

## COL702: Advanced Data Structures and Algorithms

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# DIVIDE AND CONQUER

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# Divide and Conquer

- Break a problem into similar subproblems
- Solve each subproblem recursively
- Combine

# Above its weight class

- Divide and conquer is a very simple idea
- But it has far more than its share of the *miraculous algorithms*
- Examples
  - Strassen Matrix Multiplication
  - Karatsuba multiplication
  - Fast Fourier Transform
  - Linear time select

# Multiplying Binomials

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- It requires 4 multiplications.  $ac, ad, bc, bd$
  
- If we assume that addition is cheap (has short runtime.)  
Then we can improve this by only doing 3 multiplications:  
 $ac, bd, (a + b)(c + d)$

# Multiplying Binomials

- Reducing the number of multiplications from 4 to 3 may not seem very impressive when calculating asymptotics.
- If this was only a part of a bigger algorithm, it may be an improvement.





# Divide and conquer multiply

- Say we want to multiply 10100110 and 10110011
- How can we divide the problem into sub-problems?
- Remember, we want much smaller sub-problems

# Multiplying large binary numbers

- $10100110 = 166 = 1010 * 2^4 + 0110 = 10 * 16 + 6$
- $10110011 = 179 = 1011 * 2^4 + 0011 = 11 * 16 + 3$
- $10100110 * 10110011 = (10 * 16 + 6)(11 * 16 + 3) = 110 * 256 + 6 * 11 * 16 + 3 * 10 * 16 + 3 * 6$

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- $xy = \left(2^{\frac{n}{2}}x_L + x_R\right)\left(2^{\frac{n}{2}}y_L + y_R\right)$
- $xy = 2^n x_L y_L + 2^{\frac{n}{2}}(x_L y_R + x_R y_L) + x_R y_R$

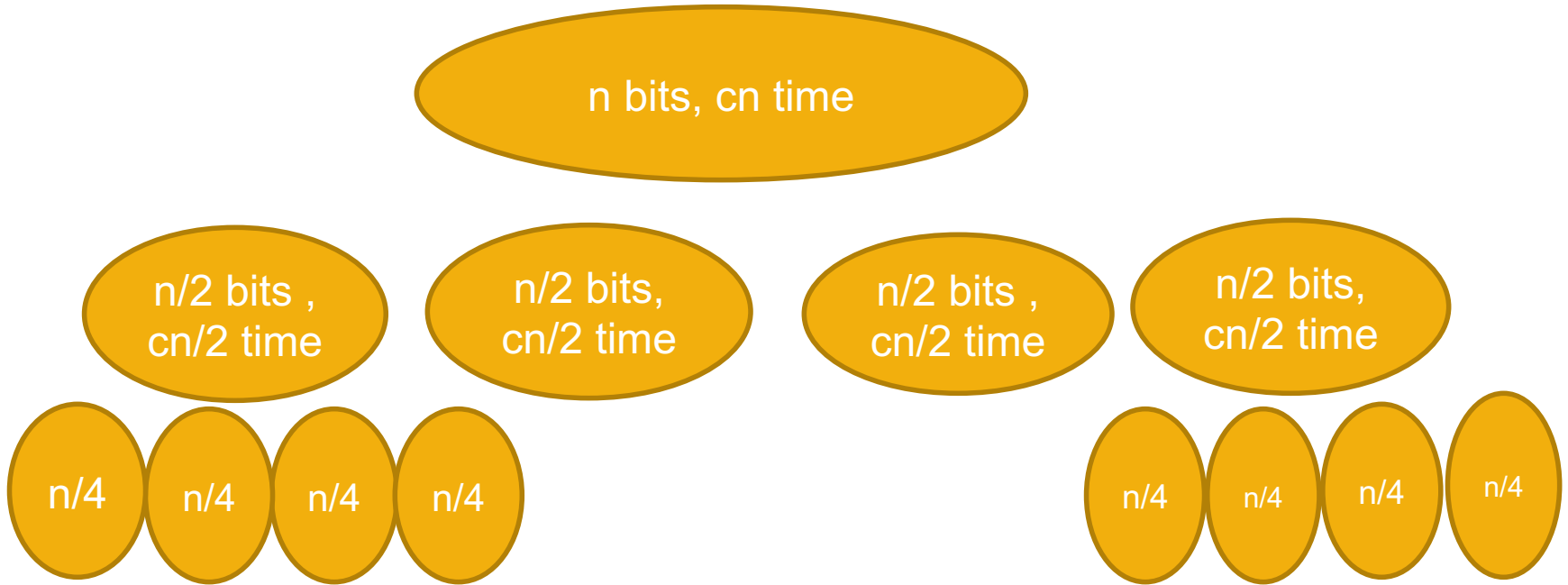
# Algorithm multiply

- function **multiply** (x,y):
- *Input*: n-bit integers x and y
- *Output*: the product xy
  - If  $n=1$ : return xy
  - $x_L, x_R$  and  $y_L, y_R$  are the left-most and right-most  $n/2$  bits of x and y, respectively.
  - $P_1 = \mathbf{multiply}(x_L, y_L)$
  - $P_2 = \mathbf{multiply}(x_L, y_R)$
  - $P_3 = \mathbf{multiply}(x_R, y_L)$
  - $P_4 = \mathbf{multiply}(x_R, y_R)$
  - return  $(P_1 * 2^n + (P_2 + P_3) * 2^{\frac{n}{2}} + P_4)$

# Algorithm

- Runtime analysis:
  - Let  $T(n)$  be the runtime of the multiply algorithm.
  - Then  $T(n) = 4T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$

# Total time





# Total

- One top level :  $cn$
- 4 depth 1:  $cn/2 * 4$
- 16 depth 2:  $cn/4 * 16$
- 64 depth 3:  $cn/8 * 64$

....

- $4^t$  depth  $t$  :  $\frac{cn}{2^t} * 4^t = cn * 2^t$

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- Max level :  $t = \log n$ ,  $(cn/2^{\log n}) * 4^{\log n} = c * 2^{\log n} * 2^{\log n} = cn^2$

# Total time

- $cn ( 1+ 2 +4 +8+\dots 2^{\log n} ) = O(cn^2)$
- Because in a geometric series with ratio other than 1, largest term dominates order.

# Multiplication



Andrey Kolmogorov 1903 - 1987



Anatoly Karatsuba 1937 - 2008

**Insight: replace  
one (of the 4)  
multiplications by  
(linear time)  
subtraction**

# Algorithm multiply KS

- function **multiplyKS** (x,y)
- *Input*: n-bit integers x and y
- *Output*: the product xy
  - If  $n=1$ : return  $xy$
  - $x_L, x_R$  and  $y_L, y_R$  are the left-most and right-most  $n/2$  bits of x and y, respectively.
  - $R_1 = \text{multiplyKS}(x_L, y_L)$
  - $R_2 = \text{multiplyKS}(x_R, y_R)$
  - $R_3 = \text{multiplyKS}((x_L + x_R), (y_L + y_R))$
  - return  $(R_1 * 2^n + (R_3 - R_1 - R_2) * 2^{\frac{n}{2}} + R_2)$

# Correctness multiply KS

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- And the algorithm returns:  $R_1 * 2^n + (R_3 - R_1 - R_2) * 2^{\frac{n}{2}} + R_2$

$$R_1 * 2^n + (R_3 - R_1 - R_2) * 2^{\frac{n}{2}} + R_2 =$$

$$x_L y_L * 2^n + (x_L y_R + x_R y_L) * 2^{\frac{n}{2}} + x_R y_R =$$

$$\left(x_L * 2^{\frac{n}{2}} + x_R\right) \left(y_L * 2^{\frac{n}{2}} + y_R\right) =$$

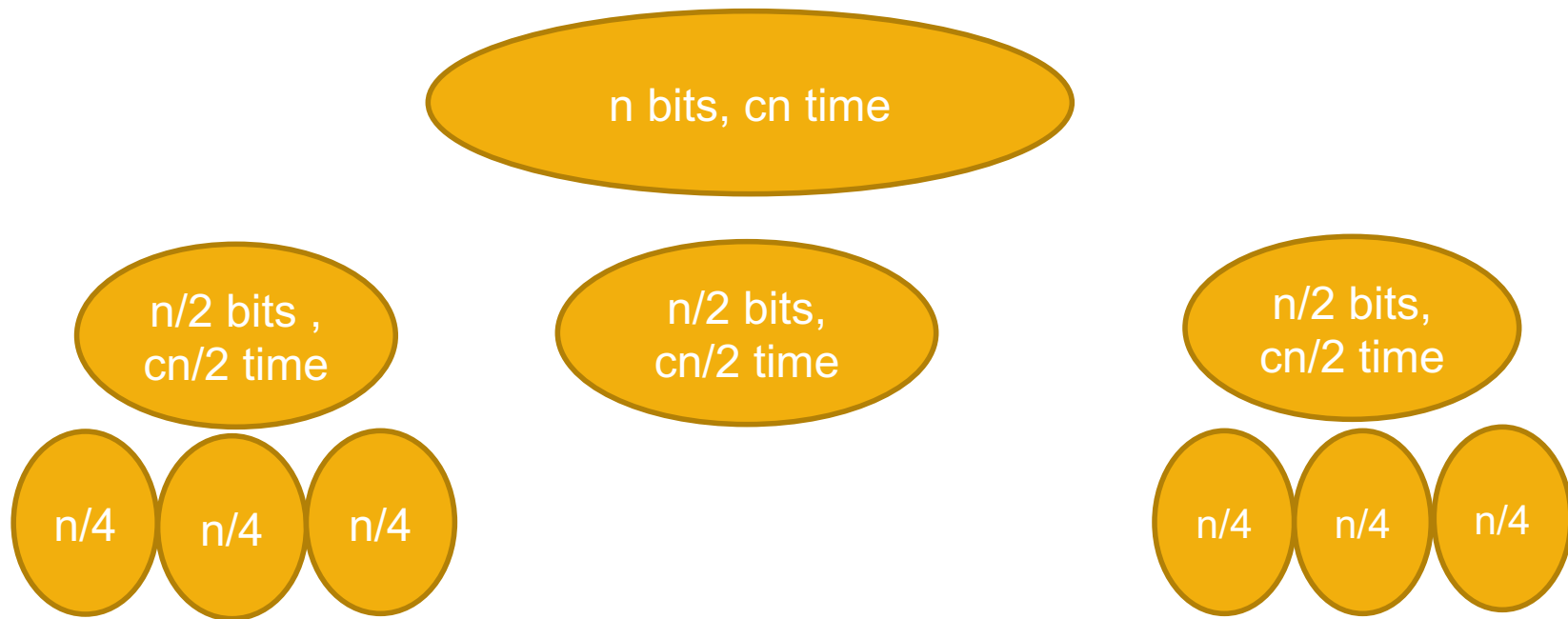
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# Algorithm multiplyKS

- Runtime
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- Then
- $T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$



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## 3 vs 4

- Since we are pruning the tree recursively, replacing 4 recursive calls instead of 3 reduces the size of the tree more than a constant factor.

# Total

- One top level :  $cn$
- 4 depth 1:  $cn/2 * 3$
- 16 depth 2:  $cn/4 * 9$
- 64 depth 3:  $cn/8 * 27$
- ....
- $4^t$  depth  $t$  :  $\frac{cn}{2^t} * 3^t = cn * (1.5)^t$
- ....
- Max level :  $t = \log n$

# Total time

- $cn ( 1+ 1.5 +2.25 + \dots (1.5)^{\log n} ) = O ( 3^{\log n} )$
- Because in a geometric series with ratio other than 1, largest term dominates order.
- But what is  $3^{\log n}$ ?

# Simplifying

- $3^{\log n} = (2^{\log 3})^{\log n} = 2^{\{\log n * \log 3\}} = (2^{\{\log n\}})^{\log 3} = n^{\log 3} = n^{\{1.58\dots\}}$
- So total time is  $O(n^{\log 3})$

# Master Theorem

- How do you solve a recurrence of the form

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + O(n^d)$$

We will use the master theorem.