Binary Exponent

Calculate x^m

Simple Algorithm is as Below:

Algorithm Power(x,m)

- 1. ans=1
- 2. for i=1 to m
- 3. ans=ans*x
- 4. return ans

Number of Multiplication it takes = m-1

Complexity = O(m)

Binary Exponent

Algorithm BINEXPONENT(x,m)

- It calculates x^m
- 1. let ans = 1
- 2. Repeat step 9
- 3. divide m by 2 giving quotient q & remainder r
- 4. if r = 1
- 5. then ans = ans *x
- 6. if q = 0
- 7. return ans
- 8. let m = q
- 9. let x = x * x
- **10**. exit

Time Complexity

- Binary exponent takes maximum of 2*floor(lg m) + 1 multiplication instead of m-1 for simple power algorithm.
- It's Complexity is O(lg m) compare to O(m) for simple power algorithm.