

# Modular exponentiation

$X^N \% M$  needs to be found.

## BRUTE FORCE :

Multiply  $X$   $n$  times modulo  $M$  and return ans. The value can be significantly large for power so we multiply by 1LL for number to be in range.

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>

int modularExponentiation(int x, int n, int m) {
    // Write your code here.
    int ans=1;
    for(int i=1;i<=n;i++)
    {
        ans=(1LL*ans*x)%m;
    }
    return ans%m;
}
```

- Time Complexity :  $O(n)$
- Space Complexity :  $O(1)$

## Optimal Approach : Recursive

$2^5$  can be rewritten as  $2*2^4 \rightarrow 2*(2)^{2*2}$  which is  $2*(2*2)^2 \rightarrow 2*(4*4)^1$  so from this we know that if we can recursively divide the power by 2 and keep multiplying ans then the complexity can be reduced to  $O(\log N)$ .

So we store the recursive calls in var ans after dividing power by 2. Whenever we multiply by ans or x we take care for overflow and multiply by 1LL and %m in each step where the value can overflow.

We have two paths to follow now :

1. when  $n$  is even then we multiply  $ans * ans$
2. Else when  $n$  is odd then we also need to multiply  $ans*ans \% m * x$

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>

int modularExponentiation(int x, int n, int m) {
    // Write your code here.
    if(n==0)
        return 1;
    int ans=modularExponentiation(x,n/2,m);
    if(n%2==0)
    {
        return (1LL*ans*ans)%m;
    }
    return (1LL*(1LL*ans*ans)%m*x%m)%m;
}
```

- Time Complexity :  $O(\log N)$
- Space Complexity :  $O(\log N)$

## Optimal Approach : Binary Exponentiation (iterative)

Whenever  $n$  is odd we multiply  $x$  into  $ans$  otherwise we keep multiplying  $x$  with  $x$  and keep storing it. We check for even odd using bit manipulation we perform bitwise and with  $n$  and then keep shifting  $n$  by 1 bit to right to check for next set bit ex: 10 can be written in binary as 1010 firstly  $n \& 1$  gives 0 so we just multiply  $x*x$  and store in  $x$  then we shift  $n$  so it becomes 101 now  $ans=ans*x$  then  $x=x*x$  everytime we multiply  $x$  and store in  $x$  but we store  $ans*x$  only when  $n$ th bit is set.

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>

int modularExponentiation(int x, int n, int m) {
    // Write your code here.
    int ans=1;
    while(n>0)
    {
        if(n&1)
        {
            ans=(1LL*ans*x)%m;
        }
        x=(1LL*x*x)%m;
        n>>=1;
    }
    return ans;
}
```

- Time Complexity :  $O(\log N)$  since operating with bits and shifting bits reduces it to  $\log N$
- Space Complexity :  $O(1)$