

# **Computer Algebra 2**

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# 1 Notations and conventions

Unless otherwise mentioned, we use the following notations:

- $k, K, \mathbb{K}$  are (commutative) fields
- $R$  is a (commutative, with 1) ring

Given a ring  $R$ ,  $R^*$  is the group of its invertible elements.

We assume that algebraic computations (sum, inverse, test of 0, test of 1, inverse where applicable) can be performed.

For a vector  $v$  in a vector space  $V$  of dimension  $n$ , we denote its coordinates by  $(v_0, \dots, v_{n-1})$ . If  $f$  is a polynomial of degree  $\deg(f) = d$ , its coefficients are denoted  $f_0, \dots, f_d$ , such that

$$f(X) = f_0 + f_1X + \dots + f_dX^d = \sum_{i=0}^d f_iX^i.$$

In order to simplify notations, we may at times use the convention that  $f_i = 0$  if  $i < 0$  or  $i > \deg(f)$ , so that

$$f = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} f_iX^i.$$

By convention, the degree of the 0 polynomial is  $-\infty$ .

The logarithm log, without a base, is in base 2.

**Definition 1.1.** Given two functions  $f, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$

$$\begin{aligned} f = O(g) &\iff \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \text{ is bounded when } n \rightarrow \infty \\ &\iff \exists c \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \geq n_0, f(n) \leq cg(n); \end{aligned}$$

$$f = \tilde{O}(g) \iff \exists l \in \mathbb{N}, f = O(g \log(g)^l).$$

## 1.1 Exercises

**Exercise 1.1.** Show that the “when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ” clause in the definition of  $O$  can be left out. In

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other words, given  $f, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ , show that

$$\begin{aligned} f = O(g) &\iff \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \text{ is bounded} \\ &\iff \exists c \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, f(n) \leq cg(n) \end{aligned}$$

## 2 Semi-fast multiplication

In this chapter, let  $R$  be any ring.

Given  $f, g \in R[X]$  with degree less than  $n$ , we want to compute the coefficients of  $h = f \cdot g$ .

The complexity of the algorithm will be evaluated in number of multiplications and additions in  $R$ . Typically, multiplications are more expensive!

### 2.1 Naive algorithm

Each coefficient  $h_k$  ( $0 \leq k < 2n$ ) can be computed with

$$h_k = \sum_{i=0}^k f_i g_{k-i},$$

each costing  $O(n)$  multiplications and additions.

The total complexity of the naive algorithm is  $O(n^2)$  multiplications and  $O(n^2)$  additions.

### 2.2 Karatsuba's algorithm

*Remark 2.1.* Linear polynomials can be multiplied using 3 multiplications instead of 4 :

$$(a + bX)(c + dX) = ac + (ad + bc)X + bdX^2$$

with

$$ad + bc = ad + bc + ac + bd - ac - bd = (a + b)(c + d) - ac - bd.$$

This can be used recursively to compute polynomial multiplication faster.

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#### Algorithm 1 Karatsuba

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**Input:**  $f = f_0 + \dots + f_{n-1}X^{n-1}$ ,  $g = g_0 + \dots + g_{n-1}X^{n-1}$

**Output:**  $h = h_0 + \dots + h_{2n-1}X^{2n-1}$  such that  $h = fg$

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1. If  $n = 1$ , then return  $f_0g_0$
  2. Write  $f = A + BX^{\lceil n/2 \rceil}$ ,  $g = C + DX^{\lceil n/2 \rceil}$  where all of  $A, B, C, D$  have degree  $< \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ .
  3. Compute recursively:
    - $P = AC$
    - $Q = BD$
    - $R = (A + B)(C + D)$
  4. Return  $P + (R - P - Q)X^{\lceil n/2 \rceil} + RX^{2\lceil n/2 \rceil}$
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**Theorem 2.2.** *Karatsuba's algorithm multiplies polynomials with  $O(n^{\log_2(3)}) = O(n^{1.585})$  multiplications and additions.*

*Proof.* Let  $M(n)$  (resp.  $A(n)$ ) be the number of multiplications (resp. additions) in a run of Algo. 1 on an input with size  $n$ . Then:

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

and

$$A(n) = 3A(n/2) + O(n)$$

so  $M(n) = O(n^{\log_2(3)})$  and  $A(n) = O(n^{\log_2(3)})$ .  $\square$

*Remark 2.3.* Karatsuba's algorithm hides an evaluation/interpolation mechanism:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= (a + bX)_{X=0} \\ a + b &= (a + bX)_{X=1} \\ b &= \left( \frac{a + bX}{X} \right)_{X=\infty} \end{aligned}$$

and for two linear polynomials  $f, g$ , if  $fg = h = h_0 + h_1X + h_2X^2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(0)g(0) &= h(0) = h_0 \\ f(1)g(1) &= h(X=1) = h_0 + h_1 + h_2 \\ \left( \frac{f}{X} \right)_{X=\infty} \left( \frac{g}{X} \right)_{X=\infty} &= \left( \frac{h}{X^2} \right)_{X=\infty} = h_2 \end{aligned}$$

### 2.3 Toom- $k$ algorithm

For the remainder of this section, assume that the ring  $R$  is an infinite field.

In general the coefficients of  $h$  can be obtained as a linear combination of  $f(i)g(i)$  for  $i \in \{0, \dots, 2n-1\}$  via

$$\begin{pmatrix} h_0 \\ h_1 \\ h_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \odot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} g_0 \\ g_1 \\ g_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

where  $\odot$  is the component-wise multiplication of two vectors.

This suggests the following generalization of Algo. 1 for any fixed  $k \geq 2$ . First, let  $V = (i^j)_{i,j=0}^{2k-1}$  (Vandermonde matrix), and precompute  $V^{-1}$ .

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**Algorithm 2** Toom- $k$

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**Input:**  $f = f_0 + \dots + f_{n-1}X^{n-1}$ ,  $g = g_0 + \dots + g_{n-1}X^{n-1}$

**Output:**  $h = h_0 + \dots + h_{2n-1}X^{2n-1}$  such that  $h = fg$

1. If  $n < \max(k, 16)$ , compute  $h$  naively and stop # Forget the “16” until Sec. 2.4
  2. Write  $f = F_0 + F_1X^{\lceil n/k \rceil} + \dots + F_{k-1}X^{(k-1)\lceil n/k \rceil}$  and  $g = G_0 + G_1X^{\lceil n/k \rceil} + \dots + G_{k-1}X^{(k-1)\lceil n/k \rceil}$  where  $\deg(F_i)$  and  $\deg(G_i) < \frac{n}{k}$
  3. Define  $F_i = G_i = 0$  for  $\frac{n}{k} < i \leq 2k-1$
  4. Compute  $\bar{f} = V \begin{pmatrix} F_0 \\ F_1 \\ \vdots \\ F_{2k-1} \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\bar{g} = V \begin{pmatrix} G_0 \\ G_1 \\ \vdots \\ G_{2k-1} \end{pmatrix}$
  5. Compute  $\bar{h} = \bar{f} \odot \bar{g}$  recursively
  6. Return  $V^{-1}\bar{h}$
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*Remark 2.4.* If we write  $F_i = f_0^{(i)} + \dots + f_d^{(i)}X^d$  for  $i \in \{0, \dots, k-1\}$ , one can compute the product  $V \cdot (F_i)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} V \cdot \begin{pmatrix} F_0 \\ F_1 \\ \vdots \\ F_{k-1} \end{pmatrix} &= V \cdot \left[ \begin{pmatrix} f_0^0 \\ f_0^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ f_0^{(k-1)} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} f_1^0 \\ f_1^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ f_1^{(k-1)} \end{pmatrix} X + \dots + \begin{pmatrix} f_d^0 \\ f_d^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ f_d^{(k-1)} \end{pmatrix} X^d \right] \\ &= V \cdot \begin{pmatrix} f_0^0 \\ f_0^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ f_0^{(k-1)} \end{pmatrix} + V \cdot \begin{pmatrix} f_1^0 \\ f_1^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ f_1^{(k-1)} \end{pmatrix} X + \dots + V \cdot \begin{pmatrix} f_d^0 \\ f_d^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ f_d^{(k-1)} \end{pmatrix} X^d \end{aligned}$$

so the cost of computing that product is  $O(dk^2)$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** *A run of Algorithm 2 requires  $O(n^{\log_k(2k-1)})$  operations. In particular, for any fixed  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a multiplication algorithm for  $R[X]$  which requires  $O(n^{1+\epsilon})$  operations in  $R$ .*

*Proof.* See Exercise 2.2. □

*Remark 2.6.* For fixed  $k$ , the cost of precomputing  $V$  and  $V^{-1}$  can be neglected, since it is a fixed cost of  $O(k^2)$  and  $O(k^3)$  respectively.

## 2.4 Toom-Cook algorithm

**Theorem 2.7** (Toom-Cook). *There exists a multiplication algorithm for  $R[X]$  that requires  $O(n^{1+2/\sqrt{\log(n)}})$  operations in  $R$ . This algorithm is obtained by adapting Algo. 2 to choose at each recursion level  $k = \left\lfloor 2^2 \sqrt{\log(n)} \right\rfloor$ .*

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*Proof.* See Exercise 2.3. □

*Remark 2.8.* This complexity is better than that of Toom- $k$ , since it is better than  $O(2^{1+\epsilon})$  for all  $\epsilon > 0$ .

*Remark 2.9.* Strassen's algorithm for matrix multiplication is based on the same idea as Karatsuba's algorithm, and runs in time  $O(n^{\log_2(7)}) \leq O(n^{2.82})$ . Is there a Toom-Cook style algorithm for matrix multiplication, with complexity better than  $O(2^{2+\epsilon})$  for all  $\epsilon > 0$ ?

For even  $k$ , we can multiply  $k \times k$  matrices with  $\frac{1}{3}k^3 + 6k^2 - \frac{4}{3}k$  operations, so there are matrix multiplication algorithms with complexity  $O(n^{\log_k(\frac{1}{3}k^3 + 6k^2 - \frac{4}{3}k)})$ . But  $\log_k(\frac{1}{3}k^3 + 6k^2 - \frac{4}{3}k)$  tends to 3 when  $k$  tends to  $\infty$ . Its minimum (over  $2\mathbb{N}$ ) is reached at  $k = 70$ , leading to a complexity  $O(n^{2.796})$  (Pan's algorithm).

The current record is  $O(n^{2.3728639})$  (Le Gall 2014), and yes, that many decimal points are necessary! It is conjectured that a complexity of  $O(2^{1+\epsilon})$  for all  $\epsilon$  is realizable.

*Remark 2.10.* It is conjectured that polynomial multiplication in  $O(n)$  operations is not possible.

## 2.5 Exercises

**Exercise 2.1.** Is it possible to use the ideas of the Algorithm of Toom- $k$  with evaluation at  $\{0, 1, \dots, k-2, \infty\}$ ? Describe the matrices  $V$  and  $V^{-1}$ .

**Exercise 2.2.** Prove Theorem 2.5.

**Exercise 2.3.** Prove Theorem 2.7.

**Exercise 2.4.** Show that there is no algorithm which can multiply two linear polynomials (over any ring) in 2 multiplications.

### 3 Fast multiplication in $\bar{k}[X]$

In this chapter, let  $k$  be an *algebraically closed* field. The problem to solve is the same as previously, but this time, we assume that  $\deg(f) + \deg(g) < n$ .

We will be considering evaluation/interpolation methods.

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#### Algorithm 3 Evaluation/interpolation

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**Input:**  $f = f_0 + \dots + f_{k-1}X^k, g = g_0 + \dots + g_{l-1}X^l$  with  $k + l < n$

**Output:**  $h = h_0 + \dots + h_{n-1}X^{n-1}$  such that  $h = fg$

1. Fix  $(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) \in k^n$
  2. Compute  $f(x_i), g(x_i)$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$
  3. Compute  $h(x_i) = f(x_i)g(x_i)$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$
  4. Compute  $h$  by interpolating  $h(x_i)$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$
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*Remark 3.1.* In general, Algo. 3 requires  $O(n^2) + O(n) + O(n^2) = O(n^2)$  operations in  $k$ , like the classical algorithm. The idea is to choose specific values of  $x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}$  so that steps 2 and 4 can be done faster.

#### 3.1 Roots of unity and discrete Fourier transform

**Definition 3.2.** An element  $\omega \in k$  is called a  $n$ 'th root of unity if  $\omega^n = 1$ . It is a *primitive*  $n$ 'th root of unity if additionally  $\omega^i \neq 1$  for  $0 < i < n$ .

*Example 3.3.* In  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $-1$  is a primitive second root of unity.  $i$  is a primitive 4th root of unity.

In  $\mathbb{F}_{17}$ , 2 is a primitive 8th root of unity.

**Definition 3.4.** The matrix

$$\text{DFT}_n := \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega)} := (\omega^{ij})_{i,j=0}^{n-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 & \dots & \omega^{n-1} \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \dots & \omega^{2(n-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \omega^{n-1} & \omega^{2(n-1)} & \dots & \omega^{(n-1)^2} \end{pmatrix} \in k^{n \times n}$$

is called the *discrete Fourier transform* (wrt  $\omega$ ).



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*Example 3.5.* In  $\mathbb{C}$ , the discrete Fourier transform wrt  $i$  is

$$\text{DFT}_4^{(i)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & i & -1 & -i \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -i \\ 1 & -i & -1 & i \end{pmatrix}.$$

*Remark 3.6.* The DFT is a Vandermonde matrix. In particular, if  $f = f_0 + f_1X + \cdots + f_{n-1}X^{n-1}$ ,

$$\text{DFT}_n^{(\omega)} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(\omega^0) \\ f(\omega^1) \\ \vdots \\ f(\omega^{n-1}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Definition 3.7.** Let  $f, g \in k^n$ . The *product*  $f \odot g$  is the vector whose  $i$ 'th coordinate is given by  $f_i g_i$ . The *convolution*  $f * g$  is the vector whose  $i$ 'th coordinate is given by

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f_k g_{(i-k) \bmod n}.$$

**Lemma 3.8.** Let  $\omega$  be a primitive  $n$ 'th root of unity. Then

1. there is a factorization

$$X^n - 1 = (X - \omega)(X - \omega^2) \cdots (X - \omega^n);$$

2. for any  $j \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ ,

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \omega^{ij} = 0.$$

3. there is a group isomorphism

$$(\{\omega^i : i \in \mathbb{Z}\}, \cdot) \simeq (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, +)$$

4. the DFT matrix is easy to invert:

$$\left(\text{DFT}_n^{(\omega)}\right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{n} \text{DFT}_n^{(1/\omega)}$$

5. if  $m \mid n$ , then  $\omega^m$  is a primitive  $(n/m)$ 'th root of unity
6. the DFT is compatible with convolution

$$\text{DFT}_n(f * g) = \text{DFT}_n(f) \odot \text{DFT}_n(g)$$

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*Proof.* 1. All  $\omega^i$  are distinct: if  $\omega^i = \omega^j$  with  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ , then  $\omega^{j-i} = 1$  with  $0 < j-i < n$ , which is a contradiction because  $\omega$  is a primitive root of unity. All  $\omega^i$  are roots of  $X^n - 1$ , since  $(\omega^i)^n = (\omega^n)^i = 1$ , so the  $X - \omega^i$  are  $n$  distinct factors of  $X^n - 1$ . By comparing the degree and leading coefficient, we get the wanted factorization.

2. Use the formula

$$\left( \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} X^i \right) (X - 1) = X^n - 1$$

Evaluated at  $X = \omega^j$  for  $0 < j < n$ , the right hand side is 0, the factor  $(\omega^j - 1)$  is non-zero, so the sum has to be zero.

3. Clear.

4. Evaluate the product:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega)} \text{DFT}_n^{(1/\omega)} &= (\omega^{ij})_{i,j=0}^{n-1} \cdot (\omega^{-ij})_{i,j=0}^{n-1} \\ &= \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \omega^{ik} \omega^{-kj} \right)_{i,j=0}^{n-1} \\ &= \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \omega^{k(i-j)} \right)_{i,j=0}^{n-1} \\ &= (n\delta_{ij})_{i,j=0}^{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

5. Clear.

6. If we associate the vector  $f = (f_0, \dots, f_{n-1})$  with the polynomial  $f(X) = f_0 + \dots + f_{n-1}X^{n-1}$ , convolution is equivalent to multiplication in  $k[X]/\langle X^n - 1 \rangle$ , that is

$$(f * g)(X) = f(X)g(X) + q(X) \cdot (X^n - 1)$$

for some  $q \in k[X]$ . Indeed, write

$$\begin{aligned} f(X)g(X) &= \sum_{i,j=0}^{n-1} f_i g_j X^{i+j} \\ &= \sum_{i+j < n} f_i g_j X^{i+j} + \sum_{n \leq i+j < 2n} f_i g_j X^{i+j} \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{i+j < n} f_i g_j X^{i+j} + \sum_{n \leq i+j < 2n} f_i g_j X^{i+j-n}}_{(f * g)(X)} - \underbrace{\sum_{n \leq i+j < 2n} f_i g_j X^{i+j-n} + \sum_{n \leq i+j < 2n} f_i g_j X^{i+j}}_{(\sum_{n \leq i+j < 2n} f_i g_j X^{i+j-n})(X^n - 1)} \end{aligned}$$

The claim follows by evaluation at  $\omega^i$ . □

The remark, together with property 4, makes powers of  $\omega$  a good choice for evaluation and interpolation: if we can just find a fast way to evaluate  $\text{DFT}_n \cdot f$ , we can perform both steps in a fast way.

### 3.2 Fast Fourier transform

Given  $f = \begin{pmatrix} f_0 \\ \vdots \\ f_{2n-1} \end{pmatrix}$ , we want to compute  $\bar{f} = \text{DFT}_{2n} \cdot f$ .

Let's expand the  $j$ 'th coefficient:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\text{DFT}_{2n}^\omega f)_j &= \sum_{i=0}^{2n-1} \omega^{ij} f_i \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \omega^{2ij} f_{2i} + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \omega^{(2i+1)j} f_{2i+1} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\omega^2)^{ij} f_{2i} + \omega^j \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\omega^2)^{ij} f_{2i+1} \\
 &= \begin{cases} \left( \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega^2)} f_{\text{even}} \right)_j + \omega^j \left( \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega^2)} f_{\text{odd}} \right)_j & \text{for } 0 \leq j < n \\ \left( \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega^2)} f_{\text{even}} \right)_{j-n} + \omega^j \left( \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega^2)} f_{\text{odd}} \right)_{j-n} & \text{for } n \leq j < 2n \end{cases} \\
 &= \begin{cases} \left( \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega^2)} f_{\text{even}} \right)_j + \omega^j \left( \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega^2)} f_{\text{odd}} \right)_j & \text{for } 0 \leq j < n \\ \left( \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega^2)} f_{\text{even}} \right)_{j-n} - \omega^{j-n} \left( \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega^2)} f_{\text{odd}} \right)_{j-n} & \text{for } n \leq j < 2n \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

We can use this property to perform the evaluation and interpolation steps.

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**Algorithm 4** Fast Fourier Transform
 

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**Input:**  $f \in k^n$ ,  $\omega$  a primitive  $n$ 'th root of unity,  $n = 2^k$

**Output:**  $\bar{f} = \text{DFT}_n^{(\omega)} f$

1. If  $n = 1$  then return  $(f_0)$
  2.  $u \leftarrow \text{FFT}([f_0, f_2, \dots], \omega^2, n/2)$ ,  $v \leftarrow \text{FFT}([f_1, f_3, \dots], \omega^2, n/2)$
  3. Return  $[u_0 + v_0, u_1 + \omega v_1, u_2 + \omega^2 v_2, \dots, u_{n/2-1} + \omega^{n/2-1} v_{n/2-1},$   
 $u_0 - v_0, u_1 - \omega v_1, u_2 - \omega^2 v_2, \dots, u_{n/2-1} - \omega^{n/2-1} v_{n/2-1}]$
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**Theorem 3.9.** *Algo. 4 requires  $O(n \log(n))$  operations in  $k$ .*

*Proof.* Similar to before, with the recurrence

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

□

This allows us to rewrite Algo. 3 with the FFT.

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**Algorithm 5** Evaluation/interpolation multiplication using FFT

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**Input:**  $f = f_0 + \dots + f_{k-1}X^k, g = g_0 + \dots + g_{l-1}X^l$  with  $k + l < n$

**Output:**  $h = h_0 + \dots + h_{n-1}X^{n-1}$  such that  $h = fg$

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1.  $\omega \leftarrow$  primitive  $n$ 'th root of unity
  2.  $\bar{f} \leftarrow \text{FFT}(f, \omega), \bar{g} \leftarrow \text{FFT}(g, \omega)$
  3.  $\bar{h} \leftarrow \bar{f} \odot \bar{g}$
  4. Return  $\frac{1}{n} \text{FFT}(\bar{h}, \omega^{-1})$
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**Theorem 3.10.** *Multiplication in  $k[X]$  can be done with  $O(n \log n)$  operations in  $k$  if  $k$  is algebraically closed.*

*Remark 3.11.* This complexity is currently the best known complexity for polynomial multiplication.

*Remark 3.12.* Let  $P$  be the permutation matrix such that

$$P \cdot f = \begin{pmatrix} f_{\text{even}} \\ f_{\text{odd}} \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $\Delta$  be the diagonal matrix

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \omega & & \\ & & \omega^2 & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then the computations above yield that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DFT}_{2n} &= \begin{pmatrix} \text{DFT}_n & \Delta \text{DFT}_n \\ \text{DFT}_n & -\Delta \text{DFT}_n \end{pmatrix} \cdot P \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} I & \Delta \\ I & -\Delta \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \text{DFT}_n & \\ & \text{DFT}_n \end{pmatrix} \cdot P \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} I & I \\ I & -I \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I & \\ & \Delta \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \text{DFT}_n & \\ & \text{DFT}_n \end{pmatrix} \cdot P \end{aligned}$$

This can be generalized to divisions by  $m$  instead of 2. Skipping over the details, this gives

$$\text{DFT}_{mn} = \begin{pmatrix} I & I & I & \dots \\ I & \omega^n I & \omega^{2n} I & \dots \\ I & \omega^{2n} I & \omega^{4n} I & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I & & & \\ & \Delta & & \\ & & \Delta^2 & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \text{DFT}_n & & & \\ & \text{DFT}_n & & \\ & & \text{DFT}_n & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \cdot P.$$

This is a result due to Cooley and Tuckey, which can be used to refine Algo. 4 so that it reduces an FFT of *any* size quickly to FFT's of prime size.

## 4 Fast multiplication in $R[X]$

*Remark 4.1.* Algo. 4 does not require that the base ring  $R$  be an algebraically closed field, but that:

1.  $R$  contains a primitive  $n$ 'th root of unity  $\omega$ ;
2.  $n = 1 + 1 + \dots + 1$  is invertible.

In this chapter, we will see how to perform FFT without those hypotheses.

### 4.1 If 2 is invertible

In this section, assume that  $R$  has no  $n$ 'th root of unity, but that  $2 \in R^*$ .

Let  $f, g \in R[X]$ , with  $\deg f + \deg g < n = 2^k$ , as before we want to compute  $h = fg$ . Write  $n = pq$  where  $p = 2^{\lceil k/2 \rceil}$  and  $q = 2^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor}$ , so  $p \simeq q \simeq \sqrt{n}$ .

Write

$$\begin{aligned} f &= F_0 + F_1X^q + F_2X^{2q} + \dots \\ g &= G_0 + G_1X^q + G_2X^{2q} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

with  $\deg F_i < q$ ,  $\deg G_i < q$ , and define two polynomials in  $R[X, Y]$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f} &= F_0 + F_1Y + F_2Y^2 + \dots \\ \bar{g} &= G_0 + G_1Y + G_2Y^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\deg_X \bar{f}, \deg_X \bar{g} < q$ ,  $\deg_Y \bar{f}, \deg_Y \bar{g} < p$ , and  $f = \bar{f}(X, X^q)$ ,  $g = \bar{g}(X, X^q)$ . Let  $\bar{h} = \bar{f}\bar{g}$ , then  $\deg_X \bar{h} < 2q$  and  $\deg_Y \bar{h} < 2p$ .

**Note 4.2.** It suffices to compute  $\bar{h} \bmod Y^p + 1$  because

$$\deg h = \deg \bar{h}(X, X^q) < pq = n.$$

**Note 4.3.** Since  $\deg_X \bar{h} < 2q$ ,

$$\bar{h}(X, Y) = \bar{h}(X, Y) \bmod X^{2q} + 1.$$

Hence, together with the previous note, we can compute in

$$(R[X]/\langle X^{2q} + 1 \rangle) [Y]/\langle Y^p + 1 \rangle.$$

We denote by  $D$  the ring

$$D := R[X]/\langle X^{2q} + 1 \rangle.$$

**Proposition 4.4.** *In the ring  $D$ ,  $X$  is a  $4q$ 'th primitive root of unity. Furthermore, let*

$$\omega = \begin{cases} X^2 & \text{if } p = q \\ X & \text{if } p = 2q. \end{cases}$$

*Then  $\omega = X$  is a  $2p$ 'th primitive root of unity in  $D$ .*

With this setting, if

$$\bar{f}(Y) \cdot \bar{g}(Y) = \bar{h}(Y) \bmod Y^p + 1$$

then

$$\bar{f}(\omega Y) \cdot \bar{g}(\omega Y) = \bar{h}(\omega Y) \bmod (\omega Y)^p + 1 = 1 - Y^p$$

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**Algorithm 6** Schönhage-Strassen

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**Input:**  $f, g \in R[X]$  with  $\deg f, \deg g < n = 2^k$

**Output:**  $h = fg \bmod X^n + 1$

1. If  $k \leq 2$  then compute  $h$  directly
2. Define  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\bar{f}, \bar{g} \in D[Y]$  and  $\omega \in D$  as above
3. Use Algo. 5 to compute  $\bar{h} \in D[y]$  with

$$\bar{h}(\omega Y) = \bar{f}(\omega Y)\bar{g}(\omega Y) \bmod Y^p - 1$$

using  $\omega^2$  as a  $p$ 'th root of unity in  $D$  and Algo. 6 recursively for multiplications in  $D$

4. Return  $h = \bar{h}(X, X^q) \bmod X^n + 1$
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*Remark 4.5.* The algorithm requires that 2 be invertible for the FFT step: each call to the FFT multiplication algorithm is with a power of 2 as  $n$ .

**Theorem 4.6.** *Algo. 6 requires  $O(n \log(n) \log(\log(n)))$  operations in  $R$ .*

*Remark 4.7.* For all practical purposes,  $\log \log n \leq 6$ .

*Proof.* Let  $n \gg 1$  and suppose that

$$T(m) \leq c_1 m \log m \log \log m$$

for all  $m < n$  and some constant  $c_1$ . Recall that  $n = 2^k$ ,  $p = 2^{\lceil k/2 \rceil} \leq 2\sqrt{n}$ ,  $q = 2^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} \leq \sqrt{n}$ .

The runtime function satisfies the recurrence

$$T(n) \leq pT(2q) + O(n \log n)$$

where  $pT(2q)$  is the cost of  $p$  component-wise multiplication of polynomials of degree at most  $2q$ , and the trailing  $O(n \log n)$  is the cost of the FFT.

Let  $T_l(k) = T(2^k)$ , and expand in terms of  $k$  :

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_l(k) &\leq 2^{\lceil k/2 \rceil} T_l\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor + 1\right) + c_2 2^k k \\
 &\leq c_1 2^{\lceil k/2 \rceil} 2^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor + 1} \left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor + 1\right) \log\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor + 1\right) + c_2 2^k k \\
 &\leq c_1 \underbrace{2^{\lceil k/2 \rceil + \lfloor k/2 \rfloor}}_{=2^k} \cdot \underbrace{2 \left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor + 1\right)}_{\leq k+2} \underbrace{\log\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor + 1\right)}_{\leq \frac{3}{4}k} + c_2 2^k k \\
 &\quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\leq \log k - \log(4/3)} \\
 &\quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\leq k \log k - k \log(4/3) + 2 \log k - 2 \log(4/3)} \\
 &\leq c_1 2^k k \log(k) + c_1 2^k \underbrace{\left(2 \log k - 2 \log\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right)}_{\leq \frac{1/2}{k} \log(4/3)} + (c_2 - c_1 \log(\frac{4}{3})) 2^k k \\
 &\quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\leq (c_2 - \frac{1}{2} \log(4/3)) 2^k k}
 \end{aligned}$$

Without loss of generality we can assume that  $c_1 \geq 2c_2/\log 4/3$ , so

$$T_l(k) \leq c_1 2^k k \log(k)$$

and indeed

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

□

## 4.2 If 2 is not invertible

The previous algorithm requires 2 to be invertible in order to divide the reverse DFT by  $2^k$ . Without this assumption, we can skip that division, and Algo. 5 returns  $2^k fg$ . Analogously, we can compute  $3^l fg$  using a 3-adic FFT. Then, Euclid's extended algorithm yields  $u, v \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$u \cdot 2^k + v \cdot 3^l = 1,$$

so

$$u \cdot 2^k fg + v \cdot 3^l fg = fg.$$

**Theorem 4.8.** *Polynomials in  $R[X]$  of degree less than  $n$  can be multiplied using  $O(n \log n \log \log n)$  operations in  $R$ , for any commutative ring  $R$  with a unity.*

*Remark 4.9.* This is the current world record.

### 4.3 Multiplication time function

**Definition 4.10.** Let  $R$  be a ring. A function  $M : R \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is called *multiplication time* for  $R[X]$  if there exists an algorithm that multiplies  $f, g \in R[X]$  with  $\deg f, \deg g < n$  using no more than  $M(n)$  operations in  $R$ .

Finding the best possible  $M$  for various rings in an active field of research.

**Proposition 4.11.** *We can assume that:*

1. *if  $R$  is infinite,  $M$  is worse than linear:*

$$\frac{M(n)}{n} > \frac{M(m)}{m} \text{ if } n > m;$$

2. *in particular,*

$$M(mn) \geq mM(n)$$

*and*

$$M(m+n) \geq M(m) + M(n);$$

3.  *$M$  is at most quadratic:*

$$M(nm) \leq m^2 M(n)$$

4.  *$M$  is at most the complexity of the general algorithm by Schönhage and Strassen:*

$$M(n) = O(n \log n \log \log n).$$



## 5 Fast multiplication in $\mathbb{Z}$

Here, we are given two *integers*  $f, g \in \mathbb{Z}$  with at most  $n$  digits (in base 2), and we want to compute  $h = fg$ .

### 5.1 Integer multiplication in theory

Remark that if

$$f = f_0 + 2f_1 + \cdots + 2^{n-1}f_{n-1},$$

$f$  is the evaluation of the polynomial

$$\tilde{f} = f_0 + f_1X + \cdots + f_{n-1}X^{n-1}$$

at  $X = 2$ .

This reduces integer multiplication to polynomial multiplication, with similar complexity results.

**Theorem 5.1** (Schönhage-Strassen). *Integers of length  $n$  can be multiplied in time  $O(n \log n \log \log n)$ .*

*Remark 5.2.* It is conjectured that the lower bound for the complexity of integer multiplication is  $cn \log n$ .

The current best results are the following.

**Definition 5.3.** For  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{>1}$ , the *iterated logarithm* of  $x$  is

$$\log^*(x) = \max\{k \in \mathbb{N} : \log^k(x) \leq 1\}.$$

*Remark 5.4.* For all practical purposes,  $\log^*(n) \leq 4$ .

**Theorem 5.5** (Fürer, 2007). *Integers of length  $n$  can be multiplied in time*

$$n \log n 2^{O(\log^*(n))}.$$

*Remark 5.6.* Beware of constants! In general,

$$2^{O(f(n))} \neq O(2^{f(n)})$$

Indeed

$$2^{cf(n)} = (2^{f(n)})^c$$

which will in general grow faster than  $2^{f(n)}$ .

In the recent years, researchers have focused on improving that constant, the current best result is the following:

**Theorem 5.7** (Harvey, van der Hoeven, 2018). *Integers of length  $n$  can be multiplied in time*

$$O(n \log n 2^{2 \log^*(n)}).$$

*Remark 5.8.* Forgetting the constants, we have

$$\log \log n \geq 2^{2 \log^* n} \iff n \geq 2^{2^{2^{12}}}.$$

Remember that  $n$  is the *number of digits* of the integers we want to multiply!

## 5.2 Integer multiplication in practice

Those algorithms are only of theoretical interest. The following algorithm follows a more pragmatic approach, which is usually superior.

Write  $F = (f_{n-1} \dots f_1 f_0)_w$  and  $G = (g_{n-1} \dots g_1 g_0)_w$  in base  $w$  with  $w$  as large as possible. In practice, one can for example choose  $w$  to be the largest possible processor word.

Define

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{f} &= f_0 + f_1 X + \dots + f_{n-1} X^{n-1} \\ \bar{g} &= g_0 + g_1 X + \dots + g_{n-1} X^{n-1}\end{aligned}$$

so that  $\bar{f}(w) = f$  and  $\bar{g}(w) = g$ . Let

$$\bar{h} = \bar{f}\bar{g} = \bar{h}_0 + \bar{h}_1 X + \dots$$

Note that  $0 \leq \bar{h}_i \leq nw^2$  for all  $i$ .

Assume that  $n < w/8$  and fix three primes  $p_1, p_2, p_3$  between  $w/2$  and  $w$ , for which the field  $\mathbb{F}_{p_i}$  contains a  $2^t$ 'th root of unity for some large  $t$ . Then compute  $\bar{f}\bar{g}$  in  $\mathbb{F}_{p_i}[X]$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , and reconstruct the coefficients of  $\bar{h}$  with the Chinese remainder theorem. Finally compute  $h = \bar{h}(w)$ .

*Example 5.9.* On a 64-bits processor, let's choose  $w = 2^{64}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}p_1 &= 95 \cdot 2^{57} - 1 \\ p_2 &= 108 \cdot 2^{57} - 1 \\ p_3 &= 123 \cdot 2^{57} - 1\end{aligned}$$

are suitable primes, with  $t = 57$  and 55, 65 and 493 the respective 57'th roots of unity.

This is the method of choice for multiplying integers up to  $\approx 500$  millions of bits on a 64-bits architecture.

## 6 Fast multiplication in $R[X, Y]$

Given  $f, g \in R[X, Y]$ , we want to compute  $h = fg$ .

### 6.1 Isolating a variable

We can use Algo. 6 in  $R[X][Y]$ . But the complexity is bounded in number of operations in  $R[X]$ , not in  $R$ . In order to get a complete bound, we need an estimate for the degree growth in  $X$ .

If we define

$$d_X := \deg_X(h) = \deg_X(f) + \deg_X(g)$$

$$d_Y := \deg_Y(h) = \deg_Y(f) + \deg_Y(g)$$

it suffices to compute the product in

$$R[X]/\langle X^{d_X+1} - 1 \rangle[Y]/\langle Y^{d_Y+1} - 1 \rangle.$$

Let

$$D := R[X]/\langle X^{d_X+1} - 1 \rangle.$$

If we use for example Algo. 6 to compute the multiplication in  $D[Y]/\langle Y^{d_Y+1} - 1 \rangle$ , it requires  $M(d_Y)$  operations in  $D$ , each of them requires at most  $M(d_X)$  operations in  $R$ .

**Theorem 6.1.** *Polynomials  $f, g \in R[X, Y]$ , with  $\deg_X(f), \deg_X(g) \leq n$  and  $\deg_Y(f), \deg_Y(g) \leq m$ , can be multiplied with  $M(n)M(m)$  operations in  $R$ .*

### 6.2 Kronecker substitution

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**Algorithm 7** Multiplication using Kronecker substitution

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**Input:**  $f, g \in R[X]$  with  $\deg_X(fg) < n$ ,  $\deg_Y(fg) < m$

**Output:**  $h = fg$

1.  $\bar{f} \leftarrow f(X, X^n), \bar{g} \leftarrow g(X, X^n) \in R[X]$
  2. Compute  $\bar{h} = \bar{f} \cdot \bar{g} \in R[X]$  with a fast algorithm
  3. Write  $\bar{h} = h^{(0)} + h^{(1)}X^n + h^{(2)}X^{2n} + \dots + h^{(m-1)}X^{(m-1)n}$  with  $\deg(h^{(i)}) < n$
  4. Return  $h = h^{(0)} + h^{(1)}Y + h^{(2)}Y^2 + \dots + h^{(m-1)}Y^{m-1}$
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**Theorem 6.2.** *Algo. 7 requires  $M(mn)$  operations in  $R$ .*

## 6 Fast multiplication in $R[X, Y]$

*Proof.* The only multiplication computed involves polynomials in  $R[X]$  with degree at most  $nm$ .  $\square$

*Remark 6.3.*  $M(mn)$  may not be strictly less than  $M(m)M(n)$ .

## 7 Fast division

Let  $K$  be a field. The task is, given  $f, g \in K[X]$ , to find  $q, r \in K[X]$  such that  $f = qg + r$  and  $\deg(r) < \deg(g)$ .

### 7.1 Horner's rule

Horner's rule is a technique for evaluating a polynomial  $f$  with degree  $m$  at some value  $v$  with  $O(m)$  multiplications, instead of the naive  $m^2$ . It avoids computing successive powers of  $v$ , and instead relies on the following rewriting of  $f$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f &= a_0 + a_1X + \cdots + a_mX^m \\ &= a_0 + X\left(a_1 + X\left(\cdots + X(a_m)\cdots\right)\right). \end{aligned}$$

The resulting algorithm is actually the naive Euclidean algorithm used to compute  $f$  divided by  $g = X - v$ . The remainder of that division is  $f(v)$ .

The same algorithm can be used for a polynomial  $g$  with degree  $n$ , and it then uses  $O(nm)$  operations in  $K$ .

### 7.2 A Karatsuba-style algorithm: Jebelean's algorithm

There is also a Karatsuba-style division algorithm. Assume that  $\deg f < 2 \deg g$  and  $\deg g$  is a power of 2.

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**Algorithm 8** Jebelean's algorithm (1993)
 

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**Input:**  $f, g \in K[X]$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , with  $\deg g = n = 2^i$ ,  $\deg f < 2n + k$ .

**Output:**  $q, r$  such that  $f = gX^k q + r$  and  $\deg(r) < n + k$

1. If  $\deg f < \deg g + k$ , then return  $q = 0, r = f$
  2. If  $\deg g = 1$ , then use Horner's algorithm
  3. Write  $g = g^{(0)} + g^{(1)}X^{n/2}$  with  $\deg g^{(0)} < \frac{n}{2}$   $\# \deg g^{(1)} = \frac{n}{2}$
  - ### Compute  $q^{(1)}, r^{(1)}$  such that  $f = q^{(1)}X^{n+k}g^{(1)} + r^{(1)}$  with  $\deg r^{(1)} < \frac{3n}{2} + k$
  4. Find  $q^{(1)}, r^{(1)}$  by calling Algo. 8 with  $f, g = g^{(1)}$  and  $k = n + k$
  - ### Compute the true remainder  $u = f - q^{(1)}X^{n+k}g$
  5. Compute  $u = r^{(1)} - X^{n/2+k}g^{(0)}q^{(1)}$  using Algo. 1
  - ### Compute  $q^{(0)}, r^{(0)}$  such that  $u = q^{(0)}X^{n/2+k}g^{(1)} + r^{(0)}$  with  $\deg r^{(0)} < \frac{n}{2} + k$
  6. Find  $q^{(0)}, r^{(0)}$  by calling Algo. 8 with  $f = u, g = g^{(1)}$  and  $k = \frac{n}{2} + k$
  - ### Compute the true remainder  $r = u - q^{(0)}X^k g$
  7. Compute  $r = r^{(0)} - g^{(0)}q^{(0)}X^k$  using Algo. 1
  8. Return  $q = q^{(0)} + q^{(1)}X^{n/2}$  and  $r$
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**Theorem 7.1.** *Algo. 8 is correct.*

*Proof.* We prove it by induction on  $n$ , then on  $k$ . The case  $n = 1$  is clear, as is the case  $\deg f < n + k$ . Now assume that the algorithm is correct for all input of size  $< n$  or third argument  $> k$ . Consider  $f, g \in R[X]$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\deg g = n$  and  $\deg f < 2n + k$ . In particular,  $\deg g^{(1)} = \frac{n}{2}$ .

So the call to Algo. 8 with  $f = f, g = g^{(1)}$  and  $k = n + k$  is correct, and the results are  $q^{(1)}, r^{(1)}$  such that  $f = g^{(1)}X^{n+k}q^{(1)} + r^{(1)}$ ,  $\deg(r^{(1)}) < n + k$ , and

$$\deg(q^{(1)}) = \deg(f) - \deg(X^{n+k}g^{(1)}) < \frac{n}{2}.$$

The polynomial  $u$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} u &= r^{(1)} - X^{n/2+k}g^{(0)}q^{(1)} \\ &= f - X^{n+k}g^{(1)}q^{(1)} - X^{n/2+k}g^{(0)}q^{(1)} \\ &= f - X^{n/2+k}q^{(1)}g, \end{aligned} \tag{7.1}$$

and it has degree

$$\deg(u) < \max\left(n + k, \frac{n}{2} + k + \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{2}\right) < \frac{3n}{2} + k.$$

The call to Algo. 8 with  $f = u, g = g^{(1)}$  and  $k = \frac{n}{2} + k$  is correct, and  $\deg r^{(0)} < n + k$  and

$\deg(q^{(0)}) = \frac{n}{2} + k$ . So we get

$$\begin{aligned} u &= X^{n/2+k} g^{(1)} q^{(0)} + r^{(0)} \\ &= X^{n/2+k} g^{(1)} q^{(0)} + X^k g^{(0)} q^{(0)} + r \quad (\text{by definition of } r) \\ &= g X^k q^{(0)} + r. \end{aligned}$$

The polynomial  $r$  has degree

$$\deg(r) < \max\left(n + k, \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{2} + k\right) < n + k,$$

and putting it all together using Eq. (7.1), we find

$$f = X^{n/2+k} q^{(1)} g + X^k q^{(0)} g + r = X^k \left( X^{n/2} q^{(1)} + q^{(0)} \right) g + r.$$

□

**Theorem 7.2** (Jebelean, 1993). *Algo. 8 requires at most  $2M_K(n)$  multiplications in  $K$  where  $M_K(n)$  is the number of multiplications performed by Algo. 1 (Karatsuba).*

*Remark 7.3.* There is no  $O$  in that result.

*Proof.* Recall the recurrence relation

$$M_K(2n) = 3M_K(n).$$

If we proceed by induction, the number of multiplications  $T(n)$  performed by Algo. 8 satisfies the recurrence relation

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 2M_K\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \\ &= 2 \cdot 2M_K\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 2M_K\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \\ &= 6M_K\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \\ &= 2M_K(n). \end{aligned}$$

□

*Remark 7.4.* The integer version of Algo. 8 is the best-performing division algorithm for integers of a certain size.

*Remark 7.5.* The total number of operations (including additions) is  $O(M_K(n) \log(n))$ .

### 7.3 Division with the cost of multiplication

We now want to perform division in time  $O(M(n))$ .

**Definition 7.6.** Let  $f \in K[X]$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the  $k$ 'th reversal of  $f$  is

$$\text{rev}_k(f) := X^k f\left(\frac{1}{X}\right).$$

*Example 7.7.* If  $f = f_0 + f_1X + \cdots + f_nX^n$ , then  $\text{rev}_n(f) = f_n + f_{n-1}X + \cdots + f_0X^n$ .

*Remark 7.8.* In general,  $\text{rev}_k(f) \in K[X]$  if  $k \geq n$ .

Let  $f, g \in K[X]$  with  $\deg(f) = m$ ,  $\deg g = n < m$ , and  $q, r$  be the quotient and remainder respectively of the division of  $f$  by  $g$ . Performing the change of variable  $X \mapsto 1/X$  and multiplying by  $X^m$  the equality  $f = qg + r$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} X^m f\left(\frac{1}{X}\right) &= X^n g\left(\frac{1}{X}\right) X^{m-n} q\left(\frac{1}{X}\right) + X^{m-n+1} X^{n-1} r\left(\frac{1}{X}\right) \\ \text{rev}_m f &= \text{rev}_n g \cdot r_{m-n} q + X^{m-n+1} \text{rev}_{n-1} r \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\text{rev}_m f = \text{rev}_n g \cdot \text{rev}_{m-n} q \bmod X^{m-n+1}.$$

Furthermore, since  $\deg g = n$ , we have  $(\text{rev}_n g)_0 \neq 0$ , so  $\text{rev}_n g$  is invertible modulo  $X^{m-n+1}$ . Therefore

$$\text{rev}_{m-n} q = \text{rev}_m f \cdot (\text{rev}_n g)^{-1} \bmod X^{m-n+1}.$$

So what we need is a fast algorithm for inversion modulo  $X^l$ : an algorithm which, given  $u \in K[X]$  with  $u_0 \neq 0$  and  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ , computes  $v \in K[X]$  such that  $uv = 1 \bmod X^l$ .

Regard  $u \in K[X] \subset K[[X]]$  as a formal power series, and consider the map

$$\begin{aligned} \phi : K[[X]]^* &\rightarrow K[[X]] \\ s &\mapsto u - \frac{1}{s}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $v$  be a root of  $\phi$ , we can write

$$v = w + X^l r$$

with  $w \in K[X]_{l-1}$ , and  $w$ , seen as a power series, is invertible. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \phi(v) = u - \frac{1}{w + X^l r} = u - \frac{1}{w} \frac{1}{1 + X^l r/w} \\ &= u - \frac{1}{w} + X^l \frac{r}{w^2} - O(X^{l+1}) \end{aligned}$$



so

$$uw = 1 + X^l \frac{r}{w} + O(X^{l+1}) = 1 \bmod X^l.$$

So we have to find an approximation of order  $l$  of a root  $v$  of  $\phi$ . For this purpose, we use Newton iteration: we compute successive approximations of the root, starting with

$$v^{(0)} = \frac{1}{u_0}$$

and iterating with

$$\begin{aligned} v^{(k+1)} &= v^{(k)} - \frac{\phi(v^{(k)})}{\phi'(v^{(k)})} = v^{(k)} - \frac{u - \frac{1}{v^{(k)}}}{\left(\frac{1}{v^{(k)}}\right)^2} \\ &= 2v^{(k)} - u \cdot (v^{(k)})^2. \end{aligned}$$

This would give us an algorithm, if only we knew when to stop!

**Theorem 7.9.** For all  $k \geq 0$ ,  $u \cdot v^{(k)} = 1 \bmod X^{2^k}$ .

*Proof.* Proof by induction: for  $k = 0$ , we have

$$u \cdot v^{(0)} = u_0 \cdot \frac{1}{u_0} + O(X) = 1 \bmod X.$$

If it is true for  $k \geq 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - uv^{(k+1)} &= 1 - u(2v^{(k)} - u \cdot (v^{(k)})^2) = 1 - 2uv^{(k)} + (uv^{(k)})^2 = \left(1 - u \cdot v^{(k)}\right)^2 \\ &= O(X^{2^{k+1}}) = 0 \bmod X^{2^{k+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

□

*Remark 7.10.* This theorem is a particular case of a more general fact: with a starting point sufficiently close to a root, Newton iteration converges quadratically fast.

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**Algorithm 9** Inversion using Newton iteration

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**Input:**  $u \in K[X]$  with  $u_0 \neq 0$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

**Output:**  $v \in K[X]$  with  $u \cdot v = 1 \bmod X^n$

1.  $v \leftarrow \frac{1}{u_0}$
  2. For  $i$  from 1 to  $\lceil \log(n) \rceil$ , do
  3.      $v \leftarrow 2v - uv^2 \bmod X^{2^i}$
  4. Return  $v$
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**Theorem 7.11.** Algo. 9 requires  $O(M(n))$  operations in  $K$ .

*Proof.* Let  $T(n)$  be the number of operations required. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\lceil \log(n) \rceil} 2M(2^i) + c2^i \\
 &\leq c2^{\lceil \log(n) \rceil + 1} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{\lceil \log(n) \rceil} \underbrace{M(2^i)}_{\leq \frac{M(n)}{n/2^i}} \\
 &\leq 4cn + 2 \frac{M(n)}{n} \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{\lceil \log(n) \rceil} 2^i}_{\leq 4n} \\
 &\leq 4cn + 8M(n) = O(M(n)).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

With this taken care of, we can now write down all the steps required to perform a fast division.

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**Algorithm 10** Fast division

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**Input:**  $f, g \in K[X]$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , with  $\deg f = m$ ,  $\deg g < n$ ,  $g \neq 0$

**Output:**  $q, r$  such that  $f = qg + r$  and  $\deg(r) < \deg(g)$

1. If  $m < n$  then return  $q = 0$ ,  $r = f$
  2. Compute  $h = \text{rev}_n(g)^{-1} \bmod X^{m-n+1}$  with Algo. 9
  3.  $\bar{q} \leftarrow \text{rev}_m(f)h$
  4. Return  $q = \text{rev}_{m-n}(\bar{q})$  and  $r = f - qg$
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**Theorem 7.12.** Algo. 10 requires  $O(M(m))$  operations in  $K$ .

*Remark 7.13.* This result is the current world record for polynomial division.

*Remark 7.14.* In particular, if  $f, g, q \in K[X]$  with  $\deg(f), \deg(g), \deg(q) \leq n$ , then we can compute (and reduce)  $f, g \in K[X]/\langle q \rangle$  with  $O(M(n))$  operations in  $K$ .

If  $\gcd(f, g) = 1$ , then we will see that  $f^{-1} \bmod q$  can be computed using  $O(M(n) \log(n))$  operation in  $K$  (using the fast GCD algorithm).

## 7.4 Exercises

**Exercise 7.1.** Assume that the field  $K$  is algebraically closed. Find a bound for the complexity of Algo. 8 if we use FFT instead of Karatsuba's algorithm for the multiplication. Is it better?

**Exercise 7.2.** How would you adapt Algo. 8 to work with any polynomial  $g$  (even if its degree is not a power of 2)?

**Exercise 7.3.**

1. Write an analogue of Algo. 8 for polynomials such that  $\deg(f) \leq 3 \deg(g)$ . What is its complexity?
2. Generalize to any  $f, g \in K[X]$ . What is the resulting complexity?

## 8 Fast evaluation and interpolation

Fast multiplication and fast division algorithms are useful because those operations are heavily used in many higher-level algorithms. However, it is frequently not enough, in order to obtain a speed-up, to replace the operations with their fast counterparts.

*Example 8.1.* Given  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  (with  $n$  smaller than a machine word), how to compute  $n!$ ?

The usual algorithm uses the formula

$$n! = n \cdot (n-1)!.$$

This algorithm is recursively called linearly-many times, and at each step does one multiplication with a small integer (with a linear cost). Its complexity satisfies

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + O(n),$$

so

$$T(n) = O(n^2).$$

On the other hand, an algorithm using the following formula

$$n! = \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)! \cdot \left(\prod_{k=\frac{n}{2}+1}^n k\right)$$

is recursively called log-many times, and at each step adds one large multiplication. Its complexity satisfies

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + M\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$$

so

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

If  $M(n) = O(n^2)$ , it's worse. If  $M(n) = \tilde{O}(n)$ , it's better.

The lesson is that in order to take advantage of fast multiplication, algorithms need to be adjusted. It is usually not sufficient to plug fast multiplication into a standard algorithm.

We want to do two things in this chapter:

**Evaluation** Given  $f \in K[X]$  with  $\deg(f) < n$  and  $a = (a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \in K^n$ , compute the multipoint evaluation  $f(a_0), \dots, f(a_{n-1}) \in K$

**Interpolation** Given  $a = (a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \in K^n$  with  $a_i \neq a_j$  for  $i \neq j$ , and  $b = (b_0, \dots, b_{n-1}) \in K^n$ , compute  $f \in K[X]$  with  $\deg(f) < n$  such that  $f(a_i) = b_i$  for all  $i$ .