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Theorem. *For every $\varepsilon > 0$, we have $M(d) \ll_{\varepsilon} d^{1+\varepsilon}$.*

Theorem. $M(d) \ll d (\log d) \log \log d$.

“Computational Complexity”

“Running Time”

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We need only compute $1/m$ to sufficient accuracy.

Suppose n and m have $\leq s$ digits. If $1/m = 0.d_1d_2d_3d_4\dots$ (base 2) with d_1, \dots, d_s known, then

$$\frac{n}{m} = \frac{1}{2^s}(n \times d_1d_2\dots d_s) + \theta, \quad \text{where } 0 \leq \theta \leq 1.$$

Write this in the form

$$\frac{n}{m} = \frac{1}{2^s}(q'2^s + q'') + \theta,$$

so $n = mq' + \theta'$ where $0 \leq \theta' < 2m$. Try $q = q'$ and $q = q' + 1$.

Newton's Method

Say we want to compute $1/m$. Take a function $f(x)$ which has root $1/m$. If x' is an approximation to the root, then how can we get a better approximation? Take

$$f(x) = m - 1/x.$$

Starting with $x' = x_0$, this leads to the approximations

$$x_{n+1} = 2x_n - mx_n^2.$$

Note that if $x_n = (1 - \varepsilon)/m$, then $x_{n+1} = (1 - \varepsilon^2)/m$.

Algorithm from Knuth, Vol. 2, pp. 295-6

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$z \in [0, 2]$



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$k = 0$



Check me out!

Algorithm: $\frac{1}{v} - z_{k+1} = v \left(\frac{1}{v} - z_k \right)^2 - z_k^2 (v - V_k) - r$ $)_2$, with $v_1 = 1$.

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Running Time:

$$2M'(4n) + 2M'(2n) + 2M'(n) + \dots + O(n) \ll M'(n)$$

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Elementary Number Theory

- Modulo Arithmetic (definition, properties, & different notation)