

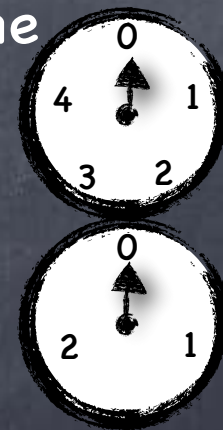
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Modular Exponentiation



Story So Far

- Quotient and Remainder, GCD, Euclid's algorithm,
 $L(a,b) \triangleq \{ au + bv \mid u,v \in \mathbb{Z} \} = \{ n \cdot \gcd(a,b) \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$
- Primes, Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic
- Modular Arithmetic (\mathbb{Z}_m) : Addition, Multiplication
- Chinese Remainder Theorem : for $m = a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n$ where a_i 's coprime
 - CRT representation in \mathbb{Z}_m : $x \mapsto (r_1, \dots, r_n)$ where $r_i = \text{rem}(x, a_i)$
 - $(r_1, \dots, r_n) \mapsto x$ s.t. $\forall i, x \equiv r_i \pmod{a_i}$ (computable using EEA)
 - Can tell time in a big clock from time in n small clocks
- Multiplicative Inverse and \mathbb{Z}_m^*
 - $a \in \mathbb{Z}_m^* : \gcd(a,m)=1 \leftrightarrow \exists u,v \quad au+mv=1 \leftrightarrow \exists u \quad [a]_m \times_m [u]_m = [1]_m$
 - \mathbb{Z}_m^* closed under multiplication and inversion
- Euler's Totient function : $|\mathbb{Z}_m^*| = \phi(m) = m(1-1/p_1)\dots(1-1/p_n)$, where $a_i = p_i^{d_i}$
 - Euler's Totient theorem: $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}_m^*, x^{\phi(m)} = 1$
- Generators of \mathbb{Z}_p^* for prime p : $\mathbb{Z}_p^* = \{1, g, g^2, \dots, g^{p-2}\}$



Modular Exponentiation

Recall

- Exponentiation in \mathbb{Z}_m defined using repeated multiplication

- For $a \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ and $d \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, define $a^d \triangleq \underbrace{a \times_{(m)} \dots \times_{(m)} a}_{d \text{ times}}$

Important: The exponent is not modulo m

d times

- Recursive definition: $a^1 = a$, and $\forall d > 1$, $a^d = a \times_{(m)} a^{d-1}$
- Alternately, for $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, define $([a]_m)^d \triangleq [a^d]_m$
- In \mathbb{Z}_m^* , can extend the definition to $d \in \mathbb{Z}$
 - $a^0 = 1$ and $a^{-d} = (a^{-1})^d$
- Note: $a^e a^d = a^{e+d}$ and $(a^e)^d = a^{ed}$ where operations in the exponent are in \mathbb{Z}
 - Can be $\mathbb{Z}_{\phi(m)}$

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Using Euler's Totient Function

- $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_m^*$, if $c \equiv d \pmod{\phi(m)}$ then $a^c = a^d$
 - $a^{\phi(m)} = 1 \Rightarrow$ if $\phi(m) \mid x$, then $a^x = (a^{\phi(m)})^q = 1$ (where $x = \phi(m)q$, $q \in \mathbb{Z}$)
 - \Rightarrow if $\phi(m) \mid c-d$, then $a^{c-d} = 1$
 - \Rightarrow if $c \equiv d \pmod{\phi(m)}$, then $a^c = a^d$
- i.e., in \mathbb{Z}_m^* , a^d can be defined for $a \in \mathbb{Z}_m^*$ and $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{\phi(m)}$
- Finding the e^{th} -root: given x^e find x
 - Find d s.t. $ed \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(m)}$. Then, $(x^e)^d = x$.
 - Only if $\gcd(e, \phi(m)) = 1$

$a^{1/e}$ is a value b s.t.
 $b^e = a$. May or may
not exist/be unique

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Using Euler's Totient Function

- 9^{10} in \mathbb{Z}_{13}^* ?
 - $\phi(13) = 12$
 - $10 = -2$ in $\mathbb{Z}_{12} \Rightarrow x^{10} = x^{-2} = (x^{-1})^2$ in \mathbb{Z}_{13}^*
 - Now, in \mathbb{Z}_{13}^* , $9^{-1} = ?$ $9 \cdot 3 + 13 \cdot (-2) = 1$
 - $9^{-1} = 3 \Rightarrow 9^{10} = 9^{-2} = 3^2 = 9$ in \mathbb{Z}_{13}^*
- Note: $3^3 = 1$ in \mathbb{Z}_{13}^* . In fact $x^3 = 1$ for $x \in \{1, 3, 9\}$.
So, $x^{1/3}$ not well-defined in \mathbb{Z}_{13}^* .
- $x^{1/5}$ in \mathbb{Z}_{13}^* ?
 - $\gcd(5, 12) = 1$. So uniquely determined.
 - $5^{-1} = 5$ in \mathbb{Z}_{12}^* $\Rightarrow x^{1/5} = x^5$ in \mathbb{Z}_{13}^*

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Using Euler's Totient Function

- Suppose $m = pq$, with $\gcd(p,q)=1$ and $a \mapsto (x,y)$ by CRT
 - If $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$, $y \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$, then $a^{\phi(m)} = a^{\phi(p)\cdot\phi(q)} \mapsto (x^{\phi(p)\cdot\phi(q)}, y^{\phi(p)\cdot\phi(q)}) = (1,1)$
 - $a^{\phi(m)} = 1$ and $a^{\phi(m)+1} = a$
 - If $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$, $y = 0$, then $a^{\phi(m)} = a^{\phi(p)\cdot\phi(q)} \mapsto (x^{\phi(p)\cdot\phi(q)}, 0) = (1,0)$
 - $a^{\phi(m)} \neq 1$ but $a^{\phi(m)+1} = a$
 - Similarly when $x=0$, $y \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$.
 - When p,q prime these (and $a=0$) cover all the cases
- If m is a product of distinct primes, then $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_m$:
 - $a^{k\cdot\phi(m)+1} = a$
 - If $\gcd(e, \phi(m)) = 1$, $\exists d$ s.t. $a^{ed} = a$ ($d=e^{-1}$ in $\mathbb{Z}_{\phi(m)}$)

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Using Euler's Totient Function

- $15^{1/3}$ in \mathbb{Z}_{33} ?
 - Is there a $1/3$ in $\mathbb{Z}_{\phi(33)}$?
 - Yes: $\phi(33) = \phi(3) \cdot \phi(11) = 20$. $\gcd(3, 20) = 1$
 - From the Extended Euclidean Algorithm: $3 \cdot 7 + 20 \cdot (-1) = 1$
 - $3^{-1} = 7$ in \mathbb{Z}_{20}^*
 - $15 \notin \mathbb{Z}_{33}^*$ but 3, 11 prime $\Rightarrow 15^{1/3} = 15^7$
 - By repeated squaring:
 - $15^2 = 27$
 - $15^4 = 27^2 = (-6)^2 = 3$
 - $15^7 = 15^4 \cdot 15^2 \cdot 15 = 3 \cdot 27 \cdot 15 = 27$
 - By CRT: $\mathbb{Z}_{33} \cong \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_{11}$
 - $15 \mapsto (0, 4)$
 - $15^7 \mapsto (0, 4^7) = (0, 5)$
 - $15^7 = 27$

In \mathbb{Z}_{11}^*
 $4^7 = 4^{-3} = 3^3 = 5$

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Using Euler's Totient Function

• $15^{1/2}$ in \mathbb{Z}_{33} ?

• Is there a $1/2$ in $\mathbb{Z}_{\phi(33)}$?

• No! $\gcd(2, \phi(33)) = 2$

• But $9^2 = [81]_{33} = 15$

• By CRT: $\mathbb{Z}_{33} \cong \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_{11}$

• $15 \mapsto (0, 4)$

• $15^{1/2} \mapsto (0, 4^{1/2}) = (0, \pm 2)$

• $15^{1/2} = 24$ or 9

Squares and Square-Roots

- Squaring is not an invertible operation in \mathbb{Z}_m , for $m > 2$
 - $\gcd(2, \phi(m)) = 2$ for all $m > 2$ [Why?]
 - $a^2 = (-a)^2$
 - Every element has one square, but many elements have at least two square roots
 - \Rightarrow Many elements do not have any square roots!
- Quadratic Residues: Elements in \mathbb{Z}_m^* of the form x^2

Squares in \mathbb{Z}_p^*

- Quadratic Residues in \mathbb{Z}_p^* , for prime p :
 "even powers" $1, g^2, g^4, \dots, g^{p-3}$
- Exactly half of \mathbb{Z}_p^* are quadratic residues ($p > 2$)
 - Will call them \mathbb{QR}_p^*
- Given (z, p) can we "efficiently" check if $z \in \mathbb{QR}_p^*$?
 - Bad idea: Compute discrete log (w.r.t. some generator g) and check if it is even
 - Good idea: Just check if $z^{(p-1)/2} = 1$.
 - If $z = g^{2k}$, $z^{(p-1)/2} = g^{k(p-1)} = 1$.
 - If $z = g^{2k+1}$, $z^{(p-1)/2} = g^{k(p-1) + (p-1)/2} = g^{(p-1)/2} \neq 1$ (why?)



Square-roots in \mathbb{Z}_p^*

• What are all the square-roots of x^2 in \mathbb{Z}_p^* ?

• Let's find all the square roots of 1

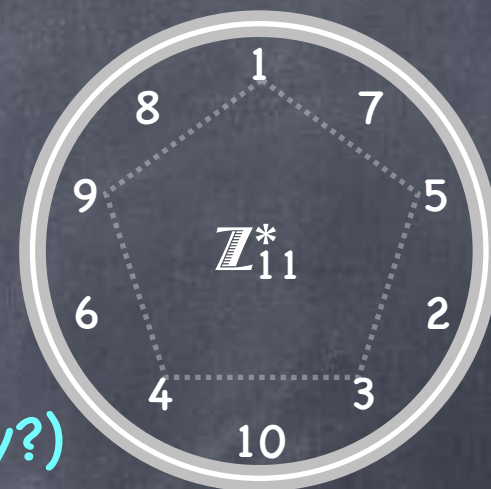
$$x^2=1 \Leftrightarrow (x+1)(x-1) = 0 \Leftrightarrow (x+1)=0 \text{ or } (x-1)=0 \text{ (why?)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x=1 \text{ or } x=-1$$

$$\bullet \sqrt{1} = \pm 1$$

$$\bullet g^{(p-1)/2} = -1, \text{ because } (g^{(p-1)/2})^2 = 1 \text{ and } g^{(p-1)/2} \neq 1$$

$$\bullet \text{ More generally } \sqrt{(a^2)} = \pm a \text{ (i.e., only } a \text{ and } -1 \cdot a \text{)}$$



In \mathbb{Z}_p^* , $1^{1/e}$ has exactly $\gcd(e, p-1)$ values (Exercise)

In \mathbb{Z}_p^* , $(a^e)^{1/e}$ has exactly $\gcd(e, p-1)$ values (Exercise)

Square-roots in \mathbb{QR}_p^*

- In \mathbb{Z}_p^* $\sqrt{(x^2)} = \pm x$
- How many square-roots stay in \mathbb{QR}_p^* ?
 - Depends on p !
 - e.g. $\mathbb{QR}_{13}^* = \{\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 4\}$
 - 1, 3, -4 have 2 square-roots each. But -1, -3, 4 have none within \mathbb{QR}_{13}^*
 - Since $-1 \in \mathbb{QR}_{13}^*$, $x \in \mathbb{QR}_{13}^* \Rightarrow -x \in \mathbb{QR}_{13}^*$
 - $-1 \in \mathbb{QR}_p^*$ iff $(p-1)/2$ even
- If $(p-1)/2$ odd, exactly one of $\pm x$ in \mathbb{QR}_p^* (for all x)
 - Then, squaring is a permutation in \mathbb{QR}_p^*



Square-roots in \mathbb{QR}_p^*

- In \mathbb{Z}_p^* $\sqrt{x^2} = \pm x$
- If $(p-1)/2$ odd, squaring is a permutation in \mathbb{QR}_p^*
- Easy to compute both ways
 - In fact $\sqrt{z} = z^{(p+1)/4} \in \mathbb{QR}_p^*$ (because $(p+1)/2$ even)



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Summary

- $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_m^*, a^{\phi(m)} = 1$
 - In \mathbb{Z}_m^* , a^d can be defined for $a \in \mathbb{Z}_m^*$ and $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{\phi(m)}$
 - In \mathbb{Z}_m^* , if $\gcd(e, \phi(m)) = 1$, $\exists d$ s.t. $a^{1/e} = a^d$ ($d = e^{-1}$ in $\mathbb{Z}_{\phi(m)}^*$)
- $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_m, a^{\phi(m)+1} = a$, provided m is a product of distinct primes
 - But $a^{\phi(m)}$ need not be 1
 - In \mathbb{Z}_m , if $\gcd(e, \phi(m)) = 1$, $\exists d$ s.t. $a^{1/e} = a^d$ ($d = e^{-1}$ in $\mathbb{Z}_{\phi(m)}^*$)
- $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*, \sqrt{a^2} = \pm a$, provided p is a prime
- $\forall a \in \mathbb{QR}_p^*, \sqrt{a^2} = a$, provided p is a prime and $(p-1)/2$ odd