# CoCoNuT Assignment Three

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## 1 More Sage

## **Integer Rings**

The ring  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  can be defined using the Integers command. For example:

```
sage: Z7= Integers(7)
sage: Z7
Ring of integers modulo 7
sage: Z7.order()
7
sage: a=Z7(3); b=Z7(4)
sage: a+b
0
You can also use Zmod to define rings of integers mod n. For example:
sage: Z7= Zmod(7)
sage: Z7
```

You can use the method random\_element() to get a random element from the ring. In the above examples, if you type Z7. and then press the Tab key, Sage will return a list of all the methods Z7 has.

## **Matrix Rings**

Ring of integers modulo 7

The following example defines the ring MR containing all  $3 \times 3$  matrices with entries in  $\mathbb{Z}_{51}$ .

```
sage: MR = MatrixSpace(Integers(51),3,3)
sage: MR
Full MatrixSpace of 3 by 3 dense matrices over Ring of integers modulo 51
sage: MR.random_element()
[25 21 32]
[25 13 47]
[32 14 41]
```

## Polynomial Rings

Example of defining a univariate polynomial ring in Sage.

```
sage: K = Integers(10001)
sage: R.<x> = PolynomialRing(K)
sage: R
Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Ring of integers modulo 10001
```

Alternatievely you can use:

```
sage: K = Integers(10001)
sage: R.<x> = K[]
sage: R
Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Ring of integers modulo 10001
```

In the above two examples R defines the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_{10001}[x]$ , i.e. the ring of polynomials (in the indeterminate x) with coefficients in  $\mathbb{Z}_{10001}$ .

You can similarly define multivariate polynomial rings, for example:

```
sage: K = Integers(101)
sage: R.<x,y> = K[]
sage: R
Multivariate Polynomial Ring in x, y over Ring of integers modulo 101
```

You can use the method  $random_element(n)$  to get a random polynomial of degree n from the ring. For example:

```
sage: K = Integers(10001)
sage: R.<x> = K[]
sage: R.random_element(3)
2648*x^3 + 8166*x^2 + 6712*x + 8114
```

## **Quotients of Polynomial Rings**

Examples of defining quotients of polynomial rings R/p(x) for some polynomial ring R and a polynomial p(x), i.e. the ring of polynomials modulo the polynomial p(x). For example, to define  $\mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]/(x^2+3x)$ 

```
sage: Z11=Integers(11)
sage: R.<x>=Z11[]
sage: QR.<y>=R.quotient(x^2+3*x)
sage: QR
Univariate Quotient Polynomial Ring in y over Ring of integers modulo 11 with modulus x^2 + 3*x
sage: QR.order()
121
sage: QR.modulus()
x^2 + 3*x
```

In the above code, one could replace the line sage:  $QR.\langle y\rangle=R.quotient(x^2+3*x)$  by sage:  $QR=R.quotient(x^2+3*x,'y')$  which will result in the same thing.

```
sage: QR.random_element()
6*y + 8
```

## 2 Assignment Three Questions

1. (a) Using your factoring algorithm MyFactor from Sheet 1, write a function MyPhiFun(n) that computes the Euler totient function (i.e. the phi function) for the integer n.

#### Answer:

```
def MyPhiFun(n):
    if n==1:
        return 1
    elif is_prime(n):
        return n-1
    else:
        factors = MyFactor(n)
        phi=n
        for i in range(len(factors)):
            phi = phi * (1 - 1/(factors[i][0]))
        return phi
```

(b) What does you function output for n = 42901741984719?

## Answer:

28514752980120

2. (a) Write a function FindNoOfGens that receives a prime number p and computes the number of generators of the group U(p), i.e. the group of units of the ring of integers modulo p.

### Answer:

```
def FindNoOfGens(p):
    if not is_prime(p) or p==2:
        print "p is not a prime > 2"
```

```
return -1
else:
  return euler_phi(p-1)
```

(b) Write your own function that returns the list of the generators of such a group. You are only allowed to call the functions you wrote previously.

#### Answer:

```
def ListofGens(p):
    if (not is\_prime(p)) or p ==2:
      print "p is not prime > 2"
      return []
    elif p == 3:
      return [2]
    else:
      gens = []
      factors = MyFactor(p-1)
      for a in range(1,p):
          flag = 0
          for i in range(len(factors)):
             if mod(a,p)^((p-1)//(factors[i][0])) == 1:
                flag = 1
                break
          if flag == 0 : gens.append(a)
      return gens
```

3. Determine which of the following polynomials are irreducible in  $\mathbb{Z}_{11}$ :

i) 
$$2x^5 + 8x^4 + 3x^3 + 6x^2 + 4x + 1$$
  
ii)  $8x^6 + 3x^5 + 6x^4 + 9x^3 + 5x^2 + 7x + 1$   
iii)  $7x^7 + 6x^6 + 2x^5 + 6x^4 + 2x^3 + 10$ 

- 4. In each of the following cases, first find the GCD of p(x) and q(x) and then find the polynomials a(x) and b(x) satisfying a(x)p(x) + b(x)q(x) = GCD(p(x), q(x)).
  - (a) Take p(x) and q(x) in  $\mathbb{Z}_7[x]$  where

$$p(x) = 4x^5 + 3x^4 + x^3 + 6x^2 + 4,$$
  
$$q(x) = 4x^3 + 5x^2 + x + 4$$

#### Answer:

```
GCD=1,

a(x)=3x^2 + 3x + 3,

b(x)=4x^4 + 2x^3 + x^2 + 6x + 6.
```

(b) Take p(x) and q(x) in  $\mathbb{Z}_{13}[x]$  where

$$p(x) = 2x^5 + 10x^4 + 6x^3 + 11x^2 + 10x,$$
  
$$q(x) = 2x^3 + 2x^2 + 10x + 8.$$

#### Answer:

```
GCD=x + 7,

a(x)=7x + 1,

b(x)=6x^3 + 10x^2 + 12x + 9.
```

- 5. Let  $\mathbb{Z}_{17}[x]/p(x)$  be the quotient of a polynomial ring, i.e. the ring of polynomials with coefficients in  $\mathbb{Z}_{17}$  modulo the polynomial p(x).
  - (a) For each of the following choices of p(x), decide whether or not there exist a polynomial  $b(x) \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{17}[x]/p(x)$  for which there is no polynomial  $a(x) \in \mathbb{Z}_{17}[x]/p(x)$  satisfying  $a(x)b(x) = 1 \mod p(x)$ . If in any case your answer is yes, give three different such b(x). You must give the code you used to come up with your answers.

i. 
$$x^5 + 5x^4 + 7x^3 + 11x^2 + 14x + 11$$
.

A. Yes/No:

B. Examples (if any):

#### Answer:

None, as p(x) is irreducible

C. Code if any):

ii. 
$$x^5 + x^4 + 10x^3 + 4x^2 + 4x + 4$$

- A. Yes/No:
- B. Examples (if any):

#### Answer:

Examples include:  $11y^4 + 10y^3 + 14y^2 + 2y + 16$  $11y^4 + 10y^2 + 14y + 14$  $2y^3 + 3y^2 + 6y + 3$  $10y^4 + 5y^3 + 15y^2 + 16y + 11$  $5y^4 + 10y^3 + 12y^2 + 8y + 9$  $15y^4 + 7y^3 + 12y^2 + 1$ 

C. Code if any):

Answer:

Z17=Integers(17)

```
R17.<x>=Z17[]
QR17=R17.quotient(x^5 + x^4 + 10*x^3 + 4*x^2 + 4*x + 4)
c=0
b=QR17.random_element()
while (c<5):
    while(b.is_unit()==true):
        b=QR17.random_element()
    print b;
    c = c + 1
    b=QR17.random_element()</pre>
```

(b) What can you conclude from such an observation?

## Answer:

Such a ring is only a field when p(x) is irreducible.