

1) Is 1729 a carmichael number?

Ans: A composite integer is that satisfies the congruence $b^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ for all positive integers b with $\gcd(b, n) = 1$ is called a carmichael number.

The integer 1729 is a carmichael number. To see this:

- 1729 is composite, since $1729 = 7 \cdot 13 \cdot 19$
- if $\gcd(b, 1729) = 1$, then $\gcd(b, 7) = 1$, then $\gcd(b, 11) = \gcd(b, 11)$
- Using Fermat's Little Theorem $b^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$,

$$b^{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}, b^{18} \equiv 1 \pmod{19};$$

$$\text{Then, } b^{1728} = (b^6)^{288} \equiv 1^{288} \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$b^{1728} = (b^{12})^{144} \equiv 1^{144} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$$

$$b^{1728} = (b^{18})^{96} \equiv 1^{96} \equiv 1 \pmod{19}$$

- It follows that $b^{1728} \equiv 1 \pmod{1729}$ for all positive integers

b with $\gcd(b, 1729) = 1$.

Hence, 1729 is a carmichael number.

2) Primitive Root (Generator) of 2^*23 ?

Ans: To find a primitive root (generator) of 2^*23 ,

we seek an integer g such that:

$$\{g^1, g^2, \dots, g^{\phi(23)}\} \pmod{23} = \{1, 2, \dots, 22\}$$

Since 23 is prime, we know:

$$\phi(23) = 22$$

we want: $\text{ord}_{23}(g) = 22$

That means $g^k \not\equiv 1 \pmod{23}$ for any $k < 22$, and $g^{22} \equiv 1 \pmod{23}$

Test order using prime factors of 22:

$$\text{factor } 22 = 2 \cdot 11$$

We test a candidate $g \in \{2, 3, 4, \dots, 22\}$ for each candidate; check:

$$- g^{22/2} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{23}$$

$$- g^{22/11} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{23}$$

If both are true, g is a primitive root modulo 23

let's try $g = 5$: $- 5^{11} \pmod{23}$:

$$- 5^2 = 23 \equiv 2$$

$$- 9^4 (5^2)^2 = 4$$

$$- 5^8 = 16$$

$$- \text{So } 5^{11} = 5^8 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 5^1 = 16 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 = 160 \pmod{23}$$

$$- 160 \pmod{23} = 160 - 6 \cdot 23 = 160 - 138 = 22$$

is not 1

$$- 5^2 = 25 \pmod{23} = 2 \neq 1$$

$$\text{So, } 5^{11} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{23}, 5^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{23}$$

This, 5 is a primitive root of 23.

3) Is $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{11}, +, \cdot \rangle$ a Ring?

Ans: The set $\mathbb{Z}_{11} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 10\}$ with operators $+$ and modulo 11, forms a ring because it satisfies the following ring properties.

a. Additive Abelian Group:

- $(\mathbb{Z}_{11}, +)$ is closed, associative, has identity 0, inverses, and is commutative.

b). Multiplication closure & Associativity,

$$- a * b \bmod 11 \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}$$

- \cdot is associative

c. Distributive Laws:

$$- a \cdot (b + c) \equiv a \cdot b + a \cdot c \bmod 11$$

$$- (a + b) \cdot c \equiv a \cdot c + b \cdot c \bmod 11$$

4) $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{37}, + \rangle, \langle \mathbb{Z}_{35}, \times \rangle$ are abelian groups?

Ans: $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{37}, + \rangle$ is an abelian group because

- closure: $a + b \bmod 37 \in \mathbb{Z}_{37}$

- Associativity: inherited from integer addition

- Identity: 0

- Inverse: For every a , $-a \bmod 37 \in \mathbb{Z}_{37}$

- commutative: Yes

$\langle \mathbb{Z}_{35}, \times \rangle$ is not an abelian group because:

- $\mathbb{Z}_{35} = \{0, 1, \dots, 34\}$, but under multiplication only elements coprime to 35 $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{35} \setminus \{0\}$ have inverse

- Since 35 is not prime, not all $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{35} \setminus \{0\}$ have inverse

- Example: $\gcd(5, 35) = 5 \Rightarrow 5$ has no inverse mod 35

5) Let's take $p=2$ and $n=3$ that makes the $GF(p^n)$
 $= GF(2^3)$ then solve this with polynomial arithmetic approach.

Ans: To solve $GF(2^3)$ using the polynomial approach, follow these concise steps:

1. Setup field parameters:

All binary polynomials of degree < 3

$$\{0, 1, x, x+1, x^2, x^2+1, x^2+x, x^2+x+1\}$$

2. Choose Irreducible polynomial:

$$f(x) = x^3 + x + 1$$

field as $GF(2^3) = GF(2)[x] / (x^3 + x + 1)$

3. Field construction:

$$d^3 = d + 1$$

- The powers of d give nonzero elements

$$d^0 = 1, d^1 = d, d^2 = d^2, d^3 = d + 1, \dots$$

- All $GF(2^3)$ elements.

$$\{0, 1, d, d^2, d^3 = d + 1, d^4 = d^2 + d + 1, d^5 = d^2 + d + 1, d^6 = d^2 + 1\}$$

4. Example operation:

let's compute $(x+1)(x^2+x) \bmod (x^3+x+1)$

- multiply: $(x+1)(x^2+x) = x^3 + x^2 + x^2 + x = x^3 + x$

- reduce mod $x^3 + x + 1$:

$$x^3 \equiv x + 1 \Rightarrow x^3 + x \equiv (x + 1) + x \equiv 1$$

$$\text{So, } (x+1)(x^2+x) \equiv 1 \bmod (x^3+x+1)$$