

# Fast computation of the $N$ th term of an algebraic series in positive characteristic

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# Motivation

- ▶ Ubiquity of algebraic functions (combinatorics, number theory, algebraic geometry)
- ▶ Confluence of several domains:
  - functional equations
  - automatic sequences
  - complexity theory
- ▶ *One of the most difficult questions in modular computations is the complexity of computations mod  $p$  for a large prime  $p$  of coefficients in the expansion of an algebraic function.*

D. Chudnovsky & G. Chudnovsky, 1990

*Computer Algebra in the Service of  
Mathematical Physics and Number Theory*

# Problem and main result

## Input:

- field  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}_p$
- $E(x, y) \in \mathbb{K}[x, y]$ , with  $E(0, 0) = 0$ ,  $E_y(0, 0) \neq 0$
- $N \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0}$

## Output:

- the  $N$ th coefficient of the unique solution  $f(x) \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$  of  $E(x, f(x)) = 0$ ,  $f(0) = 0$

## Main result:

- arithmetic complexity linear in  $\log N$  and almost linear in  $p$

# State of the art

## First $N$ coefficients

Method	char. 0	char. $p$
Undetermined coefficients	$O(N^d)^\dagger$	✓
Fixed point iteration	$\tilde{O}(N^2)^\P$	✓ <sup>¶</sup>
Newton iteration	$\tilde{O}(N)^\P$	✓ <sup>¶</sup>
Linear recurrence	$O(N)$	✓*

$^\dagger d = \deg_y E(x, y)$   $^\P$  FFT used all along  $^*$  with  $p$ -adic computations

Kung + Traub, 1976  
*All algebraic functions can be computed fast*

Chudnovsky + Chudnovsky, 1986  
*On expansion of algebraic functions in power and Puiseux series, I*

# State of the art

Only  $N$ th term (with precomputation)

Method	char. 0	char. $p$
Binary powering ( $d = 1$ only)	$O(\log_2 N) + O(1)$	✓
Baby steps – Giant steps	$\tilde{O}(\sqrt{N}) + O(1)$	✓*
Divide and Conquer	✗	$O(\log_p N) \times \tilde{O}(p^{3d})$

Rational series by **binary powering**

Miller + Brown, 1966,  
*An algorithm for  
evaluation of remote terms in  
a linear recurrence sequence*

Fiduccia, 1985  
*An efficient formula for  
linear recurrences*

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Baby steps – Giant steps after precomputing  
algebraic equation  $\rightarrow$  differential equation  $\rightarrow$  linear recurrence

Chudnovsky + Chudnovsky, 1988  
*Approximations and  
complex multiplication  
according to Ramanujan*

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Divide and Conquer after precomputing  
algebraic equation  $\rightarrow$  Mahler equation  $\rightarrow$  DAC recurrence

Christol + Kamae  
+ Mendès France + Rauzy, 1980,  
*Suites algébriques, automates et substitutions*

# From algebraic equation to Mahler equation

Algebraic equation  $y = 2x + 5xy + 4xy^2 + xy^3$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 y \quad y^3 \quad y^9 \quad y^{27} \quad p = 3 \\
 1 \left[ \begin{array}{cccc}
 0 & 1 & \frac{1+2x^2+x^3}{x^3} & \frac{1+2x^2+x^3+2x^5+x^6+x^8+x^9+2x^{11}+x^{12}}{x^{12}} \\
 y \left[ \begin{array}{cccc}
 1 & \frac{1+x}{x} & \frac{1+x+2x^2+x^3+x^4}{x^4} & \frac{1+x+2x^2+x^3+x^4+2x^5+2x^6+2x^7+x^8+x^9+x^{10}+2x^{11}+x^{12}+x^{13}}{x^{13}} \\
 y^2 \left[ \begin{array}{cccc}
 0 & 2 & 2\frac{1+x+2x^2+x^3}{x^3} & \frac{2+2x+x^2+2x^3+2x^4+x^5+x^6+x^7+2x^8+2x^9+2x^{10}+x^{11}+2x^{12}}{x^{12}}
 \end{array} \right.
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 \end{array}$$

Mahler equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(2x^2 + 2x^3 + x^4) f(x) \\
 &+ (1 + x^2 + 2x^3 + 2x^4 + x^5 + 2x^6) f(x^3) \\
 &+ (2 + 2x^3 + 2x^5 + x^6 + 2x^9) f(x^9) + x^9 f(x^{27}) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Frobenius  $f(x)^p = f(x^p)$



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Divide-and-conquer recurrence

$$\begin{aligned} & 2f_{n-2} + 2f_{n-3} + f_{n-4} \\ & + f_{\frac{n}{3}} + f_{\frac{n-2}{3}} + 2f_{\frac{n-3}{3}} + 2f_{\frac{n-4}{3}} + f_{\frac{n-5}{3}} + 2f_{\frac{n-6}{3}} \\ & + 2f_{\frac{n}{9}} + 2f_{\frac{n-3}{9}} + 2f_{\frac{n-5}{9}} + f_{\frac{n-6}{9}} + 2f_{\frac{n-9}{9}} + f_{\frac{n-9}{27}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$f_x = 0$  if  $x \notin \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0}$

# From algebraic equation to Mahler equation

$$\begin{aligned} & +5x^{131} + 2x^{130} + 4x^{129} + x^{128} + 2x^{127} + 5x^{126} + 3x^{125} + 2x^{124} + 4x^{123} + x^{122} + x^{121} + 6x^{120} + 6x^{119} \\ & + 2x^{118} + 2x^{117} + 5x^{116} + 3x^{115} + 6x^{114} + 4x^{113} + 2x^{112} + 6x^{111} + 4x^{110} + 6x^{109} + 5x^{108} + 6x^{107} \\ & + 5x^{106} + 6x^{105} + 4x^{104} + 3x^{103} + 4x^{102} + x^{101} + 2x^{100} + 5x^{99} + 3x^{98} + 4x^{97} + 5x^{71} + 4x^{69} + 2x^{68} + 2x^{67} \\ & + 4x^{66} + 5x^{65} + 3x^{64} + x^{62} + 2x^{57} + 3x^{55} + 3x^{54} + 3x^{53} + 6x^{52} + 4x^{51} + 5x^{50} + 4x^{48} + 2x^{46} + 4x^{45} \\ & + 3x^{44} + x^{43} + 6x^{42} + 5x^{41} + 2x^{40} + 5x^{39} + 3x^{38} + 6x^{37} + 3x^{36} + 2x^{35} + x^{34} + 4x^{33} + 3x^{32} + 6x^{31} + 5x^{30} \\ & + 3x^{29} + 4x^{28} + x^{27} + 3x^{26} + 6x^{25} + 5x^{24} + 5x^{23} + 5x^{22} + 2x^{21} + 4x^{20} + x^{18} + 2x^{17} + 5x^{16} + 5x^{15} + 3x^{14} \\ & + 4x^{13} + 6x^{12} + 2x^{11} + 4x^{10} + 2x^9 + x^8 + 2x^7 + 5x^6 + 5x^4 + 3x^3 + 4x^2 + 1) f(x^7) \\ & + (6x^{165} + 5x^{164} + 2x^{163} + 2x^{162} + 4x^{161} + 3x^{160} + 2x^{155} + 3x^{153} + 2x^{151} + 4x^{150} + 3x^{149} + 6x^{147} \\ & + x^{144} + 2x^{143} + 5x^{142} + 4x^{141} + 3x^{140} + 6x^{139} + x^{137} + 2x^{136} + 5x^{135} + x^{134} + 3x^{133} + 5x^{132} + 2x^{130} \\ & + 4x^{129} + 3x^{128} + 4x^{127} + 6x^{126} + 6x^{125} + 6x^{123} + 5x^{122} + 2x^{121} + 2x^{120} + 4x^{119} + 3x^{118} + 5x^{116} \\ & + 3x^{115} + 4x^{114} + 4x^{113} + x^{112} + 6x^{111} + 4x^{106} + 6x^{104} + 4x^{102} + x^{101} + 6x^{100} + 5x^{98} + 2x^{71} + 3x^{69} \\ & + x^{67} + 2x^{66} + 5x^{65} + 5x^{64} + 3x^{63} + 4x^{62} + 5x^{57} + 4x^{55} + 5x^{53} + 3x^{52} + 4x^{51} + x^{49} + 5x^{46} + 3x^{45} + 4x^{44} \\ & + 6x^{43} + x^{42} + 2x^{41} + 5x^{39} + 3x^{38} + 4x^{37} + 5x^{36} + x^{35} + 4x^{34} + 3x^{32} + 6x^{31} + x^{30} + 6x^{29} + 2x^{28} + 2x^{27} \\ & + 2x^{25} + 4x^{24} + 3x^{23} + 6x^{21} + 6x^{18} + 5x^{17} + 2x^{16} + 2x^{15} + 4x^{14} + 3x^{13} + 2x^8 + 3x^6 + 2x^4 + 4x^3 + 3x^2 + 6) f(x^{49}) \\ & + (x^{165} + 2x^{164} + 5x^{163} + 5x^{162} + 3x^{161} + 4x^{160} + 5x^{155} + 4x^{153} + 5x^{151} + 3x^{150} + 4x^{149} + x^{147}) f(x^{343}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$O(\log_p N) \times p^{O(d)}$$

# Sections

Section operators

$$S_r \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n x^n = \sum_{k \geq 0} f_{pk+r} x^k, \quad 0 \leq r < p$$

**Lemma**

*Let  $f$  be in  $\mathbb{K}[[x]]$  and let  $N = (N_\ell \cdots N_1 N_0)_p$  be the radix  $p$  expansion of  $N$ . Then  $f_N = (S_{N_\ell} \cdots S_{N_1} S_{N_0} f)(0)$ .*

# Sections

$$N = 100000$$

$$p = 7$$

$$= 5 \times 16807 + 6 \times 2401 + 4 \times 343 + 3 \times 49 + 5 \times 7 + 5 \times 1$$

$$= (5, 6, 4, 3, 5, 5)_7$$

$$f(x) = f_0 + f_1x + f_2x^2 + f_3x^3 + f_4x^4 + f_5x^5 + \dots$$

$$S_5f(x) = f_5 + f_{12}x + f_{19}x^2 + f_{26}x^3 + f_{33}x^4 + f_{40}x^5 + \dots$$

$$S_5S_5f(x) = f_{40} + f_{89}x + f_{138}x^2 + f_{187}x^3 + f_{236}x^4 + f_{285}x^5 + \dots$$

$$S_3S_5S_5f(x) = f_{187} + f_{530}x + f_{873}x^2 + f_{1216}x^3 + f_{1559}x^4 + f_{1902}x^5 + \dots$$

$$S_4S_3S_5S_5f(x) = f_{1559} + f_{3960}x + f_{6361}x^2 + f_{8762}x^3 + f_{11163}x^4 + \dots$$

$$S_6S_4S_3S_5S_5f(x) = f_{15965} + f_{32772}x + f_{49579}x^2 + f_{66386}x^3 + f_{83193}x^4 + \dots$$

$$S_5S_6S_4S_3S_5S_5f(x) = f_{100000} + f_{217649}x + f_{335298}x^2 + f_{452947}x^3 + \dots$$

$$S_5S_6S_4S_3S_5S_5f(0) = f_{100000}$$

# Diagonal

$$F(x, y) = \frac{y(1 - 5xy - xy^2 - 3xy^3)}{1 - 2x - 5xy - 4xy^2 - xy^3} =$$

$$p = 7$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &+ 2xy + 4x^2y + x^3y + 2x^4y + 4x^5y + x^6y + 2x^7y + 4x^8y + x^9y + 2x^{10}y \\
 &+ 3x^2y^2 + 5x^3y^2 + x^4y^2 + 5x^5y^2 + 2x^6y^2 + 2x^7y^2 + 6x^9y^2 + 3x^{10}y^2 \\
 + 3xy^3 &+ 3x^3y^3 + 6x^5y^3 + 4x^6y^3 + x^7y^3 + 6x^8y^3 + 6x^{10}y^3 \\
 + 5xy^4 &+ 6x^2y^4 + x^4y^4 + x^5y^4 + x^7y^4 + 3x^8y^4 + 5x^9y^4 \\
 &+ 2x^2y^5 + 2x^3y^5 + 6x^5y^5 + 4x^6y^5 + 5x^7y^5 + 4x^9y^5 + 4x^{10}y^5 \\
 &+ 2x^2y^6 + 3x^3y^6 + 5x^4y^6 + 5x^6y^6 + 6x^7y^6 + 4x^9y^6 + 6x^{10}y^6 \\
 &+ 5x^2y^7 + 6x^3y^7 + 5x^5y^7 + 6x^7y^7 + 3x^9y^7 + 5x^{10}y^7 \\
 &+ 2x^4y^8 + 3x^5y^8 + 2x^6y^8 + 3x^8y^8 + 6x^9y^8 + 5x^{10}y^8 \\
 &+ x^3y^9 + x^4y^9 + 3x^5y^9 + 6x^6y^9 + 6x^7y^9 + x^9y^9 + 6x^{10}y^9 \\
 + 5x^3y^{10} &+ 6x^5y^{10} + 2x^6y^{10} + x^8y^{10} + 4x^{10}y^{10} \\
 &+ x^4y^{11} + x^5y^{11} + 5x^6y^{11} + 4x^7y^{11} + 4x^8y^{11} + 2x^9y^{11} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(x) = DF(x) = 2x + 3x^2 + 3x^3 + x^4 + 6x^5 + 5x^6 + 6x^7 + 3x^8 + x^9 + 4x^{10} + x^{14} + 5x^{15} + \dots$$

# Diagonal

Theorem (Furstenberg's theorem)

*Every algebraic series is the diagonal of a bivariate rational function.*

$$E(x, f(x)) = 0, \quad f(0) = 0, \quad E_y(0, 0) \neq 0$$

$$f(x) = D \frac{a}{b} \quad \text{with} \quad a(x, y) = yE_y(xy, y), \quad b(x, y) = E(xy, y)/y$$

Furstenberg, 1967,  
*Algebraic functions over  
finite fields*

# Actions

univariate sections  $S_r$ : **action** on formal series

$$S_r f = S_r D \frac{a}{b}$$

diagonal and commutation rule

$$S_r D = D S_r$$

bivariate sections  $S_r$ : **action** on bivariate rational functions

$$S_r D \frac{a}{b} = D S_r \frac{a}{b}$$

Frobenius

pseudo-sections  $T_r$ : **action** on bivariate polynomials

$$D S_r \frac{a}{b} = D \frac{S_r a b^{p-1}}{b} = D \frac{T_r a}{b}$$

Christol, 1979,  
*Ensembles  
presque périodiques  
k-reconnaissables*

# Actions

univariate sections  $S_r$ : action on formal series

$$f_N = (S_{N_\ell} \cdots S_{N_1} S_{N_0} f)(0)$$



bivariate sections  $S_r$ : action on bivariate rational functions



pseudo-sections  $T_r$ : action on bivariate polynomials

$$f_N = \frac{(T_{N_\ell} \cdots T_{N_1} T_{N_0} a)(0, 0)}{b(0, 0)}$$



## Finite dimensional stable subspace

$$DS_r \frac{a}{b} = D \frac{S_r a b^{p-1}}{b} = D \frac{T_r a}{b}$$

$$d_x = \max(\deg_x a, \deg_x b), \quad d_y = \max(\deg_y a, \deg_y b)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{F}_p[x, y]_{d_x, d_y} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{F}_p[x, y]_{pd_x, pd_y} \longrightarrow \mathbb{F}_p[x, y]_{d_x, d_y} \\ v &\longmapsto vb^{p-1} = vB \longmapsto S_r vB = T_r v \end{aligned}$$

$\mathbb{F}_p[x, y]_{d_x, d_y}$  left stable by  $T_r$ ,  $0 \leq r < p$

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$$p = 11$$

$$E = (1+x)(x-y) + x^2y^2 + (1+x)y^3 + y^4$$

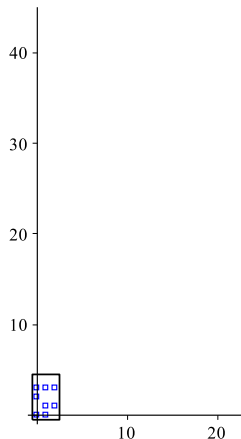
$$a = -y - xy^2 + 3y^3 + 4y^4 + 3xy^4 + 2x^2y^4$$

$$b = -1 + x - xy + y^2 + x^2y + y^3 + xy^3 + x^2y^3$$

$$d_x = 2, d_y = 4$$

small box  $[0, d_x] \times [0, d_y]$

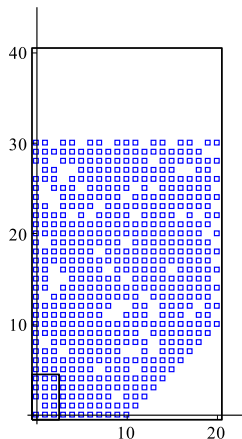
$b$



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homothety with ratio  $p - 1$   
almost large box  $[0, (p - 1)d_x] \times$   
 $[0, (p - 1)d_y]$   
 $B = b^{p-1}$

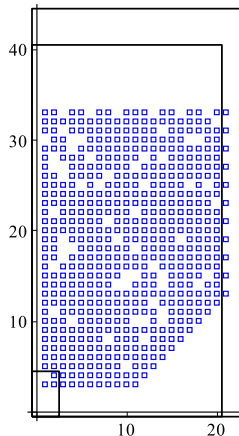


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$v = xy^3$  in the canonical basis  
translation by  $(1, 3)$

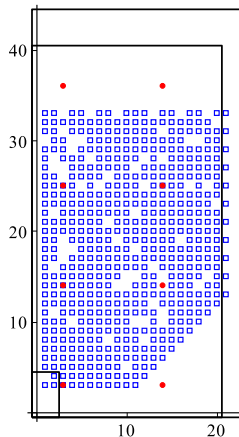
large box  $[0, pd_x] \times [0, pd_y]$   $xy^3 B$



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filter  $r = 3$   
 $xy^3 B$



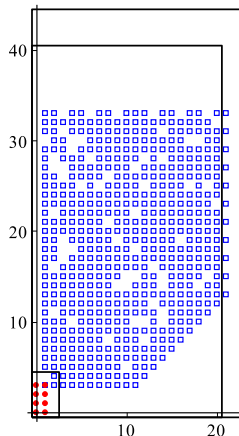
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contraction

small box  $[0, d_x] \times [0, d_y]$

$$T_3 xy^3 = S_3 xy^3 B$$



# Precomputation of $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_{p-1}$

All information is in  $B = b^{p-1}$ .

matrix  $A_r$ :  $x^n y^m \xrightarrow{\text{translation}} x^n y^m B \xrightarrow{\text{selection}} S_r x^n y^m B$

No computation in  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}_p$ , except raising  $b$  to the power  $p - 1$

Cost:  $\tilde{O}(p^2)$  (binary powering, Kronecker substitution, FFT)

## Theorem

*The  $N$ th coefficient can be computed in time*

$$\tilde{O}(p^2) + O(\log_p N).$$

# Only a small part of $B = b^{p-1}$ is enough

Task: Computation of  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_{p-1}$

row index  $i = (k, \ell)$

column index  $j = (n, m)$

$$B = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} c_{\alpha, \beta} x^\alpha y^\beta$$

$$x^n y^m \xrightarrow{\text{translation}} x^n y^m B \xrightarrow{\text{selection}} S_r x^n y^m B$$

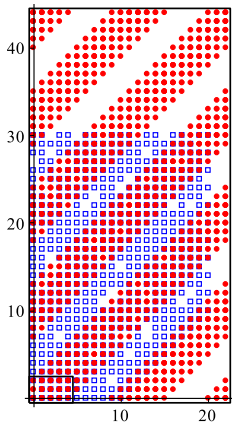
$$x^n y^m \longrightarrow \sum_{\alpha, \beta} c_{\alpha, \beta} x^{n+\alpha} y^{m+\beta} \longrightarrow \sum_{\substack{\alpha, \beta \\ (C)}} c_{\alpha, \beta} x^k y^\ell$$

$$(C) \begin{cases} n + \alpha = pk + r \\ m + \beta = p\ell + r \end{cases} \implies \beta - \alpha = p(\ell - k) + n - m$$

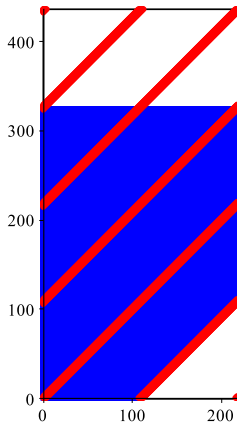


# Only a small part of $B = b^{p-1}$ is enough

$p = 11$



$p = 109$



# Improved precomputation

$$B(x/t, t) = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} c_{\alpha, \beta} x^\alpha t^{\beta - \alpha} = \sum_{\delta} \pi_\delta(x) t^\delta$$

$$B(x/t, t) = b(x/t, t)^{p-1} = \frac{b(x/t, t)^p}{b(x/t, t)} = \frac{b(x^p/t^p, t^p)}{b(x/t, t)}$$

$$\frac{1}{b(x/t, t)} = \sum_u c_u(x) t^u \quad b(x^p/t^p, t^p) = \sum_v b_v(x^p) t^{pv}$$

rational series

for free

$$\pi_\delta(x) = \sum_{u+pv=\delta} c_u(x) b_v(x^p)$$

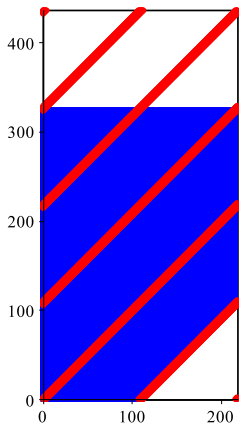
# Improved precomputation

$\delta = \beta - \alpha =$  intercept of the strips with the ordinates axis

big leaps from one strip to the next  $\tilde{O}(p)$   
(Kronecker substitution, FFT, Newton iteration)

Fiduccia, 1985

*An efficient formula for  
linear recurrences*



# Main result

## Theorem

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# Timings

Maple implementation; timings on Intel Core i5, 2.8 GHz, 3MB.  
With  $p = 9001$ ,  $N = 10^{10^k}$ ,  $k = 1..6$ ,

$$\textit{ComputingTime}(N) \simeq 0.0011 \cdot \log_p(N) - 1.3563$$

With  $p = \textit{NextPrime}(2^k)$ ,  $k = 1..12$ ,

$$\textit{PrecomputingTime}(p) \simeq 0.00037 \cdot p \log(p) + 0.04835$$

Documents at url

<http://specfun.inria.fr/dumas/Research/AlgModp/>

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# Thanks for your attention!