# CSE 421: Introduction to Algorithms

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#### **Integer Multiplication**

#### Given:

Two n-bit integers X and Y

$$X = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_2 + a_3 + a_{n-2} + a_{n-2} + a_{n-1} +$$

$$Y = b_0 + b_1 + 2 + b_2 + 2^2 + ... + b_{n-2} + 2^{n-2} + b_{n-1} + 2^{n-1}$$

#### Compute:

2n-1-bit integer X Y

$$XY = a_0b_0 + (a_0b_1 + a_1b_0) 2 + (a_0b_2 + a_1b_1 + a_2b_0) 2^2$$

$$+ ... + (a_{n-2}b_{n-1} + a_{n-1}b_{n-2}) 2^{2n-3} + a_{n-1}b_{n-1} 2^{2n-2}$$

**Last time:** Karatsuba's Algorithm beats naïve algorithm, using  $O(n^{\alpha})$  where  $\alpha = \log_2 3 = 1.59...$ 

#### **Polynomial Multiplication**

#### Given:

Degree n-1 polynomials P and Q

$$P = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + ... + a_{n-2} x^{n-2} + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{b_0} + \mathbf{b_1} \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{b_2} \mathbf{X}^2 + \dots + \mathbf{b_{n-2}} \mathbf{X}^{n-2} + \mathbf{b_{n-1}} \mathbf{X}^{n-1}$$

#### Compute:

Degree 2n-2 Polynomial PQ

$$PQ = a_0b_0 + (a_0b_1 + a_1b_0) x + (a_0b_2 + a_1b_1 + a_2b_0) x^2$$

$$+ ... + (a_{n-2}b_{n-1} + a_{n-1}b_{n-2}) x^{2n-3} + a_{n-1}b_{n-1} x^{2n-2}$$

#### Obvious Algorithm, just like Integer Mult.:

- Compute all a<sub>i</sub>b<sub>i</sub> and collect terms
- **(n²)** time

### **Divide and Conquer**

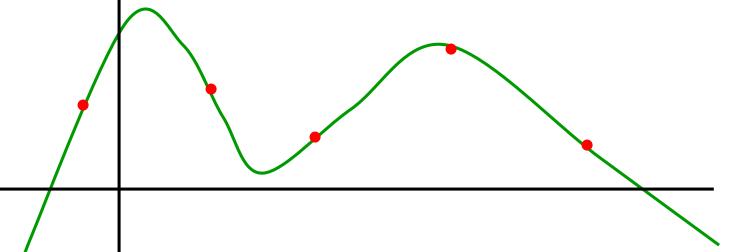
- Assume n=2k
  - $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P_0} + \mathbf{P_1} \mathbf{x^k}$  where  $\mathbf{P_0}$  and  $\mathbf{P_1}$  are degree k-1 polys
  - Similarly  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q_0} + \mathbf{Q_1} \mathbf{x^k}$
- $PQ = (P_0 + P_1 x^k)(Q_0 + Q_1 x^k)$   $= P_0Q_0 + (P_1Q_0 + P_0Q_1)x^k + P_1Q_1 x^{2k}$
- Naïve: 4 sub-problems of size k=n/2 plus linear combining  $T(n)=4\cdot T(n/2)+cn$  Solution  $T(n)=\Theta(n^2)$
- Karatsuba's : 3 instead 4:  $A \leftarrow P_0Q_0$   $B \leftarrow P_1Q_1$   $C \leftarrow (P_0+P_1)(Q_0+Q_1)$  and then C-A-B =  $P_1Q_0+P_0Q_1$  so T(n) = 3 T(n/2) + cn and  $T(n) = O(n^{\alpha})$  where  $\alpha = \log_2 3 = 1.59...$

#### Integer and Polynomial Multiplication

- Naïve: \(\text{\ti}\text{\texi}\text{\text{\texi}\titt{\text{\text{\texi{\text{\texi}\text{\texi{\texi{\texit{\texi}\titt{\texi}\titt{\texitit}}\\tinttitex{\tiintet{\texi{\texi{\ti
- Karatsuba: Θ(n<sup>1.59...</sup>)
- Best known: ⊕(n log n)
  - "Fast Fourier Transform"
  - FFT widely used for signal processing
  - Used in practice in symbolic manipulation systems like Maple
  - MUCH easier for Polynomial Multiplication than for integer multiplication because of ugly details with carries, etc.
    - Schonhage-Strassen (1971) gives ⊕(n log n loglog n)
    - Furer (2007) gives  $\Theta(n \log n 2^{\log^* n})$
    - Harvey, van der Hoeven (2019) finally got ⊕(n log n)

### Hints towards FFT: Interpolation

- 2 points determine a unique line (degree 1)
- 3 points determine a unique parabola (degree 2)



Given set of values at **n** points

Can find unique degree **n-1** polynomial going through these points

#### Multiplying Polynomials by Evaluation & Interpolation

- Any degree n-1 polynomial R(y) is determined by R(y<sub>0</sub>), ... R(y<sub>n-1</sub>) for any n distinct y<sub>0</sub>,...,y<sub>n-1</sub>
- To compute PQ (assume degree at most n/2-1)
  - Evaluate P(y<sub>0</sub>),..., P(y<sub>n-1</sub>)
  - Evaluate Q(y<sub>0</sub>),...,Q(y<sub>n-1</sub>)
  - Multiply values P(y<sub>i</sub>)Q(y<sub>i</sub>) for i=0,...,n-1
  - Interpolate to recover PQ

#### Interpolation

- Given values of degree n-1 polynomial R at n distinct points y<sub>0</sub>,...,y<sub>n-1</sub>
  - $R(y_0),...,R(y_{n-1})$
- Compute coefficients c<sub>0</sub>,...,c<sub>n-1</sub> such that

$$R(x)=C_0+C_1X+C_2X^2+...+C_{n-1}X^{n-1}$$

System of linear equations in c<sub>0</sub>,...,c<sub>n-1</sub>

### Interpolation: n equations in n unknowns

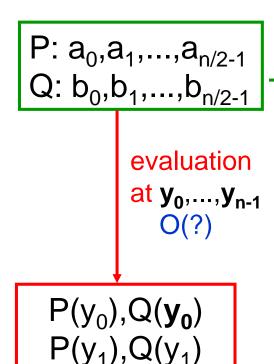
Matrix form of the linear system

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & y_0 & y_0^2 & \dots & y_0^{n-1} \\
1 & y_1 & y_1^2 & \dots & y_1^{n-1} \\
& \dots & & & & \\
1 & y_{n-1} & y_{n-1}^2 & \dots & y_{n-1}^{n-1}
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix}
\mathbf{c}_0 \\
\mathbf{c}_1 \\
\mathbf{c}_2 \\
& \ddots \\
& \mathbf{c}_{n-1}
\end{pmatrix}
=
\begin{pmatrix}
\mathbf{R}(y_0) \\
\mathbf{R}(y_1) \\
& \ddots \\
& \mathbf{R}(y_{n-1})
\end{pmatrix}$$

- Fact: Determinant of the matrix is  $\Pi_{i < j}$  ( $y_i y_j$ ) which is not 0 since points are distinct
  - System has a unique solution c<sub>0</sub>,...,c<sub>n-1</sub>



### Hints towards FFT: Evaluation & Interpolation



 $P(y_{n-1}), Q(y_{n-1})$ 

ordinary polynomial multiplication  $\Theta(n^2)$   $c_k \leftarrow \sum_{i+i=k} a_i b_i$ 

point-wise multiplication of numbers O(n)

 $\begin{array}{c} R: C_0, C_1, \dots, C_{n-1} \\ \\ \text{interpolation} \\ \text{from } \mathbf{y}_0, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{n-1} \\ \\ O(?) \end{array}$ 

$$R(y_0) \leftarrow P(y_0) \cdot Q(y_0)$$

$$R(y_1) \leftarrow P(y_1) \cdot Q(y_1)$$
...
$$R(y_{n-1}) \leftarrow P(y_{n-1}) \cdot Q(y_{n-1})$$

### Karatsuba's algorithm and evaluation and interpolation

- Karatsuba's algorithm can be thought of as a way of multiplying two degree 1 polynomials (which have 2 coefficients) using only 3 multiplications
  - $PQ = (P_0 + P_1 z)(Q_0 + Q_1 z)$   $= P_0 Q_0 + (P_1 Q_0 + P_0 Q_1)z + P_1 Q_1 z^2$
  - Evaluate at 0,1 plus compute P<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>1</sub>
    - $A = P(0)Q(0) = P_0Q_0$
    - $B = P_1Q_1$
    - $C = P(1)Q(1) = (P_0 + P_1)(Q_0 + Q_1)$
  - Alternative: replace B by the following: Evaluate at -1
    - $D = P(-1)Q(-1) = (P_0 P_1)(Q_0 Q_1)$
  - Interpolating, product is A + (C-D)/2 z + [(C+D)/2-A] z²



#### **Evaluation at Special Points**

- Evaluation of polynomial at 1 point takes O(n) time
  - So 2n points (naively) takes O(n²)—no savings
  - But the algorithm works no matter what the points are...
- So...choose points that are related to each other so that evaluation problems can share subproblems

### The key idea: Evaluate at related points

■ 
$$P(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 + ... + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$
  
 $= a_0 + a_2 x^2 + a_4 x^4 + ... + a_{n-2} x^{n-2}$   
 $+ a_1 x + a_3 x^3 + a_5 x^5 + ... + a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$   
 $= P_{even}(x^2) + x P_{odd}(x^2)$   
■  $P(-x) = a_0 - a_1 x + a_2 x^2 - a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 - ... - a_{n-1} x^{n-1}$   
 $= a_0 + a_2 x^2 + a_4 x^4 + ... + a_{n-2} x^{n-2}$   
 $- (a_1 x + a_3 x^3 + a_5 x^5 + ... + a_{n-1} x^{n-1})$   
 $= P_{even}(x^2) - x P_{odd}(x^2)$   
where  $P_{even}(z) = a_0 + a_2 z + a_4 z^2 + ... + a_{n-2} z^{n/2-1}$   
and  $P_{odd}(z) = a_1 + a_3 z + a_5 z^2 + ... + a_{n-1} z^{n/2-1}$ 

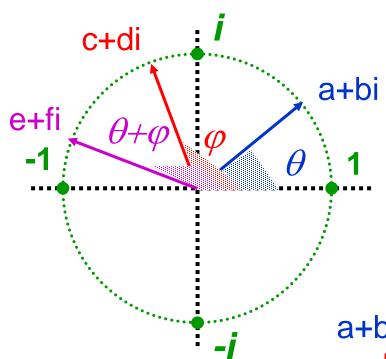
### The key idea: Evaluate at related points

- So... if we have half the points as negatives of the other half
  - then we can reduce the size **n** problem of evaluating degree **n-1** polynomial **P** at **n** points to evaluating 2 degree **n/2 1** polynomials  $P_{even}$  and  $P_{odd}$  at **n/2** points  $y_0^2, ... y_{n/2-1}^2$  and recombine answers with **O(1)** extra work per point
- But to use this idea recursively we need half of  $y_0^2,...y_{n/2-1}^2$  to be negatives of the other half
  - If  $y_{n/4}^2 = -y_0^2$ , say, then  $(y_{n/4}/y_0)^2 = -1$
  - Motivates use of complex numbers as evaluation points



#### **Complex Numbers**

$$i^2 = -1$$



To multiply complex numbers:

- 1. add angles
- 2. multiply lengths (all length 1 here)

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

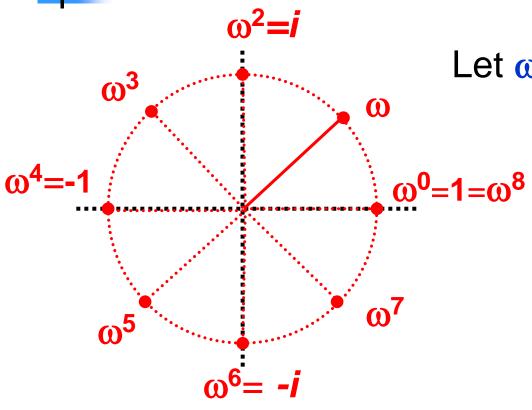
$$a+bi = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta = e^{i\theta}$$

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

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



#### Primitive n<sup>th</sup> root of 1 $\omega = \omega_n = e^{i 2\pi/n}$



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

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

#### Facts about $\omega = e^{2\pi i \ln n}$ for even n

$$\omega = e^{2\pi i / n}$$
 for  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ 

- $\omega^n = 1$
- $\omega^{n/2+j} = -\omega^{j}$  for all values of j
- $\omega^2 = e^{2\pi i/k}$  where k=n/2
- $\omega^{j} = \cos(2j\pi/n) + i \sin(2j\pi/n)$  so can compute with powers of  $\omega$
- $\omega^j$  is a root of  $x^n-1=(x-1)(x^{n-1}+x^{n-2}+...+1)=0$ but for  $j\neq 0$ ,  $\omega^j\neq 1$  so  $\omega^{j(n-1)}+\omega^{j(n-2)}+...+1=0$

#### The key idea for n even

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

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

- Goal:
  - Evaluate P at  $1, \omega, \omega^2, \omega^3, ..., \omega^{n-1}$
- Now
  - P<sub>even</sub> and P<sub>odd</sub> have degree n/2-1 where
  - $P(\omega^{k}) = P_{even}(\omega^{2k}) + \omega^{k} P_{odd}(\omega^{2k})$
  - $P(-\omega^{k}) = P_{\text{even}}(\omega^{2k}) \omega^{k} P_{\text{odd}}(\omega^{2k})$
- Recursive Algorithm
  - Evaluate  $P_{even}$  at  $1,\omega^2,\omega^4,...,\omega^{n-2}$
  - Evaluate  $P_{odd}$  at  $1,\omega^2,\omega^4,...,\omega^{n-2}$
  - Combine to compute P at 1, \omega, \omega^2, ..., \omega^{n/2-1}
  - Combine to compute P at -1,- $\omega$ ,- $\omega^2$ ,...,- $\omega^{n/2-1}$  (i.e. at  $\omega^{n/2}$ ,  $\omega^{n/2+1}$ ,  $\omega^{n/2+2}$ ,...,  $\omega^{n-1}$ )

ω<sup>2</sup> is  $e^{2πi/k}$  where k=n/2 so problems are of same type but smaller size

#### **Analysis and more**

- Run-time
  - $T(n)=2\cdot T(n/2)+cn$  so T(n)=O(n log n)
- So much for evaluation ... what about interpolation?
  - Given

• 
$$r_0 = R(1), r_1 = R(\omega), r_2 = R(\omega^2), ..., r_{n-1} = R(\omega^{n-1})$$

Compute

$$\mathbf{c_0}, \mathbf{c_1}, \dots, \mathbf{c_{n-1}} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{c_0} + \mathbf{c_1} \mathbf{x} + \dots + \mathbf{c_{n-1}} \mathbf{x^{n-1}}$$

## Interpolation ≈ Evaluation: strange but true

#### Non-obvious fact:

- If we define a new polynomial  $S(x) = r_0 + r_1x + r_2x^2 + ... + r_{n-1}x^{n-1}$  where  $r_0, r_1, ..., r_{n-1}$  are the evaluations of R at  $1, \omega, ..., \omega^{n-1}$
- Then  $c_i = S(\omega^{-j})/n$  for k=0,...,n-1
- Relies on the fact the interpolation (inverse) matrix has ij entry ω<sup>-(ij)</sup>/n instead of ω<sup>ij</sup>

#### So...

- evaluate S at  $1, \omega^{-1}, \omega^{-2}, ..., \omega^{-(n-1)}$  then divide each answer by n to get the  $c_0, ..., c_{n-1}$
- ω<sup>-1</sup> behaves just like ω did so the same O(n log n) evaluation algorithm applies!

### Why this is called the discrete Fourier transform



• Given a real valued function f defined on  $[0,2\pi]$  the Fourier series for f is given by

$$f(x)=a_0+a_1\cos(x)+a_2\cos(2x)+...+a_m\cos(mx)+...$$

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<sub>m</sub> and there aren't many since

### 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  $f(z)=b_0+b_1 \ e^{iz}+b_2 \ e^{2iz}+...+b_m \ e^{miz}+...$  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 equally spaced points between 0 and  $2\pi$  we get

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