

Faster computation of roots of polynomials over \mathbb{F}_q

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Fast division in $F[x]$

Let $a, b \in F[x]$.

Compute the quotient q and remainder r of $a \div b$ such that

$$a = bq + r.$$

Let $b = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_dx^d$ so $d = \deg b$.

Let $b_r = b_d + \dots + b_1x + b_0x^d$ be the reciprocal polynomial.

- 1: compute b_r^{-1} to $O(x^{d_q+1})$ with a Newton iteration ... $2M(d)$
- 2: compute $q_r = \lfloor a_r b_r^{-1} \rfloor_{d_q}$ then $1M(d)$
- 3: compute $r = a - bq$ $1M(d)$

Inverse using a Newton Iteration

Input: $d \in \mathbb{N}$ and $b = b_0 + b_1x + \dots \in F[x]$.

Compute $y = b^{-1}$ to $O(x^d)$

1 **if** $d = 1$ **return** b_0^{-1} .

2 compute $y = b^{-1}$ to $O(x^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$ recursively.

3 **return** $(2y - y^2b) \bmod x^d$.

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Inverse using a Middle Product

3 **return** $2y - yb^2 \pmod{x^d}$.

3 **return** $y + y(1 - yb) \pmod{x^d}$.

$$yb = 1 + 0x + \dots + 0x^{\frac{d}{2}-1} + \underbrace{\square x^{\frac{d}{2}} + \dots + \square x^{d-1}}_{\text{middle product}} + \underbrace{\square x^d + \dots + \square x^{\frac{3}{2}d-2}}_{\text{junk}}$$

HQZ [2002]: $\equiv \mathbf{1M}(\frac{d}{2})$

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First idea: precompute $\text{FFT}_\omega(b_r^{-1})$ and $\text{FFT}_\omega(b_r)$

set $s \equiv r^2$ 2 FFTs

set $d_q = 2d_r - d$.

if $d_q \geq 0$ **then** compute $r = s \bmod b$:

set $t = \lfloor s \rfloor_{d_a} \dots O(d)$

set $q_r = t_r \cdot b_r^{-1}$ 2 FFTs

set $r_r = s_r - b_r q_r$ 2 FFTs

$$r_r = [\underbrace{0, 0, \dots, 0}_{dq+1 \text{ zeroes}}, \underbrace{\square, \square, \dots, \square}_{\text{remainder}}]$$

set $r_r = r_r/x^{dq+1}$ $O(d)$

set $d_r = \deg r$ $O(d)$

We have 6 FFTs of degree $< 2d \equiv \textcolor{red}{2M}(d)$.

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set $d_r = \deg r$???

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if $\delta > 0$ **set** $d_q = d_q - \delta$ and $s_r = s_r/x^\delta \dots O(d)$

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$r_r = [\underbrace{0, \square, \dots, \square}_{\text{remainder of degree } d-2}, \square, \dots, \square]$

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Final idea: do 2 larger FFTs

set $s_r = r_r^2 \dots O(d)$
set $d_q = 2d_r - d.$
if $d_q \geq 0$ **then** compute $r = s \bmod b:$
 // **set** $t_r = \lfloor s_r \rfloor_{d_q} \dots s_r = [\underbrace{0, 0}_{\delta \text{ zeroes}}, \square, \dots, \square] \dots \text{OMIT}$
 set $q_r = s_r \cdot b_r^{-1} \dots q_r = [\underbrace{0, 0}_{\delta \text{ zeroes}}, \square, \dots, \square] \dots O(d)$
 set $q_r = \lfloor q_r \rfloor_{d_q}$ (has degree $< 3d$) **2 FFTs**
 if $\delta > 0$ **set** $d_q = d_q - \delta$ and $s_r = s_r / x^\delta$
 set $r_r = s_r - b_r q_r \dots O(d)$
 set $r_r = r_r / x^{dq+1} \dots O(d)$
 set $d_r = d - 1$

We have 2 FFTs of degree $< 3d \equiv 1M(d).$

A benchmark

Compute the $d - 3$ roots of $f(x) = (x^d - 1)/(x^2 - 1)$ in \mathbb{F}_p for $d = 2^k$ where $p = 2^{20}1017 + 1$.

| d | Maple 14 | Mahdi | Magma | New | | | |
|-------|----------|-------|-------|-----------|------|--------|-----|
| | | | | Classical | FFT | Lehmer | GCD |
| 4096 | 24.0s | 9.2s | 7.0s | 2.55s | 0.8s | 0.58s | |
| 8192 | 96.3s | 34.7s | 17.2s | 10.4s | 2.3s | 1.50s | |
| 16384 | 339.7s | | 48.9s | 39.4s | 7.2s | 4.2s | |

Maple is using classical polynomial arithmetic $O(\log(p)d^2 \log p)$.
Magma is using fast polynomial arithmetic $O(d \log^2 d \log p)$.

Current and Future Work

- fast Euclidean algorithm for GCD [Soo Go]
- parallelize the 4 multiplications inside the fast Euclidean algorithm
- need parallel FFT for large d
- after splitting $f(x)$ compute the roots recursively in parallel

Appendix: Maple and Magma code

Maple 14 code

```
> p := 2114977793;  
> d := 8192;  
> divide(x^d-1,x^2-1,'f');  
> nops(Roots(f) mod p);  
> quit;
```

Magma code

```
> p := 2114977793;  
> Fp := GaloisField(p);  
> Zpx<x> := PolynomialRing(Fp);  
> d := 8192;  
> f := ExactQuotient(x^d-1,x^2-1);  
> #Roots(f);  
> quit;
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