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Before I forget...

- Algorithmic number theory is about algorithms of number theory and they need to be practiced (Maple, Magma, SAGE, pari-gp, etc.).
- A large part of my lectures is taken from a nearly finished book with J.-L. Nicolas.

Plan

- I. Elementary arithmetic.
- II. $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$, $(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^*$.
- III. Quadratic reciprocity.
- IV. Finite fields.
- V. Implementation issues.

Good reading

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I. Elementary arithmetic

A) Divisibility

Thm.[Euclidean Division] $\forall a, b \neq 0, \exists$ a unique pair (q, r) s.t.

$$a = bq + r, \quad 0 \leq r < |b|.$$

Coro. \mathbb{Z} is principal: all proper ideal of \mathbb{Z} are $a\mathbb{Z}$ for $a \in \mathbb{N}^*$.

Def. $b \mid a$ iff $\exists c, a = bc$; otherwise $b \nmid a$.

Prop. The following are equivalent

1. $b \mid a$;
2. the remainder of the euclidean division of a by b is 0;
3. $a\mathbb{Z} \subset b\mathbb{Z}$.

Prop.

1. $(d \mid a \text{ and } d \mid b) \Rightarrow d \mid (\lambda a + \mu b)$;
2. $(d \mid b \text{ and } b \mid a) \Rightarrow d \mid a$;
3. $a \mid b \Rightarrow |a| \leq |b|$.

Gcd, Lcm

Prop. $a\mathbb{Z} + b\mathbb{Z} = \{au + bv, u \in \mathbb{Z}, v \in \mathbb{Z}\} = d\mathbb{Z}$ with $d > 0$ (greatest common divisor – gcd).

Prop.

$$d = \gcd(a, b) = \max \mathcal{D}(a) \cap \mathcal{D}(b),$$

$$\mathcal{D}(a) \cap \mathcal{D}(b) = \mathcal{D}(d).$$

Prop. $a\mathbb{Z} \cap b\mathbb{Z} = m\mathbb{Z}$ with $m > 0$ (least common multiple – lcm).

Prop. $a\mathbb{Z} \cap b\mathbb{Z} = \text{set of common multiples of } a \text{ and } b$.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, a), & \operatorname{lcm}(a, b) = \operatorname{lcm}(b, a) \\ \gcd(a, a) = a, & \operatorname{lcm}(a, a) = a \\ \gcd(a, 0) = a, & \operatorname{lcm}(a, 0) = 0 \\ \gcd(a, -b) = \gcd(a, |b|), & \operatorname{lcm}(a, -b) = \operatorname{lcm}(a, |b|) \\ \gcd(ca, cb) = c \gcd(a, b), & \operatorname{lcm}(ca, cb) = c \operatorname{lcm}(a, b). \end{array}$$

Def. a and b are prime together iff $\gcd(a, b) = 1$.

Rem. if $d = \gcd(a, b)$, then a/d and b/d are prime together.

Euclid's algorithm

Prop. If $a = bq + r$, with $0 \leq r < b$, then $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r)$.

Proof :

Define (q_i) and (r_i) :

$$\begin{aligned} a &= bq_1 + r_1, & 0 \leq r_1 < b_1 \\ b &= r_1 q_2 + r_2, & 0 \leq r_2 < r_1 \\ &\dots \\ r_i &= r_{i+1} q_{i+2} + r_{i+2}, & 0 \leq r_{i+2} < r_{i+1} \end{aligned}$$

(r_i) is strictly decreasing: let k s.t. $r_k = 0$. Then $\gcd(a, b) = r_{k-1}$.

Euclid (cont'd)

Prop. The number of divisions is $\leq 2 \log b / \log 2 + 1$.

Thm. (Knuth) a, b uniformly in $[1, N]$. Then

1. the number of steps is

$$\left\lceil \frac{\log(\sqrt{5}N)}{\log((1 + \sqrt{5})/2)} \right\rceil - 2 \approx [2.078 \log N + 1.672] - 2;$$

2. the average number of steps is

$$\frac{12 \log 2}{\pi^2} \log N + 1.47 \approx 0.843 \log N + 1.47.$$

Bézout

There exist u, v s.t.

$$au + bv = \gcd(a, b).$$

Define $(u_i), (v_i)$ s.t. $u_{-1} = 1, v_{-1} = 0, u_0 = 0, v_0 = 1$, and for $-1 \leq i \leq k-2$,

$$\begin{cases} u_{i+2} = u_i - q_{i+2}u_{i+1} \\ v_{i+2} = v_i - q_{i+2}v_{i+1} \end{cases}$$

$$u_1 = 1, v_1 = -q_1, u_2 = -q_2, v_2 = 1 + q_1q_2$$

Lem. For $-1 \leq i \leq k$, $r_i = u_i a + v_i b$.

⇒ take $u = u_{k-1}$ and $v = v_{k-1}$.

Thm. (Bachet-Bézout) $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ iff $\exists u, v$ s.t. $au + bv = 1$.

Gauss lemma

Thm. (Gauss) Let $\gcd(a, b) = 1, c$ an integer: $a \mid bc \Rightarrow a \mid c$.

Proof:

Thm. $\gcd(a, b) = 1 \Rightarrow \text{lcm}(a, b) = |ab|$.

Proof:

Coro. $\gcd(a, b)\text{lcm}(a, b) = |ab|$.

Proof:

B) Prime numbers

Def. prime number: p s.t. $\text{Card}\mathcal{D}(p) = 2$; if not prime, then **composite**.

Smallest primes: 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, ...

Thm. the integer n has at least one prime factor p .

Proof:

Coro. if n is composite, n has at least one prime factor $p \leq \sqrt{n}$.

Proof:

Thm. (Euclide) There exists an infinite number of primes.

Proof:

Thm. (Gauss) If $p \mid a_1 a_2 \cdots a_n$, there is some i s.t. $p \mid a_i$.

Proof: (recurrence)

Coro. Let p be prime and $1 \leq k \leq p-1$. Then $p \mid \binom{p}{k}$.

Proof:

Factoring into primes

Thm. For all integer n :

$$n = \varepsilon p_1 p_2 \cdots p_k$$

where $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ and $p_1 \leq p_2 \leq \cdots \leq p_k$ are prime numbers.

Proof: (recurrence on n)

Notation. Sometimes

$$n = \varepsilon p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_k^{\alpha_k}$$

with $p_1 < p_2 < \cdots < p_k$ and $\alpha_i > 0$.

Valuations

p -adic valuation: For p prime, $\nu_p(n) = \text{largest integer s.t. } p^{\nu_p(n)} \mid n$.

$$n = \varepsilon \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} p^{\nu_p(n)}.$$

Prop.

1. $\nu_p(ab) = \nu_p(a) + \nu_p(b)$;
2. $a \mid b \Leftrightarrow (\forall p \in \mathbb{P}) \nu_p(a) \leq \nu_p(b)$.

Prop.

$$a = \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} p^{\nu_p(a)}, \quad b = \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} p^{\nu_p(b)}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\gcd(a, b) = \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} p^{\min(\nu_p(a), \nu_p(b))},$$

$$\operatorname{lcm}(a, b) = \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} p^{\max(\nu_p(a), \nu_p(b))}.$$

Estimates on prime numbers

Thm. (Hadamard, de la Vallée Poussin)
 $\pi(x) = \#\{N \leq x, N \text{ is prime}\} \approx x / \log x$.

Thm. (Rosser & Schoenfeld)

$$\frac{x}{\log x} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2 \log x}\right) < \pi(x) < \frac{x}{\log x} \left(1 + \frac{3}{2 \log x}\right)$$

for $x \geq 59$.

Thm. (See Ellison + Mendès France)

$$\pi(x; k, \ell) = \#\{N \leq x, N = kn + \ell \text{ is prime}\} \sim \frac{x}{\varphi(k) \log x}.$$

Rem. A fast way to compute exact (small) values of $\pi(x)$ is to use Eratosthenes's sieve and its improvements (see later). More clever algorithms exist (Lagarias/Miller/Odlyzko, Deléglise/Rivat, Lagarias/Odlyzko).

II. $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ and $(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^*$

Def. $a \equiv b \pmod{N} \Leftrightarrow N \mid a - b$.

$\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ is a quotient ring; representatives of \equiv are generally chosen as $\{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$.

Prop.

1. $a \equiv b \pmod{N}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{N} \Rightarrow$

$$a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{N}, \quad ac \equiv bd \pmod{N};$$

2. if $d \mid a, b, N$ then

$$a \equiv b \pmod{N} \Leftrightarrow a/d \equiv b/d \pmod{N/d}.$$

Ex. $7^2 \pmod{10} \equiv 49 \pmod{10} \equiv 9 \pmod{10}$, $7^3 \equiv 7 \times 9 \equiv 63 \equiv 3 \pmod{10}$, $7^4 \equiv 7 \times 3 \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$.

Invertible elements

Prop. Invertible elements in $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ form the group

$$(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^* = \{a \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}, \gcd(a, N) = 1\}.$$

Proof:

Coro. $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ is a field iff N is prime.

Def. Euler totient function: $\varphi(N) = \#(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^*$.

Prop. $\varphi(p^e) = p^e - p^{e-1}$.

Proof:

Prop. $\sum_{d \mid N} \varphi(d) = N$.

Proof:

Def. $\text{ord}_N(a) = \min\{k > 0, a^k \equiv 1 \pmod{N}\}$.

Prop. Let $t = \text{ord}_N(a)$. Then $a^z \equiv 1 \pmod{N} \Leftrightarrow t \mid z$.

Prop. Let $a \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^*$ and $t = \text{ord}_N(a)$. Then

$$\text{ord}_N(a^i) = t / \gcd(i, t).$$

Proof:

Prop. a) $\text{ord}_N(ab) \mid \text{lcm}(\text{ord}_N(a), \text{ord}_N(b))$.

b) If the orders are prime together, we have an equality.

Proof

Rem. Take $N = 19$: $\text{ord}_N(7) = 3$, $\text{ord}_N(7^2) = 3$, but $\text{ord}_N(7^3) = 1$.

Thm.(Lagrange) Let G be a finite group and $a \in G$. Then $\text{ord}_G(a) \mid \text{Card}(G)$.

Coro.[Fermat's little theorem] Let p be prime and a prime to p . Then

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}.$$

Coro.[Euler] Let N be an integer and a prime to N . Then

$$a^{\varphi(N)} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}.$$

Prop. $\text{ord}_N(a) = t = \prod_{i=1}^r q_i^{e_i}$ iff $a^t \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ and for all i , $a^{t/q_i} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{N}$.

Proof:

Structure of $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^*$

Thm. When p is prime, $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^*$ is cyclic: there exists g s.t. $\{1, 2, \dots, p-1\} = \{g^i \pmod{p}, 1 \leq i \leq p-1\}$.

Lem. For all $d \geq 1$, the number of elements of order d is $\leq \varphi(d)$.

Proof:

Proof of the thm

Rem. a) When $d \mid p-1$, there are exactly $\varphi(d)$ elements of order d .
b) In particular, if g has order $p-1$, the other generators are g^i for $\gcd(i, p-1) = 1$.

Rem. finding a generator is not easy.

Structure of $(\mathbb{Z}/p^e\mathbb{Z})^*$

Prop. For all odd p and $e \geq 1$, $(\mathbb{Z}/p^e\mathbb{Z})^*$ is cyclic. Let g be a generator of $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^*$. If $g^{p-1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p^2}$, then g is a generator of $(\mathbb{Z}/p^e\mathbb{Z})^*$. Otherwise, take $g+p$.

Proof:

Lem. Let $k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ ($\neq 2$) and $s \geq 0$. Then

$$(1 + kp)^{p^s} = 1 + k_s p^{s+1},$$

with $p \nmid k_s$.

Proof

Proof

Rem. The only p 's for which $2^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p^2}$ for $p \leq 1.25 \times 10^{15}$ are 1093 and $p = 3511$.

The case $p = 2$

Prop. $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^* = \{1\}$, $(\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z})^* = \{1, 3\} = \langle -1 \rangle$. If $e \geq 3$, $(\mathbb{Z}/2^e\mathbb{Z})^* \simeq \langle 5 \rangle \times \langle -1 \rangle$, with $\text{ord}(5) = 2^{e-2}$. Equivalently, all elements in $(\mathbb{Z}/2^e\mathbb{Z})^*$ can be written uniquely as

$$x \equiv (-1)^{u(x)} 5^{v(x)} \pmod{2^e}$$

with $u(x) \in \{0, 1\}$ and $1 \leq v(x) \leq 2^{e-2}$. Moreover, $u(x) \equiv (x-1)/2 \pmod{2}$.

Proof:

Lem. $5^{2^t} = 1 + h_t 2^{t+2}$, with h_t odd.

Proof:

Structure of $(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^*$

Thm. (Chinese remainder theorem)

$$\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z} \sim \prod_{p^e \mid \mid N} \mathbb{Z}/p^e\mathbb{Z}$$

Proof:

Coro. Let m_1, \dots, m_k pairwise primes and let x_1, \dots, x_k be integers. There exists x s.t.

$$x \equiv x_i \pmod{m_i}$$

for all i . Moreover, x is unique modulo $M = \prod_{i=1}^k m_i$.

Fundamental theorem

Thm. $(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^*$ is cyclic iff $N = 2, 4, p^\alpha, 2p^\alpha$, p an odd prime and $\alpha \geq 1$.

Def. $\{k, \forall a \in G, a^k = 1\}$.

Prop. $\text{Exp}(G) = \text{lcm}\{\text{ord}_G(a), a \in G\}$.

Prop. $\text{Exp}(G_1 \times G_2 \times \dots \times G_n) = \text{lcm}(\text{Exp}(G_1), \text{Exp}(G_2), \dots, \text{Exp}(G_n))$.

Carmichael function

Def. (Carmichael function) $\lambda(N) = \text{Exp}((\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^*)$.

Prop.

- a) For all $a \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^*$: $a^{\lambda(N)} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$.
- b) $a^t \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ for all a prime to N iff $\lambda(N) \mid t$.

Prop.

- (i) $\lambda(p^e) = \varphi(p^e)$ if p is odd and $e \geq 1$
- (ii) $\lambda(2) = 1, \lambda(4) = 2, \lambda(2^e) = 2^{e-2}$ if $e \geq 3$
- (iii) $\lambda(\prod_i p_i^{\alpha_i}) = \text{lcm}(\lambda(p_i^{\alpha_i}))$

Prop. If N is squarefree, then for all $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a^{\lambda(N)+1} \equiv a \pmod{N}$.

Proof:

Coro. RSA is valid: for all x , $x^{ed} \equiv x \pmod{N}$.

Proof:

Prop. If $\gcd(N, M) = 1$, then $\varphi(NM) = \varphi(N)\varphi(M)$.
(φ is multiplicative).

Lem. x is invertible modulo NM iff x is invertible modulo N and modulo M .

Coro. If

$$N = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_k^{\alpha_k},$$

$$\varphi(N) = \prod_{i=1}^k \varphi(p_i^{\alpha_i}) = N \prod_{i=1}^k (1 - 1/p_i).$$

III. Quadratic reciprocity

Legendre symbol: for prime odd p and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } p \mid a \\ 1 & \text{if } \exists x \text{ s.t. } a \equiv x^2 \pmod{p} \\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Easy properties:

- (i) $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) \equiv a^{(p-1)/2} \pmod{p}$;
- (ii) $\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = (-1)^{(p-1)/2}$;
- (iii) $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{a \pmod{p}}{p}\right)$;
- (iv) $\left(\frac{ab}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{a}{p}\right) \left(\frac{b}{p}\right)$;

Not so easy properties: (Gauss)

(v) $\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) = (-1)^{(p^2-1)/8}$;

(vi) (Quadratic reciprocity law) p and q odd primes:

$$\left(\frac{q}{p}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{2} \times \frac{q-1}{2}} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right).$$

Jacobi symbol: $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m = \prod_{i=1}^k p_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ odd,

$$\left(\frac{n}{m}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{n}{p_i}\right).$$

Properties: same as for the Legendre symbol.

Ex. Show that $\left(\frac{n}{m}\right) = 0$ iff $\gcd(n, m) > 1$.

IV. Finite fields

Thm. (characteristic) Let \mathbb{F} be a finite field. There exists a smallest $p > 1$ s.t. $p \cdot 1_{\mathbb{F}} = 0$; p is prime. The set $\{k \cdot 1_{\mathbb{F}}, 0 \leq k < p\}$ is the smallest subfield of \mathbb{F} ; it is isomorphic to \mathbb{F}_p (prime subfield of \mathbb{F}).

Thm.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{F} \times \mathbb{F} & \rightarrow & \mathbb{F} \\ (x, y) & \mapsto & x + y \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{F}_p \times \mathbb{F} & \rightarrow & \mathbb{F} \\ (a, x) & \mapsto & ax \end{array}$$

turn \mathbb{F} into a \mathbb{F}_p -vector space. If n is the dimension of this space, \mathbb{F} has p^n elements.

Thm. \mathbb{F}^\times is cyclic.

Frobenius

Thm. σ_F :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{F} & \rightarrow & \mathbb{F} \\ x & \mapsto & x^p. \end{array}$$

It is a field automorphism, i.e.

$$\sigma_F(1) = 1, \quad \sigma_F(x + y) = \sigma_F(x) + \sigma_F(y), \quad \sigma_F(xy) = \sigma_F(x)\sigma_F(y).$$

Fixed points are the elements of \mathbb{F}_p .

Proof:

Properties of $\mathbf{K}[X]$

Properties close to that of \mathbb{Z} , we do not give proofs.

Thm. for all A, B in $\mathbf{K}[X]$, $B \neq 0$. there exists a unique pair (Q, R) in $\mathbf{K}[X]$ s.t.

$$A = BQ + R, \quad \text{with } R = 0 \text{ or } \deg(R) < \deg(B).$$

Thm. (Bézout) There exists U and V in $\mathbf{K}[X]$ s.t.

$$AU + BV = \gcd(A, B).$$

Def. $A(X)$ is irreducible if its degree is ≥ 1 , and all its divisors are constant, or $aA(X)$ with $a \in \mathbf{K}^*$.

Thm. We may factor polynomials

$$P = a \prod_{i=1}^r P_i^{\alpha_i},$$

where $a \in \mathbf{K}$, P_i monic irreducible and $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{N}$.

Quotient ring

Def. $A \equiv B \pmod{f}$ iff $A - B$ is a multiple of f .

Def. $\mathbf{K}[X]/f\mathbf{K}[X]$ or $\mathbf{K}[X]/(f)$

Let \bar{P} be the class of P . $\mathbf{K}[X]/(f)$ together with $\bar{A} + \bar{B} = \overline{A + B}$, $\bar{A}\bar{B} = \overline{AB}$, is a ring.

Canonical representant: for all P , there is a unique R of degree $n - 1$ s.t. $P \equiv R \pmod{f}$.

With

$$\lambda \cdot \bar{A} = \overline{\lambda A},$$

$\mathbf{K}[X]/(f)$ is \mathbf{K} -vector space of dimension n . The set $\{\bar{1}, \bar{X}, \dots, \bar{X^{n-1}}\}$ is a basis for this vector space.

Thm. A is invertible modulo f iff $\gcd(A, f) = 1$.

Coro. $\mathbf{K}[X]/(f)$ is a field iff f is irreducible. Moreover, if $\mathbf{K} = \mathbb{F}_p$, $\mathbb{F}_p[X]/(f)$ is a field of cardinality $p^{\deg(f)}$.

More properties

Thm. [CRT] Let A_1, A_2, \dots, A_r in $\mathbf{K}[X]$ and Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_r polynomials that are pairwise prime. There exists $A \in \mathbf{K}[X]$ s.t.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} P \equiv A_1 \pmod{Q_1} \\ P \equiv A_2 \pmod{Q_2} \\ \vdots \\ P \equiv A_r \pmod{Q_r} \end{array} \right.$$

is equivalent to

$$P \equiv A \pmod{Q_1 Q_2 \dots Q_r}.$$

$$\mathbf{K}[X]/(Q_1 Q_2 \dots Q_r) \simeq \mathbf{K}[X]/(Q_1) \times \mathbf{K}[X]/(Q_2) \times \dots \times \mathbf{K}[X]/(Q_r).$$

Building finite fields

Thm. (the canonical way) Let $f(X)$ be an irreducible polynomial of degree n over \mathbb{F}_p . Then $\mathbb{F}_p[X]/(f(X))$ is a finite field of degree n and cardinality p^n , noted \mathbb{F}_{p^n} .

Ex. Build \mathbb{F}_{41^2} , using a quadratic non-residue modulo 41.

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{7}{41}\right) &= (-1)^{(41-1)/2 \times (7-1)/2} \left(\frac{41}{7}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{41}{7}\right) = \left(\frac{41 \bmod 7}{7}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{6}{7}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{7}\right) \left(\frac{3}{7}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{7}\right) = (-1) \left(\frac{7}{3}\right) \\ &= -\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = -1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence use $\mathbf{K}_1 = \mathbb{F}_{41^2} \sim \mathbb{F}_{41}[X]/(X^2 - 7)$. This is a vector space of dimension 2 over \mathbb{F}_{41} . Let $\theta = \overline{X}$. All elements can be written $a + b\theta$ where a, b are in \mathbb{F}_{41} .
 $\theta^2 - 7 = \overline{X^2 - 7} = 0$. We get

$$\theta^2 = 7, \theta^3 = 7\theta, \theta^4 = 8, \dots, \theta^{80} = 1,$$

so that θ does not generate \mathbf{K}^* . The number $\theta + 10$ is found to be a generator.

One application (1/2)

Pb. Given $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = 1$, compute $\sqrt{a} \pmod{p}$.

Case $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$: $r = a^{(p+1)/4} \pmod{p}$.

Case $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$: find b s.t. $\Delta = b^2 - 4a$ is not a square.

$$\alpha = (-b + \sqrt{\Delta})/2 \Rightarrow \alpha^p = (-b - \sqrt{\Delta})/2 \Rightarrow \alpha\alpha^p = a$$

since $\sqrt{\Delta}^p = \left(\frac{\Delta}{p}\right)\sqrt{\Delta}$.

Let $\beta = \alpha^{(p+1)/2} \pmod{(p, X^2 + bX + a)}$. Then

$$\beta^2 = \alpha^{p+1} = a.$$

Moreover

$$\beta^p = \beta(\beta^2)^{(p-1)/2} = \beta a^{(p-1)/2} = \beta$$

and β is in $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^*$.

One application (2/2)

Let $a = 2 \pmod{41}$, which a square; $b = 1$ is s.t. $\Delta = 1 - 4 \times 2 = -7$ which is not a square; hence $\mathbb{F}_{41^2} \sim \mathbb{F}_{41}[X]/(X^2 + X + 2)$.

$$\alpha = X, \quad \alpha^p = 40X + 40, \quad \alpha\alpha^p = 2.$$

$$\beta = X^{(p+1)/2} = 17, \quad 17^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{41}.$$

Further properties

Thm. Let \mathbb{F} be a finite field of cardinality q .

$$X^q - X = \prod_{a \in \mathbb{F}} (X - a).$$

Thm.

$$X^{p^n} - X = \prod_{d|n} \prod_{\substack{\deg g=d \\ g \text{ monic irreducible}}} g$$

Thm. The number $I_{n,p}$ of irreducible polynomials of degree n over \mathbb{F}_p is always > 0 and

$$I_{n,p} \approx \frac{p^n}{n}.$$

Thm. For all p and $n \geq 1$, there exists a finite field of cardinality p^n . Two finite fields of the same cardinality are isomorphic.

V. Implementation issues

A) implementing \mathbb{Z}

How to code an integer: a positive integer a is stored as an array containing its digits in base $B = 2^\beta$, $\beta = 32, 64$:

$$a = a_{n-1}a_{n-2}\dots a_0 = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i B^i.$$

The digits are recovered using successive euclidean divisions of a by B .

Operations:

- \pm : idem base 10.
- \times : base 10, Karatsuba, FFT.
- $/$: idem base 10 (?); Newton.

Multiplication (1/2)

School boy method:

$$A(X) = a_0 + a_1 X, B(X) = b_0 + b_1 X$$

$$P(X) = p_0 + p_1 X + p_2 X^2$$

$$p_0 = a_0 b_0, \quad p_1 = a_0 b_1 + a_1 b_0, \quad p_2 = a_1 b_1$$

Cost: 4 multiplications.

$\Rightarrow O(lm)$ operations.

Karatsuba:

$$p_0 = a_0 b_0, \quad p_2 = a_1 b_1$$

$$p_1 = (a_0 + a_1)(b_0 + b_1) - p_0 - p_2.$$

Cost: 3 multiplications, 2 additions, 2 subtractions.

Multiplication (2/2)

$$n = 2^t$$

$$A(X) = a_0 + a_1 X + \dots + a_{n-1} X^{n-1} = A_0(X) + X^{n/2} A_1(X),$$

$$B(X) = b_0 + b_1 X + \dots + b_{n-1} X^{n-1} = B_0(X) + X^{n/2} B_1(X),$$

$$\deg(A_i) = \deg(B_i) = n/2 - 1$$

$$P_0 = A_0 B_0, \quad P_1 = (A_0 + A_1)(B_0 + B_1), \quad P_\infty = A_1 B_1$$

$$P(X) = P_0 + X^{n/2}(P_1 - P_0 - P_\infty) + X^n P_\infty.$$

Analysis:

$$M(n) = 3M(n/2)$$

$$M(n) = O(n^{\log_2 3}) = O(n^{1.585})$$

Rem. take care to memory management; branch in naive method for small operands.

Even better: FFT in $O(n^{1+\varepsilon})$.

Gcd algorithms

a) Classical Gcd:

```
function gcd(a, b) (* return gcd of a and b *)
1. while b <> 0 do
   r:=a mod b;
   a:=b;
   b:=r;
endwhile;
2. return a.
3. end.
```

b) **binary algorithm:** $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a, a - b)$ and when b is odd:

$$\gcd(2^k a, b) = \gcd(a, b)$$

Example:

```
a=01111011110
b=01001101000
a=00111101111
b=00001001101
t=00011010001
a=00011010001
b=00001001101
t=00000100001
a=00000100001
b=00001001101
t=00000001011
a=00000100001
b=00000001011
t=000000001011
a=000000001011
b=000000001011
t=000000000000
```

c) Other methods: Brent; Lehmer; Jebelean, etc.

B) $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$

On top of \mathbb{Z} , reduce all operands; Montgomery arithmetic is division free.

- $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$: choice between a global p and a p per element.
- $\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$: use exceptions to catch divisors of composite N (lazy computations).

Finite fields \mathbb{F}_{p^n}

General principle: choose an irreducible polynomial f of degree n over \mathbb{F}_p .

Apart from some families and particular cases (e. g., binomials), this is not known to be doable in deterministic polynomial time.

Identify elements of \mathbb{F}_{p^n} to elements of \mathbb{F}_p^n via

$$\overline{a_0 + a_1 X + \dots + a_{n-1} X^{n-1}} \mapsto (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}).$$

Addition, subtraction are easy; multiplication of polynomials over \mathbb{F}_p ; inverse via the extended euclidean algorithm.

Rem. When \mathbb{F}_q is small, fix a generator g and represent elements via g^i .

Rem. Composite extensions are not that easy to deal with.

Computing a^e : binary methods

Pb: compute a^e (in any ring).

$$e = 2e' + \varepsilon, \varepsilon \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$a^e = (a^2)^{e'} a^\varepsilon$$

or

$$a^e = (a^{e'})^2 a^\varepsilon.$$

$$a^{11} = (a^2)^5 a = (((a^2)^2) \times a^2)^2 a$$

$$a^{11} = (a^5)^2 a = ((a^2)^2 a)^2 a.$$

Cost: 5 operations (multiplications) to evaluate a^{11} , instead of 10.

The left-right binary method

$$e = e_t 2^t + e_{t-1} 2^{t-1} + \cdots + e_0, e_t = 1$$

Horner: $e = ((\cdots (e_t 2 + e_{t-1}) 2 + e_{t-2}) \cdots) 2 + e_0.$

$$a^e = a^{((\cdots (e_t 2 + e_{t-1}) 2 + e_{t-2}) \cdots) 2 + e_0} = (((\cdots (a^{e_t})^2 a^{e_{t-1}})^2 a^{e_{t-2}}) \cdots)^2 a^{e_0}.$$

```
function ModExp3(a, N, te, nbits)
(* compute de  $a^e$  mod N with bits of e *)
(* in te[0..nbits] *)
1. [initialization] b:=a;
2. for i:=nbits-1 .. 0 do
   b:=(b*b) mod N;
   if te[i] = 1 then b:=(b*a) mod N; endif;
endfor;
3. return b;
4. end.
```

Analysis

$\nu(e)$ number of nonzero bits of e , $\lambda(e) = \lfloor \log(e) / \log 2 \rfloor$

$$C(e) = \lambda(e)T_\square + (\nu(e) - 1)T_{\times a}.$$

On average:

$$\bar{C}(e) = \lambda(e)(T_\square + T_{\times a}/2).$$

If $T_\square = T_{\times a}$, the mean cost of the algorithm is $3/2 \log_2(e) T_{\times a}$.
If a is small, the cost of $T_{\times a}$ is negligible.

Real life

Always a good thing to try to implement its own bignum library.
However, very difficult to be better than GMP; available in any mathematical system (MAPLE, MAGMA, etc.; pari-gp, Sage, etc.).