Engineering Cryptographic Software

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- For now mainly interested in 160-bit and 256-bit arithmetic
- Example architecture for today (most of the time): AVR ATmega

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- Larger set of available numbers: `uint16_t`, `uint32_t`, `uint64_t`
- Basic principle is the same; for the moment stick with `uint8_t`

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What happens with the carry?

- Introduce the decimal positional system
- Write an integer A in two digits $a_1 a_0$ with

$$A = 10 \cdot a_1 + a_0$$

- Note that at the moment $a_1 \in \{0, 1\}$

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  but that solves the problem only for this `uint8_t` example
- We really want to obtain the carry, and put it into another `uint8_t`

The AVR ATmega

- 8-bit RISC architecture
- 32 registers `R0`...`R31`, some of those are "special":
  - (`R26`,`R27`) aliased as `X`
  - (`R28`,`R29`) aliased as `Y`
  - (`R30`,`R31`) aliased as `Z`
  - `X`, `Y`, `Z` are used for addressing
  - 2-byte output of a multiplication always in `R0`, `R1`
- Most arithmetic instructions cost 1 cycle
- Multiplication and memory access takes 2 cycles

$184 + 203$

```
LDI R5, 184
LDI R6, 203
ADD R5, R6   ; result in R5, sets carry flag
CLR R6       ; set R6 to zero
ADC R6,R6    ; add with carry, R6 now holds the carry
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- Once school kids can add beyond 1000, they can add arbitrary numbers

Multiprecision addition is old

"Oh Līlāvatī, intelligent girl, if you understand addition and subtraction, tell me the sum of the amounts 2, 5, 32, 193, 18, 10, and 100, as well as [the remainder of] those when subtracted from 10000."

—"Līlāvatī" by Bhāskara (1150)

AVR multiprecision addition...

- Add two n-byte numbers, returning an $n+1$ byte result:
- Input pointers X,Y, output pointer Z

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CLR R5
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ST Z+,R5
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. . . and subtraction

- Subtract two n-byte numbers, returning an $n+1$ byte result:
- Input pointers `X`,`Y`, output pointer `Z`
- Use highest byte $= -1$ to indicate negative result

```
LD R5,X+
LD R6,Y+
SUB R5,R6
ST Z+,R5

LD R5,X+
LD R6,Y+
SBC R5,R6
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- This is also an old technique
- Earliest reference I could find is again the Līlāvatī (1150)

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LD R7, Y+

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MOV R8,R1

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- Can add on the fly, get down to $2n + c$, but more carry handling

Can we do better?

> *"Again as the information is understood, the multiplication of 2345 by 6789 is proposed; therefore the numbers are written down; the 5 is multiplied by the 9, there will be 45; the 5 is put, the 4 is kept; and the 5 is multiplied by the 8, and the 9 by the 4 and the products are added to the kept 4; there will be 80; the 0 is put and the 8 is kept; and the 5 is multiplied by the 7 and the 9 by the 3 and the 4 by the 8, and the products are added to the kept 8; there will be 102; the 2 is put and the 10 is kept in hand..."*

From "Fibonacci's Liber Abaci" (1202) Chapter 2
(English translation by Sigler)

Product scanning on the AVR

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ADC R14, R1
ADC R15, R5
STD Z+1, R13
CLR R16
```

```
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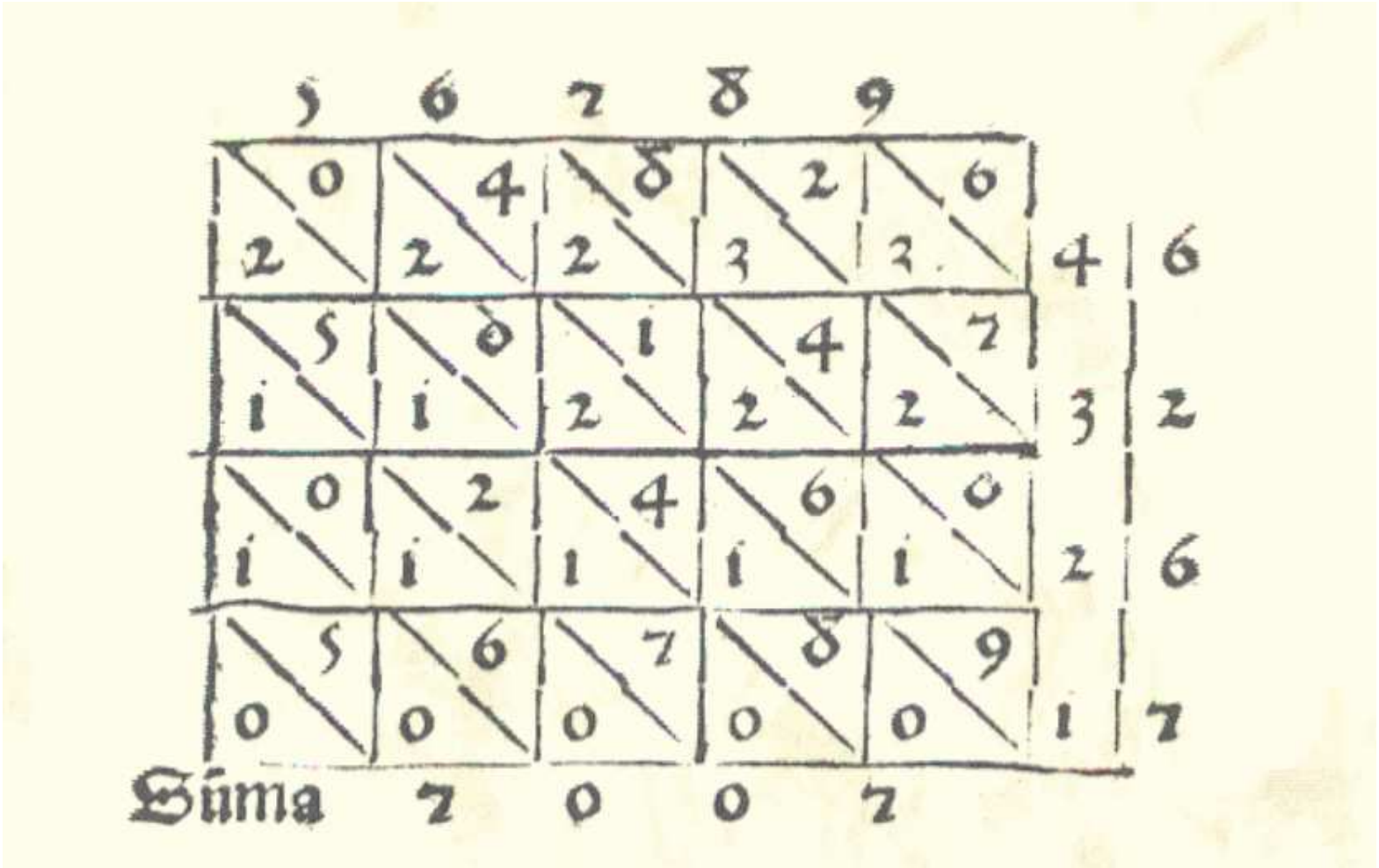
Even better. . . ?



From the Treviso Arithmetic, 1478 (http://www.republicaveneta.com/doc/abaco.pdf)

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- Various improvements, consider 160-bit multiplication:
  - Originally: 3106 cycles
  - Uhsadel, Poschmann, Paar (2007): 2881 cycles
  - Scott, Szczechowiak (2007): 2651 cycles
  - Kargl, Pyka, Seuschek (2008): 2593 cycles

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- Recursive application yields $\Theta(n^{\log_2 3})$ runtime

Does that help on the AVR?

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- Compute $L = A_\ell \cdot B_\ell \hat{=} (\ell_0, \ldots, \ell_{n-1})$
- Compute $H = A_h \cdot B_h \hat{=} (h_0, \ldots, h_{n-1})$
- Compute $M = (A_\ell + A_h) \cdot (B_\ell + B_h) \hat{=} (m_0, \ldots, m_n)$

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LDD R6, Y+1
LDD R7, Y+2

MUL R2, R7
MOVW R10, R0
MUL R2, R5
MOVW R8, R0
MUL R2, R6
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STD Z+2, R10
```

```
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LDD R18, Y+4
LDD R19, Y+5

SUB R2, R14
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SBC R4, R16
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SBC R27, R27
```

```
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BRNE add_M

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SBC R10, R16
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SBC R12, R18
SBC R13, R19
SBCI R23, 0
SBC R24, R24
RJMP final
```

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  NOP

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  STD Z+8, R13

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  ADC R21, R24
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Results

Cycle counts for n-bit multiplication

	Input size n							
Approach	48	64	80	96	128	160	192	256
Product scanning:	235	395	595	836	—	—	—	—
Hutter, Wenger, 2011:	—	—	—	—	—	2393	3467	6121
Seo, Kim, 2012:	—	—	—	—	1532	2356	3464	6180
Seo, Kim, 2013:	—	—	—	—	1523	2341	3437	6115
Karatsuba:	217	360	522	780	1325	**1976**	2923	**4797**
— w/o branches:	222	368	533	800	1369	2030	2987	4961

- 160-bit multiplication now $> 18\%$ faster
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$$A = \sum_{i=0}^{3} a_i 2^{64i}$$

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}  bigint255;

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                   const bigint255 *y)
{
  int i;
  for(i=0;i<12;i++)
    r->a[i] = x->a[i] + y->a[i];
}

void bigint255_sub(bigint255 *r,
                   const bigint255 *x,
                   const bigint255 *y)
{
  int i;
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    r->a[i] = x->a[i] - y->a[i];
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A quick look at product-scanning multiplication

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                  const bigint y)
{
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- More about *general primes* later
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- Coefficient `r[0]` may still be too large: carry again to `r[1]`

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Squaring vs. multiplication

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Montgomery reduction (pseudocode)

Require: $p = (p_{n-1}, \ldots, p_0)_b$ with $\gcd(p, b) = 1$, $R = b^n$, $p' = -p^{-1} \mod b$ and $t = (t_{2n-1}, \ldots, t_0)_b$
Ensure: $tR^{-1} \mod p$
  $A \leftarrow t$
  for i from 0 to $n-1$ **do**
    $u \leftarrow a_i p' \mod b$
    $A \leftarrow A + u \cdot p \cdot b^i$
  end for
  $A \leftarrow A/b^n$
  if $A \geq p$ **then**
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$v \leftarrow 0$
$d \leftarrow a$
$v_1 \leftarrow 0$
$v_3 \leftarrow b$
while $(v_3 \neq 0)$ **do**
    $q \leftarrow \lfloor \frac{d}{v_3} \rfloor$
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  - Can spend quite some time on finding an efficient addition chain (next week)
  - Inversion modulo $2^{255} - 19$ needs 254 squarings and 11 multiplications in $\mathbb{F}_{2^{255}-19}$

Inversion in $\mathbb{F}_{2^{255}-19}$

```
void gfe_invert(gfe r, const gfe x)
{
gfe z2, z9, z11, z2_5_0, z2_10_0, z2_20_0, z2_50_0, z2_100_0, t;
int i;
/* 2 */                gfe_square(z2,x);
/* 4 */                gfe_square(t,z2);
/* 8 */                gfe_square(t,t);
/* 9 */                gfe_mul(z9,t,x);
/* 11 */               gfe_mul(z11,z9,z2);
/* 22 */               gfe_square(t,z11);
/* 2^5 - 2^0 = 31 */   gfe_mul(z2_5_0,t,z9);
/* 2^6 - 2^1 */        gfe_square(t,z2_5_0);
/* 2^10 - 2^5 */       for (i = 1;i < 5;i++) { gfe_square(t,t); }
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/* 2^40 - 2^20 */      for (i = 1;i < 20;i++) { gfe_square(t,t); }
/* 2^40 - 2^0 */       gfe_mul(t,t,z2_20_0);
```

Inversion in $\mathbb{F}_{2^{255}-19}$

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/* 2^41 - 2^1 */     gfe_square(t,t);
/* 2^50 - 2^10 */    for (i = 1;i < 10;i++) { gfe_square(t,t); }
/* 2^50 - 2^0 */     gfe_mul(z2_50_0,t,z2_10_0);
/* 2^51 - 2^1 */     gfe_square(t,z2_50_0);
/* 2^100 - 2^50 */   for (i = 1;i < 50;i++) { gfe_square(t,t); }
/* 2^100 - 2^0 */    gfe_mul(z2_100_0,t,z2_50_0);
/* 2^101 - 2^1 */    gfe_square(t,z2_100_0);
/* 2^200 - 2^100 */  for (i = 1;i < 100;i++) { gfe_square(t,t); }
/* 2^200 - 2^0 */    gfe_mul(t,t,z2_100_0);
/* 2^201 - 2^1 */    gfe_square(t,t);
/* 2^250 - 2^50 */   for (i = 1;i < 50;i++) { gfe_square(t,t); }
/* 2^250 - 2^0 */    gfe_mul(t,t,z2_50_0);
/* 2^251 - 2^1 */    gfe_square(t,t);
/* 2^252 - 2^2 */    gfe_square(t,t);
/* 2^253 - 2^3 */    gfe_square(t,t);
/* 2^254 - 2^4 */    gfe_square(t,t);
/* 2^255 - 2^5 */    gfe_square(t,t);
/* 2^255 - 21 */     gfe_mul(r,t,z11);
}
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