

# Solutions to Homework 2

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## 1 Problem 1.14

Using the results from 0.4, Fibonacci numbers in terms of matrix can be represented as follows

$$\begin{pmatrix} F_n \\ F_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^n \cdot \begin{pmatrix} F_0 \\ F_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Since  $F_n \pmod p$  can be obtained by taking the first term of the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} F_n \\ F_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} \pmod p$ . As the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} F_0 \\ F_1 \end{pmatrix}$  is a constant matrix, computing  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^n \pmod p$  is sufficient to compute  $F_n \pmod p$ . We call the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  as  $A$ . An extension of modular exponentiation algorithm can be employed to solve this problem once we prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 1** *Given any general matrix  $A$ ,  $(A \pmod p) \times (A \pmod p) = A^2 \pmod p$*

**Proof:** Assume  $A$  as any matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ .  $(A \pmod p)$  can be written as  $\begin{pmatrix} a + k^1 p & b + k^2 p \\ c + k^3 p & d + k^4 p \end{pmatrix}$  where  $k^1, \dots, k^4$  are arbitrary integers. After multiplying  $(A \pmod p)$  with  $(A \pmod p)$ , the first term in the final matrix can be written as  $b^2 + ac + p(C)$  where  $C$  is any constant which is equivalent to the first term of the matrix  $A^2 \pmod p$ . Similarly it holds for other terms as well.  $\square$

Using the above theorem, we can establish in general that  $(A^n \pmod p) \times (A \pmod p) = A^{n+1} \pmod p$ . The algorithm is given as

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function Modified-modexp(A, p, n)
Input:  2x2 Array A where each element is of n-bits,
        p (n bit) and integer exponent n
Output:  $A^n \pmod p$ 
if y = 0: return  $I_2$ 
z = Modified-modexp(A, p,  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ )
temp = (z mod p)  $\times$  (z mod p)
if y is even:
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    return temp
else:
    return (A mod p) × temp

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Complexity Analysis : Number of recursive calls are analogous to Modular Exponentiation presented at page 19. Matrix multiplication is  $O(n^2)$  (Chapter 3 presents a better bound). Hence the complexity of the algorithm is  $O(n^3)$ .

## 2 Problem 1.15

Statement : For any  $a, b$ , if  $ax \equiv bx \pmod{c}$ , then  $a \equiv b \pmod{c}$ .  
Necessary and Sufficient Condition Derivation

$$\begin{aligned}
 ax \equiv bx \pmod{c} &\Rightarrow c \mid (a - b)x \\
 a \equiv b \pmod{c} &\Rightarrow c \mid (a - b)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now since  $c$  must divide  $(a-b)x$  and  $c$  must divide  $(a-b)$ , we should choose  $x$  such that  $\text{GCD}(c, x) = 1$  which will ensure that if  $(a-b)x$  is divisible by  $c$ , then  $(a-b)$  must be divisible by  $c$  as  $\text{GCD}(c, x)$  is 1.

## 3 Problem 1.17

$x$  and  $y$  are each  $n$ -bit long. We are performing complexity analysis of 2 algorithms for  $x^y$  computation.

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function Iterative-Exponentiation(x,y)
Input:  x and y each n-bit long
Output:  $x^y$ 
prod = x
for i = 1 to y-1
    prod = x * prod
return prod

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Complexity Analysis : After each multiplication, the size of the product becomes  $i \cdot n$  where  $i$  is the current iteration. Total time is given by  $\sum_{i=0}^{y-1} O(i \cdot n) = \frac{(y-1)y}{2} O(n^2)$ . The complexity is  $O(y^2 n^2)$  where  $y$  is  $O(2^n)$ .

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function Recursive-Exponentiation(x,y)
Input:  x and y each n-bit long
Output:  $x^y$ 
if y = 0: return 1
z = Recursive-Exponentiation(x, ⌊ $\frac{y}{2}$ ⌋)
if y is even:
    return z*z
else:
    return x*z*z

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Complexity Analysis : Since y is n-bit long, the number of iterations is bounded by  $O(n)$ . Size of z on each return from recursive call increases by a factor of 4. Total running time is given by  $O(n^2) + O(4n^2) + \dots + O((2^{n-2}n)^2) = O(n^2 2^{2n})$

## 4 Problem 1.24

From the set given  $0, 1, 2, \dots, p^n - 1$  we have to exclude all numbers which are multiple of p since  $\gcd(kp, p^n)$  where  $0 \leq k < p^{n-1}$  is surely not equal to 1 as p is a common divisor for both the numbers. Now consider numbers of the form  $kp + i$  where  $0 < i < p - 1$ . k and i are integers. Now  $\gcd(kp + i, p^n) = 1$  as p is surely not a divisor of  $kp + i$  and p is the only prime divisor of  $p^n$ . Therefore total numbers in the set which are multiple of p are  $p^{n-1}$ . Numbers which have an inverse are  $p^n - p^{n-1}$ .

## 5 Problem 1.26

We have to compute  $17^{17^{17}} \pmod{10}$  to get the least significant digit.

$$\begin{aligned} 10 &= 2 \cdot 5 \text{ where 2 and 5 are primes} \\ p &= 2 \quad q = 5 \text{ and } a = 17 \\ a^{(p-1)(q-1)} &= 1 \pmod{10} \Rightarrow 17^4 = 1 \pmod{10} \\ 17^{17} = (4^2 + 1)^{17} &= 4 \cdot C + 1 \text{ where } C \text{ is some constant} \\ 17^{17^{17}} \pmod{10} &= 17^{4C} \pmod{10} \cdot 17 \pmod{10} = 7 \end{aligned}$$

## 6 Problem 1.44

Alice and her three friends are communicating using RSA cryptosystem. Respective public keys are  $(N_i, e_i)$  where  $i \in 1, 2, 3$ . Alice sent the same message MSG to all three of her friends. Since  $e_i = 3$ , we get following cyphertext  $M_i$

$$\begin{aligned} M_1 &= MSG^3 \pmod{N_1} \\ M_2 &= MSG^3 \pmod{N_2} \\ M_3 &= MSG^3 \pmod{N_3} \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging terms the above equations can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} MSG^3 &= M_1 \pmod{N_1} \\ MSG^3 &= M_2 \pmod{N_2} \\ MSG^3 &= M_3 \pmod{N_3} \end{aligned}$$

Someone who intercepts all the 3 encrypted messages  $M_1, M_2$  and  $M_3$  along with the public keys  $N_1, N_2, N_3$  and e can compute  $MSG^3$  using Chinese Remainder Theorem.

**Theorem 2** Suppose  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_s$  are  $s$  integers, no two of which have a common divisor other than 1. Let  $M = m_1 m_2 \dots m_s$  and suppose  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_s$  are integers such that  $\gcd(a_i, m_i) = 1$  for each  $i$ . Then the  $s$  congruences

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 x &\equiv b_1 \pmod{m_1} \\ a_2 x &\equiv b_2 \pmod{m_2} \\ &\dots, \\ a_s x &\equiv b_s \pmod{m_s} \end{aligned}$$

have a simultaneous solution that is unique modulo  $M$ .

**Proof:** From each particular congruence we construct one common to the entire set. We choose integers  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_s$  such that

$$a_i c_i \equiv b_i \pmod{m_i} \quad (2)$$

Note that one possibility of choose  $c_i$  is to take them equal to  $b_i$ . Now let  $n_i = \frac{M}{m_i}$ . No two  $m_i$  have a common factor, therefore  $\gcd(n_i, m_i) = 1$ . Therefore an inverse  $\hat{n}_i$  exist such that  $n_i \hat{n}_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i}$ . Thus the  $x_0$  defined by

$$x_0 = c_1 n_1 \hat{n}_1 + c_2 n_2 \hat{n}_2 + \dots + c_s n_s \hat{n}_s \quad (3)$$

is a solution to the original system of  $s$  congruences. Note that by definition  $m_i$  divides each  $n_j$  except  $n_i$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} a_i x_0 &= a_i c_1 n_1 \hat{n}_1 + a_i c_2 n_2 \hat{n}_2 + \dots + a_i c_s n_s \hat{n}_s \\ &\equiv a_i c_i n_i \hat{n}_i \pmod{m_i} \\ &\equiv a_i c_i \pmod{m_i} \\ &\equiv b_i \pmod{m_i} \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $x_0$  is a solution of each congruence.  $\square$

Using the theorem getting  $M$  is straightforward. For the given problem  $a_1, a_2$  and  $a_3$  are 1 respectively.  $c_1 = M_1, c_2 = M_2$  and  $c_3 = M_3$ .  $M = N_1 N_2 N_3$ .  $n_1 = N_2 N_3, n_2 = N_1 N_3$  and  $n_3 = N_1 N_2$ . Compute  $\hat{n}_1$  by the equation  $n_1 \hat{n}_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{N_1}$  using Extended Euclid Algorithm. Similarly compute  $\hat{n}_2$  and  $\hat{n}_3$ . Following that generate  $x_0$  as the solution for the congruences. Now  $x_0 \pmod{N_1 N_2 N_3}$  is the required solution. Thus  $MSG^3 = x_0$  and  $MSG = x_0^{\frac{1}{3}}$

## 7 Errata for Homework 1

Problem 2 (0.1) (1)  $n^{\frac{1}{2}} = O(5^{\log n})$