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# Preface

The genesis of this book goes back to numerous collaborations among the editors: various subsets of us have co-authored research papers, co-organized workshops and conferences, and have met either personally or virtually, in number theory meetings. Beyond just our scientific connections, there's a personal rapport among us that serves as the foundation for this exciting new collaboration, aimed to expand our joint research interests.

The book combines papers with new results, articles of a more expository character, articles with new proofs of known results, and some articles of mixed nature.

Beyond its scientific content, this book also underscores the global nature of contemporary research: the authors come from nine different countries all over the world.

From class field theory to analytic theory, almost all subjects in Number Theory are the focus of some of the chapters in the book. The ordering of the chapters reflects the mathematical proximity of their contents. A brief description of every chapter and its authors follows this preface.

The editors wish to thank all the authors for their contributions, and a list of anonymous referees whose insightful comments and suggestions enriched the book's content. Also, the third editor thanks professor Mirela Ştefănescu for her useful comments about the format of this book.

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## About the Chapters of This Book and Their Authors

**Abdelmalek Azizi, Jamal Benamara and El Hassane Laaji** have contributed in this book an interesting chapter that illustrates the applications of algebra and number theory in cryptography. The title of their chapter is “Survey Number Theoretic Transform Algorithm over a Polynomial Ring and Its Application”. The authors study the multiplication performance over the polynomial rings of the form  $R_q = \mathbb{Z}_q[X]/(X^n + 1)$ . The Number Theoretic Transform (NTT) can reduce the multiplication complexity in  $R_q$  from  $O(n^2)$  to  $O(n \log n)$ . Compared to convolution multiplication, it increases the speed performance by a factor of up to  $\times 3$ . The NTT algorithm is used to increase the speed performance of the cryptographic functions of some Lattice-Based Cryptosystems like NTRU, NewHope (Ring-LWE), Keyber, and Falcon (Signature scheme), which are proposed to be standardized by NIST (National Institute of Standards and Technology) as post-quantum cryptosystems capable of resisting quantum computer attacks.

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**Dorin Andrica and Ovidiu Bagdasar** have authored the chapter “Some Remarks on the Coefficients of Cyclotomic Polynomials”. This work studies some

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**Cristina Ballantine and George Beck** have contributed in this book with the chapter entitled “Partitions Enumerated by Self-similar Sequences”. In enumerative combinatorics, we often count the number of elements in sets of discrete structures built up recursively. This chapter is part of the study of the inverse problem: given a sequence of positive integers defined recursively, find sets whose cardinality is given by the sequence. More specifically, the authors start with familiar classical recursive sequences, modify them to be self-similar, and survey sets of integer partitions counted by such sequences. Cristina Ballantine received her PhD from the University of Toronto with a thesis on automorphic forms and hypergraphs. She is a professor at the College of the Holy Cross in Massachusetts. Her current research is in number theory and combinatorics with an emphasis on partition theory. George Beck received a BSc (Honours Math) from McGill University and an MA in math from the University of British Columbia. He has worked as a technical writer, director, and editor at Wolfram Research for the last 30 years. His mathematical interests are in combinatorics and geometry.

**Fouad Elmouhib, Mohamed Talbi, Abdelmalek Azizi** are specialists in algebraic number theory. They have contributed in this book with the chapter entitled “On the Exact Divisibility by 5 of the Class Number of Some Pure Metacyclic Fields”. Let  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[5]{n})$  be a pure quintic field, where  $n$  is a natural number  $5^{th}$  power-free. Let  $k = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[5]{n}, \zeta_5)$ , with  $\zeta_5$  is a primitive  $5^{th}$  root of unity, be the normal closure of  $\Gamma$ , and a pure metacyclic field of degree 20 over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . When  $n$  takes some particular forms, the authors show that  $\Gamma$  admits a trivial 5-class group and 5 divides exactly the class number of  $k$ .

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some sufficient conditions on  $F(x)$ , which guarantee that  $p$  is a common index divisor of  $K$ , and so that  $K$  is not monogenic. For  $p = 2$  and  $r = 3$ , let  $K$  be an octic number field generated by a complex root of a monic irreducible trinomial  $F(x) = x^8 + ax + b \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ . He characterizes when  $\mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$  is integrally closed. He also gives necessary and sufficient conditions on  $F(x)$ , which determine all prime index divisors of  $K$ .

Second chapter is entitled “Irreducible Factors of a Polynomial and Extensions of Valuations”. Let  $(K, \nu)$  be a valued field,  $R_\nu$  its valuation ring,  $M_\nu$  its maximal ideal,  $\mathbb{F}_\nu$  its residue field, and  $L = K(\alpha)$  a finite simple field extension of  $K$ , generated by a root  $\alpha$  of a monic irreducible polynomial  $F \in R_\nu[X]$ . The main goal of this chapter is to describe all valuations of  $L$  extending  $\nu$ , together the ramification index and the residue degree are calculated for every extension. In particular, if the author assumes that the polynomial  $\overline{F}$  factors as a product of  $r$  distinct powers of monic irreducible polynomials over  $\mathbb{F}_\nu$ , then the author gives necessary conditions on  $F$  in order to have exactly  $r$  valuations of  $L$  extending  $\nu$ . Some applications will be given too.

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# Survey number theoretic transform algorithm over a polynomial ring and its application



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## 1 Introduction

The Number Theoretic Transform (NTT) is an efficient method for multiplying two polynomials of high degree with integer coefficients. It serves as a generalization of the Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) but works over a quotient ring rather than a field of complex numbers [10]. NTT and DFT share similar computation speedup property as some related works, such as the paper titled “Complexity of Computations with Matrices and Polynomials” by Victor Pan, which presents a new algorithm for efficiently computing the DFT of polynomials and matrices [12].

There are several algorithms available to compute polynomial multiplication, including the schoolbook algorithm [9], Karatsuba algorithm [8], Toom-Cook algorithm [5], and others.

NTT finds numerous applications in computer arithmetic and the cryptographic domain, reducing the time complexity of polynomial multiplication from  $O(n^2)$  to  $O(n \log n)$  [4]. When compared to convolution multiplication, it increases speed performance by a factor of up to  $\times 3$ .

The NTT algorithm is employed to accelerate the cryptographic functions of various schemes based on lattices. For example, the work of Alkim et al. [1] on New-Hope,” a cryptosystem whose security relies on lattice problems and is constructed on Ring Learning With Error (Ring-LWE), utilizes the NTT algorithm combined with the Montgomery algorithm to speed up modular multiplication [11]. This cryptosystem was proposed for the NIST post-quantum standardization project and has already been used and implemented in a new release of Google Chrome, namely “Chrome Canary.” Similarly, the work of Azizi et al. [2] on “NTRUrobust,”

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a post-quantum cryptosystem whose security is based on lattice problems and NTRU assumptions, uses the NTT algorithm combined with the ‘‘Fast-Modular Multiplication Algorithm’’ (FMMA) [3].

In this work, we are interested in describing and analyzing the NTT algorithm over the polynomial rings of the form  $R_q = \mathbb{Z}_q[X]/(X^n + 1)$ .

## 2 Preliminary

Let  $n \geq 2$  be a nonzero positive integer. By Dirichlet’s theorem on arithmetic progressions, there are infinitely many primes  $q$  of the form  $1 + kn$ , where  $k$  is also a nonzero positive integer. For a such prime  $q$ , we know that  $\mathbb{F}_q = \mathbb{Z}_q = \mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z}$  is a finite field of cardinal  $q$ , and the multiplicative group  $\mathbb{Z}_q^*$  of integers modulo  $q$  is a cyclic group of order  $\varphi(q) = q - 1 = kn$ , where  $\varphi$  is the Euler’s totient function, hence it must have one generator  $\tau$  which is a primitive  $(q - 1)$ -th root of unity modulo  $q$ , therefore, If we put  $\omega \equiv \tau^k \pmod{q}$ , then we have

$$\omega^n = \tau^{nk} = \tau^{q-1} = \tau^{\varphi(q)} \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$$

and since  $\omega^i \neq 1$  for all  $1 \leq i < n$ , then  $\omega$  is a primitive  $n$ th root of unity that is required in computing Number Theoretic Transform (NTT).

Let  $f(X) \in \mathbb{Z}_q[X]$  be a nonzero polynomial of degree  $d$ , then the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{Z}_q[X]$  in the variable  $X$ , with coefficients belonging to  $\mathbb{Z}_q$  modulo  $f(X)$ , i.e. the ring  $R_q = \mathbb{Z}_q[X]/f(X)$  contains exactly  $q^d$  elements (see [7]).

Any vector  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$  can be viewed as an element  $g$  of  $R_q$  such that  $g(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i X^i$ .

Evaluating the polynomial  $g(X) \pmod{f(X)}$  at  $\omega^j$  for  $0 \leq j \leq n - 1$ , we get  $b_j = g(\omega^j)$ .

The NTT is an extension of the DFT, is defined over the field  $\mathbb{Z}_q$  by using the primitive  $n$ th root of unity  $\omega$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{NTT} : \quad \mathbb{Z}_q^n &\longmapsto \mathbb{Z}_q^n \\ a = (a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) &\longmapsto b = (b_0, \dots, b_{n-1}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $b_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_j \omega^{ij}$ . Since  $\gcd(n, q) = 1$ , then we can compute  $n^{-1} \pmod{q}$

and the inverse of NTT is given as following:

$$a_k = n^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i \omega^{-ki} \pmod{q}.$$

### 3 Number Theoretic Transform Algorithm (NTT)

The number-theoretic transform (NTT) is indeed a generalization of the Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) as mentioned in [10]. While the DFT is defined in the complex number group, the NTT is carried out in the positive integer group and finite fields.

In the context of polynomials, the NTT provides an efficient method for multiplication in the ring of the form  $R_q = \mathbb{Z}_q[X]/(X^n + 1)$ , where  $n$  is a power of two and  $q$  is a prime number. This type of polynomial ring arises in various mathematical and computational contexts, particularly in the realm of computer arithmetic and cryptography.

One of the key advantages of using NTT is that it significantly reduces the time complexity of polynomial multiplication from the inefficient  $O(n^2)$  to a much more efficient  $O(n \log n)$ . This improvement in time complexity can have a substantial impact on the performance of algorithms and systems that rely on polynomial multiplication, making NTT particularly valuable in various applications.

Due to its efficiency, NTT has found widespread applications in computer arithmetic and the cryptographic domain. Its ability to speed up polynomial multiplication makes it a crucial component in many algorithms and protocols that require efficient polynomial operations.

In summary, the Number Theoretic Transform (NTT) is a powerful mathematical tool that provides an efficient way to multiply polynomials in certain rings, such as  $R_q = \mathbb{Z}_q[X]/(X^n + 1)$ . Its applications range from computer arithmetic to cryptographic schemes, where it helps improve performance and reduce time complexity.

Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be an unit ring and let  $n$  be a positive integer. We say that an element  $\omega \in \mathcal{R}$  is a principal  $n$ th root of unity if the two following assertions are verified:

$$\omega^n = 1 \tag{1}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \omega^{jk} = 0 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k < n. \tag{2}$$

When the second assertion is replaced by the following assertion:

$$\omega^k \neq 1 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k < n \tag{3}$$

we say that  $\omega$  is a primitive  $n$ th root of unity.



Note that, the two notion coincide when  $\mathcal{R}$  is an integral domain. Indeed, if we put  $\alpha = \omega^k$  for  $1 \leq k < n$ , then  $\alpha^n = 1$  which means that  $(\alpha - 1) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha^j = 0$ , and

since  $\alpha - 1 \neq 0$  we get  $\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha^j = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \omega^{jk} = 0$ .

The discrete Fourier transform (DFT) over  $\mathcal{R}$  is the linear function, mapping the element  $a = (a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \in \mathcal{R}^n$  to an other element  $b = (b_0, \dots, b_{n-1}) \in \mathcal{R}^n$  such that

$$b_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_j \omega^{ij}, \quad (4)$$

where  $\omega$  is a principal  $n$ th root of unity.

We can describe this function by matrix multiplication  $b = Ma$ , where  $M = (\omega^{jk})_{0 \leq j, k \leq n-1}$  is an  $n \times n$  matrices over  $\mathcal{R}$ .

The  $\omega^{-1}$  is also a principal  $n$ th root of unity because  $\omega^{-n} = 1$  and we have

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \omega^{-jk} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \omega^{nk} \omega^{-jk} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \omega^{(n-j)k} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \omega^{ik} = 0$$

which guarantees the assertion (2) above.

If the inverse of  $n$  exist in  $\mathcal{R}$  (i.e  $n^{-1} \in \mathcal{R}$ ), then  $n^{-1} \omega^{-jk} \in \mathcal{R}$  for all  $0 \leq j, k \leq n-1$ , hence the inverse of  $M$  also exist and it is given as::

$$M^{-1} = n^{-1} (\omega^{-jk})_{0 \leq j, k \leq n-1}$$

and the inverse of DFT is given by the following formula:

$$c_k = n^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i \omega^{-ki} \quad (5)$$

Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i \omega^{-ki} &= n^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_j \omega^{ij} \right) \omega^{-ki} \\ &= n^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_j \omega^{i(j-k)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= n^{-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_j \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \omega^{i(j-k)}$$

for  $j \neq k$  by (2) we get  $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \omega^{i(j-k)} = 0$  and for  $j = k$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \omega^{i(j-k)} = n$ , hence

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i \omega^{-ki} = a_j.$$

If we identify the  $n$ -tuple  $(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) \in \mathcal{R}^n$  with the polynomial  $A(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} \in \mathcal{R}[x]$  we write  $b_j = A(\omega^j)$  and the inverse is  $a_k = n^{-1}A(\omega^{-k})$ .

In the following, we construct a special ring  $\mathcal{R}$  where we will specializing the DFT for getting The Number Theoretic Transform.

It is well known by the Dirichlet's theorem on arithmetic progressions, that for any two positive coprime integers  $m$  and  $n$  there are infinitely many primes  $q$  of the form  $m + kn$ , where  $k$  is also a positive integer, especially there are infinitely many primes  $q$  of the form  $kn + 1$ . For a such prime  $q$ , we know that  $\mathbb{F}_q = \mathbb{Z}_q = \mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z}$  is a finite field of cardinal  $q$ , and the multiplicative group  $\mathbb{Z}_q^*$  of integers modulo  $q$  is a cyclic group of order  $\varphi(q) = q - 1 = kn$ , where  $\varphi$  is the Euler's totient function, hence he must have one generator  $g$  which is a primitive  $(q - 1)$ th root of unity modulo  $q$ .

If we put  $\omega \equiv g^k \pmod{q}$ , then we have

$$\omega^n = g^{nk} = g^{q-1} = g^{\varphi(q)} \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$$

and since  $\omega^i \neq 1$  for all  $1 \leq i < n$ , then  $\omega$  is a primitive  $n$ th root of unity that is required in computing NTT.

Now, let  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}_q[x]$  be a nonzero polynomial of degree  $d$ , then ring  $R_q = \mathbb{Z}_q[x]/f(x)$  contains exactly  $q^d$  elements.

The NTT is the DFT over the field  $\mathbb{Z}_q$  using the primitive  $n$ th root of unity  $\omega$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DFT : } \quad \mathbb{Z}_q^n &\longmapsto \mathbb{Z}_q^n \\ a = (a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) &\longmapsto b = (b_0, \dots, b_{n-1}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $b_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_j \omega^{ij}$ . The vector  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_q^n$  can be viewed as an element  $g$  of  $R_q$  such

$$\text{that } g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i x^i.$$

Evaluating the polynomial  $g(x) \pmod{f(x)}$  at  $\omega^j$  for  $0 \leq j \leq n-1$ , we get  $b_j = g(\omega^j)$ .

Since  $\gcd(n, q) = 1$ , then we can compute  $n^{-1} \pmod{q}$  and the inverse of DFT is given as following:

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i \omega^{-ki} \pmod{q}.$$

## 4 NTT Algorithm Application

We chose  $n = 2^s$  for some  $s \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $f(X) = X^n + 1$  and we use NTT-algorithm in the quotient ring  $R_q = \mathbb{Z}_q[X]/(X^n + 1)$ .

### 4.1 Transforming a Polynomial from Normal Form to NTT Form

Transforming a polynomial from normal form to Number-Theoretic Transform (NTT) form involves converting its coefficients into a special representation suitable for efficient polynomial multiplication and convolution operations in the ring of integers modulo  $q$  ( $R_q$ ).

The NTT form allows for faster polynomial operations, which is particularly useful in certain applications like cryptography and signal processing.

For a polynomial  $f = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} f_i X^i \in R_q$ , the NTT function is defined by

$$NTT(f) = fNtt = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} fNtt_i X^i. \quad (6)$$

$$\text{with } fNtt_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \gamma^j f_j \omega^{ij} \pmod{q}. \quad (7)$$

where  $\gamma = \omega^{1/2}$ .

## 4.2 Transforming a Polynomial from NTT Form to Normal Form

The inverse of NTT function to return to normal form is computed by the below formula:

$$\text{invNTT}(fNtt) = f = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} f_i X^i, \quad (8)$$

$$\text{with } f_i = n^{-1} \gamma^{-i} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} fNtt_j \omega^{-ij} \pmod{q}. \quad (9)$$

So the NTT algorithm can perform the multiplication of two polynomials  $h = f * g \in R_q$  by:

- Transforming them to NTT form ( $\hat{f}$  and  $\hat{g}$ );
- Computing the product in NTT form by the point-wise multiplication noted by  $(\circ)$ ,  $\hat{h} = \hat{f} \circ \hat{g} \pmod{q}$  (that means  $\hat{h}_i = \hat{f}_i * \hat{g}_i \pmod{q}$ );
- And finally transforming the  $hNTT$  polynomial from NTT form to normal form by the inverse of NTT function:  $h = \text{invNTT}(\hat{h})$ .

Consequently, an important reduction cost of multiplication can be achieved by pre-computing and storing the powers values related to these parameters:  $\omega$  and  $\gamma^2 = \omega$ , in bit-reversed ordering [10].

## 4.3 Pre-computation

In practice, For C++ implementation of NTT algorithm, based on the Cooley-Tukey [1, 10] method, we should computing and storing the following arrays in C++ file (*precomp.h*) [6]: *Bitrev*, *GAMA*, *OMEGA*, and *invOMEGA* in reversible order of bits, and *invGAMA* in normal order as above:

1. *Bitrev*: Saving the values from 1 to  $(n - 1)$  in reversible bits;
2. *GAMMA*: saving the powers of  $\gamma^{\text{bitrev}[i]}$  in reversible bits;
3. *OMEGA*: saving the powers of  $\omega^{\text{bitrev}[i]}$  in-reversible bits;
4. *invOMEGA*: saving the powers of  $\omega^{-\text{bitrev}[i]}$  in reversible bits;
5. *InvGAMMA*: saving the powers of  $n^{-1} \gamma^{-i}$  in normal order.

The reader can see the developed functions on C++, for computing those arrays coefficients[6].

### Computing Bit-Reversible Array

Before pre-computing arrays cited above, we must pre-compute also a bi-reversal array that contains the bit reversible of an integer  $i \in [0, n - 1]$ , used by NTT algorithm. The reader can see the algorithm for computing the bit reversible of an integer[6].

### Computing OMEGA Array

Defining the  $n$ th primitive root of unity  $\omega$  and computing the coefficients  $\omega^i * S$  and store them in the *OMEGA* array, say:  $OMEGA[i] = \omega^i * S$ ; the algorithm is as follow:

1.  $for(i = 0; i < n; i++)\{$
2.  $OMEGA[i] = \omega^{birev[i]} * S \pmod{q}\}$ .

### Computing invOMEGA Array

Defining the inverse of  $n$ th primitive root of unity  $\omega^{-1} = invomega$  and computing the coefficients of *invOMEGA* array, say:  $invOMEGA[i] = invomega^{birev[i]} * S$ ; the algorithm is as follow:

1.  $for(i = 0; i < n; i++)\{$
2.  $invOMEGA[i] = invomega^{birev[i]} * S \pmod{q}\}$ .

### Computing GAMMA Array

Defining the  $n$ th primitive root of unity  $\gamma$  and computing the coefficients of *GAMMA* array, say:  $GAMMA[i] = \gamma^{birev[i]} * S$ ; the algorithm is as follow:

1.  $for(i = 0; i < n; i++)\{$
2.  $GAMMA[i] = \gamma^{birev[i]} * S \pmod{q}\}$ .

### Computing invGAMMA Array

Defining the  $n$ th primitive root of unity  $invgamma$  and computing the coefficients of *invGAMMA* array, say:  $invGAMMA[i] = invgamma^i * S$ ; the algorithm is as follow:

1.  $for(i = 0; i < n; i++)\{$
2.  $invGAMMA[i] = invgamma^i * S \pmod{q}\}$ .

#### 4.4 Optimised NTT Algorithm

The optimized algorithm can reduce the complexity of the multiplication on the ring  $R_q$  from  $O(n^2)$  to  $O(n \log(n))$ .

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**Input:** a polynomial  $A \in R_q$ , dimension  $n$ , and  $q$ .  
*for* ( $i = 0; i < 10; i += 2;$ )*do* :  $d = (1 << i)$ ;  
*for* ( $st = 0; start < d; st +=$ )*do* :  $move = 0$ ;  
*for* ( $j = st; j < n - 1; j += 2 * d$ )*do* :  
 $A[j] = (A[j] + A[j + d])$ ;  
 $A[j + d] = (recomp[move ++] * (A[j] - A[j - d])) \pmod{q}$ ;  
*end for*;  
*end for*;  
**odd level**  
 $d <<= 1$ ;  
*for* ( $st = 0; st < d; st +=$ )*do* :  $move = 0$ ;  
*for* ( $j = st; j < n - 1; j += 2 * d$ )*do* :  
 $A[j] = (A[j] + A[j + d])$ ;  
 $A[j + d] = (recomp[move ++] * (A[j] - A[j - d])) \pmod{q}$ ;  
*end for*;  
*end for*;  
*end for*.  
**Output:** The transformed polynomial  $A$  .

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#### Comment

This function *CoolyNTT*(.), will be called by the *NTT*(.) and *invNTT*(.) functions, which we will describe respectively in the algorithms 2 and 3 below. The precomputed array *recomp* in line 6 and 14, takes the values of *Gama* or *invGama* (as described before) according to our need the polynomial  $f$  in its normal form or in NTT form  $\hat{f}$ .

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**Input:** a polynomial  $f$  in normal form, *OMEGA*, et *GAMMA* ;  
*bitrev\_vector*( $f$ );  
*for* ( $i = 0; i < n; i +=$ )*do* :  
 $f[i] = (f[i] * OMEGA[i]) \pmod{q}$ ;  
*end for*;  
 $\hat{f} \leftarrow \text{CoolyNTT}(f, \text{GAMMA})$ ;  
**Output:** a polynomial in NTT form  $\hat{f}$ ;

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#### Comment

In line 2, the function *bitrev\_vector*( $f$ ), computes the polynomial coefficients of  $f$  in reversible order , according to the size of the dimension  $n$  in bits; and in