

Chapter 7 Advanced Counting Techniques

7.1 Recurrence Relations (Difference Equations)

Conditions:

1. Termination condition (Initial condition)
2. Recurrence relation
 – express a_n in terms of previous terms
3. Should reach the termination condition eventually

Ex. Compound interest

P_n \equiv amount of money after n years
 r \equiv annual interest rate
 P_0 \equiv principal

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_n &= P_{n-1} + P_{n-1} * r \\
 &= (1+r) P_{n-1} \\
 &= (1+r) * (1+r) P_{n-2} \\
 &\quad \vdots \\
 &= \underline{(1+r)^n P_0}
 \end{aligned}$$

Ex. Fibonacci Sequence : 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ...

$$\begin{cases}
 F(0) = 0 \\
 F(1) = 1 \\
 F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2), \quad n > 1
 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(n) &= F(n-1) + F(n-2) \\
 &= F(n-2) + F(n-3) + F(n-3) + F(n-4) \\
 &= F(n-2) + 2 \cdot F(n-3) + F(n-4) \\
 &= F(n-3) + F(n-4) + 2 \cdot F(n-4) + 2 \cdot F(n-5) + F(n-5) + F(n-6) \\
 &= F(n-3) + 3 \cdot F(n-4) + 3 \cdot F(n-5) + F(n-6) \\
 &\quad \vdots
 \end{aligned}$$

Note. simple substitution does not help (∵ 2nd order)

Iterative Method (Substitution Method) for the 1st Order Recurrence Relation

[Ex 1] linear $\begin{cases} a_0 = 3, \\ a_n = a_{n-1} + 2, \end{cases}$ or $F(n) = \begin{cases} 3, & n=0 \\ F(n-1) + 2, & n \geq 1 \end{cases}$

Note: $\{3, 5, 7, 9, \dots\}$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= a_{n-1} + 2 \\ &= (a_{n-2} + 2) + 2 = a_{n-2} + (2 + 2) \\ &= (a_{n-3} + 2) + (2 + 2) = a_{n-3} + (2 + 2 + 2) \\ &= a_{n-4} + (2 + 2 + 2 + 2) \\ &\vdots \\ &= a_{n-n} + \underbrace{(2 + 2 + \dots + 2)}_{n \text{ times}} \\ &= a_0 + n \cdot 2 \\ &= 3 + n \cdot 2 \\ a_n &= \boxed{2n + 3} \end{aligned}$$

[Ex 2] non-linear $\begin{cases} a_0 = 1 \\ a_n = a_{n-1} + n \end{cases}$ or $F(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & n=0 \\ F(n) + n, & n \geq 1 \end{cases}$

Note: $\{1, 2, 4, 7, 11, \dots\}$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= a_{n-1} + n \\ &= a_{n-2} + (n-1) + n \\ &= a_{n-3} + (n-2) + (n-1) + n \\ &\vdots \\ &= a_{n-n} + (n - (n-1)) + \dots + (n-2) + (n-1) + n \\ &= a_0 + (1 + 2 + \dots + (n-2) + (n-1) + n) \\ &= 1 + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$a_n = \boxed{\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 1}$$

$$[\text{Ex 3}] \quad \begin{cases} a_1 = 3 \\ a_n = 3 \cdot a_{n-1} + 2n \end{cases}$$

Note. In this case, the substitution method requires to find the sum of complex series.

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= 3 \cdot a_{n-1} + 2n \\ &= 3 [3 \cdot a_{n-2} + 2(n-1)] + 2n \\ &= 3^2 [a_{n-2} + 3 \cdot 2(n-1)] + 2n \\ &= 3^2 [3 \cdot a_{n-3} + 2 \cdot (n-2)] + 3 \cdot 2(n-1) + 2n \\ &= 3^3 a_{n-3} + 3^2 \cdot 2(n-2) + 3 \cdot 2(n-1) + 2n \\ &= 3^3 a_{n-3} + 2 [3^2(n-2) + 3(n-1) + n] \\ &= 3^4 a_{n-4} + 2 [3^3(n-3) + 3^2(n-2) + 3(n-1) + n] \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= 3^{n-1} a_{n-(n-1)} + 2 [3^{n-2}(2) + 3^{n-3}(3) + \dots + 3^2(n-2) + 3(n-1) + n] \\ &= 3^n + 2 \underbrace{[3^{n-2}(2) + 3^{n-3}(3) + \dots + 3^2(n-2) + 3(n-1) + n]}_? \end{aligned}$$

In general, non-linear recurrence relation is hard to solve.

$$\text{Note: } a_n = \left(\frac{11}{6}\right) 3^n - n - \frac{3}{2}$$

Solving Linear Homogeneous Recurrence Relation with Constant Coefficients

$$a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2} + \dots + c_k a_{n-k} \quad (\text{degree } k \text{ or } k\text{-th order})$$

Plug in $a_n = r^n$

Then $r^n = c_1 r^{n-1} + c_2 r^{n-2} + \dots + c_k r^{n-k}$

Divide by r^{n-k} , move to the left.

$$\underbrace{r^k - c_1 r^{k-1} - c_2 r^{k-2} - \dots - c_{k-1} r - c_k = 0}_{k \text{ roots}} \quad ; \text{ characteristic equation}$$

a_n is linear combination of k roots of the characteristic equation.

Degree 2 (2^{nd} order) case:

Theorem 1

Let C_1 and C_2 be real numbers. Suppose $r^2 - C_1 r - C_2 = 0$ has two distinct roots r_1 and r_2 . Then the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is a solution of the recurrence relation $a_n = C_1 a_{n-1} + C_2 a_{n-2}$ iff $a_n = \alpha_1 r_1^n + \alpha_2 r_2^n$

Note. In differential equation case,

$$\frac{d^2 F}{dt^2} + \frac{dF}{dt} + F = 0, \text{ plug in } F = e^{kt} \text{ and solve.}$$

Example. $\begin{cases} a_n = a_{n-1} + 2 a_{n-2} \\ a_0 = 2, a_1 = 7 \end{cases}$

Characteristic equation: $r^2 - r - 2 = 0$

$$(r-2)(r+1) = 0 \Rightarrow r_1 = 2, r_2 = -1$$

$$a_n = \alpha_1 2^n + \alpha_2 (-1)^n$$

$$a_0 = 2 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$$

$$a_1 = 7 = \alpha_1 \cdot 2 + \alpha_2 (-1) \quad \left. \vphantom{a_1 = 7} \right\} \alpha_1 = 3, \alpha_2 = -1$$

$$\therefore \boxed{a_n = 3 \cdot 2^n - (-1)^n}$$

Theorem 2

When the characteristic equation has only one root, r_0 , then

$$\underline{a_n = \alpha_1 r_0^n + \alpha_2 n \cdot r_0^n}$$

Example. $\begin{cases} a_n = 6 \cdot a_{n-1} - 9 a_{n-2} \\ a_0 = 1, a_1 = 6 \end{cases}$

$$r^2 - 6r + 9 = 0$$

$$(r-3)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow r = 3$$

$$a_n = \alpha_1 3^n + \alpha_2 n \cdot 3^n$$

boundary: $\begin{cases} a_0 = 1 = \alpha_1 \\ a_1 = 6 = \alpha_1 \cdot 3 + \alpha_2 \cdot 3 \end{cases} \quad \left. \vphantom{a_1 = 6} \right\} \alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_2 = 1$

$$\therefore \boxed{a_n = 3^n + n \cdot 3^n} = (n+1) \cdot 3^n$$

Ex 4. Fibonacci Numbers (p. 463)

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ...

$$\begin{cases} f_0 = 0, f_1 = 1 & \text{: initial conditions} \\ f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2} \quad n \geq 2 & \text{: recurrence} \end{cases}$$

Note. ordinary, linear, constant-coefficient, homogeneous, 2nd-order difference equation

$$f_n - f_{n-1} - f_{n-2} = 0$$

$$\text{Let } f_n = r^n$$

$$r^n - r^{n-1} - r^{n-2} = 0$$

$$r^{n-2}(r^2 - r - 1) = 0 \quad \text{: characteristic equation}$$

$$r = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}, \quad r_1 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$r_2 = \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$f_n = A \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n + B \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n$$

From initial conditions,

$$\begin{cases} f_0 = A + B = 0 \\ f_1 = A \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) + B \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \quad B = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{f_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n}$$

Note. $\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \doteq 1.62$: golden ratio

Theorem 3.

When the characteristic equation has K roots, r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k .

$$a_n = \alpha_1 r_1^n + \alpha_2 r_2^n + \dots + \alpha_k r_k^n$$

Ex 6 3rd-order recurrence relation

$$\begin{cases} a_0 = 2, a_1 = 5, a_2 = 15 \\ a_n = 6a_{n-1} - 11a_{n-2} + 6a_{n-3} \end{cases}$$

characteristic equation:

$$r^3 - 6r^2 + 11r - 6 = 0$$

$$(r-1)(r-2)(r-3) = 0$$

$$r_1 = 1, r_2 = 2, r_3 = 3$$

$$a_n = A(1)^n + B(2)^n + C(3)^n$$

$$\begin{cases} 2 = A + B + C & \text{---(1)} \\ 5 = A + 2B + 3C & \text{---(2)} \\ 15 = A + 4B + 9C & \text{---(3)} \end{cases}$$

$$(2)-(1): 3 = B + 2C \quad \text{---(4)}$$

$$(3)-(1): 13 = 3B + 3C \quad \text{---(5)}$$

$$(5) - 3 \times (4) \quad 4 = 2C \quad \Rightarrow \quad C = 2$$

$$B = -1$$

$$A = 1$$

$$a_n = 1 - 2^n + 2 \cdot 3^n$$

Nonhomogeneous Recurrence Relation

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$$a_n = C_1 a_{n-1} + C_2 a_{n-2} + \dots + C_k a_{n-k} + F(n)$$

associated homogeneous recurrence relation

Thm General solution = homogeneous solution + particular solution.

Ex 10.

$$\begin{cases} a_1 = 3 \\ a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2n \end{cases} \quad // \{3, 13, 45, \dots\} //$$

Homogeneous solution:

$$a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 0$$

$$r^n - 3 \cdot r^{n-1} = 0$$

$$r^{n-1}(r-3) = 0 \Rightarrow r=3$$

$$a_n^{(h)} = A \cdot 3^n$$

Let particular solution $H_p = cn + d$

$$\begin{aligned} cn + d &= 3(c(n-1) + d) + 2n \\ &= 3(cn - c + d) + 2n \\ &= 3cn - 3c + 3d + 2n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} 2cn + 2n + 2d - 3c = 0 \\ (2c+2)n + (2d-3c) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$2c+2=0 \Rightarrow c=-1$$

$$2d-3c=0 \Rightarrow d=-\frac{3}{2}$$

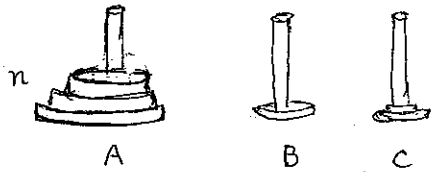
$$\therefore a_n^{(h)} = -n - \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore a_n = A \cdot 3^n - n - \frac{3}{2}$$

When $n=1$, $a_n=3$.

$$A \cdot 3 - 1 - \frac{3}{2} = 3 \Rightarrow A = \frac{11}{6}$$

$$\therefore a_n = \frac{11}{6} \cdot 3^n - n - \frac{3}{2}$$

Ex 5. Tower of Hanoi (P.452)

$n = 1$:	1 move
$n = 2$:	3 moves
$n = 3$:	7 moves
$n = 4$:	15 moves
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proc HANOI (n, A, B, C)

if $n=1$ then move the disk from A to C

else $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{call HANOI}(n-1, A, C, B) \\ \text{move disk } n \text{ from A to C} \\ \text{call HANOI}(n-1, B, A, C) \end{array} \right.$

Recurrence:
$$H(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & : n=1 \\ 2H(n-1) + 1 & : n > 1 \end{cases}$$

[Method 1] substitute

$$\begin{aligned} H(n) &= 2 \cdot H(n-1) + 1 \\ &= 2[2H(n-2) + 1] + 1 \\ &= 2^2 H(n-2) + 2 + 1 \\ &= 2^2 [2H(n-3) + 1] + 2 + 1 \\ &= 2^3 H(n-3) + 2^2 + 2 + 1 \\ &\vdots \\ &= 2^{n-1} H(1) + 2^{n-2} + 2^{n-3} + \dots + 4 + 2 + 1 \\ &= \boxed{2^n - 1} \end{aligned}$$

[Method 2] $H(n) - 2H(n-1) - 1 = 0$

Homogeneous: $H_h(n) - 2H_h(n-1) = 0$

$$r^n - 2r^{n-1} = 0$$

$$r^{n-1}(r-2) = 0 \Rightarrow r=2$$

$$\therefore \boxed{H_h(n) = A \cdot 2^n}$$

particular: $H_p(n) - 2H_p(n-1) = 1$

$$\boxed{H_p(n) = -1}$$

General: $H(n) = A \cdot 2^n - 1$
 $H(1) = 1 \Rightarrow A = 1$

$$\therefore \boxed{H(n) = 2^n - 1}$$

Note: If one move takes 1 second, for $n=64$,

$$2^{64} - 1 \doteq 2 \times 10^{19} \text{ sec}$$

$$\doteq 500 \text{ billion years!}$$

Ex 8. Catalan Number C_n (P. 456)

[1] Chained Matrix Product

$$M_1 * M_2 * M_3 * \dots * M_n$$

How many different ways can we perform these multiplications?

$$n = 3: \quad (M_1 * M_2) * M_3 \\ M_1 * (M_2 * M_3)$$

$$n = 4: \quad ((M_1 * M_2) * M_3) * M_4 \\ (M_1 * (M_2 * M_3)) * M_4 \\ M_1 * ((M_2 * M_3) * M_4) \\ (M_1 * (M_2 * (M_3 * M_4))) \\ ((M_1 * M_2) * (M_3 * M_4))$$

Railroad switching network

- [2] Given a stack of depth n and a sequence of elements $1, 2, 3, \dots, n$. Find the number of different permutations obtained by a sequence of n pushes and n pops.



push push push pop pop pop	3 2 1
push pop push push pop pop	1 3 2
push push pop push pop pop	2 3 1
push push pop pop push pop	2 1 3
push pop push pop push pop	1 2 3

Note. (3 1 2) is not possible

[3] Given n pairs of parenthesis, find the number of distinct well-formed expressions.

Ex. n = 3

(())() : push push pop push pop pop
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Condition: at any position i, 1 ≤ i ≤ 2n, #L.P. ≥ #R.P.

of valid distinct expressions = # of all expressions - # of invalid express

$$= \binom{2n}{n} - \binom{2n}{n-1} = \frac{2n!}{n!n!} \left[1 - \frac{n}{(n+1)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$$

$$\approx \frac{4^n}{n^{3/2}}$$

EX.

invalid
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 (n+1) l.p.
 (n-1) r.p.

⇒ $\binom{2n}{n-1}$ is total # of invalid expression

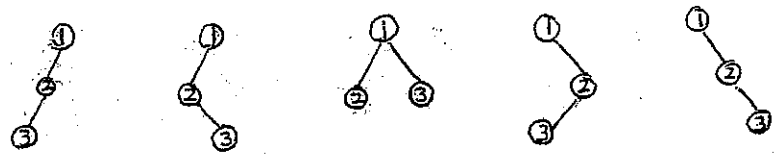
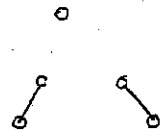
[4] Let T_n be # of distinct binary trees with n nodes.

$T_0 = 1$

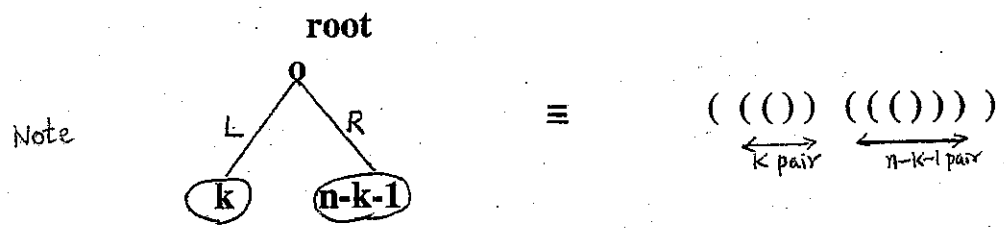
$T_1 = 1$

$T_2 = 2$

$T_3 = 5$



Inorder traversal: (3,2,1) (2,3,1) (2,1,3) (1,3,2) (1,2,3)



$$T_n = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} T_k \cdot T_{n-k-1} = \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$$

Ex.

$$T_3 = \sum_{k=0}^2 T_k \cdot T_{2-k} = T_0 \cdot T_2 + T_1 \cdot T_1 + T_2 \cdot T_0 = 1 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 = 5$$

Catalan sequence: 1, 1, 2, 5, ...

7.3 Divide-and-Conquer Algorithm and Recurrence Relation

Recurrence relation:

$$f(n) = a \cdot f(n/b) + g(n)$$

Ex. 1 Binary search

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + 2$$

Ex. 2 Merge Sort

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 2 \\ 2 T(n/2) + (n-1) & n > 2 \end{cases}$$

Ex 3. FFT (Fast Fourier Transformation)

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 1 \\ 2 T(n/2) + 3/2 n & n > 2 \end{cases}$$

[EX4] Multiplying two large integers

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline a & b \\ \hline 35 & 12 \\ \hline \end{array} \times \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline c & d \\ \hline 24 & 32 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$= \underbrace{(35 \times 24)}_{M_1} \cdot 10^4 + \underbrace{(12 \times 32)}_{M_2} + \underbrace{(35 \times 32 + 24 \times 12)}_{M_3} \cdot 10^2$$

$$= \boxed{M_1 \cdot 10^4 + M_2 + (M_3 - M_1 - M_2) \cdot 10^2}$$

one 4-digit multiplication \Rightarrow Three 2-digit multiplication

$\left. \begin{array}{l} + \text{ Four " + } \\ + \text{ Two " - } \\ + \text{ Two shifts } \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} t_1 \\ t_2 \end{array}$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \leftarrow n \rightarrow \\ \hline a & b \\ \hline \end{array} * \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \leftarrow n \rightarrow \\ \hline c & d \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$= a \times c \cdot 10^n + [(a+b) * (c+d) - \overline{a \times c} - \overline{b \times d}] \cdot 10^{\frac{n}{2}} + b \times d$$

additional work: $6 t_1 \cdot \frac{n}{2} + 2 t_2 \cdot n = (3 t_1 + 2 t_2) n = k n$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=1 \\ 3 T(\frac{n}{2}) + k n, & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Let $n = 2^p, (p = \log_2 n)$

$$T(n) = 3 T(\frac{n}{2}) + k n$$

$$= 3 [3 T(\frac{n}{2^2}) + k(\frac{n}{2})] + k n$$

$$= 3^2 T(\frac{n}{2^2}) + \frac{3}{2} k n + k n$$

$$= 3^2 [3 T(\frac{n}{2^3}) + k \cdot \frac{n}{2^2}] + \frac{3}{2} k n + k n$$

$$= 3^3 T(\frac{n}{2^3}) + (\frac{3}{2})^2 k n + (\frac{3}{2}) k n + k n$$

$$\vdots$$

$$= 3^p T(1) + k \cdot n \cdot \boxed{\sum_{i=0}^{p-1} (\frac{3}{2})^i} \dots \frac{(\frac{3}{2})^p - 1}{(\frac{3}{2}) - 1} = 2 \cdot \left[(\frac{3}{2})^p - 1 \right] = 2 (\frac{3}{2})^p - 2$$

$$= 3^p + k n [2 \cdot (\frac{3}{2})^p] - 2 k n$$

$$= 3^p + 2 k \cdot 2^p (\frac{3}{2})^p - 2 k n$$

$$= 3^p + 2 k 3^p - 2 k n$$

$$= \boxed{3^p} (1 + 2k) - 2 k n$$

$$= (1 + 2k) \cdot n^{\log_2 3} - 2 k n$$

$$\boxed{3^{\log_2 n} = n^{\log_2 3}} \because \log_2 n \log_2 3 = \log_2 3 \cdot \log_2 n$$

$$= O(n^{1.59})$$

Karatsuba and Offman (1962)

[EX 5] Matrix Multiplication

$${}^{n \times n} A * {}^{n \times n} B = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}B_{11} + A_{12}B_{21} & A_{11}B_{12} + A_{12}B_{22} \\ A_{21}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{21} & A_{21}B_{12} + A_{22}B_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 8 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2, & n > 1 \\ 1, & n = 1 \end{cases}$$

Let $k = \log_2 n$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 8 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n^2 \\ &= 8 \left[8 T\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 \right] + n^2 \\ &= 8^2 T\left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right) + 8 \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + n^2 \\ &= 8^2 \left[8 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + \left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right)^2 \right] + 8 \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + n^2 \\ &= 8^3 T\left(\frac{n}{2^3}\right) + 8^2 \left(\frac{n}{2^2}\right)^2 + 8 \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2 + n^2 \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= 8^k T\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) + \underbrace{\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} 8^i \left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right)^2}_{= n^2 [1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + \frac{n}{2}]} = n^2(n-1) \\ &= n^3 + n^2(n-1) \\ &= O(n^3) \end{aligned}$$

Strassen discovered a clever method of multiplying two 2×2 matrices using 7 multiplications and 18 additions/subtractions.

$$\therefore T(n) = 7 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 18 \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^2$$

$$= O(n^{\log_2 7})$$

$$= O(n^{2.81})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$m_1 = (a_{12} - a_{22})(b_{21} + b_{22})$$

$$m_2 = (a_{11} + a_{22})(b_{11} + b_{22})$$

$$m_3 = (a_{11} - a_{21})(b_{11} + b_{12})$$

$$m_4 = (a_{11} + a_{12}) \cdot b_{22}$$

$$m_5 = a_{11}(b_{12} - b_{22})$$

$$m_6 = a_{22}(b_{21} - b_{11})$$

$$m_7 = (a_{21} + a_{22}) \cdot b_{11}$$

$$c_{11} = m_1 + m_2 - m_4 + m_6$$

$$c_{12} = m_4 + m_5$$

$$c_{21} = m_6 + m_7$$

$$c_{22} = m_2 - m_3 + m_5 - m_7$$

Hopcroft and Kerr (1971)

- showed 7 multiplications are necessary.

Winograd (1973)

- 7 multiplications, 15 additions/subtractions

Glover

- 36 different ways for $A \times B$ using 7 multiplications

Victor Pan: $O(n^{2.795})$

Coppersmith and Winograd (1986): $O(n^{2.376})$

Note.

2 x 2:

$$n^{\log_2 7}$$

↑ ↙
splitting multiplication

4 x 4:

$$n^{\log_4 8} < n^{\log_2 7}$$

if $q < 49$ then better than Strassen's

Ex. FFT

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 1 \\ 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{2}n & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Ex. Mergesort

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 2 \\ 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + (n-1) & n > 2 \end{cases}$$