

Let p be a prime and $a, w \in \mathbb{Z}_p[x]$ with $\deg(w) < \deg(a) = d$.

How do we compute $w^p \bmod a = \text{rem}(w^p \div a)$ for large p e.g. $p = 2^{31} - 1$.

$r \leftarrow w$; for i to $p-1$ do $r \leftarrow r \cdot w \bmod a$; od;
 $\deg(r \cdot w) \leq \underbrace{2d-2}_{d-1} O((d-i)^2) = O(d^2)$

Cost $(p-1) \times$ and \div
 $= (p-1)(O(d^2) + O(d^2))$
 $= O(pd^2)$.

Use Binary Powering with remainder [Square & Multiply].

$p=101 = 64 + 32 + 4 + 1 = \begin{array}{cccccc} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$ in binary.

$w^{101} \bmod a = w^{64} \cdot (w^{32} \cdot (w^4 \cdot w^1)) \bmod a$.

This does $(3+6)x$
 $+ (3+6)\div$
 $= 9x + 9\div$

in comparison with
 $100x + 100\div$

$s \leftarrow w$
 $w^2 \bmod a$
 $w^4 \bmod a$
 $w^8 \bmod a$
 $w^{16} \bmod a$
 $w^{32} \bmod a$
 $w^{64} \bmod a$
 $s \leftarrow s^2 \bmod a$

Algorithm Powmod (w, n, a)

Input $w, a \in \mathbb{Z}_p[x]$, $n \geq 0$, $\deg(w) < \deg(a) = d \geq 1$.

Output $w^n \bmod a$.

$s \leftarrow w$
 $r \leftarrow 1$
while $n > 0$ do $\leq d-1$ d
if n is odd then
 $r \leftarrow \frac{r-s}{n \rightarrow n} \bmod a$ fi

while n is odd then
 $r \leftarrow \frac{r-s}{2} \bmod a$
 $s \leftarrow s^2 \bmod a$
 $n \leftarrow \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$
 od;
 return r

$\# \text{iterations} \leq \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1$

$$\text{Cost} \leq (\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1)(2O(d^2) + 2O(d^2)) = O(d^2 \log n).$$

Maple Powmod(w, n, a, x) mod p :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & w^n \bmod a \\
 & \text{Gcd}(\sqrt{(p^k-1)/2} \pm 1, a) \\
 & \quad \uparrow \\
 & \text{Powmod}(\sqrt{(p^k-1)/2}, a, x) \bmod p.
 \end{aligned}$$

A probabilistic algorithm for computing the roots of $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p[x]$.
 Assume $d = \deg a > 1$ and $\gcd(a, a') = 1$ and $a(0) \neq 0$.

$$\text{FLT } x^p - x = (x-0)(x-1)(x-2) \cdots (x-(p-1)).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Step ① } g &= \text{gcd}(a, x^p - x) = \text{all linear factors of } a. \\
 &= \text{gcd}(a, [x^p \bmod a] - x) - O(d^2 \log p).
 \end{aligned}$$

\uparrow \uparrow
 $O(d^2)$ even Powmod. $O(d^2 \log p)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p \neq 2 \quad x^p - x &= x(x^{p-1} - 1) = x(x^{\frac{p-1}{2}} - 1)(x^{\frac{p-1}{2}} + 1) \\
 &\quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\
 &\quad \text{half linear} \quad \text{other half}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{2} \quad \text{Randomize: } h &= \text{gcd}(\frac{x+\alpha}{w^{\frac{p-1}{2}}} - 1, g) \quad \text{where } \alpha \text{ is chosen} \\
 &\quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\
 &\quad O(d^4) \quad \text{Powmod. } O(d^2 \log p).
 \end{aligned}$$

If $\deg(g) \gg 1$ this will split g into two factors
 h and g/h of degree $\frac{d}{2} \pm \epsilon$.

$\rightarrow \deg(g) \approx 1$ and $\frac{g}{h}$ of degree $\frac{d}{2} \pm \epsilon$.

Algorithm Split(g)

Input $g \in \mathbb{Z}_p[x]$ a product of linear factors in $\mathbb{Z}_p[x]$.

if $\deg(g)=0$ then return \emptyset

if $\deg(g)=1$ then return $\{g\}$

$h \leftarrow \text{gcd}\left((x+\alpha)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} - 1, g\right)$ for some random $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_p$

return $\text{Split}(h) \cup \text{Split}(g/h)$. $\leftarrow 2T\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)$

Let $T(d)$ be the # of arithmetic operations that Split does.
 $\deg(g)=d$

$$\leq 1 \cdot C \cdot d^2 \log p$$

Assuming $\deg h = \frac{d}{2}$, $T(d) = 2T\left(\frac{d}{2}\right) + O(d^2 \log p)$, $T(1) = 0$

rsolve({ $T(d) = 2 \cdot T(d/2) + C \cdot d^2 \cdot \log p$, $T(1) = 0$ });

$$2Cd^2 \log p - 2C \cdot d \log p \in O(d^2 \log p)$$

The total cost < twice the cost of the first Powmod.