# Divide-and-Conquer

(Matrix Multiplication, Large Integer Multiplication, Closest Pair)

#### **Conventional Matrix Multiplication**

• Brute-force algorithm

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{00} & c_{01} \\ c_{10} & c_{11} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} b_{00} & b_{01} \\ b_{10} & b_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} * b_{00} + a_{01} * b_{10} & a_{00} * b_{01} + a_{01} * b_{11} \\ a_{10} * b_{00} + a_{11} * b_{10} & a_{10} * b_{01} + a_{11} * b_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

8 multiplications

Efficiency class in general:  $\Theta$  (n<sup>3</sup>)

4 additions

# **D&C** Matrix Multiplication

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# Strassen's Matrix Multiplication

Strassen observed [1969] that the product of two matrices can be computed in general as follows:

# Formulas for Strassen's Algorithm

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}_{1} &= (\mathbf{A}_{00} + \mathbf{A}_{11}) * (\mathbf{B}_{00} + \mathbf{B}_{11}) \\ \mathbf{M}_{2} &= (\mathbf{A}_{10} + \mathbf{A}_{11}) * \mathbf{B}_{00} \\ \mathbf{M}_{3} &= \mathbf{A}_{00} * (\mathbf{B}_{01} - \mathbf{B}_{11}) \\ \mathbf{M}_{4} &= \mathbf{A}_{11} * (\mathbf{B}_{10} - \mathbf{B}_{00}) \\ \mathbf{M}_{5} &= (\mathbf{A}_{00} + \mathbf{A}_{01}) * \mathbf{B}_{11} \\ \mathbf{M}_{6} &= (\mathbf{A}_{10} - \mathbf{A}_{00}) * (\mathbf{B}_{00} + \mathbf{B}_{01}) \\ \mathbf{M}_{7} &= (\mathbf{A}_{01} - \mathbf{A}_{11}) * (\mathbf{B}_{10} + \mathbf{B}_{11}) \end{aligned}$$

#### Strassen's Matrix Multiplication

• Strassen's algorithm for two 2x2 matrices (1969):

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{00} & c_{01} \\ c_{10} & c_{11} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} b_{00} & b_{01} \\ b_{10} & b_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

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

- $m_1 = (a_{00} + a_{11}) * (b_{00} + b_{11})$
- $m_2 = (a_{10} + a_{11}) * b_{00}$
- $m_3 = a_{00} * (b_{01} b_{11})$
- $m_4 = a_{11} * (b_{10} b_{00})$
- $m_5 = (a_{00} + a_{01}) * b_{11}$
- $m_6 = (a_{10} a_{00}) * (b_{00} + b_{01})$
- $m_7 = (a_{01} a_{11}) * (b_{10} + b_{11})$

7 multiplications

18 additions

# Analysis of Strassen's Algorithm

If *n* is not a power of 2, matrices can be padded with zeros.

What if we count both multiplications and additions?

Number of multiplications:

$$M(n) = 7M(n/2), M(1) = 1$$

Solution:  $M(n) = 7^{\log 2^n} = n^{\log 2^7} \approx n^{2.807}$  vs.  $n^3$  of brute-force alg or divide and conquer alg.

Algorithms with better asymptotic efficiency are known but they are even more complex and not used in practice.

### Multiplication of Large Integers

Consider the problem of multiplying two (large) *n*-digit integers represented by arrays of their digits such as:

$$A = 12345678901357986429$$
  $B = 87654321284820912836$ 

The grade-school algorithm:

$$\begin{array}{c} a_1 \ a_2 \dots \ a_n \\ b_1 \ b_2 \dots \ b_n \\ (d_{10}) \ d_{11} d_{12} \dots \ d_{1n} \\ (d_{20}) \ d_{21} d_{22} \dots \ d_{2n} \\ \dots \dots \dots \\ (d_{n0}) \ d_{n1} d_{n2} \dots \ d_{nn} \end{array}$$

Efficiency:  $\Theta(n^2)$  single-digit multiplications

### First Divide-and-Conquer Algorithm

A small example: A \* B where A = 2135 and B = 4014

$$A = (21 \cdot 10^2 + 35), B = (40 \cdot 10^2 + 14)$$

So, A \* B = 
$$(21 \cdot 10^2 + 35) * (40 \cdot 10^2 + 14)$$
  
=  $21 * 40 \cdot 10^4 + (21 * 14 + 35 * 40) \cdot 10^2 + 35 * 14$ 

In general, if  $A = A_1A_2$  and  $B = B_1B_2$ (where A and B are *n*-digit,  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $B_1$ ,  $B_2$  are n/2-digit numbers),

then, 
$$A * B = A_1 * B_1 \cdot 10^n + (A_1 * B_2 + A_2 * B_1) \cdot 10^{n/2} + A_2 * B_2$$

Recurrence for the number of one-digit multiplications M(n):

$$M(n) = 4M(n/2), M(1) = 1$$

Solution:  $M(n) = n^2$ 

# Second Divide-and-Conquer Algorithm

$$A * B = A_1 * B_1 \cdot 10^n + (A_1 * B_2 + A_2 * B_1) \cdot 10^{n/2} + A_2 * B_2$$

The idea is to decrease the number of multiplications from 4 to 3:

$$(A_1 + A_2) * (B_1 + B_2) = A_1 * B_1 + (A_1 * B_2 + A_2 * B_1) + A_2 * B_2$$

i.e.,  $(A_1 * B_2 + A_2 * B_1) = (A_1 + A_2) * (B_1 + B_2) - A_1 * B_1 - A_2 * B_2$  which requires only 3 multiplications at the expense of (4-1) extra add/sub.

Recurrence for the number of multiplications M(n):

$$M(n) = 3M(n/2), M(1) = 1$$

Solution:  $M(n) = 3^{\log 2^n} = n^{\log 2^3} \approx n^{1.585}$ 

What if we count both multiplications and additions?

### **Example of Large-Integer Multiplication**

#### 2135 \* 4014

$$= (21*10^2 + 35) * (40*10^2 + 14)$$

$$= (21*40)*10^4 + c1*10^2 + 35*14$$
where  $c1 = (21+35)*(40+14) - 21*40 - 35*14$ 

$$21*40 = (2*10+1) * (4*10+0)$$

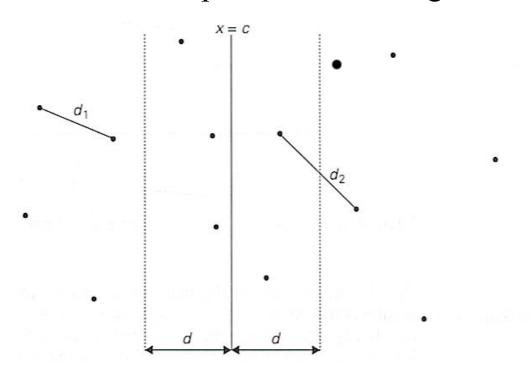
$$= (2*4)*10^2 + c2*10 + 1*0$$
where  $c2 = (2+1)*(4+0) - 2*4 - 1*0$ , etc.

This process requires 9 digit multiplications as opposed to 16.

#### Closest-Pair Problem by Divide-and-Conquer

Step 0 Sort the points by x (list one) and then by y (list two).

Step 1 Divide the points given into two subsets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  by a vertical line x = c so that half the points lie to the left or on the line and half the points lie to the right or on the line.



#### Closest Pair by Divide-and-Conquer (cont.)

Step 2 Find recursively the closest pairs for the left and right subsets.

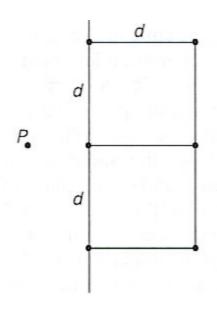
Step 3 Set  $d = \min\{d_1, d_2\}$ 

We can limit our attention to the points in the symmetric vertical strip of width 2d as possible closest pair. Let  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  be the subsets of points in the left subset  $S_1$  and of the right subset  $S_2$ , respectively, that lie in this vertical strip. The points in  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are stored in increasing order of their y coordinates, taken from the second list.

Step 4 For every point P(x,y) in  $C_1$ , we inspect points in  $C_2$  that may be closer to P than d. There can be no more than 6 such points (because  $d \le d_2$ )!

#### Closest Pair by Divide-and-Conquer: Worst Case

The worst case scenario is depicted below:



### Efficiency of the Closest-Pair Algorithm

Running time of the algorithm (without sorting) is:

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + M(n)$$
, where  $M(n) \in \Theta(n)$ 

By the Master Theorem (with 
$$a = 2$$
,  $b = 2$ ,  $d = 1$ )  
 $T(n) \in \Theta(n \log n)$ 

So the total time is  $\Theta(n \log n)$ .

# **Binary Tree Algorithms**

Binary tree is a divide-and-conquer ready structure!

Ex. 1: Classic traversals (preorder, inorder, postorder)

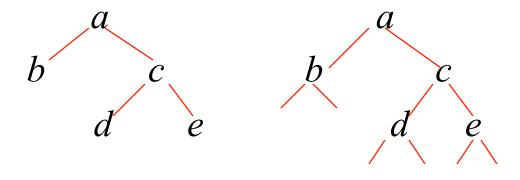
Algorithm *Inorder*(*T*)

if 
$$T \neq \emptyset$$

$$Inorder(T_{left})$$

$$print(root of T)$$

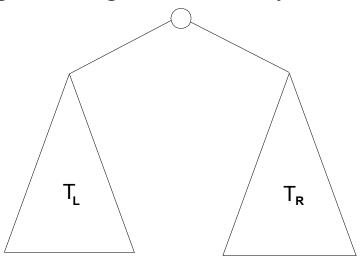
$$Inorder(T_{right})$$



Efficiency:  $\Theta(n)$ . Why? Each node is visited/printed once.

# **Binary Tree Algorithms (cont.)**

Ex. 2: Computing the height of a binary tree



$$h(T) = \max\{h(T_{\rm L}), h(T_{\rm R})\} + 1$$
 if  $T \neq \emptyset$  and  $h(\emptyset) = -1$ 

Efficiency:  $\Theta(n)$ . Why?