

# FAST EXPONENTIATION

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Problem:- Given integers,  $a, n, m$  where

$$n \geq 0 \text{ \& } 0 \leq a < m$$

Find  $a^n \pmod{m}$ .

Eg:- Find  $5^{2^5} \pmod{6}$ .

$$\Rightarrow 32 \% 6 = 2 //$$

(or)

$$2^5 \pmod{6} = [2^2 \times 2^2 \times 2] \pmod{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^1 \pmod{6} = 2$$

$$2^2 \pmod{6} = (2^1 \times 2^1) \pmod{6}$$

$$= 4 \pmod{6} = 4$$

$$2^4 \pmod{6} = (2^2 \times 2^2) \pmod{6}$$

$$= (4 \times 4) \pmod{6}$$

$$= 16 \pmod{6} = 4$$

$$2^5 \pmod{6} = (2^4 \times 2) \pmod{6}$$

$$= (4 \times 2) \pmod{6}$$

$$= 8 \pmod{6} = 2 //$$

We get same answer Either ways.



If  $n$  is a power of 2,

$$n = 2^K$$

$\Rightarrow$  Simply square 'a' for  $K$  times & take modulus each time.

Suppose, Find  $a^{128} \pmod{m}$ .

$$128 = 2^7 \Rightarrow a^{2^7} \pmod{m}$$

$$\therefore 128 = n \quad \therefore K = 7 \quad (\because 128 = 2^7)$$

Only 7 Modular Multiplication will give result.

$$a^2 = a^2 \pmod{m}$$

$$(a^2)^2 = (a^2)^2 \pmod{m}$$

$$(a^2)^3 = (a^2)^2 \cdot a^2 \pmod{m}$$

$$(a^2)^4 = (a^2)^3 \cdot a^2 \pmod{m}$$

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$$(a^2)^7 = (a^2)^6 \cdot a^2 \pmod{m} //$$

Suppose it is not a power of 2,

$$\text{eg :- } n = 205$$

$$(205)_{10} = (11001101)_2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^7 + 2^6 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^0$$



From this  $n = (P_k \cdot P_{k-1} \dots P_1 \cdot P_0)_2$

Where  $P_k \neq 0$  &  $k=0$

$$\Rightarrow 2^k \leq n < 2^{k+1} \quad (\text{Take log})$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \lfloor \ln(n) \rfloor$$

So compute 'k' modular Multiplications,

$$a^n \pmod{m} = a^{2^i} \pmod{m} \quad (i \leq k)$$

Algorithm :-

Integer-Fast-Expo(int a, int n, int m)

{ if (n == 0)  
    return 1;

int y = a;

for (int i = k-1; i >= 0; i--)

{ if ( $P_i \neq 0$ )

$y = y^2 \pmod{m}$ ;

else

$y = (y^2 \cdot a) \pmod{m}$ ;

}

return y;

}

Time Complexity :-

$$O(\lg(m)^3)$$



Eg:- Compute  $240^{265} \bmod 14$ .

$$a = 240 \quad n = 265_{10} = (1000000110)_2$$

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
240	4	2	4	2	4	4	4	<u>2</u>

$$2^{\text{nd}} = (240)^2 \bmod 14 = 4$$

$$3^{\text{rd}} = (4)^2 \bmod 14 = 2$$

$$4^{\text{th}} = (2)^2 \bmod 14 = 4$$

$$5^{\text{th}} = (4)^2 \bmod 14 = 2$$

$$6^{\text{th}} = (2)^2 \bmod 14 = 4$$

$$7^{\text{th}} = (4)^2 \bmod 14 = (2 \times 240) \bmod 14 = 4$$

$$8^{\text{th}} = (4)^2 \bmod 14 = \cancel{2} (2 \times 240) \bmod 14 = 4$$

$$9^{\text{th}} = (4)^2 \bmod 14 = 2 \Rightarrow \text{Answer.}$$