

Euler's ϕ -function

$\phi(n) := \# \text{ integers } \leq n \text{ that are relatively prime to } n$

n	$\phi(n)$
1	1
2	1
3	2
4	2
5	4
6	2
7	6
8	4

NOTE: $p \text{ prime} \iff \phi(p) = p-1$

$n \text{ composite} \iff \phi(n) < n-1$

FACT: $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ iff

$$\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a, c) = 1.$$

Theorem φ is multiplicative.

Pf. Let m, n be relatively prime integers, $m, n > 1$.

1	2	...	r	...	m	← $\exists \varphi(m)$ integers
$m+1$	$m+2$...	$m+r$...	$2m$	rel. prime to m
\vdots	\vdots	\ddots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	let r be one of them.

$$\gcd(q_{m+r}, m) =$$

$$\gcd(r, m) = 1$$

$$\underbrace{(n-1)m+1 \quad (n-1)m+2 \quad \dots \quad (n-1)m+r \quad \dots \quad nm}$$

everything here is relatively prime to m

$$km+r \equiv q_{m+r} \pmod{n} \implies km \equiv q_m \pmod{n}$$

$$\implies k \equiv q \pmod{n} \implies k = q.$$

\implies The n integers in this column are congruent (in some unknown order) to $0, 1, \dots, (n-1) \pmod{n}$.

$$\implies \varphi(m) \text{ of them are rel. prime to } n \implies \varphi(m)\varphi(n) = \varphi(mn).$$



p prime, $k \geq 1$

$$\varphi(p^k) = p^k - p^{k-1}$$

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$$\gcd(m, p^k) \neq 1 \implies p|m$$

$$p, 2p, \dots, (p^{k-1})p = p^k, \text{ so } \exists p^{k-1} \text{ integer}$$

$$\text{w.s.t. } \gcd(m, p^k) \neq 1.$$

$$\varphi(181) = 3^4 - 3^3 = 54$$

Example: $\varphi(9) = 8 \varphi(3^2)$

$$= 6$$

$$= 3^2 - 3.$$

$$n = p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} \dots p_r^{k_r} \implies \varphi(n) = \varphi(p_1^{k_1}) \dots \varphi(p_r^{k_r})$$

$$= (p_1^{k_1} - p_1^{k_1-1}) \dots (p_r^{k_r} - p_r^{k_r-1})$$

$$= p_1^{k_1} (1 - \frac{1}{p_1}) \dots p_r^{k_r} (1 - \frac{1}{p_r})$$

$$= n (1 - \frac{1}{p_1}) (1 - \frac{1}{p_2}) \dots (1 - \frac{1}{p_r})$$

Example: $12 = 2^2 \cdot 3$

$$\varphi(12) = \varphi(2^2) \varphi(3)$$

$$= (2^2 - 2)(2)$$

$$= (2)(2)$$

$$= 4$$


7.2 #4

$\varphi(2n)$: if n is odd, then

$$\varphi(2n) = \varphi(2)\varphi(n) = \varphi(n).$$

if n is even, then $n = 2^k m$,

where $\gcd(2, m) = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(2n) &= \varphi(2^{k+1}m) = \varphi(2^{k+1})\varphi(m) \\ &= (2^{k+1} - 2^k)\varphi(m) \\ &= 2(2^k - 2^{k-1})\varphi(m) \\ &= 2\varphi(2^k)\varphi(m) \\ &= 2\varphi(n).\end{aligned}$$


Euler's Generalization of Fermat's Little Theorem

If a and n are relatively prime, then

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

Pf.: Let $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{\varphi(n)}$ be the $\varphi(n)$ integers $< n$

that are rel. prime to n . Multiplying them by a :

$$aa_1, aa_2, \dots, a \cdot a_{\varphi(n)}.$$

all incongruent mod n : $aa_i \equiv aa_j \pmod{n}$

$$\Rightarrow a_i \equiv a_j \pmod{n} \Rightarrow a_i = a_j.$$

$$\text{Then } (aa_1)(aa_2) \cdots (aa_{\varphi(n)}) \equiv a_1 a_2 \cdots a_{\varphi(n)} \pmod{n}$$

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



7.3 #2 $51 \mid 10^{3n+9} - 7$ for any $n \geq 0$.

$$\underbrace{10^{3n+9}} \equiv 7 \pmod{51}.$$

$$51 = 3 \cdot 17, \text{ so } \varphi(51) = \varphi(3)\varphi(17) \\ = 2 \cdot 16 = 32.$$

$$\text{Euler's Thm: } 10^{32} \equiv 1 \pmod{51}$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^{72n} \equiv 1 \pmod{51}.$$

$$\text{Finally: } 10^9 \equiv 7 \pmod{51} \quad \left. \vphantom{10^9} \right\} 10^{3n+9} \equiv 7 \pmod{51}.$$

If $\gcd(n_i, n_j) = 1$ when $i \neq j$, we can solve the system $x \equiv a_i \pmod{n_i}$ using Euler's Theorem!

Define $N_i = \frac{\prod n_j}{n_i}$; then $\gcd(N_i, n_i) = 1$.

$$N_i^{q(n_i)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n_i} \implies a_i N_i^{q(n_i)} \equiv a_i \pmod{n_i}$$

Thus, $\sum_i a_i N_i^{q(n_i)}$ solves the system!

Euler's Theorem a, n integers s.t. $\gcd(a, n) = 1$.

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

Pf. #2 via induction & Fermat's Little Theorem

Fermat: p prime, $\gcd(a, p) = 1 \Rightarrow a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$.

Thus, if n is prime, $a^{\varphi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ since $\varphi(n) = n-1$ } base case
 in this case. Now suppose that $n = p^k$, and suppose that

$a^{\varphi(p^k)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p^k}$. Then $a^{\overline{\varphi(p^k)}} = 1 + q_1 p^k$ for some $q_1 \in \mathbb{N}$.

Also, $\varphi(p^{k+1}) = p^{k+1} - p^k = p(p^k - p^{k-1}) = p \varphi(p^k)$, so

$$a^{\varphi(p^{k+1})} = \left(a^{\varphi(p^k)} \right)^p = (1 + q_1 p^k)^p = 1 + p(q_1 p^k) + \binom{p}{2} (q_1 p^k)^2 + \dots + (q_1 p^k)^p$$

$$= 1 + p^{k+1} (\text{integer}) \equiv 1 \pmod{p^{k+1}}$$

Then, by induction, $a^{\varphi(p^k)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p^k} \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$.

In general, $n = p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} \dots p_r^{k_r}$, and we know that

$$a^{\varphi(p_i^{k_i})} \equiv 1 \pmod{p_i^{k_i}}, \quad i=1, \dots, r.$$

Also, $\varphi(p_i^{k_i}) \mid \varphi(n) \Rightarrow \frac{\varphi(n)}{\varphi(p_i^{k_i})}$ is an integer. Raising the

congruence to this power yields

$$a^{\varphi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p_i^{k_i}}.$$

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

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Ex 1.2 $13x \equiv 2 \pmod{40}$

$$x = 2 \cdot 13^{4(40)-1} \equiv 2 \cdot 13^{15}$$

$$\varphi(40) = \varphi(8 \cdot 5) = \varphi(2^3) \varphi(5) = (2^3 - 2^2) \cdot 4 = \underline{\underline{16}}$$

$$13^2 \equiv 9 \pmod{40} \implies 13^3 \equiv 9 \cdot 13 = 117 \equiv -3 \pmod{40}$$

$$13^3 \equiv -3 \pmod{40}$$

$$13^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{40}$$

$$\implies 13^{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{40} \implies 2 \cdot 13^{12} \equiv 2 \pmod{40}$$

$$\implies 13^{15} \equiv -3 \pmod{40} \quad \underline{x = 2 \cdot 13^{15}}$$

$$2 \cdot 13^{15} \equiv -6 \pmod{40}$$

$$\equiv 34 \pmod{40}$$

$$\boxed{x = 34}$$

Theorem $n = \sum_{d|n} \varphi(d)$ (due to Gauss)

pf. #1 φ multiplicative, so the function $F(n) := \sum_{d|n} \varphi(d)$ is multiplicative, too. So just check when $n = p^k$:

$$\begin{aligned} F(p^k) &= \sum_{d|p^k} \varphi(d) = \varphi(1) + \varphi(p) + \varphi(p^2) + \dots + \varphi(p^k) \\ &= 1 + \cancel{(p-1)} + \cancel{(p^2-p)} + \dots + \cancel{(p^k - p^{k-1})} \\ &= p^k = n. \implies F(p^k) = p^k. \end{aligned}$$



d is a divisor of n .

pf. #2 $S_d := \{n \in [1, n] : \gcd(n, n) = d\}$

$S_1 = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{\varphi(n)}\}$ etc.

NOTE: $\gcd(n, n) = d$ iff $\gcd(\frac{n}{d}, \frac{n}{d}) = 1$

$\implies \# S_d = \varphi(\frac{n}{d})$.

$\implies \sum_{d|n} \varphi(\frac{n}{d}) = n \implies \sum_{d|n} \varphi(d) = n$.



Def: $n \in \mathbb{N}$; $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{\varphi(n)}$ relatively prime to n

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\varphi(n)} a_i = \frac{n\varphi(n)}{2}$$

Pf.: $\gcd(a_1, n) = 1 \iff \gcd(n - a_1, n) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{\varphi(n)} &= (n - a_1) + (n - a_2) + \dots + (n - a_{\varphi(n)}) \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{\varphi(n)} a_i &= n\varphi(n) - \sum_{i=1}^{\varphi(n)} a_i \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{\varphi(n)} a_i = \frac{n\varphi(n)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Ex: $n = p$, prime $\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} i = \frac{p(p-1)}{2}$

Note: $\varphi(n)$ is even for any $n > 2$.

$$n = \sum_{d|n} \varphi(d) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Möbius}} \quad \varphi(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \frac{n}{d} = n \sum_{d|n} \frac{\mu(d)}{d}$$

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$$\sum_{d|n} \frac{\mu^2(d)}{\varphi(d)} = \frac{n}{\varphi(n)}$$

$$n=p^k: \quad \sum_{d|p^k} \frac{\mu^2(d)}{\varphi(d)} = \frac{\mu^2(1)}{\varphi(1)} + \frac{\mu^2(p)}{\varphi(p)} + 0$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{p-1} = \frac{p}{p-1} = \frac{p^k}{\varphi(p^k)}$$

$$= \frac{n}{\varphi(n)} \quad \square$$