
Worst Cases for $\sin(\text{BIG})$

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- Two-variable functions like x^y , $\text{atan}(y/x)$ are still out-of-reach for exhaustive worst-case search: 2^{128} cases!
 - ⇒ 1st step is still CR
 - ⇒ add rounding test in 2nd step (raise exception?)
 - ⇒ or call arbitrary precision library...

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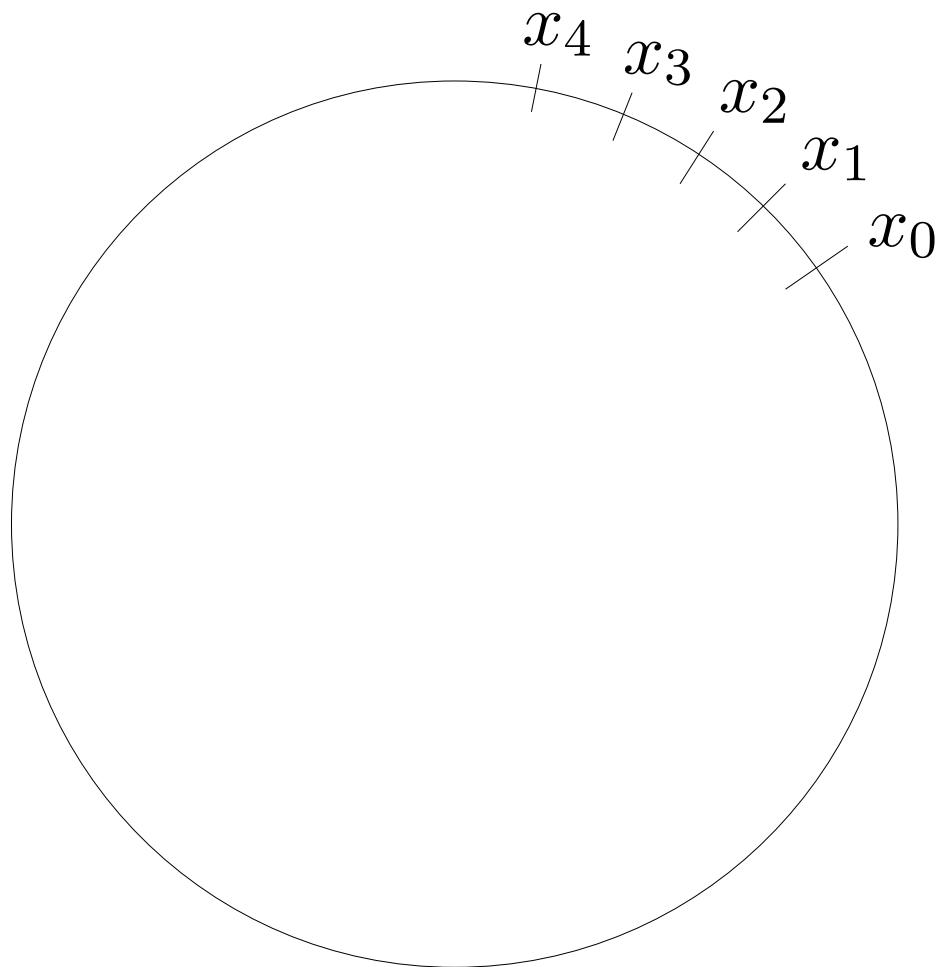
$$f(x_i) \approx a + i \cdot b + \dots$$

where $a = \sin x_0 \approx 0.47942553860420300$,

and $b = 2^{-53} \cdot \cos x_0 \approx 0.97431236622022320 \cdot 10^{-16}$.

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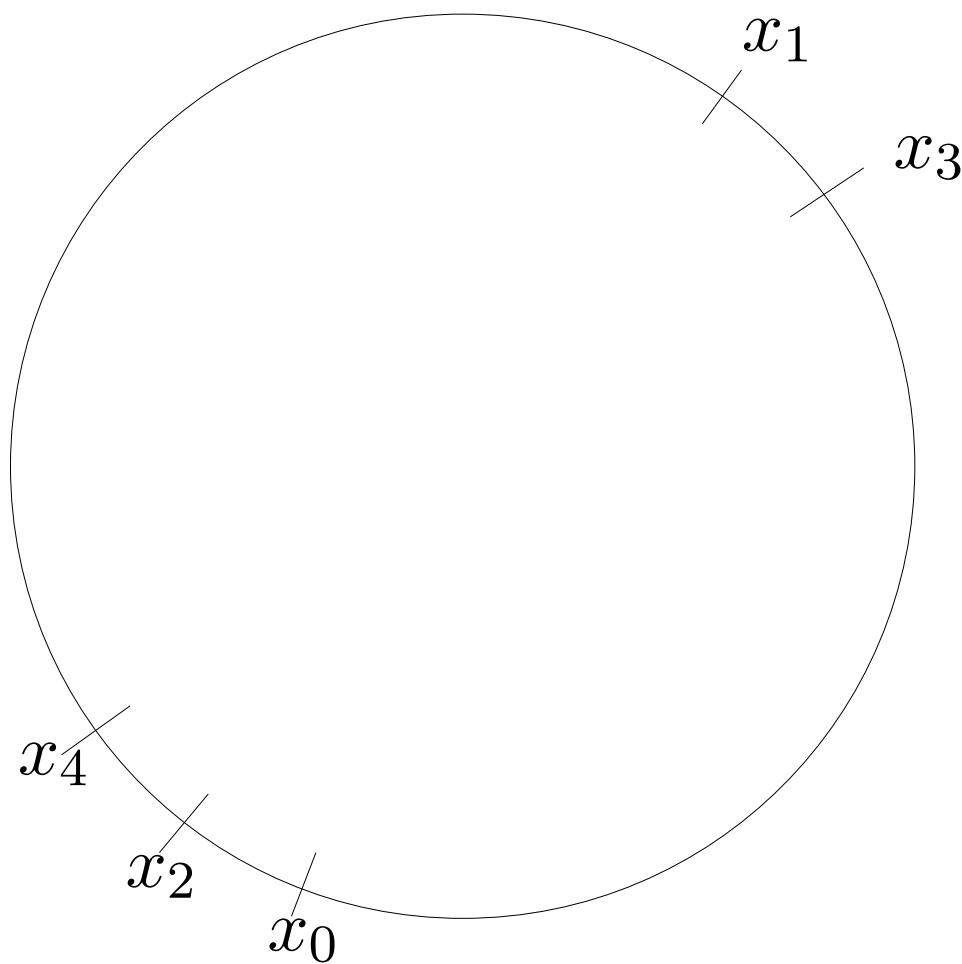
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The main result

Theorem 1 *Given a periodic \mathcal{C}^∞ function f , a precision p , an exponent e and a bad case bound $\varepsilon = 2^{-p+O(1)}$, all p -bit numbers in $[2^{e-1}, 2^e]$ such that*

$$|2^p \cdot \text{mantissa}(f(x)) \bmod 1| \leq \varepsilon,$$

can be found in heuristic time $O(2^{(7-2\sqrt{10})p})$, after a precomputation on $e + O(p)$ bits.

Remark 1: $7 - 2\sqrt{10} \approx 0.675$.

Remark 2: the complexity does not depend on e !

Lefèvre and Muller's method

References: Lefèvre PhD (2000), Lefèvre/Muller Arith'15 paper *Worst Cases for Correct Rounding of the Elementary Functions in Double Precision*

Approximate $f(x_0 + t \cdot \text{ulp}(x_0))$ by a **linear** polynomial

$$p(t) := a + b \cdot t$$

on small intervals (a, b real numbers, $|t| < T$ integer)

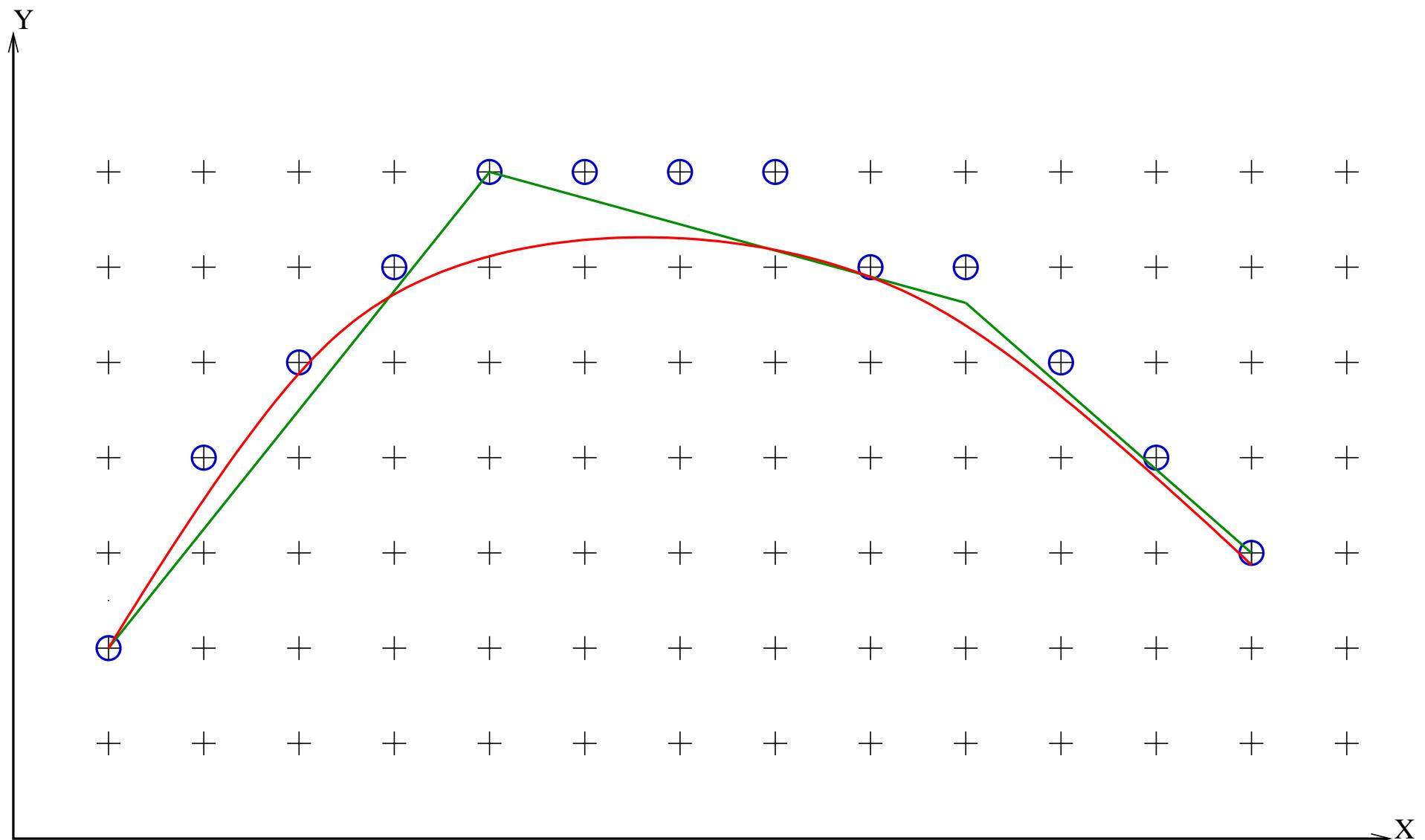
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$$p(t) \text{ cmod } \text{ulp}(x_0)$$

is small with a variant of the extended gcd algorithm.

Largest possible value of T is $2^{p/3}$ for precision p : complexity $2^{2p/3}$.

Expensive but feasible in double precision.



The SLZ algorithm (1/2)

References: Stehlé, Lefèvre, Z., *Worst Cases and Lattice Reduction*, Arith'16 (2003) and *Searching Worst Cases of a One-Variable Function Using Lattice Reduction*, IEEE TC (2005).

Approximate $f(x_0 + t \cdot \text{ulp}(x_0))$ by a **degree- d** polynomial

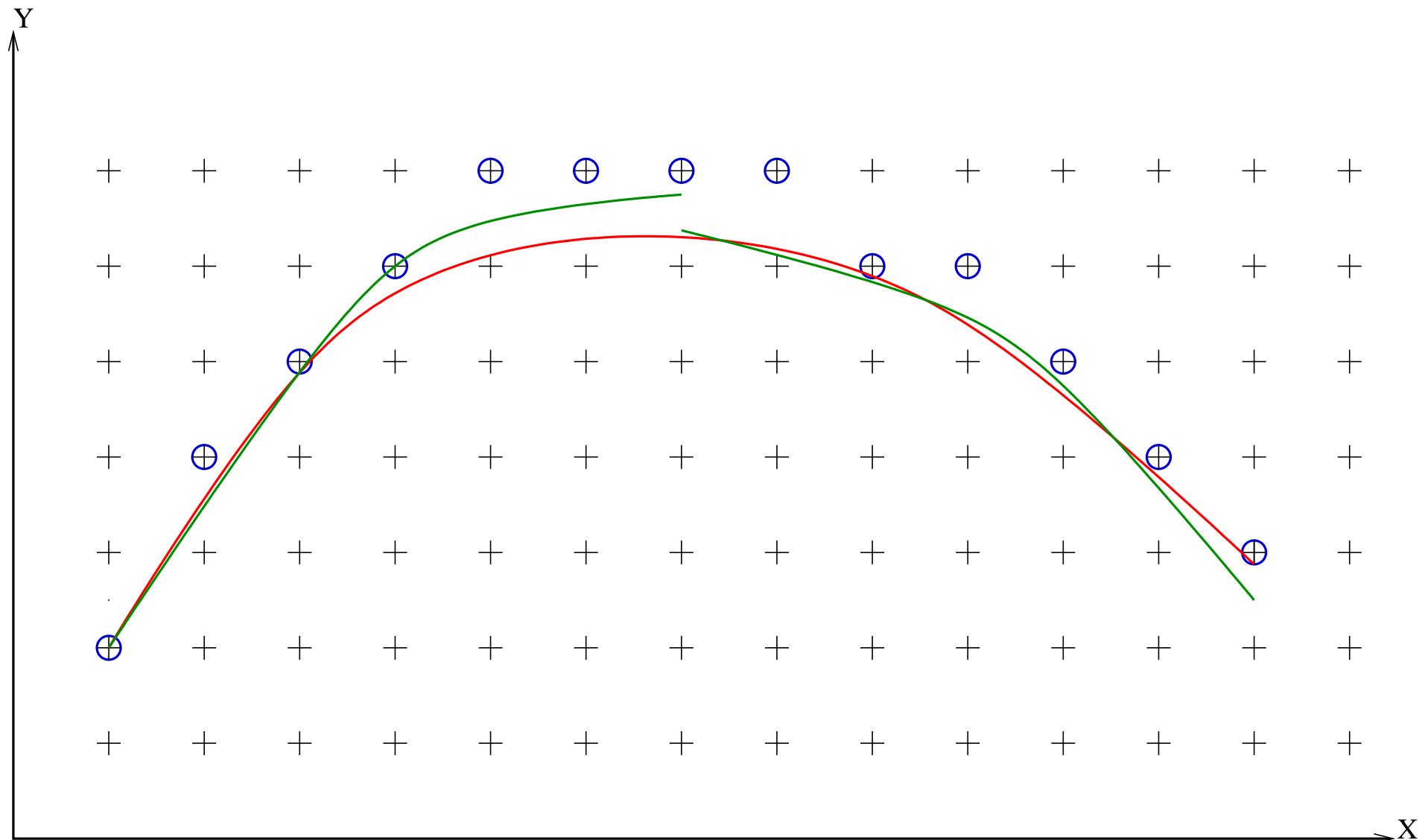
$$p(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \cdots + a_d t^d$$

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is small using a variant of Coppersmith's algorithm to find the small roots of a modular equation, which uses lattice reduction.



The SLZ algorithm (2/2)

Largest possible value of T is $2^{3p/7}$ for precision p : complexity $2^{4p/7}$.

Comparable to Lefèvre's method in double precision, slightly faster in double-extended precision (complete check for 2^x).

In practice: $d = 2$ or $d = 3$.

Complete check of $\exp(x)$ for decimal164 (with V. Lefèvre and D. Stehlé).

Worst case for $|x| \geq 3 \cdot 10^{-11}$:

$$\exp(\underbrace{9.407822313572878}_{16} \cdot 10^{-2}) = \underbrace{1.098645682066338}_{16}5\underbrace{0000000000000000}_{16}278$$

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sin(BIG) setting: $2^{e-1} \leq x < 2^e$

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The problem is that μ is large.

First Solution

$$|\lambda \cdot f(x_0 + \mu t) \text{ cmod } 1| \leq \varepsilon$$

Reduce the argument!

Write $x_0 \equiv x'_0 \text{ mod } \Pi$, $\mu \equiv \mu' \text{ mod } \Pi$ with $0 < x'_0, \mu' < \Pi$

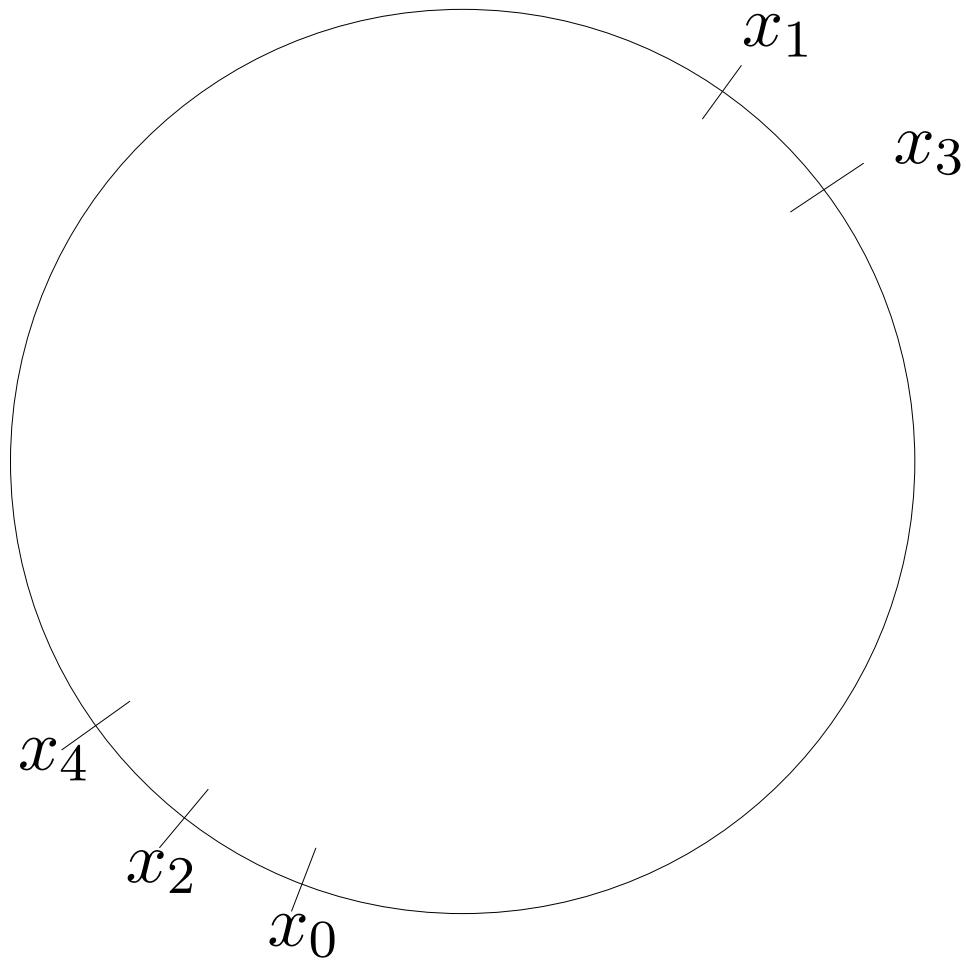
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We are back to Eq. (3), with x'_0 and μ' **real** now.

The big exponent of x_0 does not play any role any more!

But μ' is **still not small** ...

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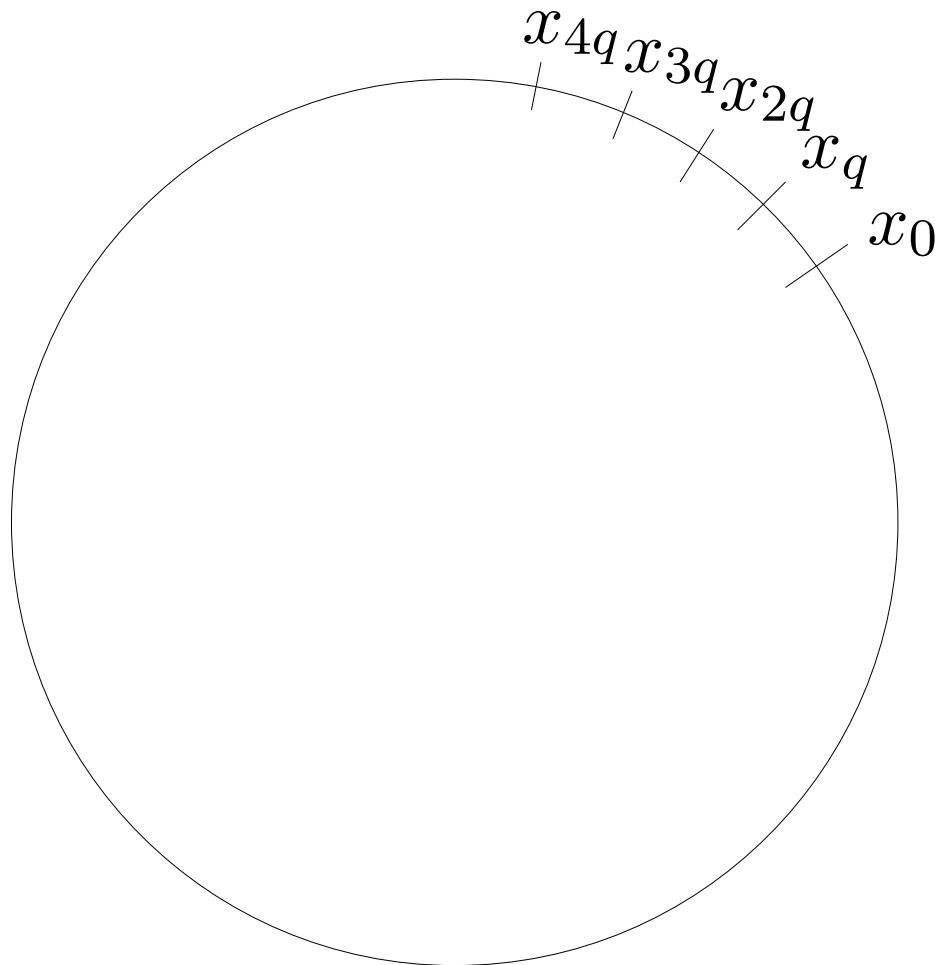
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with real numbers $0 < x_0, \mu < \Pi$.

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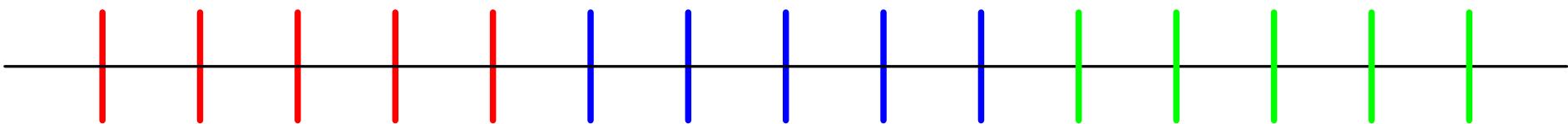


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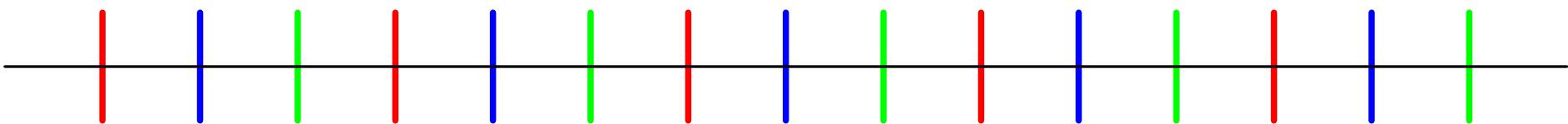
0. Argument reduce x_0 and μ
1. Find q such that $\tau := q\mu \text{ cmod } \Pi$ is small
2. For $0 \leq i < q$ where $x_i = x_0 + i\mu$ do
Run Lefèvre's algorithm or SLZ on $x_i + t\tau$, $t < T/q$.

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Classical search:



New algorithm:



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Example for $\mu = 2^{971}$, $\Pi = 2\pi$:

$q = 15106909301$, $\tau := q\mu \bmod (2\pi) \approx 0.441 \cdot 10^{-12}$

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