

# ***Computer Algebra***

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## 2. Integer Arithmetics

### 2.1 Dividing integer numbers, rational arithmetic

#### **References for repetition and deepening your knowledge:**

Köpf 3.3, 3.6, Kaplan 4.1.4, 4.1.5, 4.2 (in German)

Knuth 4.5.1 – 4.5.3 (vol. 2) (Euclidean algorithm)

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## Algorithm for dividing long numbers a and b

- Division with remainder (school method) (for base  $\beta=10$ )

DIVIDE (I:  $[i_{n-1} i_{n-2} \dots i_0]$ , J:  $[j_{m-1} j_{m-2} \dots j_0]$ ):  $[q_{l-1}, q_{l-2}, \dots q_0]$  run time:  $O(n^2)$

J > I => return [0];

Q := [ ]; /\* initialisation of result with empty list \*/

I\* :=  $[i_{n-1} i_{n-2} \dots i_{n-m}]$ ; /\* new dividend: will be expanded digit by digit in the following \*/

f := n-1; k := n-m /\* first and last index of I\* within input dividend I \*/

while (k  $\geq$  0) do

{ if I\* < J

{ append (Q, 0); }

else

{ if (length(I\*) > length(J))

{ qTest :=  $(i_f \cdot 10 + i_{f-1}) \text{ DIV } j_{m-1}$ ; /\* short number operations \*/

if (qTest > 9) {qTest := 9;} /\* higher digits are not feasible \*/ }

else

{ qTest :=  $i_f \text{ DIV } j_{m-1}$ ; /\* short number division \*/

J\* := qTest • J;

while (J\* > I\*) do

{ qTest := qTest-1; J\* := qTest • J; }

append (Q, qTest);

I\* := I\* - J\*; f := index of first digit of I\* not equal to 0 or k-1 if I\*=0; } /\* end if \*/

k := k-1; if (k  $\geq$  0) {I\* := I\*•10 +  $i_k$ ; } /\* expanding I\* by one digit \*/ /\* end while \*/

return Q;

Theorem (Pope-Stein):

If  $j_{m-1}$  is at least  $\beta/2$ ,

qTest exceeds the true value by at most 2.

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## Algorithm for dividing long numbers a and b

Let the size of both operands be  $O(n)$

- Division with remainder

DIVIDE:

Estimation of integer quotient by Pope-Stein  
(concerning run time, only the constant is improved)

more details (in German):

Kaplan, S. 74-79 (commented with patches)

MODULUS:

$x \text{ MODULUS } y = x - x \text{ DIVIDE } y$

DIVIDE works for positive operands only!

run time:  $O(n^2)$

also possible in  
 $O(n^{\log_2(3)})$

run time:  $O(n)$   
(having computed  
the result of  
DIVIDE already)

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## Rational Arithmetic      Operations for fractions

Let the size of numerator and denominator be  $O(n)$

- Simplifying fractions: Euclidean algorithm      overall run time:  $O(n^2)$   
Proof is difficult, cf. Knuth

**Theorem:** Let  $n = q \cdot m + r$  for integer numbers  $n, m, q, r$ ,  $0 \leq r < m$   
Then the following holds:  $\gcd(n, m) = \gcd(m, r)$

**Algorithm for  $n, m > 0$ :**

- 1) Compute  $q$  and  $r$  for  $n$  and  $m$  using DIVIDE and MODULUS of last slide      single run time:  $O(n^2)$   
(becomes less in progress)
- 2) If  $r = 0$ ,  
    then return  $\gcd = m$   
    else replace  $n := m$  und  $m := r$  and continue at 1)

Easiest modification for negative  $n$  or  $m$  ?

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## Rational Arithmetic      Operations for fractions

Let the size of numerator and denominator be  $O(n)$

- Operation rules

just as in school math

maximal run time:  $O(n^{\log_2(3)})$

- Simplifying

Apply Euclidean algorithm

run time:  $O(n^2)$

Conclusion: All rational operations are possible in  $O(n^2)$