



Chapter 1

Divide and Conquer

Closest Pair,

Polynomial Multiplication

Algorithm Theory

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Formulation of the D&C principle

Divide-and-conquer method for solving a problem instance of size n :

1. Divide

$n \leq c$: Solve the problem directly.

$n > c$: Divide the problem into k subproblems of sizes $n_1, \dots, n_k < n$ ($k \geq 2$).

2. Conquer

Solve the k subproblems in the same way (recursively).

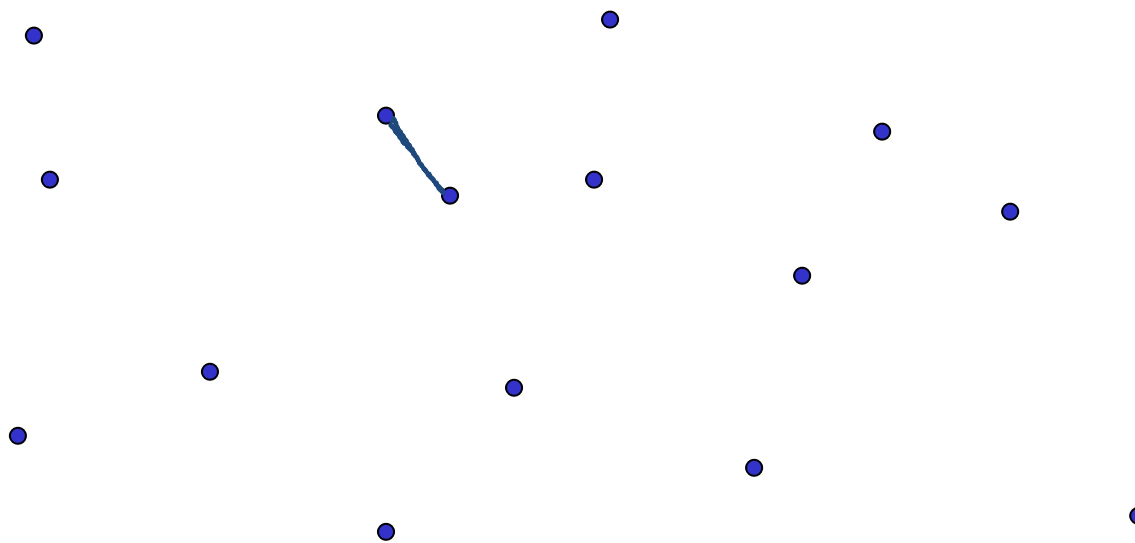
3. Combine

Combine the partial solutions to generate a solution for the original instance.

Geometric divide-and-conquer



Closest Pair Problem: Given a set S of n points, find a pair of points with the **smallest distance**.



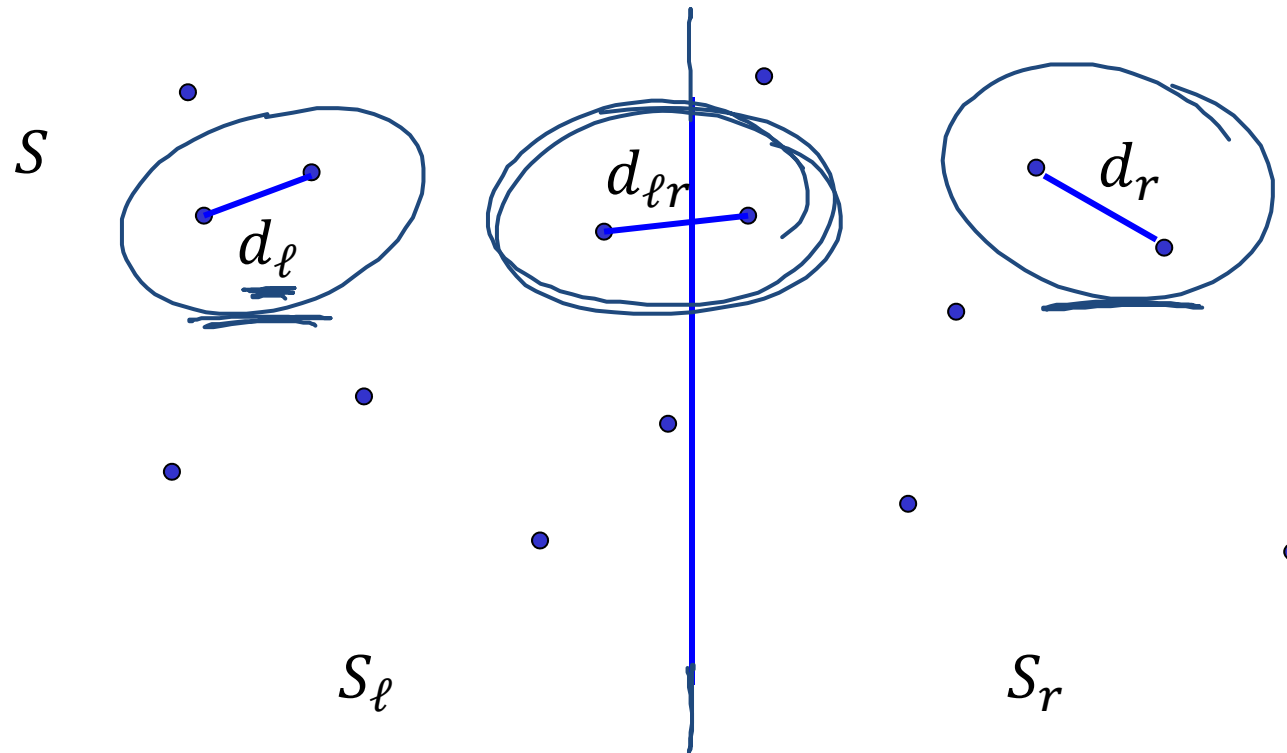
Naive solution:

go through all pairs

time: $O(n^2)$

Divide-and-conquer solution

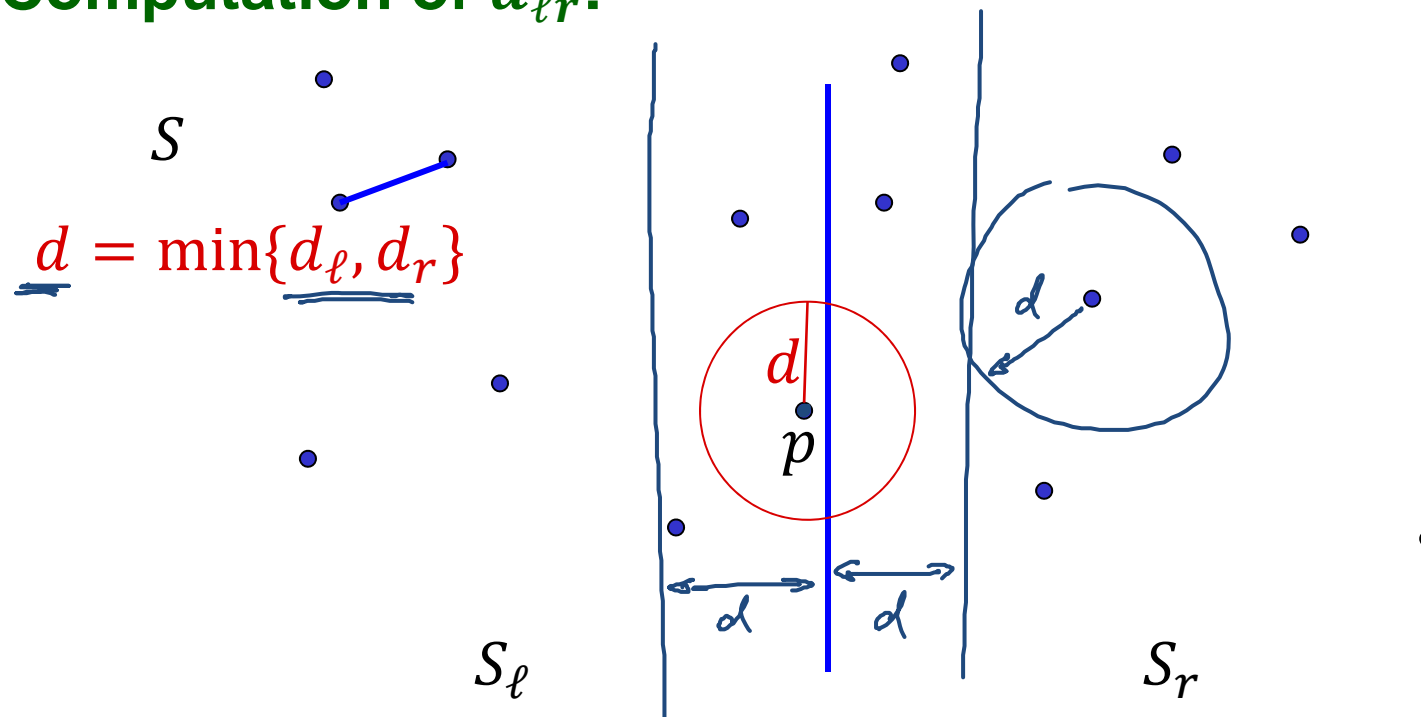
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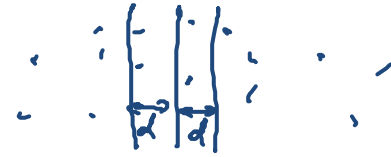
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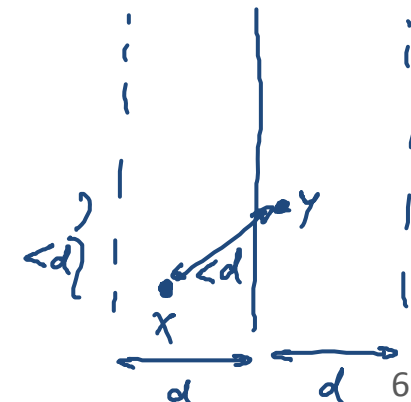
Computation of $d_{\ell r}$:



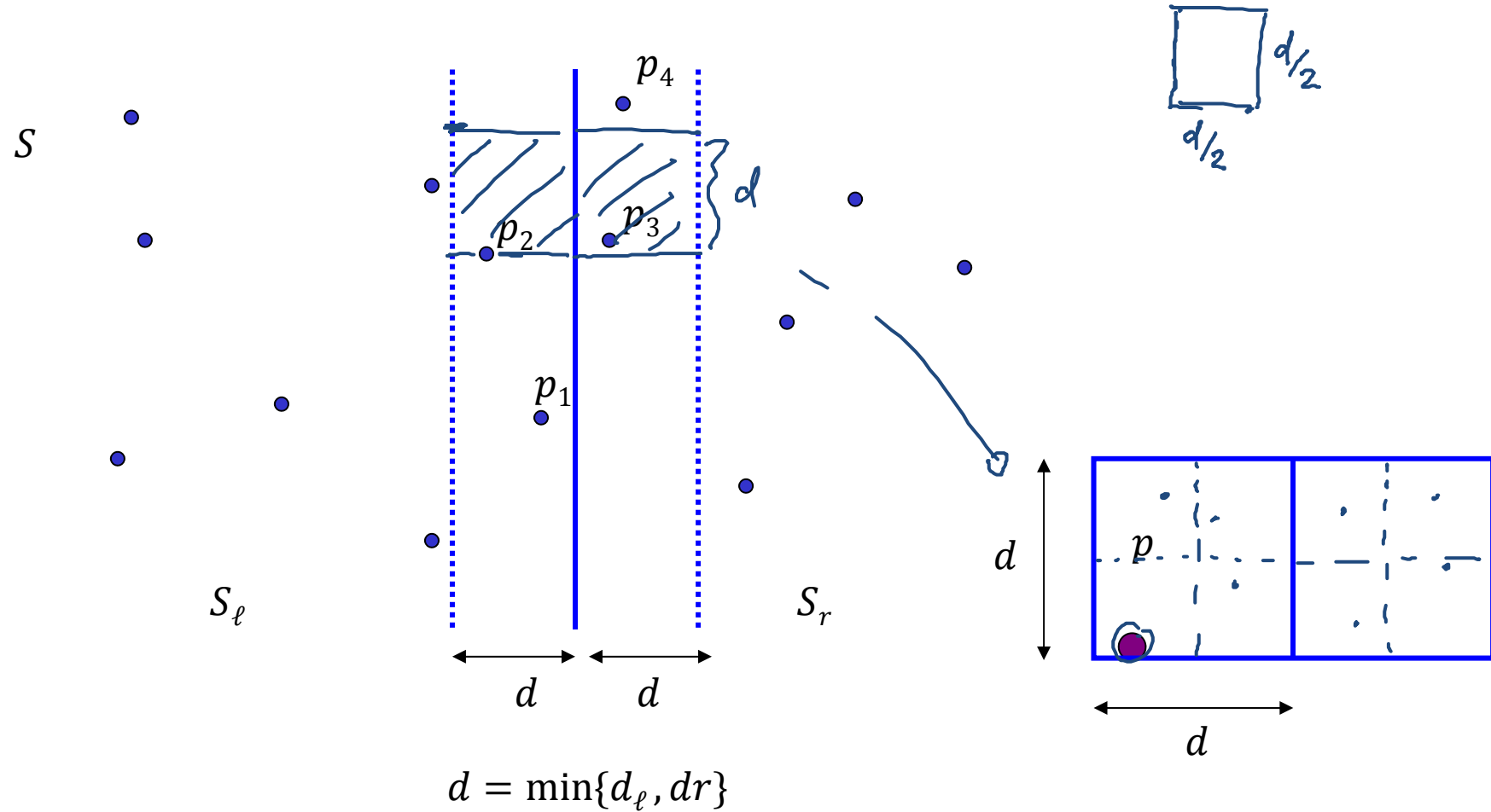
Merge step



- Assume that the points in both halves are sorted by increasing y -coordinates
1. Consider only points **within distance $< d$ of the bisection line**, in the order of increasing y -coordinates.
 2. For each point p consider all points q within y -distance less than d
 3. There are **at most 7** such points.



Combine step



Implementation



$O(n \log n)$

- Initially **sort** the points in S in order of increasing **x -coordinates**
- While** computing **closest pair**, also **sort S** according to **y -coord.**
 - Partition S into S_ℓ and S_r , solve and sort sub-problems recursively
 $O(1)$
 - Merge to get sorted S according to y -coordinates
 $O(n)$
 - Center points: points within x -distance $d = \min\{d_\ell, d_r\}$ of center
 - Go through center points in S in order of incr. y -coordinates

$O(n)$



Running Time

Recurrence relation:

$$\underline{T(n)} = 2 \cdot \underline{T(n/2)} + \underline{c \cdot n}, \quad T(1) = a$$

Solution:

- Same as for computing number of number of inversions, merge sort (and many others...)

$$\underline{T(n) = O(n \cdot \log n)}$$

Recurrence Relations: Master Theorem

Recurrence relation

$$T(n) = 4 \cdot T(n/3) + \underline{O(n^2)} \quad 2 > \log_3 4$$

$$\underline{T(n) = \underline{a} \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + \underline{f(n)}, \quad T(n) = O(1) \text{ for } n \leq n_0$$

Cases

- $f(n) = O(n^c)$, $c < \log_b a$

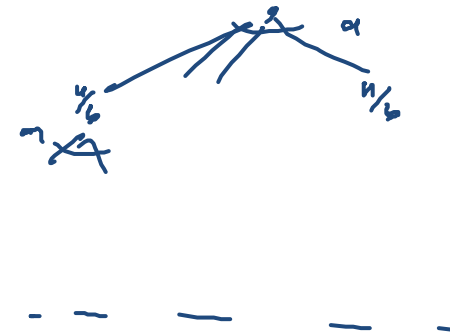
$$T(n) = \Theta(\underline{n^{\log_b a}})$$

- $f(n) = \Omega(n^c)$, $c > \log_b a$

$$T(n) = \underline{\Theta(f(n))}$$

- • $f(n) = \Theta(\underline{n^c \cdot \log^k n})$, $c = \log_b a$

$$T(n) = \underline{\Theta(n^c \cdot \log^{k+1} n)}$$



$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + \underline{O(n \log n)}$$

Polynomials

Real polynomial p in one variable x :

$$p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x^1 + a_0$$

degree ↙

Coefficients of p : $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in \underline{\mathbb{R}} / \mathbb{C}$

Degree of p : largest power of x in p (n in the above case)

Example:

$$a_0 = 0, a_1 = 18, \dots$$

$$p(x) = 3x^3 - 15x^2 + 18x$$

Set of all real-valued polynomials in x : $\mathbb{R}[x]$ (polynomial ring)

Operations: Addition

- Given: Polynomials $p, q \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ of degree n

$$p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$

$$q(x) = b_n x^n + b_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + b_1 x + b_0$$

- Compute sum $p(x) + q(x)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{p(x) + q(x)} &= (a_n x^n + \dots + a_0) + (b_n x^n + \dots + b_0) \\ &= \underline{(a_n + b_n)} x^n + \dots + (a_1 + b_1) x + \underline{(a_0 + b_0)} \end{aligned}$$

Operations: Multiplication

- Given: Polynomials $p, q \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ of degree n $i=5$

$$p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$

$$q(x) = b_n x^n + b_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + b_1 x + b_0$$

- Product $p(x) \cdot q(x)$: $c_5 = (a_0 b_5 + a_1 b_4 + a_2 b_3 + \dots + a_5 b_0)$

$$p(x) \cdot q(x) = (\underline{a_n x^n} + \dots + a_0) \cdot (\underline{b_n x^n} + \dots + b_0)$$

$$= \underline{c_{2n}} x^{2n} + \underline{c_{2n-1}} x^{2n-1} + \dots + \underline{c_1} x + \underline{c_0}$$

- Obtaining c_i : what products of monomials have degree i ?

$$\text{For } 0 \leq i \leq 2n: \underline{c_i} = \sum_{j=0}^i \underline{a_j b_{i-j}}$$

where $a_i = b_i = 0$ for $i > n$.

Operations: Evaluation

$$3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 5$$

$$((\underline{3x} + 2) \underline{x} - 1) \underline{x} + 5$$



- Given: Polynomial $p \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ of degree n

$$p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$

- Horner's method** for evaluation at specific value x_0 :

$$p(x_0) = \underbrace{\left(\dots \left(\underbrace{(a_n x_0 + a_{n-1})}_{\text{inner}} \right) \underbrace{x_0 + a_{n-2}}_{\text{inner}} \right) \underbrace{x_0 + \dots + a_1}_{\text{inner}} \underbrace{x_0 + a_0}_{\text{inner}}$$

- Pseudo-code:

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p := a_n; i := n;
while (i > 0) do
    i := i - 1;
    p := p · x_0 + a_i
end
    
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running time: $O(n)$

Assumption

adding/mult./div. 2 real numbers costs $O(1)$ time.

- Running time: $O(n)$

Representation of Polynomials

Coefficient representation:

- Polynomial $p(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ of degree n is given by its $n + 1$ coefficients a_0, \dots, a_n :

$$p(x) = a_n x^n + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$

- Example: $a_0 = 0, a_1 = 18, a_2 = -15, a_3 = 3$

$$p(x) = 3x^3 - 15x^2 + 18x$$

- The most typical (and probably most natural) representation of polynomials

Representation of Polynomials

Product of linear factors:

- Polynomial $p(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]$ of degree n is given by its n roots

$$p(x) = \underline{a_n} \cdot (x - x_1) \cdot (x - x_2) \cdot \dots \cdot \underline{(x - x_n)}$$

- Example:

zeros: 0, 2, 3

$$p(x) = \underline{3}x(x - 2)(x - 3)$$

- Every polynomial has exactly n roots $x_i \in \mathbb{C}$ for which $p(x_i) = 0$
 - Polynomial is uniquely defined by the n roots and a_n
- We will not use this representation...

Representation of Polynomials

Point-value representation:

- Polynomial $p(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ of degree n is given by $n + 1$ point-value pairs:

$$p = \{(\underline{x_0}, \underline{p(x_0)}), (\underline{x_1}, \underline{p(x_1)}), \dots, (\underline{x_n}, \underline{p(x_n)})\}$$

where $x_i \neq x_j$ for $i \neq j$.

- Example: The polynomial

$$p(x) = 3x(x - 2)(x - 3)$$

is uniquely defined by the four point-value pairs $(0,0), (1,6), (2,0), (3,0)$. $(4, 24)$

Operations: Coefficient Representation



Deg.- n polynomials $p(x) = a_n x^n + \dots + a_0$, $q(x) = b_n x^n + \dots + b_0$

Addition:

$$p(x) + q(x) = (a_n + b_n)x^n + \dots + (a_0 + b_0)$$

- Time: $O(n)$

Multiplication:

$$p(x) \cdot q(x) = \underline{c_{2n}}x^{2n} + \dots + \underline{c_0}, \quad \text{where } \underline{c_i} = \sum_{j=0}^i \underline{a_j b_{i-j}}$$

- Naive solution: Need to compute product $a_i b_j$ for all $0 \leq i, j \leq n$
- Time: $O(n^2)$

Operations Point-Value Representation



Degree- n polynomials

$$p = \{(\underline{x_0}, p(x_0)), \dots, (\underline{x_n}, p(x_n))\}, q = \{(\underline{x_0}, q(x_0)), \dots, (\underline{x_n}, q(x_n))\}$$

- Note: we use the same points $\underline{x_0}, \dots, \underline{x_n}$ for both polynomials

Addition:

$$p + q = \{(\underline{x_0}, \underline{p(x_0)} + q(x_0)), \dots, (\underline{x_n}, \underline{p(x_n)} + q(x_n))\}$$

- Time: $O(n)$

Multiplication:

we need $2n+1$ pairs

$$p \cdot q = \{(\underline{x_0}, \underline{p(x_0)} \cdot q(x_0)), \dots, (\underline{x_n}, \underline{p(x_n)} \cdot q(x_n))\}$$

... $(x_{2n}, p(x_{2n}) \cdot q(x_{2n}))$

- Time: $O(n)$

Faster Multiplication?

- Multiplication is slow ($\Theta(n^2)$) when using the standard coefficient representation

$$p(x) = \underline{3x^3 - 2x^2} + 4x + 7$$

$$p_0(x) = 4x + 7, \quad p_1(x) = 3x - 2$$

- Try **divide-and-conquer** to get a faster algorithm

$$p(x) = x^2 \cdot p_1(x) + p_0(x)$$

- Assume: degree is $n - 1$, n is even
- Divide polynomial $p(x) = a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0$ into 2 polynomials of degree $n/2 - 1$:

$$p_0(x) = a_{n/2-1}x^{n/2-1} + \dots + a_0 \leftarrow$$

$$p_1(x) = a_{n-1}x^{n/2-1} + \dots + a_{n/2}$$

$$\underline{p(x)} = \underline{p_1(x)} \cdot \underline{x^{n/2}} + \underline{p_0(x)}$$

- Similarly: $q(x)$ = $q_1(x)$ · $x^{n/2}$ + $q_0(x)$

Use Divide-And-Conquer

- **Divide:**

$$p(x) = p_1(x) \cdot x^{n/2} + p_0(x), \quad q(x) = q_1(x) \cdot x^{n/2} + q_0(x)$$

- **Multiplication:**

$$p(x)q(x) = p_1(x)q_1(x) \cdot x^n + \underbrace{(p_0(x)q_1(x) + p_1(x)q_0(x)) \cdot x^{n/2}} + \underbrace{p_0(x)q_0(x)}$$

- 4 multiplications of degree $n/2 - 1$ polynomials:

$$\underline{T(n)} = 4\underline{T(n/2)} + \underline{O(n)}$$

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

- Leads to $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$ like the naive algorithm... (see exercises)

More Clever Recursive Solution

- Recall that

$$p(x)q(x) = \overbrace{p_1(x)q_1(x)}^A \cdot x^n + \underbrace{(p_0(x)q_1(x) + p_1(x)q_0(x))}_{B} \cdot x^{n/2} + \underbrace{p_0(x)q_0(x)}_C$$
- Compute $\underline{r(x)} = \underbrace{(p_0(x) + p_1(x))}_{\text{degr. } \frac{n}{2}-1} \cdot \underbrace{(q_0(x) + q_1(x))}_{\text{degr. } \frac{n}{2}-1}$:

$$\underline{r(x)} = \underbrace{p_0(x) \cdot q_0(x)}_C + \underbrace{p_0(x)q_1(x) + p_1(x)q_0(x)}_B + \underbrace{p_1(x)q_1(x)}_A$$

$$\underline{B} = \underline{r(x)} - \underline{A} - \underline{C}$$

Karatsuba Algorithm

- Recursive multiplication:

$$r(x) = (p_0(x) + p_1(x)) \odot (q_0(x) + q_1(x))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{p(x)q(x)} &= p_1(x)q_1(x) \cdot x^n \\ &+ (r(x) - p_0(x)q_0(x) + p_1(x)q_1(x)) \cdot \underline{x^{n/2}} \\ &+ p_0(x)q_0(x) \end{aligned}$$

- Recursively do **3** multiplications of $\text{degr. } (n/2 - 1)$ -polynomials

$$T(n) = \underline{3}T(n/2) + \underline{O(n)}$$

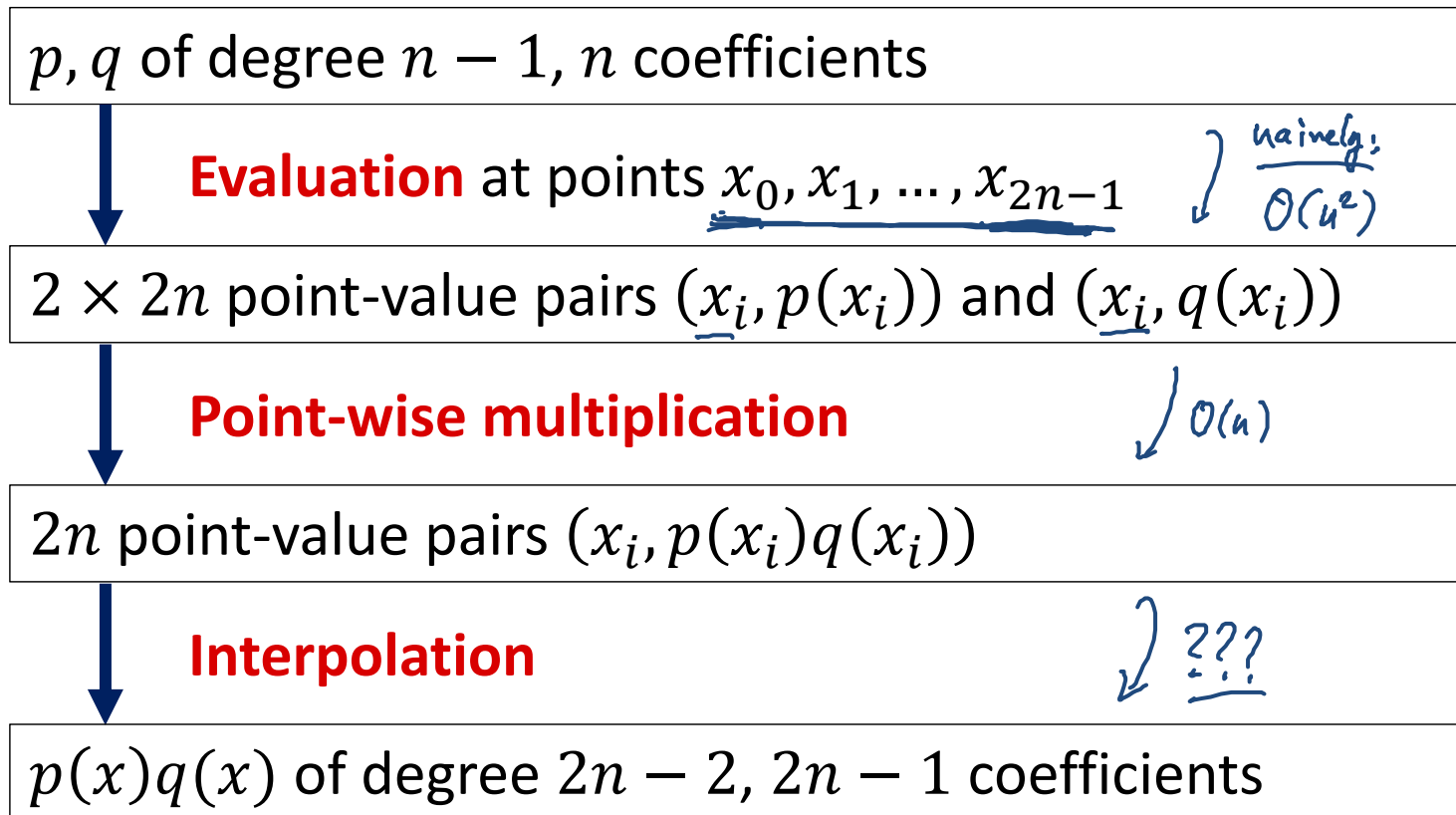
- Gives: $T(n) = O(n^{1.59})$ (see Master theorem)

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \log_2 3 \end{array}$$

Faster Polynomial Multiplication?

Multiplication is fast when using the point-value representation

Idea to compute $p(x) \cdot q(x)$ (for polynomials of degree $< n$):



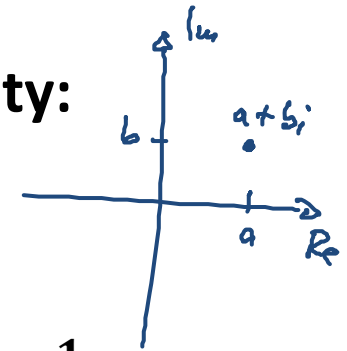
Point-Value Representation of p, q $x^s = 1$



- Select points x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{N-1} to evaluate p and q in a clever way

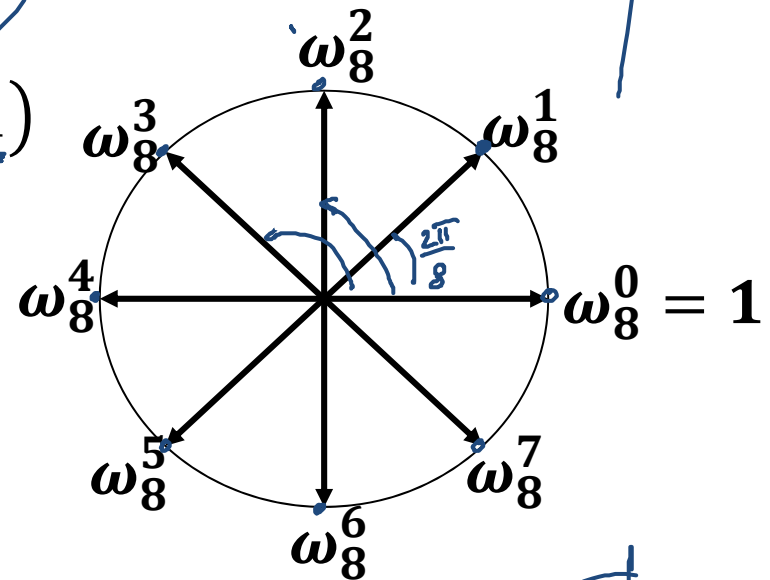
Consider the N powers of the principle N th root of unity:

$x^N = 1$
Principle root of unity: $\omega_N = e^{2\pi i / N}$
 ($i = \sqrt{-1}$, $e^{2\pi i} = 1$)

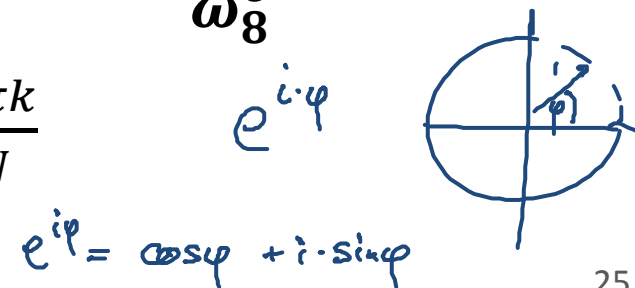


Powers of ω_N (roots of unity):

$1 = \omega_N^0, \omega_N^1, \dots, \omega_N^{N-1}$
 $e^{i \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot k}$
 $\omega_N^1 = \omega_N$ (principle root)



Note: $\omega_N^k = e^{2\pi i k / N} = \cos \frac{2\pi k}{N} + i \cdot \sin \frac{2\pi k}{N}$



Discrete Fourier Transform

- The values $p(\omega_N^i)$ for $i = 0, \dots, N - 1$ uniquely define a polynomial p of degree $\leq N$.

$$p(\omega_N^0), p(\omega_N^1), \dots, p(\omega_N^{N-1})$$

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT):

- Assume $a = (a_0, \dots, a_{N-1})$ is the coefficient vector of poly. p
 $(p(x) = a_{N-1}x^{N-1} + \dots + a_1x + a_0)$

$$\underline{\text{DFT}_N(a)} := \left(\underline{p(\omega_N^0)}, \underline{p(\omega_N^1)}, \dots, \underline{p(\omega_N^{N-1})} \right)$$

Example

$$-3i \quad +15$$

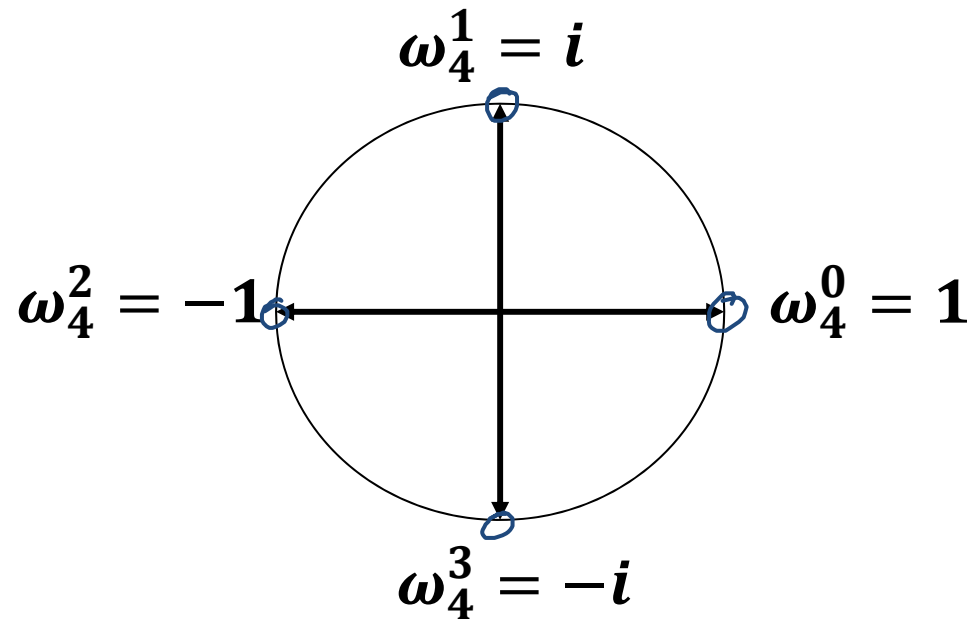
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$$p(\omega_4^0) = p(1) = 6$$

- Choose $N = 4$

$$p(\omega_4^1) = p(i) = 15 + 15i$$

- Roots of unity:



$$\text{DFT}_4((0, 18, -15, 3)) = (6, 15 + 15i, \dots)$$

Example

- Consider polynomial $p(x) = 3x^3 - 15x^2 + 18x$
- $N = 4$, roots of unity: $\omega_4^0 = 1, \omega_4^1 = i, \omega_4^2 = -1, \omega_4^3 = -i$
- Evaluate $p(x)$ at ω_4^k :

$$\left(\omega_4^0, p(\omega_4^0)\right) = (1, p(1)) = (1, 6)$$

$$\left(\omega_4^1, p(\omega_4^1)\right) = (i, p(i)) = (i, 15 + 15i)$$

$$\left(\omega_4^2, p(\omega_4^2)\right) = (-1, p(-1)) = (-1, -36)$$

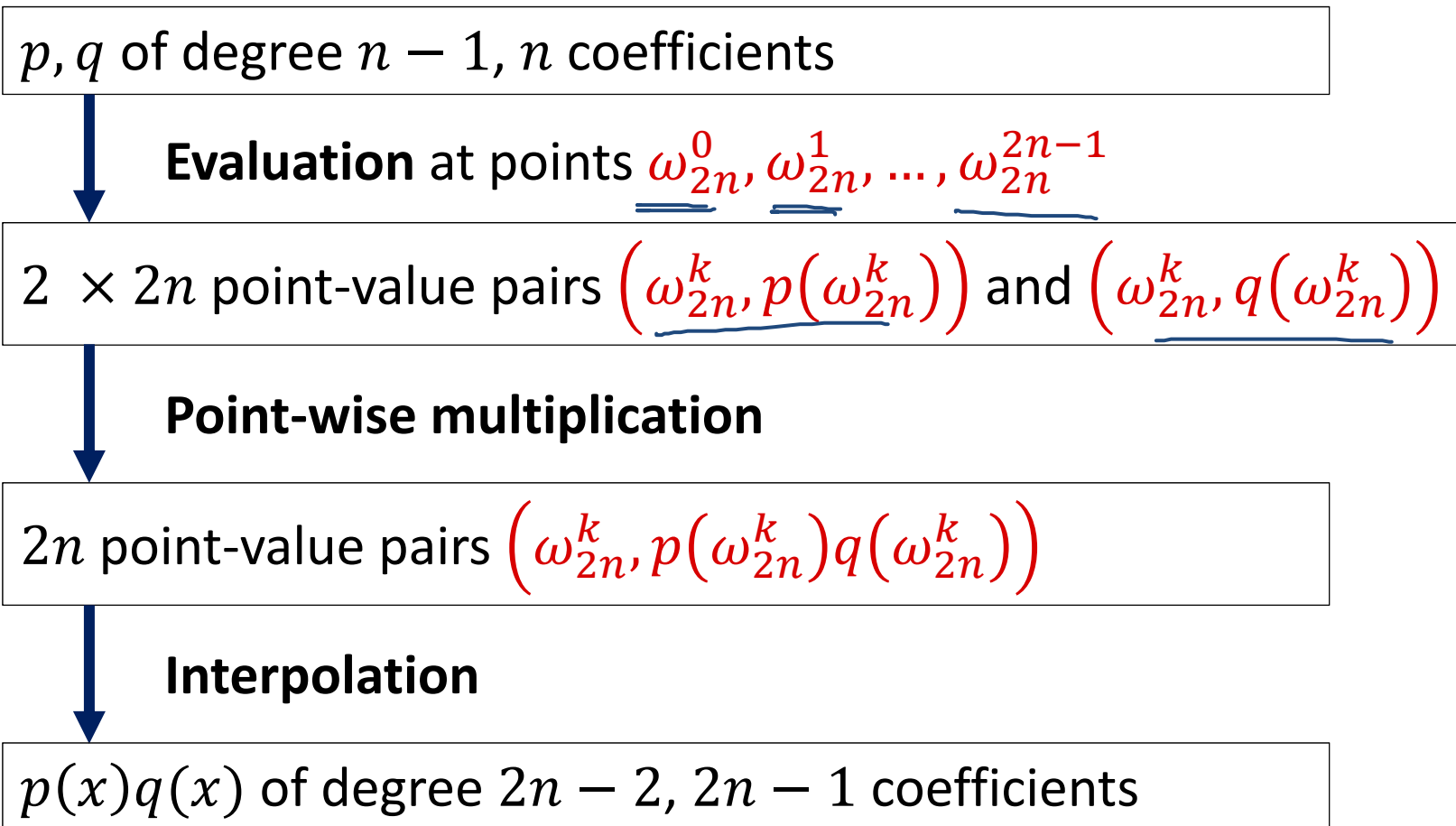
$$\left(\omega_4^3, p(\omega_4^3)\right) = (-i, p(-i)) = (-i, 15 - 15i)$$

- For $a = (3, -15, 18, 0)$:

$$\mathbf{DFT}_4(a) = (6, 15 + 15i, -36, 15 - 15i)$$

Faster Polynomial Multiplication?

Idea to compute $p(x) \cdot q(x)$ (for polynomials of degree $< n$):



Properties of the Roots of Unity

- **Cancellation Lemma:**

For all integers $n > 0$, $k \geq 0$, and $d > 0$, we have:

$$(*) \quad \omega_{dn}^{dk} = \omega_n^k, \quad (**) \quad \omega_n^{k+n} = \omega_n^k$$

- **Proof:**

$$\omega_n = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n}}$$

$$(*) \quad \omega_{dn}^{dk} = \left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{dn}} \right)^{dk} = e^{\frac{2\pi i dk}{dn}} = e^{\frac{2\pi i k}{n}} = \left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n}} \right)^k = \omega_n^k$$

$$(**) \quad \omega_n^{k+n} = \left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n}} \right)^{k+n} = \underbrace{e^{\frac{2\pi i n}{n}}}_{=1} \cdot e^{\frac{2\pi i k}{n}} = \left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n}} \right)^k = \omega_n^k$$