

CSC373 Worksheet 1 Solution

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1. Strassen_Algorithm(A,B):
2     n = A.rows
3     let C be a new n x n matrix
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5     if n == 1
6         C_11 = A_11 * B_11
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8     else partition as in step 3 of strassen's algorithm
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10        p1 = Strassen_Algorithm(A_11, B_12) -
11             Strassen_Algorithm(A_11, B_22)
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13        p2 = Strassen_Algorithm(A_11, B_22) +
14             Strassen_Algorithm(A_12, B_22)
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16        p3 = Strassen_Algorithm(A_21, B_11) +
17             Strassen_Algorithm(A_22, B_11)
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19        p4 = Strassen_Algorithm(A_22, B_21) -
20             Strassen_Algorithm(A_22, B_11)
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22        p5 = Strassen_Algorithm(A_11, B_11) +
23             Strassen_Algorithm(A_11, B_22) +
24             Strassen_Algorithm(A_22, B_11) +
25             Strassen_Algorithm(A_22, B_22)
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27        p6 = Strassen_Algorithm(A_12, B_21) +
28             Strassen_Algorithm(A_12, B_22) -
29             Strassen_Algorithm(A_22, B_21) -
30             Strassen_Algorithm(A_22, B_22)
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32        p7 = Strassen_Algorithm(A_11, B_11) +
33             Strassen_Algorithm(A_11, B_12) -
34             Strassen_Algorithm(A_21, B_11) -
35             Strassen_Algorithm(A_21, B_12)
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37        C_11 = p5 + p4 - p2 + p6
38        C_12 = p1 + p2
39        C_21 = p3 + p4
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40         C_22 = p5 + p1 - p3 - p7
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42     return C
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Notes:

- Strassen's method for matrix multiplication
 - Reduces the time complexity of matrix multiplication from $O(n^3)$ to $O(n^{\log_2 7}) = O(n^{2.81})$
 - Has four steps

- 1) Divide the input matrices A and B and output matrix C into $n/2 \times n/2$ submatrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

- 2) Create 10 matrices, S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{10} each of which is $n/2 \times n/2$ and is the sum or difference of two matrices created in step 1

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1 &= B_{12} - B_{22} \\
 S_2 &= A_{11} + A_{12} \\
 S_3 &= A_{21} + A_{22} \\
 S_4 &= B_{21} - B_{11} \\
 S_5 &= A_{11} + A_{22} \\
 S_6 &= B_{11} + B_{22} \\
 S_7 &= A_{12} - A_{22} \\
 S_8 &= B_{21} + B_{22} \\
 S_9 &= A_{11} - A_{21} \\
 S_{10} &= B_{11} + B_{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

- 3) Recursively multiply $n/2 \times n/2$ matrices seven times to compute the following $n/2 \times n/2$ matrices

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_1 &= A_{11} \cdot S_1 = A_{11} \cdot B_{12} - A_{11} \cdot B_{22} \\
 P_2 &= S_2 \cdot B_{22} = A_{11} \cdot B_{22} + A_{12} \cdot B_{22} \\
 P_3 &= S_3 \cdot B_{11} = A_{21} \cdot B_{11} + A_{22} \cdot B_{11} \\
 P_4 &= A_{22} \cdot S_4 = A_{21} \cdot B_{11} + A_{22} \cdot B_{11} \\
 P_5 &= S_5 \cdot S_6 = A_{11} \cdot B_{11} + A_{11} \cdot B_{22} + A_{22} \cdot B_{11} + A_{22} \cdot B_{22} \\
 P_6 &= S_7 \cdot S_8 = A_{12} \cdot B_{21} + A_{12} \cdot B_{22} - A_{22} \cdot B_{21} - A_{22} \cdot B_{22} \\
 P_7 &= S_9 \cdot S_{10} = A_{11} \cdot B_{11} + A_{11} \cdot B_{12} - A_{21} \cdot B_{11} - A_{21} \cdot B_{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

- 4) Construct the four $n/2 \times n/2$ submatrices of the product C

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{11} &= P_5 + P_4 - P_2 + P_6 = A_{11} \cdot B_{11} + A_{12} \cdot B_{12} \\
 C_{12} &= P_1 + P_2 = A_{11} \cdot B_{12} + A_{12} \cdot B_{22} \\
 C_{21} &= P_3 + P_4 = A_{21} \cdot B_{11} + A_{22} \cdot B_{21} \\
 C_{22} &= P_5 + P_1 - P_3 - P_7 = A_{22} \cdot B_{22} + A_{21} \cdot B_{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example: Use Strassen's algorithm to compute the matrix product

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 7 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 8 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

* **STEP 1**

$$A_{11} = 1, A_{12} = 3, A_{21} = 7, A_{22} = 5$$

$$B_{11} = 6, B_{12} = 8, B_{21} = 4, B_{22} = 2$$

* **STEP 2**

$$S_1 = B_{12} - B_{22} = 4 - 2 = 2$$

$$S_2 = A_{11} + A_{12} = 1 + 3 = 4$$

$$S_3 = A_{21} + A_{22} = 7 + 5 = 12$$

$$S_4 = B_{21} - B_{11} = 4 - 6 = -2$$

$$S_5 = A_{11} + A_{22} = 1 + 5 = 6$$

$$S_6 = B_{11} + B_{22} = 6 + 2 = 8$$

$$S_7 = A_{12} - A_{22} = 3 - 5 = -2$$

$$S_8 = B_{21} + B_{22} = 4 + 2 = 6$$

$$S_9 = A_{11} - A_{21} = 1 - 7 = -6$$

$$S_{10} = B_{11} + B_{12} = 6 + 4 = 10$$

* **STEP 3**

$$P_1 = A_{11} \cdot S_1 = A_{11} \cdot B_{12} - A_{11} \cdot B_{22} = 1 \cdot 4 - 1 \cdot 2 = 2$$

$$P_2 = S_2 \cdot B_{22} = A_{11} \cdot B_{22} + A_{12} \cdot B_{22} = 1 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 2 = 8$$

$$P_3 = S_3 \cdot B_{11} = A_{21} \cdot B_{11} + A_{22} \cdot B_{11} = 7 \cdot 6 + 5 \cdot 6 = 72$$

$$P_4 = A_{22} \cdot S_4 = A_{22} \cdot B_{21} - A_{22} \cdot B_{11} = 5 \cdot 4 - 5 \cdot 6 = -10$$

$$P_5 = S_5 \cdot S_6 = A_{11} \cdot B_{11} + A_{11} \cdot B_{22} + A_{22} \cdot B_{11} + A_{22} \cdot B_{22} = 48$$

$$P_6 = S_7 \cdot S_8 = A_{12} \cdot B_{21} + A_{12} \cdot B_{22} - A_{22} \cdot B_{21} - A_{22} \cdot B_{22} = -20$$

$$P_7 = S_9 \cdot S_{10} = A_{11} \cdot B_{11} + A_{11} \cdot B_{12} - A_{21} \cdot B_{11} - A_{21} \cdot B_{12} = -20$$

* **STEP 4**

$$C_{11} = P_5 + P_4 - P_2 + P_6 = 48 - 10 - 8 - 20 = 10$$

$$C_{12} = P_1 + P_2 = 10$$

$$C_{21} = P_3 + P_4 = 62$$

$$C_{22} = P_5 + P_1 - P_3 - P_7 = 48 + 2 - 72 + 20 = -2$$

– Is not preferred in practical purposes

- 1) The constants used in Strassen's method are high and for a typical application Naive method works better.
- 2) For Sparse matrices, there are better methods especially designed for them.
- 3) The submatrices in recursion take extra space.
- 4) Because of the limited precision of computer arithmetic on noninteger values, larger errors accumulate in Strassen's algorithm than in Naive Method

References:

- 1) GeeksForGeeks, Divide and Conquer — Set 5 (Strassen's Matrix Multiplication), [link](#)
- Regular matrix multiplication

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