

# ALGORITHMS AND DATA STRUCTURES II

## Lecture 8

Divide and Conquer Algorithm Design,  
Matrix multiplication (MM),  
Strassen Algorithm for MM.

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# DIVIDE AND CONQUER

- Recursive algorithms solve a given problem by calling themselves recursively. They follow a **divide-and-conquer** approach:
  - break the problem into several sub-problems that are similar to the original problem but smaller in size,
  - solve the sub-problems recursively,
  - combine these solutions to create a solution to the original problem.

# DIVIDE AND CONQUER

- The divide-and-conquer paradigm has three steps at each level of the recursion:
  1. **Divide** the problem into several sub-problems.
  2. **Conquer** the sub-problems by solving them recursively. If the sub-problem sizes are small enough, then solve the sub-problem straightforwardly.
  3. **Combine** the solutions to the sub-problems into the solution for the original problem.

# DIVIDE AND CONQUER

- The **merge sort** algorithm is an example of divide-and-conquer approach:
  1. **Divide** : Divide an  $n$  element sequence to be sorted into two subsequences of  $n/2$  elements each.
  2. **Conquer** : Sort the two subsequences recursively using merge sort.
  3. **Combine** : Merge the two sorted subsequences to get the answer.

# MERGE SORT

The **DIVIDE** step

5 2 4 6 | 1 3 2 6

5 2 | 4 6

1 3 | 2 6

5 | 2

4 | 6

1 | 3

2 | 6

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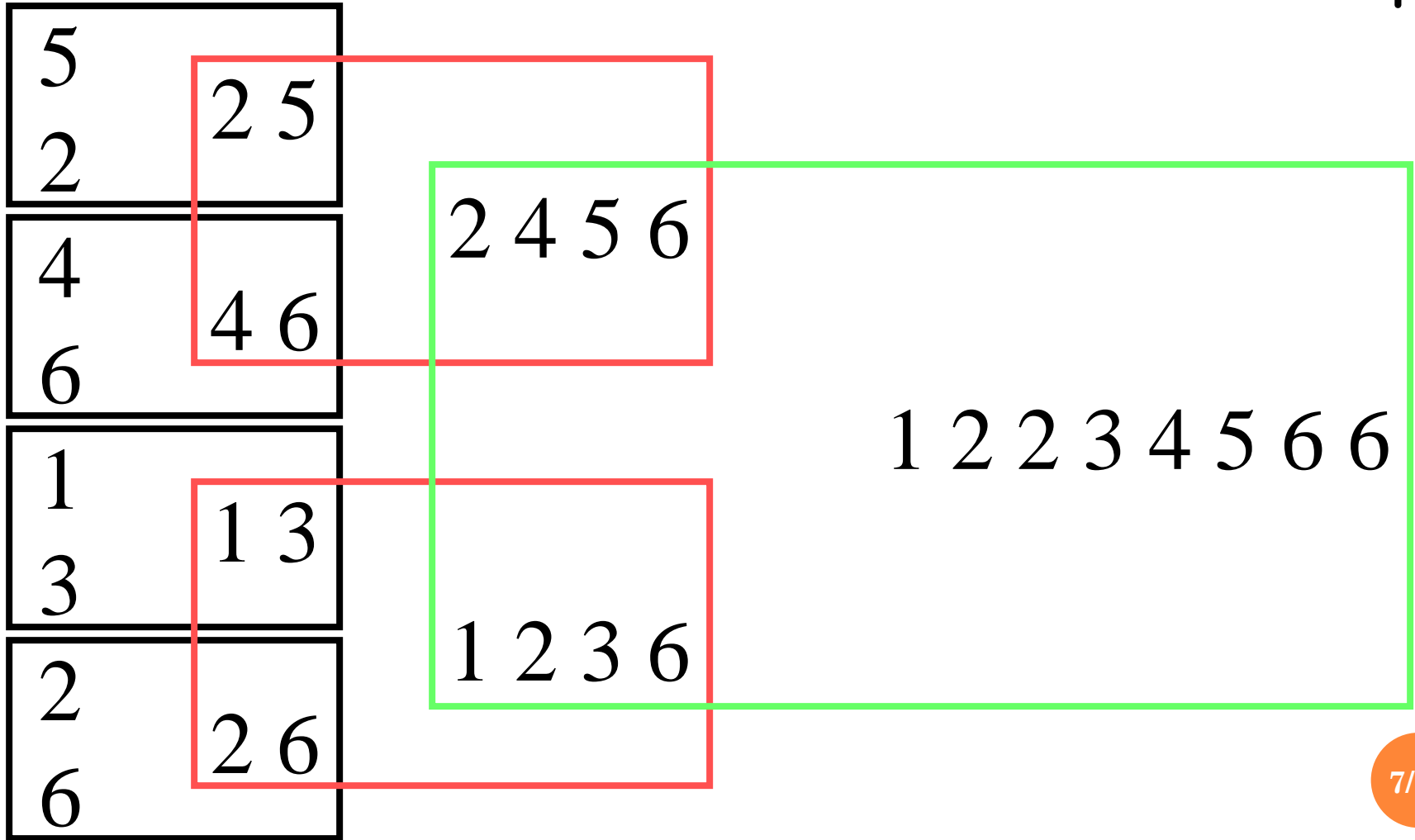
# MERGE SORT

5     The **Conquer** step:  
2     sort the two subsequences  
4     recursively using merge sort.

6  
1     Recursion goes on until our  
3     subsequences come down to  
2     length one. Then they are  
6     sorted and we have nothing to  
   do.

# MERGE SORT

The **COMBINE** step



# MERGE SORT

- In **Lecture 1**, we analyzed the merge sort algorithm and found that the time complexity is:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n), & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

which we said that can be solved and gives:

$$T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

- At the end of this lecture we will prove it using the so called **Master** theorem.



# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two  $n \times n$  matrices. The product of  $A$  and  $B$  is defined as  $C = AB$ , where for  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ :

$$C[i, j] = \sum_{k=1}^n A[i, k] \times B[k, j]$$

# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- If  $n$  is a power of **2**, we can partition each of  $A$  and  $B$  into four  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices and express the product of  $A$  and  $B$  in terms of these  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices as:

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

# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- If we treat  $A$  and  $B$  as  $2 \times 2$  matrices, whose elements are  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices, then the  $C$  can be expressed in terms of sums and products of these  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices:

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

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

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

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

# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- Recursive algorithm for matrix multiplication:

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def MAT-MULT (A, B):  
     $n = A.rows$   
     $C = \text{new } (n \times n) \text{ matrix}$   
    if  $n == 1$ :  $C_{11} = A_{11} \cdot B_{11}$   
    else: // partition A, B and C  
         $C_{11} = \text{MAT-MULT}(A_{11}, B_{11}) + \text{MAT-MULT}(A_{12}, B_{21})$   
         $C_{12} = \text{MAT-MULT}(A_{11}, B_{12}) + \text{MAT-MULT}(A_{12}, B_{22})$   
         $C_{21} = \text{MAT-MULT}(A_{21}, B_{11}) + \text{MAT-MULT}(A_{22}, B_{21})$   
         $C_{22} = \text{MAT-MULT}(A_{21}, B_{12}) + \text{MAT-MULT}(A_{22}, B_{22})$   
    return C
```

# MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

- **Analysis** of the recursive algorithm for matrix multiplication.
  - If  $n = 1$ , we do only one scalar multiplication  $\rightarrow T(1) = \Theta(1)$
  - For  $n > 1$ , each recursive call multiplies two  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices contributing  $T(n/2)$  time. There are **8** such recursive calls  $\rightarrow 8T(n/2)$ .
  - Four matrix additions take  $\Theta(4(n/2)^2) = \Theta(n^2)$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 8T(n/2) + \Theta(n^2), & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

# STRASSEN ALGORITHM

- In 1969, **Strassen** proposed an algorithm which is faster than the recursive matrix multiplication. It has four steps:
  - **Step 1.** Divide input matrices  $A$  and  $B$  into  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices.
  - **Step 2.** Create **10** matrices  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{10}$ , each of which is sum or difference of the matrices created at Step 1.
  - **Step 3.** Using matrices from Step 1 and Step 2 compute **7** matrices  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_7$ .
  - **Step 4.** Compute  $C_{11}, C_{12}, C_{21}, C_{22}$  by adding and subtracting various combinations of  $P_i$  matrices.

# STRASSEN ALGORITHM

## ○ Strassen algorithm matrix computation:

Step 1:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

Step 2:

$S_1 = B_{12} - B_{22}$	$S_2 = A_{11} + A_{12}$
$S_3 = A_{21} + A_{22}$	$S_4 = B_{21} - B_{11}$
$S_5 = A_{11} + A_{22}$	$S_6 = B_{11} + B_{22}$
$S_7 = A_{12} - A_{22}$	$S_8 = B_{21} + B_{22}$
$S_9 = A_{11} - A_{21}$	$S_{10} = B_{11} + B_{12}$

# STRASSEN ALGORITHM

## ○ Strassen algorithm matrix computation:

Step 3:

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= A_{11}S_1 & P_2 &= S_2B_{22} & P_3 &= S_3B_{11} \\ P_4 &= A_{22}S_4 & P_5 &= S_5S_6 & P_6 &= S_7S_8 & P_7 &= S_9S_{10} \end{aligned}$$

Step 4:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{11} &= P_5 + P_4 - P_2 + P_6 \\ C_{12} &= P_1 + P_2 \\ C_{21} &= P_3 + P_4 \\ C_{22} &= P_1 + P_5 - P_3 - P_7 \end{aligned} \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$



# STRASSEN ALGORITHM

- Strassen algorithm matrix computation - check:

$$\begin{aligned}C_{12} &= P_1 + P_2 = A_{11}S_1 + S_2B_{22} \\&= A_{11}B_{12} - A_{11}B_{22} + A_{11}B_{22} + A_{12}B_{22} \\&= A_{11}B_{12} + A_{12}B_{22}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}C_{21} &= P_3 + P_4 = S_3B_{11} + A_{22}S_4 \\&= A_{21}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{21} - A_{22}B_{11} \\&= A_{21}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{21}\end{aligned}$$

# STRASSEN ALGORITHM

## ○ Strassen algorithm analysis.

- If  $n = 1$ , we do only one scalar multiplication  $\rightarrow T(1) = \Theta(1)$
- For  $n > 1$ , **at step 2** each recursive call multiplies two  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices contributing  $T(n/2)$  time. There are **7** such recursive calls  $\rightarrow 7T(n/2)$ . The number of additions is **18**.
- Matrix additions take  $\Theta(18(n/2)^2) = \Theta(n^2)$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 7T(n/2) + \Theta(n^2), & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

# SOLVING RECURRENCES

- A **recurrence** is an equation that describes a function in terms of its value in smaller inputs.
- There are three main methods for solving recurrences:
  - In the **substitution method**, we guess a bound and then use induction to prove it.
  - The **recursion tree method** converts the recurrence into a tree and uses bounding summations.
  - The **master method** provides bounds for recurrences of the form:

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

# THE MASTER METHOD

- The **master method** depends on the following theorem:

## THEOREM\* (Master theorem)

Let  $a \geq 1$ ,  $b > 1$  and  $c > 1$  be constants, and let  $T(n)$  be defined on the nonnegative integers by the recurrence:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} b, & \text{if } n = 1 \\ aT(n/c) + bn, & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

# THE MASTER METHOD

- (theorem continuation)

Then, if  $n$  is a power of  $c$ ,  $T(n)$  has the following asymptotic bounds :

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n), & \text{if } a < c, \\ O(n \log n), & \text{if } a = c, \\ O(n^{\log_c a}), & \text{if } a > c, \end{cases}$$

# THE MASTER METHOD

- Lets find the solution for our algorithms:
  - **MERGE SORT.**

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 2T(n/2) + \Theta(n), & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

we have  $a = c$ , therefore (according to the second row)

$$T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

# THE MASTER METHOD

- Lets find the solution for our algorithms:
  - RECURSIVE MATRIX MULTIPLICATION.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 8T(n/2) + \Theta(n^2), & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

we have  $a = 8 > c = 2$ , therefore (according to the third row)

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_c a}) = O(n^{\log_2 8}) = O(n^3)$$

# THE MASTER METHOD

- Lets find the solution for our algorithms:
  - STRASSEN ALGORITHM.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1), & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 7T(n/2) + \Theta(n^2), & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

we have  $a = 7 > c = 2$ , therefore (according to the third row)

$$T(n) = O(n^{\log_c a}) = O(n^{\log_2 7}) = O(n^{2.81})$$



# VINOGRAD ALGORITHM

- The **Vinograd algorithm** is a variant of the Strassen algorithm which requires (the same ) **7** multiplications, but only **15** additions/subtractions.
- Vinograd algorithm complexity is the same, but the reduced number of additions/subtractions has **practical** significance.

# DISCUSSION

- There are two key issues when efficiently applying Strassen algorithm to arbitrary matrices.
  - First the constraint that the matrix size be a power of 2 must be handled.
    - One solution - zero padding.
  - The second key issue for efficiency of Strassen algorithm is controlling the depth of recursion.
    - For small  $n$ , Strassen algorithm is actually slower!

# DISCUSSION

- Matrix multiplication is a fundamental operation and is critical when attempting to speed up scientific computations.
- The performance of matrix multiplication is dependent on two elements:
  - ✓ the **operation count** and
  - ✓ the **memory reference count**.
- Minimizing both of these factors will produce an optimal algorithm.

**THAT'S ALL FOR TODAY!**