

Ring: R - Non-empty set.

Let $+$ & \cdot be two binary operations.

Then $(R, +, \cdot)$ is called a ring if it satisfies the following properties:

- ① $(R, +)$ is an abelian group.
- ② (R, \cdot) is associative. $[(R, \cdot)$ is a semigroup]
- ③ Distributivity: ' \cdot ' is distributive over ' $+$ ' from left as well as from right.

$$a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c \quad \& \quad (a + b) \cdot c = (a \cdot c) + (b \cdot c) \quad \forall a, b, c \in R.$$

If ' \cdot ' is commutative (i.e. $a \cdot b = b \cdot a \quad \forall a, b \in R$) then $(R, +, \cdot)$ is called commutative ring.

If ' \cdot ' is commutative and identity w.r. to ' \cdot ' exists in R

then $(R, +, \cdot)$ is called a commutative ring with unity.

$$\{ \because a \cdot b = b \cdot a \quad \forall a, b \in R, \quad \exists 1 \in R \text{ s.t. } 1 \cdot a = a \cdot 1 = a \quad \forall a \in R \}$$

Ex: $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$: Commutative ring with unity.

$(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$: " " " "

$(\mathbb{C}, +, \cdot)$: " " " "

$(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n, \cdot_n)$: " " " "

Note: A ring $(R, +, \cdot)$ supports $+$, $-$ and \times .

Field: A field $(F, +, \cdot)$ is a commutative ring with unit in which all non-zero elements have their inverse with respect to the second operation ' \cdot '.

i.e. $(F, +, \cdot)$ is called a field if

(1) $(F, +)$ is an abelian group.

② (F, \cdot) is a semi group.

③ $\exists 1 \in F$ s.t. $1 \cdot a = a \cdot 1 = a \quad \forall a \in F$

④ $\forall a (\neq 0) \in F \quad \exists a^{-1} \in F$ s.t. $a \cdot a^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot a = 1$.

identity
w.r. to $+$

⑤ '•' is distributive over '+' i.e.

$$\forall a, b, c \in F, \quad a \cdot (b + c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c) \quad \& \\ (a + b) \cdot c = (a \cdot c) + (b \cdot c)$$

Note: A field $(F, +, \cdot)$ supports $+$, $-$, \times & \div .

Ex: $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$: Field
 $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot)$: " } Infinite Fields
 $(\mathbb{C}, +, \cdot)$: "
 $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$: Not a field.

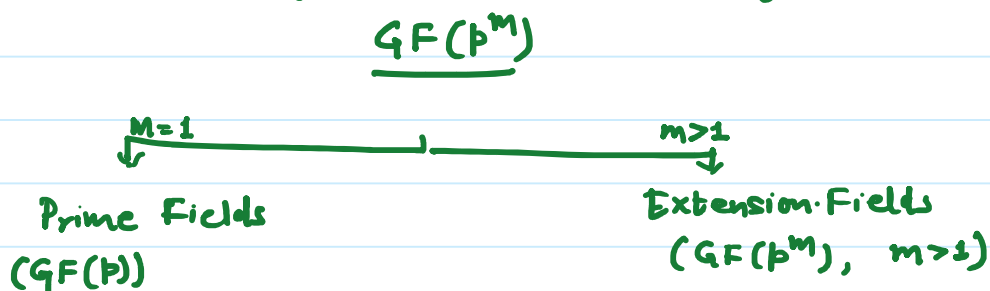
Finite Fields: Fields with finite no. of elements.

Finite fields are also called Galois Fields.

* Galois (French Mathematician) showed that order of finite fields is of the form p^m where p is prime and m is a +ve integer.

i.e. if $(F, +, \cdot)$ is a finite field then $|F| = p^m$, p - prime
 $m \in \mathbb{N}$

A finite field of p^m is denoted by



Ex: $GF(2)$ $(\{0, 1\}, +_2, \cdot_2)$
 $GF(p)$ $(\mathbb{Z}_p, +_p, \cdot_p)$ $\mathbb{Z}_p = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \underline{p-1}\}$.
 \downarrow
prime

$GF(2^8) = \underline{GF(256)}$: AES (Advanced Encryption Std.)

GF(2)

$\{0,1\}$, $+_2$, \cdot_2

$+_2$	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	0

\cdot_2	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1

$$e_+ = 0, \quad e_\cdot = 1$$

$-a$: Additive inverse of a

a^{-1} : Multiplicative inverse of a .

a	0	1
$-a$	0	1

a	0	1
a^{-1}		1

- Remarks:
1. $+_2$ operation on $\{0,1\}$ is same as exclusive OR operation.
 2. \cdot_2 operation is same as 'AND' operation on two binary digits.
 3. Addition & Subtraction operations are same (XOR operation)
 4. Mult & division " " " (AND ")

Euler's Phi-function: (Euler's Totient function):

$$\phi(n) = \{m \in \mathbb{N} \mid m < n \text{ \& } \gcd(m, n) = 1\}$$

= No. of +ve integers less than n & coprime to n .

$$= |\mathbb{Z}_n^*|$$

Properties:

1. $\phi(1) = 0$

2. $\phi(p) = p-1$, p is a prime.

3. $\phi(m \times n) = \phi(m) \times \phi(n)$, where m & n are coprime.

4. $\phi(p^e) = p^e - p^{e-1}$, p is prime.

5. If $n = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \dots p_k^{e_k}$ (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k are primes)

$$\phi(n) = \phi(p_1^{e_1}) \cdot \phi(p_2^{e_2}) \cdot \phi(p_3^{e_3}) \dots \phi(p_k^{e_k})$$

$$= \underbrace{(p_1^{e_1} - p_1^{e_1-1})} \underbrace{(p_2^{e_2} - p_2^{e_2-1})} \dots \underbrace{(p_k^{e_k} - p_k^{e_k-1})}$$

$$= \underbrace{p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \dots p_k^{e_k}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_2}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_k}\right)$$

$$\boxed{\phi(n) = n \prod_{i=1}^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i}\right)}$$

Fermat's Little Theorem

First version: If p is a prime number and a is an integer such that p doesn't divide a then

$$\boxed{a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}}$$

Second version: If p is prime and a is an integer then

$$\boxed{a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}}$$

Euler's Theorem

First version: If a & n are coprime then
$$a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

Second version: If $n = p \times q$, $a < n$ and k is an integer
then

$$a^{k \times \phi(n) + 1} \equiv a \pmod{n}$$

RSA cryptosystem use Euler's theorem.