

# MPRI – Cours 2.12.2



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## Lecture II: polynomial arithmetic

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## I. Fast polynomial multiplication and applications

**Def.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a commutative ring with unity and  $\omega \in \mathcal{A}$ .  
Fourier transform

$$\mathcal{F}_\omega : \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A}^n & \rightarrow & \mathcal{A}^n \\ (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}) & \mapsto & (\hat{a}_0, \hat{a}_1, \dots, \hat{a}_{n-1}) \end{array}$$

$$\hat{a}_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \omega^{ij} a_j, \quad 0 \leq i \leq n-1$$

**Prop.** Suppose  $\omega$  is a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity, i.e.,  $\omega^n = 1$  and  $\omega^i \neq 1$ ,  $1 \leq i < n$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}_\omega$  is 1-1 and

$$\mathcal{F}_\omega^{-1}(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n-1}) = \frac{1}{n} \mathcal{F}_{\omega^{-1}}(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n-1}).$$

## FFT (cont'd)

*Proof:* let  $a = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1})$ . We want

$$\frac{1}{n} \mathcal{F}_{\omega^{-1}} \circ \mathcal{F}_\omega = Id_n.$$

$$\tilde{\alpha}_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \omega^{-ik} \alpha_k$$

$$n\tilde{\alpha}_i = \sum_k \omega^{-ik} \sum_j \omega^{kj} a_j$$

$$\sum_j a_j \sum_k \omega^{k(j-i)} = \sum_j a_j S_{i,j}.$$

$S_{i,i} = n$  and if  $j \neq i$

$$S_{i,j} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (\omega^{j-i})^k = \frac{1 - (\omega^{j-i})^n}{1 - \omega^{j-i}} = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{\alpha}_j = a_j$ .  $\square$

## Application: multiplication of polynomials

$$A = \sum a_i X^i, \quad B = \sum b_i X^i, \quad P = AB = \sum p_i X^i$$

$$a = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}, \underbrace{0, 0, \dots, 0}_{n \text{ coefficients}}),$$

$$b = (b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{n-1}, \underbrace{0, 0, \dots, 0}_{n \text{ coefficients}}).$$

Let  $\omega$  be a primitive  $2n$ -th root of 1.

$$\mathcal{F}_\omega(a) = (A(\omega^0), A(\omega^1), \dots, A(\omega^{2n-1}))$$

$$\mathcal{F}_\omega(b) = (B(\omega^0), B(\omega^1), \dots, B(\omega^{2n-1}))$$

$$\mathcal{F}_\omega(p) = (P(\omega^0), P(\omega^1), \dots, P(\omega^{2n-1}))$$

Term-wise product:

$$\mathcal{F}_\omega(a) \otimes \mathcal{F}_\omega(b) = (\hat{a}_0 \hat{b}_0, \hat{a}_1 \hat{b}_1, \dots, \hat{a}_{2n-1} \hat{b}_{2n-1}) = \mathcal{F}_\omega(p).$$

To compute  $A(X)B(X)$ :

1. compute  $\mathcal{F}_\omega(a), \mathcal{F}_\omega(b)$ ;
2. compute  $p = \mathcal{F}_\omega(a) \otimes \mathcal{F}_\omega(b)$ ;
3. recover  $P = (p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{2n-1}) = \mathcal{F}_\omega^{-1}(p)$ .

## Fast evaluation

**Pb.** evaluate

$$\hat{x}_k = \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} x_m \omega^{mk}, 0 \leq k \leq N-1.$$

**Naive solution:**  $N^2$  multiplications.

**Better:** assume  $N = N_1 N_2$ . Rewrite

$$\begin{aligned} m &= N_1 m_2 + m_1, \\ k &= N_2 k_1 + k_2, \end{aligned}$$

with  $0 \leq m_1, k_1 \leq N_1 - 1$  and  $0 \leq m_2, k_2 \leq N_2 - 1$ .

$$\hat{x}_k = \sum_{m_1=0}^{N_1-1} \omega^{N_2 m_1 k_1} \omega^{m_1 k_2} \sum_{m_2=0}^{N_2-1} x_{N_1 m_2 + m_1} \omega^{N_1 m_2 k_2}.$$

## Fast evaluation (cont'd)

Write

$$\hat{x}_k = \sum_{m_1=0}^{N_1-1} \omega^{m_1 k_1} \omega^{m_1 k_2} \sum_{m_2=0}^{N_2-1} x_{N_1 m_2 + m_1} \omega^{m_2 k_2}$$

with  $\omega_1 = \omega^{N_2}$  et  $\omega_2 = \omega^{N_1}$ .

**Key remark:**  $\omega_u$  is a primitive  $N_u$ -th root of 1.

i.e., compute  $N_1$  DFT of length  $N_2$ , followed by multiplications by  $\omega^{m_1 k_2}$ , followed by  $N_2$  DFT of length  $N_1$ .

**Cost:**

$$N_1(N_2^2) + N_1 N_2 + N_2(N_1^2) = N_1 N_2 (N_1 + N_2 + 1) < N_1 N_2)^2$$

## The case $N = 2^t$

Special case  $N_1 = 2, N_2 = 2^{t-1}$ . Then

$$\hat{x}_k = \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2m} (\omega^2)^{mk} + \omega^k \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2m+1} (\omega^2)^{mk}.$$

Since  $\omega^{N/2} = -1$

$$\hat{x}_{k+N/2} = \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2m} (\omega^2)^{mk} - \omega^k \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2m+1} (\omega^2)^{mk}.$$

**Cost:**

$$F(N) = 2F(N/2) + N/2$$

or

$$\frac{F(N)}{N} = \frac{F(N/2)}{N/2} + 1/2 = F(1) + t/2 = t/2$$

which is  $F(N) = \frac{1}{2} N \log_2 N$ .

## FFT: Maple code

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# x[0..N-1], N is a power of 2, W^(2^N) = 1.
FFTp := proc(p, omega, x, N)
local k, m, Y1, Y2, X, xx, omegak;
if N = 2 then
    X[0]:=x[0]+x[1] mod p;
    X[1]:=x[0]-x[1] mod p;
    RETURN(X);
else
    for m from 0 to N/2-1 do xx[m]:=x[2*m]; od;
    Y1:=FFTp(p, omega^2, xx, N/2);
    for m from 0 to N/2-1 do xx[m]:=x[2*m+1]; od;
    Y2:=FFTp(p, omega^2, xx, N/2);
    for k from 0 to N/2-1 do
        omegak:=omega^k mod p; # do better
        X[k] := Y1[k] + omegak*Y2[k] mod p;
        X[k+N/2]:=Y1[k] - omegak*Y2[k] mod p; # reuse
    od;
    RETURN(X);
fi;
end;
```

## Squaring: $A(X)^2$

1. compute  $\mathcal{F}_\omega(a)$ ;
2. compute  $p = \mathcal{F}_\omega(a) \otimes \mathcal{F}_\omega(a)$  (hence a lot of squares);
3. recover  $P = (p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{2n-1}) = \mathcal{F}_\omega^{-1}(p)$ .

**Reusing FFT's:** if a lot of multiplications by  $B$ , cache  $\mathcal{F}_\omega(B)$ . Typical use in fast exponentiation, division.

**Fürer:** better complexity; perhaps useful.

## Implementations:

- see Shoup95, etc. Take care to the existence of primitive roots of unity (CRT for  $\mathbb{Z}[X]$ ).
- GMP, MPIR, FLINT.

$$\deg(M(X)) = n, \deg(P(X)) < 2n.$$

**Prop.** Write  $P = QM + R$  with  $\deg R < \deg M$ . Let  $I(X) = X^{2n} \div M$ ;  $g = P \div X^n$ . Then  $Q = (g(X)I(X)) \div X^n$ .

*Proof:*  $H(X) = (g(X)I(X)) \div X^n$ . We get

$$X^{2n} = M(X)I(X) + \mu(X), \deg \mu < n,$$

$$P(X) = X^n g(X) + \rho(X), \deg \rho < n.$$

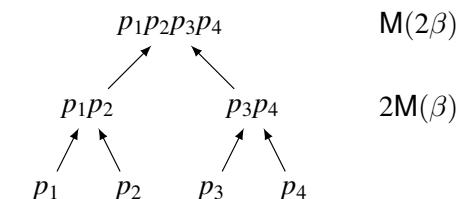
Write

$$\begin{aligned} X^n(P(X) - H(X)M(X)) &= X^n(P(X) - X^n g(X)) - g(X)(M(X)I(X) - X^{2n}) \\ &\quad - M(X)(H(X)X^n - g(X)I(X)) \end{aligned}$$

all polynomials of the rhs have degree  $< 2n$ , hence  $P(X) - H(X)M(X)$  has degree  $< n$ , which implies  $H = Q$ .  $\square$

## II. Product trees: principles and applications

Imagine all  $p_i$ 's have the same size  $\beta$ .



**Product tree:**  $2M(\beta) + M(2\beta)$ .

**Naive case:**  $\underbrace{p_1p_2}_{M(\beta)} + \underbrace{(p_1p_2)p_3}_{M(2\beta,\beta)} + \underbrace{(p_1p_2p_3)p_4}_{M(3\beta,\beta)} \approx 6M(\beta)$ .

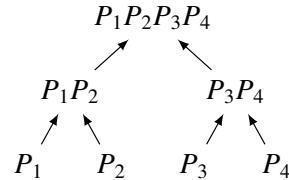
**Comparison:**  $4M(\beta)$  vs.  $M(2\beta)$ ? Equal if  $M(\beta) = \beta^2$ , product tree better if  $M(\beta) = \beta^a$ ,  $a < 2$ .

**General principle:** only the last step counts.

**Rem.**  $I(X)$  is fixed through the loop, therefore we can cache its FFT.

## With polynomials

**Goal:** compute  $Z = P_1 \cdots P_m$  for polynomials  $P_i(X)$ .

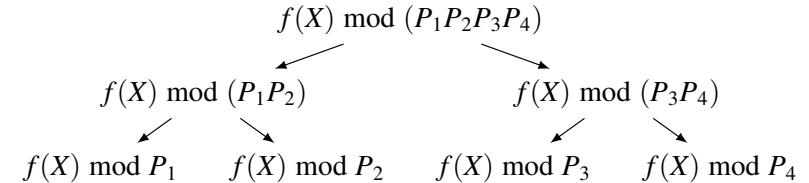


**Typical application:** PolyFromRoots, i.e., given  $(x_i)_{0 \leq i < n}$ , build  $P(X) = \prod(X - x_i)$ . Cost is  $O(M(n) \log n)$ .

## Fast multipoint evaluation

**Goal:** compute  $f(X) \bmod P_i(X) = X - x_i$  for all  $i$ .

Use a [remainder tree](#), i.e.,



**Key property:**  $f(X) \bmod (X - x_i) = f(x_i)$

**Complexity:**  $O(M(n) \log n)$ .

## Fast resultant and discriminant

$$P(X) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (X - \alpha_i), Q(X) = \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} (X - \beta_j)$$

$$\text{Res}(P, Q) = \prod_{i,j} (\alpha_i - \beta_j) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} Q(\alpha_i).$$

**Algorithm:** use fast multipoint evaluation to compute all  $Q(\alpha_i)$ ; finish with a product tree.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Disc}(P) &= (-1)^{n(n-1)/2} \text{Res}(P, P') \\ &= \prod_{i < j} (\alpha_i - \alpha_j)^2 \\ &= (-1)^{n(n-1)/2} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} P'(\alpha_i). \end{aligned}$$

**Rem.** The resultant can be computed using Euclid's algorithm when the roots are not known.

## III. Factoring polynomials over finite fields

**Goal:** Given  $f(X) \in \mathbb{F}_q[X]$  of degree  $n$ , write

$$f(X) = f_1(X)^{e_1} f_2(X)^{e_2} \cdots f_k(X)^{e_k}$$

where  $f_i \neq f_j$  is irreducible.

**Generic approach:**

1. [Squarefree factorization](#) (SQF): compute  $f_i(X)$  s.t.

$$f = g_1^1 g_2^2 \cdots g_m^m$$

with  $\gcd(g_i, g_j) = 1$ ,  $g_i$  squarefree;

2. [Distinct degree factorization](#) (DDF): for all  $h \in \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_m\}$ , look for the degrees of  $f_i \mid h$  using

$$\gcd(X^{q^d} - X, h(X))$$

for  $d \leq \deg(h)$  ;

3. [Equal degree factorization](#) (EDF): find all degree  $d$  factors of  $h$ .

## A) Squarefree factorization

$$f = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i X^i \mapsto f' = \sum_{i=1}^n i a_i X^{i-1}, \quad a_i \in \mathbb{F}$$

**Def.** If  $f = \prod_{i=1}^r f_i^{e_i}$  where  $f_i$  is irreducible, then the squarefree part of  $f$  is  $\text{sqfp}(f) = \prod_i f_i$ .

**Key remark:** if  $f = g^2 h$ , then  $f' = g(2g'h + gh')$  and  $g \mid u = \gcd(f, f')$ .  
If  $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) = 0$ ,  $f' \neq 0$ ,  $\deg(f') < n$  and  $u$  a proper divisor of  $f$ .

**Prop.** If  $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) = 0$ , then  $u = \prod_i f_i^{e_i-1}$  and  $\text{sqfp}(f) = f/u$ .  
*Proof:* All summands in

$$(*) \quad f' = \sum_{i=1}^r e_i \frac{f}{f_i} f'_i.$$

are divisible by  $f_i^{e_i}$  except  $e_i \frac{f}{f_i} f'_i$  which is divisible *a priori* by  $f_i^{e_i-1}$ . If  $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) = 0$ , then  $f'_i \neq 0$  and  $e_i \neq 0$ .  $\square$

## Squarefree decomposition

**Def.** squarefree decomposition:  $f = g_1 g_2^2 \cdots g_m^m$ ,  $g_i$  monic squarefree coprime;  $g_i$  is the product of polynomials dividing  $f$  exactly  $i$  times.

**Prop.**  $\text{sqfp}(f) = g_1 g_2 \cdots g_m$ .

**Lemma.** If  $g = g_1 g_2 \cdots g_m$  and  $h = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i g'_i g / g_i$  for some  $c_i \in \mathbb{F}$ , then for all  $c \in \mathbb{F}$

$$\gcd(g, h - cg') = \prod_{c_j=c} g_j.$$

*Proof:*

$$g' = \sum_{i=1}^m g'_i \frac{g}{g_i} \Rightarrow h - cg' = \sum_{i=1}^m (c_i - c) g'_i \frac{g}{g_i}.$$

For  $i \neq j$ ,  $g_j$  divides each summand,  $\gcd(g_j, g'_j) = \gcd(g_j, g/g_j) = 1$ .

$$\gcd(g_j, h - cg') = \gcd(g_j, (c_j - c) g'_j \frac{g}{g_j}) = \gcd(g_j, c_j - c). \quad \square$$

## Yun's algorithm

1.  $u := \gcd(f, f')$ ;  $v_1 := f/u$ ;  $w_1 := f'/u$ .

2.  $i := 1$ ;

**repeat**

$$h_i := \gcd(v_i, w_i - v'_i); \quad v_{i+1} := v_i/h_i; \quad w_{i+1} := (w_i - v'_i)/h_i; \\ i := i + 1;$$

**until**  $v_i = 1$ ;

**RETURN**  $((h_1, 1), (h_2, 2), \dots, (h_{i-1}, i-1))$  (some  $h_i$  can be 1).

*Justification:* when  $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) = 0$

$$u = g_2 g_3^2 \cdots g_m^{m-1} = \prod_i f_i^{e_i-1}, \quad v_1 = \prod_i f_i = \prod_j g_j, \quad g_j = \prod_{e_i=j} f_i,$$

$$w_1 = \frac{f'}{u} = \frac{1}{u} \sum_i e_i f'_i \frac{f}{f_i} = \sum_i e_i f'_i \frac{v_1}{f_i} = \sum_{0 < j \leq m} j g'_j \frac{v_1}{g_j}.$$

$$h_i = g_i, \quad v_{i+1} = \prod_{i < j \leq m} g_j, \quad w_{i+1} = \sum_{i < j \leq m} (j-i) g'_j \frac{v_{i+1}}{g_j}.$$

**Cost:**  $O(M(n) \log n)$ .

## The case of finite fields (1/2)

**Prop.**  $\forall f \in \mathbb{F}_q[X], f' = 0 \iff f = g^p$  in  $\mathbb{F}_q[X]$ .

**SquarefreePart( $f$ )**

**1st case:**  $f' = 0$ ; write  $f = g^p$  and return  $\text{sqfp}(g)$ .

**2nd case:**  $f = g^p h$  where  $h \in \mathbb{F}[X]$ ,  $h' \neq 0$ .

In other words,  $h = \prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i^{e_i}$ .

$f' = g^p h'$  and  $u = \gcd(f, f') = g^p \gcd(h, h') = g^p \prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i^{e_i-1}$ .

$v = f/u = h/\gcd(h, h') = \prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i$

$w = \gcd(u, v^n) = \gcd(g^p \prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i^{e_i-1}, \prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i^n) = \prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i^{e_i-1}$ .

$u/w = \prod_{p \mid e_i} f_i^{e_i} = (\prod_{p \mid e_i} f_i^{e_i/p})^p = F_2^p$ .

**Cost:**  $O(M(n) \log n)$  operations in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

Recursively:  $\text{sqfp}(f) = v \times \text{sqfp}(F_2)$ .

**Total cost:**  $O(M(n) \log n + n \log(q/p))$ .

## Numerical example

$f = ab^2c^2d^6e^8$  in  $\mathbb{F}_2[X]$  for irreducible  $a, b, c, d, e$ .

$$f' = a'(b^2c^2d^6e^8)$$

$$u_1 = \gcd(f, f') = (1)(b^2c^2d^6e^8), v_1 = a,$$

$$w_1 = \gcd(u_1, v_1^n) = 1, u_1/w_1 = (bcd^3e^4)^2 = F_2^2;$$

$$u_2 = \gcd(F_2, F'_2) = (d^2)(e^4), v_2 = bcd, w_2 = d^2,$$

$$u_2/w_2 = (e^2)^2 = F_3^2;$$

$$u_3 = \gcd(F_3, F'_3) = e^2, v_3 = 1, w_3 = 1, u_3/w_3 = (e)^2 = F_4^2;$$

$$u_4 = 1, v_4 = e, w_4 = 1, u_4/w_4 = 1.$$

$$\text{sqfp}(f) = v_1v_2v_3v_4 = (a)(bcd)(1)(e).$$

## Squarefree decomposition (1/2)

When  $p = \text{char}(\mathbb{F})$  and  $m < p$ , Yun's algorithm gives the right answer.

**Prop.** Yun's algorithm computes  $h_i = \prod_{j \equiv i \pmod{p}} g_j$  for  $1 \leq i < p$  and  $h_i = 1$  for  $i \geq p$ . (Note that some  $h_i$  can also be = 1.)

**Coro.** Yun's algorithm is enough for  $m < p$ .

$$\text{Proof: } f' = g^p h', h = \prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i^{e_i};$$

$$u = \gcd(f, f') = g^p (\prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i^{e_i-1}), v_1 = f/u = \prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i,$$

$$w_1 = f'/u = \frac{h'}{\prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i^{e_i-1}} = \frac{1}{\prod_{p \nmid e_i} f_i^{e_i-1}} \sum_{p \nmid e_i} e_i f_i' \frac{h}{f_i} = \sum_{p \nmid e_i} e_i f_i' \frac{v_1}{f_i}.$$

Using the Lemma

$$h_1 = \gcd(v_1, w_1 - v_1') = \prod_{e_i=1 \pmod{p}} f_i, \quad v_2 = v_1/h_1 = \prod_{e_i \pmod{p} \notin \{0,1\}} f_i.$$

## Squarefree decomposition (2/2)

**Key remark:**  $f h_1^{-1} h_2^{-2} \cdots h_{p-1}^{-p+1} = z^p$ . (*Proof:*  $h_j = \prod_{e_i \equiv j \pmod{p}} f_i$ .)

**Refining:** we have to split the  $h_i$ 's depending on  $e_j$  and not only on  $e_j \equiv i \pmod{p}$ .

Suppose we have  $h_i$  and  $\sigma = SQF(z) = ((z_1, \varepsilon_1), \dots, (z_n, \varepsilon_n))$ .

If  $f_j \mid h_i$  and  $j > p$ , then  $f_j$  divides exactly one factor in  $\sigma$ .

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 $S := \emptyset$ 
for  $i := 1$  to  $p-1$  s.t.  $h_i \neq 1$  do
  for  $j := 1$  to  $n$  do
     $g := \gcd(h_i, z_j)$ 
    if  $g \neq 1$  then
       $h_i := h_i/g; z_j := z_j/g;$ 
       $S := S \cup (g, i + p\varepsilon_j);$ 
      if  $h_i = 1$  then break;
    if  $h_i \neq 1$  then  $S := S \cup (h_i, i);$ 
   $S := S \cup (z_j, p \times \varepsilon_j)$  for the  $z_j \neq 1$ .
return sort( $S$ ).
  
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## B) Distinct degree factorization (DDF)

**Input:** squarefree monic  $f(X)$  of degree  $n > 0$ .

**Output:**  $f(X) = (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_s)$  of  $f$ .

$$h_0 := X; f_0 := f; i := 0;$$

**repeat**

$$i := i + 1;$$

$$h_i := h_{i-1}^q \bmod f_{i-1};$$

$$g_i := \gcd(h_i - X, f_{i-1}), \quad f_i := f_{i-1}/g_i;$$

**until**  $f_i = 1$ ;

**RETURN**  $(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_s)$ .

**Analysis:**  $O(sM(n) \log(nq))$  operations in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

**Rem.** stop as soon as  $\deg(f_i) < 2(i+1)$ .

**Rem.** use the artillery presented before to compute  $h_{i-1}^q \bmod f_{i-1}$ .

## C) Equal degree factorization (EDF): $q$ odd

**Hyp.**  $f = f_1 f_2 \cdots f_r$  with  $f_i$  irreducible of degree  $d$ ,  $f_i \neq f_j$ .

$$R = \mathbb{F}_q[X]/(f) \simeq \mathbb{F}_q[X]/(f_1) \times \mathbb{F}_q[X]/(f_2) \times \cdots \times \mathbb{F}_q[X]/(f_r)$$

$$= R_1 \times R_2 \times \cdots \times R_r, \text{ with each } R_i \simeq \mathbb{F}_{q^d}.$$

**Idea:** For  $a \in \mathbb{F}_q[X]$ , put  $\chi(a) = (\chi_1(a), \dots, \chi_r(a))$  with  $\chi_i(a) = a \bmod f_i$ . One has  $f_i \mid a$  iff  $\chi_i(a) = 0$ . If not all of the  $\chi_i(a)$  are non-zero, then  $\gcd(a, f)$  will be non-trivial.

**Lem.**  $S$  group of non-zero squares in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , is a multiplicative subgroup of  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of order  $(q - 1)/2$ ;  $a \in S$  iff  $a^{(q-1)/2} = 1$ .

**Algorithm:** compute  $b = a^{(q-1)/2} \bmod f$  for random  $a$  and compute  $\gcd(b - 1, f)$ . It will split  $f$  with probability  $\geq 1 - (1/2)^{r-1}$ .

**Analysis:** to find  $r$  factors, needs  $O((\log r)(d \log q + \log n)\mathbf{M}(n))$ .

## Equal degree factorization (EDF): $q$ even

$q = 2^k$ ; all  $f_i$  are irreducible of degree  $d$ .

Let

$$T_m(X) = X^{2^{m-1}} + X^{2^{m-2}} + \cdots + X^4 + X^2 + X.$$

(a)  $T_m$  is  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -linear and  $T_m(\alpha) \in \mathbb{F}_2$  for all  $\alpha$ .

(b)  $X^{2^m} - X = T_m(X)(T_m(X) - 1)$ . Hence  $T_m(\alpha) = 0$  or 1 with probability  $1/2$ .

(c)  $\chi_i(T_{kd}(\alpha)) \in \mathbb{F}_2$  for all  $\alpha \in R$ . Hence  $T_{kd}(\alpha) \in \mathbb{F}_2$  with proba  $2^{1-r} \leq 1/2$ .

**Algorithm:** compute  $b = T_{kd}(a) \bmod f$  for random  $a$  until  $\gcd(b, f)$  splits  $f$ .

## Factoring polynomials over finite fields

- a problem rather well understood; many more algorithms available (Berlekamp, Shoup's improvements, von zur Gathen, etc.);
- if field is small, brute force is possible;
- still some work to be done for large  $p$ ;
- useful for computing discrete logarithms.