

Computer Algebra

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3. Modular Arithmetic
3.1 Computation of modular functions

References for repetition and deepening your knowledge:

Köpf 4 (except for 4.3, 4.6) (in German)
von zur Gathen 4.1, 4.2

most of the slides are translations of a seminar presentation of Hendrik Annuth

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Residue classes

The most used residue class ever:

There are 12 equivalence classes for time:

$$\mathbb{Z}_{12} = \{ [0]_{12}; [1]_{12}; [2]_{12}; [3]_{12}; [4]_{12}; [5]_{12}; \\ [6]_{12}; [7]_{12}; [8]_{12}; [9]_{12}; [10]_{12}; [11]_{12} \}$$

The time 0:00, 12:00 and 24:00 are called by the same spoken time (12 o'clock).

They are in the same equivalence class forming a residue class in the ring of residues.



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Residue classes

Computing with residue classes

$$|\mathbb{Z}_{12}| = 12$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_{12} = \{ [0]_{12}; [1]_{12}; [2]_{12}; [3]_{12}; [4]_{12}; [5]_{12}; \\ [6]_{12}; [7]_{12}; [8]_{12}; [9]_{12}; [10]_{12}; [11]_{12} \}$$

$$[0]_{12} = \{ \dots; -24; -12; 0; 12; 24; \dots \}$$

$$[8]_{12} = \{ \dots; 16; 4; 8; 20; 32; \dots \}$$

$$[8]_{12} + [11]_{12} = [7]_{12}, \text{ because } 8 + 11 = 19 = 12 \cdot 1 + 7 \Rightarrow 19 \in [7]_{12}$$

$$[4]_{12} * [8]_{12} = [8]_{12}, \text{ because } 4 * 8 = 32 = 12 \cdot 2 + 8 \Rightarrow 32 \in [8]_{12}$$

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$$[x]_{12} * [2]_{12} = [10]_{12}$$

Search for $[„10/2“]_{12}$

$$\begin{aligned} [2]_{12} * [0]_{12} &= [0]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [1]_{12} &= [2]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [2]_{12} &= [4]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [3]_{12} &= [6]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [4]_{12} &= [8]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [5]_{12} &= [10]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [6]_{12} &= [0]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [7]_{12} &= [2]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [8]_{12} &= [4]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [9]_{12} &= [6]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [10]_{12} &= [8]_{12} \\ [2]_{12} * [11]_{12} &= [10]_{12} \end{aligned}$$

Two solutions found, but only by testing:

$$[2]_{12} * [x]_{12} = [7]_{12}$$

Modular division is not known to be solved efficiently. And the operation „*2“ is not invertible for all operands in \mathbb{Z}_{12}

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Example for a residue class set \mathbb{Z}_p
with unique and well-defined division:

$(\mathbb{Z}_7, +)$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	0
2	2	3	4	5	6	0	1
3	3	4	5	6	0	1	2
4	4	5	6	0	1	2	3
5	5	6	0	1	2	3	4
6	6	0	1	2	3	4	5

$(\mathbb{Z}_7, *)$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
2	0	2	4	6	1	3	5
3	0	3	6	2	5	1	4
4	0	4	1	5	2	6	3
5	0	5	3	1	6	4	2
6	0	6	5	4	3	2	1

In \mathbb{Z}_7 the operation „*” is invertable for all operands except for 0, but is this also possible in an efficient way, i.e. other than testing ?

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Residue classes

Division via determining the inverse element:

$(\mathbb{Z}_7, *)$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
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2	0	2	4	6	1	3	5
3	0	3	6	2	5	1	4
4	0	4	1	5	2	6	3
5	0	5	3	1	6	4	2
6	0	6	5	4	3	2	1

$$2 * x \equiv 10 \pmod{7} \quad x = ??$$

Determining the inverse element of 2:

$$a \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

$$a^{-1} \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$x \equiv 10 * a^{-1} \pmod{7}$$

$$x \equiv 10 * 4 \equiv 40 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

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Residue classes

Division via determining the inverse element:

- Inverse elements may be determined via the extended Euclidean algorithm:

computes $a^{-1} \bmod n$, whenever $\gcd(a,n) = 1$
 \Rightarrow works for all $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n$, if n is a prime number

run time: $O(\#n^2)$

Summary:

- Modular multiplication is always efficient.
- Modular division is efficient for prime modules
- Modular division for composed modules $n = p \cdot q$:
 - $\gcd(a,n) = 1$: efficient
 - $\gcd(a,n) > 1$: no efficient algorithm known!

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Other discrete functions

The following operations are analysed in detail:

Taking powers

Computing square roots

Computing logarithms

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Taking powers

Powers in \mathbb{Z}_7

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$1^1 \equiv 1$	$2^1 \equiv 2$	$3^1 \equiv 3$	$4^1 \equiv 4$	$5^1 \equiv 5$	$6^1 \equiv 6$
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We do not get all residues as a result

generating elements
apparently, $a^{(7-1)} = 1$

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Taking powers

Fermat's little theorem

Let $p \in \mathbb{P}$, then:

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

Proof by induction over x (taking an arbitrary p):

1. $x^{(p-1)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \mid *x$

Assertion: $x^p \equiv x \pmod{p}$

2. Base: Let x be 0 $0^p \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$

3. Conclusion: $x^p \equiv x \pmod{p} \Rightarrow (x+1)^p \equiv x+1 \pmod{p}$

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Taking powers

to prove: $(x + 1)^p \equiv x + 1$

$$(x + 1)^p \equiv x^p + \binom{p}{1} x^{p-1} + \binom{p}{2} x^{p-2} + \dots + \binom{p}{p-1} x^1 + 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\binom{p}{k} = \frac{p!}{(p-k)! * k!} = \frac{p * (p-1)!}{(p-k)! * k!}$$

$$(x + 1)^p \equiv x^p + p * \left(\frac{(p-1)!}{(p-1)! * 1!} x^{p-1} + \frac{(p-1)!}{(p-2)! * 2!} x^{p-2} + \dots + \frac{(p-1)!}{1! * (p-1)!} x^1 \right) + 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$(x + 1)^p \equiv x^p + 1 \pmod{p} \wedge x^p \equiv x \pmod{p} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{(x + 1)^p \equiv x + 1 \pmod{p}}}$$

q.e.d.

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Computing square roots

Square roots in \mathbb{Z}_7

$$\sqrt{4} \equiv 2 \pmod{7} \quad \wedge \quad \sqrt{4} \equiv (7 - 2) \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

$$5^2 = 25 = 3 * 7 + \underline{4}$$

$$-2 \in [5]_7$$

$$x^2 \equiv (x - p)^2 \equiv x^2 - 2xp + p^2 \equiv x^2 - p(2x - p) \equiv x^2 \pmod{p}$$

$$\sqrt{1} \equiv \{1;6\}; \sqrt{2} \equiv \{3;4\}; \sqrt{3} \equiv ?; \sqrt{4} \equiv \{2;5\}; \sqrt{5} \equiv ?; \sqrt{6} \equiv ? \pmod{7}$$

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$$a^{(p-1)/2} \equiv (-1)(\text{mod } p) \Rightarrow a \text{ has not got a square root?}$$

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Computing square roots

$a^{(p-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow a$ has got a square root

$a^{(p-1)/2} \equiv (p-1) \pmod{p} \Rightarrow a$ has not got a square root

How come ?

Element 1 is a result in powers of each element,
because: $1 \equiv 2^6 \equiv 3^6 \equiv 4^6 \equiv 5^6 \equiv 6^6 \pmod{7}$

Since exponent 6 is even, we may compute the square root:

$$\sqrt{1} \equiv \{1; -1\} \wedge -1 \in [p-1]_p$$

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Computing square roots

May generating elements never have square roots ?

By definition, the even powers of generating elements do have square roots:

$$\sqrt{2} \equiv \{3;4\};$$

$$\sqrt{4} \equiv \{2;5\};$$

$$\sqrt{1} \equiv \{1;6\};$$

$$3^1 \equiv 3$$

$$3^2 \equiv 2$$

$$3^3 \equiv 6$$

$$3^4 \equiv 4$$

$$3^5 \equiv 5$$

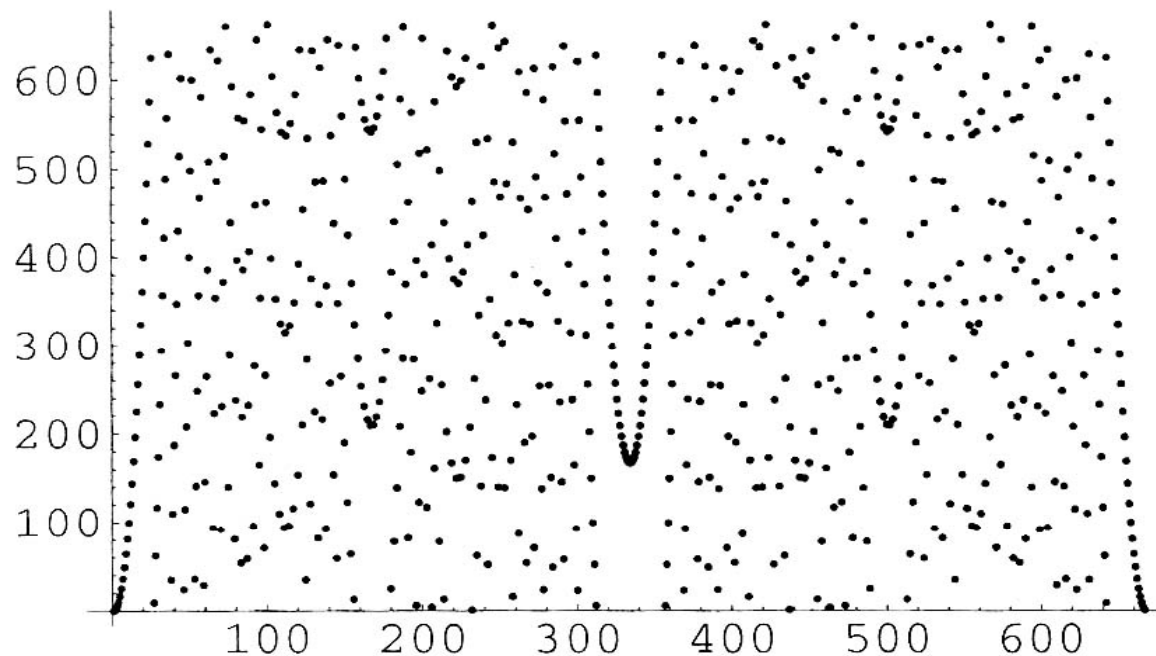
$$3^6 \equiv 1$$

The powers of generating elements themselves as well as of the other generating elements must be odd if the modulus is a prime number.

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Computing square roots

Squares in \mathbb{Z}_{667} $f(x) = x^2$



For small numbers
known parabolic form

Symmetry by
 $x^2 \equiv (x - p)^2 \pmod{p}$

There are also more
solutions than 2,
if \mathbb{Z}_n is composed ($n = p \cdot q$)
 $667 = 23 \cdot 29$

$$\sqrt{506} = \{62; 315; 352; 602\}$$

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Summary for square roots

How to compute a square root:

Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ be known
Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ be searched

In a residue set with prime modulus n , there are efficient methods to compute square roots of the form $\sqrt{a} \equiv x \pmod{n}$

If $n=p \cdot q$ is sufficiently large (more than 200 digits), even modern computers need years. However, $x^2 > n$ should hold, i.e. results between 0 and \sqrt{n} have to be avoided. The reason is that for real numbers, numerical solutions are available.

But the inverse, the square is computable easily: $a^2 \equiv x \pmod{n}$

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Discrete Logarithms

Logarithms in \mathbb{Z}_7

Query: Which is the element I have to exponentiate 2 with in order to get 4?
 $2^x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$

Answer: $\log_2 4 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$ because $2^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$

and $\log_2 4 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$ because $2^5 \equiv 32 \equiv 4 * 7 + 4 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$

Query: $2^x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$

Answer: $\log_2 5 \equiv ? \pmod{7}$ no solution

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↑ Generating elements have a unique solution.

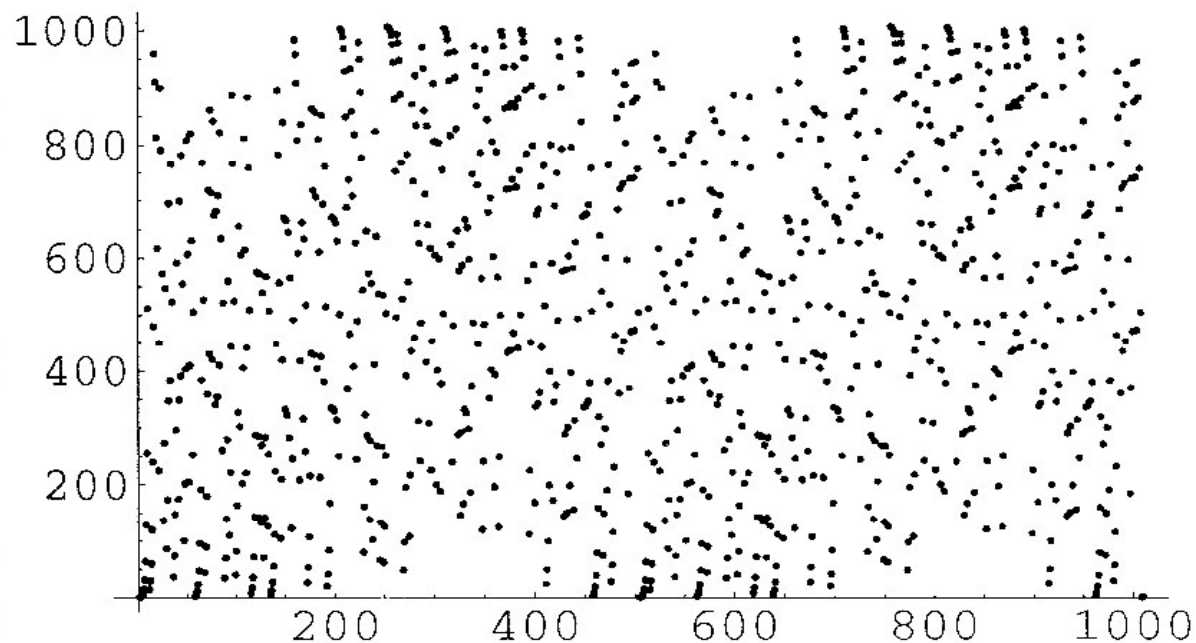
↑
Not all elements of \mathbb{Z}_7 are reached.
Some elements are not unique.

$$\log_2 5 \equiv ?$$

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Discrete Logarithms

Powers in \mathbb{Z}_{1009} for base 2, $f(x) = 2^x$



Initially the known exponential function

Graph is always periodic for a divisor of $n-1$.

Here: $(n-1) = (1009-1)$
 $1008/2 = 504$

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Summary for discrete Logarithms

How to compute discrete logarithms

Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ be known
Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ be searched

If n is sufficiently large (2007: at least 200 digits), $\log_b a \equiv x \pmod{n}$

Can only be computed within years even on modern computers.

However, $b^x > n$ should hold. Otherwise a solution may be obtained using a numerical method.

On the other hand, the inverse function
may be computed easily: $b^a \equiv x \pmod{n}$

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Summary: Computation of modular functions

- Find the multiplicative inverses $b/a \pmod n$ (modular division):

(Multiplication is efficiently solvable for each n .)

Algorithms for division:

for prime moduli n : $O(\#n^2)$ using the extended Euclidean Algorithm

for composed moduli n , $\gcd(a,n) = 1$: see above

für composed moduli n , $\gcd(a,n) > 1$: no efficient algorithm known

- Find the square root mod n :

Inverse of squaring which is efficiently solvable.

Algorithm for square root:

for prime moduli: there are polynomial methods (not trivial)

for composed moduli n : no efficient algorithm known

- Find the logarithm mod n

Inverse of exponentiation which is efficiently solvable.

Algorithms for the logarithm:

no efficient algorithm known for any n .