



# Powering Numbers & Fibonacci Revisited

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# Powering Numbers

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- Problem: Compute  $a^n$ , where  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ .
- Naïve algorithm:  $\Theta(n)$ .
- Divide-and-conquer algorithm:

$$a^n = \begin{cases} a^{n/2} \cdot a^{n/2} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ a^{(n-1)/2} \cdot a^{(n-1)/2} \cdot a & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

- Recurrence:

$$T(n) = T(n/2) + \Theta(1) \Rightarrow T(n) = \Theta(\lg n).$$

# Algorithm

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- Iterative simple and efficient algorithm?
- Binary representation of  $n$  :

$$n = 2^0 b_0 + 2^1 b_1 + 2^2 b_2 \dots$$

- Result  $a^n$  :

$$a^n = a^{2^0 b_0} \cdot a^{2^1 b_1} \cdot a^{2^2 b_2} \dots$$

- Recurrences:

$$a^{2^n} = \left( a^{2^{n-1}} \right)^2$$

$$r_n = b_n ? a^{2^n} r_{n-1} : r_{n-1}$$

$$(r_{-1} = 1)$$



# C-Implementation

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```
int power(int a, unsigned int n) {
    int r = 1;
    while(n != 0) {
        if (n & 1) r *= a;
        n >>= 1;
        a *= a;
    }
    return r;
}
```



# Fibonacci Numbers

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$$F_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

- Good algorithm?
- With good precision?



# Tries

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- Naïve recursive squaring:  $F_n = \Phi^n / \sqrt{5}$  rounded to the nearest integer.
  - $\Theta(\lg n)$  time.
  - Unreliable method because of floating-point arithmetics.
- Bottom-up computation: Compute  $F_0, F_1 \dots F_n$  in order by iterative summations.
  - $\Theta(n)$  time.



- Better idea?



# Recursive Squaring?

- Theorem: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{n+1} & F_n \\ F_n & F_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^n$$

- Algorithm: Recursive squaring.  
Time =  $\Theta(\lg n)$ .

- *Proof*: Induction on  $n$ .

Base  $n = 1$ : 
$$\begin{bmatrix} F_2 & F_1 \\ F_1 & F_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^1$$



# Proof - Inductive Step

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$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} F_{n+1} & F_n \\ F_n & F_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} F_n & F_{n-1} \\ F_{n-1} & F_{n-2} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^n \end{aligned}$$





# C-Implementation

```
int fibonacci(unsigned int n) {
    int a[4] = {1,1,1,0};
    int r[4] = {1,0,0,1};
    while(n != 0) {
        if(n & 1) mat2_mul(r, a);
        mat2_mul(a, a);
        n = n / 2;
    }
    return r[1];
}
```

**Problem:**  
**Overflow (int) at n = 47.**  
**Overflow (long long) at n = 93.**