

# 01-Report

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## 1 Matrix Multiplication: Homework

### 1.1 Exercise 1

- Generalize the implementation to deal with non-square matrices.

**Solution:** Padding method is used to generalize the implementation. First, `strassen_aux_rec` function changed to deal with rectangular matrices. However this method didn't work most probably due to the bug and unfortunately I couldn't find the bug. Although S matrices were correct, P matrices return 0 so there was a problem with implementation. Implementation can be found in `strassen_rec.c` file.

As an alternative method, which is very similar to first idea, matrices padded to closest square matrices so that one can use the existing template. This implementation can be found in `improved_strassen.c`

### 1.2 Exercise 2

- Improve the implementation of the Strassen's algorithm by reducing the memory allocations and test the effects on the execution time.

**Solution:** One can easily notice that some of the allocations of matrices S and P are redundant. In other words same operations can be performed by using less allocation. Therefore in `improved_strassen.c` file memory efficient version of strassen algorithm can be found. Basically, allocation on S matrices reduced from 10 to 2 since we use at most 2 matrices in one operation. Same idea could be implemented to the P matrices because same operations can be done with 3 allocation. However for simplicity, allocations of P matrices were left as it is.

Below figure you can find the comparison of naive, strassen and improved strassen.

