

CS 346 Class Notes

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Chapter 8.1. Preliminaries and basic group theory.

Proposition 8.2. If $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, $\exists X, Y \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $X \cdot a + Y \cdot b = \gcd(a, b)$, and $\gcd(a, b)$ is the least positive integer that can be written in this way.

Proof: Let $I = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} | \exists X^*, Y^* \in \mathbb{Z} \ x = aX^* + bY^*\}$. Note that $a, b \in I$. Let d denote the minimum positive integer in I . Let X', Y' be integers such that $d = aX' + bY'$. Note: $\forall c \in I, d \mid c$. (And therefore, $d \mid a$ and $d \mid b$.) Note that there are $X'', Y'' \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $c = aX'' + bY''$. Then we can write $c = qd + r$, where $0 \leq r < d$, and $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$. Therefore, $r = aX'' + bY'' - q(aX' + bY') = a(X'' - qX') + b(Y'' - qY')$. Therefore, $r \in I$. We noted that d was the minimum positive integer in I , and since $0 \leq r < d$, this means that $r = 0$, and therefore, $c = qd$, and $d \mid c$.

Also $\neg \exists d' > d$ such that $d' \mid a$ and $d' \mid b$. Suppose that there was such a $d' > d$ such that $d' \mid a$ and $d' \mid b$. But then, $d' \mid a \cdot X'$ and $d' \mid b \cdot Y'$. Then $d' \mid (aX' + bY')$, but $aX' + bY' = d$, and this contradicts the fact that $d' > d$. Therefore, $d = \gcd(a, b)$.

Extended Euclidean Algorithm! A polynomial time algorithm to compute the $\gcd(a, b)$ as above.

Proposition 8.74. $b, N \in \mathbb{N}$, $b \geq 1$, $N > 1$. b is “invertible” modulo N iff $\gcd(b, N) = 1$.

Invertible: $\exists c$ such that $bc \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$.

(\Leftarrow): Assume $\exists c$. Then $bc = 1 + \gamma N$, for some integer γ . Then $bc - \gamma N = 1$, so by proposition 8.2, $\gcd(b, N) = 1$.

(\Rightarrow): Assume $\gcd(b, N) = 1$. Then $\exists X, Y$ such that $bX + NY = 1$ by proposition 8.2. Then $bX = 1 - NY$, and so $bX \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$. Therefore, X is a multiplicative inverse of b modulo N .

Groups: A set of elements G and a binary operator $\circ : G \times G \rightarrow G$ such that

1. Identity: $\exists e \in G$ such that $\forall e \in G, x \circ e = e \circ x = x$. This element must be unique.
2. Inverse: $\forall g \in G, \exists h \in G$ such that $g \circ h = e$.
3. Associative: $(g \circ g') \circ g'' = g \circ (g' \circ g'')$.

The order of a finite group G , written $|G|$, is the number of elements in G .

In an abelian group, we have commutativity.

There are a bunch of examples. I kinda spaced out because I've taken a few group theory math classes.

Theorem 8.14. If G is a finite abelian group, and $g \in G$, then $g^{|G|} = 1$.

Corollary 8.15. $g^x = g^{(x \bmod m)}$, where $m = |G|$.

Corollary 8.17. Define $f_i : G \rightarrow G$ as $f_i(g) = g^i$.

Let e be such that $\gcd(e, m) = 1$.

Let d be $e^{-1} \bmod m$, so that $de \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$.

Then f_e, f_d are permutations and f_d is the inverse permutation of f_e .

\mathbb{Z}_N is \mathbb{Z}_N^+ , the set of all $\{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$ with addition.

\mathbb{Z}_N^* is $\{i \mid 1 \leq i < N \wedge \gcd(i, N) = 1\}$. All the invertible numbers mod N . Then $\mathbb{Z}_{15}^* = \{1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 11, 13, 14\}$.