

There is a clever algorithm for computing the Fibonacci numbers in a logarithmic number of steps. Recall the transformation of the state variables a and b in the fib-iter process $a \leftarrow a + b$ and $b \leftarrow a$. Call this transformation T , and observe that applying T over and over again n times, starting with 1 and 0, produces the pair $\text{Fib}(n+1)$ and $\text{Fib}(n)$. In other words, the Fibonacci numbers are produced by applying T^n , the n^{th} power of the transformation T , starting with the pair $(1, 0)$. Now consider T to be the special case of $p = 0$ and $q = 1$ in a family of transformations T_{pq} , where T_{pq} transforms the pair (a, b) according to $a \leftarrow bq + aq + ap$ and $b \leftarrow bp + aq$. Show that if we apply such a transformation T_{pq} twice, the effect is the same as using a single transformation $T_{p'q'}$ of the same form, and compute p' and q' in terms of p and q . This gives us an explicit way to square these transformations, and thus we can compute T^n using successive squaring, as in the fast-expt procedure. Put this all together to complete the following procedure, which runs in a logarithmic number of steps:

$\text{Fib}(1) = 1, a$

$\text{Fib}(0) = 0, b$

$a \leftarrow a + b$

$b \leftarrow a$

The above is T , so after T^n , $a = \text{Fib}(n+2)$, $b = \text{Fib}(n+1)$

Special case T_{pq} where T_{pq} transforms the pair (a, b)

$a \leftarrow bq + aq + ap$

$b \leftarrow bp + aq$

When $p = 0$ and $q = 1$

$a \leftarrow b(1) + a(1) + a(0)$

$b \leftarrow b(0) + a(1)$

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$a \leftarrow a + b$

$b \leftarrow a$

Now we show that if we apply transformation T_{pq} twice, the effect is the same as using a single $T_{p'q'}$ transformation, and we compute p' and q' in terms of p and q - thus giving us the ability to compute T^n using successive squaring (helping us achieve a logarithmic number of steps).

$T_{pq}(a, b)$

$T_{pq}((bq + aq + ap), (bp + aq))$ **applied once**

$= ((bp + aq)q + (bq + aq + ap)q + (bq + aq + ap)p, (bp + aq)p + (bq + aq + ap)q)$ **applied twice**

$= (bpq + aq^2 + bq^2 + aq^2 + apq + bpq + apq + ap^2, bp^2 + apq + bq^2 + aq^2 + apq)$

$= (b(q^2 + 2pg) + a(q^2 + 2pg) + a(p^2 + q^2), b(p^2 + q^2) + a(q^2 + pq))$

$T_{pq}(T_{pq}(a, b)) = T_{p'q'}(a, b) = (bq' + aq' + ap', bp' + aq')$

$p' = p^2 + q^2$

$q' = q^2 + 2pg$