

## 5. Palindromes

pre: Consider  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$   $b \in \mathbb{Z}$   $m \in \mathbb{Z}$   $m > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} (a+b) \bmod m &= (a \bmod m + b \bmod m) \bmod m \\ ab \bmod m &= (a \bmod m)(b \bmod m) \bmod m \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{def of} \\ \text{Congruency} \end{array}$$

$\therefore a \equiv a \bmod m \pmod m$  then  
 $b \equiv b \bmod m \pmod m$   
 (by def of mod)

$$\begin{aligned} a+b &\equiv (a \bmod m) + (b \bmod m) \pmod m && \text{Addition Property} \\ ab &\equiv (a \bmod m)(b \bmod m) \pmod m && \text{Multiplication Property} \end{aligned}$$

Suppose an integer  $P$  is palindromic and has  $2m$ -bits (even) ( $m \in \mathbb{Z}$   $m > 0$ )

so it is  $(x_{2m-1} x_{2m-2} \dots x_1 x_0)_{10}$  and  $x_{2m-1} = x_0, x_{2m-2} = x_1, \dots, x_{m+1} = x_m$

$\therefore P = \sum_{i=0}^m x_i (10^i + 10^{2m-1-i})$  and how we want to get  $P \bmod 11$

$$\begin{aligned} P \bmod 11 &= \left( \sum_{i=0}^m x_i (10^i + 10^{2m-1-i}) \right) \bmod 11 \\ &\equiv \left( \sum_{i=0}^m (x_i (10^i + 10^{2m-1-i}) \bmod 11) \right) \bmod 11 && \text{(additivity of congruency)} \\ &\equiv \left( \sum_{i=0}^m (x_i \bmod 11) ((10^i + 10^{2m-1-i}) \bmod 11) \right) \bmod 11 && \text{(multiplicity)} \\ &\equiv \left( \sum_{i=0}^m ((x_i \bmod 11) ((10^i \bmod 11) + (10^{2m-1-i} \bmod 11))) \bmod 11, \bmod 11 \right) \bmod 11 && \text{(additivity)} \end{aligned}$$

given:  $10 \equiv -1 \pmod{11}$

$10^i \equiv (-1)^i \pmod{11}$  multiplying for

① When  $i$  is odd  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$   $i \geq 0$   
 then  $10^i \bmod 11 = (-1)^i \bmod 11$   
 $= -1 \bmod 11$   
 $= 10 \quad (\text{congruency})$

② When  $i$  is even

then  $10^i \bmod 11 = (-1)^i \bmod 11$   
 $= 1 \bmod 11$   
 $= 1 \quad (\text{congruency})$

$m \in \mathbb{Z}$

$2m$  is always even

$2m-1$  is always odd

so if  $i$  is even  $10^i \bmod 11 = 1$

$2m-1-i$  is odd  $10^{2m-1-i} \bmod 11 = 10$

and if  $i$  is odd  $10^i \bmod 11 = 10$

then  $2m-1-i$  is even  $10^{2m-1-i} \bmod 11 = 1$

$$\therefore P \bmod 11 = \left( \sum_{i=0}^m ((x_i \bmod 11) ((1+10) \bmod 11)) \right) \bmod 11$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left( \sum_{i=0}^m ((x_i \bmod 11) (11 \bmod 11)) \right) \bmod 11 \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=0}^m (x_i \bmod 11) \times 0 \right) \bmod 11 \\ &= 0 \bmod 11 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore 11 \mid P$  (divisibility, def of mod)

conclusion: every palindromic integer with an even number of digits is divisible by 11.