

# Midterm

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1. Sketch out in pseudocode the 'memory efficient' (that is, a version that does not require it to remember all of the steps) version of the extended Euclidean algorithm discussed in class.

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func euclidean(var Zn, var n)

//initialization of variables to start looping properly
var prevA=0;
var prevB=1;
var prevprevA=1;
var prevprevB=0;

//loop computing extended euclidean algorithm, the result is in prevA and prevB
//loop uses continuous dividing Zn by n and shifting parameters from each round
loop( (Zn%n) != 0){
    a = Zn/n;
    b = Zn%n;

    //we need this temp variables for swapping coefficients
    //from prevprev to prev (preparation for next round)
    tempA = prevA;
    tempB = prevB;

    //equations similar to those when we do in hand algorithm
    prevA = prevprevA - a*prevA;
    prevB = prevprevB - a*prevB;

    prevprevA = tempA;
    prevprevB = tempB;

    Zn = n;
    n = b;
} //end of loop
//inverse condition
if (n!=1) Inverse does not exist;

//in return container are the multiplicative constantes of euclidian
//expansion
//we usually need only the prevB constant
return prevB;
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2. Sketch out in pseudocode the algorithm which allows us to calculate  $x^y \bmod m$  for very large values of  $x, y, m$ .

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func power(var x, var y, var Zn)
  y = toBinaryNumber(y);
  //function convertToExpression() converts input binary number
  //such that instead of ones puts 'X' and into spaces between bits puts 'S'
  //e.g. 23 = 10101 in binary -> XSSXSSX
  var powerExpression = convertToExpression(y);
  //now we are going to do powering x to y
  var result = x;
  //this looping starts from most significant char in string of powerExpression
  loop through bits of powerExpression{
    if 'X'
      multiply result from previous loop by x mod Zn
    else if 'S'
      square result from previous loop mod Zn
  }//end of loop
  //now x^y is in result
  return result

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Note: The most expensive operation in this function is squaring and moduling, which we can compute manually.

3. Do the following in  $GF(16) = ((\mathbb{Z}/2)[x])/(x^4 + x + 1)$

Fully simplify your answer.

- (a) Compute  $(x^2 + 1)(x^3 + x^2 + 1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x^2 + 1)(x^3 + x^2 + 1) &= x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + 1 \\
 (x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + 1)/(x^4 + x + 1) &= x + 1, \text{ remainder } x^3 + x^2 \\
 (x^2 + 1)(x^3 + x^2 + 1) &\equiv x^3 + x^2 \text{ in } GF(16) = ((\mathbb{Z}/2)[x])/(x^4 + x + 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the inverse of  $x^2 + x + 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x^4 + x + 1)/(x^2 + x + 1) &= x^2 + x, \text{ remainder } 1 \\
 (x^4 + x + 1) &= (x^2 + x)(x^2 + x + 1) + 1 \\
 1 &= (x^2 + x)(x^2 + x + 1) + 1(x^4 + x + 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Multiplicative inverse of  $(x^2 + x + 1)$  in  $GF(16) = ((\mathbb{Z}/2)[x])/(x^4 + x + 1)$  is  $(x^2 + x)$ .

4. Let,  $p = 5$ ,  $q = 7$ , and  $e = 17$  for RSA encryption. Set  $x = 13$ . Encrypt  $x$  using RSA. Then find  $d$  and decrypt back to the original message.

$$\begin{aligned}
 n &= pq = 5 \cdot 7 = 35 \\
 \phi(35) &= (5 - 1)(7 - 1) = 24 \\
 17 &= (10001)_2 = XSSSSX
 \end{aligned}$$

For computation  $13^{17}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{35}$  we used algorithm shown in second question.

$$13^{17} \equiv 13 \pmod{35}$$

Encrypted message is 13. For decrypting we have to find inverse  $d = e^{-1}$ , which is  $17^{-1}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{24}$ .

$$24 = 1 \cdot 17 + 7$$

$$17 = 2 \cdot 7 + 3$$

$$7 = 2 \cdot 3 + 1$$

$$7 = 24 - 1 \cdot 17$$

$$3 = 17 - 2 \cdot 24 + 2 \cdot 17 = 3 \cdot 17 - 2 \cdot 24$$

$$1 = 24 - 1 \cdot 17 - 6 \cdot 17 + 4 \cdot 24 = 5 \cdot 24 - 7 \cdot 17$$

$$d = -7 \equiv 17 \text{ in } \mathbb{Z}_{24}$$

Because  $d = e$ , encrypting is the same as decrypting. We calculate  $13^{17} \equiv 13$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{35}$  as shown before.

5. Let  $p$  be a prime. What is  $(\prod_{i=1}^{p-1} i) \bmod p$ ? Fully justify (i.e., prove) your answer.

$$(\prod_{i=1}^{p-1} i) \bmod p = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot (p-1)$$

We know, that all elements in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  have inverses. We can see, that 1 has inverse onto itself. We try to find, if any other elements of group  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  have the same quality.

$$(p-n)(p-n) \equiv 1 \bmod p$$

$$, \text{ where } n \in \{1, 2, \dots, (p-1)\}$$

$$n^2 - 2pn + p^2 - 1 \equiv 0 \bmod p$$

$$(n - (p-1))(n - (p+1)) \equiv 0 \bmod p$$

$$n_1 = p+1 \equiv 1 \bmod p$$

$$n_2 \equiv (p-1) \bmod p$$

We see that only  $(p - n_1) \equiv (p-1) \bmod p$  and  $(p - n_2) = (p - (p-1)) \equiv 1 \bmod p$  have inverse onto itself. We might find **pairs of inverses** for the rest elements in group. Each element multiplied by its inverse is one, and therefore:

$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^{p-1} i\right) \bmod p = 1 \cdot \underbrace{2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (p-2)}_1 \cdot (p-1) = (p-1)$$