

# Polynôme

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# **Preface**

This is the preface of the book...

# **Chapter 1 Preliminaries**

## **Chapter 2 Univariate Polynomial Ring**

## 2.1 Univariate Polynomials

## 2.2 Division

#### Theorem 2.1 (Euclidean Division (Division with Remainder))

Let  $f(x), g(x) \in P[x]$  with  $g(x) \neq 0$ . Then there exist unique polynomials  $q(x), r(x) \in P[x]$  such that

$$f(x) = g(x) \cdot q(x) + r(x)$$

where r(x) = 0 or deg(r) < deg(g).

### Definition 2.1 (Exact Division)

If there exists  $h(x) \in P[x]$  such that  $f(x) = g(x) \cdot h(x)$ , we say that g(x) divides f(x) and write  $g(x) \mid f(x)$ . (In other words, the remainder f(x) = 0.)

## **Property**

**ACaution** In Euclidean division,  $g(x) \neq 0$  is required. However, in the case of  $g(x) \mid f(x)$ , g(x) can equal 0. In this situation,  $f(x) = g(x)h(x) = 0 \cdot g(x) = 0$ , meaning that the **zero polynomial can only divide the zero polynomial**.

## 2.3 Greatest Common Divisor and Relatively Prime

### ¶ Greatest Common Divisor

#### Definition 2.2 (Greatest Common Divisor (GCD))

Let  $f(x), g(x) \in P[x]$ . A polynomial  $d(x) \in P[x]$  is called a greatest common divisor of f(x) and g(x) if:

- 1.  $d(x) \mid f(x)$  and  $d(x) \mid g(x)$ ;
- 2. For any polynomial  $h(x) \in P[x]$ , if  $h(x) \mid f(x)$  and  $h(x) \mid g(x)$ , then  $h(x) \mid d(x)$ .

The greatest common divisor of f(x) and g(x), whose leading coefficient is 1 (also called **monic**), is denoted as (f(x), g(x)).

## **Property**

#### Theorem 2.2 (Fuclidean Algorithm

For all  $f(x), g(x) \in P[x]$ , there exists  $d(x) \in P[x]$ , where d(x) is a greatest common divisor of f(x) and g(x), and d(x) can be expressed as a linear combination of f(x) and g(x), i.e., there exist  $u(x), v(x) \in P[x]$  such that

$$d(x) = u(x)f(x) + v(x)g(x).$$

 $\Diamond$ 

The converse proposition does not hold in general.

### $\P$ Relatively Prime

## Definition 2.3 (Relatively Prime)

Two polynomials f(x) and g(x) in P[x] are called relatively prime if (f(x), g(x)) = 1, meaning they have no common divisor other than the zero-degree polynomial (nonzero constant).

## 2.4 Least Common Multiple

## **Chapter 3 Factorization and Roots**

## 3.1 Irreducible Polynomials

#### Definition 3.1 (Irreducible Polynomial)

A polynomial p(x) of degree  $\geq 1$  over a field P is called an irreducible polynomial over the field P if it cannot be expressed as the product of two polynomials of lower degree than p(x) over the field P.

#### Proposition 3.1

For all  $f(x), g(x) \in P[x], p(x)$  is an irreducible polynomial in P[x], which is equivalent to the following two propositions:

- 1. Either p(x) | f(x) or (p(x), f(x)) = 1;
- 2. If  $p(x) \mid f(x)g(x)$ , then either  $p(x) \mid f(x)$  or  $p(x) \mid g(x)$ .

Similarly, monic polynomial p(x), with degree greater than 0, is a power of an irreducible polynomial over the field P if and only if for all f(x),  $g(x) \in P[x]$ ,

- 1. Either  $p(x) | f^m(x) (m \in \mathbb{N}^*)$  or (p(x), f(x)) = 1;
- 2. If  $p(x) \mid f(x)g(x)$ , then either  $p(x) \mid f^m(x) \ (m \in \mathbb{N}^*)$  or  $p(x) \mid g(x)$ .

## 3.2 Polynomials with Rational Coefficients

#### Definition 3.2 (Primitive Polynomial)

A polynomial  $f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0$  with integer coefficients is called a **primitive polynomial** if the greatest common divisor of its coefficients is  $\pm 1$ , i.e.,  $(a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1, a_0) = \pm 1$ .

#### Lemma 3.1 (Gauss's Lemma)

The product of two primitive polynomials is also a primitive polynomial.

## 3.3 Relation between Roots and Coefficients

#### Theorem 3.1 (Vièta's Formulas)

Let  $f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$  be a polynomial of degree n over field P, and let its n roots (counting multiplicities) be  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n$  in an extension field of P. Then the following relations hold:

$$r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_n = -\frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n},$$

$$r_1 r_2 + r_1 r_3 + \dots + r_{n-1} r_n = \frac{a_{n-2}}{a_n},$$

$$\vdots$$

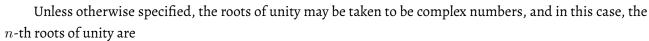
$$r_1 r_2 \dots r_n = (-1)^n \frac{a_0}{a_n}.$$



## 3.4 Root of Unity

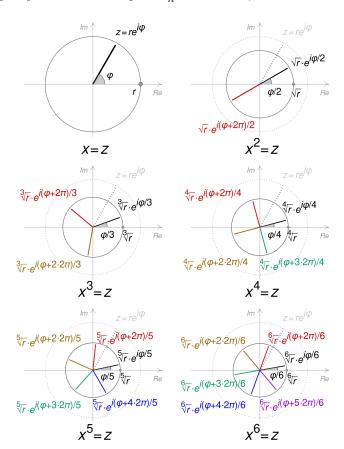
#### Definition 3.3 (Root of Unity)

Let P be a number field and  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . An element  $\omega \in P$  is called an n-th root of unity if it satisfies the equation  $x^n - 1 = 0$ , i.e.,  $\omega^n = 1$ .



$$\omega_k = \exp \frac{2k\pi i}{n} = \cos \left(\frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) + i\sin \left(\frac{2k\pi}{n}\right), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1.$$

Obviously, the modulus of each n-th root of unity is 1, i.e.,  $|\omega_k| = 1$ , and they are evenly distributed on the unit circle in the complex plane, with an angle of  $\frac{2\pi}{n}$  between adjacent roots.



## **Property**

1. The n-th roots of unity form a cyclic group under multiplication, with  $\omega=\exp{2\pi i\over n}$  as a generator.

#### Proposition 3.2 (Formulas for Sums and Differences of Powers)

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$  and n being odd:

$$a^{n} + b^{n} = (a+b)(a^{n-1}b^{0} - a^{n-2}b^{1} + a^{n-3}b^{2} - \dots - a^{1}b^{n-2} + a^{0}b^{n-1}).$$

When n is even, there is no general formula for the n-th power sum.

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ :

$$a^{n} - b^{n} = (a - b)(a^{n-1}b^{0} + a^{n-2}b^{1} + a^{n-3}b^{2} + \dots + a^{0}b^{n-1}).$$

Commonly used special cases:

$$a^{2} - b^{2} = (a+b)(a-b).$$

$$a^{3} + b^{3} = (a+b)(a^{2} - ab + b^{2}), \quad a^{3} - b^{3} = (a-b)(a^{2} + ab + b^{2}).$$

$$a^{4} - b^{4} = (a^{2} + b^{2})(a^{2} - b^{2}) = (a^{2} + b^{2})(a+b)(a-b),$$

$$= (a-b)(a^{3} + a^{2}b + ab^{2} + b^{3}).$$

When b = 1,

$$x^{n} + 1 = (x+1)(x^{n-1} - x^{n-2} + x^{n-3} - \dots + x - 1), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}^{+}, n \text{ is odd.}$$
  
 $x^{n} - 1 = (x-1)(x^{n-1} + x^{n-2} + x^{n-3} + \dots + x + 1), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}^{+}.$ 

# **Chapter 4 Integral Valued Polynomials**

4.1 Lagrange Interpolation Polynomial

## **Chapter 5 Multivariate Polynomial**

## **5.1 Symmetric Polynomial**

### Definition 5.1 (Symmetric Polynomial)

A polynomial  $f(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$  in n variables is called a **symmetric polynomial** if it remains unchanged under any permutation of its variables. In other words, for any permutation  $\sigma$  of the set  $\{1, 2, ..., n\}$ , the following holds:

$$f(x_{\sigma(1)}, x_{\sigma(2)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n)}) = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n).$$

Some common symmetric polynomials include:

## **Elementary Symmetric Polynomials:**

$$e_k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{1 \le i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \le n} x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \cdots x_{i_k}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

That is,

$$e_0 = 1,$$
 $e_1 = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n,$ 
 $e_2 = \sum_{1 \le i < j \le n} x_i x_j,$ 
 $\vdots$ 
 $e_n = x_1 x_2 \cdots x_n,$ 
 $e_k = 0, \quad k > n.$ 

#### Power Sum Symmetric Polynomials:

$$p_k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_1^k + x_2^k + \dots + x_n^k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

### Complete Homogeneous Symmetric Polynomials:

$$h_k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_n = k} x_1^{i_1} x_2^{i_2} \cdots x_n^{i_n}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

#### Theorem 5.1 (Newton's Identities

For  $k \geq 1$ , the following relations hold between the elementary symmetric polynomials  $e_k$  and the power sum symmetric polynomials  $p_k$ :

$$ke_k = \sum_{i=1}^k (-1)^{i-1} e_{k-i} p_i,$$

where  $e_0 = 1$  and  $e_k = 0$  for k > n.



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