

Review - Number Theory

- Modular arithmetic
 - Notation x in \mathbb{Z}_n
- Greatest common divisor
 - if $\gcd(x, y) = 1$ we say that x and y are relatively prime
- Modular Inversion
 - The inverse of x in \mathbb{Z}_n is an element y in \mathbb{Z}_n
 - s.t.
 - $x * y = 1$ in \mathbb{Z}_n
 - x in \mathbb{Z}_n has an inverse iff $\gcd(x, n) = 1$
- More notation
 - \mathbb{Z}_n^* = the set of invertible elements in \mathbb{Z}_n
- Solving modular linear equations
 - $a * x + b = 0$ in \mathbb{Z}_n
 - $x = -b * a^{-1}$ in \mathbb{Z}_n
 - Find a^{-1} in \mathbb{Z}_n using extended Euclid
- Fermat's theorem
 - Let p be a prime for all x element $(\mathbb{Z}_p)^*$: $x^{p-1} = 1$ in \mathbb{Z}_p
- Generating random primes
 - step1: choose a random integer p element $\{2^{1024}, 2^{1025} - 1\}$
 - step2: test if $2^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$
 - if so, output p and stop. If not, goto step 1
- Structure
 - $(\mathbb{Z}_p)^*$ is a cyclic group, that is there is a g element $(\mathbb{Z}_p)^*$ such that $\{1, g, g^2, \dots\} = (\mathbb{Z}_p)^*$
 g is called a generator of $(\mathbb{Z}_p)^*$
 - Note: not every element is a generator
- Order
 - For g element $(\mathbb{Z}_p)^*$ the set $\{1, g, \dots\}$ is called the group generated by g , denoted $\langle g \rangle$
 - Def: the order of g element $(\mathbb{Z}_p)^*$ is the size of $\langle g \rangle$
 - $\text{ord}_p(g) = |\langle g \rangle|$
- Euler's generalization of Fermat
 - Def: For an integer N define $\phi(N) = |\mathbb{Z}_N^*|$
 - Thm (Euler): For all x element $(\mathbb{Z}_N)^*$: $x^{\phi(N)} = 1$ in \mathbb{Z}_N
- Modular e 'th roots
 - Let p be a prime and c element of \mathbb{Z}_p
 - Def: x element of \mathbb{Z}_p s.t.
 - $x^e = c$ in \mathbb{Z}_p is called an e 'th root of c
- Euler's theorem
- Computing square roots mod p
- Solving quadratic equations mod p
- Repeated squaring algorithm
- DLOG