# In-place Arithmetic for Univariate Polynomials over an Algebraic Number Field 

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#### Abstract

We present a C library of in-place subroutines for univariate polynomial multiplication, division and GCD over $L_{p}$ where $L_{p}$ is an algebraic number field $L$ with multiple field extensions reduced modulo a machine prime $p$. We assume elements of $L_{p}$ and $L$ are represented using a recursive dense representation. The main feature of our algorithms is that we eliminate the storage management overhead which is significant compared to the cost of arithmetic in $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ by pre-allocating the exact amount of storage needed for both the output and working storage. We give an analysis for the working storage needed for each in-place algorithm and provide benchmarks demonstrating the efficiency of our library. This work improves the performance of polynomial GCD computation over algebraic number fields.


## 1 Introduction

In 2002, van Hoeij and Monagan in [10] presented an algorithm for computing the monic GCD $g(x)$ of two polynomials $f_{1}(x)$ and $f_{2}(x)$ in $L[x]$ where $L=\mathbb{Q}\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{k}\right)$ is an algebraic number field. The algorithm is a modular GCD algorithm. It computes the GCD of $f_{1}$ and $f_{2}$ modulo a sequence of primes $p_{1}, p_{2}, \ldots, p_{l}$ using the monic Euclidean algorithm in $L_{p}[x]$ and it reconstructs the rational numbers in $g(x)$ using Chinese remaindering and rational number reconstruction. The algorithm is a generalization of earlier work of Langymyr and MaCallum [5], and Encarnación [2] to treat the case where $L$ has multiple extensions $(k>1)$. It can be generalized to multivariate polynomials in $L\left[x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots, x_{n}\right]$ using evaluation and interpolation (see [4, 11]).

Monagan implemented the algorithm in Maple in 2001 and in Magma in 2003 using the recursive dense polynomial representation to represent elements of $L, L_{p}, L\left[x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right]$ and $L_{p}\left[x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right]$. This representation is generally more efficient than the distributed and recursive sparse representations for sparse polynomials. See for example the comparison by Fateman in [3]. And since efficiency in the recursive dense representation improves for dense polynomials, and elements of $L$ are often dense, it should be a good choice for implementing arithmetic in $L$ and also $L_{p}$.

However, we have observed that arithmetic in $L_{p}$ is very slow when $\alpha_{1}$ has low degree. Since this case often occurs in practical applications, and since over $90 \%$ of a GCD computation in $L[x]$ is typically spent in the Euclidean algorithm in $L_{p}[x]$, we sought to improve the efficiency of the arithmetic in $L_{p}$. One reason why this happens is because the cost

[^0]of storage management, allocating small arrays for storing intermediate polynomials of low degree can be much higher than the cost of the actual arithmetic being done in $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$.

Our main contribution is a library of in-place algorithms for arithmetic in $L_{p}$ and $L_{p}[x]$ where $L_{p}$ has one or more extensions. The main idea is to eliminate all calls to the storage manager by pre-allocating one large piece of working storage, and re-using parts of it in a computation. In Section 2 we describe the recursive dense polynomial representation for elements of $L_{p}[x]$. In Section 3 we present algorithms for multiplication and inversion in $L_{p}$ and multiplication, division with remainder and GCD in $L_{p}[x]$ which are given one array of storage in which to write the output and one additional array $W$ of working storage for intermediate results. In Section 4 we give formulae for determining the size of $W$ needed for each algorithm. In each case the amount of working storage is linear in $d$ the degree of $L$. We have implemented our algorithms in the C language in a library which includes also algorithms for addition, subtraction, and other utility routines. In Section 5 we present benchmarks demonstrating its efficiency by comparing our algorithms with the Magma ([1]) computer algebra system and we explain how to avoid most of the integer divisions by $p$ when doing arithmetic in $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ because this also significantly affects overall performance.

## 2 Polynomial Representation

Let $\mathbb{Q}\left(\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \ldots, \alpha_{r}\right)$ be our number field $L$. We build $L$ as follows. For $1 \leq i \leq r$, let $m_{i}\left(z_{1}, \ldots, z_{i}\right) \in \mathbb{Q}\left[z_{1}, \ldots, z_{i}\right]$ be the minimal polynomial for $\alpha_{i}$, monic and irreducible over $\mathbb{Q}\left[z_{1}, \ldots, z_{i-1}\right] /\left\langle m_{1}, \ldots, m_{i-1}\right\rangle$. Let $d_{i}=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{i}}\left(m_{i}\right)$. We assume $d_{i} \geq 2$. Let $L=$ $\mathbb{Q}\left[z_{1}, \ldots, z_{r}\right] /\left\langle m_{1}, \ldots, m_{r}\right\rangle$. So $L$ is an algebraic number field of degree $d=\prod d_{i}$ over $\mathbb{Q}$. For a prime $p$ for which the rational coefficients of $m_{i}$ exist modulo $p$, let $R_{i}=$ $\mathbb{Z}_{p}\left[z_{1}, \ldots, z_{i}\right] /\left\langle\bar{m}_{1}, \ldots, \bar{m}_{i}\right\rangle$ where $\bar{m}_{i}=m_{i} \bmod p$ and let $R=R_{r}=L \bmod p$. We use the following recursive dense representation for elements of $R$ and polynomials in $R[x]$ for our algorithms. We view an element of $R_{i+1}$ as a polynomial with degree at most $d_{i+1}-1$ with coefficients in $R_{i}$.

To represent a non-zero element $\beta_{1}=a_{0}+a_{1} z_{1}+\cdots+a_{d_{1}-1} z_{1}^{d_{1}-1} \in R_{1}$ we use an array $A_{1}$ of size $S_{1}=d_{1}+1$ indexed from 0 to $d_{1}$, of integers (modulo $p$ ) to store $\beta_{1}$. We store $A_{1}[0]=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{1}}\left(\alpha_{1}\right)$ and, for $0 \leq i<d_{1}: A_{1}[i+1]=a_{i}$. Note that if $\operatorname{deg}_{z_{1}}\left(\alpha_{1}\right)=\bar{d}<d_{1}-1$ then for $\bar{d}+1<j \leq d_{1}, A_{1}[j]=0$. To represent the zero element of $R_{1}$ we use $A[0]=-1$.

Now suppose we want to represent an element $\beta_{2}=b_{0}+b_{1} z_{2}+\cdots+b_{d_{2}-1} z_{2}^{d_{2}-1} \in R_{2}$ where $b_{i} \in R_{1}$ using an array $A_{2}$ of size $S_{2}=d_{2} S_{1}+1=d_{2}\left(d_{1}+1\right)+1$. We store $A_{2}[0]=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{2}}\left(\beta_{2}\right)$ and for $0 \leq i<d_{2}$

$$
A_{2}\left[i\left(d_{1}+1\right)+1 \ldots(i+1)\left(d_{1}+1\right)\right]=B_{i}\left[0 \ldots d_{1}\right]
$$

where $B_{i}$ is the array which represents $b_{i} \in R_{1}$. Again if $\beta_{2}=0$ we store $A_{2}[0]=-1$.
Similarly, we recursively represent $\beta_{r}=c_{0}+c_{1} z_{r}+\cdots+c_{d_{r}-1} z_{r}^{d_{r}-1} \in R_{r}$ based on the representation of $c_{i} \in R_{r-1}$. Let $S_{r}=d_{r} S_{r-1}+1$ and suppose $A_{r}$ is an array of size $S_{r}$ such that $A_{r}[0]=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{r}}\left(\beta_{r}\right)$ and for $0 \leq i<d_{r}$

$$
A_{r}\left[i\left(d_{r-1}\right)+1 \ldots(i+1)\left(d_{r-1}+1\right)\right]=C_{i}\left[0 \ldots S_{r-1}-1\right] .
$$

Note, we store the degrees of the elements of $R_{i}$ in $A_{i}[0]$ simply to avoid re-computing them. We have

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{r} d_{i}<S_{r}<\prod_{i=1}^{r}\left(d_{i}+1\right), S_{r} \in O\left(\prod_{i=1}^{r} d_{i}\right)
$$

Now suppose we use the array $C$ to represent a polynomial $f \in R_{i}[x]$ of degree $d_{x}$ in the same way. Each coefficient of $f$ in $x$ is an element of $R_{i}$ which needs an array of size $S_{i}$, hence $C$ must be of size

$$
P\left(d_{x}, R_{i}\right)=\left(d_{x}+1\right) S_{i}+1 .
$$

Example 1. Let $r=2$ and $p=17$. Let $\bar{m}_{1}=z_{1}^{3}+3, \bar{m}_{2}=z_{2}^{2}+5 z_{1} z_{2}+4 z_{2}+7 z_{1}^{2}+3 z_{1}+6$, and $f=3+4 z_{1}+\left(5+6 z_{1}\right) z_{2}+\left(7+8 z_{1}+9 z_{1}^{2}+\left(10 z_{1}+11 z_{1}^{2}\right) z_{2}\right) x+12 x^{2}$.
The representation for $f$ is


Here $d_{x}=2, d_{1}=3, d_{2}=2, S_{1}=d_{1}+1=4, S_{2}=d_{2} S_{1}+1=9$ and the size of the array $A$ is $P\left(d_{x}, R_{2}\right)=\left(d_{x}+1\right) S_{2}+1=28$.

We also need to represent the minimal polynomial $\bar{m}_{i}$. Let $\bar{m}_{i}=a_{0}+a_{1} z_{i}+\ldots a_{d_{i}} z_{i}^{d_{i}}$ where $a_{j} \in R_{i-1}$. We need an array of size $S_{i-1}$ to represent $a_{j}$ so to represent $\bar{m}_{i}$ in the same way we described above, we need an array of size $\bar{S}_{i}=1+\left(d_{i}+1\right) S_{i-1}=$ $d_{i} S_{i-1}+1+S_{i-1}=S_{i}+S_{i-1}$. We define $S_{0}=1$.

We represent the set of minimal polynomials $\left\{\bar{m}_{1}, \ldots, \bar{m}_{r}\right\}$ as an Array $E$ of size $\sum_{i=1}^{r} \bar{S}_{i}=\sum_{i=1}^{r}\left(S_{i}+S_{i-1}\right)=1+S_{r}+2 \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} S_{i}$ such that $E\left[M_{i} \ldots M_{i+1}-1\right]$ represents $m_{r-i}$ where $M_{0}=0$ and $M_{i}=\sum_{i=r-i+1}^{r} \overline{\bar{S}}_{i}$. The minimal polynomials in Example 1 will be represented in the following figure where $E[0 \ldots 12]$ represents $\bar{m}_{2}$ and $E[13 \ldots 17]$ represents $\bar{m}_{1}$.


## 3 In-place Algorithms

In this section we design efficient in-place algorithms for multiplication, division and GCD computation of two univariate polynomials over $R$. We will also give an in-place algorithm for computing the inverse of an element $\alpha \in R$, if it exists. This is needed for making a polynomial monic for the monic Euclidean algorithm in $R[x]$. We assume the following utility operations are implemented.

- IP_ADD $(N, A, B)$ and $\operatorname{IP} \_\operatorname{SUB}(N, A, B)$ are used for in-place addition and subtraction of two polynomials $a, b \in R_{N}[x]$ represented in arrays $A$ and $B$.
- IP_MUL_NO_EXT is used for multiplication of two polynomials over $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$. A description of this algorithm is given in Section 5.1.
- IP_REM_NO_EXT is used for computing the quotient and the remainder of dividing two polynomials over $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$.
- IP_INV_NO_EXT is used for computing the inverse of an element in $\mathbb{Z}_{p}[z]$ modulo a minimal polynomial $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}[z]$.
- IP_GCD_NO_EXT is used for computing the GCD of two univariate polynomials over $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ (the Euclidean algorithm, See [7]).


### 3.1 In-place Multiplication

Suppose we have $a, b \in R[x]$ where $R=R_{r-1}\left[z_{r}\right] /\left\langle m_{r}\left(z_{r}\right)\right\rangle$. Let $a=\sum_{i=0}^{d_{a}} a_{i} x^{i}$ and $b=$ $\sum_{i=0}^{d_{b}} b_{i} x^{i}$ where $d_{a}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(a)$ and $d_{b}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(b)$ and Let $c=a \times b=\sum_{i=0}^{d_{c}} c_{i} x^{i}$ where $d_{c}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(c)=d_{a}+d_{b}$. To reduce the number of divisions by $m_{r}\left(z_{r}\right)$ when multiplying $a \times b$, we use the Cauchy product rule to compute $c_{k}$ as suggested in [7], that is,

$$
c_{k}=\left[\sum_{i=\max \left(0, k-d_{b}\right)}^{\min \left(k, d_{a}\right)} a_{i} \times b_{k-i}\right] \bmod m_{r}\left(z_{r}\right) .
$$

Thus the number of multiplications in $R_{r-1}\left[z_{r}\right]$ (in line 11) is $\left(d_{a}+1\right) \times\left(d_{b}+1\right)$ and the number of divisions in $R_{r-1}\left[z_{r}\right]$ (in line 15) is $d_{a}+d_{b}+1$. Asymptotically, this saves about half the work.

## Algorithm IP_MUL: In-place Multiplication <br> Input: - $N$ the number of field extensions.

- Arrays $A[0 \ldots \bar{a}]$ and $B[0 \ldots \bar{b}]$ representing univariate polynomials $a, b \in R_{N}[x]$ ( $R_{N}=$ $\left.\mathbb{Z}_{p}\left[z_{1}, \ldots, z_{N}\right] /\left\langle\bar{m}_{1}, \ldots, \bar{m}_{N}\right\rangle\right)$. Note that $\bar{a}=P\left(d_{a}, R_{N}\right)-1$ and $\bar{b}=P\left(d_{b}, R_{N}\right)-1$ where $d_{a}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(a)$ and $d_{b}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(b)$.
- Array $C[0 \ldots \bar{c}]$ : Space needed for storing $c=a \times b=\sum_{i=0}^{d_{c}} c_{i} x^{i}$ where $\bar{c}=P\left(\operatorname{deg}_{x}(a)+\right.$ $\left.\operatorname{deg}_{x}(b), R_{N}\right)-1$.
- $E\left[0 \ldots e_{N}\right]$ : representing the set of minimal polynomials where $e_{N}=S_{N}+2 \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} S_{i}$.
- $W\left[0 \ldots w_{N}\right]$ : the working storage for the intermediate operations.

Output: For $0 \leq k \leq d_{c}$, $c_{k}$ will be computed and stored in $C[k]$.
Set $d_{a}:=A[0]$ and $d_{b}:=B[0]$.
if $d_{a}=-1$ or $d_{b}=-1$ then Set $C[0]:=-1$ and return.
if $N=0$ then Call IP_MUL_NO_EXT on inputs $A, B$ and $C$ and return.
Let $M=E\left[0 \ldots \bar{S}_{N}-1\right]$ and $E^{\prime}=E\left[\bar{S}_{N} \ldots e_{N}\right]$ ( $M$ points to $\bar{m}_{N}$ in $E\left[0 \ldots e_{N}\right]$ ).
Let $T_{1}=W[0 \ldots t-1]$ and $T_{2}=W[t \ldots 2 t-1]$ and $W^{\prime}=W\left[2 t \ldots w_{N}\right]$ where $t=P\left(2 d_{N}-\right.$ $\left.2, R_{N-1}\right)$ and $d_{N}=M[0]=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{N}}\left(\bar{m}_{N}\right)$.
Set $d_{c}:=d_{a}+d_{b}$ and $s_{c}:=1$.
for $k$ from 0 to $d_{c}$ do
Set $s_{a}:=1+i S_{N}$ and $s_{b}:=1+(k-i) S_{N}$.
Set $T_{1}[0]:=-1\left(T_{1}=0\right)$.
for $i$ from $\max \left(0, k-d_{b}\right)$ to $\min \left(k, d_{a}\right)$ do
Call IP_MUL $\left(N-1, A\left[s_{a} \ldots \bar{a}\right], B\left[s_{b} \ldots \bar{b}\right], T_{2}, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)$.
Call IP_ADD $\left(N-1, T_{1}, T_{2}\right)\left(T_{1}:=T_{1}+T_{2}\right)$
Set $s_{a}:=s_{a}+S_{N}$ and $s_{b}:=s_{b}-S_{N}$.
end for
Call IP_REM $\left(N-1, T_{1}, M, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)$. (Reduce $T_{1}$ modulo $\left.M=\bar{m}_{N}\right)$.
Copy $C[s c \ldots \bar{c}]$ into $T_{1}$.
end for
Determine $\operatorname{deg}_{x}(a \times b)$ : (There might be zero-divisors).
Set $i:=d_{c}$ and $s_{c}:=s_{c}-S_{N}$.
20: while $i \geq 0$ and $C[s c]=-1$ do Set $i:=i-1$ and $s_{c}:=s_{c}-S_{N}$.
21: Set $C[0]:=i$.
The temporary variables $T_{1}$ and $T_{2}$ must be big enough to store the product of two coefficients in $a, b \in R_{N}[x]$. Coefficients of $a$ and $b$ are in $R_{N-1}\left[z_{N}\right]$ with degree (in $z_{N}$ ) at most $d_{N}-1$. Hence these temporaries must be of size $P\left(d_{N}-1+d_{N}-1, R_{N-1}\right)=$ $P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)$.

### 3.2 In-place Division

The following algorithm divides a polynomial $a \in R_{N}[x]$ by a monic polynomial $b \in R_{N}[x]$. The remainder and the quotient of $a$ divided by $b$ will be stored in the array representing $a$ hence $a$ is destroyed by the algorithm. The division algorithm is organized differently from the normal long division algorithm which does $d_{b} \times\left(d_{a}-d_{b}+1\right)$ multiplications and divisions in $R_{N-1}\left[z_{r}\right]$. The number of divisions by $M$ in $R_{N-1}\left[z_{r}\right]$ in line 16 is reduced to $d_{a}+1$ (see line 8). Asymptotically this saves half the work.

## Algorithm IP_REM: In-place Remainder

Input: - $N$ the number of field extensions.

- Arrays $A[0 \ldots \bar{a}]$ and $B[0 \ldots \bar{b}]$ representing univariate polynomials $a, b \neq 0 \in R_{N}[x]$ $\left(R_{N}=\mathbb{Z}_{p}\left[z_{1}, \ldots, z_{N}\right] /\left\langle\bar{m}_{1}, \ldots, \bar{m}_{N}\right\rangle\right)$ where $d_{a}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(a) \geq d_{a}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(b)$. Note $b$ must be monic and $\bar{a}=P\left(d_{a}, R_{N}\right)-1$ and $\bar{b}=P\left(d_{b}, R_{N}\right)-1$.
- $E\left[0 \ldots e_{N}\right]$ : representing the set of minimal polynomials where $e_{N}=S_{N}+2 \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} S_{i}$.
- $W\left[0 \ldots w_{N}\right]$ : the working storage for the intermediate operations.

Output: The remainder $\bar{R}$ of $a$ divided by $b$ will be stored in $A[0 \ldots \bar{r}]$ where $\bar{r}=P\left(D, R_{N}\right)-1$ and $D=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(\bar{R}) \leq d_{b}-1$. Also let $Q$ represent the quotient $\bar{Q}$ of $a$ divided by $b$. $Q[1 \ldots \bar{q}]$ will be stored in $A\left[1+d_{b} S_{N} \ldots \bar{a}\right]$ where $\bar{q}=P\left(d_{a}-d_{b}, R_{N}\right)-1$.
Set $d_{a}:=A[0]$ and $d_{b}:=B[0]$.
if $d_{a}<d_{b}$ then return.
if $N=0$ then Call IP_REM_NO_EXT on inputs $A$ and $B$ and return.
Set $D_{q}:=d_{a}-d_{b}$ and $D_{r}:=d_{b}-1$.
Let $M=E\left[0 \ldots \bar{S}_{N}-1\right]$ and $E^{\prime}=E\left[\bar{S}_{N} \ldots e_{N}\right]$ ( $M$ points to $\bar{m}_{N}$ in $E\left[0 \ldots e_{N}\right]$ ).
Let $T_{1}=W[0 \ldots t-1]$ and $T_{2}=W[t \ldots 2 t-1]$ and $W^{\prime}=W\left[2 t \ldots w_{N}\right]$ where $t=P\left(2 d_{N}-\right.$ $\left.2, R_{N-1}\right)$ and $d_{N}=M[0]=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{N}}\left(\bar{m}_{N}\right)$.
Set $s_{c}:=1+d_{a} S_{N}$
for $k=d_{a}$ to 0 by -1 do
Copy $C[s c \ldots \bar{c}]$ into $T_{1}$.
Set $i:=\max \left(0, k-D_{q}\right), s_{b}:=1+i S_{N}$ and $s_{a}:=1+\left(k-i+d_{b}\right) S_{N}$.
while $i \leq \min \left(D_{r}, k\right)$ do
Call IP_MUL $\left(N-1, A\left[s_{a} \ldots \bar{a}\right], B\left[s_{b} \ldots \bar{b}\right], T_{2}, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)$.
Call IP_SUB $\left(N-1, T_{1}, T_{2}\right)\left(T_{1}:=T_{1}-T_{2}\right)$.
Set $s_{b}:=s_{b}+S_{N}$ and $s_{a}:=s_{a}-S_{N}$.
end while
Call IP_REM $\left(N-1, T_{1}, M, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)\left(\right.$ Reduce $T_{1}$ modulo $\left.M=\bar{m}_{N}\right)$.
Copy $A\left[s_{c} \ldots \bar{c}\right]$ into $T_{1}$.
Set $s_{c}:=s_{c}-S_{N}$.
end for
Set $i:=D_{r}$ and $s_{c}:=1+D_{r} S_{N}$.
while $i \geq 0$ and $A\left[s_{c}\right]=-1$ do Set $i:=i-1$ and $s_{c}:=s_{c}-S_{N}$.
Set $A[0]:=i$.
Let arrays $A$ and $B$ represent polynomials $a$ and $b$ respectively. Let $d_{a}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(a)$ and $d_{b}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(b)$. Array $A$ has enough space to store $d_{a}+1$ coefficients in $R_{N}$ plus one unit of storage to store $d_{a}$. Hence the total storage is $\left(d_{a}+1\right) S_{N}+1$. The remainder $\bar{R}$ is of degree at most $d_{b}-1$ in $x$, i.e. $\bar{R}$ needs storage for $d_{b}$ coefficients in $R_{N}$ and one unit for the degree. Similarly the quotient $\bar{Q}$ is of degree $d_{a}-d_{b}$, hence needs storage for $d_{a}-d_{b}+1$ coefficients and one unit for the degree. This the remainder and the quotient together need $d_{b} S_{N}+1+\left(d_{a}-d_{b}+1\right) S_{N}+1=\left(d_{a}+1\right) S_{N}+2$. This means we are one unit of storage short if we want to store both $\bar{R}$ and $\bar{Q}$ in $A$. This is because this time we are storing two degrees for $\bar{Q}$ and $\bar{R}$. Our solution is that we will not store the degree of $\bar{Q}$. Any algorithm that
calls IP_REM and needs both the quotient and the remainder must use $\operatorname{deg}_{x}(a)-\operatorname{deg}_{x}(b)$ for the degree of $\bar{Q}$.

After applying this algorithm the remainder $\bar{R}$ will be stored in $A\left[0 \ldots d_{b} S_{N}\right]$ and the quotient $\bar{Q}$ minus the degree will be stored in $A\left[d_{b} S_{N} \ldots\left(d_{a}+1\right) S_{N}\right]$. Similar to IP_MUL, the remainder operation in line 16 has been moved to outside of the main loop to let the values accumulate in $T_{1}$.

### 3.3 Computing (In-place) the inverse of an element in $R_{N}$

In this algorithm we assume the following in-place function:

- IP_SCAL_MUL( $N, A, C, E, W$ ): This is used for multiplying a polynomial $a \in R_{N}[x]$ (represented by array $A$ ) by a scalar $c \in R_{N}$ (represented by array $C$ ). The algorithm will multiply every coefficient of $a$ in $x$ by $c$ and reduce the result modulo the minimal polynomials. It can easily be implemented using IP_MUL and IP_REM.
The algorithm computes the inverse of an element $a$ in $R_{N}$. If the element is not invertible, then the Euclidean algorithm will compute a proper divisor of some minimal polynomial $m_{i}\left(z_{i}\right)$, a zero divisor in $R_{i}$. The algorithm will store that zero-divisor in the space provided for the inverse and return the index $i$ of the minimal polynomial which is reducible and has caused the zero-divisor.


## Algorithm IP_INV: In-place inverse of an element in $R_{N}$ <br> Input: - $N$ the number of field extensions.

- Array $A[0 \ldots \bar{a}]$ representing the univariate polynomial $a \in R_{N}$. Note that $N \geq 1$ and $\bar{a}=S_{N}-1$.
- Array $I[0 \ldots \bar{i}]$ : Space needed for storing the inverse $a^{-1} \in R_{N}$. Note that $\bar{i}=S_{N}-1$.
- $E\left[0 \ldots e_{N}\right]$ : representing the set of minimal polynomials. Note that $e_{N}=S_{N}+$ $2 \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} S_{i}$.
- $W\left[0 \ldots w_{N}\right]$ : the working storage for the intermediate operations.

Output: The inverse of $a$ (or a zero-divisor, if there exists one) will be computed and stored in $I$. If there is a zero-divisor, the algorithm will return the index $k$ where $\bar{m}_{k}$ is the reducible minimal polynomial, otherwise it will return 0 .
Let $M=E\left[0 \ldots \bar{S}_{N}-1\right]$ and $E^{\prime}=E\left[\bar{S}_{N} \ldots e_{N}\right]\left(M=\bar{m}_{N}\right)$.
if $N=1$ then Call IP_INV_NO_EXT on inputs $A, I, E, M$ and $W$ and return.
if $A[i]=0$, for all $0 \leq i<N$ and $A[N]=1$ ( Test if $a=1$ ) then
Copy $A$ into $I$ and return $\mathbf{0}$.
end if
Let $r_{1}=W[0 \ldots t-1], r_{2}=W[t \ldots 2 t-1], s_{1}=I, s_{2}=W[2 t \ldots 3 t-1], T=W[3 t \ldots 4 t-1]$, $T^{\prime}=W\left[4 t \ldots 4 t+t^{\prime}-1\right]$ and $W^{\prime}=W\left[4 t+t^{\prime} \ldots w_{N}\right]$ where $t=P\left(d_{N}, R_{N-1}\right)-1=\bar{S}_{N}-1$, $t^{\prime}=P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)$ and $d_{N}=M[0]=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{N}}\left(\bar{m}_{N}\right)$.
: Copy $A$ and $M$ into $r_{1}$ and $r_{2}$ respectively.
Set $s_{2}[0]:=-1\left(s_{2}\right.$ represents 0$)$.
Let $Z \in \mathbb{Z}:=\operatorname{IP} \_\operatorname{INV}\left(N-1, A\left[D_{a} S_{N-1}+1 \ldots \bar{a}\right], T, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)$ where $D_{a}=A[0]=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{N}}(a)$. $\left(A\left[D_{a} S_{N-1}+1 \ldots \bar{a}\right]\right.$ represents $l=l c_{z_{N}}(a)$ and $T$ represents $\left.l^{-1}.\right)$
if $Z>0$ then Copy $T$ into $I$ and return $Z$.
Copy $T$ into $s_{1}$.
Call IP_SCAL_MUL $\left(N, r_{1}, T, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)$ ( $r_{1}$ is made monic).
while $r_{2}[0] \neq-1$ do
Set $Z=\operatorname{IP} \operatorname{INV}\left(N-1, r_{2}\left[D_{r_{2}} S_{N-1}+1 \ldots \bar{a}\right], T, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)$ where $D_{r_{2}}=r_{2}[0]=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{N}}\left(r_{2}\right)$. if $Z>0$ then Copy $T$ into $I$ and return $Z$.
Call IP_SCAL_MUL $\left(N, r_{2}, T, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)\left(r_{2}\right.$ is made monic).

```
    Call IP_SCAL_MUL( \(\left.N, s_{2}, T, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)\).
    Set \(D_{q}:=\max \left(-1, r_{1}[0]-r_{2}[0]\right)\).
    Call IP_REM \(\left(N, r_{1}, r_{2}, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)\).
    Swap the arrays \(r_{1}\) and \(r_{2}\). (Interchange only the pointers).
    Set \(t_{1}:=r_{2}\left[r_{1}[0] S_{N-1}\right]\) and set \(r_{2}\left[r_{1}[0] S_{N-1}\right]:=D_{q}\).
    Call IP_MUL \(\left(N-1, q, s_{2}, T^{\prime}, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)\) where \(q=r_{2}\left[r_{1}[0] S_{N-1} \ldots \bar{a}\right]\).
    Call IP_REM \(\left(N-1, T^{\prime}, M, E^{\prime}, W^{\prime}\right)\) and then \(\operatorname{IP} \_\operatorname{SUB}\left(N-1, s_{1}, T^{\prime}\right) .\left(s_{1}:=s_{1}-q s_{2}.\right)\)
    Set \(r_{2}\left[r_{1}[0] S_{N-1}\right]:=t_{1}\).
    Swap the arrays \(s_{1}\) and \(s_{2}\). (Interchange only the pointers).
end while
if \(r_{1}[i]=0\) for all \(0 \leq i<N\) and \(r_{1}[N]=1\) then
    Copy \(s_{1}\) into \(I\) ( \(r_{1}=1\) and \(s_{1}\) is the inverse) and return 0 .
else
    Copy \(r_{1}\) into \(R\left(r_{1} \neq 1\right.\) is the zero-divisor) and return \(N-1\) ( \(\bar{m}_{N-1}\) is reducible).
end if
```

As discussed in Section 3.2, IP_REM will not store the degree of the quotient of $a$ divided by $b$ hence in line 21 we explicitly compute and set the degree of the quotient before using it to compute $s_{1}:=s_{1}-q s_{2}$ in lines 22 and 23 . Here $r_{2}\left[r_{1}[0] S_{N-1} \ldots \bar{a}\right]$ is the quotient of dividing $r_{1}$ by $r_{2}$ in line 19 .

### 3.4 In-place GCD Computation

In the following algorithm we compute the GCD of $a, b \in R_{N}[x]$ using the monic Euclidean algorithm. This is the main subroutine used to compute univariate images of a GCD in $L[x]$ for the algorithm in [10] and images of a multivariate GCD over an algebraic function field for our algorithm in [4]. Note, since $m_{i}\left(z_{i}\right)$ may be reducible modulo $p, R_{N}$ is is not necessarily a field, and therefore, the monic Euclidean algorithm may encounter a zerodivisor in $R_{N}$ when calling subroutine IP_INV.

## Algorithm IP_GCD: In-place GCD Computation

Input: - $N$ the number of field extensions.

- Arrays $A[0 \ldots \bar{a}]$ and $B[0 \ldots \bar{b}]$ representing univariate polynomials $a, b \neq 0 \in R_{N}[x]$ $\left(R_{N}=\mathbb{Z}_{p}\left[z_{1}, \ldots, z_{N}\right] /\left\langle\bar{m}_{1}, \ldots, \bar{m}_{N}\right\rangle\right)$ where $d_{a}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(a) \geq d_{a}=\operatorname{deg}_{x}(b)$ and $A, B \neq 0$. Note that $b$ is monic and $\bar{a}=P\left(d_{a}, R_{N}\right)-1$ and $\bar{b}=P\left(d_{b}, R_{N}\right)-1$.
- $E\left[0 \ldots e_{N}\right]$ : representing the set of minimal polynomials where $e_{N}=S_{N}+2 \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} S_{i}$.
- $W\left[0 \ldots w_{N}\right]$ : the working storage for the intermediate operations.

Output: If there exist a zero-divisor, it will be stored in $A$ and the index of the reducible minimal polynomial will be returned. Otherwise the monic GCD $g=\operatorname{gcd}(a, b)$ will be stored in $A$ and 0 will be returned.
if $N=0$ then CALL IP_GCD_NO_EXT on inputs $A$ and $B$ and return $\mathbf{0}$.
Set $d_{a}:=A[0]$ and $d_{b}:=B[0]$.
Let $r_{1}$ and $r_{2}$ point to $A$ and $B$ respectively.
Let $I=W[0 \ldots t-1]$ and $W^{\prime}=W\left[t \ldots w_{N}\right]$ where $t=\bar{S}_{N}-1=S_{N}+S_{N-1}-1$.
Let $Z$ be the output of $\operatorname{IP} \operatorname{INV}\left(N, r_{1}\left[1+r_{1}[0] S_{N} \ldots \bar{a}\right], I, E, W^{\prime}\right)$.
if $Z>0$ then Copy $I$ into $A$ and return $Z$.
Call IP_SCAL_MUL( $\left.N, r_{1}, I, E, W^{\prime}\right)$.
while $r_{2}[0] \neq-1$ do
Let $Z$ be the output of IP_INV $\left(N, r_{2}\left[1+r_{2}[0] S_{N} \ldots \bar{b}\right], I, E, W^{\prime}\right)$. if $Z>0$ then Copy $I$ into $A$ and return $Z$. Call IP_SCAL_MUL( $\left.N, r_{2}, I, E, W^{\prime}\right)$. Call IP_REM $\left(N, r_{1}, r_{2}, E, W^{\prime}\right)$.

```
        Swap r}\mp@subsup{r}{1}{}\mathrm{ and }\mp@subsup{r}{2}{}\mathrm{ (interchange pointers).
end while
Copy r}\mp@subsup{r}{1}{}\mathrm{ into A.
return 0.
```

Similar to the algorithm IP_INV, if there exists a zero-divisor, i.e. the leading coefficient of one of the polynomials in the polynomial remainder sequence is not invertible, in steps 6 and 10 the algorithm stores the zero-divisor in the space provided for $a$ and returns $Z$ the index of the minimal polynomial which is reducible and has caused the zero-divisor.

## 4 Working Space

In this section we will determine recurrences for the exact amount of working storage $w_{N}$ needed for each operation introduced in the previous section. Recall that $d_{i}=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{i}}\left(\bar{m}_{i}\right)$ is the degree of the $i$ th minimal polynomial which we may assume is at least 2 . Also $S_{i}$ is the space needed to store an element in $R_{i}$ and we have $S_{i+1}=d_{i+1} S_{i}+1$ and $S_{1}=d_{1}+1$.

Lemma 2. $S_{N}>2 S_{N-1}$ for $N>1$.
Proof. We have $S_{N}=d_{N} S_{N-1}+1$ where $d_{N}=\operatorname{deg}_{z_{N}}\left(\bar{m}_{N}\right)$. Since $d_{N} \geq 2$ we have $S_{N} \geq 2 S_{N-1}+1 \Rightarrow S_{N}>2 S_{N-1}$.

Lemma 3. $\sum_{i=1}^{N-1} S_{i}<S_{N}$ for $N>1$.
Proof. (by induction on $N$ ). For $N=2$ we have $\sum_{i=1}^{1} S_{i}=S_{1}<S_{2}$. For $N=k+1 \geq 2$ we have $\sum_{i=1}^{k} S_{i}=S_{k}+\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} S_{i}$. By induction we have $\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} S_{i}<S_{k}$ hence $\sum_{i=1}^{k} S_{i}<$ $S_{k}+S_{k}=2 S_{k}$. Using Lemma 2 we have $2 S_{k}<S_{k+1}$ hence $\sum_{i=1}^{k} S_{i}<2 S_{k}<S_{k+1}$ and the proof is complete.
Corollary 4. $\sum_{i=1}^{N} S_{i}<2 S_{N}$ for $N>1$.
Lemma 5. $P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)=2 S_{N}-S_{N-1}-1$ for $N>1$.
Proof. We have $P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)=\left(2 d_{N}-1\right) S_{N-1}+1=2 d_{N} S_{N-1}-S_{N-1}+1=$ $2\left(d_{N} S_{N-1}+1\right)-S_{N-1}-1=2 S_{N}-S_{N-1}-1$.

### 4.1 Multiplication and Division Algorithms

Let $M(N)$ be the amount of working storage needed to multiply $a, b \in R_{N}[x]$ using the algorithm IP_MUL. Similarly let $Q(N)$ be the amount of working storage needed to divide $a$ by $b$ using the algorithm IP_REM. The working storage used in lines 5,11 and 15 of algorithm IP_MUL and lines 6,12 and 16 of algorithm IP_REM is

$$
\begin{gather*}
M(N)=2 P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)+\max (M(N-1), Q(N-1)) \text { and }  \tag{1}\\
Q(N)=2 P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)+\max (M(N-1), Q(N-1)) . \tag{2}
\end{gather*}
$$

Comparing equations (1) and (2) we see that $M(N)=Q(N)$ for any $N \geq 1$. Hence

$$
\begin{equation*}
M(N)=2 P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)+M(N-1) . \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Simplifying (3) gives $M(N)=2 S_{N}-2 N+2 \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_{i}$. Using Corollary 4 we have

Theorem 6. $M(N)=Q(N)=2 S_{N}-2 N+2 \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_{i}<6 S_{N}$.
Remark 7. When calling the algorithm IP_MUL to compute $c=a \times b$ where $a, b \in R[x]$, we should use a working storage array $W\left[0 \ldots w_{n}\right]$ such that $w_{n} \geq M(N)$. Since $M(N)<6 S_{N}$, the working storage must be big enough to store only six coefficients in $L_{p}$.

Let $C(N)$ denote the working storage needed for the operation IP_SCAL_MUL. It is easy to show that $C(N)=M(N-1)+P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)<M(N)$.

### 4.2 Inversion

Let $I(N)$ denote the amount of working storage needed to invert $c \in R_{N}$. In lines $6,9,12$, $14,16,17,19,22$ and 23 of algorithm IP_INV we use the working storage. We have

$$
\begin{equation*}
I(N)=4 P\left(d_{N}, R_{N-1}\right)+P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)+\max (I(N-1), M(N-1), Q(N-1)) . \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

But we have $M(N-1)=Q(N-1)$, hence

$$
\begin{equation*}
I(N)=4 P\left(d_{N}, R_{N-1}\right)+P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)+\max (I(N-1), M(N-1)) \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Lemma 8. For $N \geq 1$, we have $M(N)<I(N)$.
Proof. (by contradiction) Assume $M(N) \geq I(N)$. Using (5) we have $I(N)=4 P\left(d_{N}, R_{N-1}\right)$ $+P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)+M(N-1)$. On the other hand using (3) we have $M(N)=2 P\left(2 d_{N}-\right.$ $\left.2, R_{N-1}\right)+M(N-1)$. We assumed $I(N) \leq M(N)$ hence we have $4 P\left(d_{N}, R_{N-1}\right)+P\left(2 d_{N}-\right.$ $\left.2, R_{N-1}\right)+M(N-1) \leq 2 P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right)+M(N-1)$ thus $4 P\left(d_{N}, R_{N-1}\right)+P\left(2 d_{N}-\right.$ $\left.2, R_{N-1}\right) \leq 2 P\left(2 d_{N}-2, R_{N-1}\right) \Rightarrow 6 S_{N}+3 S_{N-1}-1 \leq 4 S_{N}-2 S_{N-1}-2$ which is a contradiction. Thus $I(N)>M(N)$.

Using Equation (4) and Lemma 8 we conclude that $I(N)=4 P\left(d_{N}, R_{N-1}\right)+P\left(2 d_{N}-\right.$ $\left.2, R_{N-1}\right)+I(N-1)$. Simplifying this yields:
Theorem 9. $I(N)=4 \sum_{i=1}^{N} P\left(d_{i}, R_{i-1}\right)+\sum_{i=1}^{N} P\left(2 d_{i}-2, R_{i-1}\right)=4 \sum_{i=1}^{N}\left(S_{i}+S_{i-1}\right)+$ $\sum_{i=1}^{N}\left(2 S_{i}-S_{i-1}-1\right)=6 S_{N}+9 \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} S_{i}-N$.

Using Lemma 2 an upper bound for $I(N)$ is $I(N)<6 S_{N}+9 S_{N}=15 S_{N}$.

### 4.3 GCD Computation

Let $G(N)$ denote the working storage needed to compute the GCD of $a, b \in R_{N}[x]$. In lines $4,5,7,9,11$ and 12 of algorithm IP_GCD we use the working storage. We have $G(N)=$ $\bar{S}_{N}+\max (I(N), C(N), Q(N))$. Lemma 8 states that $I(N)>M(N)=C(N)=Q(N)$ hence

$$
G(N)=\bar{S}_{N}+I(N)=S_{N}+S_{N-1}+6 S_{N}+9 \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} S_{i}-N=7 S_{N}+S_{N-1}+9 \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} S_{i}-N
$$

Since $I(N)<15 S_{N}$, we have an upper bound on $G(N)$ :
Theorem 10. $G(N)=S_{N}+S_{N-1}+I(N)<S_{N}+S_{N-1}+15 S_{N}<17 S_{N}$.
Remark 11. The constants 6,15 and 17 appearing in Theorems 6,9 and 10 respectively, are not the best possible. One can reduce the constant 6 for algorithm IP_MUL if one also uses the space in the output array C for working storage. We did not do this because it complicates the description of the algorithm and yields no significant performance gain.

## 5 Benchmarks

We have compared our C library with the Magma (see [1]) computer algebra system. The results are reported in Table 1. For our benchmarks we used $p=3037000453$, two field extensions with minimal polynomials $\bar{m}_{1}$ and $\bar{m}_{2}$ of varying degrees $d_{1}$ and $d_{2}$ but with $d=$ $d_{1} \times d_{2}=60$ constant so that we may compare the overhead for varying $d_{1}$. We choose three polynomials $a, b, g$ of the same degree $d_{x}$ in $x$ with coefficients chosen from $R$ at random. The data in the fifth and sixth columns are the times (in CPU seconds) for computing both $f_{1}=a \times g$ and $f_{2}=b \times g$ using IP_MUL and Magma version 2.15 respectively. Similarly, the data in the seventh and eighth columns are the times for computing both quo $\left(f_{1}, g\right)$ and quo $\left(f_{2}, g\right)$ using IP_REM and Magma respectively. Finally the data in the ninth and tenth columns are the times for computing $\operatorname{gcd}\left(f_{1}, f_{2}\right)$ using IP_GCD and Magma respectively. The data in the column labeled $\# f_{i}$ is the number of terms in $f_{1}$ and $f_{2}$.

Table 1: Timings in CPU seconds on an AMD Opteron 254 CPU running at 2.8 GHz

| $d_{1}$ | $d_{2}$ | $d_{x}$ | $\# f_{i}$ | IP_MUL | MAG_MUL | IP_REM | MAG_REM | IP_GCD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 30 | 40 | 2460 | 0.124 | 0.050 | 0.123 | 0.09 | 0.384 |
| 3 | 20 | 40 | 2460 | 0.108 | 0.054 | 0.106 | 0.11 | 0.340 |
| 4 | 15 | 40 | 2460 | 0.106 | 0.056 | 0.106 | 0.10 | 0.327 |
| 6 | 10 | 40 | 2460 | 0.106 | 0.121 | 0.105 | 0.14 | 0.328 |
| 10 | 6 | 40 | 2460 | 0.100 | 0.093 | 0.100 | 0.37 | 0.303 |
| 15 | 4 | 40 | 2460 | 0.097 | 0.055 | 0.095 | 0.17 | 0.283 |
| 20 | 3 | 40 | 2460 | 0.092 | 0.046 | 0.091 | 0.14 | 0.267 |
| 30 | 2 | 40 | 2460 | 0.087 | 0.038 | 0.087 | 0.10 | 0.242 |
| 2 | 30 | 80 | 4860 | 0.477 | 0.115 | 0.478 | 0.27 | 1.84 |
| 3 | 20 | 80 | 4860 | 0.407 | 0.127 | 0.409 | 0.27 | 1.449 |
| 4 | 15 | 80 | 4860 | 0.404 | 0.132 | 0.406 | 0.28 | 1.204 |
| 6 | 10 | 80 | 4860 | 0.398 | 0.253 | 0.400 | 0.35 | 1.234 |
| 10 | 6 | 80 | 4860 | 0.380 | 0.197 | 0.381 | 0.86 | 1.151 |
| 15 | 4 | 80 | 4860 | 0.365 | 0.127 | 0.364 | 0.40 | 1.081 |
| 20 | 3 | 80 | 4860 | 0.353 | 0.109 | 0.353 | 0.33 | 1.030 |
| 30 | 2 | 80 | 4860 | 0.336 | 0.086 | 0.337 | 0.26 | 0.932 |

The timings in Table 1 for in-place routines show that as the degree $d_{x}$ doubles from 40 to 80 , the time consistently goes up by a factor of 4 indicating that the underlying algorithms are all quadratic in $d_{x}$. This is not the case for Magma because Magma is using a sub-quadratic algorithm for multiplication. We describe the algorithm used by Magma ([9]) briefly. To multiply two polynomials $a, b \in L_{p}[x]$ Magma first multiplies $a$ and $b$ as polynomials in $\mathbb{Z}\left[x, z_{1}, \ldots, z_{r}\right]$. It then reduces their product modulo the ideal $\left\langle m_{1}, \ldots, m_{r}, p\right\rangle$. To multiply in $\mathbb{Z}\left[x, z_{1}, \ldots, z_{r}\right]$, Magma evaluates each variable successively, beginning with $z_{r}$ then ending with $x$, at integers $k_{r}, \ldots, k_{1}, k_{0}$ which are powers of the base of the integer representation which are sufficiently large so that that the product of the two polynomials $a\left(x, z_{1}, \ldots, z_{r}\right) \times b\left(x, z_{1}, \ldots, z_{r}\right)$ can be recovered from the product of the two (very) large integers $a\left(k_{0}, k_{1}, \ldots, k_{r}\right) \times b\left(k_{0}, k_{1}, \ldots, k_{r}\right)$. The reason to evaluate at a power of the integer base is so that evaluation and recovery can be done in linear time. In this way polynomial multiplication in $\mathbb{Z}\left[x, z_{r}, \ldots, z_{1}\right]$ is reduced to a single (very) large integer multiplication which is done using the FFT. This, note, may not be efficient if the polynomials $a\left(x, z_{1}, \ldots, z_{r}\right)$ and $b\left(x, z_{1}, \ldots, z_{r}\right)$ are sparse.

Table 1 shows that our in-place GCD algorithm is a factor of 6 to 27 times faster than Magma's GCD algorithm. Since both algorithms use the Euclidean algorithm, this shows that our in-place algorithms for arithmetic in $L_{p}$ are efficient. This is the gain we sought to achieve. The reader can observe that as $d_{1}$ increases, the timings for IP_MUL decrease which shows there is still some overhead for $\alpha_{1}$ of low degree.

### 5.1 Optimizations in the implementation

In modular algorithms, multiplication in $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ needs to be coded carefully. This is because hardware integer division ( $\% \mathrm{p}$ in C ) is much slower than hardware integer multiplication. One can use Peter Montgomery's trick (see [8]) to replace all divisions by $p$ by several cheaper operations for an overall gain of typically a factor of 2 . Instead, we use the following scheme which replaces most divisions by $p$ in the multiplication subroutine for $\mathbb{Z}_{p}[x]$ by at most one subtraction. We use a similar scheme for the division in $\mathbb{Z}_{p}[x]$. This makes GCD computation in $L_{p}[x]$ more efficient as well. We observed a gain of a factor of 5 on average for the GCD computations in our benchmarks.

The following C code explains the idea. Suppose we have two polynomials $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}[x]$ where $a=\sum_{i=0}^{d_{a}} a_{i} x^{i}$ and $b=\sum_{j=0}^{d_{b}} b_{j} x^{j}$ where $a_{i}, b_{j} \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}$. Suppose the coefficients $a_{i}$ and $b_{i}$ are stored in two Arrays $A$ and $B$ indexed from 0 to $d_{a}$ and 0 to $d_{b}$ respectively. We assume elements of $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ are stored as signed integers and an integer $x$ in the range $-p^{2}<x<p^{2}$ fits in a machine word. The following computes $c=a \times b=\sum_{k=0}^{d_{a}+d_{b}} c_{k} x^{k}$.

```
M = p*p;
d_c = d_a+d_b;
for( k=0; k<=d_c; k++ ) {
    t = 0;
    for( i=max(0,k-d_b); i <= min(k,d_a); i++ )
    {
            if( t<0 ); else t = t-M;
            t = t+A[i]*B[k-i];
        }
    t = t % p;
    if( t<0) t = t+p;
    C[k] = t;
}
```

The trick here is to put $t$ in the range $-p^{2}<t \leq 0$ by subtracting $p^{2}$ from it when it is positive so that we can add the product of two integers $0 \leq a_{i}, b_{k-i}<p$ to $t$ without overflow. Thus the number of divisions by $p$ is linear in $d_{c}$, the degree of the product. One can further reduce the number of divisions by $p$. In our implementation, when multiplying elements $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}[z][x] /\langle m(z)\rangle$ we multiply $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}[z][x]$ without division by $p$ before dividing by $m(z)$.

Note that the statement if $(t<0)$; else $t=t-M$; is done this way rather than the more obvious if $(t>0) t=t-M$; because it is faster. The reason is that $t<0$ holds about $75 \%$ of the time and the code generated by the newer compilers is optimized for the case the condition of an if statement is true. If one codes the if statement using if ( $t>0$ ) $\mathrm{t}=\mathrm{t}-\mathrm{M}$; instead, we observe a loss of a factor of 2.6 on an Intel Core i7, 2.3 on an Intel Core 2 duo, and 2.2 on an AMD Opteron for the above code.

## 6 Concluding Remarks

Our C library of in-place routines has been integrated into Maple 14 for use in the GCD algorithms in [11] and [4]. These algorithms compute GCDs of polynomials in $K\left[x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots, x_{n}\right.$ ] over an algebraic function field $K$ in parameters $t_{1}, t_{2}, \ldots, t_{k}$ by evaluating the parameters and variables except $x_{1}$ and using rational function interpolation to recover the GCD. This results in many GCD computations in $L_{p}\left[x_{1}\right]$. In many applications, $K$ has field extensions of low degree, often quadratic or cubic. Our C library is available on our website at http://www.cecm.sfu.ca/CAG/code/ASCMO9/inplace.c
The code used to generate the Magma timings in Section 5 is available in the file
http://www.cecm.sfu.ca/CAG/code/ASCM09/magma.txt
In [6], Xin, Moreno Maza and Schost develop asymptotically fast algorithms for multiplication in $L_{p}$ based on the FFT and use their algorithms to implement the Euclidean algorithm in $L_{p}[x]$ for comparison with Magma and Maple. The authors obtain a speedup for $L$ of sufficiently large degree $d$. Our results in this paper are complementary in that we sought to improve arithmetic when $L$ has relatively low degree.

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