

# Divide and Conquer Algorithms

## General Method:

In divide and conquer method, a given problem is:

- i) Divided into smaller sub-problems.
- ii) These sub-problems are solved independently.
- iii) Combining all the solutions of sub-problems into a solution of the whole.

→ If the sub-problems are large enough then divide and conquer is reapplied.

→ The generated (resulting) sub-problems from a divide and conquer design are of the same type as the original problem.

→ For those cases "recursive algorithms are used in divide & conquer strategy."

## Control abstraction for divide and conquer:

\* Using control abstraction a flow of control of a procedure is:

Algorithm Divide-Conquer(P)

{

if P is too small then

return solution to P

else

{

Divide (P) and obtain  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$

where  $n > 1$

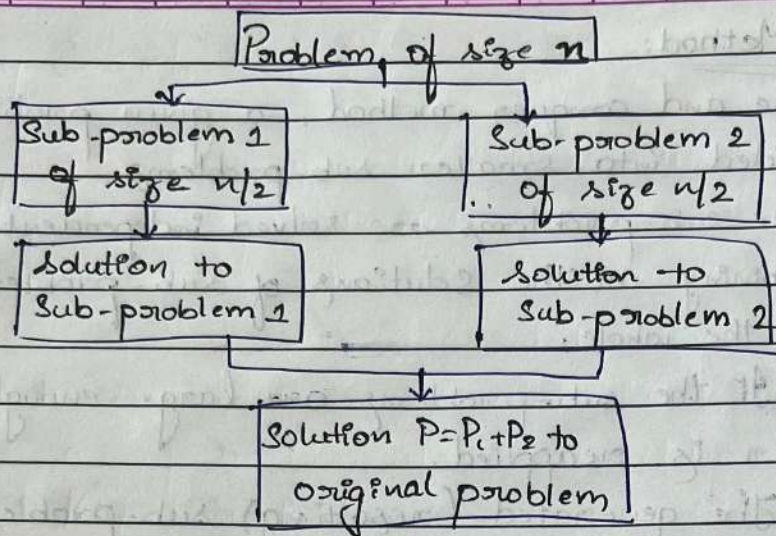
Apply DC to each sub-problem

return combine( $DC(P_1), DC(P_2), \dots, DC(P_n)$ );

}

}





\* Computing time of Divide-Conquer is given by the recurrence relation

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} g(n) & \text{if } n \text{ is small} \\ T(n_1) + T(n_2) + \dots + T(n_k) + f(n) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $T(n)$  - time for Divide-Conquer on any input size  $n$ .

$g(n)$  - time to compute the answer directly for small inputs.

$f(n)$  - time required for dividing  $P$  and combining the solutions to sub-problems

\* For divide and Conquer based algorithms that produce sub-problems of the same type as the original problem, it is very natural to 1<sup>st</sup> describe such algorithms using recursion.

\* The complexity of many divide and Conquer algorithms is given by recurrences of the form:



$$T(n) = \begin{cases} T(1) & n=1 \\ aT(n/b) + f(n) & n>1 \end{cases}$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are known constants. We assume that  $T(1)$  is known and  $n$  is a power of  $b$  (i.e.,  $n = b^k$ ).

\* One of the methods for solving any such recurrence relation is called Substitution Method.

Eg: Consider the case in which  $a=2$  and  $b=2$ .

Let  $T(1) = 2$  and  $f(n) = n$ .

we have

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + f(n)$$

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

$$= 2(2T(n/4) + n/2) + n$$

$$= 4T(n/4) + n/2 + n$$

$$= 4T(n/4) + 2n$$

$$= 4(2T(n/8) + n/4) + 2n$$

$$= 8T(n/8) + n/2 + 2n$$

$$= 8T(n/8) + 3n$$

$$= 2^3 T(n/2^3) + 3n$$

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Assume

$$\text{upto } k^{\text{th}} \text{ step} = 2^k T(n/2^k) + k \cdot n$$

$\therefore n = 2^k$  then

$$= n \cdot T(n/n) + \log_2^n n$$

$$k = \log_2^n$$

$$= n \cdot T(1) + n \log_2^n$$

$$= 2 \cdot n + n \log_2^n$$

Hence, in terms of Big Oh( $\theta$ ) notation

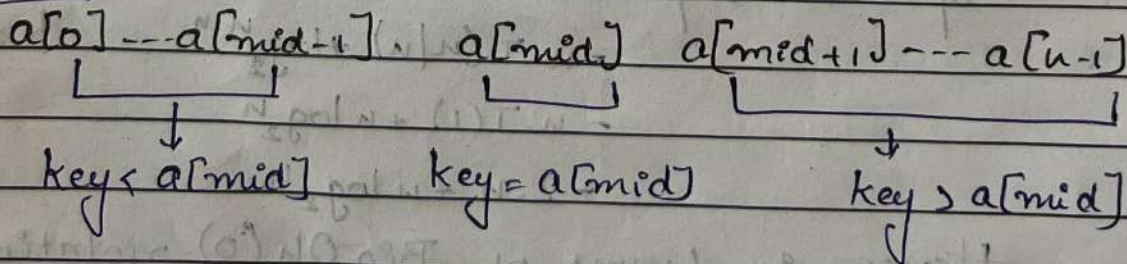
$$T(n) = O(n \log_2^n)$$



## Binary Search

- \* Binary Search is an efficient searching method.
- \* By using searching method, to search an element in a given list of elements.
- \* The list of elements that are sorted in "non-decreasing order".
- \* An element which is to be searched from the list of elements sorted in array  $A$  (i.e.,  $a[0] \dots a[n-1]$  or  $a[l] \dots a[u]$ ) is called Key element.
- \* If key is searching element, it always choose the middle element of the array  $mid = \frac{low + high}{2}$  then the resulting search algorithm is called as <sup>2</sup> Binary Search.
- \* Let  $a[mid]$  be the middle element of array  $A$ . Then there are 3 conditions that need to be tested while searching the array using this method:
  - i) if  $key = a[mid]$  then desired element is present at middle of the list.
  - ii) otherwise if  $key < a[mid]$  then search the element in left sublist of the middle element.
  - iii) otherwise if  $key > a[mid]$  then search the element in right sublist of the middle element.

### Representation





Example

$k=56$

$$\text{mid} = \frac{\text{beg} + \text{end}}{2}$$

$\text{beg} = 0; \text{end} = 8$

$$\text{mid} = \frac{0+8}{2} = 4$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
10	12	24	29	39	40	51	56	69

$a[\text{mid}] = 39$

$a[\text{mid}] < k$

$\text{beg} = \text{mid} + 1 = 5, \text{end} = 8$

$$\text{mid} = \frac{5+8}{2} = 6$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
10	12	24	29	39	40	51	56	69

$a[\text{mid}] = 51$

$a[\text{mid}] < k$

$\text{beg} = \text{mid} + 1 = 7, \text{end} = 8$

$$\text{mid} = \frac{7+8}{2} = 7$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
10	12	24	29	39	40	51	56	69

$a[\text{mid}] = 56$

$a[\text{mid}] = k$

Element found

So, algorithm will return the index of the element is matched



2 methods to implement  $\swarrow$  Iterative method  
 $\searrow$  Recursive method

### Algorithm (Iterative Binary Search)

Algorithm BinSearch(a, n, x)

// Given an array a[1:n] of elements in non-decreasing order

// n > 0, determine whether x is present and

// if so, return j such that  $x = a[j]$ ; else return 0

{

low := 1; high := n;

while (low < high) do

{

mid :=  $\frac{low + high}{2}$ ;

if ( $x < a[mid]$ ) then high := mid - 1;

else if ( $x > a[mid]$ ) then low := mid + 1;

else return mid;

}

return 0;

}

### Algorithm - Recursive Binary Search

Algorithm BinSearch(a, i, L, x)

// Given an array a[i:L] of elements in non-decreasing order

// 1 ≤ i ≤ L determine whether x is present and

// if so, return j such that  $x = a[j]$ ; else return 0

{

if (L = i) then

{

if ( $x = a[i]$ ) then return 1;

else return 0;

}



else

{

mid =  $\frac{l+r}{2}$ ;

if ( $x = a[mid]$ ) then return mid;

else if ( $x < a[mid]$ ) then

return BinSearch(a, r, mid-1, x);

else return BinSearch(a, mid+1, l, x);

}

}

Analysis space.

Space Complexity:  $S(P) = n+4$

Time Complexity: Best case:  $\Theta(1)$

Avg case:  $\Theta(\log n)$

Worst case:  $\Theta(\log n)$

Algorithm for binary Search using one comparison per cycle:

Algorithm BinSearch(a, n, x)

{

low = 1; high = n+1;

while (low < (high-1)) do

{

mid =  $\lfloor (low+high)/2 \rfloor$ ;

if ( $x < a[mid]$ ) then high = mid;

else low = mid;

}

if ( $x = a[low]$ ) then return low;

else return 0;

}

TC:  
 $\Theta(\log n)$

Best, Avg, Worst

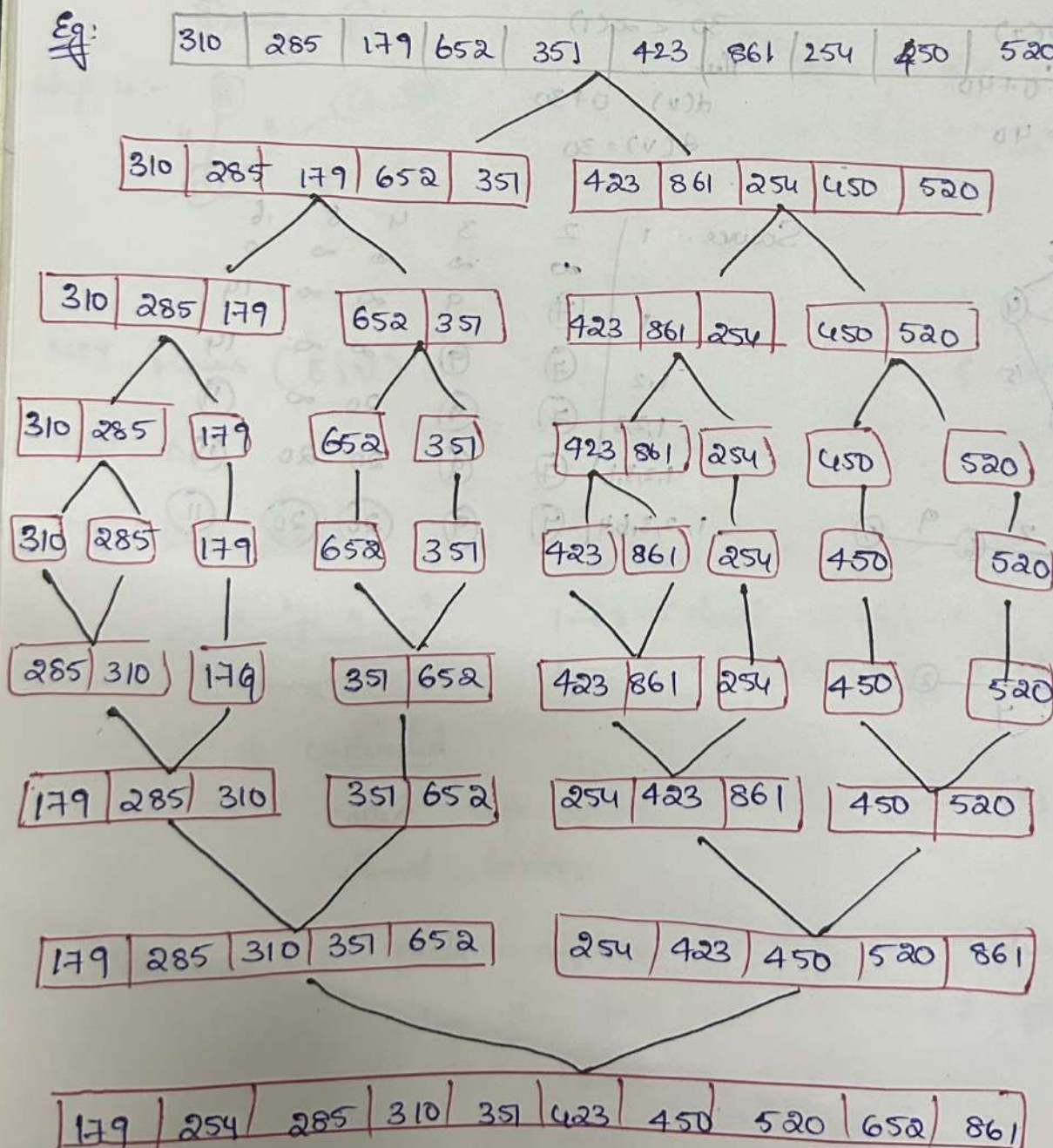


## Merge Sort

$$WC = O(n \log_2 n)$$

- Each set is individually sorted.
- Given sequence of 'n' elements is divided into 2 sets  
 $a[1] \dots a[\lfloor n/2 \rfloor]$  and  $a[\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 1] \dots a[n]$ .
- Resulting sorted sequences are merged to produce a single sorted sequence of 'n' element.

Ex:





## Algorithm using Recursion

Algo Mergesort(low, high)

{

if (low < high) then

{

mid =  $\lfloor (low + high) / 2 \rfloor$ ;

Mergesort(low, mid);

Mergesort(mid+1, high);

Merge(low, mid, high);

}

Merging 2 Sorted Sub-array using auxiliary storage:

Algo Merge(low, mid, high)

{

h = low; i = low; j = mid+1;

while (h ≤ mid) and (j ≤ high) do

{ if (a[h] ≤ a[j]) then

{ b[i] = a[h]; h = h+1;

}

else { b[i] = a[j]; j = j+1;

}

i = i+1;

}

if (h > mid) then

for k = j to high do

{ b[i] = a[k]; i = i+1;

}

else for k = h to mid do

{ b[i] = a[k]; i = i+1;

}



for  $k = \text{low to high}$  do  
 $a[k] := b[k];$   
 $\}$

## Time Complexity

Recurrence Relation

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=1 \\ T(n/2) + T(n/2) + cn, & n>1 \end{cases}, \text{ c is constant}$$

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + cn \quad (n>1)$$

$$T(n) = a \cdot T(n/b) + f(n)$$

$\swarrow$  no. of sub arrays       $\searrow$  no. of elements in the sub-array

$$n = 2^k$$

(using backward substitution)

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= 2T(n/2) + n \\
 &= 2[2T(n/4) + n/2] + n \\
 &= 4T(n/4) + 2 \cdot n/2 + n \\
 &= 4T(n/4) + 2n \\
 &= 4[2T(n/8) + n/4] + 2n \\
 &= 8T(n/8) + 4 \cdot n/4 + 2n \\
 &= 8T(n/8) + 3n \\
 &= 2^3 T(n/2^3) + 3n \\
 &= 2^k T(n/2^k) + kn \\
 &= n \cdot T(n/n) + \log_2 n \cdot n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$T(n) = n \cdot T(1) + n \log_2 n$$

$$T(n) = O(n \log_2 n)$$



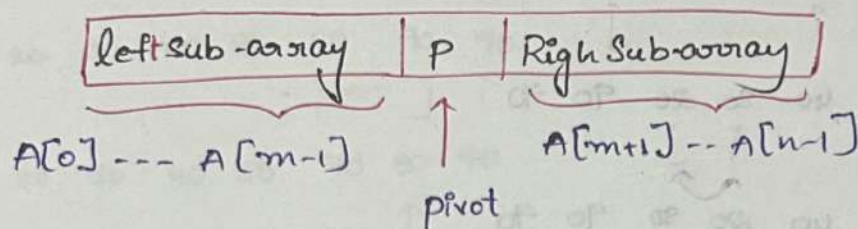
## Quick Sort (Divide & Conquer Approach)

- used to arrive at an efficient sorting method different from merge sort.
- In quicksort, the division into 2 sub-arrays is made so that the sorted sub-arrays do not need to be merged later.

• Divide

• Conquer - Recursively sort the 2 sub-arrays.

• Combine



Pivot Element:

Pivot element can be chosen in different ways:

- 1<sup>st</sup> element
- Last element
- Random element

## Procedure

- Given array consists of  $n$  elements.
- If array consists of only 1 element then return results, else
  - Pick 1 element to choose pivot
  - partitioning elements into 2 sub-arrays
- If  $(a[i] \leq \text{pivot})$  then  $i++$ , otherwise stop & increment  $i$
- If  $(a[j] \geq \text{pivot})$  then  $j--$ , otherwise stop & decrement  $j$
- If both conditions are failed then exchange  $a[i]$  with  $a[j]$ .
- If  $a[j] < a[\text{pivot}]$  &  $j$  has crossed  $i$ , i.e.,  $j < i$  then swap / Exchange pivot element with  $a[j]$ .



Example Pivot  
50 30 10 90 80 20 40 70  
↑ ↑  
i j

1) 50 30 10 90 80 20 40 70

pivot i j

2) 50 30 10 90 80 20 40 70

pivot i j

3) 50 30 10 90 80 20 40 70

pivot i j

4) 50 30 10 40 80 20 90 70

pivot i j

5) 50 30 10 40 80 20 90 70

pivot i j

6) 50 30 10 40 20 80 90 70

pivot i j

In above step  $a[j] < \text{pivot}$  and  $j$  has crossed with  $i$   
i.e.,  $j < i$  then we will swap pivot with  $a[j]$

7) 20 30 10 40 50 80 90 70  
left sub-list pivot right sub-list

Now we will sort left sub-list, assuming 1<sup>st</sup> element of left sub-list as pivot.

Now pivot = 20

8) 20 30 10 40 50 80 90 70

pivot i j

occupied its position

9) 20 30 10 40 50 80 90 70

pivot i j



10) 20 10 30 40 50 80 90 70  
 pivot i j

11) 20 10 30 40 50 80 90 70  
 pivot j i

12) 10 20 30 40 50 80 90 70  
 left ↑ pivot Right

Considering right sub-left

13) 10 20 30 40 50 80 90 70  
 pivot i j

14) 10 20 30 40 50 80 70 90  
 pivot j i

15) 10 20 30 40 50 70 80 90  
 ↑ pivot

Final Sorted list:

10 20 30 40 50 70 80 90

### Algorithm

- Quick
- Partition

Algo Quicksort (P, Q)

```

{
  if (P < Q) then
  {
    j := Partition (a, P, Q+1);
    Quicksort (P, j-1);
    Quicksort (j+1, Q);
  }
}

```

### Partition

Algorithm Partition (a, m, P)

```

{
  pivot := a[m];
  i := m;
  j := P;
  repeat
  {
    repeat
    {
      until (a[i] > pivot);
    } repeat
    {
      i := i + 1;
    }
    repeat
    {
      until (a[j] < pivot);
    } repeat
    {
      j := j - 1;
    }
  }
}

```



```

    if (i < j) then interchange(a, i, j);
  }
  until (i > j);
  a[m] := a[j];
  a[j] := pivot;
  return j;
}

```

### Interchange Algorithm

Algorithm Interchange (a, i, j)

```

{ temp p;
  p := a[i];
  a[i] := a[j];
  a[j] := p;
}

```

### Performance Analysis

BC Time Complexity - Split in the middle

Recurrence relation:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=1 \\ T(n/2) + T(n/2) + n & n>1 \end{cases}$$

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

$$= 2[2T(n/4) + n/2] + n$$

$$= 4T(n/4) + 2n$$

$$= 4[2T(n/8) + n/4] + 2n$$

$$= 8T(n/8) + 4(n/4) + 2n$$

$$= 8T(n/8) + 3n$$

$$= 2^3 \cdot T(n/2^3) + 3 \cdot n$$



$$= 2^k T(n/2^k) + k \cdot n$$

$$\text{let } 2^k = n$$

Apply log on both sides

$$\log 2^k = \log n$$

$$k \log 2 = \log n$$

$$k = \log n$$

$$T(n) = n \cdot T(n/n) + \log n \cdot n$$

$$= n \cdot T(1) + n \log n$$

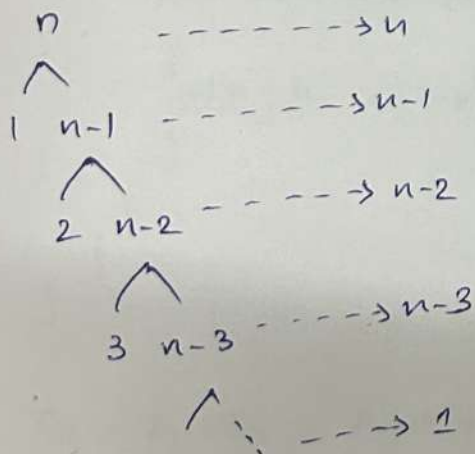
$$= n \cdot (1) + n \log n$$

$$= n + n \log n$$

$$\text{BC } \boxed{T(n) = O(n \log n)}$$

Worst case

when pivot is min or max  
time regular



$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & , n=1 \\ T(n-1) + n & , n>1 \end{cases}$$

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + n \quad (\because c = \text{constant})$$

$$= n + (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 2 + 1$$

As WKT

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{n^2 + n}{2}$$

$$\boxed{\therefore T(n) = O(n^2)}$$

Average case

Same as best case

$$O(n \log n)$$



## Alternative Version of Quicksort

Algorithm Quicksort (P, q)

```

{
  repeat
  {
    while (P < q) do
    {
      j := Partition (A, P, q+1);
      if ((j - P) < (q - j)) then
      {
        Add(j+1);
        Add(q);
        q := j-1;
      }
      else
      {
        Add(P);
        Add(j-1);
        P := j+1;
      }
    }
  }

```

if Stack is empty then return;

Delete (P);

Delete (q);

until (false);

}

$$S(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & , n \leq 1 \\ 2 + S(\lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor) & , n > 1 \end{cases}$$

which is less than  $2 \log n$



## Strassen's Matrix Multiplication

2 matrices  $A$  and  $B$  of size  $n \times n$

$C = A * B$  is also  $n \times n$  matrix.

$$C(i, j) = \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} A(i, k) B(k, j) \text{ for all } i \text{ \& } j \text{ between } 1 \text{ \& } n.$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} * B = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Algorithm for matrix multiplication:

Algo MM( $A, B, C$ )

{

for  $i := 1$  to  $n$  do  $\rightarrow n+1$

{ for  $j := 1$  to  $n$  do  $\rightarrow n(n+1)$

{  $C[i, j] := 0$ ;  $\rightarrow n * n$

for  $k := 1$  to  $n$  do  $\rightarrow n * n * (n+1)$

{  $C[i, j] := A[i, k] * B[k, j]$ ;  $\rightarrow n * n * n$

}

}

}

$$T(C) = O(n^3)$$

$$C_{11} = A_{11} * B_{11} + A_{12} * B_{21}$$

$$C_{12} = A_{11} * B_{12} + B_{21} * B_{22}$$

$$C_{21} = A_{21} * B_{11} + A_{22} * B_{21}$$

$$C_{22} = A_{21} * B_{12} + A_{22} * B_{22}$$

Applicable

for  $2 \times 2$  matrix



If  $n > 2$ , the elements of  $c$  can be computed using matrix multiplication and addition operations applied to matrices of size  $n/2 \times n/2$ .

This algorithm will continue applying itself to smaller sized sub-matrices until 'n' becomes suitably small ( $n=2$ ) so that the product is computed directly.

### Time Complexity:

- To compute  $A \times B$  - 8 multiplications of  $n/2 \times n/2$  & 4 additions.
- Since 2  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices can be added in time  $Cn^2$  ( $\because C = \text{constant}$ )

Overall computing time  $T(n)$  of resulting Divide & Conquer algorithm by the recurrence relation:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & , n \leq 2 \\ 8T(n/2) + n^2 & , n > 2 \end{cases}$$

$$a=8, b=2, f(n)=n^2 \text{ and } n^k=n^2$$

$$\boxed{\log_a b = \log_2 8 = 3}$$

$$\boxed{T(n) = O(n^3)}$$

- Volker Strassen's has discovered a way to compute  $C_{ij}$ 's of using only 7 multiplication & 18 additions or Subtractions
- Involve <sup>1st</sup> computing seven  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices  $P, Q, R, S, T, U$  &  $V$  then  $C_{ij}$ 's are computed.
- As it can be seen  $P, Q, R, S, T, U$  &  $V$  can be computed using 7 matrix multiplications & 10 matrix additions or Subtractions.
- The  $C_{ij}$ 's require an additional 8 additions / Subtractions



$$P = (A_{11} + A_{22})(B_{11} + B_{22})$$

$$Q = (A_{21} + A_{22})B_{11}$$

$$R = A_{11}(B_{12} - B_{22})$$

$$S = A_{22}(B_{21} - B_{11})$$

$$T = (A_{11} + A_{12})B_{22}$$

$$U = (A_{21} - A_{11})(B_{11} + B_{12})$$

$$V = (A_{12} - A_{22})(B_{21} + B_{22})$$

$$C_{11} = P + S - T + V$$

$$C_{12} = R + T$$

$$C_{21} = Q + S$$

$$C_{22} = P + R - Q + U$$

Now, we will compare the actual or traditional matrix multiplication procedure with Strassen's procedure

In Strassen's multiplication

$$C_{11} = P + S - T + V$$

$$= (A_{11} + A_{22})(B_{11} + B_{22}) + A_{22}(B_{21} - B_{11}) - (A_{11} + A_{12})B_{22} + (A_{21} - A_{11})(B_{21} + B_{22})$$

$$= A_{11}B_{11} + A_{11}B_{22} + A_{22}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{22} + A_{22}B_{21} - A_{22}B_{11} - A_{11}B_{22} - A_{12}B_{22} + A_{12}B_{21} + A_{12}B_{22} - A_{22}B_{21} - A_{22}B_{22}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{C_{11} = A_{11}B_{11} + A_{12}B_{21}}$$

Tc for Strassen's matrix multiplication:

Totally - 7 matrix multiplications & 10 additions/subtractions

Recurrence relation for  $T(n)$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n \leq 2 \\ 7T(n/2) + n^2 & n > 2 \end{cases}$$

$$a = 7 \quad b = 2 \quad f(n) = n^2 \quad n^k = n^2$$

$$\log_a b = \log_2 7 = 2.81$$

$$T(n) = O(n^{2.81})$$



Hence, compared to traditional matrix multiplication  $TC(O(n^3))$  in Strassen's matrix multiplication  $TC$  will be reduced

i.e.,  $O(n^{2.81})$

Eg.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 9 & 5 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 7 & 8 & 2 \\ 7 & -2 & 3 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$

$B = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ -9 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -4 & 3 \\ -8 & 1 & 5 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$

$C = 8$

## MaxMin (Divide & Conquer technique)

\* Problem is used to find the maximum and minimum items in a set of 'n' elements.

Algorithm : Straight forward Maximum and Minimum

Algorithm StraightMaxMin (a, n, max, min)

{ max := min := a[1];

for i := 2 to n do

{

if (a[i] > max) then max := a[i];

if (a[i] < min) then min := a[i];

}

Recursive Algorithm - Maximum and minimum

Algorithm MaxMin (i, j, max, min)

{ if (i == j) then max := min := a[i];

else if (i == j - 1) then

{

if (a[i] < a[j]) then

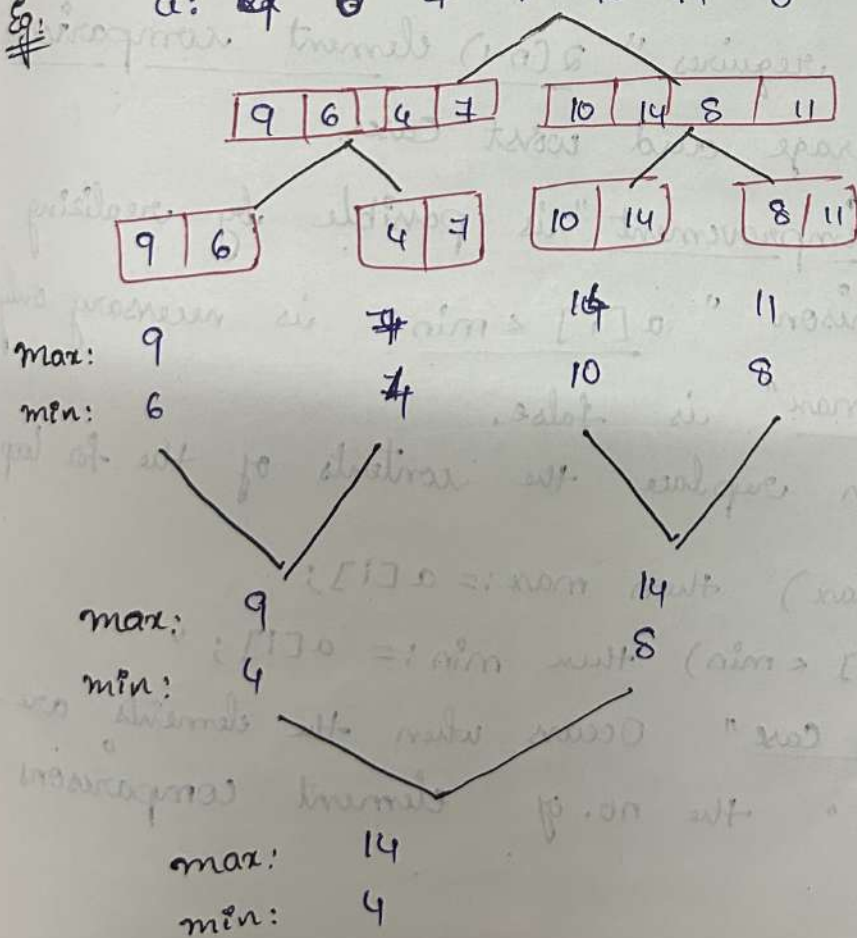
{ max := a[j]; min := a[i];



(O(n^3))

```
}  
else  
{  
    max1 = a[i]; min1 = a[j];  
}  
}  
else  
{  
    mid = (i+j)/2;  
    MaxMin(i, mid, max1, min1);  
    MaxMin(mid+1, j, max1, min1);  
    if (max < max1) then max = max1;  
    if (min > min1) then min = min1;  
}  
}
```

eg: a: 9 6 4 7 10 14 8 11





- \* Analyzing the time complexity of this algorithm, we once again concentrate on the "number of element comparisons".
- \* The justification for this is that the frequency count for other operations in this algorithm is of the same order as that for element comparisons.
- \* More importantly, when the elements in  $a[1:n]$  are Polynomials, vectors, very large numbers, or strings of characters the cost of an element comparison is much higher than the cost of the other operation.
- \* Hence the "time is determined mainly by the total cost of the element comparisons."
- \* "Straight MaxMin" requires " $2(n-1)$  element comparisons" in the best, average and worst cases.
- \* An "immediate improvement" is possible by realizing that the comparison " $a[i] < \min$ " is necessary only when " $a[i] > \max$ " is false.  
 Hence we can replace the contents of the for loop by:  
 " if ( $a[i] > \max$ ) then  $\max := a[i]$ ;  
 else if ( $a[i] < \min$ ) then  $\min := a[i]$ ;"
- \* Now the "best case" occurs when the elements are in "increasing order" the no. of element comparisons is  $n-1$ .



\* The "Worst Case" occurs, when the elements are in "Decreasing order". in this case the no. of elements comparisons is " $2(n-1)$ ".

\* A "divide - and conquer" algorithm for this problem 28 would proceed as follows:

→ Let  $P = (n, a[i], \dots, a[i])$  denote an arbitrary instance of the problem.

→ Here  $n$  is the no. of elements in the list,  $a[i] \dots a[i]$  and we are interested in finding the maximum and minimum of this list

→ Let  $\text{Small}(P)$  be true when  $n \leq 2$  In this case, the maximum and minimum are  $a[i]$  if  $n=1$  if  $n=2$ , the problem can be solved by making one comparison

\* By the list has more than two elements, has to be divided into smaller instances

for example:- We might  $P$  divided into two instances

$$P_1 = ([n/2], a[i], \dots, a([n/2])) \text{ and}$$

$$P_2 = (n - [n/2], a([n/2] + 1), \dots, a[n]).$$

\* After having divided  $P$  into two smaller sub problems we can solve them by recursively invoking the same divide - and conquer algorithm.

\* How can we combine the solutions for  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  to obtain a solution for  $P$ ?



→ If  $(\text{Max}(P)$  and  $\text{Min}(P)$  are the maximum and minimum of the elements in  $P$ , then

" $\text{Max}(P)$  is little larger of  $\text{Max}(P_1)$  and  $\text{Max}(P_2)$ ."

→ And also " $\text{Min}(P)$  is the smaller of  $\text{Min}(P_1)$  and  $\text{Min}(P_2)$ "

Time Complexity:-

Find the no. of element comparisons needed for MaxMin? if  $T(n)$  represents this number, then the resulting recurrence relation is

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} T(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + (\lceil n/2 \rceil + 2), & n > 2 \\ 1, & n = 2 \\ 0, & n = 1 \end{cases}$$

When  $n$  is a power of two,  $n = 2^k$  for some positive integer  $k$ , then  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 2$

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

$$= 2(2T(n/4) + 2) + 2$$

$$= 4T(n/4) + 4 + 2$$

$$= 4(2T(n/8) + 2) + 4 + 2$$

$$= 8T(n/8) + 8 + 4 + 2$$

$$= 2^3 \cdot T(n/2^3) + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1$$

$$= 2^k \cdot T(n/2^k) + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq k-1} 2^i$$

$$= n \cdot T(n/k) + 2^k - 2 \quad (\because n = 2^k)$$

$$= n \cdot T(1) + n - 2$$

$$= n \cdot 2 + n - 2$$

$$\boxed{T(n) = 3n - 2}$$



\* The time complexity of recursive algorithm to find maximum and minimum is :  $O(n)$