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Prime Numbers



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Prime Numbers

- ✧ **Prime number**: an integer $p > 1$ that is divisible only by 1 and itself, ex. 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17...
- ✧ **Composite number**: an integer $n > 1$ that is not prime
- ✧ **Fact**: there are infinitely many prime numbers. (by Euclid)
 - pf: ✧ on the contrary, assume a_n is the largest prime number
 - ✧ let the finite set of prime numbers be $\{a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$
 - ✧ the number $b = a_0 * a_1 * a_2 * \dots * a_n + 1$ is not divisible by any a_i
i.e. b does not have prime factors $\leq a_n$
- 2 cases: ➤ if b has a prime factor d , $b > d > a_n$, then “ d is a prime number that is larger than a_n ” ... contradiction
- if b does not have any prime factor less than b , then “ b is a prime number that is larger than a_n ” ... contradiction

Prime Number Theorem

✧ Prime Number Theorem:

★ Let $\pi(x)$ be the number of primes less than x

★ Then

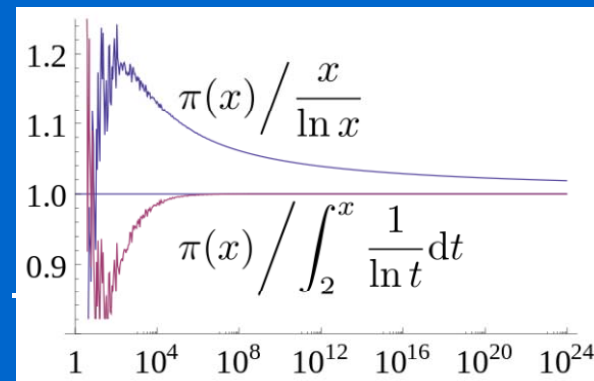
$$\pi(x) \approx \frac{x}{\ln x}$$

in the sense that the ratio $\pi(x) / (x/\ln x) \rightarrow 1$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$

★ Also, $\pi(x) \geq \frac{x}{\ln x}$ and for $x \geq 17$, $\pi(x) \leq 1.10555 \frac{x}{\ln x}$

✧ Ex: number of 100-digit primes

$$\pi(10^{100}) - \pi(10^{99}) \approx \frac{10^{100}}{\ln 10^{100}} -$$



Factors

- ✧ Every composite number can be expressible as a product $a \cdot b$ of integers with $1 < a, b < n$
- ✧ Every positive integer has a **unique** representation as a product of **prime numbers** raised to different powers.

$$\star \text{Ex. } 504 = 2^3 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 7, \quad 1125 = 3^2 \cdot 5^3$$

Factors

✧ **Lemma:** p is a prime number and $p \mid a \cdot b \implies p \mid a$ or $p \mid b$,
more generally, p is a prime number and $p \mid a \cdot b \cdot \dots \cdot z$
 $\implies p$ must divide one of a, b, \dots, z

★ **proof:**

✧ case 1: $p \mid a$

✧ case 2: $p \nmid a$,

➤ $p \nmid a$ and p is a prime number $\implies \gcd(p, a) = 1 \implies 1 = ax + py$

➤ multiply both side by b , $b = \underline{b}ax + b\underline{p}y$

➤ $p \mid ab \implies p \mid b$

✧ In general: if $p \mid a$ then we are done, if $p \nmid a$ then $p \mid bc \dots z$, continuing this way, we eventually find that p divides one of the factors of the product

Unique Prime Factorization Theorem

✧ **Theorem:** Every positive integer is a **product of primes**. This factorization into primes is **unique**, up to reordering of the factors.

- Empty product equals 1.
- Prime is a one factor product.

★ **Proof: product of primes**

- ✧ assume there exist positive integers that are not product of primes
- ✧ let n be the smallest such integer
- ✧ since n can not be 1 or a prime, n must be composite, i.e. $n = a \cdot b$
- ✧ since n is the smallest, both a and b must be products of primes.
- ✧ $n = a \cdot b$ must also be a product of primes, contradiction

★ **Proof: uniqueness of factorization**

- ✧ assume $n = r_1^{c_1} r_2^{c_2} \cdots r_k^{c_k} p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \cdots p_s^{a_s} = r_1^{c_1} r_2^{c_2} \cdots r_k^{c_k} q_1^{b_1} q_2^{b_2} \cdots q_t^{b_t}$
where p_i, q_j are all distinct primes.
- ✧ let $m = n / (r_1^{c_1} r_2^{c_2} \cdots r_k^{c_k})$
- ✧ consider p_1 for example, since p_1 divide $m = q_1 q_1 \cdots q_1 q_2 \cdots q_t$, p_1 must divide one of the factors q_j , contradict the fact that “ p_i, q_j are distinct primes”

Fermat's Little Theorem

✧ If p is a prime, $p \nmid a$ then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

Proof: ✧ let $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p-1\} \subset (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)$, define $\psi(x) \equiv a \cdot x \pmod{p}$ be a mapping $\psi: S \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$

✧ $\forall x \in S, \psi(x) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow \forall x \in S, \psi(x) \in S$, i.e. $\psi: S \rightarrow S$

if $\psi(x) \equiv a \cdot x \equiv 0 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow x \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ since $\gcd(a, p) = 1$

✧ $\forall x, y \in S$, if $x \neq y$ then $\psi(x) \neq \psi(y)$

if $\psi(x) \equiv \psi(y) \Rightarrow a \cdot x \equiv a \cdot y \Rightarrow x \equiv y$ since $\gcd(a, p) = 1$

✧ from the above two observations, $\psi(1), \psi(2), \dots, \psi(p-1)$ are distinct elements of S

✧ $1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot (p-1) \equiv \psi(1) \cdot \psi(2) \cdot \dots \cdot \psi(p-1) \equiv (a \cdot 1) \cdot (a \cdot 2) \cdot \dots \cdot (a \cdot (p-1))$
 $\equiv a^{p-1} (1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot (p-1)) \pmod{p}$

✧ since $\gcd(j, p) = 1$ for $j \in S$, we can divide both side by $1, 2, 3, \dots, p-1$, and obtain $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

Fermat's Little Theorem

✧ Ex: $2^{10} = 1024 \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$

$$2^{53} = (2^{10})^5 2^3 \equiv 1^5 2^3 \equiv 8 \pmod{11}$$

$$\text{i.e. } 2^{53} \equiv 2^{53 \bmod 10} \equiv 2^3 \equiv 8 \pmod{11}$$

✧ if n is prime, then $2^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

i.e. if $2^{n-1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ then n is not prime $\leftarrow (*)$

usually, if $2^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$, then n is prime

★ exceptions: $2^{561-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{561}$ although $561 = 3 \cdot 11 \cdot 17$

$$2^{1729-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{1729} \text{ although } 1729 = 7 \cdot 13 \cdot 19$$

★ $(*)$ is a quick test for eliminating composite number

Euler's Totient Function $\phi(n)$

✧ $\phi(n)$: the number of integers $1 \leq a < n$ s.t. $\gcd(a, n) = 1$
ex. $n=10$, $\phi(n)=4$ the set is $Z_{10}^* = \{1, 3, 7, 9\}$

✧ properties of $\phi(\bullet)$

★ $\phi(p) = p-1$, if p is prime

★ $\phi(p^r) = p^r - p^{r-1} = p^r \cdot (1 - 1/p)$, if p is prime

★ $\phi(n \cdot m) = \phi(n) \cdot \phi(m)$ if $\gcd(n, m) = 1$ *multiplicative property*

★ $\phi(n \cdot m) = \phi((d_1/d_2/d_3)^2) \cdot \phi(d_2^3) \cdot \phi(d_3^3) \cdot \phi(n/d_1/d_2) \cdot \phi(m/d_1/d_3)$
if $\gcd(n, m) = d_1$, $\gcd(n/d_1, d_1) = d_2$, $\gcd(m/d_1, d_1) = d_3$

★ $\phi(n) = n \prod_{\forall p|n} (1 - 1/p)$

ex. $\phi(10) = (2-1) \cdot (5-1) = 4$ $\phi(120) = 120(1-1/2)(1-1/3)(1-1/5) = 32$

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How large is $\phi(n)$?

✧ $\phi(n) \approx n \cdot 6/\pi^2$ as n goes large

✧ Probability that a random number r is multiples of a prime number p ? $1/p$ think of 2 (even numbers), 3, 5, r must be of the form kp



✧ Probability that two independent random numbers r_1 and r_2 both have a given prime number p as a factor? $1/p^2$

✧ The probability that they do not have p as a common factor is thus $1 - 1/p^2$

✧ The probability that two numbers r_1 and r_2 have no common prime factor? $P = (1-1/2^2)(1-1/3^2)(1-1/5^2)(1-1/7^2)\dots$

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$\Pr\{r_1 \text{ and } r_2 \text{ relatively prime}\}$

✧ Equalities:

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1+x+x^2+x^3+\dots$$

$$1 + 1/2^2 + 1/3^2 + 1/4^2 + 1/5^2 + 1/6^2 + \dots = \pi^2/6$$

$$\text{✧ } P = (1-1/2^2)(1-1/3^2)(1-1/5^2)(1-1/7^2) \cdot \dots$$

$$= ((1+1/2^2+1/2^4+\dots)(1+1/3^2+1/3^4+\dots) \cdot \dots)^{-1}$$

$$= (1+1/2^2+1/3^2+1/4^2+1/5^2+1/6^2+\dots)^{-1}$$

$$= 6/\pi^2$$

$$\approx 0.61$$

each positive number has a unique prime number factorization

$$\text{ex. } 45^2 = 3^4 \cdot 5^2$$

How large is $\phi(n)$?

- ✧ $\phi(n)$ is the number of integers less than n that are relative prime to n
- ✧ $\phi(n)/n$ is the probability that a randomly chosen integer is relatively prime to n
- ✧ Therefore, $\phi(n) \approx n \cdot 6/\pi^2$
- ✧ $P_n = \Pr \{ n \text{ random numbers have no common factor} \}$
 - ★ n independent random numbers all have a given prime p as a factor is $1/p^n$
 - ★ They do not all have p as a common factor $1 - 1/p^n$
 - ★ $P_n = (1 + 1/2^n + 1/3^n + 1/4^n + 1/5^n + 1/6^n + \dots)^{-1}$ is the **Riemann zeta function** $\zeta(n)$ <http://mathworld.wolfram.com/RiemannZetaFunction.html>
 - ★ Ex. $n=4$, $\zeta(4) = \pi^4/90 \approx 0.92$

Euler's Theorem

true when n is prime

true even when $n = p^k$

✧ If $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ then $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

Proof: ✧ let S be the set of integers $1 \leq x < n$, with $\gcd(x, n) = 1$

✧ define $\psi(x) \equiv a \cdot x \pmod{n}$ be a mapping $\psi: S \rightarrow Z$

✧ $\forall x \in S$ and $\gcd(a, n) = 1$,
 $\psi(x) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{n}$
 $\gcd(\psi(x), n) = 1$

if $\psi(x) \equiv a \cdot x \equiv 0 \pmod{n} \Rightarrow x \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$
 $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ and $\gcd(x, n) = 1$
 (no common prime factors)

$\Rightarrow \forall x \in S, \psi(x) \in S$, i.e. $\psi: S \rightarrow S$

✧ $\forall x, y \in S$, 'if $x \neq y$ then $\psi(x) \not\equiv \psi(y) \pmod{n}$ '

if $\psi(x) \equiv \psi(y) \Rightarrow a \cdot x \equiv a \cdot y \Rightarrow x \equiv y$ since $\gcd(a, n) = 1$

✧ from the above two observations, $\forall x \in S$, $\psi(x)$ are distinct elements of S (i.e. $\{\psi(x) \mid \forall x \in S\}$ is S)

✧ $\prod_{x \in S} x \equiv \prod_{x \in S} \psi(x) \equiv a^{\phi(n)} \prod_{x \in S} x \pmod{n}$

✧ since $\gcd(x, n) = 1$ for $x \in S$, we can cancel one by one $x \in S$ of both sides, and obtain $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

Euler's Theorem

✧ Example: What are the last three digits of 7^{803} ?

i.e. we want to find $7^{803} \pmod{1000}$

$$1000 = 2^3 \cdot 5^3, \quad \phi(1000) = 1000(1-1/2)(1-1/5) = 400$$

$$7^{803} \equiv 7^{803 \pmod{400}} \equiv 7^3 \equiv 343 \pmod{1000}$$

✧ Example: Compute $2^{43210} \pmod{101}$?

$$101 = 1 \cdot 101, \quad \phi(101) = 100$$

$$2^{43210} \equiv 2^{43210 \pmod{100}} \equiv 2^{10} \equiv 1024 \equiv 14 \pmod{101}$$

A second proof of Euler's Theorem

Euler's Theorem: $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*, a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

✧ We have proved the above theorem by showing that the function $\psi(x) \equiv a \cdot x \pmod{n}$ is a permutation.

✧ We can also prove it through **Fermat's Little Theorem & CRT**

➤ consider $n = p \cdot q, \phi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$

$$\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*, a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow (a^{p-1})^{q-1} \equiv a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*, a^{q-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{q} \Rightarrow (a^{q-1})^{p-1} \equiv a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$$

$$\gcd(p, q) = 1 \Rightarrow p \cdot q \mid a^{\phi(n)} - 1, \text{ i.e. } \forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_n^* (p \nmid a \text{ and } q \nmid a), \underline{a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}}$$

➤ consider $n = p^r, \phi(n) = p^{r-1}(p-1)$

$$\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_{p^r}^*, a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow a^{p-1} = 1 + \lambda p \quad a^{\phi(n)} \equiv (1 + \lambda p)^{p^{r-1}}$$

$$a^{\phi(n)} = (1 + \lambda p)^{p^{r-1}} = 1 + C_1^{p^{r-1}} \lambda p + C_2^{p^{r-1}} (\lambda p)^2 + \dots \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

$$= 1 + p^{r-1} \lambda p + p^{r-1}(p^{r-1}-1)/2 (\lambda p)^2 + \dots$$

A second proof (cont'd)

➤ consider $n = p^r \cdot q^s$, $\phi(n) = p^{r-1}(p-1) q^{s-1}(q-1)$

$$\forall a \in Z_{p^r}^*, a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow (a^{p-1})^{p^{r-1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p^r}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{(p-1)p^{r-1}})^{q^{s-1}} \equiv a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p^r} \Rightarrow p^r \mid a^{\phi(n)} - 1$$

$$\forall a \in Z_{q^s}^*, a^{q-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{q} \Rightarrow (a^{q-1})^{q^{s-1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{q^s}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{(q-1)q^{s-1}})^{p^{r-1}} \equiv a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{q^s} \Rightarrow q^s \mid a^{\phi(n)} - 1$$

$$\gcd(p^r, q^s) = 1 \Rightarrow p^r q^s \mid a^{\phi(n)} - 1, \text{ i.e. } \forall a \in Z_n^* (p \nmid a \text{ and } q \nmid a), \underline{a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}}$$

➤ consider $n = p_1^{r_1} p_2^{r_2} \cdots p_k^{r_k}$, $\phi(n) = n \prod_{\substack{p \mid n}} (1 - 1/p)$ **Unique Prime Factorization**

$$\forall a \in Z_{p_i^{r_i}}^*, a^{p_i-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p_i} \Rightarrow (a^{p_i-1})^{p_i^{r_i-1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p_i^{r_i}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{(p_i-1)p_i^{r_i-1}})^{\prod_{j \neq i} (p_j-1)p_j^{r_j-1}} \equiv a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p_i^{r_i}} \Rightarrow p_i^{r_i} \mid a^{\phi(n)} - 1$$

all $p_i^{r_i}$ are

relatively prime $\Rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^k p_i^{r_i} \mid a^{\phi(n)} - 1, \text{ i.e. } \forall a \in Z_n^* (\forall i, p_i \nmid a), \underline{a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}}$

Carmichael Theorem

Theorem:

$$\forall a \in Z_n^*, a^{\lambda(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \text{ and } a^{n \cdot \lambda(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n^2}$$

where $n=p \cdot q$, $p \neq q$, $\lambda(n) = \text{lcm}(p-1, q-1)$, $\lambda(n) \mid \phi(n)$

✧ like Euler's Theorem, we can prove it through Fermat's Little Theorem, consider $n = p \cdot q$, where $p \neq q$,

$$\forall a \in Z_p^*, a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow (a^{p-1})^{(q-1)/\gcd(p-1, q-1)} \equiv a^{\lambda(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\forall a \in Z_q^*, a^{q-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{q} \Rightarrow (a^{q-1})^{(p-1)/\gcd(p-1, q-1)} \equiv a^{\lambda(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$$

$$\gcd(p, q) = 1 \Rightarrow pq \mid a^{\lambda(n)} - 1, \forall a \in Z_n^* \text{ (i.e. } p \nmid a \wedge q \nmid a), a^{\lambda(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

$$\text{therefore, } \forall a \in Z_n^*, a^{\lambda(n)} = 1 + k \cdot n$$

$$\text{raise both side to the } n\text{-th power, we get } a^{n \cdot \lambda(n)} = (1 + k \cdot n)^n,$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{n \cdot \lambda(n)} = 1 + n \cdot k \cdot n + \dots \Rightarrow \forall a \in Z_n^* \text{ (or } Z_{n^2}^*), a^{n \cdot \lambda(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n^2}$$

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Basic Speedup in Exponentiation

- ✧ Let a, n, x, y be integers with $n \geq 1$, and $\gcd(a, n) = 1$
if $x \equiv y \pmod{\phi(n)}$, then $a^x \equiv a^y \pmod{n}$.
- ✧ If you want to work **mod n** , you should work **mod $\phi(n)$** or **$\lambda(n)$** in the exponent.

Primitive Roots modulo p

- ✧ When p is a prime number, a **primitive root modulo p** is a number whose powers yield every nonzero element mod p . (equivalently, the order of a primitive root is $p-1$)
- ✧ ex: $3^1 \equiv 3, 3^2 \equiv 2, 3^3 \equiv 6, 3^4 \equiv 4, 3^5 \equiv 5, 3^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$
3 is a primitive root mod 7
- ✧ sometimes called a multiplicative **generator**
- ✧ there are plenty of primitive roots, actually $\phi(p-1)$
 - ★ ex. $p=101, \phi(p-1)=100 \cdot (1-1/2) \cdot (1-1/5)=40$
 $p=143537, \phi(p-1)=143536 \cdot (1-1/2) \cdot (1-1/8971)=71760$

Primitive Testing Procedure

✧ How do we test whether h is a primitive root modulo p ?

★ naïve inefficient method:

go through all powers h^2, h^3, \dots, h^{p-2} , and make sure they all $\neq 1$ modulo p

★ fast method:

let $p-1$ has prime factors q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n ,

for all q_i , make sure $h^{(p-1)/q_i}$ modulo p is not 1,

then h is a primitive root

Intuition: let $h \equiv g^a \pmod{p}$, $\gcd(a, p-1)=d \Rightarrow h$ is **not** a primitive root

$$(g^a)^{(p-1)/d} \equiv (g^{a/d})^{(p-1)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \text{ prime } q_i \mid d, h^{(p-1)/q_i} \equiv (g^a)^{(p-1)/q_i} \equiv (g^{a/q_i})^{(p-1)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

ex. $p=29$, $p-1=2 \cdot 2 \cdot 7$, $h=5$, $h^{28/2}=1$, $h^{28/7}=16$, 5 is **not** a primitive

$h=11$, $h^{28/2}=28$, $h^{28/7}=25$, 11 is a primitive

Primitive Testing Procedure (cont'd)

✧ Procedure to test if h is a primitive root :

let $p-1$ has prime factors q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n , (i.e. $\phi(p)=p-1=q_1^{r_1} \dots q_n^{r_n}$)
for all q_i , $h^{(p-1)/q_i} \pmod{p}$ is not 1 $\Rightarrow h$ is a primitive

pf:

(a) by definition, $\text{ord}_p(h)$ is the smallest positive x s.t. $h^x \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

Fermat Theorem: $h^{\phi(p)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ therefore implies $\text{ord}_p(h) \leq \phi(p)$

if $\phi(p) = \text{ord}_p(h) * k + s$ with $0 \leq s < \text{ord}_p(h)$

$h^{\phi(p)} \equiv h^{\text{ord}_p(h) * k} h^s \equiv h^s \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$, but $s < \text{ord}_p(h) \Rightarrow s = 0$, i.e. $\text{ord}_p(h) \mid \phi(p)$

(b) assume h is not a primitive root i.e. $\text{ord}_p(h) < \phi(p) = p-1$

then $\exists i$ such that $\text{ord}_p(h) \mid (p-1)/q_i$ i.e. $h^{(p-1)/q_i} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ for some q_i

(c) if for all q_i , $h^{(p-1)/q_i} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

then $\text{ord}_p(h) = \phi(p)$ and h is a primitive root modulo p

Number of Primitive Roots in Z_p^*

✧ Why are there $\phi(p-1)$ primitive roots?

★ let h be a primitive root (the order of h is $p-1$)

★ $h, h^2, h^3, \dots, h^{p-1}$ is a permutation of $1, 2, \dots, p-1$

an integer
less than $p-1$

★ if $\gcd(a, p-1)=d$, then $(h^a)^{(p-1)/d} \equiv (h^{a/d})^{(p-1)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ which says that the order of h^a is at most $(p-1)/d$, therefore, h^a is not a primitive root \Rightarrow There are **at most** $\phi(p-1)$ primitive roots in Z_p^*

★ For any element h^a in Z_p^* where $\gcd(a, p-1) = 1$, it is guaranteed that $(h^a)^{(p-1)/q_i} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ for all q_i (q_i is prime factors of $p-1$)

pf. assume that for a certain q_i , $(h^a)^{(p-1)/q_i} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

h is a primitive root $\Rightarrow p-1 \mid a \cdot (p-1) / q_i$

$\Rightarrow \exists$ integer k s.t. $a \cdot (p-1) / q_i = k \cdot (p-1)$ i.e. $a = k \cdot q_i$

$\Rightarrow q_i \mid a$

$\Rightarrow q_i \mid \gcd(a, p-1)$ contradiction

Lucas Primality Test

✧ An integer n is **prime** iff *the converse of Fermat Little Theorem*
 $\exists a, \text{ s.t. } \begin{cases} 1. a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \\ 2. \forall \text{ prime factor } q \text{ of } n-1, a^{n-1/q} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n} \end{cases}$

Proof:

(\Rightarrow) if n is **prime**, *catch: inefficient, factors of $n-1$ are required*

Fermat's little theorem ensures that " $\forall a \not\equiv kn, a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ "
 a primitive **a** ensures " \forall prime factor q of $n-1, a^{n-1/q} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ "

(\Leftarrow) if $\exists a, \text{ s.t. } \begin{cases} 1. a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \text{ and} \\ 2. \forall \text{ prime factor } q \text{ of } n-1, a^{n-1/q} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n} \end{cases}$

By definition, $\text{ord}_n(a)$ is the smallest positive x s.t. $a^x \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$
 the first condition implies that $\text{ord}_n(a) \leq n-1$ and $\text{ord}_n(a) \mid n-1$
 the second condition then implies that **$\text{ord}_n(a) = n-1$ (*)**

Euler thm says that $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$, by definition $\phi(n) < n-1$ **if n is a composite number**, i.e. **$\text{ord}_n(a) \mid \phi(n) < n-1$** , contradict with (*). 23

Pratt's Primality Certificate

- ✧ Pratt's proved in 1975 that the following polynomial-size structure can **prove that a number is prime** and is verifiable in polynomial time
- ✧ based on the **Lucas Primality Test (LPT)**
- ✧ example:

229 ($a = 6, 229 - 1 = 2^2 \times 3 \times 19$)

verification

2 (known prime)

$$2^{229-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{229}$$

3 ($a = 2, 3 - 1 = 2$)

$$2^{(229-1)/2} \equiv -1 \pmod{229}$$

2 (known prime)

$$2^{(229-1)/3} \equiv 7 \pmod{229}$$

19 ($a = 2, 19 - 1 = 2 \times 3^2$)

By LPT, if 2, 3 are primes, then 19 is also a prime

2 (known prime)

By LPT, if 2, 3, 19 are primes, then 229 is also a prime

3 ($a = 2, 3 - 1 = 2$)

2 (known prime)

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Multiplicative Generators in Z_n^*

- ✧ How do we define a multiplicative generator in Z_n^* if n is a composite number?
 - ★ Is there an element in Z_n^* that can generate all elements of Z_n^* ?
 - ★ If $n = p \cdot q$, the answer is negative. From Carmichael theorem, $\forall a \in Z_n^*, a^{\lambda(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$, $\gcd(p-1, q-1)$ is at least 2, $\lambda(n) = \text{lcm}(p-1, q-1)$ is at most $\phi(n) / 2$. The size of a maximal possible multiplicative subgroup in Z_n^* is therefore no larger than $\lambda(n)$.
 - ★ If $n = p^k$, the answer is yes
 - ★ How many elements in Z_n^* can generate the maximal possible subgroup of Z_n^* ?

Finding Square Roots mod n

✧ For example: find x such that $x^2 \equiv 71 \pmod{77}$

★ Is there any solution?

★ How many solutions are there?

★ How do we solve the above equation systematically?

✧ In general: find x s.t. $x^2 \equiv b \pmod{n}$,

where $b \in \text{QR}_n$, $n = p \cdot q$, and p, q are prime numbers

✧ Easier case: find x s.t. $x^2 \equiv b \pmod{p}$,

where p is a prime number, $b \in \text{QR}_p$

Note: QR_n is “Quadratic Residue in Z_n^* ” to be defined later

Finding Square Root mod p

✧ Given $y \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$, find x , s.t. $x^2 \equiv y \pmod{p}$, p is prime

Two cases: $\begin{cases} p \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \text{ (i.e. } p = 4k + 1) : \text{probabilistic algorithm} \\ p \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ (i.e. } p = 4k + 3) : \text{deterministic algorithm} \end{cases}$

✧ Is there any solution? (Is y a QR_p ?)

check $y^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \stackrel{?}{\equiv} 1 \pmod{p}$ *Euler's Criterion*

✧ $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

$$x \equiv \pm y^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \pmod{p}$$

✧ $(p+1)/4 = (4k+3+1)/4 = k+1$ is an integer

✧ $x^2 = y^{(p+1)/2} = y^{(p-1)/2} \cdot y \equiv y \pmod{p}$

Finding Square Root mod p

✧ $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

★ Peralta, Eurocrypt'86, $p = 2^s q + 1$, both p, q are prime

★ 3-step probabilistic procedure

- 1. Choose a random number r , if $r^2 \equiv y \pmod{p}$, output $z = r$
- 2. Calculate $(r + x)^{(p-1)/2} \equiv u + v x \pmod{f(x)}$, $f(x) = x^2 - y$
- 3. If $u = 0$ then output $z \equiv v^{-1} \pmod{p}$, else goto step 1

$$\begin{aligned} \text{note: } (b+cx)(d+ex) &\equiv (bd+ce x^2) + (be+cd) x \\ &\equiv (bd+ce y) + (be+cd) x \pmod{x^2-y} \end{aligned}$$

use *square-multiply* algorithm to calculate the
polynomial $(r + x)^{(p-1)/2}$

★ the probability to successfully find z for each $r \geq 1/2$

Finding Square Root mod p

✧ ex: find z such that $z^2 \equiv 12 \pmod{13}$

solution:

✧ $13 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ie. $4k+1$

✧ choose $r = 3, 3^2 = 9 \neq 12$

✧ $(3 + x)^{(13-1)/2} = (3 + x)^6 \equiv 12 + 0x \pmod{x^2-12}$

✧ choose $r = 7, 7^2 \equiv 10 \neq 12$

✧ $(7 + x)^{(13-1)/2} = (7 + x)^6 \equiv 0 + 8x \pmod{x^2-12}$

$\Rightarrow z = 8^{-1} = 5 \pmod{13}$

Why does it work???

Why is the success probability $> 1/2$???

Finding Square Roots mod n

✧ Now let's return to the question of solving square roots in Z_n^* , i.e.

for an integer $y \in QR_n$,

find $x \in Z_n^*$ such that $x^2 \equiv y \pmod{n}$

✧ We would like to transform the problem into solving square roots mod p .

✧ Question: for $n=p \cdot q$

Is solving “ $x^2 \equiv y \pmod{n}$ ” equivalent to solving

“ $x^2 \equiv y \pmod{p}$ and $x^2 \equiv y \pmod{q}$ ”??? **yes**

$(\Rightarrow) x^2 - y = kn = kpq \Rightarrow p \mid x^2 - y \text{ and } q \mid x^2 - y \quad \square$

$(\Leftarrow) p \mid x^2 - y, q \mid x^2 - y, \text{ i.e. } x^2 - y = kp = k'q, q \nmid p \Rightarrow q \mid k, \text{ i.e. } x^2 - y = k''pq \quad \square_{30}$

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Finding Square Roots mod $p \cdot q$

✧ find x such that $x^2 \equiv 71 \pmod{77}$

★ $77 = 7 \cdot 11$

★ “ x^* satisfies $f(x^*) \equiv 71 \pmod{77}$ ” \Leftrightarrow

“ x^* satisfies both $f(x^*) \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ and $f(x^*) \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$ ”

★ since 7 and 11 are prime numbers, we can solve $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ and $x^2 \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$ far more easily than $x^2 \equiv 71 \pmod{77}$

$x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ has two solutions: $x \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{7}$

$x^2 \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$ has two solutions: $x \equiv \pm 4 \pmod{11}$

★ put them together and use CRT to calculate the four solutions

$x \equiv 1 \pmod{7} \equiv 4 \pmod{11} \Rightarrow x \equiv 15 \pmod{77}$

$x \equiv 1 \pmod{7} \equiv 7 \pmod{11} \Rightarrow x \equiv 29 \pmod{77}$

$x \equiv 6 \pmod{7} \equiv 4 \pmod{11} \Rightarrow x \equiv 48 \pmod{77}$

$x \equiv 6 \pmod{7} \equiv 7 \pmod{11} \Rightarrow x \equiv 62 \pmod{77}$

Computational Equivalence to Factoring

- Previous slides show that once you know the factors of n are p and q , you can easily solve the square roots of n
- Indeed, if you can solve the square roots for **one single** quadratic residue mod n , you can factor n .

★ from the four solutions $\pm a, \pm b$ on the previous slide

$$x \equiv c \pmod{p} \equiv d \pmod{q} \Rightarrow x \equiv a \pmod{p \cdot q}$$

$$x \equiv c \pmod{p} \equiv -d \pmod{q} \Rightarrow x \equiv b \pmod{p \cdot q}$$

$$x \equiv -c \pmod{p} \equiv d \pmod{q} \Rightarrow x \equiv -b \pmod{p \cdot q}$$

$$x \equiv -c \pmod{p} \equiv -d \pmod{q} \Rightarrow x \equiv -a \pmod{p \cdot q}$$

we can find out $a \equiv b \pmod{p}$ and $a \equiv -b \pmod{q}$

(or equivalently $a \equiv -b \pmod{p}$ and $a \equiv b \pmod{q}$)

★ therefore, $p \mid (a-b)$ i.e. $\gcd(a-b, n) = p$ (ex. $\gcd(15-29, 77)=7$)

$q \mid (a+b)$ i.e. $\gcd(a+b, n) = q$ (ex. $\gcd(15+29, 77)=11$)

Quadratic Residues

- ✧ Consider $y \in Z_n^*$, if $\exists x \in Z_n^*$, such that $x^2 \equiv y \pmod{n}$, then y is called a **quadratic residue mod n** , i.e. $y \in QR_n$
- ✧ If the modulus p is prime, there are **$(p-1)/2$** quadratic residues in Z_p^*
 - ★ let g be a primitive root in Z_p^* , $\{g, g^2, g^3, \dots, g^{p-1}\}$ is a permutation of $\{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$
 - ★ in the above set, $\{g^2, g^4, \dots, g^{p-1}\}$ are quadratic residues (QR_p)
 - ★ $\{g, g^3, \dots, g^{p-2}\}$ are quadratic non-residues (QNR_p), out of which there are $\phi(p-1)$ primitive roots

Quadratic Residues in Z_p^*

1st proof:

- ★ For each $x \in Z_p^*$, $p-x \not\equiv x \pmod{p}$ (since if x is odd, $p-x$ is even), it's clear that x and $p-x$ ($-x$) are both square roots of a certain $y \in Z_p^*$
- ★ Because there are only $p-1$ elements in Z_p^* , we know that $|\text{QR}_p| \leq (p-1)/2$
- ★ Because $|\{g^2, g^4, \dots, g^{p-1}\}| = (p-1)/2$, there can be no more quadratic residues outside this set. Therefore, the set $\{g, g^3, \dots, g^{p-2}\}$ contains only quadratic non-residues

Quadratic Residues in Z_p^*

2nd proof:

- ★ Because the squares of x and $p-x$ are the same, the number of quadratic residues must be less than $p-1$ (i.e. some element in Z_p^* must be quadratic non-residue)
- ★ Let g is a primitive, consider this set $\{g, g^3, \dots, g^{p-2}\}$ directly
- ★ If $g \in QR_p$, then g cannot be a primitive (because g^k must all be quadratic residues). Thus, if g is a primitive then $g \in QNR_p$
- ★ If $g^{2k+1} \equiv g^{2k} \cdot g \in QR_p$, $\exists x \in Z_p^*$ such that $x^2 \equiv g^k \cdot g^k \cdot g \pmod{p}$
Since $\gcd(g^k, p)=1$, $g \equiv ((g^k)^{-1})^2 \cdot x^2 \equiv ((g^k)^{-1} \cdot x)^2 \in QR_p$ contradiction
- ★ Thus, $g^{2k+1} \in QNR_p$

Quadratic Residues in Z_p^*

✧ ex. $p=143537, p-1=143536=2^4 \cdot 8971$,

$\phi(p-1)=2^4 \cdot 8971 \cdot (1-1/2) \cdot (1-1/8971)=71760$ primitives,

$(p-1)/2=71768$ QR_p 's and 71768 QNR_p 's

★ Note: if g is a primitive, then $g^3, g^5 \dots$ are also primitives

except the following 8 numbers $g^{8971}, g^{8971 \cdot 3}, \dots, g^{8971 \cdot 15}$

★ Elements in Z_p^* can be grouped further according to their order

since $\forall x \in Z_p^*, \text{ord}_p(x) \mid p-1$, we can list all possible orders

$\text{ord}_p(x)$	$p-1$	$\frac{p-1}{2}$	$\frac{p-1}{4}$	$\frac{p-1}{8}$	$\frac{p-1}{16}$	$\frac{p-1}{8971}$	$\frac{p-1}{8971 \cdot 2}$	$\frac{p-1}{8971 \cdot 4}$	$\frac{p-1}{8971 \cdot 8}$	$\frac{p-1}{8971 \cdot 16}$
	QNR_p	QR_p	QR_p	QR_p	QR_p	QNR_p	QR_p	QR_p	QR_p	QR_p
#	$\phi(p-1)$					8			2	1

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QR_n for Composite Modulus n

- ✧ If y is a quadratic residue modulo n , it must be a quadratic residue modulo all prime factors of n .

$$\begin{aligned}\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}_n^* \text{ s.t. } x^2 \equiv y \pmod{n} &\Leftrightarrow x^2 = k \cdot n + y = k \cdot p \cdot q + y \\ &\Rightarrow x^2 \equiv y \pmod{p} \text{ and } x^2 \equiv y \pmod{q}\end{aligned}$$

- ✧ If y is a quadratic residue modulo p and also a quadratic residue modulo q , then y is a quadratic residue modulo n .

$$\begin{aligned}\exists r_1 \in \mathbb{Z}_p^* \text{ and } r_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_q^* \text{ such that} \\ y \equiv r_1^2 \pmod{p} \equiv (r_1 \pmod{p})^2 \pmod{p} \\ \equiv r_2^2 \pmod{q} \equiv (r_2 \pmod{q})^2 \pmod{q}\end{aligned}$$

from CRT, $\exists! r \in \mathbb{Z}_n^*$ such that $r \equiv r_1 \pmod{p} \equiv r_2 \pmod{q}$

therefore, $y \equiv r^2 \pmod{p} \equiv r^2 \pmod{q}$

again from CRT, $y \equiv r^2 \pmod{p \cdot q}$

Legendre Symbol

- ✧ Legendre symbol $L(a, p)$ is defined when a is any integer, p is a prime number greater than 2
 - ★ $L(a, p) = 0$ if $p \mid a$
 - ★ $L(a, p) = 1$ if a is a quadratic residue mod p
 - ★ $L(a, p) = -1$ if a is a quadratic non-residue mod p
- ✧ Two methods to compute (a/p)
 - ★ $(a/p) = a^{(p-1)/2} \pmod{p}$
 - ★ recursively calculate by $L(a \cdot b, p) = L(a, p) \cdot L(b, p)$
 1. If $a = 1$, $L(a, p) = 1$
 2. If a is even, $L(a, p) = L(a/2, p) \cdot (-1)^{(p^2-1)/8}$
 3. If a is odd prime, $L(a, p) = L((p \bmod a), a) \cdot (-1)^{(a-1)(p-1)/4}$
- ✧ Legendre symbol $L(a, p) = -1$ if $a \in \text{QNR}_p$
 $L(a, p) = 1$ if $a \in \text{QR}_p$

Legendre Symbol

$$y \in \text{QR}_p \Leftrightarrow y^{(p-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

(\Rightarrow)

- ★ If $y \in \text{QR}_p$
- ★ Then $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ such that $y \equiv x^2 \pmod{p}$
- ★ Therefore, $y^{(p-1)/2} \equiv (x^2)^{(p-1)/2} \equiv x^{(p-1)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

(\Leftarrow)

- ★ If $y \notin \text{QR}_p$ i.e. $y \in \text{QNR}_p$
- ★ Then $y \equiv g^{2k+1} \pmod{p}$
- ★ Therefore, $y^{(p-1)/2} \equiv (g^{2k+1})^{(p-1)/2} \equiv g^{k(p-1)+1} \equiv g^{k(p-1)} g \equiv g^{(p-1)/2} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

$$\text{ord}_p(g) = p-1$$


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Jacobi Symbol

- ✧ Jacobi symbol $J(a, n)$ is a generalization of the Legendre symbol to a composite modulus n
- ✧ If n is a prime, $J(a, n)$ is equal to the Legendre symbol i.e. $J(a, n) \equiv a^{(n-1)/2} \pmod{n}$
- ✧ Jacobi symbol cannot be used to determine whether a is a quadratic residue mod n (unless n is a prime)
ex. $J(7, 143) = J(7, 11) \cdot J(7, 13) = (-1) \cdot (-1) = 1$
however, there is no integer x such that
 $x^2 \equiv 7 \pmod{143}$

Calculation of Jacobi Symbol

- ✧ The following algorithm computes the Jacobi symbol $J(a, n)$, for any integer a and odd integer n , recursively:
 - ★ Def 1: $J(0, n) = 0$ also If n is prime, $J(a, n) = 0$ if $n|a$
 - ★ Def 2: If n is prime, $J(a, n) = 1$ if $a \in \text{QR}_n$ and $J(a, n) = -1$ if $a \notin \text{QR}_n$
 - ★ Def 3: If n is a composite, $J(a, n) = J(a, p_1 \cdot p_2 \dots p_m) = J(a, p_1) \cdot J(a, p_2) \dots J(a, p_m)$
 - ★ Rule 1: $J(1, n) = 1$
 - ★ Rule 2: $J(a \cdot b, n) = J(a, n) \cdot J(b, n)$
 - ★ Rule 3: $J(2, n) = 1$ if $(n^2-1)/8$ is even and $J(2, n) = -1$ otherwise
 - ★ Rule 4: $J(a, n) = J(a \bmod n, n)$
 - ★ Rule 5: $J(a, b) = J(-a, b)$ if $a < 0$ and $(b-1)/2$ is even,
 $J(a, b) = -J(-a, b)$ if $a < 0$ and $(b-1)/2$ is odd
 - ★ Rule 6: $J(a, b_1 \cdot b_2) = J(a, b_1) \cdot J(a, b_2)$
 - ★ Rule 7: if $\text{gcd}(a, b)=1$, a and b are odd
 - ✧ 7a: $J(a, b) = J(b, a)$ if $(a-1) \cdot (b-1)/4$ is even
 - ✧ 7b: $J(a, b) = -J(b, a)$ if $(a-1) \cdot (b-1)/4$ is odd

QR_n and Jacobi Symbol

✧ Consider $n = p \cdot q$, where p and q are prime numbers

$$x \in \text{QR}_n$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in \text{QR}_p \text{ and } x \in \text{QR}_q$$

$$\Leftrightarrow J(x, p) = x^{(p-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \text{ and } J(x, q) = x^{(q-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$$

$$\Rightarrow J(x, n) = J(x, p) \cdot J(x, q) = 1$$

	$J(x, p)$	$J(x, q)$	$J(x, n)$	
Q_{00}	1	1	1	$x \in \text{QR}_n$
Q_{01}	1	-1	-1	$x \in \text{QNR}_n$
Q_{10}	-1	1	-1	$x \in \text{QNR}_n$
Q_{11}	-1	-1	1	$x \in \text{QNR}_n$