

Math 4400

$$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

§1: Induction

A very useful tool in mathematics! It has a few guises.

- "Weak induction": ~~let~~ for each natural number n , let $P(n)$ be a proposition (ie sentence) depending on n . If
 - $P(0)$ is true, and
 - For all k in \mathbb{N} , if $P(k)$ is true then so is $P(k+1)$,

Then $P(n)$ is true for all natural $\#s$ n .

Think: dominoes! If each domino knocks down the next, and if I knock down the first domino, then all the dominoes will be knocked down.

E.g. ^{forall n} The sum of the first n odd numbers is n^2 .
 I.e. $\sum_{j=1}^n (2j-1) = n^2$
 $1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + 2n-1$

Proof: Let's use induction! Here

the proposition that we want to show is true for all n is:

$$P(n) = \sum_{j=1}^n (2j-1) = n^2 \quad \text{"base case"}$$

start w/ 1?

$$P(0) = \sum_{j=1}^0 (2j-1) = \text{empty sum} = 0 \quad \text{"induction step"}$$

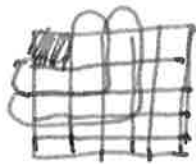
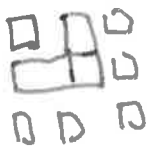
Now, suppose $P(k)$ is true for some natural number k . We need to show (NTS) $P(k+1)$ holds.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Well } \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} (2j-1) &= \sum_{j=1}^k (2j-1) + 2(k+1) - 1 \\
 &\stackrel{P(k)}{=} k^2 + 2(k+1) - 1 \\
 &= k^2 + 2k + 2 - 1 = k^2 + 2k + 1 \\
 &= (k+1)^2 \quad \checkmark \quad \blacksquare
 \end{aligned}$$

Qs?

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Alternate "proof" / intuition



Your turn! Show $n < 2^n$ for all natural #s n .

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Pf: induction step: $n+1 < 2^n + 1 \leq 2^n + 2^n$
 $= 2 \cdot 2^n = 2^{n+1}$

Note: diff base case like knocking down a diff domino at the start.

IE.: If $\forall a \in \mathbb{N}$, $P(a)$ true, and $P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1)$ for all $k \geq a$, then $P(n)$ true for all $n \geq a$.
(often induction starts @ 1 and not 0).

Strong induction

If $P(0)$ true, and $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$:

If $P(j)$ true for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$, $j \leq k$, then $P(k+1)$ true

Then $P(k)$ is true for all natural #s k .

By the way, here's some notation:
"∈" means "in"

"∀" means "for all"

"∃" means "there exists"

\mathbb{N} = natural #s = $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$, \mathbb{Z} = integers = $\{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

\mathbb{Q} = rational #s, eg $5/3, -2/7$

\mathbb{R} = real #s, eg $\sqrt{2}, \pi$

\mathbb{C} = complex #s, eg $\pi + 2i$

If A and B are sets, then $A \cap B$ = intersection
 $A \cup B$ = union

$A \setminus B$ = set difference, or relative complement
= stuff in A and not B

Eg. $5/6 \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$, but $2 \notin \mathbb{Q} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$, since $2 \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Example of strong induction:

Postage problem: any amount of postage ≥ 12 ¢
can be made from 4¢ and 5¢ stamps
weird proof, see for later.

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Example: Nim!

Nim is a game. Start with two piles of stones:



Two players take turns taking whatever # of stones they like from one of the piles (have to take at least 1, though!)
 Last player to take a stone wins.

Prop If the two piles have same # of stones, player 2 can always win!

Pf Suppose # stones in piles = 1 ✓.

Suppose true for 1, ..., k stones.

NTS true for k+1 stones!

Suppose P1 ~~takes~~ takes j stones from a pile.

~~If $j = k+1$: ✓~~
~~If $j < k+1$: ✗~~

If $j = k+1$: ✓
 If $j < k+1$:

P2 takes same # stones from other pile.

Now both piles have same # stones. Induction hypothesis: ✓

deduct on # stones.

Weak

~~Strong~~ induction



example: Fibonacci #s: $F_1=1, F_2=1, F_n=F_{n-1}+F_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 3$. Sequence: 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ...

Then $\sum_{i=1}^n F_i = F_{n+2} - 1$ for all $n \geq 1$.

Pf: $n=1$: $1 = 2 - 1$ ✓

Induction step: Suppose it's true for $1, 2, \dots, k$.

NTS: it's true for $k+1$.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} F_i = \sum_{i=1}^k F_i + F_{k+1} = F_{k+2} - 1 + F_{k+1} = F_{k+3} - 1.$$

↑
 $P(k)$

Outline

- Well-ordering principle
- What's the axiom? Maybe prove weak induction using WOP.

↳ doesn't matter which we assume --

• WOP \Rightarrow WK Ind \Rightarrow Strong Ind \Rightarrow WOP.

• From now on: prove everything we use!

• Euclidean algo: sketch idea, then prove

↳ Divis algo.

Does it stop?

• Much of NT is divis. problems.

↳ One way: factor into primes. Hard! Basis of crypto.

• Define $a|b$, $a|b, a|c \Rightarrow a|b+rc$.

$\mathbb{Z}, \exists, \forall$

Question: how do we prove the principle of induction?

• Francesco Maurolico (1575): $\neg(\dots)$

• Giuseppe Peano (1888): it's an axiom!

• Zermelo / Fraenkel (1908): by definition of the natural #'s!

So basically, it's an axiom — one of our starting points.

Of course, there are lots of starting points one can choose. For instance:

Well-ordering principle: Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}$. If S is nonempty, then S has a smallest element.

Theorem TFAE:

- 1. Well ordering
- 2. Weak induction
- 3. Strong induction

I.e., if you choose any to be an axiom, you can prove the other two.

Proof I'll show $1 \Rightarrow 2$: Let $P(n)$ be a proposition for each n . Set $S = \{a \in \mathbb{N} \mid P(a) \text{ not true}\}$.

Suppose $P(0)$ true, and $\forall k$, if $P(k)$ then $P(k+1)$ WTS $P(n)$ true for all n	WTS $S = \emptyset$.
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Proof by contradiction: suppose, for contradiction, $S \neq \emptyset$. Then Well ordering $\Rightarrow S$ has a smallest element, say b . Then $b \neq 0$, so $b-1 \in \mathbb{N}$.

But $b-1 < b$, so $b-1 \notin S$

$\Leftrightarrow P(b-1)$ true

$\Rightarrow P(b)$ true. Contradiction.

$\Leftrightarrow b \notin S$ #

Euclidean algo (1.1)

Given two #s $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, what's their greatest common divisor?

\mathbb{Z} = integers = $\{ \dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots \}$.

Def let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, a divides b if there exists $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a \cdot c = b$.

Def Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a \neq 0$, $\gcd(a, b)$ = "greatest common divisor" = largest $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $c|a$ and $c|b$.

Note: $\gcd(a, b)$ always exists! You should always make sure definitions and is unique! make sense

Why does it exist? (Exercise - hw problem!)
↳ "show any finite set of integers has largest div"

So how can we compute gcd of two #s?

E.g. $657 \div 123$?
" " " "
 $3^2 \cdot 73$ $3 \cdot 41$

Can list factors of each, but that's hard!
(The basis of RSA encryption)

Alternate: use a lemma.

Lemma if $c|a$, $c|b \Rightarrow c|a+b$

Pf $\exists a_1, b_1: ca_1 = a, cb_1 = b \Rightarrow c(a_1 + b_1) = a + b$ ✓

Note if $c|b$, then $c|-b$.

So if $c|a, c|b$, then $c|a, c|b \Rightarrow c|a-b$ by lemma.

Also, if $c|a, c|b-a$, then $c|b$.

We have shown:

* Lemma $(c|a \text{ and } c|b) \iff (c|a \text{ and } c|b-a)$

So {divisors of 657 and 123}

= {divisors of $657 - 123 \div 123$ }

$$\gcd(657, 123) = \gcd(534, 123) = \gcd(42, 123)$$

" $534 - 4 \cdot 123$

$$= \gcd(42, 39) = \gcd(3, 39) = 3.$$

This process is called the Euclidean algo.

Let's prove it works! First, we need to formalize the notion of "subtract b from a until you get something smaller than b "

Thm (Division algo) Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, a > 0$.

Then $\exists! q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $b = qa + r$ and $0 \leq r < a$

Proof First existence, then uniqueness

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Let $A = \{b - u \cdot a \mid u \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. Claim: $A \cap \mathbb{N} \neq \emptyset$.

PF of claim: • if $b \geq 0$, choose $u = -1$. Then

$$b - ua = b + a \geq 0, \text{ so } b + a \in A \cap \mathbb{N}.$$

• If $b < 0$, choose $u = b$. Then $b - ua = b(1 - a) \geq 0$.

By WOP, $A \cap \mathbb{N}$ has min element, say $r = b - u_0 a$

$$\text{Then } b = u_0 a + r, \quad 0 \leq r.$$

Claim $r < a$. Suppose $r \geq a$. Then

$$r - a = b - (u_0 + 1)a \in A \cap \mathbb{N} \text{ is smaller than } r!$$

Uniqueness

$$\text{Suppose } b = qa + r = q'a + r' \text{ with } 0 \leq r, r' < a.$$

$$\text{WTS } q = q' \quad \therefore r = r'.$$

If $q < q'$: then $q' \geq q + 1$.

$$\rightarrow r' = b - q'a \leq b - (q+1)a = r - a < 0.$$

Similarly, if $q > q'$: $r < 0$

$$r = b - qa \leq b - (q'+1)a = r' - a < 0.$$



Euclidean algo (b,a)

Input $a, b \in \mathbb{N}; b \geq a > 0$
Output: $\gcd(b,a)$
 Write $b = qa + r$ using divis algo.
 If $r=0$: return a
 Else: return $\text{Euclid Algo}(a,r)$

Thm It terminates and gives correct answer

Pf Induction on a . Base case: $a=1$. ✓

Induction step: $\gcd(b,a) = \gcd(a,r)$ by lemma.

More concretely:

$$b = q_1 a + r_1$$

$$a = q_2 r_1 + r_2$$

$$r_1 = q_3 r_2 + r_3$$

$$\vdots$$

$$r_{n-1} = q_{n+1} r_n \rightsquigarrow r_n = \gcd.$$

Exercise use Euclid algo to find
 $\gcd(204, 595)$
 $\gcd(105, 270)$

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Induction: if $\text{cont. Frae Laminates}$,
then rational .
if $p/q = -a_n$, p/a_i some i

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- Outline: • Euclidean algo ex.
- continued fracs (of rat'l's) of quadratics)
- continued frac of irrational #s.
- Groupwork (?) cont free \iff quadratic
periodic
- Diophantine eqns? Pythag triples ??

- Last time: euclidean algo for finding $\text{gcd}(a,b)$
concretely, we do divis algo a bunch:

$$a = q_1 b + r_1, \quad b = q_2 r_1 + r_2, \quad r_1 = q_3 r_2 + r_3, \dots,$$

$$r_{n-1} = q_{n+1} r_n$$

$$r_n = \text{gcd}(a,b).$$

E.g. $\text{gcd}(84, 116) = ?$

$$116 = 1 \cdot 84 + 32,$$

$$84 = 2 \cdot 32 + 20$$

$$32 = 1 \cdot 20 + 12$$

$$20 = 1 \cdot 12 + 8$$

$$12 = 1 \cdot 8 + 4$$

$$8 = 2 \cdot \boxed{4}$$

$\text{gcd}(206, 5280)$

$$5280 = 25 \cdot 206 + 130$$

$$206 = 1 \cdot 130 + 76$$

$$130 = 1 \cdot 76 + 54$$

$$76 = 1 \cdot 54 + 22$$

$$54 = 2 \cdot 22 + 10$$

$$22 = 2 \cdot 10 + 2$$

$$10 = 5 \cdot \boxed{2}$$

Def "a and b are rel. prime" if $\text{gcd}(a,b) = 1$.

Eg $\gcd(265, 98) = 1$:

$$265 = 2 \cdot 98 + 67, \quad 98 = 1 \cdot 67 + 31, \quad 67 = 2 \cdot 31 + 5,$$

$$31 = 6 \cdot 5 + 1, \quad 5 = 5 \cdot 1$$

↳ keep!

Let's talk about rational approximations!

What's a good rational approx for π ?

$$\pi = 3.14159265\dots$$

"3" is a good start!

$$\pi = 3 + 0.14159265\dots = 3 + \text{"a bit"}$$

$$= 3 + \frac{1}{1/0.14159\dots} = 3 + \frac{1}{7.0625\dots}$$

repeat!

$$= 3 + \frac{1}{7 + \frac{1}{16.625\dots}} = 3 + \frac{1}{7 + \frac{1}{15.999\dots}} = 3 + \frac{1}{7 + \frac{1}{15 + \frac{1}{14\dots}}}$$

↳ "continued fraction expansion" of π

Better notation: $\pi = [3; 7, 15, 1, \dots]$

"convergents" are rational #'s you get by

stopping early, e.g.

$$3 + \frac{1}{7} = \frac{22}{7}, \quad 3 + \frac{1}{7 + \frac{1}{15}} = \frac{333}{106}, \quad 3 + \frac{1}{7 + \frac{1}{15 + \frac{1}{14}}} = \frac{355}{113}$$

$$= \underbrace{3.1429\dots} \quad = \underbrace{3.141509\dots} \quad = \underbrace{3.1415929\dots}$$

Next step: $[3; 7, 15, 1, 292] = \frac{103993}{33102} = \underbrace{3.14159265301}$
 get 3 more digits instead of 2! b.c. 292 is "big"

What if we did this to a # that's already rational?

Eg. $\frac{265}{98} = 2 + 0.704... = 2 + \frac{1}{1.40...}$

$= 2 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2.01...}} = \left[2 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{6 + \frac{1}{5}}}} \right]$

these are the g_i appearing in the euclidean algo!

Why?

$265 = 2 \cdot 98 + 67 \rightarrow \frac{265}{98} = 2 + \frac{67}{98} = 2 + \frac{1}{98/67}$
 $98 = 1 \cdot 67 + 31 \rightarrow \frac{98}{67} = 1 + \frac{31}{67}$

So $\frac{265}{98} = 2 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{6 + \frac{1}{5}}}}$...

Thm If Euclidean algo is

$a = g_1 b + r_1, b = g_2 r_1 + r_2, \dots, r_{n-1} = g_{n+1} r_n,$

then $\frac{a}{b} = [g_1; g_2, \dots, g_{n+1}] \rightarrow$ (note: $g_i \neq 0$ if $i \geq 2$)
 $b > r_1 > r_2 > \dots > r_n$

Pf HW exercise (induction on $n = \text{length of euclid algo}$)

Corollary Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Continued fraction expansion of α terminates iff α is rational.

Pf If terminates, α is rational.

[If you like, induction on n : if $\alpha = [g_1]$ ✓.
induction: if $\alpha = [g_1; g_2, \dots, g_{n+1}]$
 $\alpha = g_1 + \frac{1}{(g_2 - 1)} = g_1 + \frac{1}{\text{rat'l}} = \text{rat'l.}$]

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if rational, then terminates: $d = \frac{a}{b}$. Then Euclidean algo ^{on a/b} terminates. Use theorem above. ■

Continued fracs of irrational #'s

Continued fraction of $\sqrt{2}$: $[1; 2, 2, 2, \dots]$

$\sqrt{3}$: $[1; 1, 2, 1, 2, \dots]$

$[a_1; a_2, \dots, a_i=0, \dots]$

$\sqrt{4}$: $[2]$

$= [a_1; a_2, \dots, a_{i-1}+a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots]$

$\sqrt{5}$: $[2; 4, 4, 4, \dots]$

By the way, are continued frac. expansions unique? Certainly not, if they're finite:

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{1}}$$

What if they're infinite? (Yes)

(Do exercises on p. 16)

Aside #2: we said if a large # appears in continued frac expansion, cutting off there gives a good approx.

~ "hardest" # to approximate w/ a rational #

is $1 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{\dots}}}$

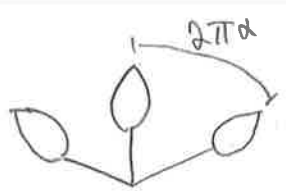
What is this #? Call it 'X'. Then ^{not - b.c. $x > 0$.}

$$X = 1 + \frac{1}{X} \rightsquigarrow X^2 - X - 1 = 0 \rightsquigarrow X = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\frac{x}{1} = \frac{x+1}{x} \rightsquigarrow x \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{l} 1+x \\ \hline x \quad 1 \end{array} \quad x = \text{golden ratio!}$$

if $\frac{a+b}{a} = \frac{a}{b}$, then $\frac{a}{b} = \varphi$

This is why φ appears in nature:



Plant growing, trying to maximize sunlight on each leaf.

if $\alpha = \text{rational} = \frac{a}{b}$, b^{th} leaf is on top of 1st leaf!

To optimize sunlight, need α to be far from rational \rightsquigarrow use $\alpha = \varphi$.

Thm Continued fractions give best rational approximation:

If $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, $\frac{p}{q} = i^{\text{th}}$ convergent of α , and $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $0 < b \leq q$
 then $|\alpha - \frac{p}{q}| \leq |\alpha - \frac{a}{b}|$, equality iff $\frac{p}{q} = \frac{a}{b}$

Pf: Maybe later

Group work: prove $\sqrt{2} = [1; 2, 2, \dots]$

Compute: $[a; b, b, \dots]$

Answer: $\frac{2a-b}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{b^2-4}}{2}$

Diophantine equations

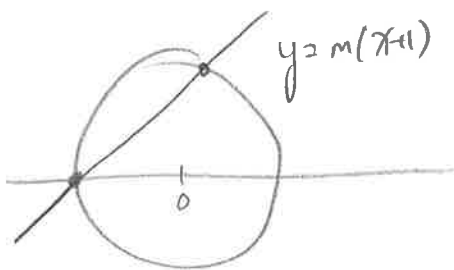
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Given a polynomial w/ integer coefficients, does it have any integer/rational roots? What are they?

Eg. $x^2 - 2$: no! (using continued fractions!)

Perhaps the oldest one: $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$

Answers: Find rat'l solns to $x^2 + y^2 = 1$.



$$y = m(x+1),$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

$$x^2 + m^2(x+1)^2 = 1$$

$$(m^2+1)x^2 + 2m^2x + (m^2-1) = 0$$

divide by $(x+1)$: $(m^2+1)x + (m^2-1)$

$$\leadsto (x, y) = \left(\frac{1-m^2}{1+m^2}, \frac{2m}{1+m^2} \right) \quad m \in \mathbb{Q},$$

$$= \left(\frac{u^2 - v^2}{u^2 + v^2}, \frac{2uv}{u^2 + v^2} \right) \quad u, v \in \mathbb{Z},$$

$m = \frac{v}{u}$, simplify

- Continued fracs give best ratl approx (p.16)
Hardest # to approximate w/ a ratl is φ . (p.15)
- Diophantine eqns: pythagorean triples.
Simplest ones: linear diophantine equations!

eg $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, x a variable. When does $ax = b$ have an integer solution? What is it?

Next simplest: $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, x and y variables.

When does $ax + by = c$ have a solution?

Well, if $d|a$ and $d|b$, then definitely we need $d|c$.

E.g $9x + 6y = 5$ has no integer solutions.

What about the other way?

$9x + 6y = 3$ has a solution ($x=1, y=-1$).

Lemma (Bezout's lemma)

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a, b \neq 0$. Then $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ax + by = \gcd(a, b)$

E.g. $\gcd(27, 20) = 1$, so $27x + 20y = 1$
has a solution.

$$27 = 1 \cdot 20 + 7, \quad 20 = 2 \cdot 7 + 6, \quad 7 = 1 \cdot 6 + 1$$

$$\leadsto 7 - 6 = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 3 \cdot \underbrace{7}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 27-20}} - 20 = 1$$

$$\leadsto 3(27-20) - 20 = 1 \quad \leadsto 3 \cdot 27 - 4 \cdot 20 = 1.$$

$(x, y) = (3, -4)$ is our solution.

Pf (Bezout's lemma).

(ing) Induction on $n = \min(a, b)$.

Base case: $\min(a, b) = 1$. Then wlog $a = 1$,
 $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, and $c = 1, d = 0$ works ✓

Induction step: Suppose lemma is true whenever
 $\min(a, b) \leq n$, and suppose $\min(a, b) = n + 1$.

wlog, $a = n + 1$. Then apply divis algo:

$$b = qa + r, \quad 0 \leq r < a. \quad \text{If } r = 0,$$

then $\gcd(a, b) = a$ and $(x, y) = (1, 0)$ works,

Else, by induction, $\exists x', y': \quad ax' + ry' = \gcd(x, r).$

$$\Rightarrow ax' + ry' = \gcd(a, r) = \gcd(a, b - ga) = \gcd(a, b)$$

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$$\Rightarrow ax' + (b - ga)y' = \gcd(a, b) \Rightarrow a(x' - gy') + by' = \gcd(a, b)$$

Savin, p. 11: relationship to continued frac's.

Corollary: if $c|a$, $c|b$, then $c|\gcd(a, b)$. HW.

Pf $\exists xy$: $ax + by = \gcd(a, b)$. c divides left-hand side.

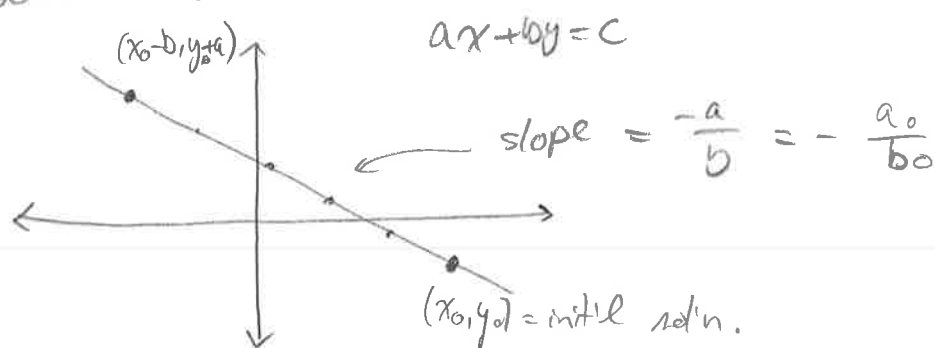
Cor. $ax + by = c$ has an integer solution iff $\gcd(a, b) | c$.
(Important!)

Pf. If $\gcd(a, b) | c$, then $\exists d$ st $d \cdot \gcd(a, b) = c$.

Also $\exists x_0, y_0$: $ax_0 + by_0 = \gcd(a, b)$. Multiply each side by d ; (dx_0, dy_0) is an integer solution to $ax + by = c$.

Other way: if $ax + by = c$ has sol'n, then $\gcd(a, b)$ divides left side, so it divides c .

- We've figured out when the linear diophantine has a solution, Now we ask, what are all the solutions? (20)



Thm If (x_0, y_0) a solution to $ax + by = c$, where $c = \text{gcd}(a, b)$, then every other solution is of the form $x = x_0 + k \frac{b}{c}$, $y = y_0 - k \frac{a}{c}$.

Pf Let (x_1, y_1) be another sol'n.

$$\begin{aligned} ax_0 + by_0 &= c & ax_1y_1 + by_1y_1 &= cy_1, & ax_0x_1 + by_0x_1 &= cx_1 \\ ax_1 + by_1 &= c & ax_1y_0 + by_1y_0 &= cy_0, & ax_1x_0 + by_1x_0 &= cx_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow a(x_0y_1 - x_1y_0) = c(y_1 - y_0), \quad b(y_0x_1 - y_1x_0) = c(x_1 - x_0)$$

set $k = -x_0y_1 + x_1y_0$. Then

$$-ak = c(y_1 - y_0), \quad bk = c(x_1 - x_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = y_0 - \frac{a}{c}k, \quad x_1 = x_0 + \frac{b}{c}k.$$

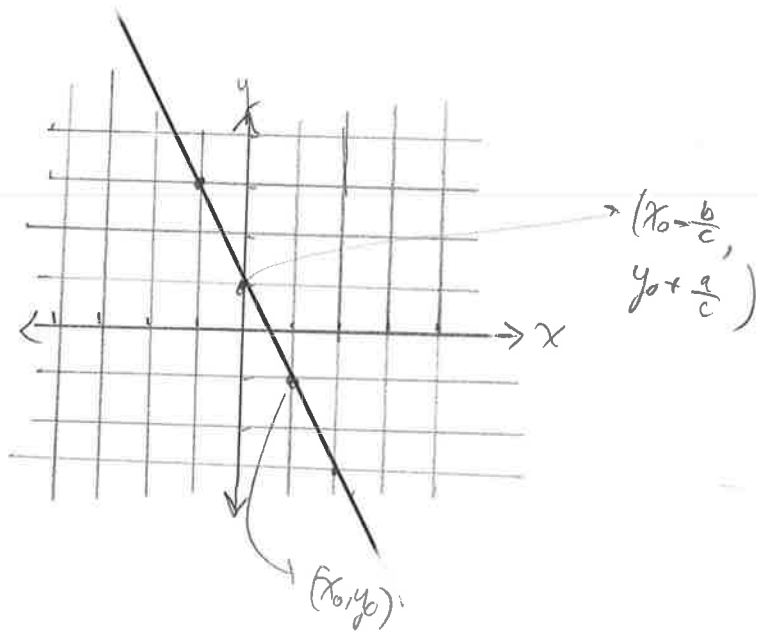
Geometric intuition

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Solutions to $ax+by=c$ give a line in \mathbb{R}^2 .

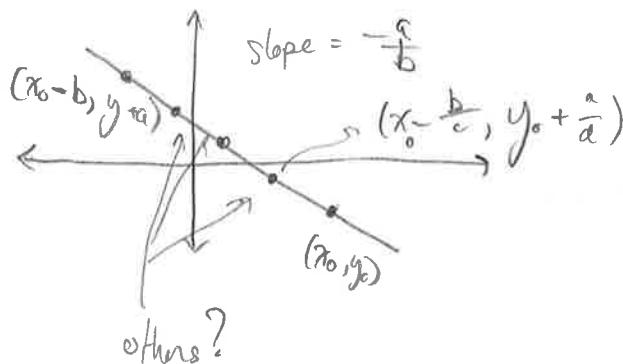
We want to know which ones happen to lie in \mathbb{Z}^2 .

E.g. $4x+2y=2$:



More generally

$ax+by=c = \text{gcd}(a,b)$.



Write slope $-\frac{a}{b}$ in lowest terms

$\Rightarrow -\frac{a/c}{b/c}$

Uniqueness of factorization!

Def Let $p > 1$ be an integer. We say p is prime if $\forall a \in \mathbb{N} : a|p \Rightarrow (a=1 \text{ or } a=p)$

First thing to know about primes: they are the "building blocks" or "atoms" of the integers.

Theorem Every positive integer can be factored uniquely, up to ordering of the factors, into primes (1 := empty product)

I.e. $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n > 0, \exists p_1, \dots, p_r : n = p_1 \cdots p_r$. If

g_1, \dots, g_s are also primes with $n = g_1 \cdots g_s$,

then $r=s$, and we can rearrange the g 's so

that $p_1 = g_1, \dots, p_r = g_r$.

(Not an obvious fact! See Silverman's notes about "E-zone")

First we need a lemma:

Lemma Let $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ be prime, $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $p|ab$ then $p|a$ or $p|b$.

Proof If $p|a$ we're done. So suppose $p \nmid a$.

Then, since p prime, $\gcd(a, p) = 1$.

By Bezout, $\exists c, d \in \mathbb{Z} : ac + pd = 1$

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$$\Rightarrow abc + pdc = b \Rightarrow p|b$$

Proof of theorem

Let's show existence first.

~~Suppose \exists some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ st. n can't be factored into primes.~~

Suppose existence part of thm is false. Then the set $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid n > 0, n \text{ can't be factored into primes}\}$ is not empty. Using well-ordering, let n be its minimal element.

Then n is not prime, so $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, $a \neq 1, n$ such that $ab = n$. Then $1 < a < n$, and $1 < b < n$, so we can write $a = p_1 \cdots p_r$ and $b = q_1 \cdots q_s$ for some primes p_1, \dots, p_r and q_1, \dots, q_s .

$$\Rightarrow n = p_1 \cdots p_r \cdot q_1 \cdots q_s. \quad \text{Contradiction!}$$

Uniqueness use lemma.

Oops, we actually need a corollary of the lemma:

Cor (of lemma) if $r \geq 2$, $a_1, \dots, a_r \in \mathbb{Z}$, and $p \mid a_1 \cdots a_r$,
then $p \mid a_i$ for some i

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PF Induction on r .

maybe discuss
the idea first.

Proof of Uniqueness: let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and let

$$S = \{s \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \text{ can be factored into } s \text{ primes}\}$$

S is nonempty, by existence, so it has a min'l element r .

Prove uniqueness by induction on r .

Base case $r=1$: $n = p_1 = g_1 \cdots g_s \Rightarrow$ each $g_i = 1$ or p_1
(p_1 prime)
 \Rightarrow each $g_i = p_1$ (g_i prime)
 $\Rightarrow s=1$, $g_1 = p_1$.

Induction step

$n = p_1 \cdots p_{k+1} = g_1 \cdots g_s$. Then p_{k+1} divides some

g_i . WLOG p_{k+1} divides g_s (reorder the g_i)

$\Rightarrow p_{k+1} = g_s$ (since g_s is prime $\therefore p_{k+1} \neq 1$).

$\Rightarrow p_1 \cdots p_k = g_1 \cdots g_{s-1}$

By induction, $\overset{k=s-1, \text{ and}}{\wedge}$ we can reorder the g 's st.

$$p_i = g_i, \dots, p_k = g_k$$

Theorem $\forall n > 0$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\exists r \geq 0$ and r primes $p_1, \dots, p_r \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.
 $n = p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_r$. Unique up to ordering.

Remark What about $n=1$? That's the empty product.

Pf Existence: well-ordering princ. (p.23)

Uniqueness: need our lemma: if p prime, and $p \mid a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n$, then $p \mid a_i$ for some i . (p.24)

Idea: $p_1 \cdot \dots \cdot p_r = q_1 \cdot \dots \cdot q_s$. Lemma $\Rightarrow p_i \mid q_j$ (wlog $i=1$)
 $\Rightarrow p_1 = q_1$

$\Rightarrow p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_r = q_2 \cdot \dots \cdot q_s$ Keep going!

Protip if the idea behind your pf is "keep doing this thing over & over, then you're secretly using induction." (Probably)

$P(k)$ = "if n can be written as a product of k primes, then it's unique (up to ordering)"

Number theorists love to talk about prime #s.

Lots of open Qs!

Goldbach: every even number > 2 is the sum of two primes. 250-year-old question!

Known up to 4×10^{18}

Helfgott '13: can do it w/ 4 primes.

Thm: Infinitely many primes

Pf (Euclid) Suppose fin. many, $p_1 \dots p_n$. By our theorem, $a = p_1 \dots p_n + 1$ has a prime factorization.

But! If $p_i | a$ for any i , then $p_i | a - p_1 \dots p_n \Rightarrow p_i | 1$. #.

(Alternatively, divis algo shows remainder after dividing by $p_i = 1$)

Def Let p_1, p_2 be prime #s. If $|p_2 - p_1| = 2$, then p_1, p_2 are called "twin primes".

E.g. $3 \text{ \& } 5, 5 \text{ \& } 7, 11 \text{ \& } 13, \dots$

Twin primes conjecture

There are infinitely many pairs of twin primes.

Zhang, '13: \exists inf. many pairs p_1, p_2 s.t. $|p_1 - p_2| < 7 \times 10^7$

Polymath project: $|p_1 - p_2| < 246$
(Maysand, Tao)

Aside $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

Pf Suppose $\sqrt{2} = \frac{a}{b}$. Then $a = p_1 \dots p_r, b = q_1 \dots q_s$

$\Rightarrow 2 \cdot q_1^2 \dots q_s^2 = p_1^2 \dots p_r^2$

But 2 appears odd # times on left and even # times on the right! contradicts uniqueness. \square

Congruences : Modular Arithmetic

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Let $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}$. We say "a is congruent to b modulo m"

if $m \mid (a-b)$.

Note $a \equiv 0 \pmod m \iff m \mid a$.

It's like doing math on a clock! Or a circle.

3 hours past 11 pm \Rightarrow 2 am ($3+11 \equiv 2 \pmod{12}$).

Basic facts if $a \equiv b \pmod m$, $b \equiv c \pmod m$, then $a \equiv c \pmod m$.

If $a \equiv c$, $b \equiv d$, then $a+b \equiv c+d$ and $a \cdot b \equiv c \cdot d$.

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Recalls: if $a, b, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, we say " $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ " if $n \mid a-b$.

E.g. $28 \equiv 2 \pmod{13}$, $2 \equiv -6 \pmod{8}$, $1000007 \equiv 7 \pmod{10}$.

Note if $a_1 \equiv a_2 \pmod{n}$ and $b_1 \equiv b_2 \pmod{n}$, then

$$a_1 + b_1 \equiv a_2 + b_2 \pmod{n} \quad \text{and} \quad a_1 \cdot b_1 \equiv a_2 \cdot b_2 \pmod{n}.$$

$$a \equiv 0 \pmod{n} \Leftrightarrow n \mid a.$$

Special case:
 $a \equiv b \Rightarrow a+c \equiv b+c$

$$a \equiv b, c \Rightarrow a \cdot c \equiv b \cdot c$$

We can do algebra!

Thus, when we're doing calculations "mod n ", we can simplify ~~the~~ the numbers first.

E.g. What's $16253 \cdot 8754 \pmod{10}$?

$$16253 \equiv 3 \pmod{10} \quad \text{and} \quad 8754 \equiv 4 \pmod{10},$$

$$\text{so } 16253 \cdot 8754 \equiv 3 \cdot 4 \equiv 12 \equiv 2 \pmod{10}$$

E.g. What's $(25)^{100} \pmod{12}$? $25 \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$,

$$\text{so } (25)^{100} \equiv 1^{100} \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$$

Note If $a = gn + r$, then $gn = a - r$, so $a \equiv r \pmod{n}$.

Thus, by divis alg, each integer is congruent to exactly one of $0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1 \pmod{n}$.

Note If $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, a odd, then $a \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$.

Prop an odd # + odd # = even #
odd # times odd # = odd #.

Pf if $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ both odd, then $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, $y \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$,

$$x+y \equiv 1+1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \Rightarrow x+y \text{ even}$$

$$x \cdot y \equiv 1 \cdot 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \Rightarrow x \cdot y \text{ odd.} \quad \square$$

Alternatively: $x = 2k + 1, y = 2l + 1,$
 $x + y = 2(k + l) + 2 = 2(k + l + 1) = \text{even}$
 $x \cdot y = 4kl + 2k + 2l + 1 = 2(2kl + k + l) + 1.$
 $= \text{odd}.$

But! This is a lot like the proof that $a_1 + b_1 \equiv a_2 + b_2$ if $a_1 \equiv a_2, b_1 \equiv b_2$. We did the messy calculation once, and now we never have to do it again! This is sort of the point of math—find general principles that give elegant proofs, and also connect seemingly disparate facts. General principles give context to and deeper understanding of the facts. Abstraction simplifies proofs and distills ideas.

Caution: you can't divide "mod n".

Eg. $2 \cdot 12 \equiv 2 \cdot 17 \pmod{10}$ but $12 \not\equiv 17 \pmod{10}$!

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 24 & & 34 \end{array}$$

In fact, sometimes $a \cdot b \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ when $a \not\equiv 0$ and $b \not\equiv 0 \pmod{n}$! Examples???

Can you think of other things that you can multiply but not divide? / Other things w/ this behavior?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This is, philosophically, "why" we can't

divide: $2 \cdot 17 \equiv 2 \cdot 12 \pmod{10} \Leftrightarrow 2 \cdot (17-12) \equiv 0 \pmod{10}$.

we can rewrite one fact as the other. but $2 \neq 0$ and $17-12 \neq 0$.

Solving equations mod n

- Solve $x+12 \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \Rightarrow x \equiv -7 \pmod{8}$
or $x \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$

same thing! When we ask to solve equations mod n, we mean "find incongruous solutions".

- Solve $4x \equiv 5 \pmod{19}$.
 Can't divide by 4! But notice: $5 \cdot 4x \equiv 5 \cdot 5 \pmod{19}$
 $\rightarrow 20x \equiv 25 \pmod{19} \rightsquigarrow 1 \cdot x \equiv 6 \pmod{19}$

- Solve $x^2 + 2x - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$

Try 7 options!

$0^2 + 0 - 1$	$\neq 0$
$1^2 + 2 - 1$	$\neq 0$
$2^2 + 4 - 1$	$\equiv 0 \quad \checkmark$
$3^2 + 2 \cdot 3 - 1$	$\equiv 2 + 6 - 1 \equiv 0 \quad \checkmark$

etc.

- Some equations don't have solutions, eg

$x^2 \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$

$x^2 \equiv 2$ does!!!

x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
x ²	0	1	4	2	2	4	1

Solving linear congruences $a, c, m \in \mathbb{Z}$.

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When does $ax \equiv c \pmod{m}$ have a solution?
What are they?

Try some examples:

$$10x \equiv 3 \pmod{11}, \quad (x \equiv 8)$$

$$5x \equiv 0 \pmod{10} \quad (x = 0, 2, 4, 6, 8)$$

$$5x \equiv 1 \pmod{10} \quad (\text{no solns!})$$

$$7x \equiv 1 \pmod{10} \quad (x \equiv 3)$$

$$8x \equiv 1 \pmod{10} \quad (\text{none})$$

$$9x \equiv 1 \pmod{10} \quad (x \equiv 9)$$

$$2x \equiv 7 \pmod{20} \quad (\text{none!})$$

Weird behavior if $\gcd(a, m) \neq 1$!

Note: $ax \equiv c \pmod{m} \Leftrightarrow \exists k: mk = ax - c$
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists k: ax - mk = c$

So a solution exists iff $\gcd(a, m) \mid c$, by Bezout!

The solutions are $x = x_0 + l \frac{\gcd(a, m)}{m}$, $l \in \mathbb{Z}$,

where x_0 is any initial solution.

E.g. Solve $128x = 2 \pmod{500}$.

Is it possible? Find $\gcd(128, 500)$:

~~$1148 = 2 \cdot 500 + 148$~~

$500 = 3 \cdot 128 + 122$

$128 = 1 \cdot 122 + 6$

$122 = 20 \cdot 6 + 2$

$6 = 3 \cdot 2$

$2 \mid 2$ so we're good.

Initial solution?

By prop, start by solving

$$128x = 2 \pmod{500}$$

Solve for 2 first.

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$$\begin{aligned} 122 - 20 \cdot 6 &= 2, & \text{so } x_0 &= -83 \text{ is our initial soln.} \\ 21 \cdot 122 - 20 \cdot 128 &= 2, & \text{or } x_0 &= 45 \\ 21 \cdot 506 - 83 \cdot 128 &= 2 & \Rightarrow x &= 45 + k \cdot \frac{506}{2} = 45 + k \cdot 253 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow x \equiv 45, 298, 551 = 45 + 506, \dots$ (only 2 incongruous solutions)

What if we wish to solve $128x = 4 \pmod{506}$?

Fact if (x_0, y_0) is a solution to $ax + by = c$, with $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$, then all others are $x_0 + k \frac{b}{\gcd(a, b)}$, $y_0 - k \frac{a}{\gcd(a, b)}$

PS Basically the same as before.

So we start with initial solution $x_0 = 90$, and get $x_0 = 90, x \equiv 90, 343$.

Later: prop abt all the solutions to $ax \equiv c \pmod{m}$.

Homework hint Show $9 \mid n$ iff sum of digits of n is divisible by 9.

Digits of n are a_0, a_1, \dots, a_d if $0 \leq a_i < 10 \forall i$, and

$$n = \sum_{i=0}^d a_i 10^i.$$

Last time: Fact: if $\gcd(a,b) \mid c$, and $ax_0 + by_0 = c$,
 then the set of (x,y) s.t. $ax + by = c$ is $\left\{ \left(x_0 + k \frac{b}{\gcd(a,b)}, y_0 - k \frac{a}{\gcd(a,b)} \right) \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$

Also, $ax \equiv c \pmod{n} \Leftrightarrow \exists l. ax + nl = c.$

So, $ax \equiv c \pmod{n}$ has solutions iff $\gcd(a,n) \mid c$, by Bezout, and they are $\left\{ x_0 + k \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)} \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$

Some of these are really the same mod n !

E.g. $x_0 \equiv x_0 + n \equiv x_0 + 2n \dots$

$$x_0 + 1 \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)} \equiv x_0 + (1 + \gcd(a,n)) \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)} \equiv x_0 + (1 + 2\gcd(a,n)) \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)}$$

$$x_0 + (\gcd(a,n) - 1) \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)} \equiv \dots$$

So there are at most $\gcd(a,n)$ -many distinct solutions mod n .

Prop There are exactly $\gcd(a,n)$ -many ^{incongruent} solutions mod n .

Pf It suffices to check: if $0 \leq r, s < \gcd(a,n)$

and $r \neq s$, then $x_0 + r \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)} \not\equiv x_0 + s \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)}$.

Suppose $x_0 + r \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)} \equiv x_0 + s \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)}$. WLOG: $r > s$.

$$\Rightarrow n \mid r \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)} - s \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)} \Rightarrow n \mid (r-s) \frac{n}{\gcd(a,n)}$$

But $0 < rs < \gcd(a, n)$, ~~$0 < (r-s) \frac{n}{\gcd(a, n)} < n$~~ , Contradiction!

(Easy lemma: if $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$, $n|m$, then $m=0$ or $m \geq n$)

Eg. Solve $128x \equiv 4 \pmod{506}$ (p. 31).

answer: $x \equiv 90, 343$.

Note if $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, $\exists x$: $ax \equiv 1 \pmod n$. Inverse of a !

~~Next let's solve $a^x \equiv b \pmod n$ for $a, b, n \in \mathbb{Z}$!~~
~~Well, that's too hard. Let's work~~

Let's think about $a^m \pmod n$ for various m :

eg.

a	a^2	a^3	a^4	a^5
0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1
2	0	0	0	0
3	1	3	1	3

mod 4

a	a^2	a^3	a^4	a^5
0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1
2	4	3	1	2
3	4	2	1	3
4	1	4	1	4

mod 5

Fermat's little theorem

Let p be prime, $a \not\equiv 0 \pmod p$. Then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod p$

First, a lemma

$1, 2, 3, \dots, (p-1) \pmod p$ is the same as $a, 2a, 3a, \dots, (p-1)a$ (in a different order). ← do example, mod 5.

Pf

Clearly $a, 2a, \dots, (p-1)a \not\equiv 0 \pmod p$, since $p \nmid a \Rightarrow p \nmid n$ or $p \nmid c$

Also, if $ra \equiv sa$, then $(r-s)a \equiv 0$.

Now problem $\Rightarrow p \mid r-s$, since $\gcd(a, p) = 1$

Now, if $0 < r < s < p$, then $px(r \rightarrow s)$

$\Rightarrow ra \neq sa$. So each element in $\{a, 2a, \dots, (p-1)a\}$ is congruent to a different nonzero $\# \pmod p$.

Proof of Fermat: $a \cdot 2a \cdot \dots \cdot (p-1)a \equiv 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (p-1) \pmod p$

" "

$a^{p-1} \cdot (p-1)!$ $(p-1)!$

Note: $px(p-1)!$ Since $pxn \forall n: 2 \leq n \leq p-1$.

Thus $\exists x$ s.t. $(p-1)! x \equiv 1 \pmod p$

$\Rightarrow a^{p-1} (p-1)! x \equiv (p-1)! x \pmod p$

" " " "

a^{p-1} 1

□

- $\gcd(a, n) = 1 \Leftrightarrow a$ is invertible mod n .
- define "equiv class mod n "
- Lemma for Fermat
- Fermat

Important remark

Let $a, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $ax \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ has a solution iff $\gcd(a, n) = 1$. It's unique! The solution, x_0 , is called the (multiplicative) inverse of a mod n .

To "divide by a ", just multiply by x_0 .

i.e. $ab \equiv c \pmod{n} \Rightarrow x_0 ab \equiv x_0 c \pmod{n} \Rightarrow b \equiv x_0 c \pmod{n}$.

and vice-versa.

Def let $a, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. The (equivalence) class of a mod n is the set of all integers congruent to a mod n . Denoted $[a]_n$ or $a + n\mathbb{Z}$.

$[a]$ if n is clear from context.

E.g. $[1]_{10} = \{ \dots, -9, 1, 11, 21, \dots \}$

$[2]_{10} = \{ \dots, -8, 2, 12, 22, \dots \}$

The set of all equivalence classes mod n is $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \{ [0], [1], \dots, [n-1] \}$.

Fermat's Little Theorem

Studying patterns of $a^m \pmod n$.

a	a^2	a^3	a^4	a^5
0				
1				
2				
3				

mod 4

a	a^2	a^3	a^4	a^5	a^6

mod 5

(see p.34)

Striking thing $a^4 \equiv 1 \pmod 5$ if $a \neq 0$,
 $a^5 \equiv a$ for all a .

Fermat's little theorem

Let $p = \text{prime}$, $a \neq 0 \pmod p$. Then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod p$.

Lemma $\{[a]_p, [2a]_p, \dots, [(p-1)a]_p\} = \{[1]_p, \dots, [p-1]_p\} = \{[1]_p, \dots, [p-1]_p\}$ ^{everything but 0.}
 ~~$\{[1]_p, \dots, [p-1]_p\}$~~

Pf. If $[na] = [0]$, then $p|na$. Since p is prime,
 i.e. $na = 0$,

$p|na \Rightarrow p|n$ or $p|a$. Since $\text{gcd}(p,a)=1$, $p|a$.

Thus, if $[na] = [0]$, must have $p|n$.

Contrapositive $\Rightarrow [a], [2a], \dots, [(p-1)a]$ are all nonzero.

Thus: it's enough to show $[ra] \neq [sa]$ if $0 < r < s < p$.
 (if $|S| < \infty$, $|T| < \infty$, $S \subseteq T$, and $|S| = |T|$, then $S = T$)

But if $ra \equiv sa$, then $(s-r)a \equiv 0$. Contradiction. ~~is~~
($0 < s-r < p$)

Proof of Fermat's little thm: see p. 35.

E.g. Solve $x^{43} + 3 \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$.

Note $x^6 \equiv 1$, so $x^{43} = x^{7 \cdot 6 + 1} = (x^6)^7 \cdot x \equiv x$.

$\Rightarrow x \equiv -3 \equiv 4$ is the solution.

E.g. 1234567 isn't prime:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 2^{1234566} \equiv 89957 \pmod{1234567} & & \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \text{easy for computers} & & \text{hard to factor.} \end{array}$$

Euler's formula

Let $a, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, n not necessarily prime. How can we solve $a^x \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$?

Note $n-1$ doesn't work: $3^7 \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$.

Note if $a^x \equiv 1$, then $(a^{x-1})a \equiv 1$, so a^{x-1} is the inverse of a . Thus $\gcd(a, n) = 1$.

This suggests we study #'s rel prime to n .

Def Euler's ϕ function: $\phi(n)$ = the number of integers a , $0 < a < n$, s.t. $\gcd(a, n) = 1$.

$$\phi(n) = \# \{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 0 < a < n, \gcd(a, n) = 1\}$$

↑ size of a set, "Cardinality"

Let's try to apply proof of Fermat's little theorem.

For that: we need a lemma: $\{a, 2a, \dots, (p-1)a\} = \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$.

Note what happens if we restrict our attn to #s rel. prime to n :

Eg. $n=10$. Relatively prime #s: 1, 3, 7, 9.
 $\Rightarrow \phi(n) = 4$.

Notice:

$1 \cdot 7$	$3 \cdot 7$	$7 \cdot 7$	$9 \cdot 7$
" \equiv "	" \equiv "	" \equiv "	" \equiv "
7	1	9	3

← same thing with 3.

$1 \cdot 3$	$3 \cdot 3$	$7 \cdot 3$	$9 \cdot 3$
" \equiv "	" \equiv "	" \equiv "	" \equiv "
3	9	1	7

Thus,

$$(1 \cdot 7)(3 \cdot 7)(7 \cdot 7)(9 \cdot 7) \equiv 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 9 \pmod{10}$$

$$7^4 \cdot (1 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 9)$$

But $\gcd(1 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 9, 10) = 1$, so we can cancel.
consider prime #s.

[$\gcd(a, b) = 1 \iff$ no primes divide both a and b .]

$$7^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$$

Euler's formula $\forall a, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, then

$$a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}.$$

Pf Same idea as Fermat.

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• If S is a set, $\#S$ or $|S|$ denotes size of S .

• Define ϕ .

Eg $\phi(1) = 1$, $\phi(p) = p-1$.

• Lemma if $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ and $\gcd(a, c) = 1$, then $\gcd(a, bc) = 1$.

Pf Let $d \in \mathbb{N}$, $d|a$, $d|bc$: $d|a \Rightarrow \{x \mid x|d \text{ and } x|b\} \subseteq \{x \mid x|a \text{ and } x|b\}$,
so $\gcd(d, b) = 1$. Similarly, $\gcd(d, c) = 1$.

Since $d|bc$, hw problem $\Rightarrow d|c \Rightarrow \gcd(d, c) = d$.

But $\gcd(d, c) = 1$, so $d = 1$.

• Proof of Euler's formula

Let $1 = b_1 < b_2 < b_3 < \dots < b_{\phi(n)} < n$ be all the nat. $\#S < n$ rel prime to n .

Claim $\{[b_1]_n, [b_2]_n, \dots, [b_{\phi(n)}]_n\} = \{[ab_1]_n, \dots, [ab_{\phi(n)}]_n\}$.

Note: \supseteq is easy. Why?

Ugh, we need another lemma...

Lemma if $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ and $a = gn + r$, then

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$$\gcd(a, n) = \gcd(n, r).$$

(Actually, we already know this from our Euclidean Algo lectures!)

Ok, so write $ab_i = gn + r$ using div's algo
Then $0 \leq r < n$ and $\gcd(r, n) = \gcd(ab_i, n) = 1$
(using lemma before proof).

Then $r = b_j$ for some j , and $ab_i \equiv r \pmod{n}$ ✓

Just like before, it now suffices to check $ab_i \not\equiv ab_j$ if $i \neq j$. So suppose $ab_i \equiv ab_j$.
Then $n \mid a(b_i - b_j)$, but $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, so $n \mid b_i - b_j$. wlog $i > j$

But $0 \leq |b_i - b_j| < n$, so $b_i - b_j = 0$ ✓

$$\Rightarrow ab_1 \dots ab_{\phi(n)} \equiv b_1 \dots b_{\phi(n)} \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{\phi(n)} \underbrace{b_1 \dots b_{\phi(n)}}_{\text{rel prime to } n} \equiv b_1 \dots b_{\phi(n)} \pmod{n}$$

rel prime to n , by our lemma.

$$\Rightarrow a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \quad \square$$

Ask: Can anyone guess what comes next?

Our next order of business: computing $\phi(n)$

Easy for primes: $\phi(p) = p-1$.

For powers of primes: $\gcd(a, p^k) = 1 \iff p \nmid a$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \phi(p^k) &= \#\{a \mid 1 \leq a \leq p^k\} - \#\{a \mid 1 \leq a \leq p^k, p \mid a\} \\ &= p^k - \#\{p, 2p, \dots, (p^{k-1})p, p^k = p^{k-1} \cdot p\} \\ &= p^k - p^{k-1} \end{aligned}$$

Other #s?

n	$\{a \mid \gcd(a, n) = 1\}$	$\phi(n)$	n	$\phi(n)$
6	{1, 5}	2	2	1
12	{1, 5, 7, 11}	4 = $\phi(4) \cdot \phi(3)$	4	2
14	{1, 3, 5, 9, 11, 13}	6 = $\phi(2) \cdot \phi(7)$	8	4
21	{1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 13, 16, 17, 19, 20}	12 = $\phi(3) \cdot \phi(7)$	7	6
			3	2

Notice $\phi(p^i q^j) = \phi(p^i) \phi(q^j)$

In fact: if $\gcd(m, n) = 1$, then $\phi(m)\phi(n) = \phi(mn)$.
(Prove later.)

How can we use this to compute $\phi(n)$?

First, factorize m : $M = p_1^{k_1} \dots p_n^{k_n}$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(m) = \phi(p_1^{k_1}) \dots \phi(p_n^{k_n}) = (p_1^{k_1} - p_1^{k_1-1}) \dots (p_n^{k_n} - p_n^{k_n-1})$$

Note: $(p^k - p^{k-1}) = p^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)$

Thus
$$\varphi(m) = p_1^{R_1} \cdots p_n^{R_n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_n}\right)$$

$$= m \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_n}\right)$$

Corr $\forall m > 0$,
$$\varphi(m) = m \cdot \prod_{\substack{p|m \\ \text{prime}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)$$

Eg.
$$\varphi(100) = \varphi(2^2 \cdot 5^2) = 100 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) = \frac{100 \cdot 4}{10} = 40.$$

To prove our formula, we need the Chinese Remainder theorem, which deals with systems of linear congruences.

Eg. Solve $x \equiv 8 \pmod{11}$ and $x \equiv 2 \pmod{9}$.

First eq $\Rightarrow x = 11y + 8$. So, solve $11y + 8 \equiv 2 \pmod{9}$.

$\leadsto 2y \equiv 3 \pmod{9}$. One solution is $y = 6$.

(use modular inverse, etc).

$\Rightarrow x = 11 \cdot 6 + 8 = 74$ works, (Verify!)

- We wanna show $\varphi(mn) = \varphi(m)\varphi(n)$ whenever $\gcd(m,n)=1$.
- First some facts: $\forall a,b,n$ if $a \equiv b \pmod n$, then $\gcd(a,n) = \gcd(b,n)$.
because $\gcd(a,n) = \gcd(a-nk,n) \forall k$.
- Also, $\forall a,m,n$ if $\gcd(a,n)=1$ and $\gcd(a,m)=1$, then $\gcd(a,mn)=1$.

Pf If $d|a$, $d|mn$, $d>1$, then \exists some prime number p st. $p|a$ and $p|mn$. Then $p|m$ or $p|n$.

First case: $\gcd(a,m) \geq p$. Contradiction.

- Theorem: if $m,n \in \mathbb{Z}$ w/ $\gcd(m,n)=1$, then $\varphi(m)\varphi(n) = \varphi(mn)$.

Proof Think about what $\varphi(mn)$ is counting:

$$\varphi(mn) = \#\{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq mn \text{ \& } \gcd(x,mn)=1\} = \#S$$

$$\varphi(m)\varphi(n) = \#\{(a,b) \mid \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq a \leq m, \gcd(a,m)=1 \\ 1 \leq b \leq n, \gcd(b,n)=1 \end{array}\} = \#T$$

We want to show these sets have the same size.

To do so, we need the Chinese Remainder Thm

CRT: $\forall a, b, m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ w/ $\gcd(m, n) = 1 \exists! x, 0 \leq x < mn$

Solving $x \equiv a \pmod m$
 $x \equiv b \pmod n$.

Prove later!

switch order

Define a function $f: S \rightarrow T, f(x) = (x \pmod m, x \pmod n)$

Want: $\forall y \in T \exists! x \in S: f(x) = y$ (i.e. f a bijection)

(One way to show two sets have the same size is to find a bijection)

CRT: for all $(a, b) \in T \exists! x \in \{1, 2, \dots, mn\}$ st.

$a \equiv x \pmod m, b \equiv x \pmod n$. So we just need to

show $\gcd(x, mn) = 1$.

But fact 1 $\Rightarrow \gcd(x, m) = \gcd(x, n) = 1$,

Fact 2 $\Rightarrow \gcd(x, mn) = 1$. □

CRT example: solve $x \equiv 8 \pmod{11}, x \equiv 5 \pmod{10}$.

well, $x = 8 + 11n \rightsquigarrow 8 + 11n \equiv 5 \pmod{10}$

$\Rightarrow 11n \equiv -3 \pmod{10}$ ($\exists!$ sol by rel. prime).

$\Rightarrow n \equiv -3 \pmod{10}$.

i.e. $n \equiv 7 \pmod{10}, x = 8 + 77 = 85$

check: $85 \equiv 8 \pmod{11}, 85 \equiv 5 \pmod{10}$,

Proof of CRT

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(There's a more slick proof in Savin's notes)

Setup: m, n rel primes, $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

Want to show $\exists! x: 0 \leq x < mn$ s.t.

$$x \equiv a \pmod{m}, \quad x \equiv b \pmod{n}.$$

First, we may assume $0 \leq a < m$, $0 \leq b < n$.

Well, since $\gcd(m, n) = 1$, $\exists! k, 0 \leq k < n$, s.t.

$$mk \equiv b - a \pmod{n}. \quad \text{Set } x = mk + a. \quad \text{Then}$$

$$x \equiv a \pmod{m}, \quad x \equiv b \pmod{n}, \quad \text{and}$$

$$0 \leq mk + a \leq m(n-1) + m - 1 = mn - 1 \quad \text{Existence } \checkmark$$

Uniqueness? If $0 \leq x_2 < mn$ and

$$x_2 \equiv a \pmod{m}, \quad x_2 \equiv b \pmod{n}, \quad \text{then}$$

$$x_2 = k_2 m + a, \text{ some } k_2, 0 \leq k_2 \leq n-1. \quad \text{Since } 0 \leq x_2 < mn$$

$$(\text{if } k_2 \leq -1, \quad x_2 \leq -m + a < 0).$$

$$\text{So } 0 \leq k_2 < n \quad \text{and} \quad k_2 m \equiv b - a \pmod{n}.$$

$$\Rightarrow k_2 = k \quad \text{and} \quad x_2 = x.$$

- Give my little spiel on "the point" of modular arithmetic from p. 29
- Whenever you want to say "n is either even or odd," replace it with "n is either $0 \pmod 2$ or $1 \pmod 2$ "
- Modular arithmetic is a generalization of the idea of even #'s vs. odd #'s.
- So proving $a^2 \neq 2 \pmod 5$ is a lot like proving "even \cdot odd = even"

Groups §2.1

Recall: if A and B are sets,

$$A \times B = \text{"cartesian product"} = \{(a,b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$$

Def Let S be a set. A binary operation on S is a function $S \times S \rightarrow S$.

E.g. addition is a binary op. on \mathbb{Z} :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z} \\ (a,b) & \longmapsto & a+b \end{array}$$

"infix notation"

we could just as well write $+(a,b)$, but that's awkward

E.g. $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{Z}$
 $(a,b) \longmapsto 3a+b$

E.g. $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) = \{ 2 \times 2 \text{ matrices w/ real entries} \}$,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Then } M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \times M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) & \xrightarrow{\bullet} & M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \\ (A, B) & \longmapsto & A \cdot B \end{array}$$

E.g. Subtraction is not a binary operation on \mathbb{N} , since $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ st. $a - b \notin \mathbb{N}$.

However, subtraction is a binary op on \mathbb{Z} .

Here's a new example:



this triangle is symmetric, right?
each altitude is a line of symmetry.

Also: rotations!

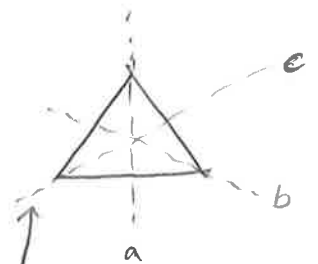
"Def": a symmetry of the triangle is a way to pick it up, move it around, and put it back down over itself.

"Rigid motions"

$D_6 = \text{set of symmetries of } \Delta$

$$= \{ I, R, T, a, b, c \}$$

\uparrow rotate 120° CW \uparrow rotate 240° CW \uparrow flip over "a" \uparrow flip over b \uparrow flip over c.



these lines live on the chalkboard, not on Δ .

Binary operation on D_G

$D_G \times D_G \rightarrow D_G, (a,b) \mapsto$ "do b, then a". Denoted $a \cdot b$, or just ab .

Eg. $a \cdot R = \triangle_{B}^A \mapsto {}_B \triangle_A^C \mapsto {}_A \triangle_B^C$
 $= b$

$R \cdot a = \triangle_B^A \mapsto {}_B \triangle_C^A \mapsto \triangle_A^B$
 $= c$

Do a worksheet!?

Ask each group to give a couple answers.

Def A group is a set, G , along w/ a binary op $G \times G \rightarrow G$, satisfying 3 properties ("axioms")

- Identity: $\exists e \in G$ s.t. $\forall g \in G, eg = g \cdot e = g$.
 e is called the identity element of G .
- Associativity: $\forall a, b, c \in G, (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$.
- Inverses: $\forall g \in G \exists h \in G : hg = gh = e$ h is inverse of g , denoted g^{-1} , usually.

Eg. $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is a group (ie set = \mathbb{Z} , bin op = $+$)

Pf We should check $+$ really is a bin op, and also the group axioms.

Eg. (continued)

- $+$ is a binary op ✓
- id: $0 + a = a + 0 = a$ for all $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ✓
- assoc: $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$ ✓
- inverses: $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, -a \in \mathbb{Z}$, and $-a + a = a + (-a) = 0$.

Eg. D_6 with \cdot operation is a group,
 "Dihedral group of order 6"

If (G, \cdot) is a group, the order of G
 is $\#G$.

Note: $aR \neq Ra$. The operation doesn't
 commute!

Def A group (G, \cdot) is said to be Abelian
 if, $\forall g, h \in G, g \cdot h = h \cdot g$.

Eg. $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is abelian, (D_6, \cdot) isn't.

Surprising fact
 Any group of
 order ≤ 5 is
 abelian.

Notation: $g^n = \underbrace{g \cdot \dots \cdot g}_{n \text{ times}}$, $g^0 = e$, $g^{-n} = \underbrace{g^{-1} \cdot \dots \cdot g^{-1}}_{n \text{ times}}$

Then: $g^m g^n = g^{m+n}$, $(g^m)^n = g^{mn} \quad \forall m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Def Let (G, \circ) be a group. A subset $H \subseteq G$ is called a subgroup if (H, \circ) is also a group (with the same binary op).

Prop Let (G, \cdot) be a group and H a subset of G . Then H is a subgroup iff $\forall h, g \in H, hg^{-1} \in H$.

Pf. \Rightarrow is obvious.

\Leftarrow let $h \in H$. Then $h \cdot h^{-1} \in H$, so $e \in H$.

Then $e \cdot h^{-1} \in H$, so $h^{-1} \in H$.

Let $g \in H$, as well. Then $g(h^{-1})^{-1} = gh \in H$.

Let $f \in H$. Then $(fg) \cdot h = f \cdot (g \cdot h)$ because $\forall g, h \in G$ and the group op of G is associative.

□

E.g. $2\mathbb{Z} = \{2n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a subgroup of $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ (check 4 things: + still a binary op? id? assoc.? inverses?)

Let $g \in G$. Then define $\langle g \rangle = \{g^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. This is a subgroup of G , called the cyclic subgp generated by g .

If $G = \langle g \rangle$ for some $g \in G$, then G is called a cyclic group.

Notes cyclic grps, \mathbb{Q}^* , $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$, $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^*$, Lagrange's Theorem.

eg.
 Add. vs. Mult.
 Cyclic grps / order of an element
 Lagrange's thm.
 Cosets.

Question: is $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$ a gp? No, \mathbb{Q}^* is.

full generality...??
 cosets, $kH=H$ iff $h \in H$.

Notation: if $g \in G$, $g^n = \underbrace{g \cdots g}_n$, $g^{-n} = \underbrace{g^{-1} \cdots g^{-1}}_n$, $g^0 = e$.

Usual rules of exponents apply:
 $g^n g^m = g^{n+m}$
 $(g^n)^m = g^{nm}$

$\langle g \rangle = \{g^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. "Cyclic subgp". G is cyclic iff $\exists g: G = \langle g \rangle$.
 Eg. $\mathbb{Z} = \langle 1 \rangle$.
 always a "group"!
 $g^n (g^m)^{-1} = g^{n-m}$

Additive vs. mult. notation: The group operation is usually denoted by $+$ or \cdot .
 $+$ for ab. grps, \cdot for others. If using $+$, write ng instead of g^n .

Eg. in D_8 , $\langle R \rangle = \langle e, R, T \rangle$

Powerful theorem: Lagrange's theorem: Let G be a finite group, $H \subseteq G$ a subgroup. Then $\#H$ divides $\#G$.
 Important consequences!

Let $g \in G$. The order of g is smallest positive n such that $g^n = e$. $o(g) = \infty$ if no such n .
 (cf: order of a group).

Note: if G is finite, $o(g) < \infty$ for all $g \in G$;

Write $\{g, g^2, g^3, \dots\} \subseteq G$. This set is finite,

so $\exists m > n$: $g^m = g^n$. Then $g^m g^{-n} = g^n g^{-n}$
 $\underbrace{g^{m-n}}_{g^{m-n}} = \underbrace{g^n g^{-n}}_e$.

$m-n$ is positive since $m > n$.

Prop Let (G, \cdot) be a group, $g \in G$.

Suppose $o(g) = k < \infty$. Then $\langle g \rangle = \{e, g, g^2, \dots, g^{k-1}\}$.

Proof Divis algo. Clearly, $\{e, g, \dots, g^{k-1}\} \subseteq \langle g \rangle$.

WTS $\langle g \rangle \subseteq \{e, g, \dots, g^{k-1}\}$. Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

$\exists q, r$: $n = g^{k+q}, \quad 0 \leq r < k$.

$\leadsto g^n = g^{g^{k+q}} = (g^k)^q g^r = e^q g^r = g^r \in \{e, g, \dots, g^{k-1}\}$.

Corr $o(g) = \# \langle g \rangle$.

§ $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ is a group.

$$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \{ [0]_n, [1]_n, \dots, [n-1]_n \}$$

Group operation: $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{+} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$
 $[a], [b] \longmapsto [a+b]$

(Need to check: this is well-defined!)

- Id: $[0]$
 - $-[a] = [-a]$
 - assoc: $([a]+[b])+[c]$
 $= [a+b]+[c]$
 $= [(a+b)+c] = [a+(b+c)]$
- note: $m[a] = [ma]$

- E.g. in $\mathbb{Z}/10\mathbb{Z}$, $o([5]) = 2$
 $o([3]) = 10$ $o([2]) = 5$ $o([4]) = 5$

HW
problem.

Prop If $a \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0$, then $o([a])$ in $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ is $n/\gcd(a,n)$.

Pf. $\text{lcm}(a,n) = \frac{a \cdot n}{\gcd(a,n)}$

- $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ not a gp under mult.
- But, $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times = \{ [a] \mid \gcd(a,n)=1 \}$
- Binary op? "Fact 2" from last Friday (6/9/17).

• (State Lagrange)

G finite.

• Consequences: if $g \in G$, then $\text{ord}(g) \mid \#G$,

• What's $\#(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$? It's $\phi(n)$!

• So $\forall x \in (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times, \exists k: \phi(n) = (k \cdot \text{ord}(x)) \Rightarrow x^{\phi(n)} = e = 1$

• Euler's formula is a quick consequence! And a small part of a larger picture.

• Cosets: show $h \cdot H = H$.

• Pf of Lagrange: $x_i^{-1} x_j \in H \Rightarrow x_i H = x_i (x_i^{-1} x_j H) = x_j H$.

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• Restate Lagrange's thm. subset.

§ Cosets Let $S \subseteq G, x \in G$. Define $xS = \{xs \mid s \in S\}$

• Let $H \subseteq G$ be a subgroup, $x \in G$. xH is called a left coset of H . Sim, right coset.

• No longer a subgp! Eg. $3\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$. $1+3\mathbb{Z}$ is a coset. $1+3\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -5, -2, 1, 4, 7, 10, \dots\} = [1]_3$

• Note: if $h \in H$, then $hH = H$.

Pf • Clearly $hH \subseteq H$, since H is a group.

• Let $h' \in H$. Then $h' = h \cdot (h^{-1}h') \in hH$.

So $H \subseteq hH$.

• Note: $x \cdot (yH) = \{xz \mid z \in yH\} = \{xyh \mid h \in H\} = (xy)H$.

• Let $x_1, x_2 \in G$. If $x_1H \cap x_2H \neq \emptyset$, then $x_1H = x_2H$.

Pf let $y \in x_1H \cap x_2H$. Then $\exists h_1, h_2 \in H$ s.t.

$$y = x_1h_1 = x_2h_2 \Rightarrow h_1 = x_1^{-1}x_2h_2 \Rightarrow h_1h_2^{-1} = x_1^{-1}x_2,$$

so $x_1^{-1}x_2 \in H$.

Thus $x_1H = x_1(x_1^{-1}x_2H) = (x_1x_1^{-1}x_2)H = x_2H$. ◻

• Note: if H finite, $\#(xH) = \#H$. Pf: $H \xrightarrow{x} xH$ is a bijection

• Proof of Lagrange's theorem:

G finite, $H \subseteq G$ a subgroup.

• If $H=G$, \checkmark otherwise, $\exists x_1 \in G \setminus H$. Then

$x_1 = x_1e \in x_1H$, but $x_1 \notin H$. So $x_1H \neq H$. So $x_1H \cap H = \emptyset$.

• If $H \cup x_1H = G$, then $\#G = \underbrace{2 \cdot \#H}_{\text{because } H, x_1H \text{ disjoint}}$, so we're done.

Otherwise, $\exists x_2 \in G: x_2 \notin H \cup x_1H$

Then $x_2H \neq H$, $x_2H \neq x_1H$, so $x_2H \cap H = \emptyset$, $x_2H \cap x_1H = \emptyset$.

• Continue the process, until we get

$$G = \underbrace{x_0H}_{(x_0=e)} \cup x_1H \cup \dots \cup x_nH, \quad \text{where } x_iH \cap x_jH = \emptyset \text{ whenever } 0 \leq i < j \leq n.$$

$$\Rightarrow \#G = (n+1) \#H.$$

Note: the process terminates since G is finite: $n+1 \leq \#G$.

- Another application: let $p = \text{prime}$, G a group of order p . Then G is cyclic.

Pf let $g \in G$, $g \neq e$. (possible, since $\#G \geq 2!$)

Then Lagrange $\Rightarrow \# \langle g \rangle$ divides p , so

$$\# \langle g \rangle = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \# \langle g \rangle = p.$$

If $\# \langle g \rangle = 1$, then $g^1 = g \Rightarrow g^2 g^{-1} = g g^{-1} \Rightarrow g = e$.

So $\# \langle g \rangle = p$, and $G = \langle g \rangle$. \square

Note: if G a group, $\{e\} \subseteq G$ is a subgp.
Called the trivial group / subgroup.

- Eg of Lagrange: $\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}$ has the following subgroups: $\{[0]\}$, $\{[0], [3], [6], [9]\}$, $\{[0], [4], [8]\}$, $\{[0], [2], [4], [6], [8], [10]\}$, $\{[0], [6]\}$

Rings / Fields

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• Most of our examples of groups have more than one binary operation:

\mathbb{Z} has $+$, \cdot , $M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ has $+$, \cdot ,

$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$.

Just one op: D_6 , $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$

Def (Noether)

• A ring is a set R with two binary ops, denoted $+$ and \cdot (called "addition" and "mult") satisfying four properties:

- $(R, +)$ is an abelian group. Id element denoted 0 .
- mult. is associative
- R has a multiplicative identity: $\exists r \in R: \forall s \in R: r \cdot s = s \cdot r = s$.

Usually denoted 1 , or 1_R

- Distributive prop: $\forall a, b, c \in R: a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$
and $(b+c) \cdot a = b \cdot a + c \cdot a$

E.g. \mathbb{Z} is a ring, $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$, $M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$. E.g. $\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$, $D_6 \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Note (R, \cdot) almost a group, but might not have inverses; Let $R^\times = \{r \in R \mid \exists s \in R: rs = sr = 1\}$,

Claim (R^\times, \cdot) is a group.

Binary op? Let $a, b \in R^\times$. Then $\exists c, d \in R: ac = ca = 1$
 $bd = db = 1$.

$\Rightarrow (ab)(dc) = (dc)(ab) = 1$, so $ab \in R^\times$

- id ✓
- assoc: ✓
- inverses: ✓

Note: $\forall r \in R, r \cdot 0 = 0$:

Note $1 \in R^x$ \forall rings.

$$r \cdot 0 = r \cdot (0 + 0) = r \cdot 0 + r \cdot 0; \quad \text{Then } r \cdot 0 \text{ has additive inverse,}$$

\uparrow add. id \uparrow distrib. since $(R, +)$ a gp.

$$\Rightarrow r \cdot 0 + (r \cdot 0) = r \cdot 0 + r \cdot 0 + -r \cdot 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = r \cdot 0$$

Note: if $1 = 0$, then $R = \{0\}$:

Pf Let $r \in R$. Then

$$0 = r \cdot 0 = r \cdot 1 = r$$

\uparrow above \uparrow $1=0$ \uparrow def of 1.

From now on: our rings will satisfy a fifth axiom, $1 \neq 0$. Equiv: $\{0\}$ is not a ring.

(Kinda like saying $0 \neq 1$; done for convenience)

• Def a ring is commutative if $ab = ba \forall a, b \in R$.

• Note: if $1 \neq 0$, then $\forall r, r \cdot 0 = 0 \neq 1$, so 0 is not invertible.
 → Eg. $M_{2 \times 2}(R)$ not comm. $\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ are.

• Def A comm. ring is called a field if $R^x = R \setminus \{0\}$

E.g. $M_{nn}(R)$ not comm.

$\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ are all fields,
 \mathbb{F}_p

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• Usual notation: if $r \in R$, its additive inverse denoted $-r$. If mult. inverse exists, it's denoted r^{-1} .

$r^2, 2r, \text{etc.}$

• Maybe a hw question? $(-1) \cdot r = -r \quad \forall r \in R$.

• Define fields, give examples..

$$\begin{aligned} (a+b)^2 &= a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 \\ &= a^2 + 2ab + b^2 \\ &\quad \text{if } R \text{ comm.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\leadsto a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$$

• Def if $a \in R, a \neq 0$, then a is called a zero divisor if $\exists b \in R \setminus \{0\}$ such that $a \cdot b = 0$.

• Eg in $\mathbb{Z}/10\mathbb{Z}$, 5 is a zero-divisor.

Prop Fields don't have zero-divisors.

Pf if $a \cdot b = 0$, and $a \neq 0$, then $a^{-1} \in R$.

Thus: $a^{-1} \cdot a \cdot b = a^{-1} \cdot 0 = 0$

"
 $1 \cdot b = b$.

Cor Let F be a field and $r \in F$. If

$r^2 = 1$, then $r = 1$ or $r = -1$.

Proof: $r^2 = 1 \Rightarrow r^2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (r+1)(r-1) = 0$

No zero-divisors! So $r+1 = 0$ or $r-1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow r = -1$ or $r = 1$.

• Cor: Wilson's Theorem: $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod p$, whenever p is a prime.

• Eg: $6! \pmod 7 \equiv ?$

Note: $6 \equiv -1, 5 \equiv 1, 2 \cdot 4 \equiv 1$, and $3 \cdot 5 \equiv 1$.

So $6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \equiv -1$.

Each # but 6, 1 can be paired with its inverse mod 7.

Pf (Wilson) Let $x \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times = \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$.

Then $x^{-1} \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$. If $x = x^{-1}$, then $xx^{-1} = x^2 \equiv 1$.

$\Rightarrow x = 1$ or $x = -1 = p-1$.

Thus, each number in $\{2, \dots, p-2\}$ can be paired with its inverse, so

$(p-1)! \equiv (p-1) \cdot (p-2) \cdot \dots \cdot 1 \equiv (p-1) \cdot 1 \equiv -1$.

§ Characteristic \doteq Frobenius (3.2)

Let F be a field, $1_F \in F$ mult. id.

Then, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \cdot 1 = \underbrace{1 + \dots + 1}_n$.

Thus: if $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$, $(n+m) \cdot 1 = n \cdot 1 + m \cdot 1$,
 $(nm) \cdot 1 = (n \cdot 1) \cdot (m \cdot 1)$.

NOTE if $n \cdot 1 = 0$, then $n \cdot r = \underbrace{r + \dots + r}_n = \underbrace{(1 + \dots + 1)}_n \cdot r = 0$.

Def $\min \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \neq 0, n \cdot 1 = 0\}$ is the characteristic of F . If that set is empty, $\text{char } F = 0$.

• Note: If $\text{char } F \neq 0$, then $\text{char } F = \text{order of } 1_F$ in the group $(F, +)$

• Note if $\text{char } F \neq 0$, then $\text{char } F$ is a prime number.

PF by contradiction. Let $\text{char } F = n$, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ not prime. Then $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{N}$: $a \cdot b = n$ and $1 < a, b < n$.

Then $0 = n \cdot 1_F = (a \cdot b) \cdot 1_F = (a \cdot 1_F) \cdot (b \cdot 1_F)$.

Fields have no zero divisors, so either $a \cdot 1_F = 0$ or $b \cdot 1_F = 0$.

Either way, contradicts minimality of n .

Eg. $\text{char } \mathbb{Q}$, $\text{char } \mathbb{R}$, $\text{char } \mathbb{C} = 0$,
 $\text{char } \mathbb{F}_p = p$.

Def Let F be a field of $\text{char } p$ for some prime p . The Frobenius map on F is the function $F \xrightarrow{\text{Fr}} F$ defined by $x \mapsto x^p$.

Note: $\text{Fr}(ab) = \text{Fr}(a) \cdot \text{Fr}(b)$: $(ab)^p = \underbrace{ab \cdot ab \cdot \dots \cdot ab}_p = a^p b^p$ since fields are comm.

More surprisingly:

Prop (B.13) $\text{Fr}(a+b) = \text{Fr}(a) + \text{Fr}(b)$.

Proof $(a+b)^p = \sum \binom{p}{i} a^i b^{p-i}$

If $i=0$ or p , $\binom{p}{i} = 1$.

If $0 < i < p$: $\binom{p}{i} = \frac{p \cdot (p-1) \cdots (p-i+1)}{i \cdot (i-1) \cdots 1} \in \mathbb{Z}$

p appears in numerator, but can't divide anything in denom, since $i < p$. So $\binom{p}{i} = p \cdot k$, some $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Thus $\binom{p}{i} \cdot a^i b^{p-i} = p k \cdot a^i b^{p-i} = 0$, when $0 < i < p$.

- Next time: Gaussian ints, Gaussian ints mod p ,
Homomorphs / isoms, polynomials over a ring, divis. thereof, \mathbb{F}_p - field Add & Prob.

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§ Quadratic integers

Define
 Let α be a root of $x^2 + Bx + C$, where $B, C \in \mathbb{Z}$
 Let α be a root of $x^2 + Bx + C$, where $B, C \in \mathbb{Q}$

E.g. $\sqrt{3}$ is a root of $x^2 - 3$,
 $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ is a root of $x^2 - x - 1$

Let $B, C \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $\frac{-B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 4C}}{2}$ is a root of
 $\sqrt{-1} = \text{root of } x^2 + 1 = 0$.

Let ω be a quadratic integer. Then the

set $\mathbb{Z}[\omega] := \{a + b\omega \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a ring, w/ usual
 $+$, mult of \mathbb{C} numbers.

Pf First, let's check + and · are binary operations.

By assumption, $\exists B, C \in \mathbb{Z}$ st $w^2 + Bw + C = 0$

Let $a+bw, c+dw \in \mathbb{Z}[w]$. Then $a+bw + c+dw = (a+c) + (b+d)w \in \mathbb{Z}[w]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a+bw) \cdot (c+dw) &= ac + adw + bcw + bd[w^2] \rightarrow \text{problem!} \\
 &= ac + (ad+bc)w + bd[-C + Bw] \\
 &= ac - bdC + (ad+bc+bdB)w \in \mathbb{Z}[w]
 \end{aligned}$$

Need to check: $0 \in \mathbb{Z}[w] \checkmark$, if $a+bw \in \mathbb{Z}[w]$, then $-(a+bw) = -a-bw \in \mathbb{Z}[w]$, mult of cx #s is assoc \checkmark
 $1 \in \mathbb{Z}[w]$, mult is assoc, distributive prop holds for cx #s \checkmark

Similarly, $\mathbb{Q}[w]$ is a ring. In fact, it's a field!
 Eg Gaussian ints, $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.
 whenever w a rat'l

Pf Let w be a root of $x^2 + px + q = 0$, where $p, q \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Then $w = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 4q}}{2}$. Let $a+bw \in \mathbb{Q}(w)$ be non zero. Note: if $\sqrt{p^2 - 4q} \in \mathbb{Q}$, then $w \in \mathbb{Q}$, so $\mathbb{Q}(w) = \mathbb{Q} \checkmark$ so assume $\sqrt{p^2 - 4q} \notin \mathbb{Q}$.

$$\text{Then } a+bw = \underbrace{a + b \cdot \frac{-p}{2}}_{\alpha} \pm \underbrace{\frac{b}{2}}_{\beta} \underbrace{\sqrt{p^2 - 4q}}_{\delta} = \alpha + \beta \sqrt{\delta}$$

Skip for now

Since $\sqrt{D} \notin \mathbb{Q}$, $\alpha - \beta\sqrt{D} \neq 0$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta\sqrt{D}} = \frac{\alpha - \beta\sqrt{D}}{\alpha^2 - \beta^2 D} = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 - \beta^2 D} + \frac{-\beta}{\alpha^2 - \beta^2 D} \sqrt{D}$$

E.g. $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$ is a field: if $a + b\sqrt{3} \neq 0$, then $b \neq 0$

$$\frac{1}{a + b\sqrt{3}} = \frac{a - b\sqrt{3}}{a^2 - b^2 \cdot 3} = \frac{a}{a^2 - 3b^2} + \frac{-b}{a^2 - 3b^2} \sqrt{3} \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$$

Note: $a^2 - 3b^2 \neq 0$. Otherwise,

If $b=0$, $\frac{1}{a} \in \mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}) \checkmark$.
 $\sqrt{3} = \frac{a}{b}$, contradiction!

PS $\sqrt{3}$ is irrational, since $\sqrt{3} = \frac{a}{b}$, $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Let $a = p_1^{e_1} \dots p_r^{e_r}$, $b = q_1^{f_1} \dots q_s^{f_s}$ prime factorizations.

$\Rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^{2f_1} q_1 \dots \prod_{i=1}^{2f_s} q_s = p_1^{2e_1} \dots p_r^{2e_r}$. 3 appears odd # times on left and even # times on right. # uniqueness of factorization.

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Def $a^2 - b^2 D$ is the norm of $a + b\sqrt{D}$, in $\mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{D})$.

More generally: Def if $D \in \mathbb{Z}$, and $\alpha = a + b\sqrt{D} \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{D})$,

then $\bar{\alpha} := a - b\sqrt{D}$ = conjugate of α .

Norm of α := $N(\alpha) := \alpha \cdot \bar{\alpha} = a^2 - b^2 D$.

$\mathbb{Z} \text{ Mod } p$

We can still do modular arithmetic in $\mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{D})$:

say $a + b\sqrt{D} \equiv c + d\sqrt{D} \pmod{n}$ if $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$ and $b \equiv d \pmod{n}$.

Equip: if $\pm a + b\sqrt{D} \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{D})$ s.t. $n(a + b\sqrt{D}) = (a-c) + (b-d)\sqrt{D}$.

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$\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}] / n \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}] = \text{set of equivalence classes of elements in } \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}] \text{ mod } n.$

E.g. Let $a+b\sqrt{3} \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{3}]$, Then $a \equiv 0 \text{ or } 1 \pmod{2}$
 $b \equiv 0 \text{ or } 1 \pmod{2}.$

So $a+b\sqrt{3} \equiv$ one of: $0+0\sqrt{3}, 1+0\sqrt{3}$
 $0+1\sqrt{3}, 1+1\sqrt{3}.$
 mod 2.

Thus: $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{3}] / 2\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{3}] = \{[0], [1], [\sqrt{3}], [1+\sqrt{3}]\}$

In general: if $\sqrt{D} \notin \mathbb{Z}$, then $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}] / n \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}]$ has n^2 elements. (What if $\sqrt{D} \in \mathbb{Z}$?)

What are the invertible elements of $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{5}] / p \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{5}]$?

(p prime).

Fact: α invertible mod p iff $N(\alpha) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}.$

• If $N(\alpha) \equiv 0$, α is a zero-divisor. (obv)

E.g. $5+3\sqrt{3} \pmod{7}$: $N(5+3\sqrt{3}) = -2$

$(-2)^{-1} \pmod{7}$ is 3.

So $(5-3\sqrt{3}) \cdot (5+3\sqrt{3}) \equiv (1-2\sqrt{3})(5+3\sqrt{3}) \equiv 5-7\sqrt{3}-18$
 $\equiv 1 \pmod{7}.$

More generally, in $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}]$, if $N(d) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$,

then \exists inverse $N(d)^{-1}$, then $N(d)^{-1} \cdot \bar{d} \cdot d = N(d)^{-1} \cdot N(d) = 1$

So $N(d)^{-1} \bar{d}$ is the inverse of d .
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Prop Let $R = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}]$, where $\sqrt{D} \notin \mathbb{Z}$. Let p be an odd prime not dividing D .

- If D not a square mod p , then $\#(R/pR)^{\times} = p^2 - 1$
- If D is, then $\#(R/pR)^{\times} = (p-1)^2$.

Q When is D a square mod p ? (Ch. 6!)

P1 If $\alpha = x + y\sqrt{D} \neq 0$, and $N(\alpha) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, then $x^2 - y^2D \equiv 0$, so $D \equiv (x/y)^2$ and $y \neq 0$, is a square mod p .

P2 If D not a sq mod p , then all nonzero elt's are invertible!

If D is a square mod p , then $D \equiv s^2$. If

$N(\alpha) = x^2 - y^2D \equiv 0$, then $(x+ys)(x-ys) \equiv 0$.

$\Rightarrow x+ys \equiv 0$ or $x-ys \equiv 0$.

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow x \equiv 0, y \equiv 0, \text{ or} \\ x \not\equiv 0, y = -xS^{-1} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} x \equiv 0 \text{ and } y \equiv 0, \text{ or} \\ x \not\equiv 0, y = xS^{-1} \neq -xS^{-1} \end{array} \right\} p \text{ pairs.}$

\uparrow since $p \neq 2$.

sols to $x^2 - y^2D \equiv 0$ is $2p-1$.

$\Rightarrow \#(R/pR)^{\times} = p^2 - 2p + 1 = (p-1)^2$

If $p=2$: D is a square, and $\#(R/pR) = p^2 - p$.

⇒ another example of a finite field!!

E.g. $\mathbb{Z}[i]/3\mathbb{Z}[i]$ is a field w/ 9 elements:

$$\{0, 1, 2, i, 1+i, 2+i, 2i, 1+2i, 2+2i\}$$

• Next: homomorphs, isoms, polynomials over a ring/field.

Loose ends

→ first, define, give examples.

Polynomial rings: two main things to know

- they exist!
- Polynomials over a field behave like we've used to.

Tying up Loose Ends

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These notes are meant to supplement the course text. They discuss some basic ring/group theory that is used later in the book, but not really discussed anywhere in detail.

1 Polynomial rings

Let R be a ring. For simplicity's sake, we'll assume always assume that R is commutative in these notes. We can use R to build a new ring, called the **ring of polynomials over R** , and denoted $R[X]$. As a set, $R[X]$ is defined to be:

$$R[X] = \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^n a_i X^i \mid n \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ and } a_i \in R \text{ for all } i \right\}$$

Addition and multiplication in $R[X]$ are defined in the usual way that we define addition and multiplication of polynomials: if $f = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i X^i$ and $g = \sum_{i=0}^m b_i X^i$, then

$$f + g = \sum_{i=0}^{\max(m,n)} (a_i + b_i) X^i \quad f \cdot g = \sum_{i=0}^{m+n} \sum_{j=0}^i a_j b_{i-j} X^i$$

(we define $a_i = 0$ for $i > n$ and $b_i = 0$ for $i > m$)

If $f = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i X^i$ is an element of $R[X]$, then the **degree** of f is defined to be $\max \{i \in \mathbb{N} \mid a_i \neq 0\}$. If $a_i = 0$ for all i , then $f = 0_R$, and the degree of f is defined to be $-\infty$. The degree of f is denoted $\deg f$. If $n = \deg f \geq 0$, then a_n is called the **leading coefficient** of f .

Example. $\mathbb{Z}[X]$ is the set of polynomials with integer coefficients. Elements include $3X^5 - 6$ and $X + 1$. As usual,

$$(3X^5 - 6) + (X + 1) = 3X^5 + X - 5$$

and

$$(3X^5 - 6) \cdot (X + 1) = 3X^6 + 3X^5 - 6X - 6$$

□

Example. Let $R = \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$. Then $R[X]$ is the set of polynomials with coefficients in $\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$. For instance, $[1]X^2 + [2]$ and $[3]X^3 + [4]X^2 + [1]X$ are elements of $R[X]$. In this ring,

$$([1]X^2 + [2]) + ([3]X^3 + [4]X^2 + [1]X) = [3]X^3 + [5]X^2 + [1]X + [2]$$

But $[5] = [0]$ in $\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$, so

$$([1]X^2 + [2]) + ([3]X^3 + [4]X^2 + [1]X) = [3]X^3 + [0]X^2 + [1]X + [2]$$

It's a little silly to write things this way, though. Usually we omit the "[0] X^2 " and the [1]s:

$$(X^2 + [2]) + ([3]X^3 + [4]X^2 + X) = [3]X^3 + X + [2]$$

Proof. By Lemma 1.2, there exist $g, r \in k[X]$ such that

$$f = g \cdot (X - \alpha) + r \tag{1}$$

and $\deg r < \deg(X - \alpha) = 1$. Thus $\deg r = 0$ or $\deg r = -\infty$. In either case, we know $r \in k$. Then, evaluating both sides of equation 1 at α , we get

$$f(\alpha) = g(\alpha)(\alpha - \alpha) + r(\alpha) = g(\alpha) \cdot 0 + r = r$$

But α is a root of f , so $f(\alpha) = 0$. Thus $r = 0$ and $f = g \cdot (X - \alpha)$. □

Lemma 1.4. Let $f, g \in k[X]$. Then $\deg(f \cdot g) = \deg(f) + \deg(g)$.

Proof. We define $n \cdot -\infty = -\infty \cdot n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and this takes care of the case that $f = 0$ or $g = 0$. So assume $f \neq 0$ and $g \neq 0$. So let $\deg f = n \geq 0$ and $\deg g = m \geq 0$. Then we can write $f = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i X^i$ and $g = \sum_{i=0}^m b_i X^i$ for some $a_i, b_i \in R$. Then $f \cdot g = \sum_{i=0}^{m+n} c_i X^i$, where

$$c_i = \sum_{j=0}^i a_j b_{i-j}$$

for all i . Thus $c_{n+m} = a_n b_m \neq 0$, since $a_n \neq 0$, $b_m \neq 0$, and fields don't have zero-divisors. This proves the lemma. □

Caution. This lemma doesn't hold for polynomials over an arbitrary ring. For instance, let $R = \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$. If $f = 2X^2 + 1$ and $g = 3X$ are elements of $R[X]$, then $fg = 3X$, so $\deg(fg) = 1 < \deg f + \deg g$. In general, if R is any ring and f and g are any elements of $R[X]$, the most we can say is that $\deg(fg) \leq \deg f + \deg g$.

Proof of Theorem 1.1. We prove this by induction on the degree of f . If $\deg f = 0$, then f is some nonzero constant, so it has no roots. Now let $d \in \mathbb{N}$ and suppose the theorem is true for polynomials of degree d . Let f be a polynomial of degree $d + 1$. We wish to show that f has at most $d + 1$ roots. If f has no roots, then we're done since $0 \leq d + 1$. Otherwise, f has some root r . By Lemma 1.3, we can write $f = g \cdot (X - r)$ for some polynomial g . By Lemma 1.4, we have $\deg g + 1 = \deg f$, so $\deg g = d$. Now suppose that s is a root of f . That means $f(s) = g(s) \cdot (s - r) = 0$. Since k is a field, this means either $g(s) = 0$ or $s - r = 0$. In other words, either s is a root of g or $s = r$. Thus the set of all roots of f is $\{\text{roots of } g\} \cup \{r\}$. But, by the inductive hypothesis, g has at most d roots. Thus f has at most $d + 1$ roots. □

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Sketch?

2 Groups, rings, and functions

Our next object of study is the set of functions between two groups. Consider the groups $(\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}, +)$ and $(\mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}, +)$. There are many functions from one set to the other. For instance, we could define a function $f : \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}$ by setting $f([0]_3) = [4]_9$, $f([1]_3) = [7]_9$, and $f([2]_3) = [2]_9$. However, most functions, like the one above, are not very interesting—they have nothing to do with the group structures on $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ and $\mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}$! On the other hand, some functions are nice. For instance, the following function,

$$f : \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}, [n]_3 \mapsto [3n]_9$$

2.1 Isomorphisms

Sometimes two groups can really be the same, even if they look different. For instance, consider the following two groups: one group is $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ under addition, and the other is the set, $G = \{I, A, B, C\}$ under matrix multiplication, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Clearly, $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ and G are two different sets, so $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ and G are not literally the same group. However, they have quite a similar structure:

+	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[1]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[0]
[2]	[2]	[3]	[0]	[1]
[3]	[3]	[0]	[1]	[2]

·	I	A	B	C
I	I	A	B	C
A	A	B	C	I
B	B	C	I	A
C	C	I	A	B

These two tables are basically the same table but labeled differently: if you take the table on the left and replace each [0] with an I , each [1] with A , each [2] with B , and each [3] with C , then you get the table on the right. In this sense, the groups G and $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ have exactly the same “structure.” This leads to the following definitions:

Definition 3. Let G and H be two groups. A function $f : G \rightarrow H$ is called a **group isomorphism** if:

- f is a group homomorphism, and
- f is a bijection

We define ring isomorphisms in exactly the same way: just replace each instance of “group” in the definition above with “ring”. Two groups/rings are said to be *isomorphic* if there exists an isomorphism from one to the other. This means they have the same structure.

Example. In the example above (right before the definition), the function $f : \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow G$ defined by $f([0]) = I, f([1]) = A, f([2]) = B, f([3]) = C$ is an isomorphism. Thus, $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ and G are isomorphic. We usually use the symbol \cong to mean “isomorphic”. So we write $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \cong G$. \square

Example. Let \mathbb{R} be the group of real numbers under addition, and let \mathbb{R}^+ be the group of positive real numbers under multiplication. Then the function $\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is an isomorphism. This function is a homomorphism, since $\exp(a + b) = \exp(a) \cdot \exp(b)$ for all $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, so we just have to show \exp is a bijection. In other words, given any $y \in \mathbb{R}^+$, we must show there exists a unique $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\exp(x) = y$. This unique x is given by $\ln(y)$, so we’re done. \square

- Last week: $\#(\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}]/\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{D}])^{\times} = \begin{cases} p^2 - 1, & D \text{ not a square mod } p \\ (p-1)^2 & D \text{ is.} \end{cases}$
- Question: when is D a square mod p ?
Old questions: Fermat, 1600s: -1 is a square mod p iff $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.
- Euler, Legendre attacked the general problem w/o completely answering it.
- Gauss: answers the question w/ his "quadratic reciprocity" law: (1797)
Let $p \neq q$ be odd primes.
 - if $p \equiv 1$ or $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, then p is a square mod q iff q is a square mod p .
 - if $p \equiv q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, p is a square mod q iff q is not a square mod p .
- We'll see later how computations reduce to this.
- For now: chapter 5.1: let $m, k > 0$ be integers. $a \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Solve: $x^k \equiv a \pmod{m}$.

If m small, we can just try everything

• More systematic way: use group theory!

• (Proposition 19) Let G be a finite group of order n , let $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $\gcd(k, n) = 1$.

~~(Using Bezout's lemma, let $u, v \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $ku + nv = 1$)~~

Let u be the inverse of k mod n . Then " $x = a^u$ " is the unique solution to " $x^k = a$ " for all $a \in G$.

Proof $ku = 1 \pmod n$, so $\exists v \in \mathbb{Z}$: $ku = 1 + nv$.

Thus $(a^u)^k = a^{uk} = a^{1+nv} = a \cdot (a^n)^v$. By Lagrange, $o(a)$ divides n . In p.tic, $a^n = e$.
 $(a^{o(a)})^{v \cdot o(a)}$

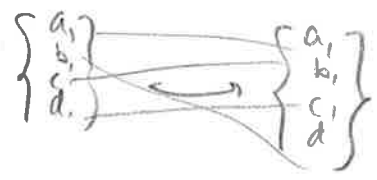
$\Rightarrow (a^u)^k = a \cdot e^v = a$.

We have shown a^u is a solution. Why is it unique? Well, we just proved that the function

$G \xrightarrow{f} G, x \mapsto x^k$ is onto:

$\forall a \in G, f(a^u) = a$. Since G is finite, that

means any onto function $G \rightarrow G$ is automatically one-to-one! E.g.



every onto function is automatically 1-1.

So a^u is unique preimage of a , i.e. unique sol'n to $x^k = a$.

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• How to solve $x^k \equiv a \pmod{m}$?

Apply the above theorem to the group $(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})^\times$:

• if $\gcd(a, m) = 1$, and

• $\gcd(k, \varphi(m)) = 1$, then

$x = a^u$ is the unique sol'n, where $ku \equiv 1 \pmod{\varphi(m)}$.

• Eg. Solve $x^7 \equiv 13 \pmod{100}$.

$$\varphi(100) = 100 \cdot (1 - \frac{1}{2}) \cdot (1 - \frac{1}{5}) = 40.$$

$$\gcd(13, 100) = 1 \quad \checkmark \quad \gcd(7, 40) = 1 \quad \checkmark.$$

So the answer is 13^u where $7u \equiv 1 \pmod{40}$.

$u = ?$ Euclidean algo! $40 = 5 \cdot 7 + 5, \quad 7 = 5 + 2, \quad 5 = 2 \cdot 2 + 1$

$$\Rightarrow 5 - 2 \cdot 2 = 1 \Rightarrow 5 - 2(7 - 5) = 1 \Rightarrow 3 \cdot 5 - 2 \cdot 7 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(40 - 5 \cdot 7) - 2 \cdot 7 = 1 \Rightarrow 3 \cdot 40 - 17 \cdot 7 = 1.$$

So -17 , equiv $-17 \pm 40 = 23$ is the inverse

of $7 \pmod{40}$.

$\Rightarrow 13^{23}$ is the answer!

(What's $13^{23} \pmod{100}$ though?)

Trick for computing large powers:

- start by writing 23 in binary, i.e. as a sum of powers of 2:

$$23 = 16 + 4 + 2 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 13^{23} = 13^{16} \cdot 13^4 \cdot 13^2 \cdot 13^1$$

$$13^2 \equiv 69 \pmod{100}$$

$$13^4 \equiv (69)^2 \equiv 61 \pmod{100}$$

$$13^8 \equiv (61)^2 \equiv 21 \pmod{100}$$

$$13^{16} \equiv (21)^2 \equiv 41 \pmod{100}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 13^{23} &\equiv 41 \cdot 61 \cdot 69 \cdot 13 \equiv 97 \pmod{100} \\ &\equiv -3 \pmod{100} \end{aligned}$$

Check: $(-3)^7 = -2187 \equiv 13 \pmod{100}$ ✓

Two questions: what if $\gcd(a, m) \neq 1$?

what if $\gcd(k, \varphi(m)) \neq 1$?

First one: chinese remainder thm!

Eg $x^4 \equiv 6 \pmod{10} = 5 \cdot 2$

First solve $x^4 \equiv 6 \pmod{5}$,

$$y^4 \equiv 6 \pmod{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}, \quad y \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$$

CRT: $\exists! z \in \mathbb{Z}/10\mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $z \equiv 1 \pmod{5}, \quad z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$

This z is the answer.

- Solving $x^k \equiv a \pmod m$ when $\gcd(k, \varphi(m)) \neq 1$?
Very difficult!

- Simplest case: m an odd prime; $k=2$
($\varphi(m) = m-1$ = even, in this case)
 \Rightarrow When does $x^2 \equiv a \pmod m$ have a solution?? Quadratic reciprocity!

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- one more example of solving $x^k \equiv a \pmod n$.
- $\sum_{d|n} \varphi(d) = n$
- Primitive roots: they give all the other ones.

One more example:

Solve $x^7 \equiv 3 \pmod{17}$

- $\varphi(17) = 16$, and $\gcd(7, 16) = 1$
- $\gcd(3, 17) = 1$

So the answer is 3^u where $7 \cdot u \equiv 1 \pmod{\varphi(17)}$

$16 = 2 \cdot 7 + 2, \quad 7 = 3 \cdot 2 + 1$

$\Rightarrow 7 - 3 \cdot 2 = 1 \Rightarrow 7 - 3(16 - 2 \cdot 7) = 1$

$\Rightarrow 7 \cdot 7 - 3 \cdot 16 = 1$

$\Rightarrow 3^7 \pmod{17}$

$3^7 = ?$ $3^2 = 9, \quad 3^3 = 27 \equiv 10, \quad 3^4 \equiv 30 \equiv 13$

$\Rightarrow 3^7 = 3^4 \cdot 3^3 \equiv 130 \equiv 11 \pmod{17}$

$\Rightarrow x \equiv 11 \pmod{17}$ is the unique sol'n.

• Recall from the midterm: if $n \in \mathbb{Z}, n > 0$, and $d|n$, then $\varphi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \#\{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 1 \leq x \leq n, \gcd(x, n) = d\}$

WTS $\sum_{d|n} \varphi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = n.$

Pf. $n = \#\{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 1 \leq x \leq n\} = \sum_{d|n} \#\{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 1 \leq x \leq n, \gcd(x, n) = d\}$

$= \sum_{d|n} \varphi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{e|n} \varphi(e)$

$e = \frac{n}{d}$

as d ranges thru $\{x \mid x|n\}$, $\frac{n}{d}$ ranges thru $\{x \mid x|n\}$ as well.

ie if $d|n$, $e = \frac{n}{d}$, for some unique d s.t. $d|n$.

§5.3 Primitive roots

$n \in \mathbb{Z}$, positive

Let F be a field. An element $\alpha \in F$ is called an n th root of unity if $\alpha^n = 1$.
Set of all such $= \mu_n(F)$.

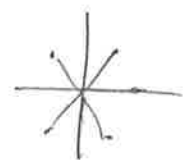
- Note: $M_n(F) \subseteq F^x = F \setminus \{0\}$.
- if $x, y \in M_n(F)$, $xy^{-1} \in M_n(F)$? $(xy^{-1})^n = x^n y^{-n} = 1 \cdot 1^{-1} = 1$.
So $M_n(F)$ is a subgroup of F^x .
- Note: $M_n(F)$ is the set of all solutions to $x^n - 1 = 0$ in F . So $\#M_n(F) \leq n$.

E.g. $F = \mathbb{C}$ complex #s.

$$M_4(\mathbb{C}) = \{1, i, -1, -i\}$$



$$M_5(\mathbb{C}) = \{1, e^{2\pi i/5}, e^{4\pi i/5}, e^{6\pi i/5}, e^{8\pi i/5}\}$$



$$M_n(\mathbb{C}) = \left\{ e^{2\pi i \cdot k/n} \mid \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq k < n \\ k \in \mathbb{Z} \end{array} \right\}$$

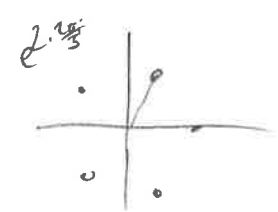
- Let $\alpha \in M_n(F)$. Then $o(\alpha) \leq n$ (thinking of α as an element of the group $M_n(F)$)

Def $\alpha \in F$ is called a primitive n th root of unity if $\alpha \in M_n(F)$ and $o(\alpha) = n$.

- These are important since primitive roots give all the other ones!

- General fact: if G a group, $g \in G$, and $o(g) = n$, then $g, g^2, \dots, g^n = e$ are all distinct. (iff!)
- So if F a field and $\alpha \in F$ a primitive n th root, then $\alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^n = 1$ are all distinct elements of $M_n(F)$. But we already knew $\#M_n(F) \leq n$.
So $M_n(F) = \{ \alpha^j \mid 1 \leq j \leq n \}$, $\leadsto M_n(F)$ is cyclic!

E.g. In $M_4(\mathbb{C})$: $i, -i$ are primitive 4th roots of unity.
What are the primitive 5th roots of unity?



all of i^m ! Except 1. 1 is never a primitive n th root if $n > 1$.

• Q: how many primitive roots?

Prop 20: If $\#M_n(F) = n$, then $\#$ primitive roots = $\phi(n)$.

E.g. in \mathbb{C} : $e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} j} = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} j'}$ iff $j \equiv j' \pmod n$.

So $\{ e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} j}, (e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} j})^2, \dots, (e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} j})^n \}$ distinct iff $\{ [j]_n, [2j]_n, \dots, [n \cdot j]_n \}$ all distinct.

$\Rightarrow e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} j}$ a primitive iff $o([j]_n) = n$ in $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$.

• But $\phi(j) = \frac{n}{\gcd(j,n)} = n$ iff $\gcd(j,n) = 1$.

Pf prop 20: Strong induction on n .

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Last time, defined: • n^{th} root of unity,
• primitive root.

• In \mathbb{C} , # primitive n^{th} roots = $\phi(n)$. Argued via modular arithmetic: $(e^{2\pi i/n})^j = (e^{2\pi i/n})^k \Leftrightarrow j \equiv k \pmod{n}$.

In fact, $\mu_n(\mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ as groups.

• Q: in a given field, how many primitive roots?

• Prop 20: Let F be a field, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $n > 0$. If $x^n - 1$ has n solutions, then # primitive roots is $\phi(n)$.

• Two ingredients: one is the formula

$$\begin{aligned} (x^n - 1) &= (x-1)(x^{n-1} + x^{n-2} + \dots + 1) \\ &= (x^n - x^{n-1} - \dots - x) + (-x^{n-1} - x^{n-2} - \dots - 1) \end{aligned}$$

• The other: if $g \in G$, $\phi(g) = n$, and $g^d = e$, then n|d. Pf: divis algo. Write $d = qn + r$, $0 \leq r < n$.

$$\Rightarrow e = g^d = g^{qn+r} = (g^n)^q \cdot (g^r) = g^r$$

But $r < \phi(g)$, so $r = 0$.

PF (prop 20): Strong induction!

• If $n=1$: # primitive 1st roots of unity = 1 ✓

• Suppose $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n > 0$, and it's true $\forall k < n$.

Let $\alpha \in \mu_n(F)$. Then $o(\alpha) | n$. Note, by def, if $d = o(\alpha)$, then α is a primitive d^{th} root.

So # primitive n^{th} roots = $n - \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d < n}} (\# \text{ primitive } d^{\text{th}} \text{ roots})$

Now, let $d|n$, so $dl = n$, some $l \in \mathbb{N}$, $l \geq 1$.

$$\underbrace{x^n - 1}_{h(x)} = x^{dl} - 1 = (x^d)^l - 1 = \underbrace{(x^d - 1)}_{f(x)} \underbrace{(x^{d(l-1)} + x^{d(l-2)} + \dots + 1)}_{g(x)}$$

roots $h(x) \leq$ # roots $f(x)$ + # roots $g(x)$. (\leq if f, g share roots)

But # roots $h(x) = n$ by assumption, and
roots $f \leq d$, # roots $g(x) \leq dl - d = n - d$. (for degree reasons)

Only possibility is # roots $f = d$.

\Rightarrow by induction hyp., # primitive d^{th} roots = $\varphi(d)$
 $\forall d|n$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \# \text{ primitive } n^{\text{th}} \text{ roots} &= n - \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d < n}} \varphi(d) = \sum_{d|n} \varphi(d) - \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d < n}} \varphi(d) \\ &= \varphi(n) \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

§5.5 : Cyclotomic polynomials

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $\#\mu_n(\mathbb{C}) = n$. Define the n^{th} cyclotomic polynomial as

$$\Phi_n(x) = \prod_{\substack{\alpha \text{ primitive} \\ \text{root of order} \\ n}} (x - \alpha)$$

Then $\deg \Phi_n = \varphi(n)$

E.g.

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_1(x) &= x-1 \\ \Phi_2(x) &= x+1 \\ \Phi_3(x) &= (x - e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}})(x - e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}) \\ &= x^2 + x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively:

$$\begin{aligned} x^3 - 1 &= (x-1)(x - e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}})(x - e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}) \\ \Rightarrow \Phi_3(x) &= \frac{x^3 - 1}{x-1} = x^2 + x + 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi_4(x) = (x-i)(x+i) = x^2 + 1$$

$$\Phi_5(x) = (x^5 - 1) / (x - 1) = x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$$

$$\Phi_6(x) = \frac{x^6 - 1}{(x-1)(x+1)(x^2+x+1)} = x^2 - x + 1.$$

Note: always integer coefficients!

Note: coeffs always ± 1 !

Except: $\Phi_{105}(x) = x^{48} + x^{47} + \dots - x^{42} - 2x^{41} - x^{40}$

Why integer coefficients?

Well, $x^n - 1 = \prod_{d \in \mu_n(\mathbb{C})} (x - d)$. Each $d \in \mu_n(\mathbb{C})$ has

$o(d) = d$, for some $d|n$. Thus

$$x^n - 1 = \prod_{d|n} \Phi_d(x), \text{ or } \Phi_n(x) = \frac{x^n - 1}{\prod_{d|n, d \neq n} \Phi_d(x)}$$

Proceed by induction: $\Phi_1(x) = x - 1$ has integer coeffs, leading coeff = 1.

If true $\forall k < n$: Then $\prod_{d|n, d \neq n} \Phi_d(x)$ also has integer coeffs, leading coeff = 1.

Thus, it's clear leading coeff of $\Phi_n(x) = 1$.

Why are they all integers though?

Enough to prove the following fact:

If $f, g \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$, with g monic (ie leading coeff = 1), then $\exists! q, r \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$

$$\text{w/ } f = qg + r, \text{ deg } r < \text{deg } g$$

Not too hard to convince yourself:

$$x-1 \overline{) \begin{array}{r} x^5 + x^4 + \dots \\ x^6 - 1 \\ \hline x^6 - x^5 \\ \hline +x^5 - 1 \end{array}}$$

$$2x-1 \overline{) \begin{array}{r} \frac{1}{2}x^5 + \dots \\ x^6 - 1 \\ \hline x^6 - \frac{1}{2}x^5 \\ \hline \frac{1}{2}x^5 - 1 \end{array}}$$

(Rigorous pf found in notes on polynomials)

Thus: $x^n - 1 = \prod_{\substack{d|n \\ d \neq n}} \Phi_d(x) \cdot \Phi_n(x)$

$= g \cdot \prod_{\substack{d|n \\ d \neq n}} \Phi_d(x) + r, \quad \deg r < \deg \prod_{\substack{d|n \\ d \neq n}} \Phi_d(x)$

Plug in any β s.t. β a primitive d th root for some $d|n$:

$\beta^n - 1 = g(\beta) \cdot \prod_{\substack{d|n \\ d \neq n}} \Phi_d(\beta) + r(\beta)$

$\Rightarrow 0 = r(\beta),$

$\Rightarrow (x - \beta) \mid r(x) \quad \forall$ such $\beta,$

$\Rightarrow \prod_{\substack{d|n \\ d \neq n}} \Phi_d(\beta) \mid r(x) \quad \Rightarrow r = 0$ for degree reasons.

So $\Phi_n(x) \cdot \prod_{\substack{d|n \\ d \neq n}} \Phi_d(x) = g \cdot \prod_{\substack{d|n \\ d \neq n}} \Phi_d(x)$

$\Rightarrow \Phi_n(x) = g \in \mathbb{Z}[x],$

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- Let $p = \text{prime}$, $p \neq 2$ for whole lecture.
- HW problem: $\forall p$ prime, \exists primitive $(p-1)^{\text{th}}$ root of unity in $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$. Usually called a primitive root mod p . Let $g \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$ be primitive root for whole lec.

- Q: which $\#s$ in $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ are squares? $p \neq 2$, prime.
- First Q: how many? Consider real $\#s$:

$\mathbb{R}^\times \xrightarrow{d} \mathbb{R}^\times, d(x) = x^2$. Each $a \in \mathbb{R}^\times$ has 1 or 2 preimages / sq. roots

- $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times \xrightarrow{x \mapsto x^2} (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$ works the same!

Let $d \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$ w/ $d \equiv a^2$. Then $d \equiv (-a)^2$
 $-a \neq a$: since $p \nmid 2a$. But $p \nmid 2$, $p \nmid a$.

If $a^2 \equiv b^2$, then $a^2 - b^2 = 0 \Rightarrow (a+b)(a-b) = 0$

$\Rightarrow (a+b) = 0$ or $a-b = 0$ ($\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ is a field).

$\Rightarrow b = \pm a$

So each $d \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$ has 0 or 2 sq. roots

HW: half the elements of $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$ are squares, i.e. congruent to d^2 , some $d \in \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$.

• Let $g \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$ be primitive root mod p .

Then, $\forall \alpha \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times \exists! n \in \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$ st. $\alpha = g^n$. (HW)

$\Rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times = \{g^1, g^2, \dots, g^{p-1}\}$. Above work shows

g^n a square iff n even. Indeed, if n

even, then $g^n = (g^{n/2})^2$. $\exists \frac{p-1}{2}$ even n s in the set

$\{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$, so $\exists \frac{p-1}{2}$ squares of the form $g^{(\text{even } n)}$.

But there are only $\frac{p-1}{2}$ squares total! \square

§ Euler's criterion:

First some notation: The Legendre symbol, $\forall n \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$, define

$$\left(\frac{n}{p}\right) = \begin{cases} 1, & n \text{ a square mod } p. \\ -1, & n \text{ not} \end{cases}$$

* It's not a fraction!! That $-$ is just a symbol.

V. useful notation. e.g:

Prop 22 (Euler's criterion) Let $a \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$. Then

$$a^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \left(\frac{a}{p}\right) \pmod{p}.$$

Pf Let $a = g^n$. $\Rightarrow a^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv (g^n)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv (g^{\frac{p-1}{2}})^n$
 $\Rightarrow a$ square iff n even.

• What's $g^{\frac{p-1}{2}}$? Well $(g^{\frac{p-1}{2}})^2 \equiv 1$.

But 1 has only two sq. roots mod p: 1, -1.

$g^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \neq 1$, since g primitive $(p-1)^{th}$ root of 1.

$\Rightarrow \boxed{g^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv -1}$ useful fact!

$\Rightarrow a^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv (-1)^n \equiv \begin{cases} 1, & n \text{ even} \Leftrightarrow a \text{ square mod } p. \\ -1, & n \text{ odd} \Leftrightarrow a \text{ isn't} \end{cases}$

Example: $p=17$. Primitive roots: no great way to find them. Just try everything in $(\mathbb{Z}/17\mathbb{Z})^*$.

Primitive roots: $\{3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 14\}$

Squares:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	4	9	16	8	2	...				

$= \{1, 4, 9, 16, 8, 2, 15, 13\} = \{1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 13, 15, 16\}$

$\bar{-1}$ a square!

Take any prim root raised to odd #. got non-square. eg $11^5 \equiv 10$, not sq.

Prim root to even #: $7^8 \equiv 16$

Try at home: compute $a^{\frac{p-1}{2}}$ for $a \in \mathbb{Z}$. Confirm Euler's formula.

Note: Generalized arith conj if $a \neq 1$, $a \neq d^2$, $\forall d \in \mathbb{Z}$, then \exists inf. many p a sq. mod p . Need GRH!

Consequences of Euler:

Prop 23: -1 a square mod p iff $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

$\exists \epsilon \left(\frac{-1}{p} \right) = \begin{cases} 1, & p \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ -1, & p \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$ explain why only these 2 options.

Pf $\left(\frac{-1}{p} \right) \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{2}}$. If $p = 4k+1$, $\frac{p-1}{2} = 2k$.

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{-1}{p} \right) \equiv (-1)^{2k} = 1$. If $p = 4k+3$, $\frac{p-1}{2} = 2k+1$.

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{-1}{p} \right) \equiv (-1)^{2k+1} = -1$.

Properties of Legendre symbol: if $a \equiv b \pmod{p}$,

$\left(\frac{a}{p} \right) = \left(\frac{b}{p} \right)$ (by def).

$\forall a, b \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times$, then $\left(\frac{ab}{p} \right) = \left(\frac{a}{p} \right) \left(\frac{b}{p} \right)$

Pf. $\left(\frac{ab}{p} \right) \equiv (ab)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv a^{\frac{p-1}{2}} b^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \left(\frac{a}{p} \right) \left(\frac{b}{p} \right) \pmod{p}$.

But LHS = ± 1 , RHS = ± 1 . Congruent mod $p \Rightarrow =$.

Note: $\chi \mapsto \left(\frac{\chi}{p} \right)$ is homomorph $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^\times$.

§ 6.3 Note: $\left(\frac{a}{p} \right) = \left(\frac{a^e}{p} \right)$ or $\dots \left(\frac{a^e}{p} \right)^{e_n}$, $n = e_1 \dots e_n$ So need: $\left(\frac{a}{p} \right) = ?$ p prime.
When is -1 a square mod p ?

Alternate pf: use Lagrange's thm. Suppose $-1 = a^2 \pmod{p}$.

$\Rightarrow a = \text{prim } 4\text{th root} \Rightarrow \text{ord}(a) = 4$ in $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times \Rightarrow 4 \mid p-1 \Rightarrow p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.
($a \neq 1, a^2 \neq 1$)

OTOH, if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, then $\left(g^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \right)^2 = g^{\frac{p-1}{2}} = -1$

(I'm telling you how to find the sq root of -1)

Prop 26: 2 is a square mod p iff $p \equiv 1$ or $p \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$.

7/14/17: Recall: $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = \begin{cases} 1, & a \text{ square} \\ -1, & a \text{ not square.} \end{cases}$

How to use QR.

Defined for $p \neq 2$ prime, $a \neq 0 \pmod{p}$.

"Jacobi symbol" if p not prime.

E.g. Squares mod 5:

x	1	2	3	4
x^2	1	4	4	1

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{5}\right) = 1, \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 1, \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) = -1, \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = -1$
 $\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)$

Note: $\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) = -1 = \left(\frac{8}{5}\right)$, as predicted.

$\left(\frac{ab}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{a}{p}\right) \left(\frac{b}{p}\right) \quad \forall a, b \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^*$

Want to know: what is $\left(\frac{d}{p}\right)$ for arbitrary $d \in \mathbb{Z}$?

Start by factoring d into primes: $d = \pm p_1^{e_1} \dots p_n^{e_n}$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{d}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{\pm 1}{p}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{p_1}{p}\right)^{e_1} \dots \left(\frac{p_n}{p}\right)^{e_n}$

Euler's criterion takes care of the ± 1 case:

$\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) = 1; \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = 1$ iff $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Notice: we can ignore p_i term if e_i is even.

As is often the case, we treat the case $p=2$ differently from the others.

Prop 26: $\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) = 1$ iff $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$.

Book has proof using complicated field theory; we'll do sthg. else.

Recall: since $\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) = \pm 1$, and $1 \neq -1 \pmod{p}$, it's enough to show that $\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ iff $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$.

Recall: Euler's criterion, $\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) \equiv 2^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \pmod{p}$.

Let $s = \frac{p-1}{2}$. We'll use our favorite trick: compute $s!$ mod p in two different ways.

Start with:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 1 &= (-1) \cdot (-1)^1 \\ 2 &= 2 \cdot (-1)^2 \\ 3 &= (-3) \cdot (-1)^3 \\ &\vdots \\ s &= (\pm s) \cdot (-1)^s \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} &\text{ie.} \\ &n = (-1)^n \cdot n \\ &\text{for } 1 \leq n \leq s. \end{aligned}$$

Note: $s! = \frac{p-1}{2}!$

Claim $\prod_{n=1}^s (-1)^n n \equiv \prod_{k=1}^s 2k$ (here's the hard part!)

Break each product into two parts: $(-1) \cdot 2 \cdot (-3) \cdot 4 \cdot \dots \cdot (-s)$ and $2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{2s}{p-1} = \prod_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq p-1 \\ k \text{ even}}} k$

$$\prod_{n=1}^s (-1)^n n = \left(\prod_{\substack{1 \leq n \leq s \\ n \text{ even}}} n \right) \cdot \left(\prod_{\substack{1 \leq n \leq s \\ n \text{ odd}}} (-n) \right)$$

$$\prod_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq p-1 \\ k \text{ even}}} k = \left(\prod_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq s \\ k \text{ even}}} k \right) \cdot \left(\prod_{\substack{s+1 \leq k \leq p-1 \\ k \text{ even}}} k \right)$$

same!

- Note: if n odd, then $-n \equiv p-n$ and $p-n$ even. If $1 \leq n \leq s$, then $p-s \leq p-n \leq p-1$.
- Similarly, if k even and $p-s \leq k \leq p-1$, then $p-k$ odd, and $1 \leq p-k \leq s$.
- Also, $k = p - (p-k)$.
- Conclusion: $\forall k \in [p-s, p-1]$, k even, $k = p-n \equiv -n$ for some unique $n \in [1, s]$, n odd.

$$\Rightarrow \prod_{\substack{1 \leq n \leq s \\ n \text{ odd}}} (-n) \equiv \prod_{\substack{p-s \leq k \leq p-1 \\ k \text{ even}}} k \quad \text{Note: } p-s = p - \frac{p-1}{2} = \frac{p+1}{2} = s+1. \quad \square$$

So: $\prod_{n=1}^s (-1)^n n \equiv \prod_{k=1}^s 2k = 2^s \prod_{k=1}^s k \equiv 2^s s!$

Also: $\prod_{n=1}^s (-1)^n = (-1)^{\sum_{n=1}^s n} = (-1)^{s \cdot (s+1)/2}$

$$\frac{s \cdot (s+1)}{2} = \frac{\frac{p-1}{2} \cdot \frac{p+1}{2}}{2} = \frac{p^2-1}{8}$$

Upshot: $1 = (-1)(-1)'$, $2 = 2 \cdot (-1)^2$, etc.

$$\Rightarrow s! \equiv \prod (-1)^n n \cdot \prod (-1)^n \equiv 2^s s! \cdot (-1)^{\frac{p^2-1}{8}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \equiv 2^s (-1)^{\frac{p^2-1}{8}} \quad \text{Since } \left((-1)^{\frac{p^2-1}{8}} \right)^2 = 1,$$

$$(-1)^{\frac{p^2-1}{8}} \equiv 2^s \equiv \left(\frac{2}{p} \right). \quad \text{Check: } \frac{p^2-1}{8} \text{ even iff } p \equiv 1, 7 \pmod{8} \quad \square$$

- What about other primes? I.e. $(\frac{g}{p})$ for g odd prime?

Oh, first an example: 2 is a square mod 7, ($2 \equiv 3^2$) and mod 17 ($2 \equiv 6^2$), but not a square mod 5: $\frac{1234}{1441}$ // $\frac{12345}{149533\dots}$

Application: $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{2}]/p\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{2}]$ a field iff $p \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$

Other primes? We have the following beautiful theorem:

Thm (QR) Let $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ be odd primes. Then $(\frac{p}{q}) \cdot (\frac{q}{p}) = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{2} \cdot \frac{q-1}{2}}$

I.e. if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ or $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, then $(\frac{p}{q}) = (\frac{q}{p})$. If $p \equiv q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then $(\frac{p}{q}) = -(\frac{q}{p})$

Application: is 85 a square mod 101? Factor 85: $85 = 5 \cdot 17$. Note: 101 is an odd prime!
 $\Rightarrow (\frac{85}{101}) = (\frac{5}{101}) \cdot (\frac{17}{101}) = (\frac{101}{5}) \cdot (\frac{101}{17}) = (\frac{1}{5}) \cdot (\frac{16}{17})$
 \uparrow
 $101 \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \quad = (\frac{1}{5}) \cdot (\frac{4}{7})^2 = 1.$

Yes!

• Is -26 a square mod 67 ?

Check. 67 is prime, congruent to 3 mod 4 .

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{-26}{67}\right) &= \left(\frac{-1}{67}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{2}{67}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{13}{67}\right) \\ &= \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ 3 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}}}{-1} \cdot \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ 3 \equiv 3 \pmod{8}}}{-1} \cdot \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ 13 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}}}{\left(\frac{67}{13}\right)} = \left(\frac{2}{13}\right) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Yes!

~~• Is 37063 a square mod 48611 ?~~

~~Well... I don't really want to factor~~

~~$37063 \dots$ I don't wanna mess w/ Jacobi symbol...~~

~~Note: if p_1, p_2, q odd primes, can we write $\left(\frac{p_1 p_2}{q}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{q}{p_1 p_2}}$~~

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \left(\frac{55}{179}\right) &= \left(\frac{5}{179}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{11}{179}\right) = \left(\frac{179}{5}\right) \cdot (-1) \left(\frac{179}{11}\right) = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) \cdot (-1) \cdot \left(\frac{3}{11}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{11}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = -1. \end{aligned}$$

Proof of QR: There are > 200 published proofs!

None are v. easy: it took 3 generations of mathematicians to originally figure out!

- Simplest proof is due to Rousseau, '91
- Ingredients: Chinese Remainder theorem and that multiplication trick.
- Restatement: $\left(\frac{p^*}{8}\right) = \left(\frac{8}{p}\right)$ where $p^* = \begin{cases} p, & p \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ -p, & p \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$
- Let's talk about cryptography now!

- The goal of ^(PK) cryptography: to allow two people to exchange confidential info even when adversaries are eavesdropping on every word.
- E.g. sending messages over the internet: it's kind of like sending a post-card. You rely on a bunch of other people to deliver your message and they can all read what you're saying.
- So how do I buy stuff on amazon w/o someone else stealing my CC #?
- The first answer to this question was discovered in the 1970s: Diffie-Hellman and RSA.

Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange

- The point of DH is to establish a shared secret between the two parties that can be used for later encryption.

Old way:

- Eg. one of the simplest/easiest forms of encryption is a Caesar cipher / shift cipher.
- You and your friend start by establishing a secret key, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Don't tell anyone else!!

- Encrypt by shifting each letter in the alphabet forward by k . $(\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c} A & B & C & D & E & F \\ \hline D & E & F & G & H & I \end{array} \dots k=3)$

- Eg. Tom Snow wants to send secret messages to Dany Targaryen. They agree, in private, to use Caesar cipher w/ secret key $k=2$.

To encrypt the message "GO NORTH", replace each letter w/ the one that's 2 letters later in the alphabet: $G \mapsto I, O \mapsto Q, N \mapsto P$ etc.

"GO NORTH" \mapsto "IQ PQTUVJ"

- D receives the message "IQ PQTVS"
- To decrypt, she shifts each letter backwards by R

• The downside (well, one of many): they need to agree on the secret key! How can they do this w/ eavesdroppers around?

Diffie - Hellman to the rescue!

- 1) Choose a prime # p and a primitive root g . This is broadcast publicly.
- 2) J chooses a random # $x \in [1, p-1]$ and D chooses a random # $y \in [1, p-1]$. The x and y are secret; they don't tell those to anyone!
- 3) J computes $X = g^x \pmod p$ and sends it to D. D computes $Y = g^y \pmod p$ and sends it to J.
- 4) Then J computes $R = Y^x$ — this is their shared secret!
 D computes $R = X^y$. Note: $X^y = (g^x)^y = g^{xy} = (g^y)^x = Y^x$

Concrete example:

Step #	J's private info	Public info	D's private info
1)		"J: Let's do DH. $p=23, g=10$ " "D: OK"	
2)	$x=4$ $g^x = 10^4 \equiv 18 \pmod{23}$		$y=17$ $g^y = 10^{17} \equiv 17 \pmod{23}$
3)		"J: $X=18$ " "D: $Y=17$ "	
4)	$k = y^x = 17^4 \equiv 8$		$k = x^y = 18^{17} \equiv 8$

Note: you can use any group for Diffie-Hellman and any element $g \in G$ of large order.

Note: security depends on strangers not being able to find x, y given g, p, X, Y . "Discrete log problem": compute disc. log of X w.r.t. g in $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$.

The point: computing disc. log takes exponentially longer than computing g^x . (as far as we know!)

Note You don't get to decide what the shared secret, k , is.

Assumptions for crypto:

- It is feasible to: multiply $1 \leq a < n$, raise a to a power mod n , Euclidean algo
- Unfeasible: if $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ product of large primes,
 - factoring m , find $\varphi(m)$ w/o factorizations
 - Given p large and g a primitive root, compute discrete log of $X \in \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$.
- Have a nice way to convert messages to \mathbb{Z} (encoding)

Diffie-Hellman: establishing a shared secret.

Example: Alice and Bob want to establish shared secret. (see table p. 94)

They use their shared secret to encrypt later comms.

- Note: no one can predict what the shared secret will be! Don't get to choose.
- Note: In principle, instead of saying "here's p ," Alice can say "here's a group G and an element $g \in G$." Just need discrete logs to be hard to compute.

§6.2, RSA

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- What about actual encryption?
- Caesar cipher sucks. Also it's symmetric: anyone who can encrypt the message can decrypt.
- Asymmetric encryption: one key for encrypting (public key) and a different one for decrypting (private key)
- Think: a safe w/ a slot. Anyone can drop messages into the slot, but only one person can retrieve them

RSA is an example of this. Here's the algo:

- Setup: Alice wants anyone to be able to send her encrypted messages.
 - Chooses two ^{large} prime #s p, q .
(eg. $p=43, q=71$)
 - computes $m=p \cdot q$, $\varphi(m) = (p-1)(q-1)$
($m=3053$, $\varphi(m)=2940$)
 - chooses some $e \in (\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})^*$. (eg $e=11$).
note: $\frac{2940}{3053} = 96\%$ of #s in $[1, m]$ are rel. prime. Randomly pick one, do euclid algo to check coprime.
 - find $d \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{m}$ ($d=1871$)

- Alice publicly announces (m, e) . This is her public key, $(13053, 11)$

Encryption process

- Bob takes message N , breaks it into pieces w/ fewer digits than m . x_0, x_1, \dots, x_r

eg. $N = 123\ 456 \rightarrow \underbrace{123}_{x_0} \quad \underbrace{456}_{x_1}$

- encrypted vers: $X_0 \equiv x_0^e, \quad X_1 \equiv x_1^e \pmod{m}$.

($X_0 = 123^{11} \equiv 7 \pmod{13053}, \quad X_1 = 456^{11} \equiv 2943 \pmod{m}$)

- Bob sends $(X_0, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_r)$
(7, 2943).

Decryption: Alice receives X_0, X_1, \dots, X_r
Alice needs to solve

$$x_0^e \equiv X_0 \pmod{m},$$

⋮

$$x_r^e \equiv X_r \pmod{m}.$$

We know how to do this! Just find $d \equiv e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(m)}$ [Euler's algo]. Then \rightarrow Find it once and for all.

$$x_0 \equiv X_0^d, \quad \dots, \quad x_r \equiv X_r^d$$

(note: we don't know $\gcd(X_0, m) = 1 \dots$
but CRT says we can do this anyway,
since $m = p \cdot q$.)

e.g. $x_0 \equiv x_0^d \equiv 7^{1871} \equiv 123 \pmod{3053}$

$x_1 \equiv (2943)^{1871} \equiv 456 \pmod{3053}$.

Private key: (m, d) $[(3053, 1871)]$

- Note: it's important that hackers can't figure out (m) . This is called the "RSA problem"

Digital signatures

- How do you know you're talking to who you think you're talking to?
- RSA / asymmetric crypto helps us know!
- The idea is: if Alice encrypts ~~stuff~~ with her private key, Bob can decrypt w/ public key.

i.e. if Alice sends $y = x^d$ to Bob, Bob can recover x by computing $y^e = x^{de} = x$.

- So if Alice wants to send a message, x , and prove it's from her, she can send (x, y) _{x^d}

Receiver checks: is $y^e = x$?

If so, sender has proven they have A's priv. key. (priv. key corresp. to e).

• Note: This only works if Bob is certain that e really is Alice's pubkey!

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• Recall, RSA: to construct key pair, choose large primes p, q . Set $m = pq$, choose e coprime to $\phi(m)$. Find $d = e^{-1} \pmod{\phi(m)}$.

Pub key: (m, e) Private key: (m, d) .

Uses: $(x^e)^d \equiv x \pmod{m}$.

Note: $(x^d)^e \equiv x \pmod{m}$ as well! \rightarrow i.e. can encrypt w/ priv. key! This allows us to use RSA for digital signatures.

• So, if Bob wants to confirm other person is Alice, he can ask her to send her message M along with the same message encrypted by her private key. (eg. if message $M < m$, she sends $(M, N = M^d)$)

• Bob receives (M, N) . Decrypts N using e , compares w/ M . If $M = N^e$, then presumably other person has Alice's private key!

• Note: technically, all it shows is the other person has priv. key corresp. to the public key (m, e) .

• How do we know e really is Alice's pub key? (CA, web of trust)

El Gamal (§10.3)

- Idea: Diffie-Hellman to establish shared secret.
- Multiply/divide by secret mod p to encrypt/decrypt.

Eg. Alice wants to receive messages encrypted via El Gamal. She chooses a prime p , and prim root g
 Q: next step?

Chooses a random $x \in [2 \rightarrow p-2]$ (or $[1 \rightarrow p]$ whatever)
 Announces publicly $p, g, X = g^x$

[Eg: $p=131, g=2, x=37, \therefore X = 2^{37} \equiv 76 \pmod{131}$]

Bob wants to send a message M to Alice. He chooses random y , sets $Y = g^y$

[Eg $g=19, Y = 2^{19} \equiv 26 \pmod{131}$]

Then the shared secret is $X^y = 76^{19} \equiv 116 \pmod{131}$

To encrypt: break up M into pieces smaller than p .

Eg. 123456 \rightarrow 12 34 56 or 123 4 56

12 \rightarrow $12 \cdot k \pmod{p} = 82$ 56 $\cdot 116 \equiv 77 \pmod{131}$
 34 \rightarrow $34 \cdot k \pmod{p} = 14$

multiply each piece by $k \pmod{p}$

Decryption:

So Bob sends to Alice his # Y , along with encrypted message. Eg $Y=26; 82, 14, 77$

Alice uses Y to compute $k = Y^x = 26^{37} \equiv 116 \pmod{131}$

To decrypt, Alice must solve the equations:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 \cdot 116 &\equiv 82 \pmod{131} \\ x_2 \cdot 116 &\equiv 14 \pmod{131} \\ x_3 \cdot 116 &\equiv 77 \pmod{131} \end{aligned}$$

Sol'n: find $116^{-1} \pmod{131}$. via Euclidean algo.

$116^{-1} = 96.$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 82 \cdot 96 \equiv 12 \pmod{131}$$

(etc).

Q: why can't an adversary decrypt? Finding inverses is easy!
A: They don't know what to find the inverse of!

Q How do we find these large prime #'s?

A Guess! Eg. say we want to find a prime in the interval $[2^{100}, 2^{101}]$. Then we pick a random # x in this interval.

$P(x \text{ is prime}) = ?$

Prime number theorem: let $\pi(n) = \# \text{primes} \leq n$.

Thm (PNT) $\pi(n) \sim \frac{n}{\log(n)}$ asymptotically.

i.e. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(n)}{n/\log(n)} = 1$ $\log = \log_e$

\Rightarrow # primes in $[2^{100}, 2^{101}]$ is $\pi(2^{101}) - \pi(2^{100})$,

which is approx $\frac{2^{101}}{101 \log 2} - \frac{2^{100}}{100 \log 2} \sim \frac{2^{101} - 2^{100}}{100 \log 2}$
 $\sim \frac{2^{100}}{100 \log 2}$

\Rightarrow probability x is prime $\sim \frac{2^{100}/100 \log 2}{2^{100}} = \frac{1}{100 \log 2} = 1.4\%$

\Rightarrow but all the primes are odd! If we choose x odd, our chances are $\frac{2}{100 \log 2} = 2.8\%$

\Rightarrow So, we guess a random odd #, check if it's prime. If not, guess again.

\Rightarrow How many tries will this take? Geometric distro. On average, $\frac{100 \log 2}{2} = \underline{\underline{35}}$ tries. Only 35!!!

But wait, how do we quickly check if it's prime?

Probabilistic Miller-Rabin test. (§11.1)

Idea: If n prime, then $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_{(1,n-1)}^*$, $a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod n$.

\Rightarrow If $\exists a \in \mathbb{Z}_{(1,n-1)}^*$ with $a^{n-1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod n$, then n isn't prime!

Note: This isn't very good though! \exists Carmichael #s,
i.e. numbers n st. $a^{n-1} \equiv 1$ for all a with $\gcd(a, n) = 1$

Further, if $n = p \cdot q$ for large p, q , then chances of finding something not rel. prime are slim!

Miller-Rabin criterion: Let n be odd, $n-1 = 2^k \cdot g$ (g odd, $k \geq 0$)

Then n is composite if $\exists a \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ st.

- 1) $a^g \not\equiv 1 \pmod n$, and
- 2) $a^{2^i g} \not\equiv -1 \pmod n$ for all $i = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$ (such a is called "witness")

Pf Prove contrapositive: if n prime, one of these fails. We have $a^{2^i g} = 1$ for some i by FLT. One case or the other fails depending on smallest such i : If it's $i=0$, first fails, if $i > 0$, second fails. \square

Note: If n composite, 75% of $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ is a witness

Next time: Chinese Remainder Thm?

Q Who can state the CRT?

A If $\gcd(m, n) = 1$, then $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}, b \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \exists! x \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, mn-1\}$
(or $x \in \mathbb{Z}/mn\mathbb{Z}$)

s.t. $[x]_m = a, [x]_n = b.$

i.e. $\mathbb{Z}/mn\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \quad \text{is a bijection}$
 $[x]_{mn} \longmapsto ([x]_m, [x]_n)$

Ex. $\exists! x \in \mathbb{Z}/21\mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $x \equiv 0 \pmod{3}, x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}.$

How do we find it? Well, $x \equiv 4 \pmod{7} \Rightarrow x = 4 + 7k$
for some k . Two options:

1) Write all #s of the form $4 + 7k \in \{0, 1, \dots, 20\}$:
4, 11, 18

Check to see which one $\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.

2) More systematic: solve $4 + 7k \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$

$\Rightarrow k \equiv -1 \pmod{3}$, choose smallest $k \in \mathbb{N}$, s.t. $k \equiv -1 \pmod{3}$

$\Rightarrow k = 2$

$\Rightarrow x = 4 + 7 \cdot 2 = 18.$

Note $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ is a ring!

$(a, b) + (c, d) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (a+c, b+d), \quad (a, b) \cdot (c, d) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (a \cdot c, b \cdot d).$

Check @ home: $[x]_{mn} \xrightarrow{\mu} ([x]_m, [x]_n)$ is a ring homomorph!

Thus, we can rephrase CRT: the map $\mathbb{Z}/mn\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ is an isomorphism of rings!!! (Again, if $\gcd(m,n)=1$)

Thus most questions we ask abt $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ can be answered by working in $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$

Eg. Is 2 a square mod 15? If $2 \equiv a^2 \pmod{15}$, then $\mu(2) = \mu(a^2) = \mu(a)^2$ $\mu: \mathbb{Z}/15 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3 \times \mathbb{Z}/5$

$\Rightarrow ([2]_3, [2]_5) = ([a]_3^2, [a]_5^2)$

$\Rightarrow 2 \equiv a^2 \pmod{3}, 2 \equiv a^2 \pmod{5}$

Not a square! 2 is not a square mod 3.

What abt 6? ~~If $6 \equiv a^2 \pmod{15}$~~ Solve:

$\Rightarrow 6 \equiv a^2 \pmod{3}, 6 \equiv a^2 \pmod{5}$

$\Rightarrow a \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ and $a \equiv 1$ or $4 \pmod{5}$.

So, yes! In pthc, if $x \in \mathbb{Z}/15$ w/ $x \equiv 0 \pmod{3}, x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

Then $\mu(6) = \mu(x)^2 = \mu(x^2) \Rightarrow 6 \equiv x^2$
 ↳ μ is injective.
 "whatever gets sent to a solution in $\mathbb{Z}/3 \times \mathbb{Z}/5$ is a solution in $\mathbb{Z}/15$ "

Here: $x=6$ and $x=9$ work.

$6 \in \mathbb{Z}/15$ is the unique elt $\equiv 0 \pmod 3$ and $1 \pmod 5$
 $9 \in \mathbb{Z}/15$ " " " " " " " $4 \pmod 5$
 $6^2 \equiv 9^2 \equiv 6 \pmod{15} \checkmark$

Also note: $105 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/105\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/35\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z}$$

If $n = p_1^{e_1} \dots p_r^{e_r}$, then $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/p_1^{e_1}\mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}/p_r^{e_r}\mathbb{Z}$

Solving polynomial eqns.

Note: if $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$, and $a \equiv b \pmod n$, then

$$f(a) \equiv f(b) \pmod n.$$

E.g. $f(x) = 3x^2 + x + 1$ \Rightarrow $3 \cdot 8^2 + 8 + 1 \equiv 3 \cdot 2^2 + 2 + 1 \pmod 6$
 $n=6$

Let $n = n_1 n_2$, $n_1 \nmid n_2$ rel. prime. $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$.

Let $a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Want to solve: } f(x) \equiv b \pmod n. \\ b \equiv b_i \pmod{n_i} \end{array} \right.$

$$f(a_i) \equiv b_i \pmod{n_i} \quad (i=1,2)$$

CRT: $\exists! a \in \mathbb{Z}/n_1 n_2 \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $a \equiv a_i \pmod{n_i}$

Then $f(a) \equiv f(a_i) \pmod{n_i} \equiv b_i$

Claim a is soln to $f(x) \equiv b \pmod n.$

\Rightarrow So $f(a)$ and $b \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ both $\equiv b_i \pmod{n_i}$

CRT: $f(a) \equiv b \pmod n$, by uniqueness! \blacksquare

E.g. Solve $x^5 \equiv 9 \pmod{21} = 3 \cdot 7$

$\gcd(9, 21) \neq 1$. Oh no!

→ break it up: work mod 3 and mod 7.

$x_1^5 \equiv 9 \pmod{3}, \quad x_2^5 \equiv 9 \pmod{7}.$

$\Rightarrow x_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}, \quad x_2 \equiv ?$ Now $\gcd(9, 7) = 1,$
 $\gcd(5, (1-7)) = 1$

So: find $5^{-1} \pmod{6}$: it's 5.

$\Rightarrow x_2 \equiv 2^5 \pmod{7} \equiv 4.$

So: sol'n to original eqn, $x^5 \equiv 9 \pmod{21}$,
is whatever's $\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ and $\equiv 4 \pmod{7}$ via
CRT.

→ $x \equiv 18 \pmod{21}.$

Doesn't always work, though:

$x^{17} \equiv 15 \pmod{175} = 5^2 \cdot 7 \quad x \equiv ?$

→ $x_1^{17} \equiv 15 \pmod{25}, \quad x_2^{17} \equiv 15 \pmod{7}$

$x_1 \equiv ? \quad \sim x_2 \equiv 1.$

Nothing we can do b/c $\gcd(15, 25) \neq 1.$

However, if $x_1^{17} \equiv 15 \pmod{25}$, then $5 \mid 15 - x_1^{17} \Rightarrow 5 \mid x_1^{17}$
 $\Rightarrow 5 \mid x_1$
 $\Rightarrow x_1^{17} \equiv 0$, so no sol'n!

• However, all is fine and dandy if $n = p_1 \dots p_r$
 $p_i \neq p_j$

• "n is square-free." Not divisible by any square $4s$.

Finally: Prop If $n = pq$, $p \neq q$ primes, then

Soln to $x^k \equiv a \pmod{n}$ is $x \equiv a^u$ where
 $k \cdot u \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(n)}$. [no matter what a is!] [if $\gcd(k, \phi(n)) = 1$].

Pf if $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, ok. If $a \equiv 0$, ok.

So wlog $\gcd(a, n) = p$, $g \nmid a$.

$$\Rightarrow x^k \equiv a \Rightarrow x^{k \cdot u} = x^{l\phi(n) + 1} \equiv a^u$$

$$\text{ETP } x^{l\phi(n) + 1} \equiv x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$$

USE CRT: $x_1^k \equiv a \pmod{p} \Rightarrow x_1 \equiv 0, \equiv a^u$

$$x_2^k \equiv a \pmod{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2^{k \cdot u} \equiv a^u \pmod{p} \Rightarrow x_2^{l\phi(n) + 1} \equiv a^u$$

$$\text{Note: } \phi(p) \mid \phi(n). \quad \sum_0 x^{l\phi(n) + 1} \equiv (x^{\phi(p)})^{l\phi(p)} \cdot x \equiv x$$

So $x \equiv a^u$ works mod p ; mod q

\Rightarrow works mod n .

• Method of descent.

• Q When is a prime $\neq 2$ a sum of two squares? (SOTS)

• HW: p a SOTS $\Rightarrow p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

• Thm If $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, then p is SOTS

• Idea: method of descent!

Given $A^2 + B^2 = Mp$, $M > 1$,

find a, b, m with $a^2 + b^2 = mp$, $1 \leq m < M$.

Repeat this process a finite ($< M$) # of times, and get $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = p$.

Details

• Key ingredient: (SOTS) \cdot (SOTS) = SOTS

in ptic, $(a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2) = (ac + bd)^2 + (bc - ad)^2$

• Also, if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, then $\exists A$, $0 \leq A \leq p-1$,
s.t. $A^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow A^2 + 1 = Mp$, some $M \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Note: $M = \frac{A^2 + 1}{p} \leq \frac{(p-1)^2 + 1}{p} = \frac{p^2 - 2p + 2}{p} = p - 2 + \frac{2}{p} < p$.

Algorithm

• Start with $A^2 + B^2 = Mp$, $1 < M < p$.

• Choose $u, v \in [-\frac{1}{2}M, \frac{1}{2}M]$ with

$$A \equiv u \pmod{M}, \quad B \equiv v \pmod{M}.$$

(Note: can't have $u=0$ and $v=0$)

• Note: $u^2 + v^2 \equiv A^2 + B^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{M}$.

$$\Rightarrow \exists r: u^2 + v^2 = rM.$$

Claim $1 \leq r < M$. (this r will be the new M)

Pf: for $r < M$, note

$$u^2 + v^2 \leq \frac{1}{4}M^2 + \frac{1}{4}M^2 = \frac{M}{2} \cdot M \quad (\text{so } r \leq \frac{M}{2})$$

• for $1 \leq r$: enough to show $u^2 + v^2 \neq 0$.

If $u^2 + v^2 = 0$, then $u=0, v=0 \Rightarrow M|A, B$.

$$\Rightarrow M^2 \mid A^2 + B^2 = Mp \Rightarrow M \mid p \quad \#.$$

but $M < p$. \square

• $\Rightarrow (u^2 + v^2)(A^2 + B^2) = rpM^2$
|| formula!

$$(uA + vB)^2 + (vA - uB)^2$$

• claim: $M \mid uA + vB$ and $M \mid vA - uB$

$$\equiv A^2 + B^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{M}$$

$$\equiv vA - uB \equiv 0 \pmod{M},$$

magic!!!

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{uA + vB}{M}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{vA - uB}{M}\right)^2 = rp.$$

Eg $p = 881$

$387^2 + 1^2 = 170 \cdot 881$

$387 \equiv 47 \pmod{170},$

$1 \equiv 1 \pmod{170}$

$47^2 + 1^2 = 13 \cdot 170$

$\Rightarrow (47^2 + 1^2)(387^2 + 1^2) = 13 \cdot 170 \cdot 881$

$(47 \cdot 387 + 1)^2 + (387 - 47)^2$

$18190^2 + 340^2$

$18190 = 170 \cdot 107, \quad 340 = 170 \cdot 2$

$\Rightarrow 170^2 + 2^2 = 13 \cdot 881$

repeat! get $25^2 + 16^2 = 881.$

Another application: Fermat's Last Theorem

If $n > 2$, then $x^n + y^n = z^n$ has no nontrivial solutions in \mathbb{Z} .

To prove the case where $n = 4$, Fermat used the method of descent.

Fermat showed: whenever $x^4 + y^4 = z^4$, $x, y, z > 0$,
 there exists x_2, y_2, z_2 with $0 < z_2 < z$
 and $x_2^4 + y_2^4 = z_2^4$

Thus you get infinitely many sol'n's (x_i, y_i, z_i)
 with $z_1 > z_2 > z_3 > \dots$ can't be!...

Idea of proof: x^2, y^2, z^2 a pythag triple
 $\Rightarrow \exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $x^2 = st$, $y^2 = \frac{s^2 - t^2}{2}$, $z^2 = \frac{s^2 + t^2}{2}$

Do some clever computations:

- Show $\exists u, v$: $st = 2u^2$, $st = 4v^2$

- $\Rightarrow x^2 + 4v^4 = u^4$

- $\Rightarrow \exists S, T$ s.t. $x = ST$, $2v^2 = \frac{S^2 - T^2}{2}$, $u^2 = \frac{S^2 + T^2}{2}$

- $S + T = 2x^2$, $S - T = 2y^2$

- $\Rightarrow (x, y, u^2)$ is new sol'n,