

# HW1 - Theoretical part

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1. (a) Use induction to prove that Horner's rule can solve this problem.
  - i. **base**  $n = 0$ .  
From the definition of polynomial, we have  $p(x) = a_0$ . From the routine, we have  $z = a_0$ . So  $p(x) = z$ , and we have Horner's rule holds for  $n = 0$ .
  - ii. **Inductive Hypothesis** Assume that Horner's rule is true for  $n \geq 1$ , that is,  $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n = z$  for  $n$ .
  - iii. **Inductive Step** For  $n + 1$ , we consider the first loop.  
Initially,  $z = a_{n+1}$ . When  $i = n$ ,  $z = zx + a_n = a_{n+1}x + a_n$ .  
Denote  $z' = a_{n+1}x + a_n$ .  
The following loops are the same as the loops in the situation for  $n$ , with the initialization  $z = a_{n+1}x + a_n$ .  
Denote  $p(x) = a'_0 + a'_1x + \cdots + a'_nx^n$ , where  $a'_i = a_i$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$ , and  $a'_n = a_{n+1}x + a_n$ .  
Using the hypothesis, we finally get  $z = p'(x)$ .  
So we have  $z = p'(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a'_nx^n = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + (a_{n+1}x + a_n)x^n = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_nx^n + a_{n+1}x^{n+1}$ .
  - iv. **Conclusion** It follows that Horner's rule solves the problem and stores the solution in  $z$  for all  $n$ . #
- (b) There are  $n$  loops in the routine. Inside each loop,  $z = zx + a_i$  contains one addition and one multiplication. So there are totally  $n$  additions and  $n$  multiplications in this routine. So the running time of this routine is  $O(n)$ .  
So in all, the routine uses  $n$  additions and  $n$  multiplications as a function of  $n$ .  
Let  $n = 2^k$ ,  $p(x) = x^n$ . We define an algorithm as below:

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Calculate Polynomial( $x^{2^k}$ )
  if  $k == 0$  then
    return  $x$ 
  else return [Calculate Polynomial( $x^{2^{k-1}}$ )]2
  end if
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Firstly, I will use induction prove its correctness.

- i. **Base**  $k = 0$ . Then return  $x$ .  $p(x) = x$ . It's correct.
- ii. **Inductive Hypothesis** Assume that the algorithm is correct for  $k \geq 0$ . So we have the result of the algorithm is equal to  $p(x) = x^{2^k}$
- iii. **Inductive Step** For  $k + 1$ , the result of the algorithm is the square of the result for  $k$ , that is the square of  $x^{2^k}$ . So the result for  $k + 1 = x^{2^{k+1}} = p(x)$ . So it holds for  $k + 1$ .
- iv. **Conclusion** The algorithm is correct for all  $k$ .

Next, I'll prove this method is better. Assume  $T(2^k)$  is the running time of this method. So we get,

$$T(2^k) = T(2^{k-1}) + \Theta(1)$$

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + \Theta(1)$$

By Master Theorem, we have  $T(n) = \Theta(\log n)$ .

For the method in (a), the running time is  $O(n)$ . So my method is better. #

2. Let  $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)^T$ , and denote  $v_{p:g} = (v_p, c_{p+1}, \dots, c_q)$ . The algorithm is shown as below.

For  $H_k$  and  $v$ , the inputs are  $k$  and  $v$ .

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Compute matrix-vector( $k, v$ )
  if  $k == 0$  then
    return  $v$ 
  else
     $vector1 = \text{Compute matrix-vector}(k - 1, v_{1:2^{k-1}})$ 
     $vector2 = \text{Compute matrix-vector}(k - 1, v_{2^{k-1}+1:2^k})$ 
    return  $\begin{pmatrix} vector1 + vector2 \\ vector1 - vector2 \end{pmatrix}$ 
  end if

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Then I'll prove its correctness.

- (a) **Base**  $k = 0$ . Because  $H_0$  is  $1 \times 1$  matrix (1),  $v$  is a real number. So  $H_0 v = v$ . So the algorithm is correct for  $k = 0$ .
- (b) **Inductive Hypothesis** Assume the algorithm is correct for  $k \geq 0$ . So for any column vector  $v$  with length of  $n = 2^k$ , the output of **Compute matrix-vector**( $k, v$ ) is equal to  $H_k v$ .
- (c) **Inductive Step** For  $k + 1$ , we have

$$H_{k+1} = \begin{pmatrix} H_k & H_k \\ H_k & -H_k \end{pmatrix}$$

For the vector  $v$ , we have  $v = \begin{pmatrix} v_{1:2^k} \\ v_{2^k+1:2^{k+1}} \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $v_{1:2^k}$  and  $v_{2^k+1:2^{k+1}}$  are two column vectors of length  $2^k$ . From the inductive step, we have

$$vector1 = \text{Compute matrix-vector}(k, v_{1:2^k}) = H_k v_{1:2^k}$$

$$vector2 = \mathbf{Compute\ matrix-vector}(k, v_{2^k+1:2^{k+1}}) = H_k v_{2^k+1:2^{k+1}}$$

$$H_{k+1}v = \begin{pmatrix} H_k v_{1:2^k} + H_k v_{2^k+1:2^{k+1}} \\ H_k v_{1:2^k} - H_k v_{2^k+1:2^{k+1}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} vector1 + vector2 \\ vector1 - vector2 \end{pmatrix}$$

So  $H_{k+1}v$  is equal to the result of the algorithm. It's correct for  $k+1$ .

(d) **Conclusion** The algorithm is correct for all  $k$ .

Finally we will analyze the running time, denote  $T(n) = T(2^k)$ .

From the algorithm we have,

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

By Master Theorem, we get  $T(n) = O(n \log n)$ . #

3. (a) Let the observations are  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n, \dots$ , the samples we maintain are  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, \dots$ .  $y_i$  denotes the  $i_{th}$  observation, and  $X_i$  is the sample we store right after the  $i_{th}$  item appears.

Based on the algorithm, after the  $k$ -th item appears,

$$P(X_k = y_k) = 1/k$$

$$P(X_k = X_{k-1}) = 1 - 1/k$$

Then I'll prove the correctness with induction.

- i. **Base  $k=1$ .** On one hand, there is only one observation  $y_1$ , so we should store  $X_1 = y_1$ . On the other hand, by the algorithm,  $P(X_1 = y_1) = 1$ , so  $X_1 = y_1$ . The algorithm is correct.
- ii. **Inductive Hypothesis** Assume the algorithm is correct for  $k \geq 1$ . That is  $X_k$  is uniformly distributed over  $y_1, \dots, y_k$ . That is, for  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , we have,

$$P(X_k = y_i) = 1/k$$

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- iii. **Inductive Step** For  $k+1$ , by algorithm we have,

$$P(X_{k+1} = y_k) = 1/(k+1)$$

$$P(X_{k+1} = X_k) = 1 - 1/(k+1) = k/(k+1)$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , using the hypothesis we get,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{k+1} = y_i) &= P(X_{k+1} = X_k, X_k = y_i) = P(X_{k+1} = X_k)P(X_k = y_i) \\ &= \frac{k}{k+1} \frac{1}{k} = \frac{1}{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

So we have, for  $1 \leq i \leq k+1$ ,  $P(X_{k+1} = y_i) = 1/(k+1)$ . That shows the algorithm is right for  $k+1$ .

iv. **Conclusion** This algorithm solves the problem. #

(b) By new algorithm we have,

$$P(X_k = y_k) = 1/2$$

$$P(X_k = X_{k-1}) = 1/2$$

Then I will use induction to prove the following distribution:

$$P(X_k = y_i) = \begin{cases} (\frac{1}{2})^{k-i+1} & 2 \leq i \leq k \\ (\frac{1}{2})^{k-1} & i = 1 \end{cases}$$

i. **Base**  $k = 1$ ,  $P(X_1 = y_1) = 1 = (1/2)^0$ . It satisfies the distribution.

ii. **Inductive Hypothesis** Assume the above distribution is correct for  $k \geq 1$ .  
That is,

$$P(X_k = y_i) = \begin{cases} (\frac{1}{2})^{k-i+1} & 2 \leq i \leq k \\ (\frac{1}{2})^{k-1} & i = 1 \end{cases}$$

iii. **Inductive Step**

For  $k + 1$ , we have

$$P(X_{k+1} = y_{k+1}) = 1/2 = (1/2)^{(k+1)-(k+1)+1}$$

For  $2 \leq i \leq k$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{k+1} = y_i) &= P(X_{k+1} = X_k, X_k = y_i) = P(X_{k+1} = X_k)P(X_k = y_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2})^{k-i+1} = (\frac{1}{2})^{(k+1)-i+1} \end{aligned}$$

For  $i = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{k+1} = y_1) &= P(X_{k+1} = X_k, X_k = y_1) = P(X_{k+1} = X_k)P(X_k = y_1) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2})^{k-1} = (\frac{1}{2})^{(k+1)-1} \end{aligned}$$

So it's correct for  $k + 1$ .

iv. **Conclusion** So the distribution of the stored item is:

$$P(X_k = y_i) = \begin{cases} (\frac{1}{2})^{k-i+1} & 2 \leq i \leq k \\ (\frac{1}{2})^{k-1} & i = 1 \end{cases}$$

4. (a) Denote the entries of  $A, B, C$  as  $a_{ij}, b_{ij}, c_{ij}$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ .  
Input is three matrices  $A, B, C$ . If  $AB = C$ , the output is True, else False.

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Check Matrices( $A, B, C$ )
    //Check each element of AB and C
    for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do
        for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
            //compute each element of AB
             $x_{ij} = 0$ 
            for  $k = 1$  to  $n$  do
                 $x_{ij} = x_{ij} + a_{ik}b_{kj}$ 
            end for
            if  $x_{ij} \neq c_{ij}$ 
                return False
            end if
        end for
    end for
return True

```

This algorithm is naturally true because I calculate each element of AB by matrix multiplication, and compare it with the corresponding element of C.

There are three loops ( $n$  times for each) in this algorithm. In the most inside loop, the running time is  $O(1)$ . So the running time of this algorithm is  $O(n^3)$ .

- (b) i. Since  $M$  is a non-zero matrix, there is definitely a non-zero element. Let's assume  $m_{pq} \neq 0$ . Denote  $m_p = (m_{p1}, m_{p2}, \dots, m_{pn})$ . Because  $Mx = 0$  ensures each of the element of  $Mx$  is equal to 0. So  $Pr[Mx = 0] \leq Pr[m_px = 0]$ .

Because  $x = 0$  fits all  $m_px = 0$ , there exists a  $x$  that satisfies  $m_px = 0$ .

Assume that  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^T$  satisfies  $m_px = 0$ .

Define a map  $\phi : R^n \rightarrow R^n$ , s.t.  $\phi(x) = x^*$ , where  $x^* = (x_1, x_2, \dots, (1 - x_q), \dots, x_n)^T$ .  $\phi$  is injective. Then

$$m_px^* = m_px + (1 - 2x_q)m_{pq} \neq m_px = 0$$

The inequality holds because  $x_q \in \{0, 1\}$ .

Each element of  $x$  is equally likely to be 1 or 0. For each  $x$  satisfies, we have  $\phi(x)$  does not satisfy, where  $\phi$  is an injective function. So  $Pr[m_px = 0] \leq 1/2$ .  
Therefore  $Pr[Mx = 0] \leq Pr[m_px = 0] \leq 1/2$ . #

- ii. Let  $M = AB - C$ . Because  $AB \neq C$ , we have  $M$  is a non-zero matrix. Using the result of 4(b)i, we have  $Pr[Mx = 0] \leq 1/2$ . So we show  $Pr[ABx = Cx] = Pr[(AB - C)x = 0] = Pr[Mx = 0] \leq 1/2$ . #

The new algorithm is shown as below.

```

Rand Check Matrices( $A, B, C$ )
  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do
     $x_i = \text{Bernoulli}(1/2)$ 
  end for
  //Compute  $ABx = y$ 
  for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
     $\omega_j = 0$ 
    for  $k = 1$  to  $n$  do
       $\omega_j = \omega_j + b_{jk}x_k$ 
    end for
  end for
  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do
     $y_i = 0$ 
    for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
       $y_i = y_i + a_{ij}\omega_j$ 
    end for
  end for
  //Compute  $Cx = z$ 
  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do
     $z_i = 0$ 
    for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
       $z_i = z_i + c_{ij}x_k$ 
    end for
  end for
  // Compare y and z
  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do
    if  $y_i \neq z_i$ 
      return False
    end if
  end for
  return True

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The running time of the algorithm is

$$T(n) = \Theta(n) + O(n^2) + O(n^2) + O(n^2) + O(n) = O(n^2)$$

Then I'll compute its success probability.

$$Pr[ABx \neq Cx | AB \neq C] = 1 - Pr[ABx = Cx | AB \neq C] \geq 1/2$$

$$Pr[ABx = Cx | AB = C] = 1$$

So the probability that it returns the correct answer is no less than 1/2.

To improve the success probability, we could implement the above algorithm for many times. If each time returns True, then we think  $AB = C$ , else  $AB \neq C$ .

The detailed algorithm is shown is below. The input is matrices  $A, B, C$  and the times that **Rand Check Matrices** will be implemented.

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Improved Rand Check Matrices( $A, B, C, n$ )
  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do
    if Rand Check Matrices( $A, B, C$ ) == False
      return False
    end if
  end for
  return True

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Finally I'll prove it's a better algorithm with respect to success rate.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pr[\text{it's incorrect when } AB \neq C] &= \Pr[ABx_1 = Cx_1, ABx_2 = Cx_2, \dots, ABx_n = Cx_n] \\
 &= \Pr[ABx_1 = Cx_1] \Pr[ABx_2 = Cx_2] \dots \Pr[ABx_n = Cx_n] \\
 &\leq (1/2)^n
 \end{aligned}$$

So we have the success probability is no less than  $1 - (1/2)^n$ . #