

# Fast polynomial computations with space constraints

Calculs polynomiaux rapides avec contraintes de mémoire

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$$\{(6, 5), (3, 2), (1, -1), (0, 7)\}$$

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Multiplier:  $(2 \ 9 \ 0 \ 4)$

Partial products (shifted):

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- $(9 \ \ \ 7)$
- $(2 \ \ \ \ 6)$

Result:  $(2 \ 3 \ \ \ 7 \ \ \ 2)$

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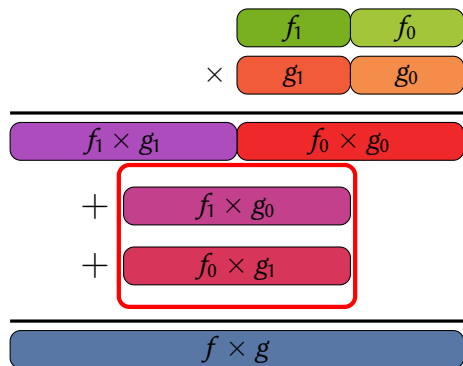
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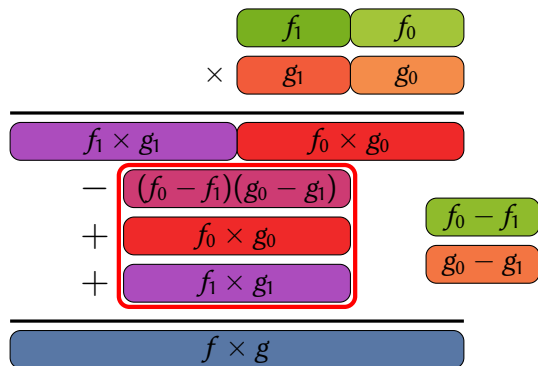
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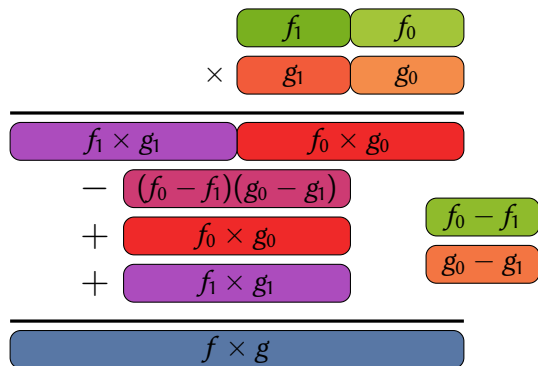
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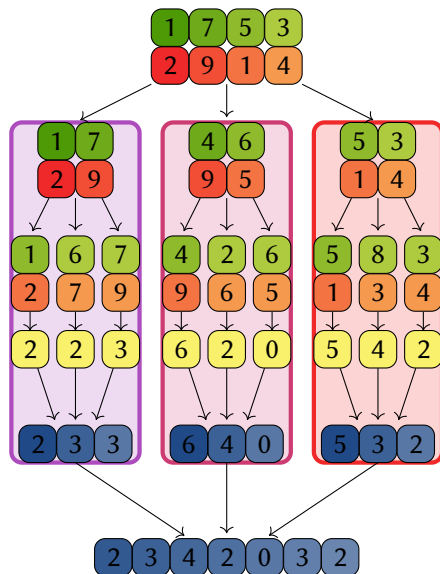


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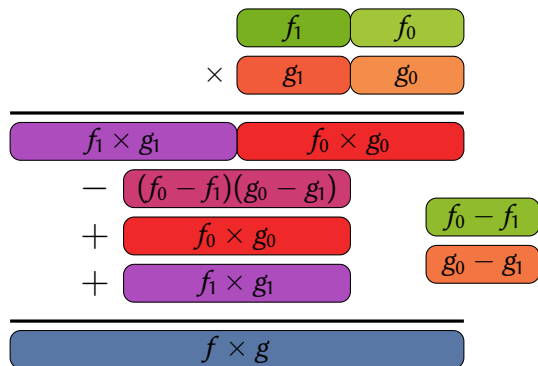


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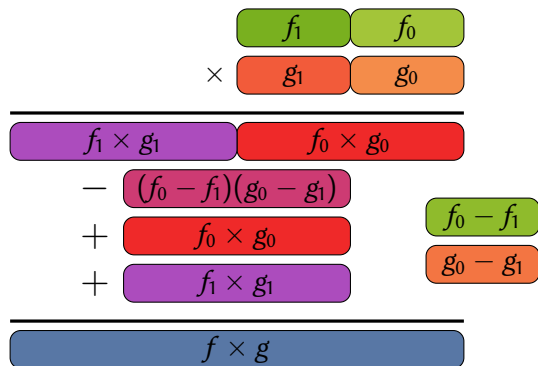
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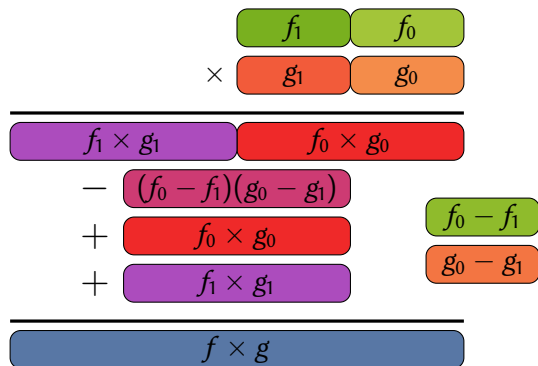
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# What is space complexity?

## Algebraic RAM

- ▶ Algebraic registers containing one ring element each
  - ▶ Registers for pointers of size  $O(\log n)$
- for some ring  $R$   
 $n = \#$  input registers

## Space complexity

- ▶ Number of registers used, not counting the input and output registers
- ▶ Distinction between algebraic registers and pointers

## Relation with standard complexity classes

- ▶ Depends on the *relative* size of  $n$  and  $\#R$
- ▶ Assuming  $\log(n) \simeq \log(\#R)$ :
  - ▶ constant number of registers of both kinds  $\simeq$  complexity class FL
  - ▶  $O(1)$  algebraic registers,  $O(\log n)$  pointers  $\simeq$  complexity class  $\text{FSPACE}(\log^2 n)$

# Permission models

## ro/wo: read-only inputs & write-only output



classical model in complexity theory



further from practice, multiplication requires  $\Omega(n^2)$  time  $\times$  space [Abrahamson (1985)]

## ro/rw: read-only inputs & read-write output



closer to practice, allows parallel access to the inputs



somewhat restrictive in a sequential model

## rw/rw: read-write inputs & read-write output, *inputs restored at the end*



still consistent with practice, allows recursive calls / use as subroutines



not suitable for parallel programming

Goal: time- and space-efficient algorithms in the ro/rw and rw/rw models

- ▶ Multiplication
- ▶ Euclidean division

# Results for multiplication algorithms

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## Our result

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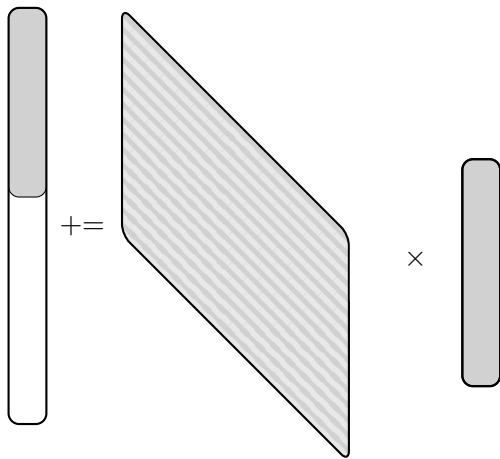
Any linear-space multiplication algorithm can be made constant-space with the same asymptotic time complexity in the ro/rw model

$h = f \times g$  as a matrix-vector product

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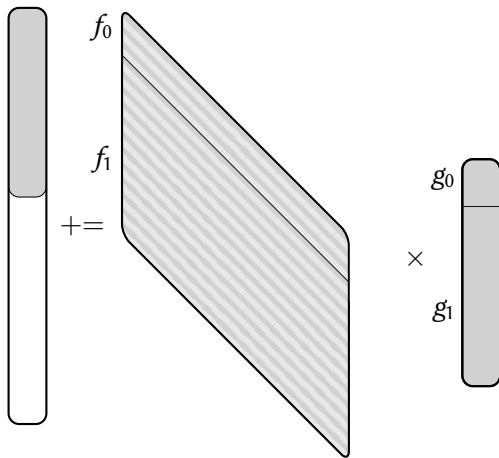
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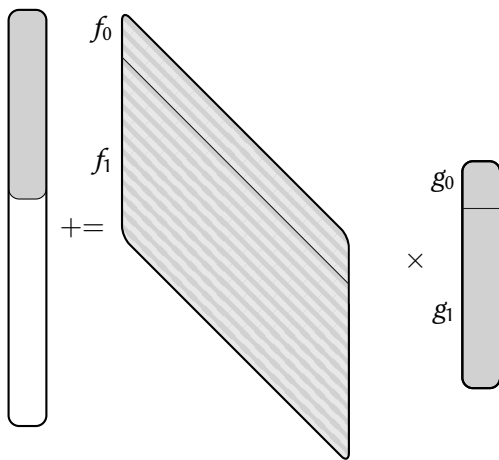
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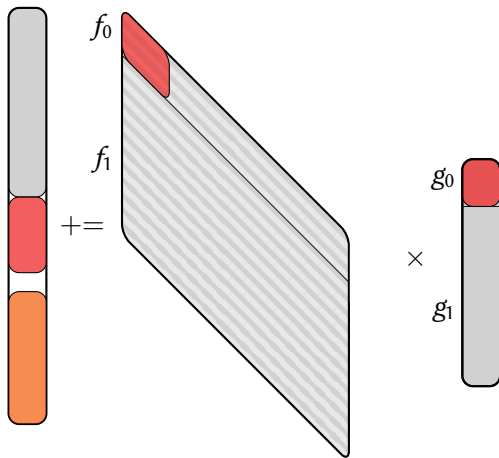
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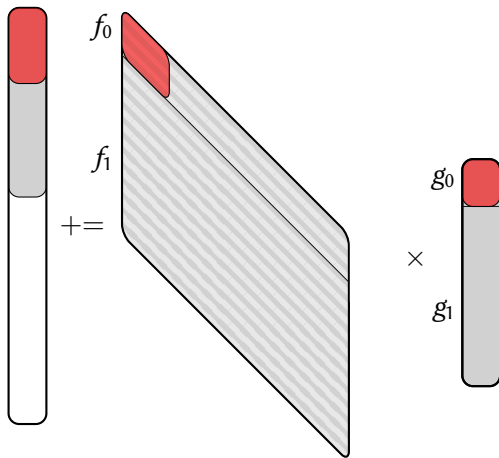
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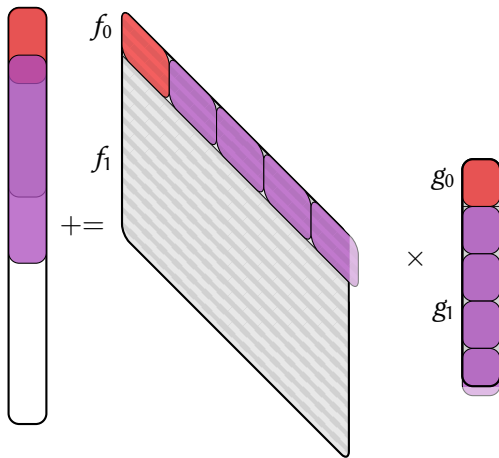
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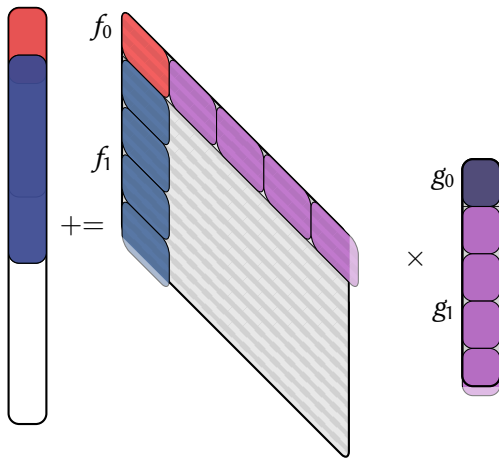
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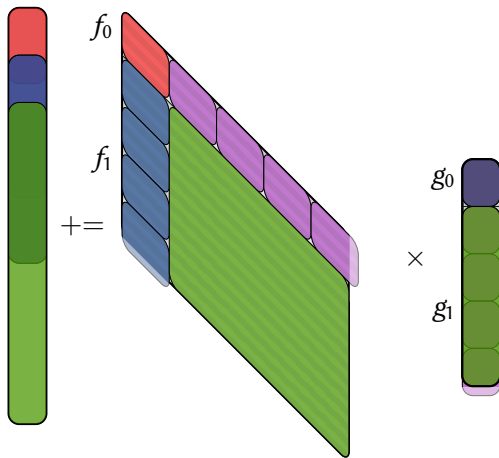


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# Cumulative and in-place operations – rw/rw model

## Three kinds of operations

Standard:  $h := f \times g$ :

$(f, g, h) \mapsto (f, g, f \times g)$

Cumulative:  $h += f \times g$ :

$(f, g, h) \mapsto (f, g, h + f \times g)$

In-place:  $f *= g$ :

$(f, g) \mapsto (f \times g, g)$

## Our results

[Dumas, G. (2024 & 2026)]

problem	model	time	alg. sp.	# pointers
$h += f \times g$ (general)	rw/rw	$O(M(n))$	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$
$h += f \times g$ (with FFT)	rw/rw	$O(M(n))$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
$h += f \times g \bmod x^n$	rw/rw	$O(M(n))$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
$f *= g \bmod x^n$	rw/rw	$O(M(n) \log n)$	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$
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		Remainder only	$O(M(n))$	$n + O(1)$	
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[Strassen (1973), ...]

The diagram illustrates the fast Euclidean division algorithm using Strassen's method. It shows the division of a polynomial  $f$  by a polynomial  $g$  to produce a quotient  $q$  and a remainder  $r$ .

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Dumas G. (2024 & 2026)

# Summary

## Time- and space-efficient polynomial computations




- ▶ Many fast algorithms can be made
  - ▶ (almost) constant-space
  - ▶ with (almost) the same asymptotic time complexity
- ▶ Requires to move away from the classical **ro/wo** model
- ▶ Promising results in practice

## Automatic derivations

[Dumas G. (2024 & 2026)]

- ▶ Make bilinear algorithms constant-space automatically in the **rw/rw** model
- ▶ Application: constant-space Strassen's alg., fast in-place linear algebra

## Open problems

- ▶ Improved complexities, **rw/rw**  $\rightarrow$  **ro/rw**, other operations such as GCD, ...
- ▶ Right models for time-space complexity of functions?
- ▶ Can you replace   by  without extra space? [Roche'09]

## II. Sparse polynomial computations

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## Notations

**R**: ring of coefficients

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$f_\#$ : sparsity of  $f$

$f_\infty$ : height of  $f$  if  $R = \mathbb{Z}$   
 $q$  if  $R = \mathbb{F}_q$

$S_f$ : support of  $f$

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## Our result

[Giorgi, G., Perret du Cray (2020)]

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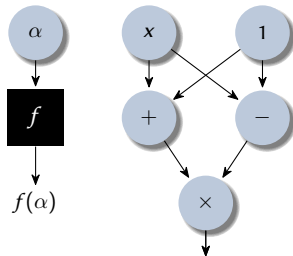
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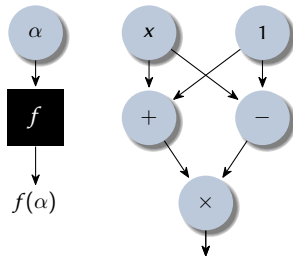
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[Prony (1795), Ben-Or–Tiware (1988), ...]

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# SLP sparse interpolation

From an SLP,

- ▶  $f$  can be computed explicitly in time  $\tilde{O}(f^\circ)$  *expression swell*
- ▶  $f \bmod x^p - 1 = \sum_i c_i x^{e_i \bmod p}$  can be computed in time  $\tilde{O}(p)$  [Garg-Schost (2009)]

## Loss of information

- ▶ Exponents only known *modulo*  $p$ 
  - ▶ Embed them into the coefficients using an SLP for  $f'$  [Huang (2019)]
- ▶ Possible *collisions* between monomials
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[Garg-Schost (2009), ..., Huang (2019)]

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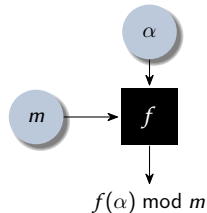
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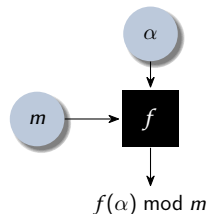
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## Remark

- ▶ If  $\omega^p = 1$ ,  $f(\omega^j) = f_{[p]}(\omega^j)$  where  $f_{[p]} = f \bmod x^p - 1$



## Sketch of the algorithm

1. Exponents of  $f_{[p]}$ : interpolation of  $\mathbf{f}$  with  $\omega$  of order  $p$  in a small  $\mathbb{F}_q$
2. Coefficients of  $f_{[p]}$  and  $f'_{[p]}$ : interpolation of  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $\mathbf{f}'$  with  $\omega_k$  of order  $p$  in  $\mathbb{Z}/q^k\mathbb{Z}$
3. Deduce *some* terms  $c_i x^{e_i}$  of  $f$
4. Repeat with several random primes  $p$  and  $q$

*deal with collisions*

# Back to polynomial multiplication

## The problem

**Inputs:**  $f, g \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  in sparse representation

**Output:**  $h = f \times g$

## Approach and difficulty

- ▶ Use sparse interpolation to compute  $h$
- ▶ Implement the modular black-box using  $f$  and  $g$
- ▶ The algorithms require a bound  $\tau \geq h_{\#}$

## The solution

- ▶ Use an *a priori* bound
- ▶ Check the result *a posteriori*, and increase the bound if it is incorrect

## New problem: product verification

**Inputs:**  $f, g, h \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  in sparse representation

**Output:** Does  $h = f \times g$ ?

# Verification of polynomial product $h = f \times g$

## Classical approach

1. Sample a random element  $\alpha \in R$
2. Return  $h(\alpha) \stackrel{?}{=} f(\alpha) \times g(\alpha)$ 
  - ▶ Works if  $R$  is large enough
  - ▶ If  $R = \mathbb{Z}$ , check the result *modulo* a random prime  $q$

## Case of sparse polynomials

- ▶ Too costly approach:
  - ▶ Evaluation of  $f$  on  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_{\neq 0, \pm 1}$  has cost  $\Omega(f^\circ)$  *output size*
  - ▶ Evaluation of  $f$  on  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z}$  has cost  $\tilde{O}(t \log(f^\circ) \log(q))$  *binary exponentiation*
- ▶ Solution: check  $h = f \times g \bmod (x^p - 1)$  for some random prime  $p$

## Modular product evaluation

**Input:**  $f, g \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z}$

**Output:**  $(f \times g \bmod x^p - 1)(\alpha)$

without computing  $f \times g \bmod x^p - 1$



# Modular product evaluation

$$f \times g$$

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5x5 Coefficient Matrix:

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$f_2$	$f_1$	$f_0$	$f_4$	$f_3$
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## Theorem

Modular product evaluation in

- ▶  $O(p)$  ring operations
- ▶  $O(t \log(t \log d))$  ring operations

[Giorgi (2018)]

[Giorgi G. Perret du Cray (2023)]

# Summary

## Fast sparse polynomial computations

- ▶ Quasi-linear sparse interpolation *over  $\mathbb{Z}$*
- ▶ Quasi-linear (sparse) modular product verification *over any ring*
- ▶ Quasi-linear sparse multiplication *over  $\mathbb{Z}$*

## Other consequences

- ▶ Quasi-linear sparse *exact division* *over  $\mathbb{Z}$*
- ▶ Polynomials with *unbalanced coefficients* *over  $\mathbb{Z}$* 
  - ▶ Fast sparse interpolation and multiplication
  - ▶ Quasi-linear *dense* multiplication

## Open problems

- ▶ Extend to finite fields, quasi-linear sparse unbalanced multiplication, ...
- ▶ Given  $2t$  evaluations of a  $t$ -sparse  $f \in \mathbb{R}[x]$  on positive reals, how to reconstruct  $f$ ?
- ▶ Given  $t$ -sparse  $f, g \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ , can  $fg + 1$  have  $\Omega(t^2)$  real roots?

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