

Final Exam Review

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Final Exam outline

1. Prime and composite numbers
 - Sieve of Eratosthenes
 - Runs of composite numbers (recall factorial construction)
2. Divisors and relative primes
 - How to use a factorization to compute these things
3. Fractions/division in modular arithmetic
 - Using reverse Euclidean algorithm and combinations
4. Powers in modular arithmetic
 - Successive squaring, Fermat's Little Thm, Euler's Thm
5. Roots in modular arithmetic
 - Reverse Euclidean algorithm + equivalent powers
6. Fermat primality test
 - Use Fermat's Little Theorem and look for witnesses.
7. Cryptography
 - Caesar cipher, RSA public/private key encryption

Prime and composite numbers

- A prime number is any number greater than 1 that is only divisible by 1 and itself. Composite otherwise.

Ex. 2, 3, 5, 17, 23, 97

- The prime numbers are multiplicative building blocks.

$$36 = 2^2 \cdot 3^2$$

$$150 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2$$

- Can find prime numbers up to n by Sieve of Eratosthenes up to \sqrt{n} .

2, 3, 5

~~7~~ ~~11~~ ~~12~~ 13 ~~14~~ ~~15~~

- Can construct runs of composites using factorials.

Run of 3 composites
 $8, 9, 10$ are 3 non-primes
 $2, 3, 7, 11$

$4! + 2$	$4! + 3$	$4! + 4$
$\frac{26}{2}$	$\frac{27}{3}$	$\frac{28}{4}$

Divisors and relative primes

- Given a factorization, can use the exponents to determine number of divisors.

$$120 = 2^3 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 5^1$$
$$\# \text{ divisors} = (3+1)(1+1)(1+1) = 16$$

- Given a factorization, can use the primes present to determine the number of relative primes / compute Euler's totient function.

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(120) &= 120 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) \\ &= \underbrace{60}_{= 40} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) \\ &= 32 \end{aligned}$$

Fractions in modular arithmetic

- One algorithm: compute the reciprocal by finding a combination for 1, and then multiply.

$$\frac{3}{12} \pmod{17}$$

$$17 = 12 \cdot 1 + 5$$

$$12 = 5 \cdot 2 + 2$$

$$5 = 2 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$1 = 5 - 2 \cdot 2$$

$$1 = 5 - (12 - 5 \cdot 2) \cdot 2$$

$$1 = 5 \cdot 5 - 12 \cdot 2$$

$$1 = (17 - 12) \cdot 5 - 12 \cdot 2$$

$$1 = 17 \cdot 5 - 12 \cdot 7$$

$$1 \equiv 17 \cdot 5 - 12 \cdot 7 \pmod{17}$$

$$1 \equiv -12 \cdot 7 \pmod{17}$$

$$\frac{1}{12} \equiv -7 \pmod{17}$$

$$\frac{1}{12} \equiv 10 \pmod{17}$$

$$\frac{3}{12} \equiv 3 \cdot 10 \pmod{17}$$

$$\equiv 30 \pmod{17}$$

$$\equiv 13 \pmod{17}$$

$$\text{Check } 13 \cdot 12 \equiv 3 \pmod{17}$$

Powers in modular arithmetic

- Successive squaring algorithm: to find a^n , write n as a sum of powers of 2, and then square to find $a^2, a^4, a^8, a^{16}, \dots$

$$a^{18} = a^{16} \cdot a^2$$

$$\begin{array}{c} a^1 \\ a^2 \\ a^4 \\ a^8 \\ a^{16} \end{array}$$

- Fermat's Little Theorem: $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ if $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ for prime p .

$$2^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \quad \text{so} \quad 2^{16} \equiv 2^2 \pmod{5}$$

- Euler's Theorem: $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ if $\gcd(a, n) = 1$

$$\phi(15) = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) = 8$$

$$2^8 \equiv 1 \pmod{15}, \quad \text{so} \quad 2^{17} \equiv 2^1 \pmod{15}$$

Roots in modular arithmetic

- Given $\sqrt[k]{a} \pmod{n}$, find $a^{mk} \equiv a$ using Euler's Thm, and then $\sqrt[k]{a} \equiv a^m$. Need to check conditions $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ and $\gcd(k, \phi(n)) = 1$.

$$\sqrt[3]{2} \pmod{15}$$

$$\phi(15) = 8$$

$$\gcd(2, 15) = 1$$

$$\gcd(8, 3) = 1$$

$$8 = 3 \cdot 2 + 2$$

$$3 = 2 \cdot 1 + 1$$

$$1 = 3 - 2$$

$$1 = 3 - (8 - 3 \cdot 2)$$

$$1 = 3 \cdot 3 - 8$$

$$1 + 8 = 3 \cdot 3$$

$$\sqrt[3]{2} \equiv \sqrt[3]{2^{3 \cdot 3}} \equiv 2^3 \pmod{15}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{2} \equiv 2^3 \pmod{15}$$

$$\equiv 8 \pmod{15}$$

Primality testing

- Consider a number n .
- Pick a random number a .
- If $a^{n-1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$, then a is composite.
- Otherwise, n passes the Fermat primality test, which decreases the chance of it being composite by at least 50%.

Ex. $n = 11$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2^{10} \pmod{11} \\ \equiv 1024 \pmod{11} \\ \equiv 1 \pmod{11} \\ \hline 3^{10} \pmod{11} \\ \equiv 9^5 \pmod{11} \\ \equiv (-2)^5 \pmod{11} \\ \equiv -32 \pmod{11} \\ \equiv 1 \pmod{11} \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4}$ chance
prime

Ex. $n = 9$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2^8 \pmod{9} \\ \equiv 256 \pmod{9} \\ \equiv 4 \pmod{9} \\ \Rightarrow 9 \text{ is composite.} \end{array}$$

Cryptography

- Caesar cipher just shifts all the letters by a fixed amount in the alphabet; a symmetric cipher.

$ABC \xrightarrow{+2} CDE \xrightarrow{-2} ABC$

- RSA public-key encryption makes use of the fact that factoring and ~~square~~ roots are hard in modular arithmetic.

See prev. interaction.

- Hybrid cryptography combines both together, using public-key encryption to send a symmetric key, and then using the symmetric cipher for everything else.

How do you feel about the final?

A: So ready



B: Hopeful



E: This is *fine*



D: Preparing for the worst



C: Meh



Conclusion to Magic of Numbers

- What really are numbers?
- Where did math come from?
- Why did we invent so many numbers and operations?



- How do you think like a mathematician?
- What are some other types of number systems?
- How does the magic of numbers affect our lives?