

A Fast Parallel Sparse Polynomial GCD Algorithm.

Jiaxiong Hu and [Michael Monagan](#)
Department of Mathematics
Simon Fraser University.



This work is supported by NSERC of Canada and Maplesoft

The GCD Problem

Input: A and B in $\mathbb{Z}[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n]$.

Output: $G = \gcd(A, B)$.

Talk: assume $G = 1x_0^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} c_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)x_0^i$

The GCD Problem

Input: A and B in $\mathbb{Z}[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n]$.

Output: $G = \gcd(A, B)$.

Talk: assume $G = x_0^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} c_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)x_0^i$

Step 1 Pick a prime p and points $\alpha_j \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$ and compute

$$\gcd(A(x_0, \alpha_j), B(x_0, \alpha_j)) \bmod p = G(x_0, \alpha_j) = x_0^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \underbrace{c_i(\alpha_j)} x_0^i$$

for $j = 1, 2, \dots, T$ and *interpolate* $c_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

Step 2 Compute $\gcd(A, B)$ modulo p_2, p_3, \dots and obtain G using Chinese remaindering.

We do we parallelize for \mathbf{N} cores?

Sparse Interpolation Algorithms

Assume $G = x_0^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} c_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)x_0^i$ is **sparse**.

Let $\mathbf{t} = \max_i \#c_i$ and $\mathbf{d} = \max_i \deg_{x_i} G$ and $\mathbf{D} = \deg G$.

Zippel [1979]	$O(ndt)$ points	$p > 2nd^2t^2 = 6.4 \times 10^9$
BenOr/Tiwari [1988]	$O(t)$ points	$p > p_n^D = 5.3 \times 10^{77}$
Monagan/Javadi [2010]	$O(nt)$ points	$p > nDt^2 = 4.8 \times 10^8$
Discrete Logs	$O(t)$ points	$p > (d+1)^n = 3.8 \times 10^{10}$

Large GCD example: $n = 8$, $d = 20$, $D = 60$ and $t = 1000$.

Sparse Interpolation Algorithms

Assume $G = x_0^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} c_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)x_0^i$ is **sparse**.

Let $\mathbf{t} = \max_i \#c_i$ and $\mathbf{d} = \max_i \deg_{x_i} G$ and $\mathbf{D} = \deg G$.

Zippel [1979]	$O(ndt)$ points	$p > 2nd^2t^2 = 6.4 \times 10^9$
BenOr/Tiwari [1988]	$O(t)$ points	$p > p_n^D = 5.3 \times 10^{77}$
Monagan/Javadi [2010]	$O(nt)$ points	$p > nDt^2 = 4.8 \times 10^8$
Discrete Logs	$O(t)$ points	$p > (d+1)^n = 3.8 \times 10^{10}$

Large GCD example: $n = 8$, $d = 20$, $D = 60$ and $t = 1000$.

Talk Outline.

1. The BenOr-Tiwari algorithm and discrete logs
2. Unlucky evaluations and Kronecker substitutions.
3. Benchmarks (in Cilk C) and Current work.

Ben-Or Tiwari Sparse Interpolation

Let $C(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^t a_i M_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ where $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Step 1 compute values $v_j = C(2^j, 3^j, 5^j, \dots, p_n^j)$ for $0 \leq j < 2t$.

Step 2 determine $m_i = M_i(2, 3, 5, \dots, p_n)$ from v_j

Step 3 factor the integers m_i to determine the monomials M_i

Step 4 determine the coefficients a_i by solving

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ m_1 & m_2 & \dots & m_t \\ m_1^2 & m_2^2 & \dots & m_t^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ m_1^{t-1} & m_2^{t-1} & \dots & m_t^{t-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ \vdots \\ a_t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_0 \\ v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_{t-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Do this all mod a prime $p > m_i \leq p_n^D = 19^{60} = 5.3 \times 10^{77}$.

Ben-Or/Tiwari using discrete logarithms in \mathbb{Z}_p

[Fujise and Muraio. JSC 1996, PASCO 1994.]

[Kaltofen, unpublished 1988, PASCO 2010]

- ▶ Pick a prime $p = q_1 q_2 q_3 \dots q_n + 1$ with $\gcd(q_i, q_j) = 1$ and $q_i > \deg_{x_i} G \implies p > (d+1)^n = 21^8 = 3.8 \times 10^{10}$.
- ▶ Pick a random primitive element $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ and set $\omega_i := \alpha^{(p-1)/q_i} \implies \omega_i^{q_i} = 1$.
- ▶ Replace $(2^j, 3^j, \dots, p_n^j)$ with $(\omega_1^j, \omega_2^j, \dots, \omega_n^j)$ in BT. Hence if $M_i = \prod_{k=1}^n x_k^{d_k}$ we have $m_i = \prod_{k=1}^n \omega_k^{d_k}$.

Step 3 Compute the discrete logarithm

$$\log_{\alpha} m_i = d_1 q_2 q_3 \dots q_n + \dots + d_n q_1 q_2 \dots q_{n-1}$$

using Pohlig-Hellman in $O(\sum_i \sqrt{q_i})$ and solve for the d_k .

Unlucky Evaluation Points

Let $G = \gcd(A, B)$ and $\bar{A} = A/G$ and $\bar{B} = B/G$.

Definition. A point $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$ is **unlucky** if $\gcd(\bar{A}(x_0, \alpha), \bar{B}(x_0, \alpha)) \neq 1$.

We can't interpolate G using unlucky evaluation points.

Example. $\bar{A} = x_0^2 + (x_1 - 1)(x_2 - 9)x_0 + 1$ Unlucky α ?
 $\bar{B} = x_0^2 + 1$

Unlucky Evaluation Points

Let $G = \gcd(A, B)$ and $\bar{A} = A/G$ and $\bar{B} = B/G$.

Definition. A point $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$ is **unlucky** if $\gcd(\bar{A}(x_0, \alpha), \bar{B}(x_0, \alpha)) \neq 1$.

We can't interpolate G using unlucky evaluation points.

Example. $\bar{A} = x_0^2 + (x_1 - 1)(x_2 - 9)x_0 + 1$ Unlucky α ?
 $\bar{B} = x_0^2 + 1$ $(1, \blacksquare)$ and $(\blacksquare, 9)$

Theorem: If α is chosen at random from \mathbb{Z}_p^n then

$$\text{Prob}[\alpha \text{ is unlucky}] \leq \frac{\deg \bar{A} \deg \bar{B}}{p}.$$

We need $2t$ consecutive unlucky evaluation points for BT.

Ben-Or Tiwari Evaluation Points

Example.
$$\begin{aligned}\bar{A} &= x_0^2 + (x_1 - 1)(x_2 - 9)x_0 + 1 \\ \bar{B} &= x_0^2 + 1\end{aligned}$$

Ben-Or/Tiwari $\alpha_j = (2^j, 3^j, 5^j, \dots, p_n^j)$ for $0 \leq j < 2t$.
 $j = 0, 2$ are unlucky.

Ben-Or Tiwari Evaluation Points

Example.
$$\begin{aligned}\bar{A} &= x_0^2 + (x_1 - 1)(x_2 - 9)x_0 + 1 \\ \bar{B} &= x_0^2 + 1\end{aligned}$$

Ben-Or/Tiwari $\alpha_j = (2^j, 3^j, 5^j, \dots, p_n^j)$ for $0 \leq j < 2t$.
 $j = 0, 2$ are unlucky.

Pick s with $2^s > p$ and use $s \leq j < 2t + s$.

Must solve the shifted transposed Vandermonde system

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_1^s & m_2^s & \dots & m_t^s \\ m_1^{s+1} & m_2^{s+1} & \dots & m_t^{s+1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ m_1^{s+t-1} & m_2^{s+t-1} & \dots & m_t^{s+t-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_s \\ v_{s+1} \\ \vdots \\ v_{s+t-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Additional cost is $O(t \log s)$ multiplications (details in paper).

Discrete Logs Evaluation Points

Example.
$$\begin{aligned}\bar{A} &= x_0^2 + (x_1 - 1)(x_2 - 9)x_0 + 1 \\ \bar{B} &= x_0^2 + 1\end{aligned}$$

Discrete logs uses $\alpha_j = (\omega_1^j, \omega_2^j, \dots, \omega_n^j)$ for $1 \leq j \leq 2t$.
But $\omega_i^{q_i} = 1$ so $j = q_1, 2q_1, 3q_1, \dots$ are unlucky.

Pick $q_i > 2t \implies p > (2t)^n = (2000)^8 = 2.5 \times 10^{27}$.
But we don't know t !

Kronecker Substitutions

For $r > 0$ define

$$K_r(G(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n)) = G(x, y, y^r, y^{r^2}, \dots, y^{r^{n-1}}).$$

If $d = \deg G$ then K_r is invertible if $r > d$.

Example: GCD in $\mathbb{Z}_p[x_0, x_1, x_2]$.

$$G = x_0^2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2$$

$$\bar{A} = x_0^2 - x_1^2$$

$$\bar{B} = x_0^4 - x_1 x_2$$

$$\gcd(\bar{A}, \bar{B}) = 1$$

$$K_3(G) = x^2 + y^2 + y^6$$

$$K_3(\bar{A}) = x^2 - y^2$$

$$K_3(\bar{B}) = x^4 - y^4$$

$$\gcd(K_3(\bar{A}), K_3(\bar{B})) = x^2 - y^2$$

Kronecker Substitutions

For $r > 0$ define

$$K_r(G(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n)) = G(x, y, y^r, y^{r^2}, \dots, y^{r^{n-1}}).$$

If $d = \deg G$ then K_r is invertible if $r > d$.

Example: GCD in $\mathbb{Z}_p[x_0, x_1, x_2]$.

$$\begin{array}{ll} G = x_0^2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2 & K_3(G) = x^2 + y^2 + y^6 \\ \bar{A} = x_0^2 - x_1^2 & K_3(\bar{A}) = x^2 - y^2 \\ \bar{B} = x_0^4 - x_1x_2 & K_3(\bar{B}) = x^4 - y^4 \\ \gcd(\bar{A}, \bar{B}) = 1 & \gcd(K_3(\bar{A}), K_3(\bar{B})) = x^2 - y^2 \end{array}$$

Definition: K_r is unlucky if $\gcd(K_r(\bar{A}), K_r(\bar{B})) \neq 1$

Theorem 1: The number of unlucky K_r is $\leq (n-1)\sqrt{2 \deg \bar{A} \deg \bar{B}}$.

Try K_r for $r = d+1, d+2, \dots$ until we get a lucky one.

Kronecker substitutions and unlucky evaluation points

Example

$$G = x_0 + x_1^d + x_2^d + \cdots + x_n^d$$

$$\bar{A} = x_0 + x_1 + \cdots + x_{n-1} + x_n^{d+1}$$

$$\bar{B} = x_0 + x_1 + \cdots + x_{n-1} + 1$$

$$R = \text{res}_{x_0}(\bar{A}, \bar{B}) = 1 - x_n^{d+1} \text{ and } K_{d+1}(R) = 1 - y^{(d+1)^n}$$

$$\text{Prob}[\alpha \text{ is unlucky}] \leq \frac{\deg K(R)}{p} \leq \frac{(d+1)^n}{p}.$$

Kronecker substitutions and unlucky evaluation points

Example

$$G = x_0 + x_1^d + x_2^d + \cdots + x_n^d$$

$$\bar{A} = x_0 + x_1 + \cdots + x_{n-1} + x_n^{d+1}$$

$$\bar{B} = x_0 + x_1 + \cdots + x_{n-1} + 1$$

$$R = \text{res}_{x_0}(\bar{A}, \bar{B}) = 1 - x_n^{d+1} \text{ and } K_{d+1}(R) = 1 - y^{(d+1)^n}$$

$$\text{Prob}[\alpha \text{ is unlucky}] \leq \frac{\deg K(R)}{p} \leq \frac{(d+1)^n}{p}.$$

Theorem 2

Over \mathbb{F}_p let $A = x^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} a_i(y)x^i$, and $B = x^n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i(y)x^i$.

Let $X = |\{0 \leq \beta < p : \gcd(A(x, \beta), B(x, \beta)) \neq 1\}|$.

If $m > 0$ and $n > 0$ and $\deg a_i(y), b_i(y) \leq d$ then

$$E[X] =$$

Kronecker substitutions and unlucky evaluation points

Example

$$G = x_0 + x_1^d + x_2^d + \cdots + x_n^d$$

$$\bar{A} = x_0 + x_1 + \cdots + x_{n-1} + x_n^{d+1}$$

$$\bar{B} = x_0 + x_1 + \cdots + x_{n-1} + 1$$

$$R = \text{res}_{x_0}(\bar{A}, \bar{B}) = 1 - x_n^{d+1} \text{ and } K_{d+1}(R) = 1 - y^{(d+1)^n}$$

$$\text{Prob}[\alpha \text{ is unlucky}] \leq \frac{\deg K(R)}{p} \leq \frac{(d+1)^n}{p}.$$

Theorem 2

Over \mathbb{F}_p let $A = x^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} a_i(y)x^i$, and $B = x^n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i(y)x^i$.

Let $X = |\{0 \leq \beta < p : \gcd(A(x, \beta), B(x, \beta)) \neq 1\}|$.

If $m > 0$ and $n > 0$ and $\deg a_i(y), b_i(y) \leq d$ then

$$E[X] = 1 \implies \text{Prob}[\alpha \text{ is unlucky}] = \frac{1}{p}.$$

Try $p > 2(d+1)^n$. If unlucky evaluations occur increase p .

Benchmark

New algorithm coded in Cilk C codes for 31, 63 and 127 bit primes.
Benchmark: $n = 8$, $d = 20 \geq \deg_{x_i} G, \bar{A}, \bar{B}$, $D = 60 \geq \deg G, \bar{A}, \bar{B}$.
Coefficients of G, \bar{A}, \bar{B} generated at random on $[0, 2^{31})$.

#G	#A	t	New algorithm $p = 29 \cdot 2^{57} + 1$		Zippel's algorithm	
			1 core (eval)	16 cores	Maple	Magma
10^3	10^5	113	0.66s (68%)	0.100s (6.6x)	341.9s	63.55s
10^3	10^6	130	5.66s (90%)	0.717s (9.4x)	5553.5s	FAIL
10^4	10^6	1198	48.44s (87%)	4.474s (10.2x)	62520.1s	FAIL
10^3	10^7	122	52.102 (92%)	4.591s (11.3x)	NA	NA
10^4	10^7	1212	428.96s (98%)	37.43s (11.5x)	NA	NA
10^5	10^7	11867	3705.4s (98%)	311.60s (11.9x)	NA	NA
10^6	10^7	117508	47568.0s (90%)	3835.9s (12.4x)	NA	NA

Timings (in seconds) on two Xeon E5-2680 CPUs, 8 cores, 2.2GHz/3.0GHz.

Maximum parallel speedup = $16 \times 2.2/3.0 = 11.7 \times$.

Evaluation: If $G = \gcd(A, B)$ usually $(s = \#A + \#B) \gg \#G \gg t$.

Improvements

- ▶ Evaluation: $O(sn + nd + st) \rightarrow O(sn + nd + s \log^2 t)$ ops in \mathbb{Z}_p .
- ▶ Bivariate Images: Let
 $K_r(A(x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)) = A(x, y, z, z^r, z^{r^2}, \dots)$.
Interpolate $K_r(G)$ from

$$\gcd(K_r(A)(x, y, z = \alpha^j), K_r(B)(x, y, z = \alpha^j)).$$

Gain? $t : 1198 \rightarrow 122$. Cost? $O(40^2) \rightarrow O(40^3)$.

Time (1 core): $48.44s \rightarrow 7.27s$ Time (16 cores): $4.47s \rightarrow 0.66s$.

Final Remarks

- ▶ Algorithm: Input (A, B) . Output $(p, G = \gcd(A, B) \bmod p)$ w.h.p.
- ▶ The paper treats the general case G not monic.
- ▶ \exists enough smooth primes to find one which is not unlucky?

Current Work: Bivariate Images

Let $G = x_0^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} c_{ij}(x_2, \dots, x_n) x_0^i x_1^j$ in $\mathbb{Z}[x_2, \dots, x_n][x_0, x_1]$.

Gain? reduces t .

Cost? $O(d^2) \rightarrow O(d^3)$ per image using Brown's dense GCD algorithm.

Current Work: Bivariate Images

Let $G = x_0^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} c_{ij}(x_2, \dots, x_n) x_0^i x_1^j$ in $\mathbb{Z}[x_2, \dots, x_n][x_0, x_1]$.

Gain? reduces t .

Cost? $O(d^2) \rightarrow O(d^3)$ per image using Brown's dense GCD algorithm.

			New algorithm $p = 29 \cdot 2^{57} + 1$		Zippel's algorithm	
#G	#A	t	1 core (eval)	16 cores	Maple	Magma
10^3	10^5	113	0.66s (68%)	0.100s (6.6x)	341.9s	63.55s
		13	0.31s (55%)	0.066s (4.5x)		
10^3	10^6	130	5.66s (90%)	0.717s (9.4x)	5553.5s	FAIL
		14	1.68s (68%)	0.268 (4.3x)		
10^4	10^6	1198	48.44s (87%)	4.474s (10.2x)	62520.1s	FAIL
		122	7.27s (74%)	0.656s (11.2x)		
10^4	10^7	1212	428.96s (98%)	37.43s (11.5x)	NA	NA
		122	57.21s (90%)	5.10s (11.2x)		
10^5	10^7	11867	3705.4s (98%)	311.60s (11.9x)	NA	NA
		1114	438.87s(90%)	34.40s (12.7x)		
10^6	10^7	117508	47568s (90%)	3835.9s (12.4x)	NA	NA
		11002	4794.5s (83%)	346.1s (13.8x)		

Kronecker substitutions + discrete logarithms

Before interpolate c_i in $G = x_0^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} c_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)x_0^i$.

Now interpolate y in $K_r(G) = x_0^m + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} K_r(c_i)(y)x_0^i$.

Pick a smooth prime p with $p > r^n$.

Pick a random generator α from \mathbb{Z}_p . Interpolate $K_r(G)$ from

$$\gcd(K_r(A)(x, y = \alpha^j), K_r(B)(x, y = \alpha^j)) \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots, T.$$