

[Zec72, FK96]

Welcome to SIGma

SIGma



Section 1

Officers in No Particular Order



Anakin

- Math Major
- Did Computational Group Theory at an REU
- Graph Theory / Optimization Research during the year
- SIGPwny Crypto¹ Gang + Admin team
- Coffee Club
- CA for CS 173 + CS 374

¹Not that one, the other one



Aditya

- ECE/Math double major.
- Interned at a satellite internet startup over the summer.
- CA for ECE 411, ECE 391 + SIGARCH co-lead.
- Other interests: FP, EE, Crypto(graphy).



Sam

- CS PhD
- Doing Computational Geometry with Sariel Har-Peled
- SIGPwny



Hassam

- Intern at IMC Trading over the summer
- CS Major (takes math classes for fun ???)
- SIGPwny Crypto Gang + Admin team + Infra lead
- CA for CS 341, CS 173
- Compiler research



We Need Officers!

- This list is smaller than last year
- Reach out to me if you are interested in improving SIGma and making meetings!



Section 2

Fibonacci Codes



But Why?

- Almost everything you do online involves sending and receiving messages
- How can we make these messages “robust” to errors?



Starting From The End

- Suppose we want to uniquely assign the natural numbers a *codeword*
- We want this *code* to have a couple properties
 - ▶ Quick to compute
 - ▶ Variable length
 - ▶ Robust to errors
- It turns out *Fibonacci Numbers* do all this for us



Our Favorite Sequence

$$F_n = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 0 \\ 1 & n = 1 \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

F_0	F_1	F_2	F_3	F_4	F_5	F_6	F_7	F_8	F_9	F_{10}	F_{11}	F_{12}	F_{13}
0	1	1	2	3	5	8	13	21	34	55	89	144	233



Zeckendorf's Theorem

Theorem ([Zec72])

Every natural number $n \geq 1$ can be represented as a unique sum of non-consecutive Fibonacci numbers F_i where $i \geq 2$. *If we allow F_0 and F_1 we lose uniqueness*

We call this sum a *Zeckendorf sum*.

- $4 = F_4 + F_2 = 3 + 1$
- $64 = F_{10} + F_6 + F_2 = 55 + 8 + 1$



Recursion is Induction is Recursion is Induction is ...

We prove existence by *induction* on our natural number n . Suppose that for all natural numbers strictly smaller than n , such a Zeckendorf sum exists. There are two cases.

If $n \leq 4$:

$$1 = F_2$$

$$2 = F_3$$

$$3 = F_4$$

$$4 = F_4 + F_2$$

If $n > 4$ itself is a Fibonacci number, we are done.



Recursion is Induction is Recursion is Induction is ...

If $n > 4$ is not a Fibonacci number:

- Since $n > 4$, it is strictly between two consecutive Fibonacci numbers $F_i < n < F_{i+1}$ for some $i \geq 3$
- $n - F_i < n$ so, by *induction*, $n - F_i$ has some Zeckendorf sum
- Note that

$$\begin{aligned}n - F_i + F_i &= n < F_{i+1} = F_{i-1} + F_i \\ \implies n - F_i &< F_{i-1}\end{aligned}$$

and thus the Zeckendorf sum of $n - F_i$ does not contain F_{i-1}

- Combine the Zeckendorf sum of $n - F_i$ with F_i to obtain a Zeckendorf sum for n



Deadly Sins \implies Fast Algorithms

The statement and proof of the theorem helps design a *greedy* algorithm

- The inductive proof implies we should find the largest $F_i \leq n$
- The statement implies that if we picked F_i , we should skip F_{i-1}
- Our goal is to encode text, so we can precompute an array of Fibonacci numbers ahead of time up to some maximum

```
1: maximum  $\leftarrow$  1114111   $\ll$  largest Unicode value U+10FFFF  $\gg$ 
2: F  $\leftarrow$  [0, 1]
3: i  $\leftarrow$  2
4: while F[i - 1]  $\leq$  maximum:
5:     F.append(F[i - 2] + F[i - 1])
6:     i += 1
```



Deadly Sins \implies Fast Algorithms

ZECKENDORF(x):

```
1:    $i \leftarrow \max i$  such that  $F[i] \leq x$ 
2:    $rep \leftarrow \text{" "}$ 
3:    $rem \leftarrow x$ 
4:   while  $i \geq 2$  :
5:       if  $F[i] \leq rem$  :
6:            $rem -= F[i]$ 
7:            $rep += 1$ 
8:           if  $rem > 0$  :
9:                $rep += )$ 
10:               $i -= 1$ 
11:       else:
12:            $rep += 0$ 
13:            $i -= 1$ 
14:   return  $rep$ 
```



Deadly Sins \implies Fast Algorithms

ZECKENDORF(x):

```
1:  $i \leftarrow \max i$  such that  $F[i] \leq x$ 
2:  $rep \leftarrow \text{“ ”}$ 
3:  $rem \leftarrow x$ 
4: while  $i \geq 2$  :
5:   if  $F[i] \leq rem$  :
6:      $rem -= F[i]$ 
7:      $rep += 1$ 
8:     if  $rem > 0$  :
9:        $rep += 1$ 
10:     $i -= 1$ 
11:  else:
12:     $rep += 0$ 
13:   $i -= 1$ 
14: return  $rep$ 
```

$$\begin{aligned} & \# \text{ of } i \text{ such that } F_i \leq x \\ &= \left\lfloor \log_{\phi} \left(x\sqrt{5} \right) \right\rfloor = O(\log x) \end{aligned}$$

- The while loop does $i = O(\log x)$ iterations
- The work inside the while loop takes $O(1)$ time
- So **ZECKENDORF** takes $O(\log x)$ time
- Each iteration we add at most 2 characters \implies
 $|\mathbf{ZECKENDORF}(x)| = O(\log x)$



Deadly Sins \implies Fast Algorithms

ZECKENDORF(x):

```
1:  $i \leftarrow \max i$  such that  $F[i] \leq x$ 
2:  $rep \leftarrow \text{“ ”}$ 
3:  $rem \leftarrow x$ 
4: while  $i \geq 2$  :
5:   if  $F[i] \leq rem$  :
6:      $rem -= F[i]$ 
7:      $rep += 1$ 
8:     if  $rem > 0$  :
9:        $rep += 0$ 
10:     $i -= 1$ 
11:  else:
12:     $rep += 0$ 
13:   $i -= 1$ 
14: return  $rep$ 
```

$$\begin{aligned} & \# \text{ of } i \text{ such that } F_i \leq x \\ &= \left\lfloor \log_{\phi} \left(x\sqrt{5} \right) \right\rfloor = O(\log x) \end{aligned}$$

- The while loop does $i = O(\log x)$ iterations
- The work inside the while loop takes $O(1)$ time
- So **ZECKENDORF** takes $O(\log x)$ time
- Each iteration we add at most 2 characters \implies
 $|\mathbf{ZECKENDORF}(x)| = O(\log x)$



Deadly Sins \implies Fast Algorithms

ZECKENDORF(x):

```
1:  $i \leftarrow \max i$  such that  $F[i] \leq x$ 
2:  $rep \leftarrow \text{“ ”}$ 
3:  $rem \leftarrow x$ 
4: while  $i \geq 2$  :
5:   if  $F[i] \leq rem$  :
6:      $rem -= F[i]$ 
7:      $rep += 1$ 
8:     if  $rem > 0$  :
9:        $rep += 1$ 
10:     $i -= 1$ 
11:  else:
12:     $rep += 0$ 
13:   $i -= 1$ 
14: return  $rep$ 
```

$$\begin{aligned} & \# \text{ of } i \text{ such that } F_i \leq x \\ &= \left\lfloor \log_{\phi} \left(x\sqrt{5} \right) \right\rfloor = O(\log x) \end{aligned}$$

- The while loop does $i = O(\log x)$ iterations
- The work inside the while loop takes $O(1)$ time
- So **ZECKENDORF** takes $O(\log x)$ time
- Each iteration we add at most 2 characters \implies
 $|\mathbf{ZECKENDORF}(x)| = O(\log x)$



Deadly Sins \implies Fast Algorithms

ZECKENDORF(x):

```
1:  $i \leftarrow \max i$  such that  $F[i] \leq x$ 
2:  $rep \leftarrow \text{“ ”}$ 
3:  $rem \leftarrow x$ 
4: while  $i \geq 2$  :
5:   if  $F[i] \leq rem$  :
6:      $rem -= F[i]$ 
7:      $rep += 1$ 
8:     if  $rem > 0$  :
9:        $rep += 1$ 
10:     $i -= 1$ 
11:  else:
12:     $rep += 0$ 
13:   $i -= 1$ 
14: return  $rep$ 
```

$$\begin{aligned} & \# \text{ of } i \text{ such that } F_i \leq x \\ &= \left\lfloor \log_{\phi} \left(x\sqrt{5} \right) \right\rfloor = O(\log x) \end{aligned}$$

- The while loop does $i = O(\log x)$ iterations
- The work inside the while loop takes $O(1)$ time
- So **ZECKENDORF** takes $O(\log x)$ time
- Each iteration we add at most 2 characters \implies
 $|\mathbf{ZECKENDORF}(x)| = O(\log x)$



Undo

FRODNEKCEZ($rep[0..n]$):

```
1:  $res \leftarrow 0$ 
2: for  $i \leftarrow 0..n$ :
3:   if  $rep[i] = 1$ :
4:      $res += F[i + 2]$     $\langle\langle$  Remember we don't use  $F_0$  or  $F_1$   $\rangle\rangle$ 
5: return  $res$ 
```

Runtime analysis:

- Work is constant for each iteration of the for loop $\implies O(n)$
- If $rep[0..n] = \mathbf{Zeckendorf}(x)$ then $O(n) = O(\log x)$



A Fibonacci Code

We now show how to assign natural numbers a code word using the Zeckendorf Decomposition [FK96]

- The length of the Zeckendorf Representation for numbers can vary
 - ▶ **ZECKENDORF**(2) = 01, **ZECKENDORF**(7) = 0101
- We want to be able to send this bit strings and tell when a character begins and ends
 - ▶ Does 0101 correspond to [2, 2] or [7]?
- Solution: Add a “*comma*” using an extra 1
 - ▶ **ENC**([2, 2]) = 011011, **ENC**([7]) = 01011



Heavy Lifting Has Already Been Done

ENC(x):

1: return **ZECKENDORF**(x) + 1 *⟨⟨ add comma ⟩⟩*

DEC(rep[0..n]):

1: return **FRODNEKCEZ**(rep[0..n - 1]) *⟨⟨ remove comma ⟩⟩*

Runtime analysis:

- Same as **ZECKENDORF** and **FRODNEKCEZ**



Heavy Lifting Has Already Been Done

```
ENCODE( $m[0..n]$ ):  
1:  $code \leftarrow \text{“ ”}$   
2: for  $i \leftarrow 0..n$ :  
3:    $val \leftarrow \text{ORD}(m[i])$   
4:    $code += \text{ENC}(val)$   
5: return  $code$ 
```

Runtime analysis:

- To simplify our life, since $\text{ORD}(m[i])$ is some Unicode value which has a set maximum, **ENC** runs in constant time
 - ▶ More precise analysis would require knowledge of the distribution of characters in whatever language being used. Ask your nearest linguist.
- Thus, **ENCODE**($m[0..n]$) runs in $O(n)$ time



Heavy Lifting Has Already Been Done

```
DECODE(code[0..n]):  
m ← “ ”  
i ← 0  
while i ≤ n:  
    j ← smallest j > i such that  
        code[j] = code[j + 1] = 1  
    rep = code[i..j + 1]  
    x ← DEC(rep)  
    m += CHR(x)  
    i ← j + 2  
return m
```

Runtime analysis:

- By similar logic, **DECODE**(*code*[0..*n*]) runs in $O(n)$ time



An Example

S	I	G	m	a
83	73	71	109	97
0101001011	0001010011	0010010011	01010100011	00001000011



Containment of Errors

Claim: When a single error occurs, at most 3 codewords are lost

- We know that $\text{ENC}(x)$ ends with 011 for all $x > 1$
- For such x , if an error occurs outside of these last 3 bits, only one codeword is lost:
 - ▶ If a 01 gets turned into a 11, if a 0 is deleted, or if a 1 is inserted in some specific spot, then one codeword may turn into two
 - ▶ Consider $0101011 \rightsquigarrow 0111011 / 011011 / 01101011$
 - ▶ Otherwise, we just misconvert that single codeword



Questions?



Abstract is a word people use when they haven't gotten used to something

— EUGENE LERMAN ([8/28/2023](#))



Question: Containment of Errors

Claim: When a single error occurs, at most 3 codewords are lost

- We know that $\mathbf{ENC}(x)$ ends with 011 for all $x > 1$
- For such x , if an error occurs outside of these last 3 bits, only one codeword is lost:
 - ▶ If a 01 gets turned into a 11, if a 0 is deleted, or if a 1 is inserted in some specific spot, then one codeword may turn into two
 - ▶ Consider 0101011 \rightsquigarrow 0111011 / 011011 / 01101011
 - ▶ Otherwise, we just misconvert that single codeword

Exercise: Consider what may happen in the cases of insertion, deletion, and bitflipping for each of the last three bits of $\mathbf{ENC}(x)$ for $x > 1$



Bibliography



Aviezri S. Fraenkel and Shmuel T. Kleinb.

Robust universal complete codes for transmission and compression.

Discrete Applied Mathematics, 64(1):31–55, January 1996.



E. Zeckendorf.

Représentation des nombres naturels par une somme de nombres de Fibonacci ou de nombres de Lucas.

Bull. Soc. R. Sci. Liège, 41:179–182, 1972.

