

1. **[20 marks]** You are given two polynomials,

$$P_A(x) = A_0 + A_3x^3 + A_6x^6$$

and

$$P_B(x) = B_0 + B_3x^3 + B_6x^6 + B_9x^9$$

where all  $A_i$ 's and all  $B_j$ 's are large numbers. Multiply these two polynomials using only 6 large number multiplications.

2. (a) **[5 marks]** Multiply two complex numbers  $(a + ib)$  and  $(c + id)$  (where  $a, b, c, d$  are all real numbers) using only 3 real number multiplications.
- (a) **[5 marks]** Find  $(a + ib)^2$  using only two multiplications of real numbers.
- (b) **[10 marks]** Find the product  $(a + ib)^2(c + id)^2$  using only five real number multiplications.
3. (a) **[2 marks]** *Revision:* Describe how to multiply two  $n$ -degree polynomials together in  $O(n \log n)$  time, using the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). You do not need to explain how FFT works – you may treat it as a black box.
- (b) In this part we will use the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) algorithm described in class to multiply multiple polynomials together (not just two). Suppose you have  $K$  polynomials  $P_1, \dots, P_K$  so that

$$\text{degree}(P_1) + \dots + \text{degree}(P_K) = S$$

- (i) **[6 marks]** Show that you can find the product of these  $K$  polynomials in  $O(KS \log S)$  time.  
*Hint: How many points do you need to uniquely determine an  $S$ -degree polynomial?*
- (ii) **[12 marks]** Show that you can find the product of these  $K$  polynomials in  $O(S \log S \log K)$  time.  
*Hint: consider using divide-and-conquer; a tree which you used in the previous assignment might be helpful here as well. Also, remember that if  $x, y, z$  are all positive, then  $\log(x + y) < \log(x + y + z)$*
4. Let us define the Fibonacci numbers as  $F_0 = 0$ ,  $F_1 = 1$  and  $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$  for all  $n \geq 2$ . Thus, the Fibonacci sequence looks as follows: 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ...
- (a) **[5 marks]** Show, by induction or otherwise, that

$$\begin{pmatrix} F_{n+1} & F_n \\ F_n & F_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^n$$

for all integers  $n \geq 1$ .

- (b) **[15 marks]** Hence or otherwise, give an algorithm that finds  $F_n$  in  $O(\log n)$  time.
5. Your army consists of a line of  $N$  giants, each with a certain height. You must designate precisely  $L \leq N$  of them to be leaders. Leaders must be spaced out across the line; specifically, every pair of leaders must have at least  $K \geq 0$  giants standing in between them. Given  $N, L, K$  and the heights  $H[1..N]$  of the giants in the order that they stand in the line as input, find the *maximum* height of the *shortest* leader among all valid choices of  $L$  leaders. We call this the *optimisation* version of the problem.

For instance, suppose  $N = 10, L = 3, K = 2$  and  $H = [1, 10, 4, 2, 3, 7, 12, 8, 7, 2]$ . Then among the 10 giants, you must choose 3 leaders so that each pair of leaders has at least 2 giants standing in between them. The best choice of leaders has heights 10, 7 and 7, with the shortest leader having height 7. This is the best possible for this case.

- (a) [**8 marks**] In the *decision* version of this problem, we are given an additional integer  $T$  as input. Our task is to decide if there exists some valid choice of leaders satisfying the constraints whose shortest leader has height no less than  $T$ .  
Give an algorithm that solves the decision version of this problem in  $O(N)$  time.
- (b) [**12 marks**] Hence, show that you can solve the optimisation version of this problem in  $O(N \log N)$  time.