

Algorithms and datastructures I

Lecture 11: Master theorem, Strassen algorithm, k -th smallest element

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Divide & Conquer

“Divide and conquer is an algorithm design paradigm based on multi-branched recursion. A divide-and-conquer algorithm works by recursively breaking down a problem into two or more sub-problems of the same or related type, until these become simple enough to be solved directly. The solutions to the sub-problems are then combined to give a solution to the original problem.”



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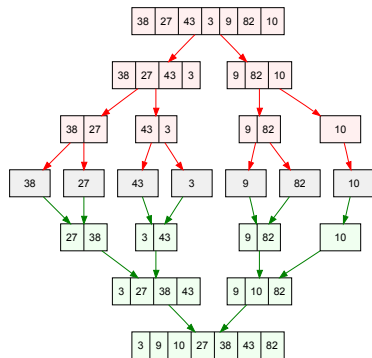
MergeSort (x_1, \dots, x_n) , John von Neumann, 1945

1. if $n = 1$: Return (x_1) .
2. $(y_1, \dots, y_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}) \leftarrow \text{MergeSort}(x_1, \dots, x_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor})$
3. $(z_1, \dots, z_{\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}) \leftarrow \text{MergeSort}(x_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1}, \dots, x_n)$
4. Return Merge $((y_1, \dots, y_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}), (z_1, \dots, z_{\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}))$.

Time complexity (for $n = 2^k$)

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \Theta(n)$$

$$T(1) = 1$$



Multiplication (Karatsuba 1960)

$$X = \boxed{A \mid B} = A \cdot 10^{\frac{n}{2}} + B$$

$$Y = \boxed{C \mid D} = C \cdot 10^{\frac{n}{2}} + D$$

$$X \cdot Y = AC \cdot 10^n + (AD + BC) \cdot 10^{\frac{n}{2}} + BD$$

$$= AC \cdot 10^n + ((A + B)(C + D) - AC - BD) \cdot 10^{\frac{n}{2}} + BD$$

$$T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= \sum_{i=0}^{\log n} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^i cn = cn \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{\log n + 1} - 1}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - 1} = \Theta\left(n \cdot \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{\log n}\right) = \Theta\left(n \cdot \left(\frac{3^{\log n}}{2^{\log n}}\right)\right) = \Theta(3^{\log n}) \\ &= \Theta\left((2^{\log 3})^{\log n}\right) = \Theta(2^{\log 3 \log n}) = \Theta\left((2^{\log n})^{\log 3}\right) = \Theta(n^{\log 3}) = \Theta(n^{1.59\dots}). \end{aligned}$$



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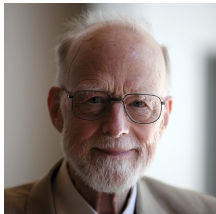
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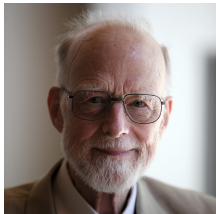
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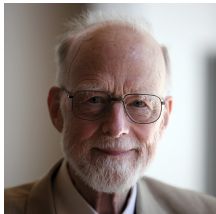
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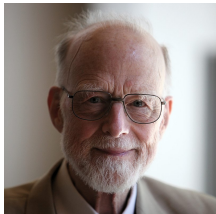
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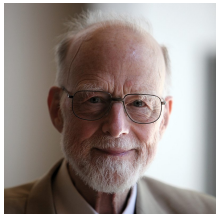
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