

# Computer Algebra

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## What is Computer Algebra?

Computer algebra is a sub-field of mathematics and computer science that deals with the exact solution of equations.

Main Topics: large

- ▶ Computing with integers, rationals and algebraic numbers
- ▶ Polynomials: Multiplication and factorization etc.
- ▶ Solving polynomial equations: Gröbner bases and computational algebraic geometry
- ▶ Applications in cryptography, optimization and many other fields of computational science

## Syllabus

- ▶ Basic arithmetic \*, /, -, +
- ▶ Implementation in Python
- ▶ Modular arithmetic, fast exponentiation  $(\mathbb{Z}_N, +, \cdot)$
- ▶ Randomized primality tests, distribution of primes, RSA
- ▶ Chinese remainder theorem and computing determinants
- ▶ The Schwartz-Zippel Lemma and perfect matchings in graphs
- ▶ Matrix multiplication, Gaussian elimination and matrix inversion
- ▶ Polynomials: Evaluation, interpolation and the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT), efficient multiplication
- ▶ Symbolic FFT in rings
- ▶ Lattices, Hermite-normal forms and integer linear algebra

## Bonus rule

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- ▶ You can collect bonus points by handing in solutions to selected exercises from the assignment sheets.
- ▶ If you solve 50% or more of the exercises, the grade of your final exam will be improved by a half grade.
- ▶ If you solve 90% or more of the exercises, the grade of your final exam will be improved by a full grade.

provided that your grade in final exam  $\geq 4.0$

## Main literature

1. Any book with the title *Algebra*

Groups, Rings & fields

2. *Algorithms*, by S. Dasgupta, C. H. Papadimitriou, and U. V. Vazirani

first part of course (1/3)

Algorithms for integers, Fast Fourier Transform... →



3. *Modern Computer Algebra*, by J. von zur Gathen and J. Gerhard

disopt.epf2.ch. Follow teaching link.



## Python

- ▶ Python to the level of need in this course is really easy and can be learned on the fly
- ▶ A very nice introduction is here: <http://cscircles.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/>

# Analysis of Algorithms

## Algorithms: The good, the bad . . .

Recall the definition of Fibonacci numbers

- $F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1$

$$F_2 = F_1 + F_0 = 1 + 0 = 1$$

- If  $n \geq 2: F_n = \underbrace{F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}}$

$$F_3 = 1 + 1 = 2, F_4 = 2 + 1 \dots$$

- $F_N$  is monotonically increasing.

- $F_N = \underbrace{F_{N-1} + F_{N-2}}_{\geq F_{N-2}} \geq 2 \cdot F_{N-2} \geq 4 \cdot F_{N-4} \geq 8 \cdot F_{N-6}$

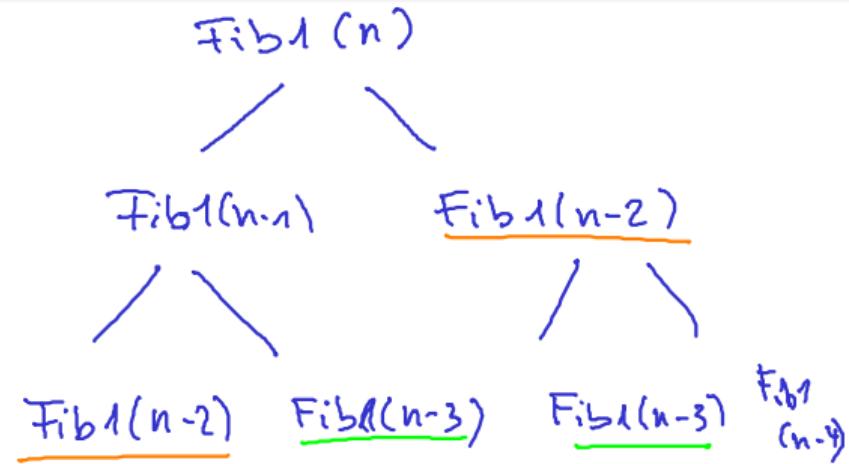
exponentially increasing.

$$F_N \geq 2^{\lfloor N/2 \rfloor} \cdot F_1$$

- exponentially increasing sequence

## The bad

```
def fib1(n):  
    if n == 0:  
        return 0  
    elif n == 1:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return fib1(n-1)+fib1(n-2)
```



Let  $T(n)$  be the number of basic operations that are performed by

$\text{Fib1}(n)$

$$T(n) = 1 \quad n \leq 2$$

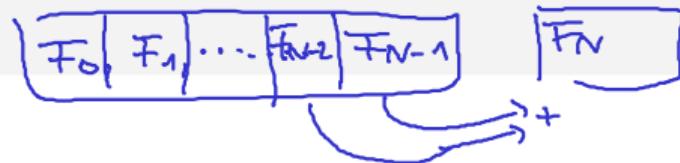
$$T(n) = T(n-1) + T(n-2)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Alg. performs exponential number of basic operations ( $2^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$ )

looks like definition  
of Fibonacci numbers  
themselves.

## The good

```
def fib2(n):
    A = [0, 1]
    i = 1
    while i < n:
        A.append(A[i-1]+A[i])
        i = i+1
    return A[n]
```



Thm: This algorithm performs a linear ( $\Theta(N)$ ) number of basic operations.  $\Theta(N)$  basic operations.

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$\Theta$ -Notation  
describes growth of functions.

## Analysis

## Comparison of running times

- Algorithm 1:  $f_1(n) = n^2$
- Algorithm 2:  $f_2(n) = 2 \cdot n + 10$

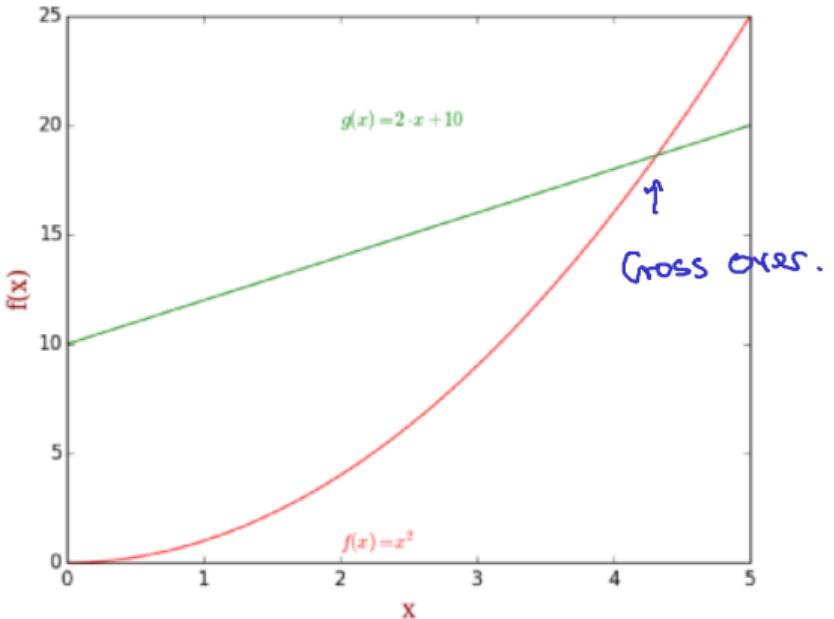
Algorithm 1.  $\hookrightarrow$  Input of "length" N  
 $\hookrightarrow$  performs  $f_1(n)$  basic op.

Alg2.  $\hookrightarrow$  Input of "length" N.  
 $\hookrightarrow$  performs  $f_2(n)$  basic op.

$$f_2 = O(f_1)$$

But

$$f_1 \neq O(f_2)$$



## O-notation

### Definition

Let  $f, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ . We say  $f = O(g)$  if there exists a constant  $c > 0$  and a number  $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n) \text{ for all } n \geq N_0.$$

Previous example.

$$c = 1$$

$$N_0 = 5$$

$$f(n) = 3n^3 + n^2 + 1$$

$$g(n) = n^4 + n + 1.$$

$$1 \cdot f_1(n) \geq f_2(n)$$

$$\Rightarrow f = O(g).$$

## O-notation

### Definition

Let  $f, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ .

- ▶ We say  $f = \underline{\Omega}(g)$  if  $g = O(f)$ .
- ▶ We say  $f = \underline{\Theta}(g)$  if  $f = O(g)$  and  $f = \Omega(g)$ .  $\leftarrow f$  and  $g$  have some growth-rate  
if  $f = O(g)$  and  $g = O(f)$ .

### Primary Goal of Algorithm design:

- Find efficient algorithms. For example Alg A has running time  $f(n)$ . Goal: design Algorithm B with running time  $g(n)$  and  $g(n) = O(f(n))$  but  $f(n) \neq O(g(n))$
- Find lower bounds for Algorithms.  $\Rightarrow$  Not so much success yet!

## Basic Arithmetic

## Natural numbers

$$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}, \mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}.$$

A natural number is represented by a list of bits

$$\langle a_{n-1}, a_{n-2}, \dots, a_0 \rangle, \text{ with } a_i \in \{0, 1\}, i = 0, \dots, n-1.$$

Represented number

$$x = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \cdot 2^i.$$

$$3 = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$10 = \langle 1, 0, 1, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$x$  has  $n$  bits and  $a_i$  is the  $i$ -th bit.

An integer  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  can be represented by its abs. value and a bit that determines the sign of the integer.

$$\underline{\text{size}(x) = \lceil \log_2(|x| + 1) \rceil}$$

Reflects number of bits of the representation of  $x$ .  
 $\approx$  Input length.

## Addition

$$\begin{array}{r} & \downarrow \\ + & \begin{array}{ccccccccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \\ \hline & \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} \end{array}$$

$c = 0$

Representation of Sum!

## Algorithm

```
def add(u, v):
    b = [] # Result.
    j = 0
    carry = 0
    while j < len(u) or j < len(v) or carry:
        if j < len(u):
            carry += u[j]
        if j < len(v):
            carry += v[j]
        b += [carry % 2]
        carry /= 2
        j += 1
    return b
```

## Analysis

### Theorem

Two  $n$ -bit numbers can be added in time  $O(n)$ .

Optimal, since all bits of input have to be read!

## Subtraction

### Exercise

Write a python function `Subtract(L1, L2)` that returns the representation of  $L1 - L2$  if  $L1 \geq L2$  and  $-1$  if  $L1 < L2$ .

$$\langle 1, 1, 0, 1, 1 \rangle - \langle 0, 1, 1, 0, 1 \rangle$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 1 0 1 1 \\ + 1 0 0 0 0 \\ \hline 1 1 0 1 1 \end{array}$$

Can be done in  $O(n)$ .

## Multiplication

$$(1,0,1,1,0) * (1,0,0,1,0)$$

↓  
lowest-bit

$$a \cdot b = a \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^i \cdot b_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i \cdot a \cdot 2^i$$

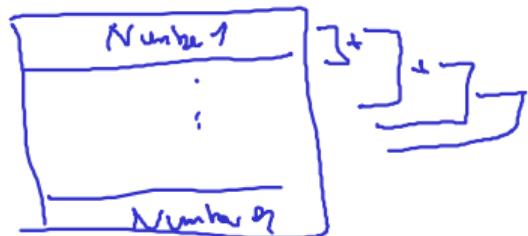
if  $b = (b_{n-1}, \dots, b_0)$

In the end:

$\mathcal{O}(n)$  additions of

$2^{n-1}$  bit numbers.

running time.  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$



## Multiplication

```
function multiply(x, y)
    if y = 0: return 0
    z = multiply(x, [y/2])
    if y is even:
        return 2z
    else:
        return x + 2z
```

Running time  $O(n^2)$

Input Numbers have n bits.

Question: Is this optimal?

## Python implementation

```
def Multiply(L1,L2):      #condition L2 does not represent 0
    if Leading1(L2) == -1:
        return [0]
    else:
        H =list (L2)
        b = H.pop(0)
        Z = Multiply(L1,H)
        Z.insert(0,0)
        if b == 0:
            return Z
        else:
            return Add(Z,L1)
```

# Analysis

## Theorem

*Two  $n$ -bit integers can be multiplied in time  $O(n^2)$ .*

## Karatsuba: Main idea

- ▶  $a$  and  $b$  two  $n$ -bit natural numbers,  
 $n = 2^l$  for some  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .      # of Bits of input-numbers is power of 2.

$$a = \underbrace{\langle a_{2^{n-1}}, \dots, a_0 \rangle}_{n/2 \text{ bits}}$$

$$b = \underbrace{\langle b_{2^{n-1}}, \dots, b_0 \rangle}_{n/2 \text{ bits}}$$
$$a \cdot b = a_1 \cdot b_1 \cdot 2^n + (a_1 \cdot b_0 + b_1 \cdot a_0) \cdot 2^{n/2} + a_0 \cdot b_0$$

- ▶ Divide:  $a = \underbrace{a_1}_{n/2 \text{ bits}} \cdot 2^{n/2} + \underbrace{a_0}_{n/2 \text{ bits}}$ ,  $b = b_1 \cdot 2^{n/2} + b_0$

- ▶ Compute recursively:  $s_1 = a_1 \cdot b_1$ ,  $s_2 = a_0 \cdot b_0$ ,  $s_3 = (a_1 + a_0) \cdot (b_1 + b_0)$

3  $n/2$ -bit number multiplications. +  $O(n)$  time

- ▶ Return  $s_1 \cdot 2^n + (s_3 - s_1 - s_2) \cdot 2^{n/2} + s_2$  or  $O(n)$  time for these additions,  
 $= a_1 \cdot b_1 \cdot 2^n + (a_1 \cdot b_0 + b_1 \cdot a_0) \cdot 2^{n/2} + a_0 \cdot b_0 = a \cdot b$ .

## Karatsuba: The algorithm

```
function Multiply (a, b)
```

Input: Two  $n$ -bit integers  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}_0$

Output: Their product  $a \cdot b$

if  $n = 1$  return  $a \cdot b$

else

$a_1, a_0$  leftmost  $\lceil n/2 \rceil$ , rightmost  $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$  bits of  $a$

$b_1, b_0$  leftmost  $\lceil n/2 \rceil$ , rightmost  $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$  bits of  $b$

$s_1 = \text{Multiply}(a_1, b_1)$   
 $s_2 = \text{Multiply}(a_0, b_0)$   
 $s_3 = \text{Multiply}(a_1 + a_0, b_1 + b_0)$

return  $s_1 \cdot 2^n + (s_3 - s_1 - s_2) \cdot 2^{\lceil n/2 \rceil} + s_2$

Running time:

$$T(n) \leq 3 \cdot T(n/2) + O(n)$$

There exists a constant

$$c > 1 \text{ s.t.}$$

$$T(n) \leq 3 \cdot T(n/2) + c \cdot n$$

whenever  $n > 1$ .

## Analysis

Karatsuba:  $T(n) = \underline{3} \cdot T(\underline{n}/2) + O(n^{\underline{d}})$ ,  $a=3$ ,  $b=2$ ,  $d=1$

more efficient than  $O(n^2)$

### Theorem

The Karatsuba algorithm runs in time  $O(n^{\log_2 3})$ . because  $\log_2 3 < 2$

### Theorem (Master theorem)

If  $T(n) = \underline{a} \cdot T(\lceil n/b \rceil) + O(n^{\underline{d}})$  for some constants  $a > 0$   $b > 1$  and  $d \geq 0$ , then

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^d), & \text{if } d > \log_b a \quad (\Leftrightarrow a/b^d < 1) \\ O(n^d \log n), & \text{if } d = \log_b a \\ O(n^{\log_b a}), & \text{if } d < \log_b a \end{cases}$$

$\log_2 3 > 1$ .

Proof Master Thm: Assume w.l.o.g.  $n$  is power of  $b$

$$T(n) \leq a \cdot T(n/b) + c \cdot n^d \quad \text{for some constant } c.$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b^d)^{\log_b n} \\ = (b^{\log_b n})^d \\ = n^d \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq a \cdot [a \cdot T(n/b^2) + c \cdot (\frac{n}{b^2})^d] + c \cdot n^d$$

$$\leq a \left[ a \left[ a \cdot T(n/b^3) + c \cdot (\frac{n}{b^3})^d \right] + c \cdot (\frac{n}{b^2})^d \right] + c \cdot n^d$$

$$= a^3 \cdot T(\frac{n}{b^3}) + \underline{a^2 \cdot c \left( \frac{n}{b^2} \right)^d} + a \cdot c \cdot \left( \frac{n}{b} \right)^d + c \cdot n^d$$

$$= a^3 \cdot T(\frac{n}{b^3}) + \left[ \left( \frac{a}{b^2} \right)^2 + \frac{a}{b^d} + 1 \right] c \cdot n^d$$

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$$= c \cdot n^d \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} \left( \frac{a}{b^d} \right)^i$$

if  $\frac{a}{b^d} < 1$ , then Geometric sequence  
is bounded even if  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty}$   
 $\Rightarrow T(n) = O(n^d)$

if  $\frac{a}{b^d} > 1$ :  $T(n) = O(n^d \cdot \left( \frac{a}{b^d} \right)^{\log_b n}) = O(n^{\log_b a})$  | if  $\frac{a}{b^d} = 1 \Rightarrow T(n) = O(n^d \cdot \log_b n)$

