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Project Report  
Improvements to Polynomial Multiplication Through Fast Fourier  
Transforms

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# 1 Introduction/Motivation

Polynomials are expressions built up of a combination of constants  $c$  and symbols called variables. Polynomials with a single indeterminate  $x$  can always be written in the form

$$a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$$

where  $a_0, \dots, a_n$  are constants and  $x$  is the indeterminate variable. Polynomials can also be expressed in the following canonical form

$$\sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k$$

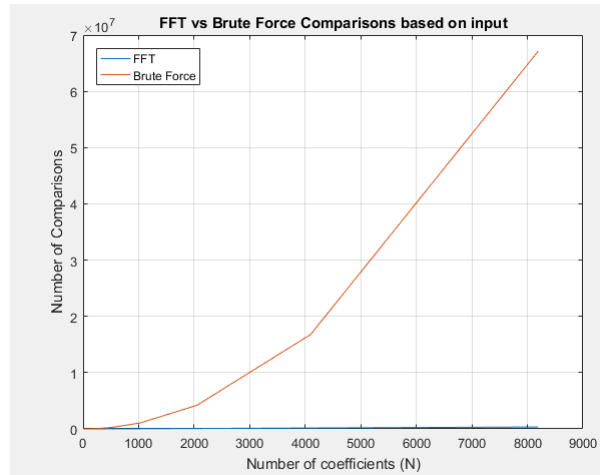
Each term in a polynomial is product of some constant called the coefficient of the term and indeterminate raised to a nonnegative integer power  $n$  (i.e.  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ). Polynomials are used in many fields to represent problems or model behavior such as Chemistry, Physics, Economics, Social Scientists, Calculus, Numerical Analysis, etc.

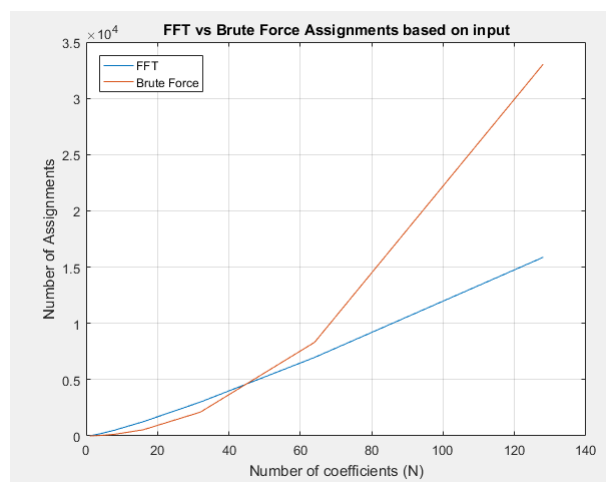
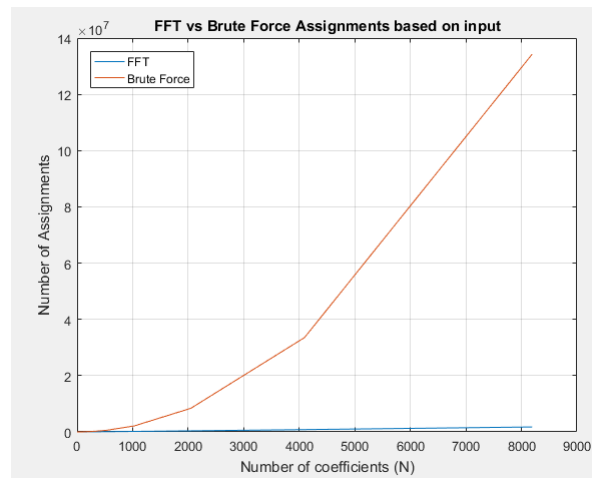
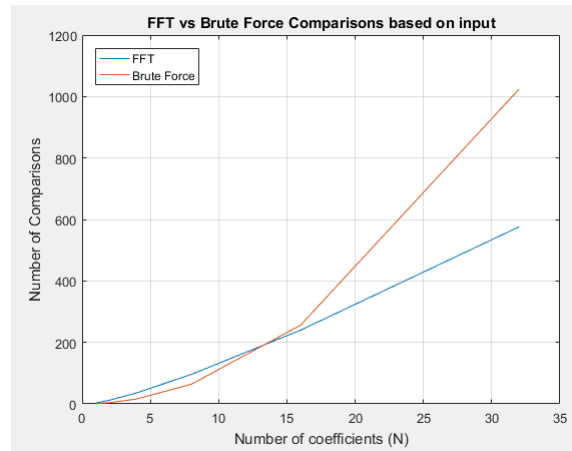
The way polynomials are multiplied is through a method called First, Outer, Inner, Last (FOIL)

## 2 Algorithms/Theory

## 3 Experimental Setup

## 4 Results and Analysis





## 5 Discussion

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