

168 (fast *mod 2*) Let n and p be natural variables. The problem to reduce n modulo 2 can be solved as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 n' = \text{mod } n \ 2 & \Leftarrow \mathbf{if } n < 2 \mathbf{ then } ok \mathbf{ else } \text{even } n' = \text{even } n. \ n' = \text{mod } n \ 2 \mathbf{ fi} \\
 \text{even } n' = \text{even } n & \Leftarrow p := 2. \ \text{even } p \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n \\
 \text{even } p \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n & \Leftarrow \\
 n := n - p. \ p := p + p. & \\
 \mathbf{if } n < p \mathbf{ then } ok \mathbf{ else } \text{even } p \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n \mathbf{ fi}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Prove these refinements.
- (b) Using the recursive time measure, find and prove a sublinear upper time bound.

After trying the question, scroll down to the solution.

(a) Prove these refinements.

§ I assume the property

$$\text{mod } n \ 2 = \mathbf{if\ even\ } n \ \mathbf{then\ } 0 \ \mathbf{else\ } 1 \ \mathbf{fi}$$

is known. First refinement, by cases; first case, starting with the right side:

$$\begin{aligned} & n < 2 \wedge \text{ok} && \text{expand } \text{ok} \\ = & n < 2 \wedge n' = n \wedge p' = p && \text{specialization and property of } \text{mod} \\ \Rightarrow & n' = \text{mod } n \ 2 \end{aligned}$$

First refinement, second case, starting with the right side:

$$\begin{aligned} & n \geq 2 \wedge (\text{even } n' = \text{even } n. \ n' = \text{mod } n \ 2) && \text{sequential composition} \\ = & n \geq 2 \wedge \exists n'', p''. \ \text{even } n'' = \text{even } n \wedge n' = \text{mod } n'' \ 2 && \text{property of } \text{mod} \\ = & n \geq 2 \wedge \exists n'', p''. \ \text{even } n'' = \text{even } n \wedge n' = \mathbf{if\ even } n'' \ \mathbf{then\ } 0 \ \mathbf{else\ } 1 \ \mathbf{fi} && \text{context} \\ = & n \geq 2 \wedge \exists n'', p''. \ \text{even } n'' = \text{even } n \wedge n' = \mathbf{if\ even } n \ \mathbf{then\ } 0 \ \mathbf{else\ } 1 \ \mathbf{fi} && \text{property of } \text{mod} \\ = & n \geq 2 \wedge \exists n'', p''. \ \text{even } n'' = \text{even } n \wedge n' = \text{mod } n \ 2 && \text{distribution} \\ = & n \geq 2 \wedge (\exists n'', p''. \ \text{even } n'' = \text{even } n) \wedge n' = \text{mod } n \ 2 && \text{specialization} \\ \Rightarrow & n' = \text{mod } n \ 2 \end{aligned}$$

Second refinement, starting with the right side:

$$\begin{aligned} & p := 2. \ \text{even } p \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n && \text{substitution} \\ = & \text{even } 2 \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n && \text{simplify and specialize} \\ \Rightarrow & \text{even } n' = \text{even } n \end{aligned}$$

Last refinement,

$$\begin{aligned} & (\ \text{even } p \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n \\ & \Leftarrow n := n - p. \ p := p + p. \ \mathbf{if\ } n < p \ \mathbf{then\ } \text{ok} \ \mathbf{else\ } \text{even } p \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n \ \mathbf{fi}) && \text{expand } \text{ok} \ \text{and then two substitutions} \\ = & (\ \text{even } p \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n \\ & \Leftarrow \mathbf{if\ } n - p < p + p \ \mathbf{then\ } n' = n - p \wedge p' = p + p \\ & \ \mathbf{else\ } \text{even } (p + p) \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } (n - p) \ \mathbf{fi} \) && \text{portation} \\ = & \text{even } p \\ & \wedge \mathbf{if\ } n - p < p + p \ \mathbf{then\ } n' = n - p \wedge p' = p + p \\ & \ \mathbf{else\ } \text{even } (p + p) \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } (n - p) \ \mathbf{fi} \\ \Rightarrow & \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n && \text{use } \text{even } p \ \text{as context} \\ = & \text{even } p \wedge \mathbf{if\ } n - p < p + p \ \mathbf{then\ } n' = n - p \wedge p' = p + p \ \mathbf{else\ } \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n \ \mathbf{fi} \\ \Rightarrow & \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n && \text{case analysis, then distribution} \\ = & (\text{even } p \wedge n - p < p + p \wedge n' = n - p \wedge p' = p + p \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n) \\ & \wedge (\text{even } p \wedge n - p \geq p + p \wedge \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n \Rightarrow \text{even } p' \wedge \text{even } n' = \text{even } n) \\ & \text{the first implication uses properties of } \text{even} \ , \ \text{and the second is just specialization} \\ = & \top \end{aligned}$$

(b) Using the recursive time measure, find and prove a sublinear upper time bound.

§ Adding recursive time, we have

$$\begin{aligned} X & \Leftarrow \mathbf{if\ } n < 2 \ \mathbf{then\ } \text{ok} \ \mathbf{else\ } Y. \ t := t + 1. \ X \ \mathbf{fi} \\ Y & \Leftarrow p := 2. \ Z \\ Z & \Leftarrow n := n - p. \ p := p + p. \ \mathbf{if\ } n < p \ \mathbf{then\ } \text{ok} \ \mathbf{else\ } t := t + 1. \ Z \ \mathbf{fi} \end{aligned}$$

Defining X , Y , and Z appropriately is really, really hard. I used recursive construction (Chapter 6) plus a guess to get Z . Then Y was easy from Z by looking at the refinement for Y . But I still don't fully know X . I'll write $f \ n$ for a not-yet-known function of n .

$$\begin{aligned} X & = \mathbf{if\ } n < 2 \ \mathbf{then\ } t' = t \ \mathbf{else\ } t' = t + f \ n \ \mathbf{fi} \\ Y & = n \geq 2 \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor } \log (n + 2) - 2 \wedge n' = n - 2^{\text{floor } \log (n + 2)} + 2 \\ Z & = n \geq p \geq 2 \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor } \log (n / p + 1) - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times 2^{\text{floor } \log (n / p + 1)} + p \end{aligned}$$

Proof of the Z refinement:

$$\begin{aligned}
& (Z \Leftarrow n := n-p. p := p+p. \mathbf{if} \ n < p \ \mathbf{then} \ ok \ \mathbf{else} \ t := t+1. \ Z \ \mathbf{fi}) \\
& \quad \text{replace } ok \text{ and rightmost } Z \text{ and substitution law} \\
= & (Z \Leftarrow n := n-p. p := p+p. \\
& \quad \mathbf{if} \ n < p \ \mathbf{then} \ n' = n \wedge p' = p \wedge t' = t \\
& \quad \mathbf{else} \ n \geq p \geq 2 \Rightarrow t' = t + 1 + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \\
& \quad \quad \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1) \ \mathbf{fi}) \\
& \quad \text{substitution law twice more} \\
= & (Z \Leftarrow \mathbf{if} \ n-p < p+p \ \mathbf{then} \ n' = n-p \wedge p' = p+p \wedge t' = t \\
& \quad \mathbf{else} \ n-p \geq p+p \geq 2 \Rightarrow t' = t + 1 + \text{floor log } ((n-p)/(p+p) + 1) - 1 \\
& \quad \quad \wedge n' = n-p - (p+p) \times (2^{\text{floor log } ((n-p)/(p+p) + 1)} - 1) \ \mathbf{fi}) \\
& \quad \text{simplify} \\
= & (Z \Leftarrow \mathbf{if} \ n < 3 \times p \ \mathbf{then} \ n' = n-p \wedge p' = 2 \times p \wedge t' = t \\
& \quad \mathbf{else} \ n \geq 3 \times p \wedge p \geq 1 \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \\
& \quad \quad \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1) \ \mathbf{fi}) \\
& \quad \text{replace } Z \text{ and portation} \\
= & n \geq p \geq 2 \wedge \mathbf{if} \ n < 3 \times p \ \mathbf{then} \ n' = n-p \wedge p' = 2 \times p \wedge t' = t \\
& \quad \mathbf{else} \ n \geq 3 \times p \wedge p \geq 1 \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \\
& \quad \quad \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1) \ \mathbf{fi} \\
\Rightarrow & t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1) \\
& \quad \text{case analysis and distribution} \\
= & n \geq p \geq 2 \wedge n < 3 \times p \wedge n' = n-p \wedge p' = 2 \times p \wedge t' = t \\
& \vee n \geq p \geq 2 \wedge (n \geq 3 \times p \wedge p \geq 1 \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \\
& \quad \quad \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
\Rightarrow & t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1) \text{ antidistribution} \\
= & (2 \leq p \leq n < 3 \times p \wedge n' = n-p \wedge p' = 2 \times p \wedge t' = t \\
& \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
\wedge & (n \geq p \geq 2 \wedge n \geq 3 \times p \wedge (n \geq 3 \times p \wedge p \geq 1 \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \\
& \quad \quad \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
& \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
& \quad \text{In the bottom conjunct, discharge} \\
= & (2 \leq p \leq n < 3 \times p \wedge n' = n-p \wedge p' = 2 \times p \wedge t' = t \\
& \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
\wedge & (n \geq p \geq 2 \wedge n \geq 3 \times p \wedge t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \\
& \quad \quad \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
& \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
& \quad \text{In the top conjunct, } 2 \leq p \leq n < 3 \times p \Rightarrow 2 \leq (n/p + 1) < 4 \\
& \quad \text{so } \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) = 1 \\
= & (2 \leq p \leq n < 3 \times p \wedge n' = n-p \wedge p' = 2 \times p \wedge t' = t \\
& \Rightarrow t' = t + 1 - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^1 - 1)) \\
\wedge & (n \geq p \geq 2 \wedge n \geq 3 \times p \wedge t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \\
& \quad \quad \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
& \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
& \quad \text{simplify second line, then specialize, then identity} \\
= & n \geq p \geq 2 \wedge n \geq 3 \times p \wedge t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \\
& \quad \quad \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1)) \\
\Rightarrow & t' = t + \text{floor log } (n/p + 1) - 1 \wedge n' = n - p \times (2^{\text{floor log } (n/p + 1)} - 1) \text{ specialize} \\
= & \top
\end{aligned}$$

Proof of the Y refinement is one use of the substitution law.

Proof of the X refinement:

$$\begin{aligned}
& (X \Leftarrow \text{if } n < 2 \text{ then } ok \text{ else } Y. t := t + 1. X \text{ fi}) && \text{replace first } X \\
= & (\text{if } n < 2 \text{ then } t' = t \text{ else } t' = t + f n \text{ fi} \\
& \Leftarrow \text{if } n < 2 \text{ then } ok \text{ else } Y. t := t + 1. X \text{ fi}) && \text{monotonicity} \\
\Leftarrow & n \geq 2 \wedge (Y. t := t + 1. \text{if } n < 2 \text{ then } t' = t \text{ else } t' = t + f n \text{ fi}) \Rightarrow t' = t + f n && \text{substitution law} \\
= & n \geq 2 \wedge (Y. \text{if } n < 2 \text{ then } t' = t + 1 \text{ else } t' = t + 1 + f n \text{ fi}) \Rightarrow t' = t + f n
\end{aligned}$$

Now I want to focus on the sequential composition

$$\begin{aligned}
& Y. \text{if } n < 2 \text{ then } t' = t + 1 \text{ else } t' = t + 1 + f n \text{ fi} && \text{replace } Y \\
= & n \geq 2 \Rightarrow t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 2 \wedge n' = n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2. \\
& \text{if } n < 2 \text{ then } t' = t + 1 \text{ else } t' = t + 1 + f n \text{ fi} && \text{condition law} \\
\Rightarrow & n \geq 2 \Rightarrow (t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 2 \wedge n' = n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2. \\
& \text{if } n < 2 \text{ then } t' = t + 1 \text{ else } t' = t + 1 + f n \text{ fi}) && \text{sequential composition} \\
= & n \geq 2 \Rightarrow \exists n'', p'', t''. t'' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 2 \wedge n'' = n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2 \\
& \wedge \text{if } n'' < 2 \text{ then } t' = t'' + 1 \text{ else } t' = t'' + 1 + f n'' \text{ fi} \\
& \text{one-point twice, and } p'' \text{ is unused} \\
= & n \geq 2 \Rightarrow \text{if } n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2 < 2 \\
& \text{then } t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 2 + 1 \\
& \text{else } t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 2 + 1 + f(n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2) \text{ fi} \\
& \text{simplify} \\
= & n \geq 2 \Rightarrow \text{if } n < 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} \\
& \text{then } t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1 \\
& \text{else } t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1 + f(n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2) \text{ fi}
\end{aligned}$$

Popping out from the focus, resuming the earlier calculation,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Leftarrow & n \geq 2 \wedge (n \geq 2 \Rightarrow \text{if } n < 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} \\
& \text{then } t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1 \\
& \text{else } t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1 + f(n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2) \text{ fi}) \\
\Rightarrow & t' = t + f n && \text{discharge} \\
= & n \geq 2 \wedge \text{if } n < 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} \\
& \text{then } t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1 \\
& \text{else } t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1 + f(n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2) \text{ fi} \\
\Rightarrow & t' = t + f n && \text{case analysis and antidistribution} \\
= & (n \geq 2 \wedge n < 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} \wedge t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1 \Rightarrow t' = t + f n) \\
\wedge & (n \geq 2 \wedge n \geq 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} \\
& \wedge t' = t + \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1 + f(n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2) \\
& \Rightarrow t' = t + f n) \\
\Leftarrow & (2 \leq n < 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} \Rightarrow f n = \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1) \\
\wedge & (n \geq 2 \wedge n \geq 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} \\
& \Rightarrow f n = \text{floor log } (n+2) - 1 + f(n - 2^{\text{floor log } (n+2)} + 2))
\end{aligned}$$

And that's the definition of f that we needed. We can write it as a recursive function as follows:

$$f = \langle n: \text{nat} \cdot \text{if } n < 2 \text{ then } 0$$

$$\quad \text{else if } n: 2^{\text{nat}+2} - (1, 2) \text{ then } \text{floor } \log (n+2) - 1$$

$$\quad \quad \text{else } \text{floor } \log (n+2) - 1 + f(n - 2^{\text{floor } \log (n+2)} + 2) \text{ fi fi} \rangle$$

That is the sublinear time exactly.