# CS-E3190 Principles of Algorithmic Techniques

## 02. Recursive Algorithms – Tutorial Exercise

1. Matrix multiplication. Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  and C = AB s.t.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Following the naive approach, C is computed as follows,

$$c_{11} = a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21}$$

$$c_{12} = a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22}$$

$$c_{21} = a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21}$$

$$c_{22} = a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22}$$

For this naive approach, 8 multiplications and 4 additions are needed.

The Strassen's algorithm enables to compute C with only 7 multiplications as follows,

$$P_{1} = (a_{11} + a_{22})(b_{11} + b_{22})$$

$$P_{2} = (a_{21} + a_{22})b_{11}$$

$$P_{3} = a_{11}(b_{12} - b_{22})$$

$$P_{4} = a_{22}(b_{21} - b_{11})$$

$$P_{5} = (a_{11} + a_{12})b_{22}$$

$$P_{6} = (a_{21} - a_{11})(b_{11} + b_{12})$$

$$C_{11} = P_{1} + P_{4} - P_{5} + P_{7}$$

$$c_{12} = P_{3} + P_{5}$$

$$c_{21} = P_{2} + P_{4}$$

$$P_{7} = (a_{12} - a_{22})(b_{21} + b_{22})$$

$$c_{22} = P_{1} - P_{2} + P_{3} + P_{6}$$

(a) Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and C = AB. Write a recursive algorithm based on Strassen's design for computing C.

Hint: you can assume n is a power of two, since the matrices can be padded when implementing the algorithm.

**Solution.** First we split *A* and *B* into 4 blocks of size  $(\frac{n}{2} \times \frac{n}{2})$ , we use the following notations:

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

Then the algorithm is given as follows,

## **Algorithm 1:** Product(A, B, n)

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\begin{array}{l} \textbf{if } n = 1 \textbf{ then} \\ \mid c_{11} = a_{11} \cdot b_{11} \\ \textbf{else} \\ \mid m \leftarrow \frac{n}{2} \\ \mid A_{11}, A_{12}, A_{21}, A_{22} \leftarrow Split(A) \\ \mid B_{11}, B_{12}, B_{21}, B_{22} \leftarrow Split(B) \\ \mid P_1 = Product((A_{11} + A_{22}), (B_{11} + B_{22}), m) \\ \mid P_2 = Product((A_{21} + A_{22}), B_{11}, m) \\ \mid P_3 = Product(A_{11}, (B_{12} - B_{22}), m) \\ \mid P_4 = Product(A_{22}, (B_{21} - B_{11}), m) \\ \mid P_5 = Product((A_{11} + A_{12}), B_{22}, m) \\ \mid P_6 = Product((A_{21} - A_{11}), (B_{11} + B_{12}), m) \\ \mid P_7 = Product((A_{12} - A_{22}), (B_{21} + B_{22}), m) \\ \mid C_{11} = P_1 + P_4 - P_5 + P_7 \\ \mid C_{12} = P_3 + P_5 \\ \mid C_{21} = P_2 + P_4 \\ \mid C_{22} = P_1 - P_2 + P_3 + P_6 \\ \textbf{end} \end{array}
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Where the *Split* function, takes a matrix of size  $n \times n$  and divides it into four matrices of size  $(\frac{n}{2} \times \frac{n}{2})$ .

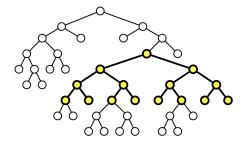
(b) Analyze the running time of your algorithm.

**Solution.** Note that four blocks of C may be computed independently from each other. For computing Product(A,B,n), we first need to compute  $P_1$  to  $P_7$  recursively for the matrices of size  $\left(\left(\frac{n}{2}\times\frac{n}{2}\right)\right)$ . Hence, we may come up with the following recurrence relation,

$$T(n) = 7T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n^2)$$

We need  $O(n^2)$  arithmetic operations to combine the sub-problems  $P_i$ , for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots 7\}$ . Since  $\log_2 7 \geq 2$ , we conclude using the Master theorem that  $T(n) = O(n^{\log_2 7}) \ll O(n^3)$ .

2. **Complete sub-trees.** A binary tree is complete if every internal node has two children, and every leaf has exactly the same depth.



Describe and analyze a recursive algorithm that computes the largest complete sub-tree of a given binary tree. Your algorithm should return both the root and the depth of this sub-tree.

**Solution.** We will describe a recursive algorithm DCS(v) that labels each node v of the tree with the depth of its largest complete sub-tree.

Let us consider a binary tree rooted at v. This node has two children  $v_l$  and  $v_r$ . If we delete the edge between  $v_l$  and v, we have two connected sub-graphs. We denote the sub-graph rooted at  $v_l$  by left(v). Similarly we denote the sub-graph rooted at  $v_r$  with right(v).

### DCS(v):

(i) If left(v) or right(v) is Null then

$$DCS(v) \leftarrow 0.$$

(ii) Else:

$$DCS(v) \leftarrow min\{DCS(v_l), DCS(v_r)\} + 1.$$

**Correctness:** By induction this algorithm outputs a correct answer. Indeed,

- Let us consider a leaf node  $v_0$ , our algorithm returns 0. This proves the base case.
- Now consider an arbitrary node v with its children  $v_l$  and  $v_r$  either already correctly labeled by DCS(v) or null (induction hypotheses).

If left(v) or right(v) are Null, then DCS(v) correctly returns 0, as v can only be a leaf in a complete binary sub-tree. If  $DCS(v_l)$  and  $DCS(v_r)$  are m and n respectively then depth of the largest sub-tree rooted at v equals the minimum of m and n plus one. Since v has two children and can be considered as part of the complete sub-tree, this will increase the depth of the largest sub-tree by one. Hence, if a step of the algorithm is correct then the next one is as well.

We now describe an algorithm LCS(T), which returns the depth of the largest sub-tree of a binary tree T and its root node. It simply consists in going through all nodes' labels and picking the maximum.

### LCS(T):

- (i)  $maxDepth \leftarrow -\infty$ .
- (ii) Run  $DCS(v_0)$  where  $v_0$  is the root of T (now all the nodes in T are labeled)
- (iii)  $\forall v \in T$ , if DCS(v) > maxDepth, then

$$maxDepth \leftarrow DCS(v)$$
  
 $maxRoot \leftarrow v.$ 

(iv) return maxDepth and maxRoot.

The algorithm DCS(v) requires O(1) operations (one comparison and one addition) for each node and thus in total runs in O(n).

The time complexity needed for LCS(T) is the complexity of DCS(v) plus the complexity of the scan of tree which is also in O(n).