

## Analysis of Algorithms

# Algorithms are Everywhere

## Examples

- Maps
- Fedex
- Biology
- Physics
- Computer Operating Systems
- Self-Driving Cars
- Determining if you should get a job/loan/school admission
- Regulating your heart
- Space Shuttle
- Machine Learning
- ...

# Why is this the right time to study algorithms?

- Mathematical understanding
- fast computers
- ability to get algorithm implementations to users
- good interfaces

# What do we study in this class

- Given a problem, we find the right algorithm
- We use math
- We prove that our work is right
- We keep an eye on practice/implementation, but our goal is to solve the clean well-defined problem.

# What are the skills most people need

- Given a new problem, how do we design an algorithm
- Knowing what is efficient and what is not, to help you
  - model problems
  - use existing algorithms
  - decide which algorithms to extend
  - realize when a problem is too hard to solve quickly

## First problem to consider: Matrix Multiplication

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**Write pseudocode**

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2  // output:  $C$ , an  $n \times p$  matrix
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4      for  $j = 1$  to  $p$ 
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```

## Running time

- 3 nested loops
- $O(nmp)$  time
- if  $n = m = p$ , then  $O(n^3)$  time
- Lower bound of  $\Omega(n^2)$



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### **Multiply 2 $n \times n$ matrices takes**

- 8 multiplications of  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices
- 4 additions of  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices
- Adding two  $n \times n$  matrices takes  $O(n^2)$  time
- Adding matrices seems easier than multiplying them

## Let's Analyze

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But consider the following recurrence

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 7T(n/2) + 18(n/2)^2 & \text{if } n > 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \end{cases}$$

As we will learn, this solves to  $O(n^{\log_2 7}) = O(n^{2.81..})$  .

But can we multiply 2  $n \times n$  matrices by doing 7 multiplications of  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices and 18 additions of  $n/2 \times n/2$  matrices.

# Strassen's Algorithm

## To Compute

$$r = ae + bf \quad (9)$$

$$s = ag + bh \quad (10)$$

$$t = ce + df \quad (11)$$

$$u = cg + dh \quad (12)$$

## Calculations

$$P_1 = a(g - h) = ag - ah$$

$$P_2 = (a + b)h = ah + bh$$

$$s = P_1 + P_2$$

$$P_3 = (c + d)e = ce + de$$

$$P_4 = d(f - e) = df - de$$

$$t = P_3 + P_4$$

$$P_5 = (a + d)(e + h) = ae + ah + de + dh$$

$$P_6 = (b - d)(h + f) = -dh - df + bh + bf$$

$$r = P_5 + P_4 - P_2 + P_6$$

$$P_7 = (a - c)(e + g) = ae + ag - ce - cg$$

$$u = P_5 + P_1 - P_3 - P_7$$

# Course Logistics

## Another Problem

**Investing for someone who knows the Future:** You are given the prices of a stock for each of the next  $n$  days. You can buy once and sell once and you want to maximize your profit.

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|----------------|-------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| <b>Example</b> | Day   | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
|                | Price | 70 | 90 | 40 | 27 | 69 | 80 | 13 | 50 | 35 | 75 | 51 | 53 | 56 | 10 | 15 | 41 |

### Questions:

- How long does the naive algorithm take?
- Can we improve this with divide and conquer?