

1. Is 1729 a carmichael number?

⇒ A carmichael number is a composite number that satisfies Fermat's little theorem for all integers  $a$  that are co-prime to  $n$ . that is:

$$a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \text{ for all } \gcd(a, n) = 1$$

These numbers fool Fermat's primality test, making them pseudo primes to all  $a$ -bases co-prime with them.

Let's examine 1729:

1729 is not prime:

$$1729 = 7 \times 13 \times 19$$

It is square free and all its prime factors are distinct numbers, it must satisfy:

$$a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \text{ for all } a$$

Let's check this for 1729:

$$* \quad n-1 = 1728$$

$$* \quad 7-1 = 6 \text{ and } 6 \mid 1728$$

$$* \quad 13-1 = 12 \text{ and } 12 \mid 1728$$

$$* \quad 19-1 = 18 \text{ and } 18 \mid 1728.$$

∴ All conditions are met.

So, 1729 is a carmichael number.

## 2. Primitive Root (Generator) of $\mathbb{Z}_{23}$ ?

$\Rightarrow$  Primitive root modulo 23 is a number whose powers generate all numbers from 1 to 22 modulo 23.

To check if  $g$  is a primitive root of  $\mathbb{Z}_{23}$ :

\* 23 is prime, so  $\mathbb{Z}_{23}$  has order 22.

\*  $g$  is a primitive root if:

$$g^{11} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{23} \text{ and } g^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{23}$$

(Since 11 and 2 are the prime divisors of 22)

$$\text{Try } g = 5$$

$$* 5^2 = 2 \pmod{23}$$

$$* 5^{11} = 22 \pmod{23}$$

So, 5 is primitive root modulo 23.

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

$\Rightarrow$  A ring is a set with two operations: addition (+) and multiplication ( $\cdot$ ), satisfying certain properties.

Now check the Ring Axioms:

(i)  $(\mathbb{Z}_{11}, +)$  is an abelian group:

\* Closure :  $a+b \pmod{11} \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}$

\* Identity :  $0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}$  is the additive identity

\* Associativity :  $(a+b)+e = a+(b+e) \pmod{11}$

\* Inverse : Every  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}$  has an inverse  $-a \pmod{11}$

\* Commutativity :  $a+b = b+a \pmod{11}$

it's satisfied.

(ii) multiplication is associative:

\*  $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c) \pmod{11}$

\* it's satisfied.

(iii) Distributive Laws:

\*  $a(b+c) = ab+ac \pmod{11}$

\*  $(a+b)c = ac+bc \pmod{11}$

it's satisfied

So  $(\mathbb{Z}_{11}, +, \cdot)$  is a ring.

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

$\Rightarrow$  (i)  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{37}, + \rangle$

This is the set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 36\}$  under addition modulo 37.

Is it an abelian group?

- \* closure:  $a+b \bmod 37 \in \mathbb{Z}_{37}$
- \* Associativity:  $(a+b)+c = a+(b+c) \bmod 37$
- \* Identity: 0 is the additive identity
- \* Inverse: Every  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{37}$  has an additive inverse  $-a \bmod 37$
- \* Commutativity:  $a+b = b+a \bmod 37$

So,  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{37}, + \rangle$  is an abelian group.

(ii)  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{35}, \times \rangle$

This is the set  $\{0, 1, \dots, 34\}$  under multiplication modulo 35.

Is it an abelian group?

No, because:

- \* A group under multiplication requires inverses for all elements.
- \* In  $\mathbb{Z}_{35}$ , not all nonzero elements have inverses why not?
- \*  $35 = 5 \times 7$  is composite, so not all elements are coprime to 35.

\* For example,  $5 \times 7 = 35 \rightarrow 5$  and  $7$  are in  $\mathbb{Z}_{35}$ ,  
but:  $\gcd(5, 35) = 5 \neq 1 \rightarrow 5$  has no inverse  
mod  $35$ .

So  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{35}, * \rangle$  is not even a group, let alone  
abelian.

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:

$\Rightarrow GF(2^3)$  is a finite field with 8 elements.  
Elements are polynomials of degree  $< 3$  with co-  
efficients in  $\{0, 1\}$ , like  $0, 1, x, x+1, x^2, x^2+1, x^2+x,$   
 $x^2+x+1$

Use an irreducible polynomial:

To define multiplication, choose an irreducible  
Polynomial of degree 3 over  $GF(2)$ , like  
 $f(x) = x^3 + x + 1$

Operations:

\* Addition: XOR coefficients (mod 2)

Example:  $(x^2 + x + 1) + (x + 1) = x^2$

\* multiplication

① Multiply the Polynomial normally.

⑪ Reduce the result modulo  $f(x)$ .

Example:

$$\text{multiply } (x+1)(x^2+1) = x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$$

$$\text{Now reduce mod } f(x) = (x^3 + x + 1)$$

$$x^3 = x + 1 \Rightarrow \text{Replace } x^3 \text{ with } x + 1$$

$$\text{So, } x + 1 + x^2 + x + 1 = x^2$$

$$\text{So, Final answer: } (x+1)(x^2+1) = x^2 \text{ mod } (x^3 + x + 1)$$