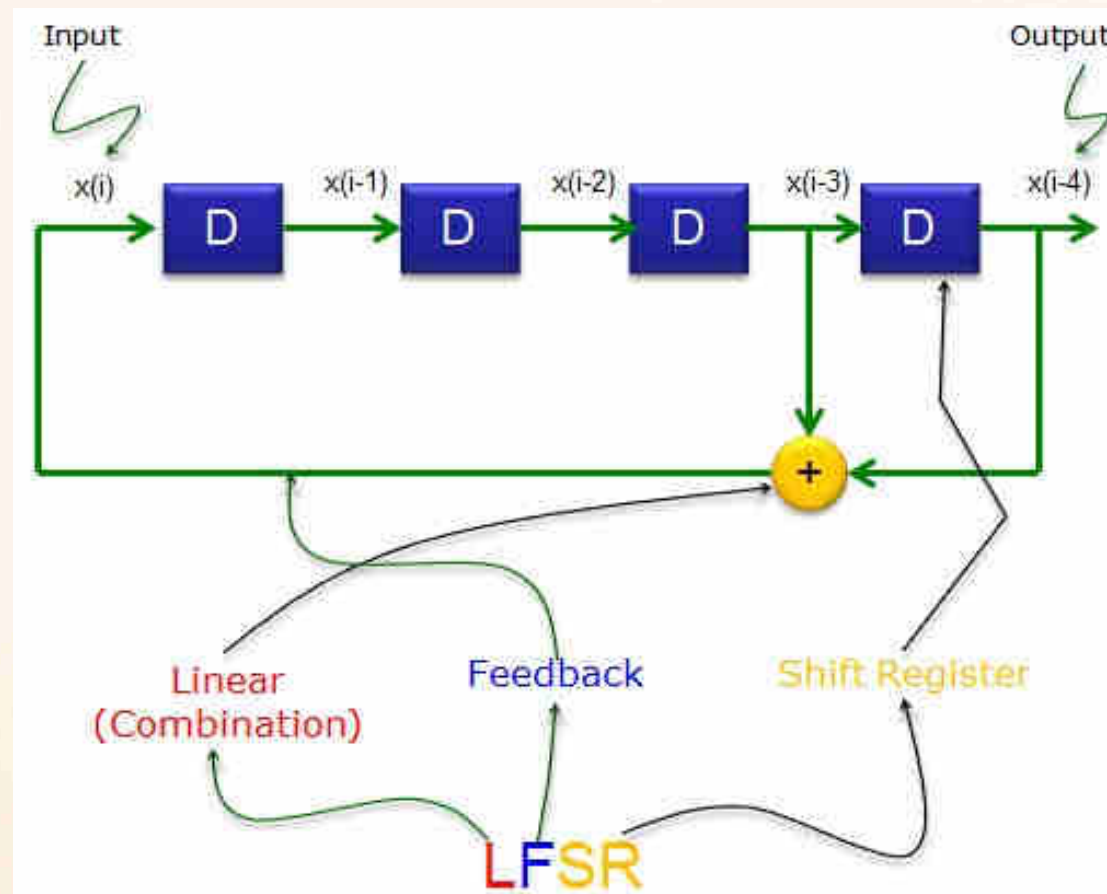


# LFSR AND PRIMITIVE POLYNOMIAL

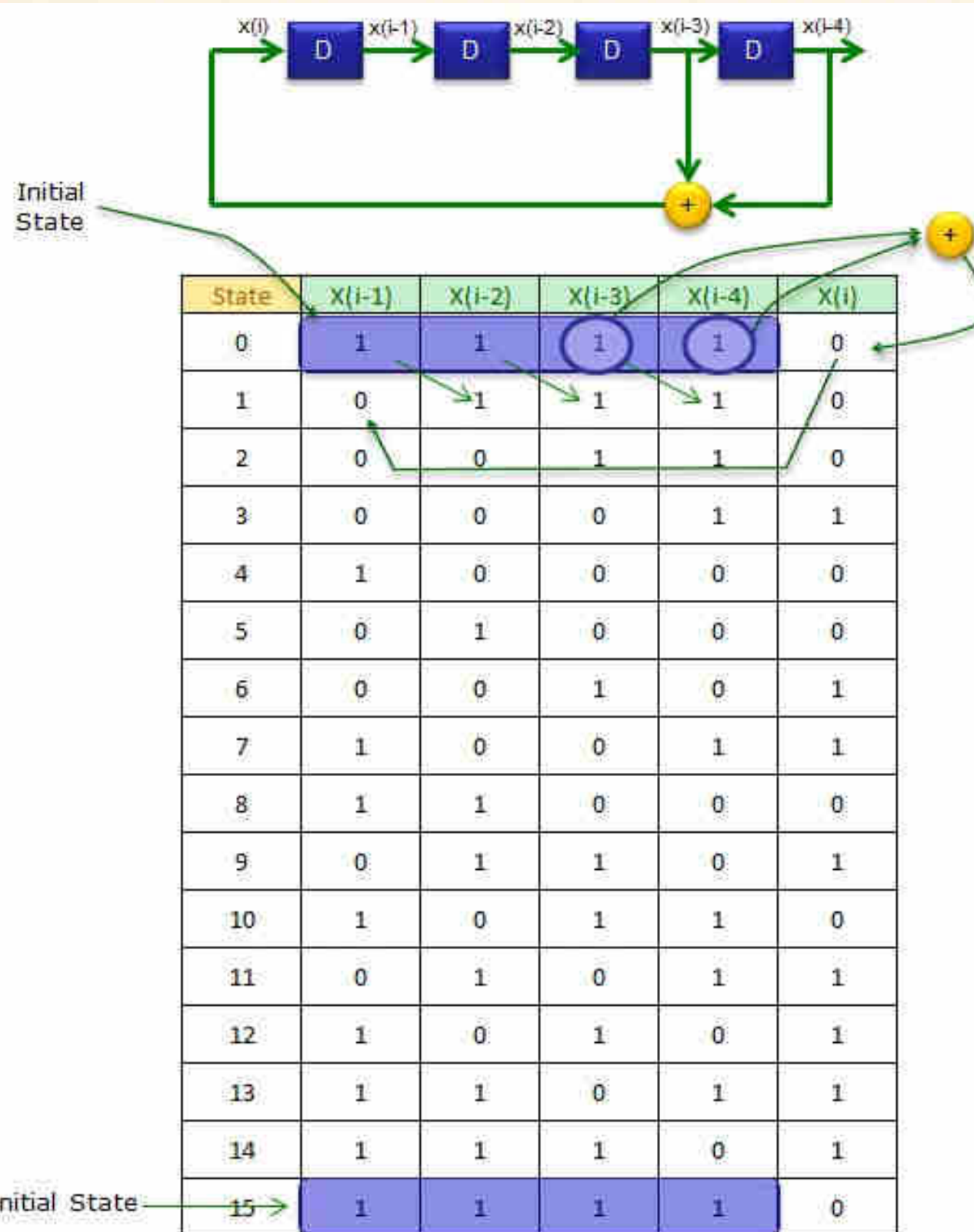


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LFSR is a **shift register** circuit in which two or more outputs from intermediate steps get **linearly** combined and **feedback** to input value.



# An example of 4-bit LFSR



Deterministic

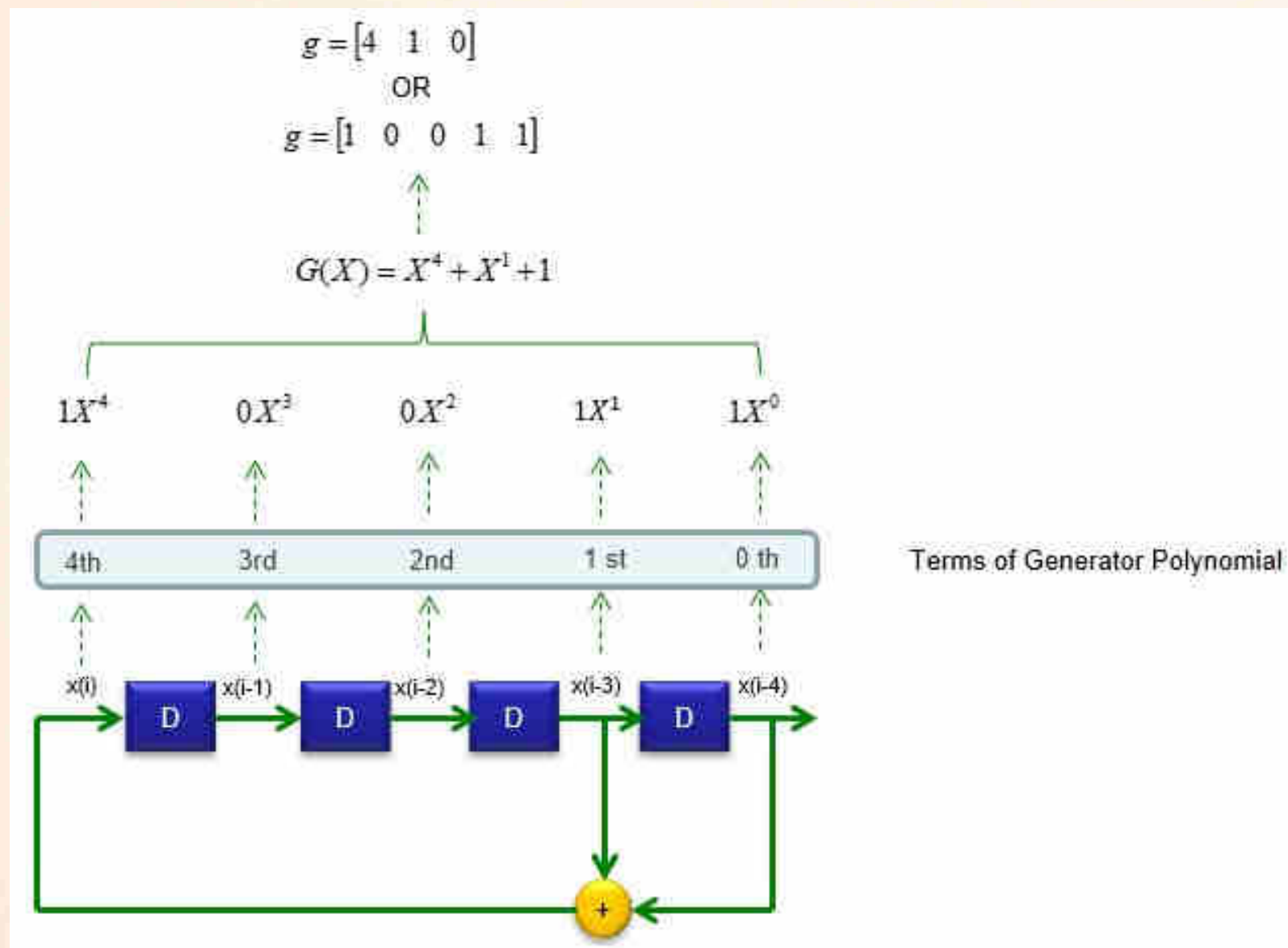
Pseudorandom

$2^n - 1$  states

m-sequence :

Maximum length  
sequence

# How to denote a LFSR



Generally, any n-bit LFSR can be denoted by a generator polynomial of degree n.

$$G(X) = X^4 + X + 1$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccc} \dots & 1 & \vdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \dots & X^{15} & \vdots & X^{14} & X^{13} & X^{12} & X^{11} & X^{10} & X^9 & X^8 & X^7 & X^6 & X^5 & X^4 & X^3 & X^2 & X^1 & X^0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} X^{15} + X^{12} + X^{11} = 0 & X^{11}G(X) = 0 \\ X^{14} + X^{11} + X^{10} = 0 & X^{10}G(X) = 0 \\ X^{13} + X^{10} + X^9 = 0 & X^9G(X) = 0 \\ X^{12} + X^9 + X^8 = 0 & X^8G(X) = 0 \\ X^{11} + X^8 + X^7 = 0 & X^7G(X) = 0 \\ X^{10} + X^7 + X^6 = 0 & X^6G(X) = 0 \\ X^9 + X^6 + X^5 = 0 & X^5G(X) = 0 \\ X^8 + X^5 + X^4 = 0 & X^4G(X) = 0 \\ X^7 + X^4 + X^3 = 0 & X^3G(X) = 0 \\ X^6 + X^3 + X^2 = 0 & X^2G(X) = 0 \\ X^5 + X^2 + X = 0 & XG(X) = 0 \\ X^4 + X + 1 = 0 & G(X) = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow X^{15} = 1$$

$$G(X) \mid (X^{15} - 1) \text{ in } \mathbb{F}_2[x]$$

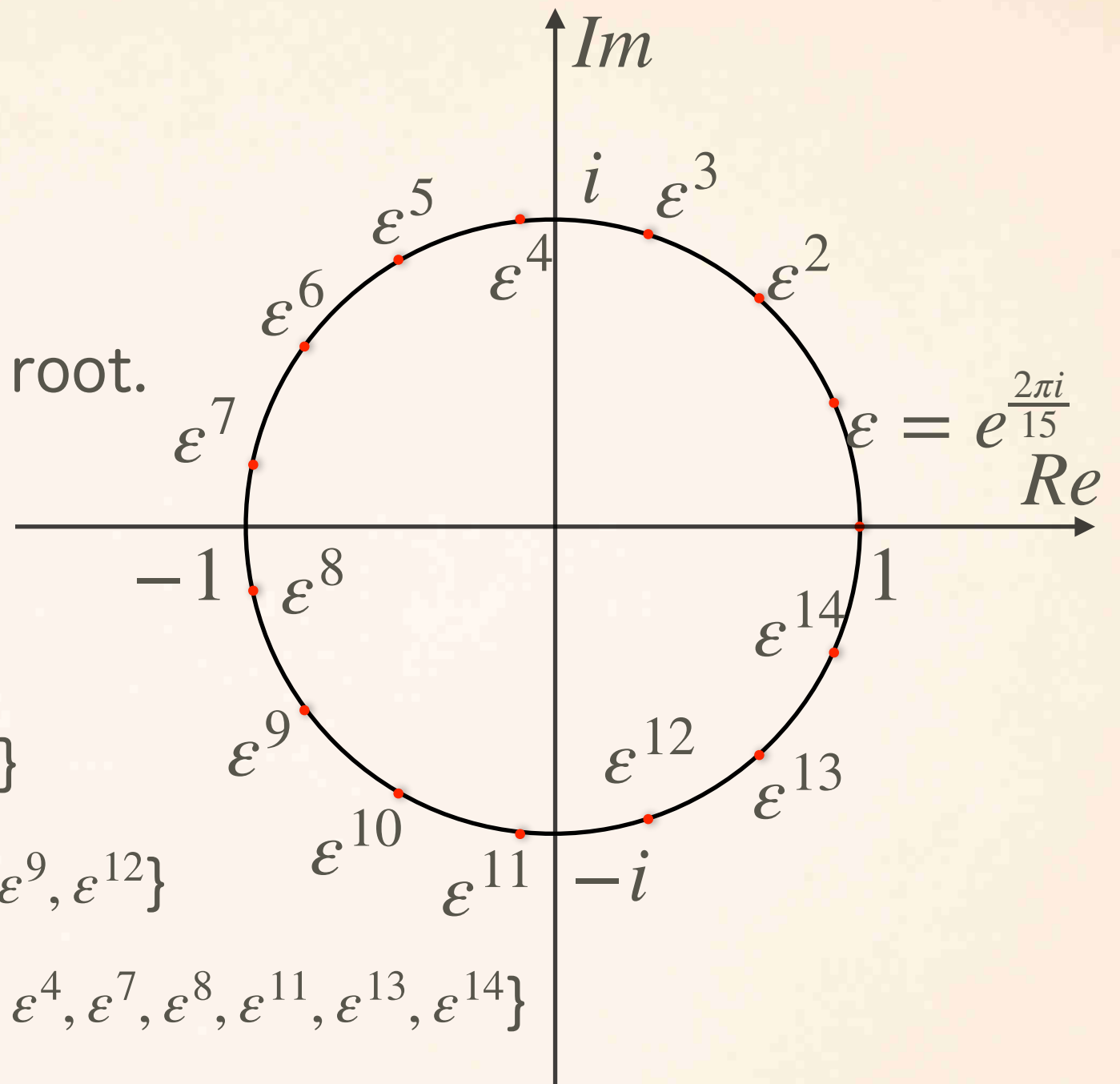
$$\mathbb{F}_2[x] : \{a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n \mid a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{F}_2\}$$

Generally, the generator polynomial of any n-bit LFSR which achieves m-sequence is a factor of  $X^{2^n-1} - 1$  in  $\mathbb{F}_2[x]$ .



# Factor $2^{2^n-1} - 1$ in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$

If  $\zeta^d = 1$  and  $\zeta^k \neq 1 (0 < k < d)$ ,  
 $\zeta$  is called a  $d$ th primitive unit root.



1st primitive unit root:  $\{1\}$

3rd primitive unit root:  $\{\epsilon^5, \epsilon^{10}\}$

5th primitive unit root:  $\{\epsilon^3, \epsilon^6, \epsilon^9, \epsilon^{12}\}$

15th primitive unit root:  $\{\epsilon, \epsilon^2, \epsilon^4, \epsilon^7, \epsilon^8, \epsilon^{11}, \epsilon^{13}, \epsilon^{14}\}$

$n$ th primitive unit root:  $\{e^{2\pi i \frac{k}{n}} \mid 0 < k \leq n, \gcd(k, n) = 1\}$

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

# Cyclotomic Polynomial

$$\Phi_n(x) = \prod_{1 \leq k \leq n, \gcd(k,n)=1} (x - e^{2\pi i \frac{k}{n}}), e^{2\pi i \frac{k}{n}} \text{ is a } n\text{th primitive unit root.}$$

$\Phi_n(x)$  is called a  $n$ th Cyclotomic Polynomial.

$$x^n - 1 = \prod_{d|n} \Phi_d(x)$$

$$x^n - 1 = f(x)\Phi_n(x) = f(x)g(x) + r(x)$$

$$f(x)(\Phi_n(x) - g(x)) = r(x)$$

$$x^{15} - 1 = (x - 1)(x - \varepsilon^5)(x - \varepsilon^{10})(x - \varepsilon^3)(x - \varepsilon^6)(x - \varepsilon^9)(x - \varepsilon^{12})$$

$$(x - \varepsilon)(x - \varepsilon^2)(x - \varepsilon^4)(x - \varepsilon^7)(x - \varepsilon^8)(x - \varepsilon^{11})(x - \varepsilon^{13})(x - \varepsilon^{14})$$

$$\Phi_1(x) = x - 1$$

$$\Phi_3(x) = \frac{x^3 - 1}{\Phi_1(x)} = x^2 + x + 1$$

$$\Phi_5(x) = \frac{x^5 - 1}{\Phi_1(x)} = x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$$

$$\Phi_{15}(x) = \frac{x^{15} - 1}{\Phi_1(x)\Phi_3(x)\Phi_5(x)} = x^8 - x^7 + x^5 - x^4 + x^3 - x + 1$$

## Factor $\Phi_{2^n-1}(x)$ in $\mathbb{F}_2[x]$

A field  $(\mathbb{F}, +, *)$  is a set  $\mathbb{F}$  together with two binary operations on  $\mathbb{F}$  called addition(+) and multiplication(\*). A binary operation is a mapping  $\mathbb{F} \times \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ . These operations are required to satisfy the following properties.

- $(\mathbb{F}, +)$  is an Abel group.
- $(\mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}, *)$  is an Abel group.
- Distributivity of  $*$  over  $+$ .

Finite fields(also called Galois fields) are fields with finitely many elements. The field with  $p^n$  elements( $p$  being prime) is usually denoted by

$\mathbb{F}_{p^n}$ . In  $\mathbb{F}_{p^n}$ ,  $\underbrace{1 + 1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_p = 0$ .  $p$  is called characteristic.



A subfield of a field  $\mathbb{L}$  is a subset  $\mathbb{K}$  of  $\mathbb{L}$  that is a field with respect to the field operations inherited from  $\mathbb{L}$ .

If  $\mathbb{K}$  is a subfield of  $\mathbb{L}$ , then  $\mathbb{L}$  is an extension field of  $\mathbb{K}$ , and this pair of fields is a field extension. Such a field extension is denoted  $\mathbb{L}/\mathbb{K}$ .

Given a field extension  $\mathbb{L}/\mathbb{K}$ , the larger field  $\mathbb{L}$  is a  $\mathbb{K}$ -vector space. The dimension of this vector space is called the degree of the extension and is denoted by  $[\mathbb{L} : \mathbb{K}]$ .

Let  $\mathbb{L}/\mathbb{K}$  be a field extension,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{L}$ . Then the minimum polynomial of  $\alpha$  is defined as the monic polynomial of least degree among all polynomials in  $\mathbb{K}[x]$  having  $\alpha$  as a root.

# Some examples about field extension

1.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) = \{a + b\sqrt{2} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$       $f(x) = x^2 - 2$       $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 2$

2.  $\mathbb{R}(i) = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\} = \mathbb{C}$       $f(x) = x^2 + 1$       $[\mathbb{C} : \mathbb{R}] = 2$

3.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{3})$   
     $= \{a + b\sqrt{3} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})\}$   
     $= \{a + b\sqrt{2} + c\sqrt{3} + d\sqrt{6} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Q}\}$

$$f_1(x) = x^2 - 3 \quad [\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{3}) : \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})] = 2$$

$$f_2(x) = x^2 - 2 \quad [\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 2 \quad [\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 4$$

4.  $\mathbb{F}_p(\alpha) = \{a_0 + a_1\alpha + a_2\alpha^2 + \cdots + a_{n-1}\alpha^{n-1} \mid a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1} \in \mathbb{F}_p\}$

$$f(x) = x^n + \cdots \quad [\mathbb{F}_p(\alpha) : \mathbb{F}_p] = n$$

**Lemma 1.** For any field  $\mathbb{F}$  of characteristic  $p$  and any  $f(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$ ,  
 $f^p(x) = f(x^p)$  if and only if  $f(x) \in \mathbb{F}_p[x]$ ; i.e., if and only if all coefficients  
 $f_i$  are in the prime subfield  $\mathbb{F}_p \subseteq \mathbb{F}$ .

*Proof.*  $f(x) = f_0 + f_1x + f_2x^2 + \cdots + f_nx^n$

$$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{F}, (a + b)^p = a^p + C_p^1 a^{p-1}b + \cdots + b^p$$

$$\forall k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p-1\}, \quad C_p^k = \frac{p!}{k!(p-k)!}, \quad p \mid C_p^k$$

$$C_p^k a^{p-k} b^k = 0, \quad (a + b)^p = a^p + b^p$$

$$f^p(x) = (f_0 + f_1x + f_2x^2 + \cdots + f_nx^n)^p = f_0^p + f_1^p x^p + f_2^p x^{2p} + \cdots + f_n^p x^{np}$$

$$f(x^p) = f_0 + f_1x^p + f_2x^{2p} + \cdots + f_nx^{np}$$

$$\forall i \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}, \quad f_i \in \mathbb{F}_p \Leftrightarrow f_i^p = f_i$$



$$\eta \in \{\varepsilon, \varepsilon^2, \varepsilon^4, \varepsilon^7, \varepsilon^8, \varepsilon^{11}, \varepsilon^{13}, \varepsilon^{14}\}, \eta^{2^4} = \eta$$

$$\exists f(x) \in \mathbb{F}_2[x], f(\eta) = 0 \Rightarrow f(\eta^2) = f(\eta^{2^2}) = f(\eta^{2^3}) = f(\eta) = 0$$

$$\text{let } \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{F}_2(\eta) \quad h(x) = (x - \eta)(x - \eta^2)(x - \eta^{2^2})(x - \eta^{2^3}) \quad h(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$$

$$\begin{aligned} h^2(x) &= (x - \eta)^2(x - \eta^2)^2(x - \eta^{2^2})^2(x - \eta^{2^3})^2 \\ &= (x^2 - \eta^2)(x^2 - \eta^{2^2})(x^2 - \eta^{2^3})(x^2 - \eta^{2^4}) \\ &= (x^2 - \eta)(x^2 - \eta^2)(x^2 - \eta^{2^2})(x^2 - \eta^{2^3}) \\ &= h(x^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$h(x) \in \mathbb{F}_2[x]$$

$$\Phi_{15}(x) = \underbrace{(x - \varepsilon)(x - \varepsilon^2)(x - \varepsilon^4)(x - \varepsilon^8)}_{h_1(x)} \underbrace{(x - \varepsilon^7)(x - \varepsilon^{14})(x - \varepsilon^{13})(x - \varepsilon^{11})}_{h_2(x)}$$

$$\Phi_{15}(x) = (x^4 + x + 1)(x^4 + x^3 + 1)$$

# Search primitive polynomials in $\mathbb{F}_2[x]$

Generally,  $\Phi_{2^n-1}(x)$  can be divided into  $\frac{\varphi(2^n-1)}{n}$  different n-degree polynomials(called primitive polynomials) in  $\mathbb{F}_2[x]$ .

$$r_n = \frac{\varphi(2^n-1)}{n2^n} = \frac{\prod (1 - \frac{1}{p_i})}{n}$$

$n =$	5	6	9	14	18
$r_n =$	0.186	0.095	0.094	0.046	0.030
$1/n =$	0.200	0.167	0.111	0.071	0.056
$n =$	26	29	30	33	41
$r_n =$	0.026	0.034	0.017	0.025	0.024
$1/n =$	0.038	0.034	0.033	0.030	0.024
$n =$	50	53	65	69	74
$r_n =$	0.012	0.019	0.015	0.012	0.009
$1/n =$	0.020	0.019	0.015	0.014	0.013
$n =$	81	86	90	98	
$r_n =$	0.010	0.008	0.005	0.007	
$1/n =$	0.012	0.012	0.011	0.010	



Lemma 2. If  $f(x) \in \mathbb{F}_2[x]$  is a  $n$ th irreducible polynomial, then  
 $f(x) \mid (x^{2^n-1} - 1)$ .

*Proof.*  $\mathbb{F} = \{f_0 + f_1x + \cdots + f_{n-1}x^{n-1} \mid f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{n-1} \in \mathbb{F}_2\}$

$$f_0(x), f_1(x), \dots, f_{2^n-1}(x) \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\} \quad (\forall 0 \leq i < j \leq 2^n - 1, f_i(x) \neq f_j(x))$$

$$\forall 0 \leq i < j \leq 2^n - 1, xf_i(x) \not\equiv xf_j(x) \pmod{f(x)}$$


$$\prod_0^{2^n-1} f_i(x) \equiv \prod_0^{2^n-1} xf_i(x) \pmod{f(x)}$$

$$x^{2^n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{f(x)} \quad f(x) \mid (x^{2^n-1} - 1) \quad \square$$

Lemma 3.  $f(x) \in \mathbb{F}_2[x]$  is a  $n$ th primitive polynomial if and only if

- $f(x) \mid (x^{2^n-1} - 1)$
- $\forall 1 \leq k < n, \gcd(f(x), x^{2^k-1} - 1) = 1$
- $\forall t \mid 2^n - 1, f(x) \nmid (x^t - 1)$

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$2^{850}-1 = 3 \times 11 \times 31 \times 251 \times 601 \times 1\,801 \times 4\,051 \times 43\,691 \times 131\,071 \times 91\,362\,251 \times$   
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 $336\,045\,348\,830\,659\,287\,429\,006\,970\,383\,760\,001\,800\,897\,298\,401$



The largest known Mersenne Prime  $2^{82,589,933} - 1$

Thank you!