

# Minimal DFA's for Divisibility Testing (LSB first)

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## 1 Introduction

## 2 Non-Distinguishability Criteria

### 2.1 Initial ND Criteria

**Lemma 2.1.** *The strings  $s_x, s_y$  are non distinguishable if and only if*  
 $\forall d \in \mathbb{N} \ r_2(s_x)d + x \equiv 0 \iff r_2(s_y)d + y \equiv 0$

### 2.2 Revised ND Criteria

**Lemma 2.2.** *For all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$  there exists  $\alpha^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$  if  $a, p$  are coprime and  $a \neq 0$*

*Proof.* If we pick  $a$  and we have that  $a$  and  $p$  are coprime we have by Bezout's identity we have that there exists integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $ax + py = 1$  which implies that

$$\alpha x + py \equiv \alpha x + 0 \equiv \alpha x \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

And so we take  $\alpha^{-1} = x$

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**Lemma 2.3.** *The strings  $s_x, s_y$  are non distinguishable if and only if*  
 $(r_2(s_x))^{-1}x \equiv (r_2(s_y))^{-1}y \pmod{p}$

## 3 Equivalence Relation Classes

As we have shown our distinguishability equivalence relation  $_{d,p}$  is equivalent to  $r_2(s_y)x \equiv r_2(s_x)y \pmod{p}$  and we want to construct our distinguishing set from this which leads us to.

**Lemma 3.1.** *The amount of equivalence classes under  $=_{d,p}$  is exactly  $p$*   
*Also said as  $\Sigma^*/ND = p$*

*Proof.* Firstly since there is only  $p$  possible values for the numbers to be congruent to mod  $p$  as they are integers we have that the amount of equivalence classes is  $\leq p$ .

Now all we need to do is find  $p$  possible equivalence classes of distinguishability which will force it to be  $p$ .

Consider the strings of 0 to  $p - 1$ .

Prepend 0s to the start of these strings to make them all the same length so we have  $r_2(s_x) = \alpha$  for all of them.

We then have that they are all distinct under  $=_{d,p}$  as for any two such strings  $s_x, s_y, x \neq y$  assuming they are non distinguishable we have by [2.3](#)

$$(r_2(s_x))^{-1}x \equiv (r_2(s_y))^{-1}y \pmod{p}$$

$$\alpha^{-1}x \equiv \alpha^{-1}y \pmod{p}$$

$$x \equiv y \pmod{p}$$

This forms a contradiction as we picked them to be distinct numbers between 0 and  $p - 1$  and so they must all be distinguishable and hence in different equivalence classes.

Thus we have found  $p$  distinct equivalence classes and so the amount of equivalence classes is exactly  $p$ .  $\square$

## 4 Even Numbers