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Programming Solution :

Huge Fibonacci Number modulo m

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This problem was taken from the *Coursera* [Data Structures and Algorithms Specialization](#), specifically from the [Algorithmic Toolbox Course](#), Week 2, that I've recently completed. If you are taking that course or plan to take that course, please **don't look ahead** at the solution as it will be against the Honor Code and won't do you any good.

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Problem Introduction

The Fibonacci numbers are defined as follows: $F(0) = 0$, $F(1) = 1$, and $F(i) = F(i-1) + F(i-2)$ for $i \geq 2$.

Problem Description

Task: Given two integers n and m , output $F(n) \bmod m$ (that is, the remainder of $F(n)$ when **divided by m**).

Input Format: The input consists of two integers n and m given on the same line (separated by a space).

Constraints: $1 \leq n \leq 10^{18}$, $2 \leq m \leq 10^5$.

Output Format: Output $F(n) \bmod m$

Time Limits: C: 1 sec, C++: 1 sec, Java: 1.5 sec, Python: 5 sec. C#: 1.5 sec, Haskell: 2 sec, JavaScript: 3 sec, Ruby: 3 sec, Scala: 3 sec.

Memory Limit: 512 Mb

Sample

Input:

281621358815590 30524

Output:

11963

What To Do

In this problem, the given number n may be really huge. Hence an algorithm looping for n iterations will not fit into one second for sure. Therefore we need to avoid such a loop.

To get an idea how to solve this problem without going through all $F(i)$ for i from 0 to n , let's see what happens when m is small—say, $m = 2$ or $m = 3$.

i	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
F_i	0	1	1	2	3	5	8	13	21	34	55	89	144	233	377	610
$F_i \bmod 2$	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
$F_i \bmod 3$	0	1	1	2	0	2	2	1	0	1	1	2	0	2	2	1

Take a detailed look at this table. Do you see? Both these sequences are periodic! For $m = 2$, the period is 011 and has length 3, while for $m = 3$ the period is 01120221 and has length 8. Therefore, to compute, say, $F(2015) \bmod 3$ we just need to find the remainder of 2015 when

divided by 8. Since $2015 = 251 \cdot 8 + 7$, we conclude that $F(2015) \bmod 3 = F_7 \bmod 3 = 1$.

This is true in general: for any integer $m \geq 2$, the sequence $F(n) \bmod m$ is periodic. The period always starts with 01 and is known as **Pisano period**.

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My Solution:

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1  #include <iostream>
2
3  long long get_pisano_period(long long m) {
4      long long a = 0, b = 1, c = a + b;
5      for (int i = 0; i < m * m; i++) {
6          c = (a + b) % m;
7          a = b;
8          b = c;
9          if (a == 0 && b == 1) return i + 1;
10     }
11 }
12
13 long long get_fibonacci_huge(long long n, long long m) {
14     long long remainder = n % get_pisano_period(m);
15
16     long long first = 0;
17     long long second = 1;
18
19     long long res = remainder;
20
21     for (int i = 1; i < remainder; i++) {
22         res = (first + second) % m;
23         first = second;
24         second = res;
25     }
```

Explanation:

I couldn't find a suitable definition for Pisano period so that I could make a naive algorithm. Well, it turns out, I was looking at the wrong place. The whole time, it was right in front of my eyes but I couldn't see

it. So, without further ado, here's the definition. This was a very tricky one. I had to search a lot and read quite a few posts in the Course forum to understand the algorithm.

The algorithm to compute the `get_fibonacci_huge` was given in the What To Do section. "Therefore, to compute, say, $F(2015) \bmod 3$ we just need to *find the remainder of 2015 when divided by 8*. Since $2015 = 251 \cdot 8 + 7$, we conclude that $F(2015) \bmod 3 = F(7) \bmod 3 = 1$." We just have to generalize it.

First we need to find the *remainder of $F(n)$ divided by the length of Pisano period given m* . To find the *length of Pisano period for m* , simply find the remainder of $F(0) \bmod m$ to $F(m \cdot m) \bmod m$ and stop as soon as you encounter **01**, as they indicate that the next iteration is being started, and return the length up to that point.

Now, you only need to find the $F(\text{remainder})$, which is going to be a lot less than $F(n)$ and simply return it.

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If you can think of any other way to improve this algorithm or if you could point out something that you think I did wrong, you're more than *welcome* to reach out to me by responding to this and pointing out the mistakes. If you like this solution, please hit the "Recommend" button below, it'll mean a lot to me. Thanks.

