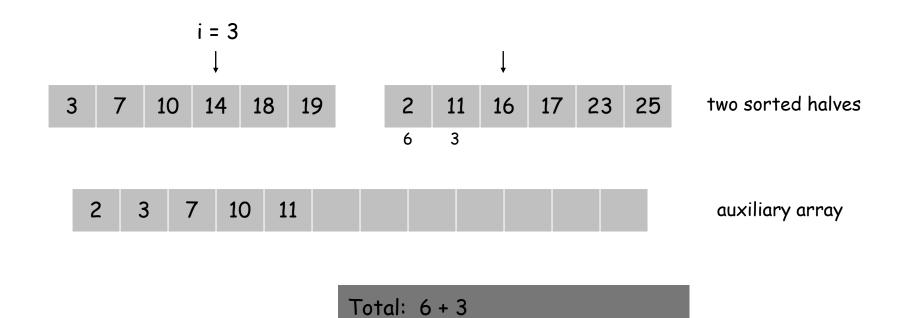
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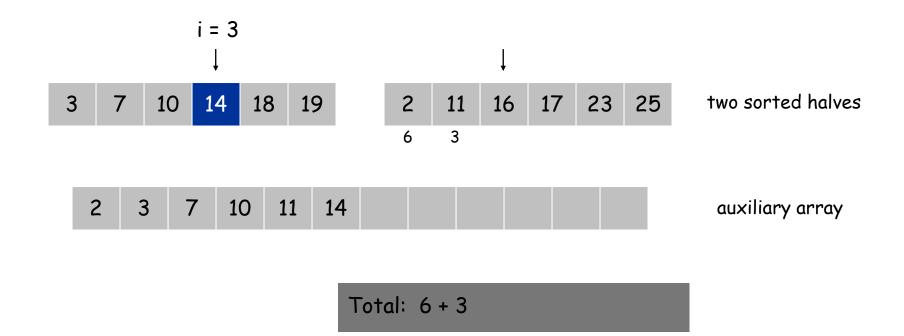
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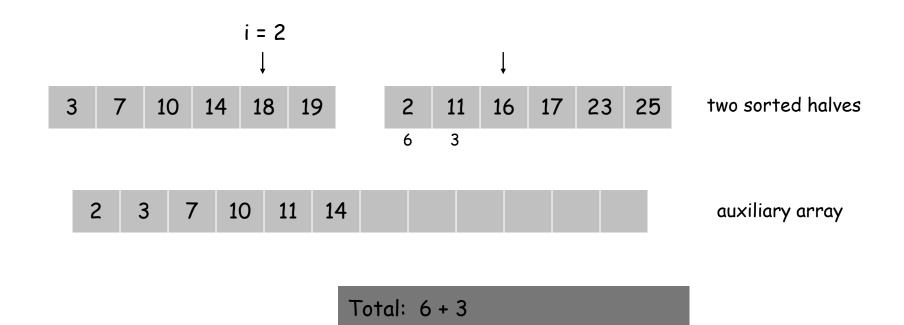
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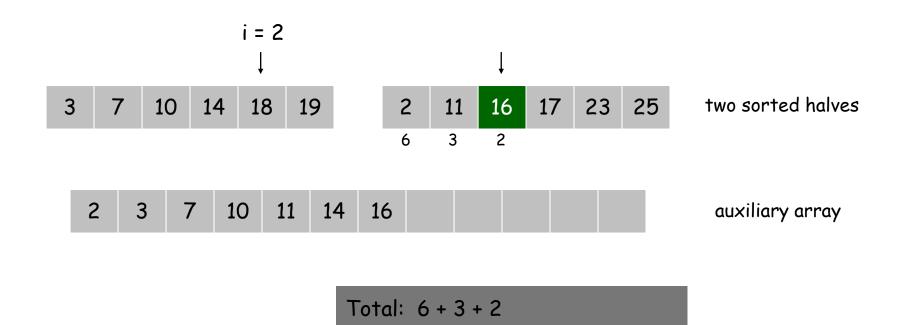
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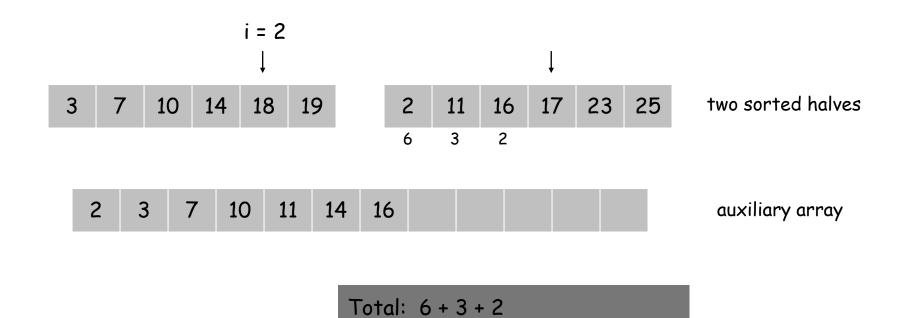


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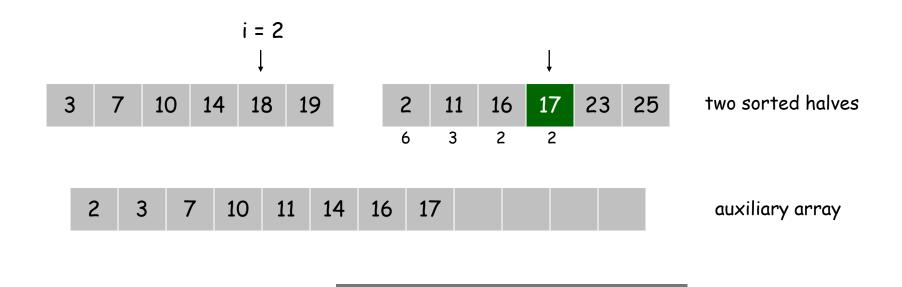
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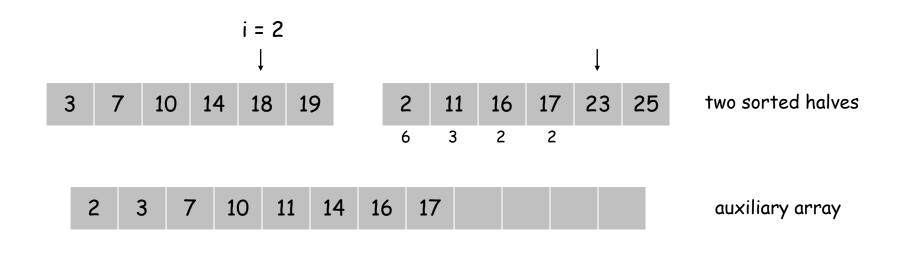


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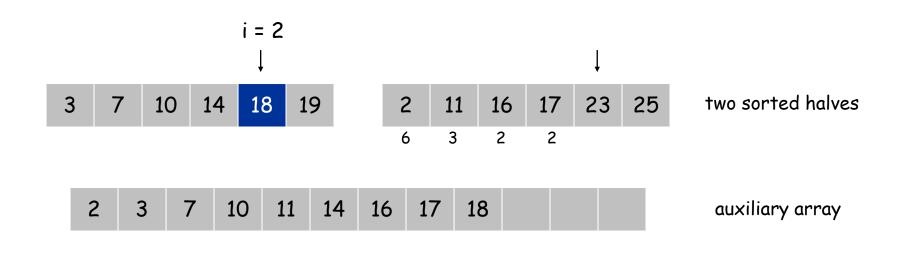
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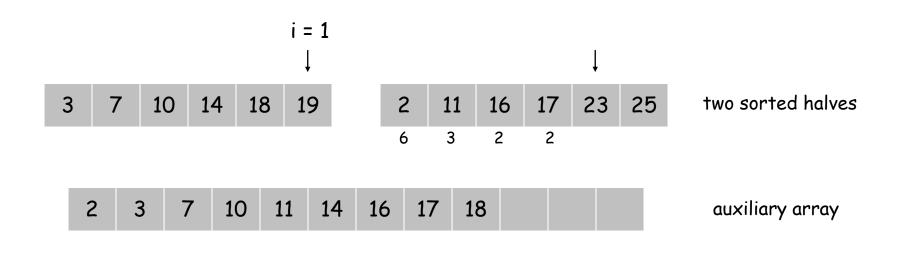


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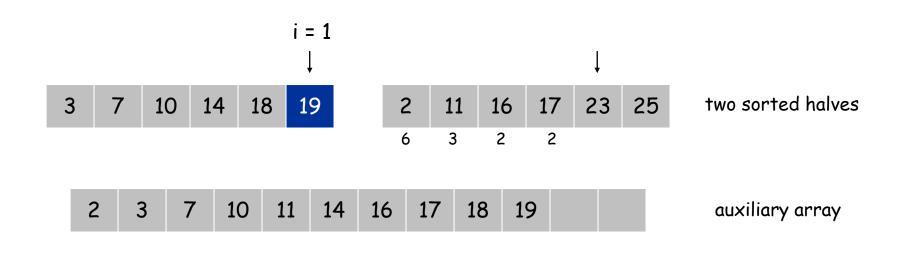
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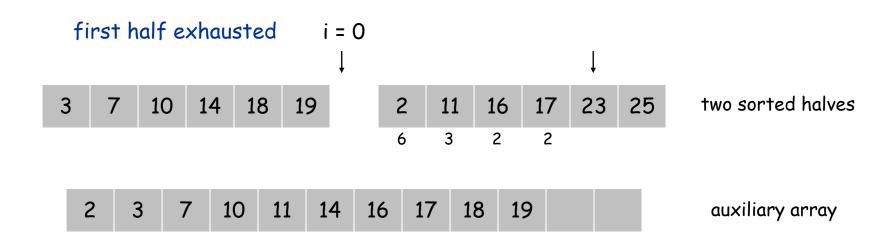


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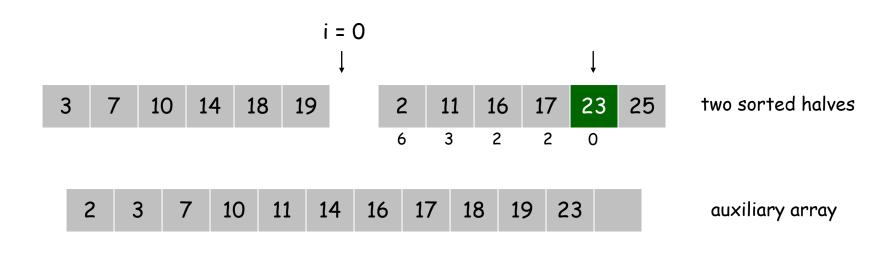
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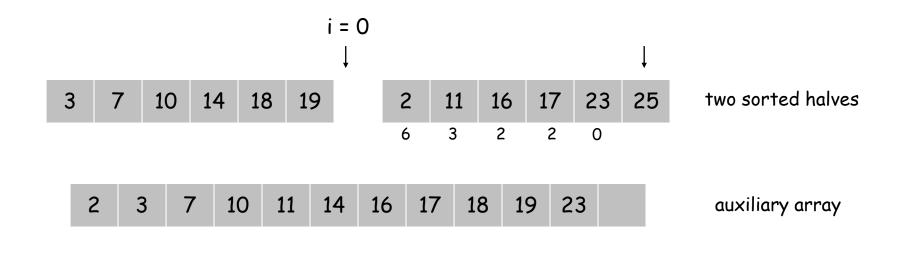
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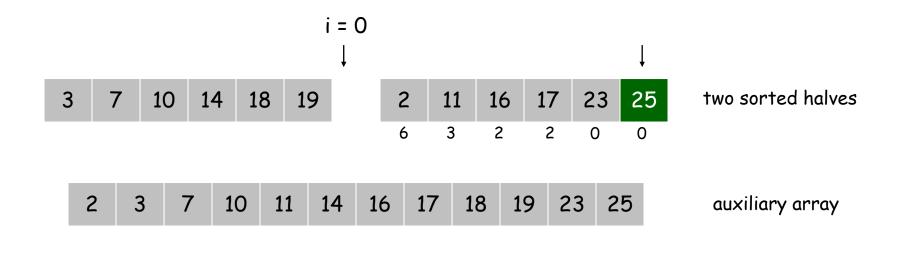
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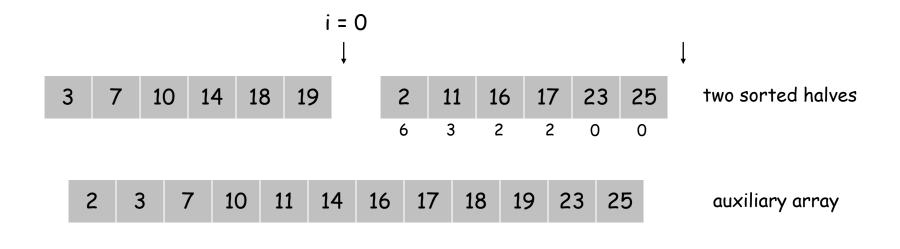
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Total: 6 + 3 + 2 + 2 + 0 + 0 = 13

Counting Inversions: Implementation

```
Sort-and-Count(L) {
   if list L has one element
      return 0 and the list L

   Divide the list into two halves A and B
   (r<sub>A</sub>, A) ← Sort-and-Count(A)
   (r<sub>B</sub>, B) ← Sort-and-Count(B)
   (r , L) ← Merge-and-Count(A, B)

return r = r<sub>A</sub> + r<sub>B</sub> + r and the sorted list L
}
```

$$T(n) \le T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + O(n) \Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

Closest pair. Given n points in the plane, find a pair with smallest Euclidean distance between them.

Fundamental geometric primitive.

- Graphics, computer vision, geographic information systems, molecular modeling, air traffic control.
- Special case of nearest neighbor, Euclidean MST, Voronoi.

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fast closest pair inspired fast algorithms for these problems

Brute force. Check all pairs of points p and q with $\Theta(n^2)$ comparisons.

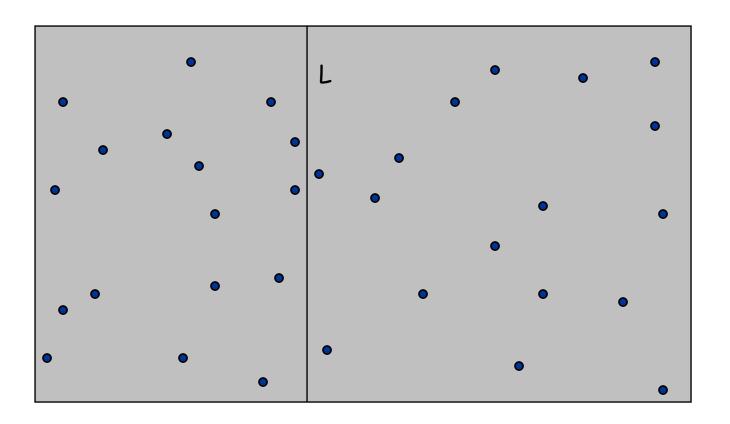
1-D version. O(n log n) easy if points are on a line.

Assumption. No two points have same x coordinate.

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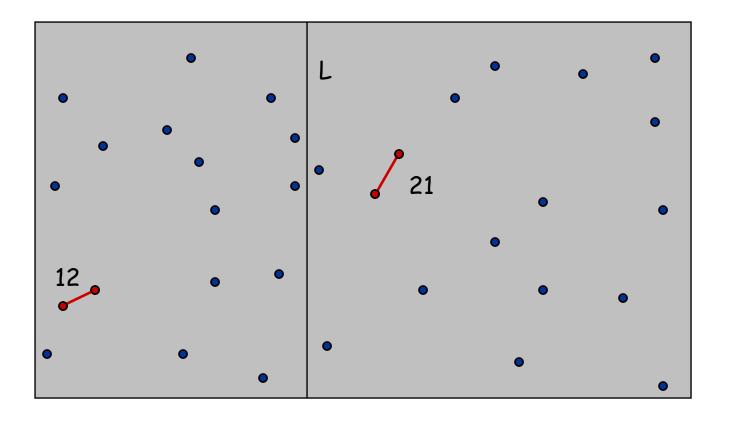
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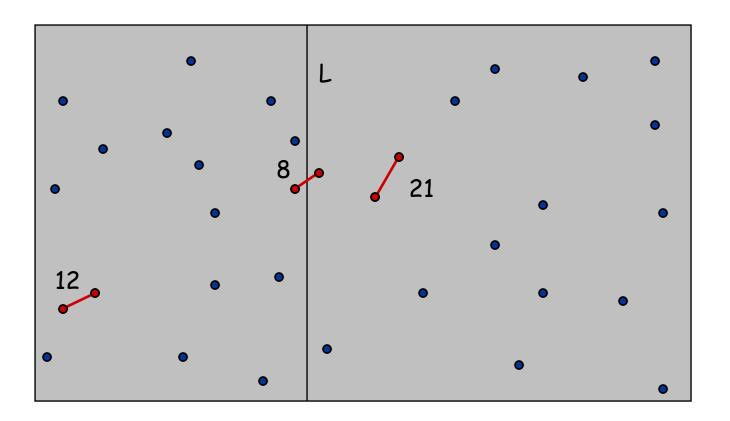
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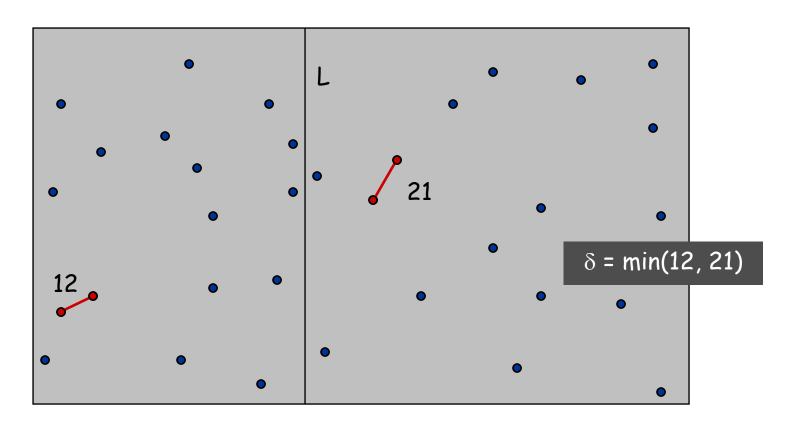


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- Combine: find closest pair with one point in each side. \leftarrow seems like $\Theta(n^2)$
- Return best of 3 solutions.

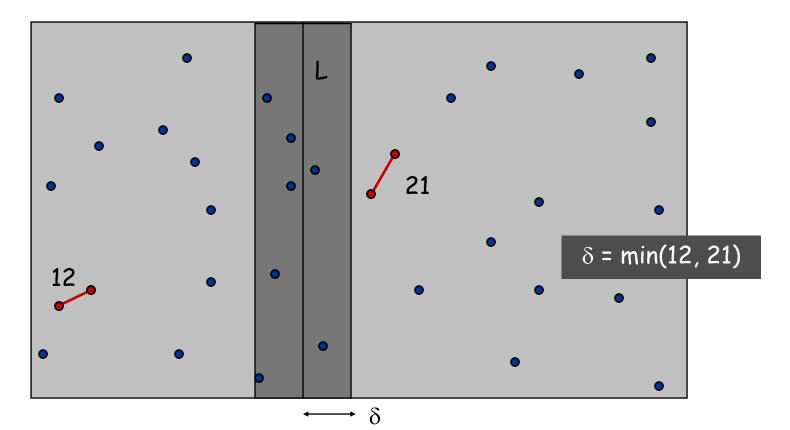


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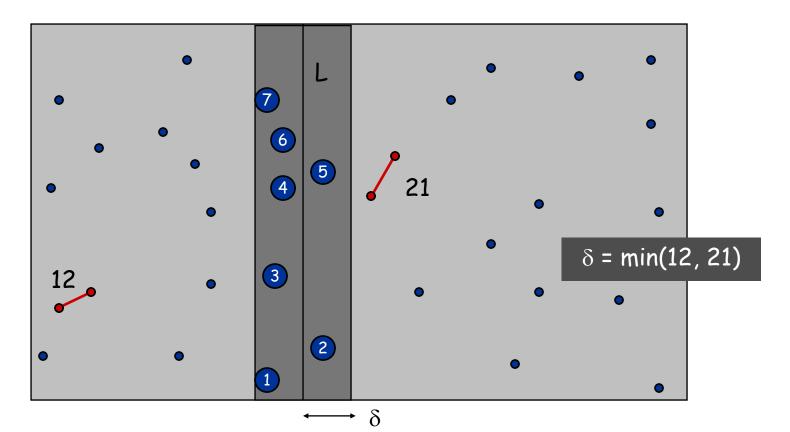
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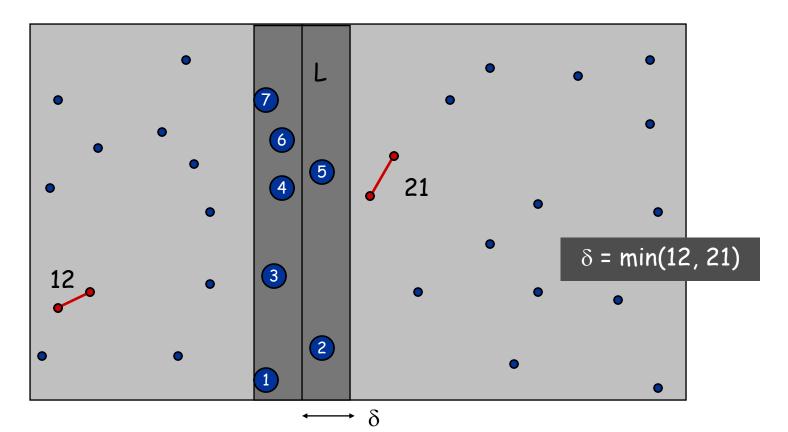
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- \blacksquare Observation: only need to consider points within δ of line L.
- Sort points in 2δ -strip by their y coordinate.
- Only check distances of those within 11 positions in sorted list!



Def. Let s_i be the point in the 2δ -strip, with the i^{th} smallest y-coordinate.

Claim. If $|i - j| \ge 12$, then the distance between s_i and s_j is at least δ .

Pf.

- No two points lie in same $\frac{1}{2}\delta$ -by- $\frac{1}{2}\delta$ box.
- Two points at least 2 rows apart have distance $\geq 2(\frac{1}{2}\delta)$.

(31) $\frac{1}{2}\delta$ 2 rows (30) $\frac{1}{2}\delta$ $\frac{1}{2}\delta$ 28 (26)

Fact. Still true if replace 12 with 8. Why?

Closest Pair Algorithm

```
Closest-Pair (p_1, ..., p_n) {
   Compute separation line L such that half the points
                                                                        O(n \log n)
   are on one side and half on the other side.
   \delta_1 = Closest-Pair(left half)
                                                                       2T(n / 2)
   \delta_2 = Closest-Pair(right half)
   \delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)
   Delete all points further than \delta from separation line L
                                                                       O(n)
                                                                        O(n \log n)
   Sort remaining points by y-coordinate.
   Scan points in y-order and compare distance between
                                                                        O(n)
   each point and next 11 neighbors. If any of these
   distances is less than \delta, update \delta.
   return \delta.
```

Closest Pair of Points: Analysis

Running time.

$$T(n) \le 2T(n/2) + O(n \log n) \Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log^2 n)$$

- \mathbb{Q} . Can we achieve $O(n \log n)$?
- A. Yes. Don't sort points from scratch each time.
 - Sort all the points twice before recursive call, once by x coordinate and once by y coordinate
 - Reuse the sorted sequences when needed (linear time)

$$T(n) \le 2T(n/2) + O(n) \implies T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

5.5 Integer Multiplication

Integer Arithmetic

Add. Given two n-digit integers a and b, compute a + b.

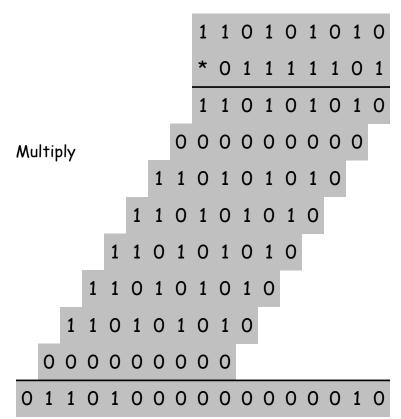
• O(n) bit operations.

Multiply. Given two n-digit integers a and b, compute a \times b.

• Brute force solution: $\Theta(n^2)$ bit operations.

	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
+	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0

Add



Divide-and-Conquer Multiplication: Warmup

To multiply two n-digit integers:

- Multiply four $\frac{1}{2}$ n-digit integers.
- Add two $\frac{1}{2}$ n-digit integers, and shift to obtain result.

$$x = 1000 1101$$

 $x_1 x_0$

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

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

$$xy = \left(2^{n/2} \cdot x_1 + x_0\right) \left(2^{n/2} \cdot y_1 + y_0\right) = 2^n \cdot x_1 y_1 + 2^{n/2} \cdot \left(x_1 y_0 + x_0 y_1\right) + x_0 y_0$$

$$T(n) = \underbrace{4T(n/2)}_{\text{recursive calls}} + \underbrace{\Theta(n)}_{\text{add, shift}} \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$

$$\uparrow$$
assumes n is a power of 2

Karatsuba Multiplication

To multiply two n-digit integers:

- Add two $\frac{1}{2}$ n digit integers.
- Multiply three ½n-digit integers.
- Add, subtract, and shift $\frac{1}{2}$ n-digit integers to obtain result.

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

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

$$xy = 2^n \cdot x_1 y_1 + 2^{n/2} \cdot (x_1 y_0 + x_0 y_1) + x_0 y_0$$

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

$$A \qquad B \qquad A \qquad C \qquad C$$

Theorem. [Karatsuba-Ofman, 1962] Can multiply two n-digit integers in $O(n^{1.585})$ bit operations.

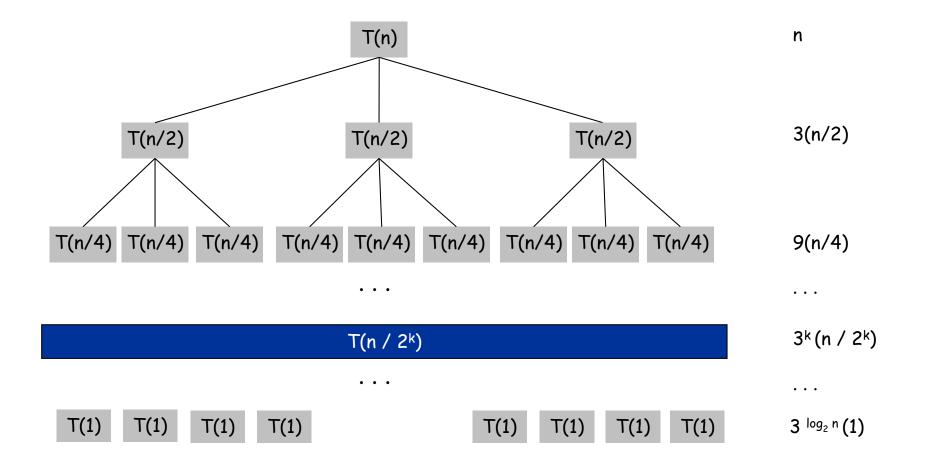
$$T(n) \leq \underbrace{T(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + T(1 + \lceil n/2 \rceil)}_{\text{recursive calls}} + \underbrace{\Theta(n)}_{\text{add, subtract, shift}}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 3}) = O(n^{1.585})$$

Karatsuba: Recursion Tree

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 3T(n/2) + n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{\log_2 n} n \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^k = \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{1 + \log_2 n} - 1}{\frac{3}{2} - 1} n = 3n^{\log_2 3} - 2n$$



Matrix Multiplication

Matrix Multiplication

Matrix multiplication. Given two n-by-n matrices A and B, compute C = AB.

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj}$$

$$C_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{ik} b_{kj}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & \cdots & c_{1n} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & \cdots & c_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{n1} & c_{n2} & \cdots & c_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \cdots & b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n1} & b_{n2} & \cdots & b_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Brute force. $\Theta(n^3)$ arithmetic operations.

Fundamental question. Can we improve upon brute force?

Matrix Multiplication: Warmup

Divide-and-conquer.

- Divide: partition A and B into $\frac{1}{2}$ n-by- $\frac{1}{2}$ n blocks.
- Conquer: multiply 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ n-by- $\frac{1}{2}$ n recursively.
- Combine: add appropriate products using 4 matrix additions.

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & = (A_{11} \times B_{11}) + (A_{12} \times B_{21}) \\ C_{12} & = (A_{11} \times B_{12}) + (A_{12} \times B_{22}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_{11} = (A_{11} \times B_{11}) + (A_{12} \times B_{21})$$

$$C_{12} = (A_{11} \times B_{12}) + (A_{12} \times B_{22})$$

$$C_{21} = (A_{21} \times B_{11}) + (A_{22} \times B_{21})$$

$$C_{22} = (A_{21} \times B_{12}) + (A_{22} \times B_{22})$$

$$T(n) = \underbrace{8T(n/2)}_{\text{recursive calls}} + \underbrace{\Theta(n^2)}_{\text{add, form submatrices}} \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$$

Matrix Multiplication: Key Idea

Key idea. multiply 2-by-2 block matrices with only 7 multiplications.

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} \qquad P_1 = A_{11} \times (B_{12} - B_{22})$$

$$C_{11} = P_5 + P_4 - P_2 + P_6$$

$$C_{12} = P_1 + P_2$$

$$C_{21} = P_3 + P_4$$

$$C_{22} = P_5 + P_1 - P_3 - P_7$$

$$P_{1} = A_{11} \times (B_{12} - B_{22})$$

$$P_{2} = (A_{11} + A_{12}) \times B_{22}$$

$$P_{3} = (A_{21} + A_{22}) \times B_{11}$$

$$P_{4} = A_{22} \times (B_{21} - B_{11})$$

$$P_{5} = (A_{11} + A_{22}) \times (B_{11} + B_{22})$$

$$P_{6} = (A_{12} - A_{22}) \times (B_{21} + B_{22})$$

$$P_{7} = (A_{11} - A_{21}) \times (B_{11} + B_{12})$$

- 7 multiplications.
- 18 = 10 + 8 additions (or subtractions).

Fast Matrix Multiplication

Fast matrix multiplication. (Strassen, 1969)

- Divide: partition A and B into $\frac{1}{2}$ n-by- $\frac{1}{2}$ n blocks.
- Compute: $14 \frac{1}{2}$ n-by- $\frac{1}{2}$ n matrices via 10 matrix additions.
- Conquer: multiply $7\frac{1}{2}$ n-by- $\frac{1}{2}$ n matrices recursively.
- Combine: 7 products into 4 terms using 8 matrix additions.

Analysis.

- Assume n is a power of 2.
- T(n) = # arithmetic operations.

$$T(n) = \underbrace{7T(n/2)}_{\text{recursive calls}} + \underbrace{\Theta(n^2)}_{\text{add, subtract}} \implies T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_2 7}) = O(n^{2.81})$$

Fast Matrix Multiplication in Practice

Common misperception: "Strassen is only a theoretical curiosity."

- Advanced Computation Group at Apple Computer reports 8x speedup on 64 Velocity Engine when $n \sim 2,500$.
- Range of instances where it's useful is a subject of controversy.

Remark. Can "Strassenize" Ax=b, determinant, eigenvalues, and other matrix ops.

Fast Matrix Multiplication in Theory

- Q. Multiply two 2-by-2 matrices with only 7 scalar multiplications?
- A. Yes! [Strassen, 1969] $\Theta(n^{\log_2 7}) = O(n^{2.81})$
- Q. Multiply two 2-by-2 matrices with only 6 scalar multiplications?
- A. Impossible. [Hopcroft and Kerr, 1971] $\Theta(n^{\log_2 6}) = O(n^{2.59})$
- Q. Two 3-by-3 matrices with only 21 scalar multiplications?
- A. Also impossible. $\Theta(n^{\log_3 21}) = O(n^{2.77})$
- Q. Two 70-by-70 matrices with only 143,640 scalar multiplications?
- A. Yes! [Pan, 1980] $\Theta(n^{\log_{70} 143640}) = O(n^{2.80})$

Fast Matrix Multiplication in Theory

Decimal wars.

• December, 1979: $O(n^{2.521813})$.

January, 1980: $O(n^{2.521801})$.

...

■ 1987: $O(n^{2.375477})$.

• 2010: $O(n^{2.374})$.

2011: $O(n^{2.3728642})$.

2014: $O(n^{2.3728639})$.

Best known. $O(n^{2.3728639})$ [François Le Gall, 2014.]

Conjecture. $O(n^{2+\epsilon})$ for any $\epsilon > 0$.

Caveat. Theoretical improvements to Strassen are progressively less practical.

5.6 Convolution and FFT

Fast Fourier Transform: Applications

Applications.

- Optics, acoustics, quantum physics, telecommunications, control systems, signal processing, speech recognition, data compression, image processing.
- DVD, JPEG, MP3, MRI, CAT scan.
- Numerical solutions to Poisson's equation.

The FFT is one of the truly great computational developments of this [20th] century. It has changed the face of science and engineering so much that it is not an exaggeration to say that life as we know it would be very different without the FFT. -Charles van Loan

Polynomials: Coefficient Representation

Polynomial. [coefficient representation]

$$A(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

$$B(x) = b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 + \dots + b_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

Add: O(n) arithmetic operations.

$$A(x)+B(x)=(a_0+b_0)+(a_1+b_1)x+\cdots+(a_{n-1}+b_{n-1})x^{n-1}$$

Evaluate: O(n) using Horner's method.

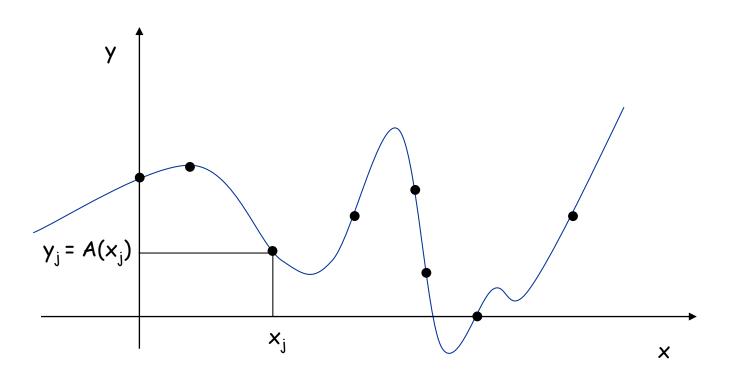
$$A(x) = a_0 + (x(a_1 + x(a_2 + \dots + x(a_{n-2} + x(a_{n-1}))\dots))$$

Multiply (convolve): $O(n^2)$ using brute force.

$$A(x) \times B(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{2n-2} c_i x^i$$
, where $c_i = \sum_{j=0}^{i} a_j b_{i-j}$

Polynomials: Point-Value Representation

A degree n-1 polynomial A(x) is uniquely specified by its evaluation at n distinct values of x.



Polynomials: Point-Value Representation

Polynomial. [point-value representation]

$$A(x): (x_0, y_0), ..., (x_{n-1}, y_{n-1})$$

$$B(x): (x_0, z_0), ..., (x_{n-1}, z_{n-1})$$

Add: O(n) arithmetic operations.

$$A(x)+B(x)$$
: $(x_0, y_0+z_0), ..., (x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}+z_{n-1})$

Multiply: O(n), but need 2n-1 points.

$$A(x) \times B(x)$$
: $(x_0, y_0 \times z_0), ..., (x_{2n-1}, y_{2n-1} \times z_{2n-1})$

Evaluate: $O(n^2)$ using Lagrange's formula.

$$A(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} y_k \frac{\prod_{j \neq k} (x - x_j)}{\prod_{j \neq k} (x_k - x_j)}$$

Converting Between Two Polynomial Representations

Tradeoff. Fast evaluation or fast multiplication. We want both!

Representation	Multiply	Evaluate
Coefficient	O(n ²)	O(n)
Point-value	O(n)	O(n ²)

Goal. Make all ops fast by efficiently converting between two representations.

$$(x_0,y_0),...,(x_{n-1},y_{n-1})$$
 coefficient point-value representation

Converting Between Two Polynomial Representations: Brute Force

Coefficient \rightarrow point-value. Given a polynomial $a_0 + a_1 \times + ... + a_{n-1} \times^{n-1}$, evaluate it at n distinct points $x_0, ..., x_{n-1}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_0 & x_0^2 & \cdots & x_0^{n-1} \\ 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \cdots & x_2^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n-1} & x_{n-1}^2 & \cdots & x_{n-1}^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Running time. $O(n^2)$ for matrix-vector multiplication or n times Horner's method Converting Between Two Polynomial Representations: Brute Force

Point-value \rightarrow coefficient. Given n distinct points $x_0, ..., x_{n-1}$ and values $y_0, ..., y_{n-1}$, find unique polynomial $a_0 + a_1 x + ... + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$ that has given values at given points.

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_0 & x_0^2 & \cdots & x_0^{n-1} \\ 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \cdots & x_2^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n-1} & x_{n-1}^2 & \cdots & x_{n-1}^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Running time. $O(n^3)$ for Gaussian elimination.

Coefficient to Point-Value Representation: Intuition

Coefficient to point-value. Given a polynomial $a_0 + a_1 \times + ... + a_{n-1} \times^{n-1}$, evaluate it at n distinct points $x_0, ..., x_{n-1}$.

We can choose which points!

Divide. Break polynomial up into even and odd powers.

$$= a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 + a_5 x^5 + a_6 x^6 + a_7 x^7.$$

$$A_{even}(x) = a_0 + a_2 x + a_4 x^2 + a_6 x^3$$
.

$$A_{\text{odd}}(x) = a_1 + a_3 x + a_5 x^2 + a_7 x^3.$$

•
$$A(x) = A_{\text{even}}(x^2) + x A_{\text{odd}}(x^2)$$
.

•
$$A(-x) = A_{even}(x^2) - x A_{odd}(x^2)$$
.

Intuition. Choose two points to be ± 1 .

•
$$A(1) = A_{even}(1) + 1 A_{odd}(1)$$
.

•
$$A(-1) = A_{even}(1) - 1 A_{odd}(1)$$
.

Can evaluate polynomial of degree \leq n at 2 points by evaluating two polynomials of degree $\leq \frac{1}{2}$ n at 1 point.

Coefficient to Point-Value Representation: Intuition

Coefficient to point-value. Given a polynomial $a_0 + a_1 \times + ... + a_{n-1} \times^{n-1}$, evaluate it at n distinct points $x_0, ..., x_{n-1}$.

We can choose which points!

Divide. Break polynomial up into even and odd powers.

$$= a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 + a_5 x^5 + a_6 x^6 + a_7 x^7.$$

$$A_{\text{even}}(x) = a_0 + a_2 x + a_4 x^2 + a_6 x^3.$$

$$A_{\text{odd}}(x) = a_1 + a_3 x + a_5 x^2 + a_7 x^3.$$

•
$$A(x) = A_{\text{even}}(x^2) + x A_{\text{odd}}(x^2)$$
.

•
$$A(-x) = A_{even}(x^2) - x A_{odd}(x^2)$$
.

Intuition. Choose four complex points to be ± 1 , $\pm i$.

•
$$A(1) = A_{\text{even}}(1) + 1 A_{\text{odd}}(1)$$
.

$$A(-1) = A_{even}(1) - 1 A_{odd}(1).$$

•
$$A(i) = A_{even}(-1) + i A_{odd}(-1)$$
.

•
$$A(-i) = A_{even}(-1) - i A_{odd}(-1)$$
.

Can evaluate polynomial of degree \leq n at 4 points by evaluating two polynomials of degree $\leq \frac{1}{2}$ n at 2 point.

Coefficient to Point-Value Representation: Intuition

Coefficient to point-value. Given a polynomial $a_0 + a_1 \times + ... + a_{n-1} \times^{n-1}$, evaluate it at n distinct points $x_0, ..., x_{n-1}$.

We can choose which points!

Divide. Break polynomial up into even and odd powers.

$$= a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 + a_5 x^5 + a_6 x^6 + a_7 x^7.$$

$$A_{even}(x) = a_0 + a_2 x + a_4 x^2 + a_6 x^3.$$

•
$$A_{\text{odd}}(x) = a_1 + a_3x + a_5x^2 + a_7x^3$$
.

•
$$A(x) = A_{\text{even}}(x^2) + x A_{\text{odd}}(x^2)$$
.

•
$$A(-x) = A_{even}(x^2) - x A_{odd}(x^2)$$
.

Goal. Choose n points s.t.

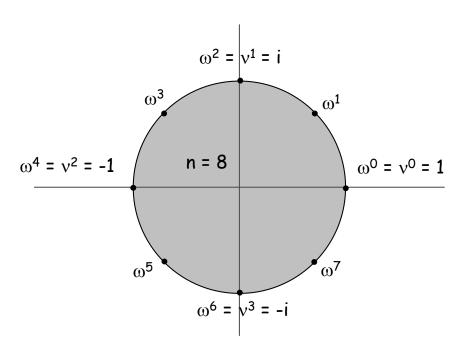
- Can evaluate polynomial of degree \leq n at n points by evaluating two polynomials of degree $\leq \frac{1}{2}$ n at $\frac{1}{2}$ n point.
- But also: can evaluate polynomial of degree $\leq \frac{1}{2}n$ at $\frac{1}{2}n$ points by evaluating two polynomials of degree $\leq \frac{1}{4}n$ at $\frac{1}{4}n$ point, and so on.

Roots of Unity

Def. An n^{th} root of unity is a complex number x such that $x^n = 1$.

Fact. The nth roots of unity are: ω^0 , ω^1 , ..., ω^{n-1} where $\omega = e^{2\pi i / n}$. Pf. $(\omega^k)^n = (e^{2\pi i k / n})^n = (e^{\pi i})^{2k} = (-1)^{2k} = 1$.

Fact. The $\frac{1}{2}$ nth roots of unity are: v^0 , v^1 , ..., $v^{n/2-1}$ where $v = e^{4\pi i/n}$. Fact. $\omega^2 = v$ and $(\omega^2)^k = v^k$.



Discrete Fourier Transform

Coefficient to point-value. Given a polynomial $a_0 + a_1 \times + ... + a_{n-1} \times^{n-1}$, evaluate it at n distinct points $x_0, ..., x_{n-1}$.

Key idea: choose $x_k = \omega^k$ where ω is principal n^{th} root of unity.

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & \omega^1 & \omega^2 & \omega^3 & \cdots & \omega^{n-1} \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \omega^6 & \cdots & \omega^{2(n-1)} \\ 1 & \omega^3 & \omega^6 & \omega^9 & \cdots & \omega^{3(n-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \omega^{n-1} & \omega^{2(n-1)} & \omega^{3(n-1)} & \cdots & \omega^{(n-1)(n-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\uparrow$$
Discrete Fourier transform
$$\uparrow$$

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Fast Fourier Transform

Goal. Evaluate a degree n-1 polynomial $A(x) = a_0 + ... + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$ at its nth roots of unity: ω^0 , ω^1 , ..., ω^{n-1} .

Divide. Break polynomial up into even and odd powers.

$$A_{even}(x) = a_0 + a_2x + a_4x^2 + ... + a_{n/2-2}x^{(n-1)/2}.$$

$$A_{\text{odd}}(x) = a_1 + a_3 x + a_5 x^2 + ... + a_{n/2-1} x^{(n-1)/2}.$$

•
$$A(x) = A_{even}(x^2) + x A_{odd}(x^2)$$
.

Conquer. Evaluate degree $A_{\text{even}}(x)$ and $A_{\text{odd}}(x)$ at the $\frac{1}{2}$ nth roots of unity: v^0 , v^1 , ..., $v^{n/2-1}$.

Combine.

■
$$A(\omega^k) = A_{\text{even}}(v^k) + \omega^k A_{\text{odd}}(v^k), \quad 0 \le k < n/2$$

■ $A(\omega^{k+n/2}) = A_{\text{even}}(v^k) - \omega^k A_{\text{odd}}(v^k), \quad 0 \le k < n/2$

$$\uparrow \\
\omega^{k+n/2} = -\omega^k$$

$$v^{k} = (\omega^{k})^{2} = (\omega^{k+n/2})^{2}$$

FFT Algorithm

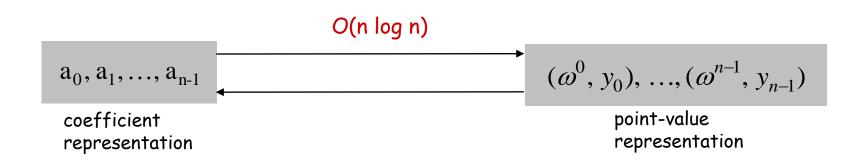
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FFT (n, a_0, a_1, ..., a_{n-1}) {
     if (n == 1) return a_0
     (e_0, e_1, ..., e_{n/2-1}) \leftarrow FFT(n/2, a_0, a_2, a_4, ..., a_{n-2})
     (d_0, d_1, ..., d_{n/2-1}) \leftarrow FFT(n/2, a_1, a_3, a_5, ..., a_{n-1})
     for k = 0 to n/2 - 1 {
          \omega^k \leftarrow e^{2\pi i k/n}
          y_k \leftarrow e_k + \omega^k d_k
          y_{k+n/2} \leftarrow e_k - \omega^k d_k
     return (y_0, y_1, ..., y_{n-1})
```

FFT Summary

Theorem. FFT algorithm evaluates a degree n-1 polynomial at each of the n^{th} roots of unity in $O(n \log n)$ steps.

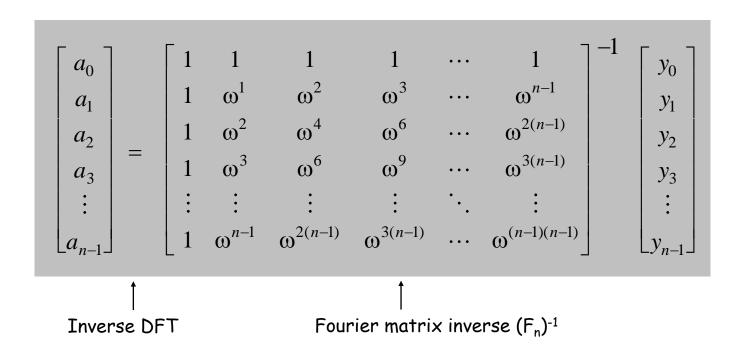
assumes n is a power of 2

Pf.
$$T(2n) = 2T(n) + O(n) \Rightarrow T(n) = O(n \log n)$$
.



Point-Value to Coefficient Representation: Inverse DFT

Goal. Given the values y_0 , ..., y_{n-1} of a degree n-1 polynomial at the n points ω^0 , ω^1 , ..., ω^{n-1} , find unique polynomial $a_0 + a_1 \times + ... + a_{n-1} \times^{n-1}$ that has given values at given points.



Inverse FFT

Claim. Inverse of Fourier matrix is given by following formula.

$$G_{n} = \frac{1}{n} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & \omega^{-1} & \omega^{-2} & \omega^{-3} & \cdots & \omega^{-(n-1)} \\ 1 & \omega^{-2} & \omega^{-4} & \omega^{-6} & \cdots & \omega^{-2(n-1)} \\ 1 & \omega^{-3} & \omega^{-6} & \omega^{-9} & \cdots & \omega^{-3(n-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \omega^{-(n-1)} & \omega^{-2(n-1)} & \omega^{-3(n-1)} & \cdots & \omega^{-(n-1)(n-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Consequence. To compute inverse FFT, apply same algorithm but use $\omega^{-1} = e^{-2\pi i / n}$ as principal n^{th} root of unity (and divide by n).

Inverse FFT: Proof of Correctness

Claim. F_n and G_n are inverses.

Pf.

$$(F_n G_n)_{kk'} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \omega^{kj} \omega^{-jk'} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \omega^{(k-k')j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = k' \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

summation lemma

Summation lemma. Let ω be a principal nth root of unity. Then

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \omega^{kj} = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } k \equiv 0 \bmod n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Pf.

- . If k is a multiple of n then $\omega^k = 1 \implies$ sums to n.
- Else: $\omega^k \neq 1$

$$-x^{n}-1=(x-1)(1+x+x^{2}+...+x^{n-1})$$

- Let
$$x = \omega^k$$
, we have $0 = \omega^{kn} - 1 = (\omega^k - 1) (1 + \omega^k + \omega^{k(2)} + \ldots + \omega^{k(n-1)})$

- Therefore, $1 + \omega^k + \omega^{k(2)} + \ldots + \omega^{k(n-1)} = 0 \implies \text{sums to 0.} \quad \blacksquare$

Inverse FFT: Algorithm

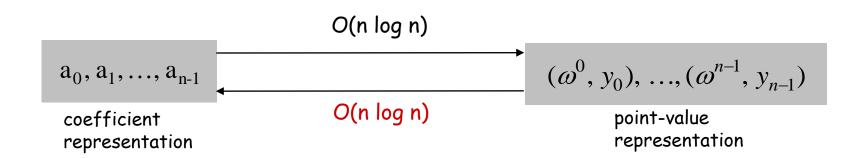
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IFFT (n, a_0, a_1, ..., a_{n-1}) {
     if (n == 1) return a_0
     (e_0, e_1, ..., e_{n/2-1}) \leftarrow IFFT(n/2, a_0, a_2, a_4, ..., a_{n-2})
     (d_0, d_1, ..., d_{n/2-1}) \leftarrow IFFT(n/2, a_1, a_3, a_5, ..., a_{n-1})
     for k = 0 to n/2 - 1 {
          \omega^k \leftarrow e^{-2\pi i k/n}
          y_k \leftarrow (e_k + \omega^k d_k)
         y_{k+n/2} \leftarrow (e_k - \omega^k d_k)
     return (y_0, y_1, ..., y_{n-1})
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Note. Need to divide the final result by n.

Inverse FFT Summary

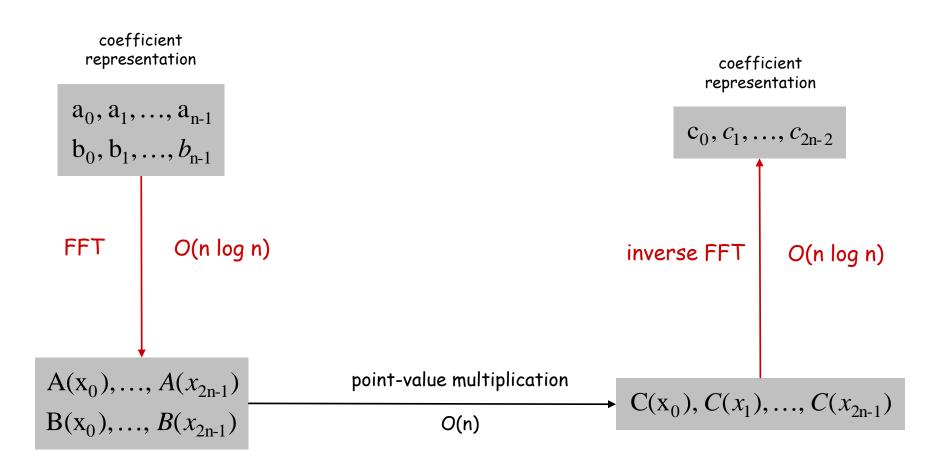
Theorem. Inverse FFT algorithm interpolates a degree n-1 polynomial given values at each of the n^{th} roots of unity in $O(n \log n)$ steps.

assumes n is a power of 2



Polynomial Multiplication

Theorem. Can multiply two degree n-1 polynomials in O(n log n) steps.



Integer Multiplication

 $A(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1}$

 $B(x) = b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 + \dots + b_{n-1} x^{n-1}$

Integer multiplication. Given two n bit integers $a = a_{n-1} \dots a_1 a_0$ and $b = b_{n-1} \dots b_1 b_0$, compute their product $c = a \times b$.

Convolution algorithm.

• Note:
$$a = A(2)$$
, $b = B(2)$.

• Compute
$$C(x) = A(x) \times B(x)$$
.

- Evaluate $C(2) = a \times b$.
- Running time: O(n log n) complex arithmetic steps.

Practice. [GNU Multiple Precision Arithmetic Library] GMP proclaims to be "the fastest bignum library on the planet." It uses brute force, Karatsuba, and FFT, depending on the size of n.

Divide-and-Conquer: Chapter Summary

Divide-and-Conquer

Basic idea

- Break up problem into several parts.
- Solve each part recursively.
- Combine solutions to sub-problems into overall solution.

Algorithms

- Mergesort
 - Divide a sequence into two of same size
- Counting inversions
 - Extension of mergesort
- Closest Pair of Points
 - Vertically divide the space

Divide-and-Conquer

Basic idea

- Break up problem into several parts.
- Solve each part recursively.
- Combine solutions to sub-problems into overall solution.

Algorithms

- Integer Multiplication
 - Divide each n-digit integer into two $\frac{1}{2}$ n-digit integers
- Matrix Multiplication
 - Divide each n-by-n matrix into four $\frac{1}{2}$ n-by- $\frac{1}{2}$ n blocks
- Fast Fourier Transform
 - Divide a polynomial into two with even and odd powers