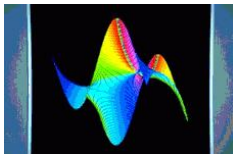


D-finiteness: Algorithms and Applications

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I Intro

Aim: at the end of this talk, you should be able to

- give an algorithm to compute the first N decimal digits of $\pi = 3.141592653589793238 \dots$ in $\tilde{O}(N)$ bit operations.
- compute in $\tilde{O}(N)$ bit operations the ($\mathcal{O}(N)$ bits long) coefficient of x^N in the expansion of $(1 + x + x^2)^N$.
- prove that $y = \tan(x)$ verifies no linear differential equation with polynomial coefficients, even though $y' = 1 + y^2$.
- show that the sequence (p_n) of prime numbers $2, 3, 5, 7, 11, \dots$ does not satisfy any linear recurrence with coefficients in $\mathbb{Q}[n]$.
- give an algorithm using $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{N})$ bit operations to decide if
$$(2x+1)^3 y'' + (2x+1)(8x+3-4N(1+2x))y' + 2N((4x+2)N-4x-1)y = 0$$
 has or not a polynomial solution $y(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$.
- show that $y(x) = (x+1)/(x-1)$ is the only solution in $\mathbb{Q}(x)$ of
$$(x-1)(x^2-2)y''(x) + 2x(x^2-x-1)y'(x) + 4(x-2)y(x) = 0.$$

But you will still have to attend the next talks to find out how your computer can prove/discover identities like

$$\sum_{k=0}^{2n} (-1)^k \frac{\binom{4n}{2k}}{\binom{2n}{k}} = \frac{1}{1-2n},$$

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (-1)^k \binom{a+b}{a+k} \binom{a+c}{c+k} \binom{b+c}{b+k} = \frac{(a+b+c)!}{a! b! c!},$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \left(\sum_{j=0}^k \binom{n}{j} \right)^3 = n2^{3n-1} + 2^{3n} - 3n2^{n-2} \binom{2n}{n},$$

$$\frac{1}{2} J_0(x)^2 + J_1(x)^2 + J_2(x)^2 + \dots = \frac{1}{2},$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} x J_1(ax) I_1(ax) Y_0(x) K_0(x) dx = -\frac{\ln(1-a^4)}{2\pi a^2}.$$

Structure of the talk

- ① Fast computation of the first N terms, resp. of the N th term, of a recurrence with polynomial coefficients
- ② Singularities of D -finite series
- ③ Polynomial and rational solutions of linear differential equations

II *N* terms vs. *N*th term

The naive algorithm is optimal for the first N terms

$$a_r(n)u_{n+r} + \cdots + a_0(n)u_n = 0, \quad a_i \in \mathbb{K}[n].$$

rewrites as a 1st order recurrence in $U_n = (u_n, \dots, u_{n+r-1})^t$ with matrix coefficient over $\mathbb{K}(n)$

$$U_{n+1} = C(n)U_n \quad \text{where} \quad C(n) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & & & \\ & 0 & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{a_0}{a_r}(n) & \dots & & & -\frac{a_{r-1}}{a_r}(n) \end{pmatrix}.$$

- $\mathcal{O}(N)$ arithmetic ops to compute u_0, u_1, \dots, u_N
- series expansion of solutions of LDE: $\mathcal{O}(N)$ arithmetic ops.
- $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(N^2)$ bit operations to compute u_0, u_1, \dots, u_N over $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{Q}$.

One can do much better to compute the N th term alone!

Results

- ① u_0, u_1, \dots, u_N in $\mathcal{O}(N)$ arithmetic ops, $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(N^2)$ bit ops
OPTIMAL
- ② u_N over $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{Q}$ in $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(N)$ bit ops (by **binary splitting**)
OPTIMAL
- ③ u_N in $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(\sqrt{N})$ arithmetic ops (by **baby steps/giant steps**)
NOT OPTIMAL
- ④ **Special case, constant coefficients** $a_i \in \mathbb{K}$: u_N in $\mathcal{O}(\log N)$ arithmetic ops, $\mathcal{O}(N)$ bit operations OPTIMAL

→ open problem: can we compute u_N in the general case in only $\mathcal{O}(\log N)$ arithmetic ops?

→ if the answer were YES, then PRIMES IS IN P would be trivial
 $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ iff p is prime (Wilson)

Examples of applications

- compute high decimal expansions of constants like $e, \gamma, \pi, \zeta(3)$ [Hakmem72, Brent75, Chudnovsky288]
- more generally, evaluate a D-finite function at an algebraic number \rightarrow analytic continuation along arbitrary paths
- Sigsam Challenges'97, Problem 4. Coefficient of x^{3000} in

$$(x+1)^{2000}(x^2+x+1)^{1000}(x^4+x^3+x^2+x+1)^{500}$$

(first compute a rec. of order 7, then use binary splitting)

- From an analysis of Gröbner bases: roots of $P_n(x)$ defined by

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} P_n(x) \frac{z^n}{n!} = \left(\frac{1+z}{1+z^2} \right)^x$$

control the complexity of solving “generic” systems with n quadratic equations in $\mathbb{F}_2[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ [BaFaSa05]

- Rational solutions of LDEs & LREs [BoCISa05, BoChCISa06]

The easy case: constant coefficients

Fibonacci-like sequences:

$$F_0 = F_1 = 1, \quad F_{n+2} = aF_{n+1} + bF_n, \quad (a, b \in \mathbb{Q}).$$

Matrix formulation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} F_{N-1} \\ F_N \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}}_C \begin{pmatrix} F_{N-2} \\ F_{N-1} \end{pmatrix} = C^{N-1} \begin{pmatrix} F_0 \\ F_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad N \geq 1.$$

→ F_N in $\mathcal{O}(\log N)$ arithmetic operations by **binary powering**:

$$C^k = \begin{cases} (C^{k/2})^2, & \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \\ (C^{\frac{k-1}{2}})^2 C, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

→ easy generalization to recurrences of arbitrary order with constant coefficients.

Fast Multiplication

- **Balanced** input: size $T \times$ size T
 - Naïve: $I(T) = \mathcal{O}(T^2)$
 - Karatsuba (1963): $I(T) = \mathcal{O}(T^{1.59})$
 - Fast Fourier Transform: $I(T) = \mathcal{O}(T \log T \log \log T) = \tilde{\mathcal{O}}(T)$
[Schönhage-Strassen71, Fürer07]
- Same for polynomials ($M(T)$).
- Many applications via **Newton** iteration, including division.
- Fast polynomial gcd, resultant, multipoint evaluation, interpolation by **divide-and-conquer**.

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Borodin & Moenck 74: Recursive computation

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Complexity: } C(d) &= \underbrace{2C(d/2)}_{\text{recursion}} + \underbrace{2M(d/4)}_Q + \underbrace{\frac{7}{2}M(d)}_{\text{divisions}} \\ &= \mathcal{O}(M(d) \log d) = \tilde{\mathcal{O}}(d). \end{aligned}$$

Binary Splitting & Bit Complexity

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

Naive way: complexity $\tilde{O}(N^2)$

$$\sum_{k=1}^N l(k \log k, \log k) = \sum_{k=1}^N k l(\log k) =$$

$$\mathcal{O}(N^2 l(\log N)) = \tilde{O}(N^2)$$

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- **Binary Splitting**: balance computation sequence so as to take advantage of **fast** multiplication (operands of same sizes):

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

and recurse. Complexity $\tilde{O}(N)$.

- Extends to **matrix factorials** $C(N)C(N-1)\cdots C(1)$, same complexity \rightarrow recurrences of arbitrary order.

Example: fast computation of $e = \exp(1)$

$$e_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{k!} \rightarrow \exp(1) = 2.7182818284590452 \dots$$

$e_n - e_{n-1} = 1/n! \Rightarrow n(e_n - e_{n-1}) = e_{n-1} - e_{n-2}$, thus

$$\begin{pmatrix} e_{N-1} \\ e_N \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{N} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & N \\ -1 & N+1 \end{pmatrix}}_{C(N)} \begin{pmatrix} e_{N-2} \\ e_{N-1} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{N!} C(N)C(N-1) \dots C(2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\rightarrow e_N$ in $\tilde{O}(N)$ bit operations [Brent76]

\rightarrow generalizes to the evaluation of any D-finite function at an algebraic number [Chudnovsky²87]

Example: fast computation of π

Ramanujan's marvelous hypergeometric identity (1914)

$$\frac{1}{\pi} = \frac{\sqrt{8}}{9801} \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(4n)!(1103 + 26390n)}{(n!)^4 \cdot (4 \cdot 99)^{4n}}.$$

Hides some deep number theory. Algebraic relations between ${}_2F_1$ and ${}_3F_2$ via Clausen's identity

$${}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} a, b \\ a + b + 1/2 \end{matrix} \middle| z \right)^2 = {}_3F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} 2a, a + b, 2b \\ a + b + 1/2, 2a + 2b \end{matrix} \middle| z \right)$$

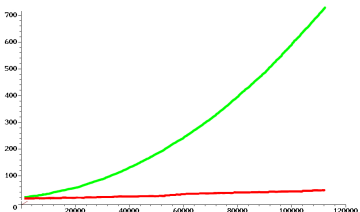
give a representation of $(K(k)/\pi)^2$ as a ${}_3F_2$ hypergeometric function, where $K(k)$ is the complete elliptic integral

$$K(k) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 t}} = \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} 1/2, 1/2 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \middle| k^2 \right).$$

Example: fast computation of π

[Chudnovsky²⁸⁷] Ramanujan-type series, faster convergence

$$\frac{1}{\pi} = \frac{1}{53360\sqrt{640320}} \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^n (6n)! (13591409 + 545140134n)}{n!^3 (3n)! (8 \cdot 100100025 \cdot 327843840)^n}.$$



Used in Maple & Mathematica. 1st order recurrence, it yields 14 correct digits per iteration. 4 billion digits [Chudnovsky²⁹⁴].

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

① Compute $Q(x) = (x+1) \cdots (x+k)$

② Evaluate $Q(0), Q(k), \dots, Q(N-k)$

③ Compute their product

$\tilde{O}(k)$;
 $\tilde{O}(N/k)$;
 $O(N/k)$.

- Extends to matrix factorials in $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{N})$ [Chudnovsky²88];

Application: dimension of kernel of $C(N)C(N-1) \cdots C(1)$ over \mathbb{Q}

Probabilistic algorithm in $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{N})$ bit operations [BoCISa05].

Probability at least $1 - \frac{1}{2 \log^2 N}$. Primes of size a bit more than $\log N$.

Examples of applications

- Deterministic factorization of integers, [Pollard74, Strassen76]:

$$\tilde{O}\left(\sqrt[4]{N}\right) \text{ bit operations to factor } N$$

- Point counting on hyperelliptic curves using Cartier-Manin operator \rightarrow coefficient of X^{p-1} in $f^{(p-1)/2}$, where $f \in \mathbb{F}_p[X]$ [BoGaSc03].
- Fast detection of polynomial and rational solutions of differential equations [BoChSa05].

III Singularities of D -finite functions

Location of Singularities

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

$$(E) \quad Y'(x) = A(x)Y(x), \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ \vdots \\ y^{(d-1)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{a_d}{a_0} & \cdots & -\frac{a_1}{a_0} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Theorem (Cauchy)

If $A(x)$ is analytic in a simply connected domain $R \subset \mathbb{C}$, then for $a \in R$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^d$, (E) has a solution analytic in R s.t. $Y(a) = \alpha$.

Corollary

If $\mathcal{L}y(x) = 0$ and if ρ is a singularity of $y(x)$, then $a_0(\rho) = 0$. In particular, a D-finite function has only finitely many singularities.

Definition

Singularity at ∞ : $y(1/x)$ singular at 0.

Indicial Polynomial

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

Idea: to every singularity ρ of \mathcal{L} , attach a polynomial P_ρ whose roots σ are the possible valuations of formal series solutions

$$y(x) = (x - \rho)^\sigma \sum_{n \geq 0} u_n^{(\rho)} (x - \rho)^n \text{ of } \mathcal{L}y = 0 \text{ at } \rho.$$

Definition

Indicial polynomial: $\mathcal{L}(x - \rho)^\sigma \sim P_\rho(\sigma)(x - \rho)^{\sigma+m}$ [Fuchs1868]

Proposition

If $\rho = 0$ is a singularity of \mathcal{L} , the sequence $(u_n^{(0)})_n$ satisfies

$$b_r(n)u_{n+r}^{(0)} + \cdots + b_0(n)u_n^{(0)} = 0,$$

where $P_\rho(\sigma) = b_r(\sigma - r)$ and $P_\infty(\sigma) = b_0(\sigma)$.

Example

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

$$\mathcal{L}(x^\sigma) =$$

$$\underbrace{\sigma(\sigma-1)}_{P_0(\sigma)} x^{\sigma-2} + \cdots + \underbrace{(8\sigma(\sigma-1) + 16\sigma(1-N) + 2N(4N-4))}_{P_\infty(\sigma)} x^{\sigma+1}$$

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

Classification of singularities

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

Theorem (Fabry1885)

At a singular point ρ , (E) admits a basis of *formal* solutions

- $\deg P = d$: regular singular point.

$$\Psi_i(z) = (z - \rho)^{\sigma_i} \sum_{j=0}^{d_i} \log^j(z - \rho) \underbrace{\Phi_{i,j}(z - \rho)}_{\text{convergent p. s.}}, \quad P(\sigma_i) = 0.$$

- $\deg P < d$: irregular singular point

$$y_i(t) = \exp\left(\underbrace{P_i(1/t)}_{\text{polynomial}}\right) \underbrace{\Psi_i(t)}_{\text{as above}}, \quad \underbrace{t^{\mu_i}}_{\mu_i \in \mathbb{N}^*} = (z - \rho).$$

Algorithms for everything [Tournier87,vanHoeij97]

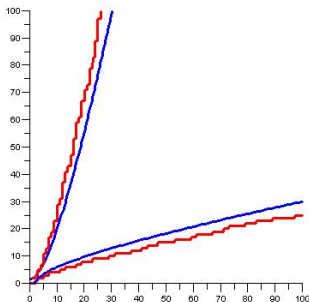
Incorporated in ESF: <http://algo.inria.fr/esf> [MeSa03]

Not Everything is D-finite

Analytic behaviour

- $\tan z$ is not D-finite;
- Bernoulli numbers are not D-finite ($\sum B_n z^n / n! = z / (e^z - 1)$);
- sequences $\log n$, n^α ($\alpha \notin \mathbb{N}$), p_n not D-finite [FIGeSa05];

$$\pi(x) \sim \text{Li}(x) + R(x) \Rightarrow p_n - nH_n \sim n \log \log n \Rightarrow \text{g.f.} \sim \frac{\log \log(1-z)}{(1-z)^2}$$



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Algebraic behaviour (mostly Galois theory)

- f and $1/f$ D-finite iff f'/f algebraic [HaSi85];
- f_n and $1/f_n$ D-finite iff f_n interlacing of hypergeometric sequences (= rec. of order 1) [vdPSi97];
- f and $\exp \int f$ D-finite iff f algebraic;
- g algebraic of genus ≥ 1 . f and $g \circ f$ D-finite iff f is algebraic.

[Singer86]

IV Polynomial and rational solutions of LDEs

Motivation

- 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 [ChDuLeMaMiSa07]

They all

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

Timings

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Open problem: Polynomial complexity (in $\log N$).

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*.



[BoCISa05]: **better complexity** (still exponential).

Basic Algorithm

Liouville: bound on degree and undeterminate coefficients

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Abramov *et alii*: alternate view via **recurrence**

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

and basis of power series solutions of the LDE

$$1 + 0x + \cdots + *x^N + *x^{N+1} + *x^{N+2} + *x^{N+3} + O(x^{N+4})$$

$$0 + 1x + \cdots + *x^N + *x^{N+1} + *x^{N+2} + *x^{N+3} + O(x^{N+4})$$

Same Complexity

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Binary Splitting for Polynomial Solutions

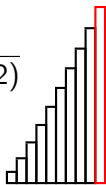
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$$(n+3)(n+2)u_{n+3} + \dots + 8(n-N)(n-N+1)u_n = 0$$

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

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

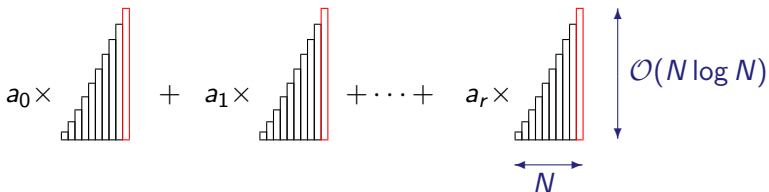
$$= \underbrace{C(N) \cdots C(-1)}_{\text{matrix factorial}} \frac{U_{-2}}{(N+2)(N+1)!^2}.$$



Complexity: like for $N!$.

Shape of Recurrent Sequences

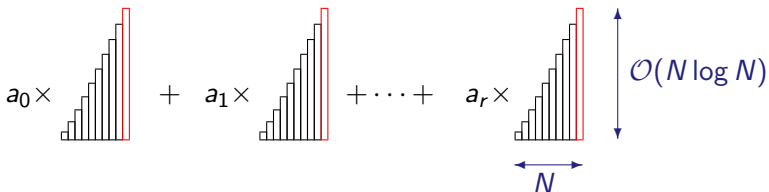
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Definition (Compact Representation of a Polynomial Solution)

Linear recurrence on its coefficients + initial conditions
+ bound N on degree.

Data-structure of size $\mathcal{O}(\text{size ini. cond.} + \log N)$
for a polynomial of size $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(\text{size ini. cond.} + N^2)$.

Operations on Compact Representations

Lemma (Classical)

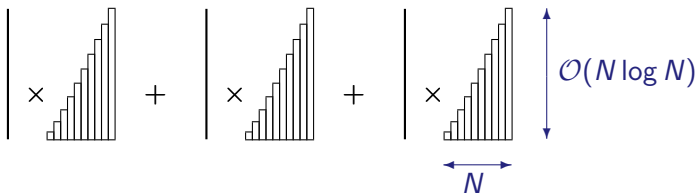
If u_n and v_n satisfy linear recurrences, so does $w_N := \sum_{n=0}^N u_n v_n$.

Corollary

P polynomial in compact representation, a algebraic number, then $P^{(k)}(a)$ can be computed in $\tilde{O}(N)$ bit operations (with $k = \mathcal{O}(N)$).

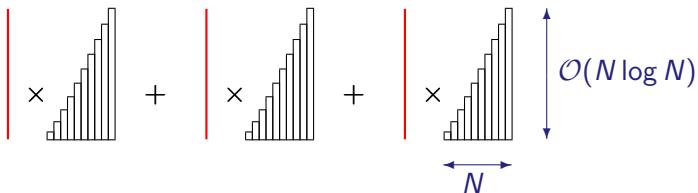
→ Compact representations can be **evaluated, differentiated and shifted to another point efficiently.**

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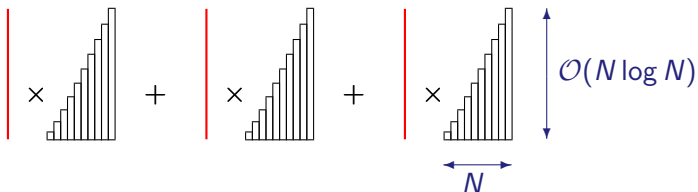
- Size of Solutions: $\mathcal{O}(N^2 \log N)$ bits
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Idea:

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

Rational Solutions of LDE

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

- Cauchy: singular points only at roots of a_0 .
- Indicial polynomial $P_\rho(\sigma)$: $\mathcal{L}(x - \rho)^\sigma \sim P_\rho(\sigma)(x - \rho)^{\sigma+m}$.

$$P_\rho(n+r)u_{n+r} + \cdots + P_\infty(n)u_n = 0$$

- (Exponential) bound on orders of poles and degree;
- Rational solutions [Liouville1833, Abramov89]: patch up local polar behaviours

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

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The result can then be expanded if desired.