

# CSE 417: Algorithms and Computational Complexity

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## Multiplying Faster

- On the first HW you analyzed our usual algorithm for multiplying numbers
  - $\Theta(n^2)$  time
- We can do better!
  - We'll describe the basic ideas by multiplying polynomials rather than integers
  - Advantage is we don't get confused by worrying about carries at first

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## Note on Polynomials

- These are just formal sequences of coefficients so when we show something multiplied by  $x^k$  it just means shifted  $k$  places to the left

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## Polynomial Multiplication

- Given:
  - Degree  $m-1$  polynomials  $P$  and  $Q$ 
    - $P = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_{m-2} x^{m-2} + a_{m-1} x^{m-1}$
    - $Q = b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 + \dots + b_{m-2} x^{m-2} + b_{m-1} x^{m-1}$
- Compute:
  - Degree  $2m-2$  Polynomial  $PQ$ 
    - $PQ = a_0 b_0 + (a_0 b_1 + a_1 b_0) x + (a_0 b_2 + a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_0) x^2 + \dots + (a_{m-2} b_{m-1} + a_{m-1} b_{m-2}) x^{2m-3} + a_{m-1} b_{m-1} x^{2m-2}$
- Obvious Algorithm:
  - Compute all  $a_i b_j$  and collect terms
  - $\Theta(n^2)$  time

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## Naive Divide and Conquer

- Assume  $m=2k$ 
  - $P = (a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_{k-1} x^{k-1}) + (a_k + a_{k+1} x + \dots + a_{m-2} x^{k-2} + a_{m-1} x^{k-1}) x^k$ 
    - $= P_0 + P_1 x^k$
  - $Q = Q_0 + Q_1 x^k$
- $PQ = (P_0 + P_1 x^k)(Q_0 + Q_1 x^k)$ 
  - $= P_0 Q_0 + (P_1 Q_0 + P_0 Q_1) x^k + P_1 Q_1 x^{2k}$
- 4 sub-problems of size  $k=m/2$  plus linear combining
  - $T(m) = 4T(m/2) + cm$
  - Solution  $T(m) = O(m^2)$

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## Karatsuba's Algorithm

- A better way to compute the terms
  - Compute
    - $P_0 Q_0$
    - $P_1 Q_1$
    - $(P_0 + P_1)(Q_0 + Q_1)$  which is  $P_0 Q_0 + P_1 Q_0 + P_0 Q_1 + P_1 Q_1$
  - Then
    - $P_0 Q_1 + P_1 Q_0 = (P_0 + P_1)(Q_0 + Q_1) - P_0 Q_0 - P_1 Q_1$
  - 3 sub-problems of size  $m/2$  plus  $O(m)$  work
    - $T(m) = 3T(m/2) + cm$
    - $T(m) = O(m^\alpha)$  where  $\alpha = \log_2 3 = 1.59\dots$

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## Karatsuba's Algorithm Alternative

- Compute
  - |  $A_0 = P_0 Q_0$
  - |  $A_1 = (P_0 + P_1)(Q_0 + Q_1)$ , i.e.  $P_0 Q_0 + P_1 Q_0 + P_0 Q_1 + P_1 Q_1$
  - |  $A_2 = (P_0 - P_1)(Q_0 - Q_1)$ , i.e.  $P_0 Q_0 - P_1 Q_0 - P_0 Q_1 + P_1 Q_1$
- Then
  - |  $P_1 Q_1 = (A_1 + A_2) / 2 - A_0$
  - |  $P_0 Q_1 + P_1 Q_0 = (A_1 - A_2) / 2$
- 3 sub-problems of size  $m/2$  plus  $O(m)$  work
  - |  $T(m) = 3 T(m/2) + cm$
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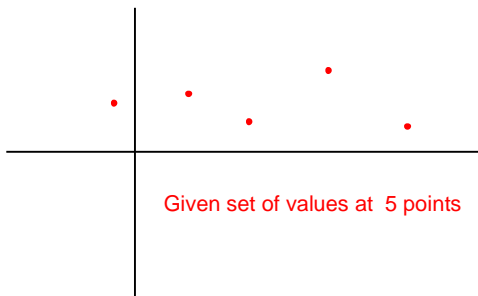
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## What Karatsuba's Algorithm did

- For  $y = x^k$  we wanted to compute
 
$$P(y)Q(y) = (P_0 + P_1 y)(Q_0 + Q_1 y)$$
- We evaluated
  - $P(0) = P_0$     $Q(0) = Q_0$
  - $P(1) = P_0 + P_1$  and  $Q(1) = Q_0 + Q_1$
  - $P(-1) = P_0 - P_1$  and  $Q(-1) = Q_0 - Q_1$
- We multiplied  $P(0)Q(0)$ ,  $P(1)Q(1)$ ,  $P(-1)Q(-1)$
- We then used these 3 values to figure out what the degree 2 polynomial  $P(y)Q(y)$  was
  - | Interpolation

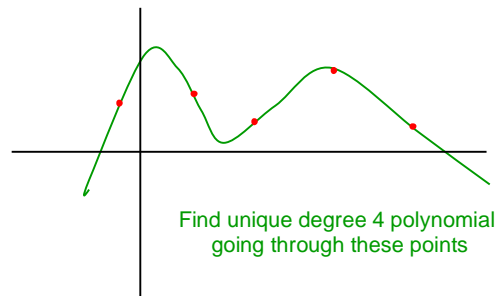
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## Interpolation



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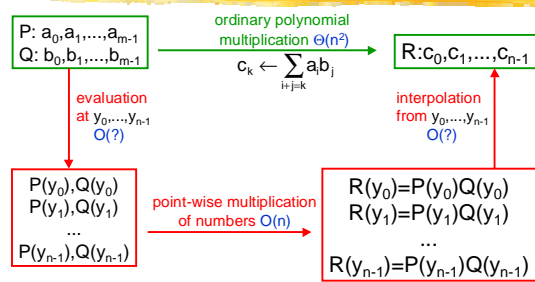
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## Multiplying Polynomials by Evaluation & Interpolation

- Any degree  $n-1$  polynomial  $R(y)$  is determined by  $R(y_0), \dots, R(y_{n-1})$  for any  $n$  distinct  $y_0, \dots, y_{n-1}$
- To compute  $PQ$  (assume degree at most  $n-1$ )
  - | Evaluate  $P(y_0), \dots, P(y_{n-1})$
  - | Evaluate  $Q(y_0), \dots, Q(y_{n-1})$
  - | Multiply values  $P(y_i)Q(y_i)$  for  $i=0, \dots, n-1$
  - | Interpolate to recover  $PQ$

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## Multiplying Polynomials by Evaluation & Interpolation



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### Complex Numbers $i^2 = -1$

To multiply complex numbers:

1. add angles
2. multiply lengths

$$e+fi = (a+bi)(c+di)$$

$$a+bi = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta = e^{i\theta}$$

$$c+di = \cos \phi + i \sin \phi = e^{i\phi}$$

$$e+fi = \cos(\theta+\phi) + i \sin(\theta+\phi) = e^{i(\theta+\phi)}$$

$e^{2\pi i} = 1$   
 $e^{\pi i} = -1$

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### Primitive n-th root of 1 $\omega = \omega_n$

Let  $\omega = \omega_n = e^{i 2\pi/n} = \cos(2\pi/n) + i \sin(2\pi/n)$

Properties:

- $\omega^n = 1$ .
- Any other  $z$  s.t.  $z^n = 1$  has  $z = \omega^k$  for some  $k < n$ .
- If  $n$  is even  $\omega^{n/2} = -1$  is a primitive  $n/2$ -th root of 1.
- $\omega^{k+n/2} = -\omega^k$

$i^2 = -1$   
 $e^{2\pi i} = 1$

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### Multiplying Polynomials by Fast Fourier Transform

P:  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{m-1}$   
 Q:  $b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{m-1}$

ordinary polynomial multiplication  $\Theta(n^2)$

$$c_k \leftarrow \sum_{i+j=k} a_i b_j$$

R:  $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{n-1}$

evaluation at  $1, \omega, \dots, \omega^{n-1}$   $O(n \log n)$

interpolation from  $1, \omega, \dots, \omega^{n-1}$   $O(n \log n)$

point-wise multiplication of numbers  $O(n)$

$P(1), Q(1)$   
 $P(\omega), Q(\omega)$   
 $P(\omega^2), Q(\omega^2)$   
 $\dots$   
 $P(\omega^{n-1}), Q(\omega^{n-1})$

$R(1) = P(1)Q(1)$   
 $R(\omega) = P(\omega)Q(\omega)$   
 $R(\omega^2) = P(\omega^2)Q(\omega^2)$   
 $\dots$   
 $R(\omega^{n-1}) = P(\omega^{n-1})Q(\omega^{n-1})$

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### The key idea (since $n$ is even)

$P(\omega) = a_0 + a_1\omega + a_2\omega^2 + a_3\omega^3 + a_4\omega^4 + \dots + a_{n-1}\omega^{n-1}$   
 $= a_0 + a_2\omega^2 + a_4\omega^4 + \dots + a_{n-2}\omega^{n-2}$   
 $+ a_1\omega + a_3\omega^3 + a_5\omega^5 + \dots + a_{n-1}\omega^{n-1}$   
 $= P_{\text{even}}(\omega^2) + \omega P_{\text{odd}}(\omega^2)$

$P(-\omega) = a_0 - a_1\omega + a_2\omega^2 - a_3\omega^3 + a_4\omega^4 - \dots - a_{n-1}\omega^{n-1}$   
 $= a_0 + a_2\omega^2 + a_4\omega^4 + \dots + a_{n-2}\omega^{n-2}$   
 $- (a_1\omega + a_3\omega^3 + a_5\omega^5 + \dots + a_{n-1}\omega^{n-1})$   
 $= P_{\text{even}}(\omega^2) - \omega P_{\text{odd}}(\omega^2)$

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### The recursive idea for $n$ a power of 2

- Also
  - $P_{\text{even}}$  and  $P_{\text{odd}}$  have degree  $n/2$
  - $P(\omega^k) = P_{\text{even}}(\omega^{2k}) + \omega^k P_{\text{odd}}(\omega^{2k})$
  - $P(-\omega^k) = P_{\text{even}}(\omega^{2k}) - \omega^k P_{\text{odd}}(\omega^{2k})$
- Recursive Algorithm
  - Evaluate  $P_{\text{even}}$  at  $1, \omega^2, \omega^4, \dots, \omega^{n-2}$
  - Evaluate  $P_{\text{odd}}$  at  $1, \omega^2, \omega^4, \dots, \omega^{n-2}$
  - Combine to compute  $P$  at  $1, \omega, \omega^2, \dots, \omega^{n/2-1}$
  - Combine to compute  $P$  at  $-1, -\omega, -\omega^2, \dots, -\omega^{n/2-1}$  (i.e. at  $\omega^{n/2}, \omega^{n/2+1}, \omega^{n/2+2}, \dots, \omega^{n-1}$ )

$\omega^2$  is an  $n/2$ -th root of 1 so problem is of same type but smaller size

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### Analysis and more

- Run-time
  - $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + cn$  so  $T(n) = O(n \log n)$
- So much for evaluation ... what about interpolation?
  - Given
    - $r_0 = R(1), r_1 = R(\omega), r_2 = R(\omega^2), \dots, r_{n-1} = R(\omega^{n-1})$
  - Compute
    - $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{n-1}$  s.t.  $R(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_{n-1}x^{n-1}$

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## Interpolation $\approx$ Evaluation: strange but true

- Weird fact:
  - If we define a new polynomial  $T(x) = r_0 + r_1x + r_2x^2 + \dots + r_{n-1}x^{n-1}$  where  $r_0, r_1, \dots, r_{n-1}$  are the evaluations of  $R$  at  $1, \omega, \dots, \omega^{n-1}$
  - Then  $c_k = T(\omega^{-k})/n$  for  $k=0, \dots, n-1$
- So...
  - evaluate  $T$  at  $1, \omega^{-1}, \omega^{-2}, \dots, \omega^{-(n-1)}$  then divide each by  $n$  to get the  $c_0, \dots, c_{n-1}$
  - $\omega^{-1}$  behaves just like  $\omega$  did so the same  $O(n \log n)$  evaluation algorithm applies!

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## Why this is called the discrete Fourier transform

- Real Fourier series
  - Given a real valued function  $f$  defined on  $[0, 2\pi]$  the Fourier series for  $f$  is given by  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1 \cos(x) + a_2 \cos(2x) + \dots + a_m \cos(mx) + \dots$  where  $a_m = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos(mx) dx$  is the component of  $f$  of frequency  $m$
  - In signal processing and data compression one ignores all but the components with large  $a_m$  and there aren't many since  $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m^2 = 1$

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## Why this is called the discrete Fourier transform

- Complex Fourier series
  - Given a function  $f$  defined on  $[0, 2\pi]$  the complex Fourier series for  $f$  is given by  $f(z) = b_0 + b_1 e^{iz} + b_2 e^{2iz} + \dots + b_m e^{miz} + \dots$  where  $b_m = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z) e^{-miz} dz$  is the component of  $f$  of frequency  $m$
  - If we **discretize** this integral using values at  $n$   $2\pi/n$  apart equally spaced points between  $0$  and  $2\pi$  we get

$$\bar{b}_m = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f_k e^{-2km\pi/n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f_k \omega^{-km} \text{ where } f_k = f(2k\pi/n)$$

just like interpolation!

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