

### Question 3

Consider the shore as a sequence of length  $100n$ :

$$A = \langle A_0, A_1, \dots, A_{100n-1} \rangle$$

and the net as a sequence of length  $n$ :

$$N = \langle N_0, N_1, \dots, N_{n-1} \rangle$$

If we want to catch the maximum number of fishes, we need to examine every possible number when the net goes through the whole shore.

Now, We transfer the shore to polynomial  $P_A = A_0 + A_1x + A_2x^2 + \dots + A_{100n-1}x^{100n-1}$  and the net to polynomial  $P_N = N_0 + N_1x + N_2x^2 + \dots + N_{n-1}x^{n-1}$

We multiply them together and choose the large coefficient which represent the largest fish number. These could be done in such way:

1. For simplicity, inverse the net  $N$  and form polynomial  $P_N$ . This could be done in  $O(n)$   
Note: if we do not reverse the net, we will obtain a "backward" of the multiplication between  $N_n$  and  $A_n$ .

2. DFT both  $P_A, P_N$  and produce two sequence with length  $101n - 1$

$$\{P_A(1), P_A(w_{101n-1}), \dots, P_A(w_{101n-1}^{101n-2})\}$$

$$\{P_N(1), P_N(w_{101n-1}), \dots, P_N(w_{101n-1}^{101n-2})\}$$

This could be done in  $O(n \log n)$  using *FFT*

3. Multiply these two sequences form"

$$\{P_A(1)P_N(1), P_A(w_{101n-1})P_N(w_{101n-1}), \dots, P_A(w_{101n-1}^{101n-2})P_N(w_{101n-1}^{101n-2})\}$$

4. Then using IDFT to change the polynomial from value representation to coefficient representation.

$$Result(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{101n-2} \left( \sum_{i=0}^j A_i N_{j-i} \right) x^j$$

The time complexity of IDFT is  $O(n \log n)$ .

So far, we have already got **the convolution of A and N** which is the middle part of above equation.

5. Next, find the maximum value of the convolution of A and N. This could be done in such way: reserve a number that represent the maximum number and initialize it to be zero. Then traversing the whole sequence and replace the number whenever there exist a number bigger than it. The time complexity would be  $O(n)$ .

In summary, we find the maximum number of fishes that we can catch by following above procedure and the time complexity would be  $O(n \log n)$ .