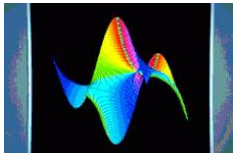


# Polynomial and Rational Solutions of Linear Differential or Difference Equations

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# Liouville (1833) did most of it!

$$a_0(x)y^{(d)}(x) + \cdots + a_d(x)y(x) = 0.$$

- Polynomial solutions:

*Si l'on se bornait à demander les intégrales entières, le problème n'offrirait aucune difficulté.*

- Algorithm for rational solutions, later improved by Abramov *et alii*.



Our result: **better complexity** (still exponential).

## Timings

$$(2x + 1)^3 y'' + (2x + 1)(8x + 3)y' + 2N((4x + 2)N - 4x - 1)y = 0$$

$N$	LFS	BinSplit	BsGs
$2^{10}$	1.58	0.10	0.02
$2^{12}$	62.59	0.44	0.03
$2^{14}$	4597.2	2.40	0.07
$2^{16}$	> 4Gb	14.67	0.19
$2^{18}$		89.05	0.44
$2^{20}$		528.73	1.07
$2^{22}$		3060.1	2.54
$2^{24}$		> 1h	6.09

LFS: Liouville's method

(Maple)  $\tilde{O}(N^2)$

BinSplit: Our deterministic

algo (Maple)  $\tilde{O}(N)$

BsGs: Our probabilistic algo

(Magma)  $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{N})$

Output different

# Applications

- Indefinite hypergeometric summation [Gosper78]

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(3k)!}{k!(k+1)!(k+2)!27^k} = \frac{(81n^2 + 261n + 200)(3n+2)!}{40(n+2)!(n+1)!n!27^n} - \frac{9}{2}$$

- Definite summation and integration [Zeilberger90, Chyzak00]

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} J_{2n+1/2}(x) = \int_0^x \frac{\cos t}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} dt$$

- Liouvillian solutions of LDEs [Marotte1898, Kovacic86, Singer81, . . .]
- Hypergeometric solutions of LREs [Petkovšek90]
- Desingularization of LDEs and LREs [ChDuLeMaMiSa05]

They all

- **need rational or polynomial solutions** of LDEs or LREs;
- **waste time** when none exists.



# Singular Points & Indicial Polynomial

$$\mathcal{L}y(x) = a_0(x)y^{(d)}(x) + \cdots + a_d(x)y(x) = 0.$$

- Cauchy: singular points only at roots of  $a_0$ .
- Indicial polynomial  $P_\alpha(\lambda)$ :

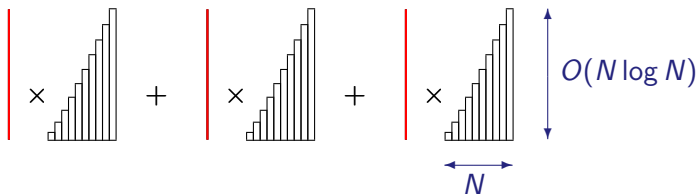
$$\mathcal{L}(x - \alpha)^\lambda(1 + c_1(x - \alpha) + \cdots) = P_\alpha(\lambda)(x - \alpha)^{\lambda+c}(1 + \cdots).$$

$$\underbrace{(n+3)(n+2)u_{n+3} + \cdots}_{P_0(n+3)} + \cdots + \underbrace{8(n-N)(n-N+1)u_n}_{P_\infty(n)} = 0$$

- Exponential bound on degree and orders of poles
- Rational solutions [Liouville1833]: patch up local polar behaves

$$y(x) := \tilde{y}(x) \prod_{\substack{a_0(\alpha)=0, \\ P_\alpha(N_\alpha)=0, \\ N_\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}^-}} (x - \alpha)^{N_\alpha}.$$

# Shape of Polynomial Solutions



- Size of Solutions:  $O(N^2 \log N)$  bits
- Compact representation **Compact representation**:  $O(N \log N)$  bits

## Theorem (BoCISa05)

*Our algorithm BinSplitPolySols computes compact representation and degree in  $\tilde{O}(N)$  bit operations. Knowing the degree  $D$ , the expanded polynomial is computed in  $\tilde{O}(D^2)$  bit operations.*

**Quasi-optimal!**

# Fast Multiplication

- **Balanced** input: size  $T \times$  size  $T$ 
  - Naïve:  $I(T) = O(T^2)$
  - Karatsuba (1963):  $I(T) = O(T^{1.59})$
  - Fast Fourier Transform:  $I(T) = O(T \log T \log \log T)$   
[Schönhage-Strassen71]
- Same for polynomials ( $M(T)$ ).
- Many applications via **Newton** iteration, including division.

Algorithms	Ours	Before
Degrees (probabilistic)	$O(M(\sqrt{N})I(\log N))$	—
Compact and degree	$O(I(N \log N) \log N)$	$O(N^2 I(\log N))$
Expanded, degree $D$	$O(DI(D \log D))$	



# Factorial

Problem (Fast computation of  $N! = 1 \times \cdots \times N$ )

Naïve way: complexity  $O(N^2 I(\log N))$

Binary Splitting:

$$N! = \underbrace{(1 \times \cdots \times \lfloor N/2 \rfloor)}_{\text{size } \frac{1}{2} N \log N} \times \underbrace{(\lceil N/2 \rceil \times \cdots \times N)}_{\text{size } \frac{1}{2} N \log N}$$

and recurse.

Complexity  $O(I(N \log N) \log N)$ .

Numerous applications [Hakmem72, Brent75, Chudnovsky<sup>288</sup>]

Even faster way [Borwein85, Schönhage94]  $O(I(N \log N))$ .

# Binary Splitting for Polynomial Solutions

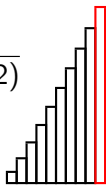
$$* + *x + \dots + *x^N + *x^{N+1} + *x^{N+2} + *x^{N+3} + O(x^{N+4})$$

$$(n+3)(n+2)u_{n+3} + \dots + 8(n-N)(n-N+1)u_n = 0$$

First order recurrence on vectors  $U_n = {}^t(u_{n+3}, u_{n+2}, u_{n+1})$ :

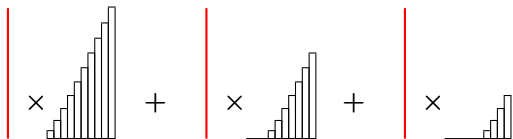
$$U_N = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} * & * & * \\ (N+3)(N+2) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (N+3)(N+2) & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{A(N)} \frac{U_{N-1}}{(N+3)(N+2)}$$

$$= \underbrace{A(N) \cdots A(-1)}_{\text{matrix factorial}} \frac{U_{-2}}{(N+2)(N+1)!^2}$$



Complexity: like for  $N!$ .

# Operations on the Compact Representation



**Compact Representation:** recurrence & generalized initial conditions.

- Division by a power of  $x$ : easy
  - Evaluation: linear recurrence for  $v_k = \sum_{n \leq k} u_n x^n$   
 $\rightarrow v_N$  by binary splitting (for  $x$  algebraic).  
 Applications:  $\exp(1), \gamma, \pi, \dots$  [Hakmem, Brent, ChCh]
  - Evaluation of a derivative: *idem*
- $\rightarrow$  Compact representation at another point
- $\rightarrow$  **Rational solutions.**

# From Recurrence to Recurrence

$$a_0(n)u(n+d) + \cdots + a_d(n)u(n) = 0.$$

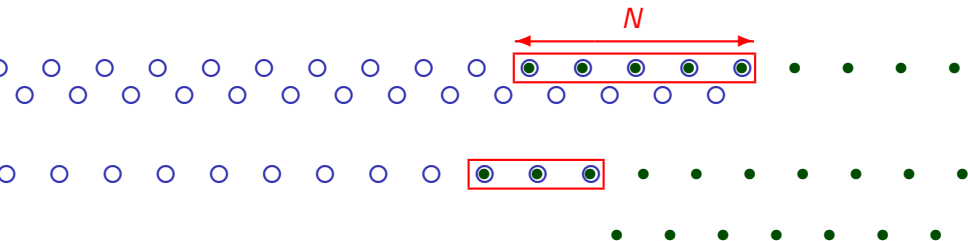
In general, coefficients of  $u$  **do not** satisfy a linear recurrence.  
They do on a binomial basis [Abramov-Bronstein-Petkovšek 95]:

$$u(n) = \sum_{k=0}^N c_k \binom{n-a}{k}.$$

→ **same algorithm** for the compact representation

# Poles of Rational Solutions

$$a_0(n)a_0(n)u(n+d) + \cdots + a_d(n)a_d(n)u(n) = 0.$$



Rational solutions

Abramov 89: bound the poles and look for polynomials.

# Probabilistic Algorithm

## Theorem (BoCISa05)

*Given  $c \geq 0$ , our algorithm BsGsPolySols computes the degrees of polynomial solutions with  $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{N})$  bit operations. The result is correct with probability  $\geq 1 - 1/(2 \log^c N)$ .*

Idea:

- 1 Compute the matrix factorial
  - with only  $O(\sqrt{N})$  operations
  - modulo a prime of bit size only  $O(\log N)$
- 2 Bound the probability that the rank drops.

# Baby-Steps/Giant-Steps

Problem ( $N! \bmod p$  in less than  $N$  operations)

Naïve:  $N$  arithmetic operations

Strassen 76:  $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{N})$ .

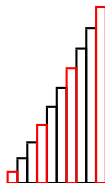
- 1 Compute  $Q(x) = (x + 1) \cdots (x + k)$   $O(M(k) \log k)$ ;
- 2 Evaluate  $Q(0), Q(k), \dots, Q(N - k)$   $O(NM(k) \log(k)/k^2)$ ;
- 3 Compute their product  $O(N/k)$ .

Recurrences via matrix factorials [Chudnovsky<sup>2</sup>88]:

$$O(m^\omega M(\sqrt{dN}) + m^2 M(\sqrt{dN}) \log(dN))$$

We improve this to

$$O(m^\omega \sqrt{dN} + m^2 M(\sqrt{dN}))$$



# Multipoint Evaluation

Problem (Evaluate  $P$  at  $x_1, \dots, x_d$ ,  $\deg P = d$ .)

Naïve:  $O(d^2)$  operations.

Borodin & Moenck 74: Recursive computation

$$Q_i^j := (x - x_i) \cdots (x - x_j)$$

$$P(x_i) = \begin{cases} (P \bmod Q_1^{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor})(x_i), & i \leq d/2 \\ (P \bmod Q_{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor}^d)(x_i), & i > d/2. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Complexity: } C(d) = \underbrace{2C(d/2)}_{\text{recursion}} + \underbrace{2M(d/4)}_Q + \underbrace{\frac{7}{2}M(d)}_{\text{divisions}}$$

$$= O(M(d) \log d).$$

Better constant in [Bostan-Lecerf-Schost 03] (Tellegen).



# Polynomial Extrapolation

Problem  $((P(0), \dots, P(d)) \mapsto (P(a), P(a+1), \dots, P(a+d)), \deg P = d)$

Interpolation / evaluation:  $O(M(d) \log d)$ .

Bostan-Gaudry-Schost 03:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(a+k) &= \sum_{i=0}^d P(i) \frac{\prod_{j \neq i} (a+k-j)}{\prod_{j \neq i} (j-i)}, \quad (\text{Lagrange}) \\
 &= \prod_j (a+k-j) \underbrace{\sum_{i=0}^d \frac{P(i)}{\prod_{j \neq i} (j-i)} \frac{1}{a+k-i}}_{[x^k] \sum_{i=0}^d \frac{P(i)}{\prod_{j \neq i} (j-i)} x^i \sum_{i=0}^{2d} \frac{1}{a+i-d} x^i}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Complexity:  $O(M(d))$ .

# Faster $N! \bmod p$

## Bostan-Gaudry-Schost 03:

- Recall Strassen:

- 1 Compute  $Q(x) = (x + 1) \cdots (x + k)$   $O(M(k) \log k)$ ;

- 2 Evaluate  $Q(0), Q(k), \dots, Q(N - k)$   $O(NM(k) \log(k)/k^2)$ ;

- Recursion:

from  $(x + 1) \cdots (x + k/2)$  evaluated at  $(0, \dots, (N - k)/2)$ ,

**3 extrapolations.**

- Complexity ( $k = \sqrt{N}$ ):  $O(M(k))$
- Generalizes to matrix factorials in arbitrary degree.

# Probability Estimate

Kernel of a matrix factorial

## Lemma (Zippel)

*$A, B$  positive integers. If  $p$  prime is chosen uniformly at random in  $\mathcal{S} = \{B, \dots, 2B\}$  then  $\Pr(p|A) \leq 2 \log(A)/B$ .*

Proof:

- Number of distinct divisors of  $A$  in  $\mathcal{S}$ :  $< \log(A)/\log(B)$
- Size of  $\mathcal{S}$ :  $\geq B/2 \log(B)$ .

Matrix factorials:

Size of the entries  $O(N \log N)$ , size of minors *idem*.

Precise estimates for  $B$  available

(and required for an implementation).

# Conclusion

- Compact representation & fast operations  
→ quasi-optimal algorithms for rational functions.
- Also, a criterion in polynomial complexity for a large class.
- Extensions
  - Non-homogeneous case:  $\mathcal{L}y = r$
  - Parameterized non-homogeneous:  $\mathcal{L}y = \lambda_1 r_1 + \dots + \lambda_k r_k$
  - Faster Zeilberger, Chyzak.
  - Possible extension to linear differential systems.