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Divide and Conquer

Integer Multiplication

Multiplying two n-bit integers in $o(n^2)$ time. (Assuming $n=2^k$.)

Column multiplication in $\Theta(n^2)$

Elementray operations:

- ightharpoonup n-bit + n-bit: O(n)
- ▶ 1-bit × 1-bit: O(1)
- ▶ n-bit shifted by 1-bit: O(1)

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Simple divide and conquer:

$$x = x_L : x_R = 2^{n/2}x_L + x_R$$

 $y = y_L : y_R = 2^{n/2}y_L + y_R$

$$xy = (2^{n/2}x_L + x_R)(2^{n/2}y_L + y_R)$$
$$= 2^n x_L y_L + 2^{n/2}(x_L y_R + x_R y_L) + x_R y_R$$

$$T(n) = 4T(n/2) + \Theta(n) = \Theta(n^2)$$



A little history:

- ▶ Kolmogorov (1952) conjecture: $\Omega(n^2)$
- Kolmogorov (1960) seminar
- ▶ Karatsuba (within a week): $\Theta(n^{1.59})$
- "The Complexity of Computations" by Karatsuba, 1995

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$$\underbrace{(x_L + x_R)(y_L + y_R)}_{P_0} = \underbrace{x_L y_L}_{P_1} + (x_L y_R + x_R y_L) + \underbrace{x_R y_R}_{P_2}$$

$$xy = 2^n P_1 + 2^{n/2} (P_0 - P_1 - P_2) + P_2$$

Matrix multiplication

Multiplying two $n \times n$ matrices in $o(n^3)$ time. (Assuming $n = 2^k$.)

$$Z = X \times Y$$

Z_{ii}

 $T(n) = \Theta(n^2 \cdot n) = \Theta(n^3)$

Elementrary operations:

- ▶ integer addition: *O*(1)
- ▶ integer multiplication: *O*(1)



$$X = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}, \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} E & F \\ G & H \end{bmatrix} \qquad (A \dots H \in \mathbb{R}^{n/2} \times \mathbb{R}^{n/2})$$
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Trial and error.

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- goal: mss = MSS[n]
- ▶ question: Is $a_i \in \mathsf{MS}[i]$?
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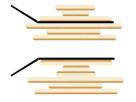
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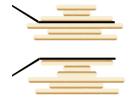
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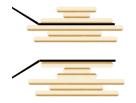
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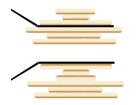
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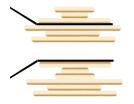


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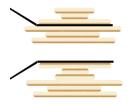


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- ► $T(n) \leq \frac{18n}{11}$, 2009

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We will talk about an $O(n \log k)$ algorithm and the lower bound.

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"Finding Repeated Elements" by Misra & Gries, 1982





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Reference

 $\Theta(n \log n)$ in the worst case:

- "Matching Nuts and Bolts" by Alon *et al.*, $\Theta(n \log^4 n)$
- "Matching Nuts and Bolts Optimality" by Bradford, 1995



 $\Omega(n \log n)$

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$$3^H \ge L \ge n! \Rightarrow H \ge \log(n!) \Rightarrow H = \Omega(n \log n)$$



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The Dutch national flag



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Color(i) SWAP(i, j)



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