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# Basic Concepts in Number Theory and Finite Fields

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# Overview

- Divisibility and the division algorithm
- The Euclidean algorithm
- Modular arithmetic
- Groups, rings, and fields
- **Finite fields** of the form  $\text{GF}(p)$
- Polynomial arithmetic
- Finite fields of the form  $\text{GF}(2^n)$

A number of cryptographic algorithms rely on properties of finite fields

Ex.

-Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)

-Elliptic curve cryptography



# Divisibility

- We say that a nonzero  $b$  divides  $a$  if  $a = mb$  for some  $m$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $m$  are integers
- $b$ : divisor,  $a$ : dividend, and  $m$ : quotient
- The notation  $b \mid a$  is commonly used
- $b$  divides  $a$  if there is no remainder on division

Ex. The positive divisors of 24 are 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, and 24  
 $13 \mid 182$ ;  $-5 \mid 30$ ;  $17 \mid 289$ ;  $-3 \mid 33$ ;  $17 \mid 0$



# Properties of Divisibility

- If  $a \mid 1$ , then  $a = \pm 1$
- If  $a \mid b$  and  $b \mid a$ , then  $a = \pm b$
- Any  $b \neq 0$  divides 0
- If  $a \mid b$  and  $b \mid c$ , then  $a \mid c$   

Ex.  $11 \mid 66$  and  $66 \mid 198 = 11 \mid 198$
- If  $b \mid g$  and  $b \mid h$ , then  $b \mid (mg + nh)$  for arbitrary integers  $m$  and  $n$



# Properties of Divisibility

- To see this last point, note that:
  - If  $b \mid g$ , then  $g$  is of the form  $g = b * g_1$  for some integer  $g_1$
  - If  $b \mid h$ , then  $h$  is of the form  $h = b * h_1$  for some integer  $h_1$
- So:
  - $mg + nh = mbg_1 + nbh_1 = b * (mg_1 + nh_1)$   
and therefore  $b$  divides  $mg + nh$

Ex.  $b = 7$ ;  $g = 14$ ;  $h = 63$ ;  $m = 3$ ;  $n = 2$

$7 \mid 14$  and  $7 \mid 63$ .

To show  $7 \mid (3 * 14 + 2 * 63)$ ,

we have  $(3 * 14 + 2 * 63) = 7(3 * 2 + 2 * 9)$ ,

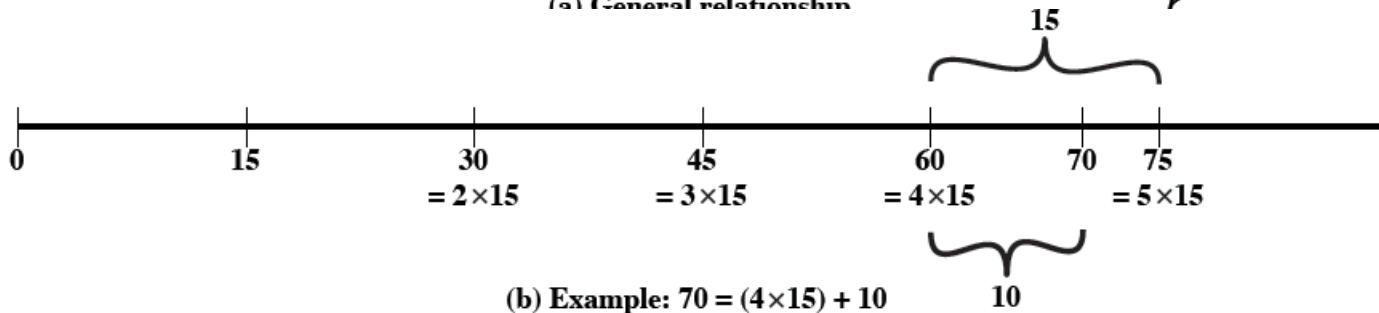
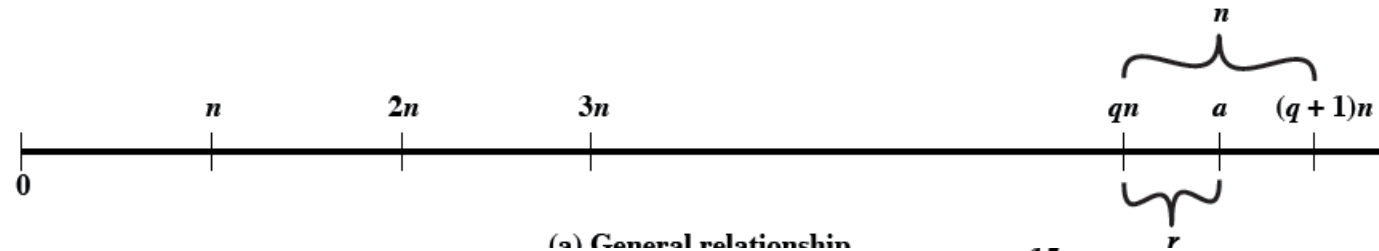
and it is obvious that  $7 \mid (7(3 * 2 + 2 * 9))$ .

# Division Algorithm

- Given any positive integer  $n$  and any nonnegative integer  $a$ , if we divide  $a$  by  $n$  we get an integer quotient  $q$  and an integer remainder  $r$  that obey the following relationship:

$$a = qn + r$$

$$0 \leq r < n; q = \lfloor a/n \rfloor$$



Ex.

$$a = 11; n = 7; 11 = 1 \times 7 + 4; r = 4, q = 1$$

$$a = -11; n = 7; -11 = (-2) \times 7 + 3; r = 3, q = -2$$

- $-b \bmod N$   
 $= (-1 \cdot b) \bmod N$   
 $= (-1 \bmod N) (b \bmod N) \bmod N$   
 $= (N-1) b \bmod N$



# Euclidean Algorithm

- One of the basic techniques of number theory
- Procedure for determining the **greatest common divisor** of two positive integers
- Two integers are **relatively prime** if their only common positive integer factor is 1

The first 168 prime numbers (all the prime numbers less than 1000) are:

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47, 53, 59, 61, 67, 71, 73, 79, 83, 89, 97, 101, 103, 107, 109, 113, 127, 131, 137, 139, 149, 151, 157, 163, 167, 173, 179, 181, 191, 193, 197, 199, 211, 223, 227, 229, 233, 239, 241, 251, 257, 263, 269, 271, 277, 281, 283, 293, 307, 311, 313, 317, 331, 337, 347, 349, 353, 359, 367, 373, 379, 383, 389, 397, 401, 409, 419, 421, 431, 433, 439, 443, 449, 457, 461, 463, 467, 479, 487, 491, 499, 503, 509, 521, 523, 541, 547, 557, 563, 569, 571, 577, 587, 593, 599, 601, 607, 613, 617, 619, 631, 641, 643, 647, 653, 659, 661, 673, 677, 683, 691, 701, 709, 719, 727, 733, 739, 743, 751, 757, 761, 769, 773, 787, 797, 809, 811, 821, 823, 827, 829, 839, 853, 857, 859, 863, 877, 881, 883, 887, 907, 911, 919, 929, 937, 941, 947, 953, 967, 971, 977, 983, 991, 997



# Greatest Common Divisor (GCD)

- The greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$  is the largest integer that divides both  $a$  and  $b$
- We can use the notation  $\gcd(a,b)$  to mean the greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$
- We also define  $\gcd(0,0) = 0$
- Positive integer  $c$  is said to be the gcd of  $a$  and  $b$  if:
  - $c$  is a divisor of  $a$  and  $b$
  - Any divisor of  $a$  and  $b$  is a divisor of  $c$
- An equivalent definition is:
  - $\gcd(a,b) = \max[k, \text{ such that } k \mid a \text{ and } k \mid b]$





# GCD

- Because we require that the greatest common divisor be positive,  
 $\gcd(a,b) = \gcd(a,-b) = \gcd(-a,b) = \gcd(-a,-b)$
- In general,  $\gcd(a,b) = \gcd(|a|, |b|)$   

Ex.  $\gcd(60, 24) = \gcd(60, -24) = 12$
- Also, because all nonzero integers divide 0, we have  
 $\gcd(a,0) = |a|$
- We stated that two integers  $a$  and  $b$  are **relatively prime** if their only common positive integer factor is **1**; this is equivalent to saying that  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime if  
 $\gcd(a,b) = 1$

Ex. 8 and 15 are relatively prime because the positive divisors of 8 are 1, 2, 4, and 8, and the positive divisors of 15 are 1, 3, 5, and 15. So 1 is the only integer on both lists.

# Euclidean Algorithm Example

Dividend	Divisor	Quotient	Remainder
$a = 1160718174$	$b = 316258250$	$q_1 = 3$	$r_1 = 211943424$
$b = 316258250$	$r_1 = 211943424$	$q_2 = 1$	$r_2 = 104314826$
$r_1 = 211943424$	$r_2 = 104314826$	$q_3 = 2$	$r_3 = 3313772$
$r_2 = 104314826$	$r_3 = 3313772$	$q_4 = 31$	$r_4 = 1587894$
$r_3 = 3313772$	$r_4 = 1587894$	$q_5 = 2$	$r_5 = 137984$
$r_4 = 1587894$	$r_5 = 137984$	$q_6 = 11$	$r_6 = 70070$
$r_5 = 137984$	$r_6 = 70070$	$q_7 = 1$	$r_7 = 67914$
$r_6 = 70070$	$r_7 = 67914$	$q_8 = 1$	$r_8 = 2156$
$r_7 = 67914$	$r_8 = 2156$	$q_9 = 31$	$r_9 = 1078$
$r_8 = 2156$	$r_9 = 1078$	$q_{10} = 2$	$r_{10} = 0$

- Use Euclidean algorithm to find the gcd of two integers
- Ex.  $\text{GCD}(1160718174, 316258250) = 1078$



# Modular Arithmetic

- The modulus
  - If  $a$  is an integer and  $n$  is a positive integer, we define  $a \bmod n$  to be the remainder when  $a$  is divided by  $n$ ; the integer  $n$  is called the modulus
  - thus, for any integer  $a$ :

$$a = qn + r \quad 0 \leq r < n; \quad q = [a/n]$$

$$a = [a/n] * n + (a \bmod n)$$

Ex.

$$11 \bmod 7 = 4;$$

$$-11 \bmod 7 = 3$$



# Modular Arithmetic cont'd

- Congruent modulo  $n$ 
  - Two integers  $a$  and  $b$  are said to be congruent modulo  $n$  if  $(a \bmod n) = (b \bmod n)$
  - This is written as  $a \equiv b(\bmod n)$
  - Note that if  $a = 0(\bmod n)$ , then  $n \mid a$

Ex.

$$\begin{aligned} 73 &\equiv 4 \pmod{23}; \\ 21 &\equiv -9 \pmod{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 73 \bmod 23 &= 4 \bmod 23 = 4; \\ 21 \bmod 10 &= -9 \bmod 10 = 1 \end{aligned}$$



# Properties of Congruences

- Congruences have the following properties:
  1.  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  if  $n \mid (a - b)$
  2.  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  implies  $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$
  3.  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  and  $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$  imply  $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$
- To demonstrate the first point, if  $n \mid (a - b)$ , then  $(a - b) = kn$  for some  $k$ 
  - So we can write  $a = b + kn$
  - Therefore,  $(a \bmod n) = (\text{remainder when } b + kn \text{ is divided by } n) = (\text{remainder when } b \text{ is divided by } n) = (b \bmod n)$

Ex.

$23 \equiv 8 \pmod{5}$  because  $23 - 8 = 15 = 5 * 3$

$-11 \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  because  $-11 - 5 = -16 = 8 * (-2)$

$81 \equiv 0 \pmod{27}$  because  $81 - 0 = 81 = 27 * 3$



# Modular Arithmetic

- Modular arithmetic exhibits the following properties:
  1.  $[(a \bmod n) + (b \bmod n)] \bmod n = (a + b) \bmod n$
  2.  $[(a \bmod n) - (b \bmod n)] \bmod n = (a - b) \bmod n$
  3.  $[(a \bmod n) * (b \bmod n)] \bmod n = (a * b) \bmod n$
- We demonstrate the first property:
  - Define  $(a \bmod n) = r_a$  and  $(b \bmod n) = r_b$ . Then we can write  $a = r_a + jn$  for some integer  $j$  and  $b = r_b + kn$  for some integer  $k$ . *Then*
  - $(a + b) \bmod n = (r_a + jn + r_b + kn) \bmod n = (r_a + r_b + (k + j)n) \bmod n = (r_a + r_b) \bmod n = [(a \bmod n) + (b \bmod n)] \bmod n$



# Cont'd

- Examples of the three properties:

$$11 \bmod 8 = 3; 15 \bmod 8 = 7$$

$$[(11 \bmod 8) + (15 \bmod 8)] \bmod 8 = 10 \bmod 8 = 2$$

$$(11 + 15) \bmod 8 = 26 \bmod 8 = 2$$

$$[(11 \bmod 8) - (15 \bmod 8)] \bmod 8 = -4 \bmod 8 = 4$$

$$(11 - 15) \bmod 8 = -4 \bmod 8 = 4$$

$$[(11 \bmod 8) * (15 \bmod 8)] \bmod 8 = 21 \bmod 8 = 5$$

$$(11 * 15) \bmod 8 = 165 \bmod 8 = 5$$

Practice:  $11^7 \bmod 13$



# Arithmetic Modulo 8

- To find the **additive inverse**

– Ex.  $(x + y) \bmod 8 = 0$

+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	0
2	2	3	4	5	6	7	0	1
3	3	4	5	6	7	0	1	2
4	4	5	6	7	0	1	2	3
5	5	6	7	0	1	2	3	4
6	6	7	0	1	2	3	4	5
7	7	0	1	2	3	4	5	6

(a) Addition modulo 8



# Multiplication Modulo 8

- To find the **multiplicative inverse**
  - Ex.  $(x * y) \bmod 8 = 1 \bmod 8$

×	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	0	2	4	6	0	2	4	6
3	0	3	6	1	4	7	2	5
4	0	4	0	4	0	4	0	4
5	0	5	2	7	4	1	6	3
6	0	6	4	2	0	6	4	2
7	0	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

(b) Multiplication modulo 8

# Additive and Multiplicative Inverses Modulo 8

- Not all integers mod 8 have a multiplicative inverse

$w$	$-w$	$w^{-1}$
0	0	—
1	7	1
2	6	—
3	5	3
4	4	—
5	3	5
6	2	—
7	1	7

(c) Additive and multiplicative  
inverses modulo 8

# Properties of Modular Arithmetic

- The set of residues, or residue classes (mod  $n$ )  
 $Z_n$ : the set of nonnegative integers less than  $n$
- $Z_n = \{0, 1, \dots, (n-1)\}$ ,  $Z_n$  is a residual class
- The residue classes (mod  $n$ ) as  $[0], [1], \dots, [n-1]$ , where  $[r] = \{a: a \text{ is an integer, } a \equiv r(\text{mod } n)\}$

The residue classes (mod 4) are

$$\begin{aligned}[0] &= \{\dots, -16, -12, -8, -4, 0, 4, 8, 12, 16, \dots\} \\ [1] &= \{\dots, -15, -11, -7, -3, 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, \dots\} \\ [2] &= \{\dots, -14, -10, -6, -2, 2, 6, 10, 14, 18, \dots\} \\ [3] &= \{\dots, -13, -9, -5, -1, 3, 7, 11, 15, 19, \dots\}\end{aligned}$$

$n=4$ ,

the residual class  $Z_n = Z_4 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$

- Finding the smallest nonnegative integer to which  $k$  is congruent modulo  $n$  is called reducing  $k$  modulo  $n$



# Properties of Modular Arithmetic for Integers in $Z_n$

- If we perform modular arithmetic within  $Z_n$ , the properties shown in this table hold for integers in  $Z_n$

Property	Expression
Commutative Laws	$(w + x) \bmod n = (x + w) \bmod n$ $(w \times x) \bmod n = (x \times w) \bmod n$
Associative Laws	$[(w + x) + y] \bmod n = [w + (x + y)] \bmod n$ $[(w \times x) \times y] \bmod n = [w \times (x \times y)] \bmod n$
Distributive Law	$[w \times (x + y)] \bmod n = [(w \times x) + (w \times y)] \bmod n$
Identities	$(0 + w) \bmod n = w \bmod n$ $(1 \times w) \bmod n = w \bmod n$
Additive Inverse ( $-w$ )	For each $w \in Z_n$ , there exists a $z$ such that $w + z \equiv 0 \bmod n$



# Cont'd

- Additive case:
  - If  $(a+b) \equiv (a+c)(\text{mod } n)$  then  $b \equiv c(\text{mod } n)$ 
    - Ex.  $(5+23) \equiv (5+7)(\text{mod } 8)$ ;  $23 \equiv 7(\text{mod } 8)$
  - Then adding the additive inverse of  $a$ :  
 $((-a)+a+b) \equiv ((-a)+a+c)(\text{mod } n)$  then  $b \equiv c(\text{mod } n)$
- Multiplicative case
  - If  $(a*b) \equiv (a*c)(\text{mod } n)$  then  $b \equiv c(\text{mod } n)$  if  $a$  is relatively prime to  $n$
  - Then applying the multiplicative inverse of  $a$ :  
 $((a^{-1})ab) \equiv ((a^{-1})ac)(\text{mod } n)$  then  $b \equiv c(\text{mod } n)$

Ex.

$$6*3 = 18 \equiv 2(\text{mod } 8)$$

$$6*7 = 42 \equiv 2(\text{mod } 8)$$

Yet  $3 \not\equiv 7(\text{mod } 8)$  because 6 and 8 are not relatively prime



# Extended Euclidean Algorithm Example

- Euclidean algorithm:

For any integers  $a, b$ , with  $a \geq b \geq 0$

$$\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, a \bmod b)$$

$$\gcd(55, 22) = \gcd(22, 55 \bmod 22) = \gcd(22, 11) = 11$$

- This can be used to determine the gcd:

$$\gcd(18, 12) = \gcd(12, 6) = \gcd(6, 0) = 6$$

$$\gcd(11, 10) = \gcd(10, 1) = \gcd(1, 0) = 1$$

- The extended Euclidean algorithm:

$$ax + by = d = \gcd(a, b)$$

# Extended cont'd

- Ex.  $a = 42, b = 30$   
 $\gcd(42, 30) = 6$  then  $42x + 30y = 6(7x + 5y)$
- The smallest positive *value* of  $ax + by = \gcd(a, b)$

Extended Euclidean Algorithm			
Calculate	Which satisfies	Calculate	Which satisfies
$r_{-1} = a$		$x_{-1} = 1; y_{-1} = 0$	$a = ax_{-1} + by_{-1}$
$r_0 = b$		$x_0 = 0; y_0 = 1$	$b = ax_0 + by_0$
$r_1 = a \bmod b$ $q_1 = \lfloor a/b \rfloor$	$a = q_1b + r_1$	$x_1 = x_{-1} - q_1x_0 = 1$ $y_1 = y_{-1} - q_1y_0 = -q_1$	$r_1 = ax_1 + by_1$
$r_2 = b \bmod r_1$ $q_2 = \lfloor b/r_1 \rfloor$	$b = q_2r_1 + r_2$	$x_2 = x_0 - q_2x_1$ $y_2 = y_0 - q_2y_1$	$r_2 = ax_2 + by_2$
$r_3 = r_1 \bmod r_2$ $q_3 = \lfloor r_1/r_2 \rfloor$	$r_1 = q_3r_2 + r_3$	$x_3 = x_1 - q_3x_2$ $y_3 = y_1 - q_3y_2$	$r_3 = ax_3 + by_3$
•	•	•	•
•	•	•	•
•	•	•	•
$r_n = r_{n-2} \bmod r_{n-1}$ $q_n = \lfloor r_{n-2}/r_{n-1} \rfloor$	$r_{n-2} = q_nr_{n-1} + r_n$	$x_n = x_{n-2} - q_nx_{n-1}$ $y_n = y_{n-2} - q_ny_{n-1}$	$r_n = ax_n + by_n$
$r_{n+1} = r_{n-1} \bmod r_n = 0$ $q_{n+1} = \lfloor r_{n-1}/r_n \rfloor$	$r_{n-1} = q_{n+1}r_n + 0$		$d = \gcd(a, b) = r_n$ $x = x_n; y = y_n$

# Extended cont'd

- Ex.  $a = 1759$ ,  $b = 550$  and solve for  $1759x + 550y = \gcd(1759, 550)$

$i$	$r_i$	$q_i$	$x_i$	$Y_i$
-1	1759		1	0
0	550		0	1
1	109	3	1	-3
2	5	5	-5	16
3	4	21	106	-339
4	1	1	-111	355
5	0	4		

Result:  $d = 1$ ;  $x = -111$ ;  $y = 355$





# Groups

- A **group**  $G$ , denoted by  $\{G, \bullet\}$  is a set of elements with a **binary operation** denoted by  $\bullet$  that associates to each ordered pair  $(a, b)$  of elements in  $G$  an element  $(a \bullet b)$  in  $G$ , such that the following axioms are obeyed:
  - (A1) Closure:
    - If  $a$  and  $b$  belong to  $G$ , then  $a \bullet b$  is also in  $G$
  - (A2) Associative:
    - $a \bullet (b \bullet c) = (a \bullet b) \bullet c$  for all  $a, b, c$  in  $G$
  - (A3) Identity element:
    - There is an element  $e$  in  $G$  such that  $a \bullet e = e \bullet a = a$  for all  $a$  in  $G$
  - (A4) Inverse element:
    - For each  $a$  in  $G$ , there is an element  $a'$  in  $G$  such that  $a \bullet a' = a' \bullet a = e$
  - (A5) Commutative:
    - $a \bullet b = b \bullet a$  for all  $a, b$  in  $G$
    - A group is called **abelian** if it satisfies the condition above
- Finite group: a group has a finite number of elements  $\leftrightarrow$  infinite group
- The **order** of the group = the number of elements in the group



# Cyclic Group

- **Exponentiation** is defined within a group as a repeated application of the group operator, so that  $a^3 = a \bullet a \bullet a$
- We define  $a^0 = e$  as the **identity element**, and  $a^{-n} = (a')^n$ , where  $a'$  is the **inverse element** of  $a$  within the group  

Ex.  $\{2, 2^2, 2^3, \text{etc.}\}$
- A group  $G$  is **cyclic** if every element of  $G$  is a power  $a^k$  ( $k$  is an integer) of a fixed element
- The element  $a$  is said to **generate** the group  $G$  or to be a **generator** of  $G$
- A cyclic group is always abelian and may be finite or infinite



# Rings

- A **ring**  $R$ , sometimes denoted by  $\{R, +, \times\}$ , is a set of elements with two binary operations, called **addition** and **multiplication**, such that for all  $a, b, c$  in  $R$  the following axioms are obeyed:
  - (A1–A5)
    - $R$  is an abelian group with respect to addition; that is,  $R$  satisfies axioms A1 through A5. For the case of an additive group, we denote the **identity element as 0** and the **inverse of  $a$  as  $-a$**
  - (M1) Closure under multiplication:
    - If  $a$  and  $b$  belong to  $R$ , then  $ab$  is also in  $R$
  - (M2) Associativity of multiplication:
    - $a(bc) = (ab)c$  for all  $a, b, c$  in  $R$
  - (M3) Distributive laws:
    - $a(b + c) = ab + ac$  for all  $a, b, c$  in  $R$
    - $(a + b)c = ac + bc$  for all  $a, b, c$  in  $R$
- In essence, a ring is a set in which we can do addition, subtraction [ $a - b = a + (-b)$ ], and multiplication without leaving the set



# Rings cont'd

- A ring is said to be commutative if it satisfies the following additional condition:
  - (M4) Commutativity of multiplication:
    - $ab = ba$  for all  $a, b$  in  $R$
- An integral domain is a commutative ring that obeys the following axioms.
  - (M5) Multiplicative identity:
    - There is an element  $1$  in  $R$  such that  $a1 = 1a = a$  for all  $a$  in  $R$
  - (M6) No zero divisors:
    - If  $a, b$  in  $R$  and  $ab = 0$ , then either  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$

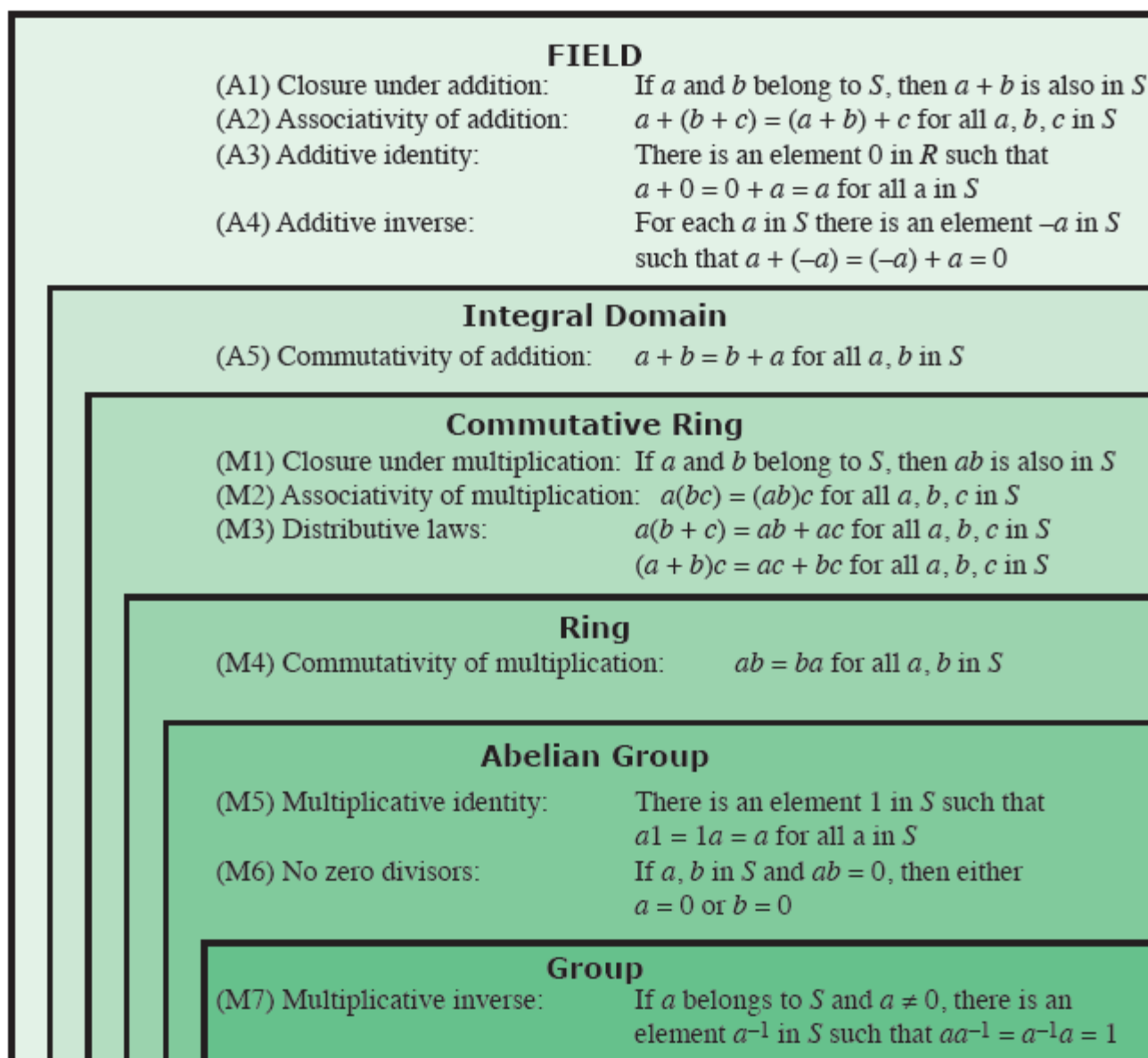


# Fields

- A **field**  $F$ , sometimes denoted by  $\{F, +, \times\}$ , is a set of elements with two binary operations, called addition and multiplication, such that for all  $a, b, c$  in  $F$  the following axioms are obeyed:
  - (A1–M6)
    - $F$  is an integral domain; that is,  $F$  satisfies axioms A1 through A5 and M1 through M6
  - (M7) Multiplicative inverse:
    - For each  $a$  in  $F$ , except 0, there is an element  $a^{-1}$  in  $F$  such that  $aa^{-1} = (a^{-1})a = 1$
- A field is a set in which we can do addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division without leaving the set.  
Division is defined with the following rule:  $a/b = a(b^{-1})$

Familiar examples of fields are the rational numbers, the real numbers, and the complex numbers. Note that the set of all integers is not a field, because not every element of the set has a multiplicative inverse.

# Group, Ring, and Field (6e)



# Group, Ring, and Field (5e)

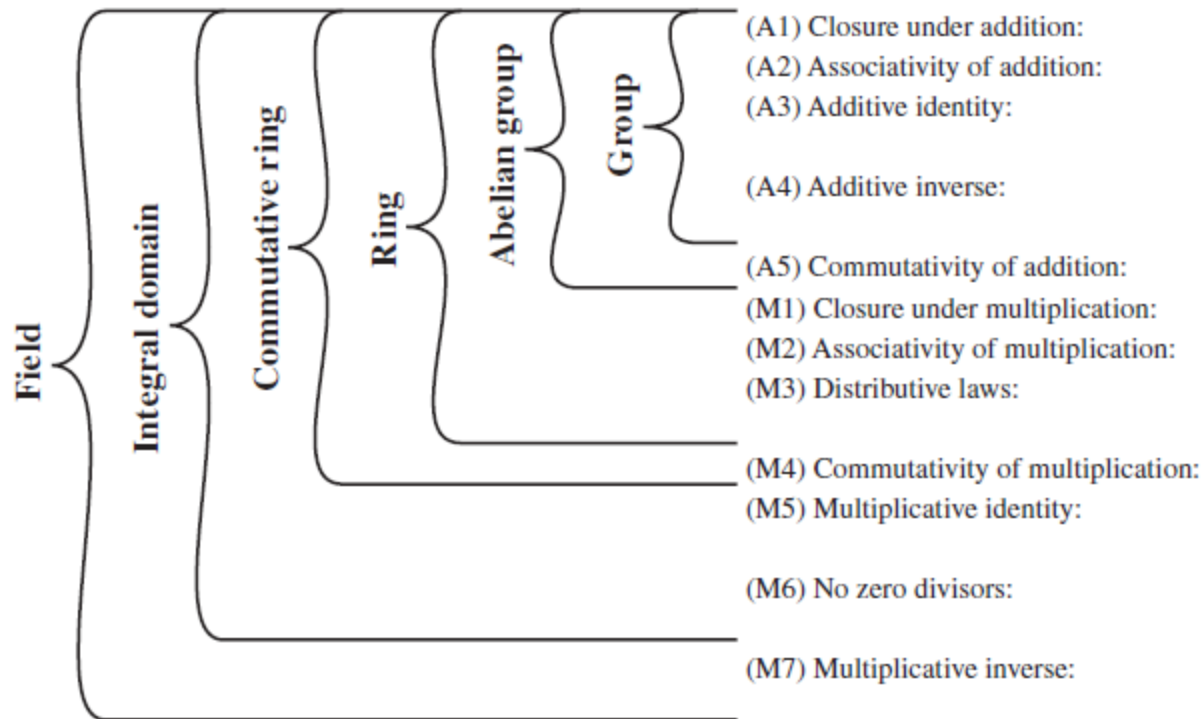


Figure 4.2 Groups, Ring, and Field

If  $a$  and  $b$  belong to  $S$ , then  $a + b$  is also in  $S$   
 $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$  for all  $a, b, c$  in  $S$   
 There is an element  $0$  in  $R$  such that  
 $a + 0 = 0 + a = a$  for all  $a$  in  $S$   
 For each  $a$  in  $S$  there is an element  $-a$  in  $S$   
 such that  $a + (-a) = (-a) + a = 0$   
 $a + b = b + a$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$

If  $a$  and  $b$  belong to  $S$ , then  $ab$  is also in  $S$   
 $a(bc) = (ab)c$  for all  $a, b, c$  in  $S$   
 $a(b + c) = ab + ac$  for all  $a, b, c$  in  $S$   
 $(a + b)c = ac + bc$  for all  $a, b, c$  in  $S$   
 $ab = ba$  for all  $a, b$  in  $S$

There is an element  $1$  in  $S$  such that  
 $a1 = 1a = a$  for all  $a$  in  $S$   
 If  $a, b$  in  $S$  and  $ab = 0$ , then either  
 $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$

If  $a$  belongs to  $S$  and  $a \neq 0$ , there is an  
 element  $a^{-1}$  in  $S$  such that  $aa^{-1} = a^{-1}a = 1$



# Finite Fields of the Form $GF(p)$

- Finite fields play a crucial role in many cryptographic algorithms
- $GF(p^n)$ : the finite field of order  $p^n$ , *GF: Galois field*
  - The **order** of a finite field (the number of elements in the field) must be a **power** of a prime  $p^n$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer
  - GF stands for **Galois field**, in honor of the mathematician who first studied finite fields
  - $GF(p)$ : the finite field of order  $p$  (for a **prime**  $p$ ). The set  $Z_p$  of integers  $\{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$





# Cont'd

- $P$  is prime
- $GF(p^n)$ :
  - The order of this finite field:  $p^n$
- $GF(p)$ :
  - Special case when  $n=1$
  - The order of this finite field:  $p$
- $GF(2^n)$ 
  - Special case of non-prime base



# Recall: Properties of Modular Arithmetic

- The residue classes (mod  $p$ )  $Z_p = \{0, 1, \dots, (p-1)\}$
- The residue classes (mod  $p$ ) as  $[0], [1], \dots, [p-1]$ , where  $[r] = \{a: a \text{ is an integer, } a \equiv r(\text{mod } p)\}$

The residue classes (mod 4) are

$$[0] = \{\dots, -16, -12, -8, -4, 0, 4, 8, 12, 16, \dots\}$$

$$[1] = \{\dots, -15, -11, -7, -3, 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, \dots\}$$

$$[2] = \{\dots, -14, -10, -6, -2, 2, 6, 10, 14, 18, \dots\}$$

$$[3] = \{\dots, -13, -9, -5, -1, 3, 7, 11, 15, 19, \dots\}$$

- $Z_p$  is a commutative ring

Property	Expression
Commutative Laws	$(w + x) \bmod n = (x + w) \bmod n$
	$(w \times x) \bmod n = (x \times w) \bmod n$
Associative Laws	$[(w + x) + y] \bmod n = [w + (x + y)] \bmod n$
	$[(w \times x) \times y] \bmod n = [w \times (x \times y)] \bmod n$
Distributive Law	$[w \times (x + y)] \bmod n = [(w \times x) + (w \times y)] \bmod n$
Identities	$(0 + w) \bmod n = w \bmod n$
	$(1 \times w) \bmod n = w \bmod n$
Additive Inverse ( $-w$ )	For each $w \in Z_n$ , there exists a $z$ such that $w + z \equiv 0 \bmod n$



# Properties for $Z_p$

- Any integer in  $Z_p$  has a **multiplicative inverse** if and only if that integer is relatively prime to  $p$ .
- If  $p$  is **prime**, then all of the nonzero integers in  $Z_p$  are **relatively prime** to  $p$ , and therefore there exists a **multiplicative inverse** for all of the nonzero integers in  $Z_p$ .
- Thus, for  $Z_p$  we can add the following properties:

Multiplicative inverse ( $w^{-1}$ )	For each $w \in Z_p$ , $w \neq 0$ , there exists a $z \in Z_p$ such that $w \times z \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$
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# Cont'd

Multiplicative inverse ( $w^{-1}$ )	For each $w \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , $w \neq 0$ , there exists a $z \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ such that $w \times z \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$
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- Because  $w$  is relatively prime to  $p$ , if we multiply all the elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  by  $w$ , the resulting residues are all of the elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  permuted.
- Thus, exactly one of the residues has the value 1.
- Therefore, there is some integer in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  that, when multiplied by  $w$ , yields the residue 1.
- The integer is the multiplicative inverse of  $w$ , designated  $w^{-1}$ .
- Therefore,  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is in fact a finite field.



# Arithmetic in $GF(7)$

- Example:  $p=7=\text{prime}$ ,  $GF(p)=GF(7)$
- Can we find?
  - Additive Inverse
  - Multiplication Inverse
    - According to previous properties,

Multiplicative inverse ( $w^{-1}$ )	For each $w \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , $w \neq 0$ , there exists a $z \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ such that $w \times z \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$
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We can find  $w^{-1}$

# Cont'd

+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	0
2	2	3	4	5	6	0	1
3	3	4	5	6	0	1	2
4	4	5	6	0	1	2	3
5	5	6	0	1	2	3	4
6	6	0	1	2	3	4	5

(a) Addition modulo 7

×	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
2	0	2	4	6	1	3	5
3	0	3	6	2	5	1	4
4	0	4	1	5	2	6	3
5	0	5	3	1	6	4	2
6	0	6	5	4	3	2	1

(b) Multiplication modulo 7

	$w$	$-w$	$w^{-1}$
0	0	0	—
1	1	6	1
2	2	5	4
3	3	4	5
4	4	3	2
5	5	2	3
6	6	1	6

(c) Additive and multiplicative inverses modulo 7



# Example of GF(2)

The simplest finite field is GF(2). Its arithmetic operations are easily summarized:

+	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	0

Addition

$\times$	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1

Multiplication

$w$	$-w$	$w^{-1}$
0	0	—
1	1	1

Inverses

In this case, addition is equivalent to the exclusive-OR (XOR) operation, and multiplication is equivalent to the logical AND operation.



# Finding the Multiplicative Inverse in $GF(p)$

- It is easy to find the multiplicative inverse of an element in  $GF(p)$  for small values of  $p$ . For large value of  $p$ , this approach is not practical.
- If  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime, then  $b$  has a multiplicative inverse modulo  $a$ .
  - That is, if  $\gcd(a, b)=1$ , then  $b$  has a multiplicative inverse modulo  $a$ .
  - That is, for positive integer  $b < a$ , there exists a  $b^{-1} < a$  such that  $bb^{-1} = 1 \mod a$ . If  $a$  is a prime number and  $b < a$ , then clearly  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime and have a gcd divisor of 1.
  - Ex.  $\gcd(7, 3)=1$ , we can find a  $b^{-1} < a$  such that  $bb^{-1} = 1 \mod a$ .  
*We can find  $b^{-1} = 5$  satisfies  $(3)(5) = 1 \mod 7$*
- Now we can easily compute  $b^{-1}$  using the extended Euclidean algorithm.





# Finding cont'd

- Extended Euclidean algorithm

$$ax + by = d = \gcd(a, b)$$

If  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$  then we have  $ax + by = 1$

$$[(ax \bmod a) + (by \bmod a)] \bmod a = 1 \bmod a$$

$$0 + (by \bmod a) = 1$$

But if  $by \bmod a = 1$ , then  $y = b^{-1}$

Thus, applying the extended Euclidean algorithm we can yield the value of the multiplicative inverse of  $b$  if  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ .

- Extended Euclidean can:
  1. Find  $\gcd(a, b)$
  2. Find multiplicative inverse of  $b$  if  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$



# Example

- $a=1759$  (prime number),  $b=550$ 
  - $ax+by = d = \gcd(a, b)$
  - $1759x + 550y = d = \gcd(1759, 550)$
  - Results:  $d = 1$ ;  $x = -111$ ;  $y=355$ .  
Thus,  $b^{-1} = 355$ .  
verify, we calculate  $550*355 \bmod 1759 = 195250 \bmod 1759 = 1$ . (by  $\bmod a = 1$ )

The extended Euclidean algorithm can be used to find a **multiplicative inverse** in  $Z_n$  for any  $n$ . If we apply the extended Euclidean algorithm to the equation  $nx + by = d$ , and the algorithm yields  $d = 1$ , then  $y=b^{-1}$  in  $Z_n$ .



# Short Summary

- In this section, we have shown how to construct a finite field of order  $p$ , where  $p$  is prime.
- $\text{GF}(p)$  is defined with the following properties:
  - $\text{GF}(p)$  consists of  $p$  elements
  - The binary operations  $+$  and  $\times$  are defined over the set. The operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division can be performed without leaving the set. Each element of the set other than 0 has a multiplicative inverse
  - We have shown that the elements of  $\text{GF}(p)$  are the integers  $\{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  and that the arithmetic operations are addition and multiplication mod  $p$



# Polynomial Arithmetic

- We can distinguish three classes of polynomial arithmetic:
  - 1. Ordinary polynomial arithmetic, using the basic rules of algebra
  - 2. Polynomial arithmetic in which the arithmetic on the coefficients is performed modulo  $p$ ; that is, the coefficients are in  $\text{GF}(p)$
  - 3. Polynomial arithmetic in which the coefficients are in  $\text{GF}(p)$ , and the polynomials are defined modulo a polynomial  $m(x)$  whose highest power is some integer  $n$



# 1. Ordinary Polynomial

- A polynomial of degree  $n$  (integer  $n \geq 0$ ) is an expression of the form

$$f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0 = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$$

- where that  $a_i$  are elements of some designated set of number  $S$ , called the **coefficient set**, and  $a_n \neq 0$ .
  - We say that such polynomials are defined over the coefficient set  $S$
- Polynomial arithmetic includes the operations of *addition*, *subtraction*, and *multiplication*
- Division is similarly defined, but requires that  $S$  be a **field**.
  - Ex. real numbers, rational numbers, and  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  for  $p$  prime.



# Ordinary cont'd

- In the form:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i; \quad g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^m b_i x^i; \quad n \geq m$$

- Addition

$$f(x) + g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^m (a_i + b_i) x^i + \sum_{i=m+1}^n a_i x^i$$

- Multiplication

$$f(x) \times g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n+m} c_i x^i$$

$$c_k = a_0 b_k + a_1 b_{k-1} + \cdots + a_{k-1} b_1 + a_k b_0$$

# Ordinary Polynomial Arithmetic Example

- Example:

let  $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 2$  and  $g(x) = x^2 - x + 1$ ,  
where  $S$  is the set of integers

$$f(x) + g(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 + x^2 \quad + 2 \\ + (x^2 - x + 1) \\ \hline x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 3 \end{array}$$

(a) Addition

$$f(x) - g(x) = x^3 + x + 1$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 + x^2 \quad + 2 \\ - (x^2 - x + 1) \\ \hline x^3 \quad + x + 1 \end{array}$$

(b) Subtraction

$$f(x) * g(x) = x^5 + 3x^2 - 2x + 2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 + x^2 \quad + 2 \\ \times (x^2 - x + 1) \\ \hline x^3 + x^2 \quad + 2 \\ - x^4 - x^3 \quad - 2x \\ \hline x^5 + x^4 \quad + 2x^2 \\ \hline x^5 \quad + 3x^2 - 2x + 2 \end{array}$$

(c) Multiplication

$$\begin{array}{r} x + 2 \\ x^2 - x + 1 \overline{) x^3 + x^2 + 2} \\ \underline{x^3 - x^2 + x} \phantom{+ 2} \\ 2x^2 - x + 2 \\ \underline{2x^2 - 2x + 2} \\ x \end{array}$$

(d) Division



## 2. Polynomial Arithmetic With Coefficients in $\mathbb{Z}_p$

- Now consider polynomials in which the coefficients are elements of some field  $F$ ;
  - refer to this as a polynomial over the field  $F$ .
- It is easy to show that the set of such polynomials is a ring, referred to as a polynomial ring.
  - That is, if we consider each distinct polynomial to be an element of the set, then that set is a ring.

Ex.  $f(x)=ax^2+bx+c$ ,  $g(x)=dx+e$

Field  $F = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$

Ring  $R = \{f(x), g(x)\}$





# Polynomial ring cont'd

- When polynomial arithmetic is performed on polynomials over a **field**, then division is possible
  - Note: this does not mean that *exact division* is possible
  - i.e. within a field, given two elements  $a$  and  $b$ , the quotient  $a/b$  is also an element of the field
- However, given a **ring**  $R$  that is not a field, division will result in both a quotient and a remainder; this is not exact division



# Example

- The division  $5/3$  within a set  $S$ 
  - If  $S$  is the set of **rational numbers**(**field**)
    - the result is simply expressed as  $5/3$  and is an element of  $S$
  - If  $S$  is the **field**  $Z_7$ (**field**)
    - $5/3 = (5 \cdot 3^{-1}) \bmod 7 = (5 \cdot 5) \bmod 7 = 4$  (table 4.5c)
    - Polynomial example:  $(5x^2)/(3x) = 4x$ , valid polynomial coefficient in  $Z_7$
  - If  $S$  is the set of **integers** (a **ring** but not a field)
    - $5/3$  produces a quotient of 1 and a remainder of 2  
 $5/3 = 1 + 2/3$   
Polynomial example: coefficient  $5/3$  is not in the set
    - **division is not exact** over the set of integers

If we attempt to perform polynomial division over a coefficient set that is **not a field**, we find that division is not always defined  $\rightarrow$  not meaningful

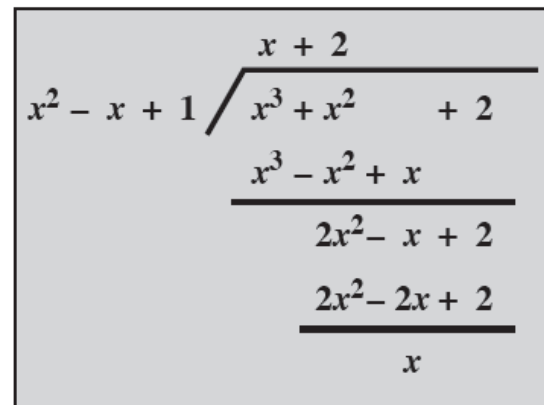


# Polynomial Division

- But –  
Even if the coefficient set **is a field**, polynomial division is not necessarily exact (but polynomial division is possible if the coefficient set is a field)
- Given polynomials  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ , if we divide  $f(x)$  by  $g(x)$ , we get a quotient  $q(x)$  and a remainder  $r(x)$ 
  - $f(x)/g(x) = q(x) + r(x)/g(x)$  or  $f(x) = q(x)g(x) + r(x)$
  - *The polynomial degrees are*
    - Degree  $f(x) = n$
    - Degree  $g(x) = m$
    - Degree  $q(x) = n-m$
    - Degree  $r(x) \leq m-1$
  - The remainders are allowed, therefore, polynomial division is possible if the coefficient set is a field

# Polynomial Division cont'd

- Polynomial in the form:  $f(x) = q(x) g(x) + r(x)$ 
  - Remainder can be represented as:  
 $r(x) = f(x) \bmod g(x)$
  - If there is **no remainder** we can say  $g(x)$  **divides**  $f(x)$ 
    - Written as  $g(x) \mid f(x)$
    - i.e.  $g(x)$  is a **factor** of  $f(x)$  or  $g(x)$  is a **divisor** of  $f(x)$


$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - x + 1 \overline{) x^3 + x^2 + 2} \\ \underline{x^3 - x^2 + x} \phantom{+ 2} \\ 2x^2 - x + 2 \\ \underline{2x^2 - 2x + 2} \\ x \end{array}$$

(d) Division

# Polynomials over GF(2)

- Polynomial arithmetic over GF(2)

- Example:

$$f(x) = x^7 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1, \quad g(x) = x^3 + x + 1$$

- Recall: Addition is equivalent to XOR and Multiplication is equal to AND

+	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	0

Addition

×	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1

Multiplication

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^7 \quad + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 \quad + x + 1 \\
 + (x^3 \quad + x + 1) \\
 \hline
 x^7 \quad + x^5 + x^4
 \end{array}$$

(a) Addition

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^7 \quad + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 \quad + x + 1 \\
 - (x^3 \quad + x + 1) \\
 \hline
 x^7 \quad + x^5 + x^4
 \end{array}$$

(b) Subtraction

# Cont'd

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & x^7 & & + x^5 & + x^4 & + x^3 & \\
 & & & & & & + x + 1 \\
 & & & \times (x^3 & + x + 1) & & \\
 \hline
 & x^7 & & + x^5 & + x^4 & + x^3 & + x + 1 \\
 & x^8 & & + x^6 & + x^5 & + x^4 & + x^2 + x \\
 x^{10} & + x^8 & + x^7 & + x^6 & & + x^4 & + x^3 \\
 \hline
 x^{10} & & & & + x^4 & + x^2 & + 1
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

(c) Multiplication

- Recall: There is **no remainder**, so  $g(x)$  **divides**  $f(x)$ 
  - Written as  $g(x) \mid f(x)$
  - i.e.  $g(x)$  is a **factor** of  $f(x)$  or  $g(x)$  is a **divisor** of  $f(x)$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & x^4 + 1 & & & \\
 & & & \hline
 x^3 + x + 1 & \big/ & x^7 & + x^5 & + x^4 & + x^3 & + x + 1 \\
 & & \underline{x^7} & + x^5 & + x^4 & & \\
 & & & & & x^3 & + x + 1 \\
 & & & & & \underline{x^3} & + x + 1
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

(d) Division



# Polynomial Division

- A polynomial  $f(x)$  over a field  $F$  is called **irreducible polynomial** (also called a **prime polynomial**)
  - if and only if  $f(x)$  cannot be expressed as a product of two polynomials, both over  $F$ , and both of degree lower than that of  $f(x)$
  - Ex.  $f(x) = x^4+1$  over  $GF(2)$  is reducible, because
$$x^4+1 = (x+1)(x^3+x^2+x+1)$$



# Finding Polynomial GCD

- The polynomial  $c(x)$  is said to be the **greatest common divisor** of  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  if the following are true:
  - $c(x)$  divides both  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$
  - Any divisor of  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  is a divisor of  $c(x)$
- An equivalent definition is:
  - $\gcd[a(x), b(x)]$  is the polynomial of maximum degree that divides both  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$



# Cont'd

- The Euclidean algorithm can be extended to find the greatest common divisor of two polynomials whose coefficients are elements of a field

$$\gcd[a(x), b(x)] = \gcd[b(x), a(x) \bmod b(x)]$$

Assume the degree of  $a(x)$  is greater than the degree of  $b(x)$

Euclidean Algorithm for Polynomials	
Calculate	Which satisfies
$r_1(x) = a(x) \bmod b(x)$	$a(x) = q_1(x)b(x) + r_1(x)$
$r_2(x) = b(x) \bmod r_1(x)$	$b(x) = q_2(x)r_1(x) + r_2(x)$
$r_3(x) = r_1(x) \bmod r_2(x)$	$r_1(x) = q_3(x)r_2(x) + r_3(x)$
•	•
•	•
•	•
$r_n(x) = r_{n-2}(x) \bmod r_{n-1}(x)$	$r_{n-2}(x) = q_n(x)r_{n-1}(x) + r_n(x)$
$r_{n+1}(x) = r_{n-1}(x) \bmod r_n(x) = 0$	$r_{n-1}(x) = q_{n+1}(x)r_n(x) + 0$ $d(x) = \gcd(a(x), b(x)) = r_n(x)$

At each iteration, we have  $d(x) = \gcd(r_{i+1}(x), r_i(x))$  until finally  $d(x) = \gcd(r_n(x), 0) = r_n(x)$

Find  $\gcd[a(x), b(x)]$  for  $a(x) = x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$  and  $b(x) = x^4 + x^2 + x + 1$ . First, we divide  $a(x)$  by  $b(x)$ :

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + x \\
 \hline
 x^4 + x^2 + x + 1 \overline{) x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} \\
 \underline{x^6 \phantom{+ x^5} + x^4 + x^3 + x^2} \phantom{+ x + 1} \\
 x^5 \phantom{+ x^4} + x + 1 \\
 \underline{x^5 \phantom{+ x^4} + x^3 + x^2 + x} \phantom{+ 1} \\
 x^3 + x^2 \phantom{+ x} + 1
 \end{array}$$

This yields  $r_1(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 1$  and  $q_1(x) = x^2 + x$ .  
Then, we divide  $b(x)$  by  $r_1(x)$ .

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x + 1 \\
 \hline
 x^3 + x^2 + 1 \overline{) x^4 \phantom{+ x^3} + x^2 + x + 1} \\
 \underline{x^4 + x^3 \phantom{+ x^2} + x} \phantom{+ 1} \\
 x^3 + x^2 \phantom{+ x} + 1 \\
 \underline{x^3 + x^2 \phantom{+ x} + 1} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

This yields  $r_2(x) = 0$  and  $q_2(x) = x + 1$ .  
Therefore,  $\gcd[a(x), b(x)] = r_1(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 1$ .



# Finite Fields of the Form $\text{GF}(2^n)$

- The order of a finite field must be of the form  $p^n$ , where  $p$  is a prime and  $n$  is a positive integer
- $\text{GF}(p)$  (in the earlier slides): special case of finite fields with order  $p$ 
  - Using modular arithmetic in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , all of the axioms for a field are satisfied
  - but for polynomials over  $p^n$ , operations modulo  $p^n$  do not produce a field
  - focus on **what structure satisfies the axioms** for a field in a set with  $p^n$  elements

Virtually all encryption algorithm (symmetric and public key) involve arithmetic operations on integer. So we need to work in arithmetic defined over a field for division operation.



# Cont'd

- Suppose we wish to use 3-bit blocks in the encryption algorithm, and use only the operations of addition and multiplication
  - Ex. Table 4.6 and Table 4.2

Integer	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Occurrences in $\mathbb{Z}_8$	4	8	4	12	4	8	4
Occurrences in $\text{GF}(2^3)$	7	7	7	7	7	7	7

Table 4.2

Table 4.6

- Observations:
  - Even we are similarly interested  $2^3 (= 8)$  modulo arithmetic but for  $\text{GF}(2^3)$  that:
  - The Add./Mult. tables are symmetric about the main diagonal
  - All nonzero elements have a multiplicative inverse
  - The scheme satisfies all the requirements for a finite field

**Table 4.2** Arithmetic Modulo 8

+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	0
2	2	3	4	5	6	7	0	1
3	3	4	5	6	7	0	1	2
4	4	5	6	7	0	1	2	3
5	5	6	7	0	1	2	3	4
6	6	7	0	1	2	3	4	5
7	7	0	1	2	3	4	5	6

(a) Addition modulo 8

×	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	0	2	4	6	0	2	4	6
3	0	3	6	1	4	7	2	5
4	0	4	0	4	0	4	0	4
5	0	5	2	7	4	1	6	3
6	0	6	4	2	0	6	4	2
7	0	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

(b) Multiplication modulo 8

$w$	$-w$	$w^{-1}$
0	0	—
1	7	1
2	6	—
3	5	3
4	4	—
5	3	5
6	2	—
7	1	7

(c) Additive and multiplicative inverse modulo 8

**Table 4.6** Arithmetic in  $GF(2^3)$

		000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
	+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
000	0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
001	1	1	0	3	2	5	4	7	6
010	2	2	3	0	1	6	7	4	5
011	3	3	2	1	0	7	6	5	4
100	4	4	5	6	7	0	1	2	3
101	5	5	4	7	6	1	0	3	2
110	6	6	7	4	5	2	3	0	1
111	7	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

(a) Addition

		000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
	$\times$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
001	1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
010	2	0	2	4	6	3	1	7	5
011	3	0	3	6	5	7	4	1	2
100	4	0	4	3	7	6	2	5	1
101	5	0	5	1	4	2	7	3	6
110	6	0	6	7	1	5	3	2	4
111	7	0	7	5	2	1	6	4	3

(b) Multiplication

	$w$	$-w$	$w^{-1}$
0	0	—	—
1	1	1	1
2	2	2	5
3	3	3	6
4	4	4	7
5	5	5	2
6	6	6	3
7	7	7	4

(c) Additive and multiplicative inverses

# Modular Polynomial Arithmetic

- Consider the set  $S$  of all polynomials of degree  $n-1$  or less over the field  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . Thus, each polynomial has the form

$$f(x) = a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + a_{n-2}x^{n-2} + \dots + a_1x + a_0 = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i x^i$$

where each  $a_i$  takes on a value in the set  $\{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$

- There are a total of  $p^n$  different polynomials in  $S$

For  $p = 3$  and  $n = 2$ , the  $3^2 = 9$  polynomials in the set are

0	$x$	$2x$
1	$x + 1$	$2x + 1$
2	$x + 2$	$2x + 2$

For  $p = 2$  and  $n = 3$ , the  $2^3 = 8$  polynomials in the set are

0	$x + 1$	$x^2 + x$
1	$x^2$	$x^2 + x + 1$
$x$	$x^2 + 1$	

Coefficient  $a_i$ :  $\{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$   
Degree:  $\{n-1, \dots, 0\}$



# Make $S$ a Finite Field

- With the appropriate definition of arithmetic operations, each such set  $S$  is a finite field:
  - 1. Arithmetic follows the ordinary rules of polynomial arithmetic using the basic rules of algebra, with the following two refinements.
  - 2. Arithmetic on the coefficients is performed modulo  $p$ . That is, we use the rules of arithmetic for the finite field  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ .
  - 3. If multiplication results in a polynomial of degree greater than  $n - 1$ , then the polynomial is reduced modulo some irreducible polynomial  $m(x)$  of degree  $n$ . That is, we divide by  $m(x)$  and keep the remainder. For a polynomial  $f(x)$ , the remainder is expressed as  $r(x) = f(x) \bmod m(x)$ .





# Cont'd

- Example: Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) uses arithmetic in the finite field  $GF(2^8)$ , with the irreducible polynomial  $m(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$ . Consider the two polynomials  $f(x) = x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + x + 1$  and  $g(x) = x^7 + x + 1$ , the result of  $f(x) * g(x) \bmod m(x)$  is:



$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) \times g(x) &= x^{13} + x^{11} + x^9 + x^8 + x^7 \\
 &\quad + x^7 + x^5 + x^3 + x^2 + x \\
 &\quad + x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + x + 1 \\
 &= x^{13} + x^{11} + x^9 + x^8 + x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^5 + x^3 \\
 x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1 \overline{) x^{13} + x^{11} + x^9 + x^8 + x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + 1} \\
 \underline{x^{13} \phantom{+ x^{11} + x^9 + x^8} + x^6 + x^5} \\
 x^{11} \phantom{+ x^9 + x^8} + x^4 + x^3 \\
 \underline{x^{11} \phantom{+ x^9 + x^8} + x^7 + x^6} \\
 x^7 + x^6 \phantom{+ x^4 + x^3} + 1
 \end{array}$$

$$f(x) \times g(x) \bmod m(x) = x^7 + x^6 + 1$$

The set of residues modulo  $m(x)$ , an  $n$ th-degree polynomial, consists of  $p^n$  elements. Each of these elements is represented by one of the  $p^n$  polynomials of degree  $m < n$ .



# Cont'd

- Other properties of modular polynomial arithmetic:
  - The set of residues modulo  $m(x)$ , an  $n$ th-degree polynomial, consists of  $p^n$  elements.
  - Each of these elements is represented by one of the  $p^n$  polynomials of degree  $m < n$ .
- Congruent

The residue class  $[x + 1], (\text{mod } m(x))$ , consists of all polynomials  $a(x)$  such that  $a(x) \equiv (x + 1) (\text{mod } m(x))$ . Equivalently, the residue class  $[x + 1]$  consists of all polynomials  $a(x)$  that satisfy the equality  $a(x) \text{ mod } m(x) = x + 1$ .

# To Construct the Finite Field $\text{GF}(2^3)$

- To construct the finite field  $\text{GF}(2^3)$ , we need to choose an irreducible polynomial of degree 3. There are only two such polynomials:  $(x^3 + x^2 + 1)$  and  $(x^3 + x + 1)$ .
  - Table 4.7 use the  $2^{\text{nd}}$  to show the addition and multiplication tables for  $\text{GF}(2^3)$ .  
Table 4.7 has the identical structure to those of Table 4.6.

# Cont'd

**Table 4.7** Polynomial Arithmetic Modulo  $(x^3 + x + 1)$

		000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
	+	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$
000	0	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x + 1$
001	1	1	0	$x + 1$	$x$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$
010	$x$	$x$	$x + 1$	0	1	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$
011	$x + 1$	$x + 1$	$x$	1	0	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$
100	$x^2$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$
101	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	1	0	$x + 1$	$x$
110	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x$	$x + 1$	0	1
111	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$	$x + 1$	$x$	1	0

(a) Addition

Ex. consider binary  $100 + 010 = 110$ . This is equivalent to  $x^2 + x$

# Cont'd

		000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
	$\times$	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$
000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
001	1	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$
010	$x$	0	$x$	$x^2$	$x^2 + x$	$x + 1$	1	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + 1$
011	$x + 1$	0	$x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2$	1	$x$
100	$x^2$	0	$x^2$	$x + 1$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x$	$x^2 + 1$	1
101	$x^2 + 1$	0	$x^2 + 1$	1	$x^2$	$x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x + 1$	$x^2 + x$
110	$x^2 + x$	0	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	1	$x^2 + 1$	$x + 1$	$x$	$x^2$
111	$x^2 + x + 1$	0	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + 1$	$x$	1	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$	$x + 1$

(b) Multiplication

Also consider  $100 * 010 = 011$ , which is equivalent to  $x^2 * x = x^3$  and reduces to  $x + 1$ . That is,  $x^3 \bmod (x^3 + x + 1) = x + 1$ , which is equivalent to 011.



# Finding the Multiplicative Inverse

- Just like the Euclidean algorithm can be adapted to find the gcd of two polynomials, the extended Euclidean algorithm can be adapted to find the multiplicative inverse of a polynomial.
- Given polynomials  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  with the degree of  $a(x)$  greater than the degree of  $b(x)$ , we wish to solve the following equation for the values  $v(x)$ ,  $w(x)$ , and  $d(x)$ , where  $d(x)=\gcd[a(x), b(x)]$ :

$$a(x)v(x) + b(x)w(x) = d(x)$$

- If  $d(x)=1$ , then is the multiplicative inverse of  $b(x)$  modulo  $a(x)$ .



# Recall

- Extended Euclidean algorithm

$$ax + by = d = \gcd(a, b)$$

If  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$  then we have  $ax + by = 1$

$$[(ax \bmod a) + (by \bmod a)] \bmod a = 1 \bmod a$$

$$0 + (by \bmod a) = 1$$

But if  $by \bmod a = 1$ , then  $y = b^{-1}$

Thus, applying the extended Euclidean algorithm we can yield the value of the multiplicative inverse of  $b$  if  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ .

- Extended Euclidean can:
  1. Find  $\gcd(a, b)$
  2. Find multiplicative inverse of  $b$  if  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$



# Extended Euclidean Algorithm for Polynomials

Calculate	Which satisfies	Calculate	Which satisfies
$r_{-1}(x) = a(x)$		$v_{-1}(x) = 1; w_{-1}(x) = 0$	$a(x) = a(x)v_{-1}(x) + bw_{-1}(x)$
$r_0(x) = b(x)$		$v_0(x) = 0; w_0(x) = 1$	$b(x) = a(x)v_0(x) + b(x)w_0(x)$
$r_1(x) = a(x) \bmod b(x)$ $q_1(x) = \text{quotient of } a(x)/b(x)$	$a(x) = q_1(x)b(x) + r_1(x)$	$v_1(x) = v_{-1}(x) - q_1(x)v_0(x) = 1$ $w_1(x) = w_{-1}(x) - q_1(x)w_0(x) = -q_1(x)$	$r_1(x) = a(x)v_1(x) + b(x)w_1(x)$
$r_2(x) = b(x) \bmod r_1(x)$ $q_2(x) = \text{quotient of } b(x)/r_1(x)$	$b(x) = q_2(x)r_1(x) + r_2(x)$	$v_2(x) = v_0(x) - q_2(x)v_1(x)$ $w_2(x) = w_0(x) - q_2(x)w_1(x)$	$r_2(x) = a(x)v_2(x) + b(x)w_2(x)$
$r_3(x) = r_1(x) \bmod r_2(x)$ $q_3(x) = \text{quotient of } r_1(x)/r_2(x)$	$r_1(x) = q_3(x)r_2(x) + r_3(x)$	$v_3(x) = v_1(x) - q_3(x)v_2(x)$ $w_3(x) = w_1(x) - q_3(x)w_2(x)$	$r_3(x) = a(x)v_3(x) + b(x)w_3(x)$
• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •
$r_n(x) = r_{n-2}(x) \bmod r_{n-1}(x)$ $q_n(x) = \text{quotient of } r_{n-2}(x)/r_{n-1}(x)$	$r_{n-2}(x) = q_n(x)r_{n-1}(x) + r_n(x)$	$v_n(x) = v_{n-2}(x) - q_n(x)v_{n-1}(x)$ $w_n(x) = w_{n-2}(x) - q_n(x)w_{n-1}(x)$	$r_n(x) = a(x)v_n(x) + b(x)w_n(x)$
$r_{n+1}(x) = r_{n-1}(x) \bmod r_n(x) = 0$ $q_{n+1}(x) = \text{quotient of } r_{n-1}(x)/r_n(x)$	$r_{n-1}(x) = q_{n+1}(x)r_n(x) + 0$		$d(x) = \gcd(a(x), b(x)) = r_n(x)$ $v(x) = v_n(x); w(x) = w_n(x)$

# Example

**Table 4.8** Extended Euclid  $[(x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1), (x^7 + x + 1)]$

Initialization	$a(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1; v_{-1}(x) = 1; w_{-1}(x) = 0$ $b(x) = x^7 + x + 1; v_0(x) = 0; w_0(x) = 1$
Iteration 1	$q_1(x) = x; r_1(x) = x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1$ $v_1(x) = 1; w_1(x) = x$
Iteration 2	$q_2(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 1; r_2(x) = x$ $v_2(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 1; w_2(x) = x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$
Iteration 3	$q_3(x) = x^3 + x^2 + x; r_3(x) = 1$ $v_3(x) = x^6 + x^2 + x + 1; w_3(x) = x^7$
Iteration 4	$q_4(x) = x; r_4(x) = 0$ $v_4(x) = x^7 + x + 1; w_4(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$
Result	$d(x) = r_3(x) = \gcd(a(x), b(x)) = 1$ $w(x) = w_3(x) = (x^7 + x + 1)^{-1} \bmod (x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1) = x^7$

Therefore, the multiplicative is  $x^7$  and

$$(x^7 + x + 1)(x^7) \equiv 1 \pmod{(x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1)}$$



# Addition

- Polynomials in  $GF(2^n)$ 
  - Since coefficients are 0 or 1, they can represent any such polynomial as a bit string
- Addition becomes XOR of these bit strings
- Example

Consider the two polynomials in  $GF(2^8)$  from our earlier example:

$$f(x) = x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + x + 1 \text{ and } g(x) = x^7 + x + 1.$$

$$(x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + x + 1) + (x^7 + x + 1) = x^7 + x^6 + x^4 + x^2 \text{ (polynomial notation)}$$

$$(01010111) \oplus (10000011) = (11010100) \text{ (binary notation)}$$

$$\{57\} \oplus \{83\} = \{D4\} \text{ (hexadecimal notation)}^{10}$$



# Multiplication

- Multiplication is shift and XOR
  - No simple XOR function (has to add intermediate results)
  - Example: 1.Modulo Reduction
    - $\text{GF}(2^8)$  use  $m(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$ , and  $x^8 \bmod m(x) = [m(x) - x^8] = (x^4 + x^3 + x + 1)$
    - In general, in  $\text{GF}(2^n)$  with an  $n$ th-degree polynomial  $p(x)$ , we have  $x^n \bmod p(x) = [p(x) - x^n]$
    - Now, consider a polynomial in  $\text{GF}(2^8)$  that  $f(x) = b_7x^7 + b_6x^6 + b_5x^5 + b_4x^4 + b_3x^3 + b_2x^2 + b_1x + b_0$ . If we multiply by  $x$ , we have

$$x \times f(x) = (b_7x^8 + b_6x^7 + b_5x^6 + b_4x^5 + b_3x^4 + b_2x^3 + b_1x^2 + b_0x) \bmod m(x)$$



# Cont'd

- If  $b_7 = 0$ , then the result is a polynomial of degree less than 8, which is already in reduced form, and no further computation is necessary.
- If  $b_7 = 1$ , then reduction modulo  $m(x)$  is achieved using Equation (4.12):
  - $x * f(x) = (b_6x^7 + b_5x^6 + b_4x^5 + b_3x^4 + b_2x^3 + b_1x^2 + b_0x) + (x^4 + x^3 + x + 1)$

**i.e.  $x^n * f(x) \bmod m(x)$**

Now, consider a polynomial in  $GF(2^8)$ ,

the form  $f(x) = b_7x^7 + b_6x^6 + b_5x^5 + b_4x^4 + b_3x^3 + b_2x^2 + b_1x + b_0$

If we multiply by  $x$

$$x \times f(x) = (b_7x^8 + b_6x^7 + b_5x^6 + b_4x^5 + b_3x^4 + b_2x^3 + b_1x^2 + b_0x) \bmod m(x)$$

If  $b_7 = 0$

$$x \times f(x) = b_6x^7 + b_5x^6 + b_4x^5 + b_3x^4 + b_2x^3 + b_1x^2 + b_0x$$

If  $b_7 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x \times f(x) &= (b_7x^8 + b_6x^7 + b_5x^6 + b_4x^5 + b_3x^4 + b_2x^3 + b_1x^2 + b_0x) \bmod m(x) \\ &= (b_6x^7 + b_5x^6 + b_4x^5 + b_3x^4 + b_2x^3 + b_1x^2 + b_0x) + (x^4 + x^3 + x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Recall:  $GF(2^8)$  use  $m(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$ , and  $x^8 \bmod m(x) = [m(x) - x^8] = (x^4 + x^3 + x + 1)$



# Binary Notation

- 2.conditional bitwise XOR with (000011011)
- Multiplication by  $x$  (i.e., 00000010) can be implemented as a 1-bit left shift followed by a conditional bitwise XOR with (00011011), which represents  $(x^4+x^3+x+1)$
- $$x \times f(x) = \begin{cases} (b_6b_5b_4b_3b_2b_1b_00) & \text{if } b_7 = 0 \\ (b_6b_5b_4b_3b_2b_1b_00) \oplus (00011011) & \text{if } b_7 = 1 \end{cases}$$

Multiplication by a higher power of  $x$  can be achieved by repeated application of the equation above. By adding intermediate results, multiplication by any constant in  $GF(2^8)$  can be achieved



# Example

In an earlier example, we showed that for  $f(x) = x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + x + 1$ ,  $g(x) = x^7 + x + 1$ , and  $m(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$ , we have  $f(x) \times g(x) \bmod m(x) = x^7 + x^6 + 1$ . Redoing this in binary arithmetic, we need to compute  $(01010111) \times (10000011)$ . First, we determine the results of multiplication by powers of  $x$ :

$$(01010111) \times (00000010) = (10101110)$$

$$(01010111) \times (00000100) = (01011100) \oplus (00011011) = (01000111)$$

$$(01010111) \times (00001000) = (10001110)$$

$$(01010111) \times (00010000) = (00011100) \oplus (00011011) = (00000111)$$

$$(01010111) \times (00100000) = (00001110)$$

$$(01010111) \times (01000000) = (00011100)$$

$$(01010111) \times (10000000) = (00111000)$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}(01010111) \times (10000011) &= (01010111) \times [(00000001) \oplus (00000010) \oplus (10000000)] \\ &= (01010111) \oplus (10101110) \oplus (00111000) = (11000001)\end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to  $x^7 + x^6 + 1$ .





# Using a Generator

- A **generator**  $g$  of a finite field  $F$  of **order**  $q$  (contains  $q$  elements) is an element whose first  $q-1$  powers generate all the nonzero elements of  $F$ 
  - The elements of  $F$  consist of  $0, g^0, g^1, \dots, g^{q-2}$
- Consider a field  $F$  defined by a polynomial  $f(x)$ 
  - An element  $b$  contained in  $F$  is called a **root** of the polynomial if  $f(b) = 0$
- Finally, it can be shown that a root  $g$  of an irreducible polynomial is a generator of the finite field defined on that polynomial



# Example

the finite field  $\text{GF}(2^3)$ , defined over the irreducible polynomial  $x^3 + x + 1$

Thus, the generator  $g$  must satisfy  $f(g) = g^3 + g + 1 = 0$ .  
 $g^3 = -g - 1 = g + 1$

We now show that  $g$  in fact generates  
all of the polynomials of degree less than 3

$$g^4 = g(g^3) = g(g + 1) = g^2 + g$$

$$g^5 = g(g^4) = g(g^2 + g) = g^3 + g^2 = g^2 + g + 1$$

$$g^6 = g(g^5) = g(g^2 + g + 1) = g^3 + g^2 + g = g^2 + g + g + 1 = g^2 + 1$$

$$g^7 = g(g^6) = g(g^2 + 1) = g^3 + g = g + g + 1 = 1 = g^0$$

We see that the powers of  $g$  generate all the nonzero polynomials in  $\text{GF}(2^3)$

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$$g^k = g^{k \bmod 7} \text{ for any integer } k$$

$$\text{For example, } g^4 + g^6 = g^{(10 \bmod 7)} = g^3 = g + 1$$

The same result is achieved using polynomial arithmetic:

$$g^4 = g^2 + g \text{ and } g^6 = g^2 + 1$$

$$\text{Then, } (g^2 + g) \times (g^2 + 1) = g^4 + g^3 + g^2 + 1$$

$$(g^4 + g^3 + g^2 + 1) \bmod (g^3 + g + 1) \text{ by division:}$$

We get a result of  $g + 1$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 g^3 + g + 1 \overline{) g^4 + g^3 + g^2 + g} \\
 \underline{g^4 + \phantom{g^3} + g^2 + g} \phantom{+ 1} \\
 g^3 \\
 \underline{g^3 + \phantom{g^2} + g + 1} \\
 g + 1
 \end{array}$$

Table 4.9 shows the power representation, as well as the polynomial and binary representations.



**Table 4.10** GF(2<sup>3</sup>) Arithmetic Using Generator for the Polynomial ( $x^3 + x + 1$ )

		000	001	010	100	011	110	111	101
	+	0	1	$G$	$g^2$	$g^3$	$g^4$	$g^5$	$g^6$
000	0	0	1	$G$	$g^2$	$g + 1$	$g^2 + g$	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2 + 1$
001	1	1	0	$g + 1$	$g^2 + 1$	$g$	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2 + g$	$g^2$
010	$g$	$g$	$g + 1$	0	$g^2 + g$	1	$g^2$	$g^2 + 1$	$g^2 + g + 1$
100	$g^2$	$g^2$	$g^2 + 1$	$g^2 + g$	0	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g$	$g + 1$	1
011	$g^3$	$g + 1$	$g$	1	$g^2 + g + 1$	0	$g^2 + 1$	$g^2$	$g^2 + g$
110	$g^4$	$g^2 + g$	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2$	$g$	$g^2 + 1$	0	1	$g + 1$
111	$g^5$	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2 + g$	$g^2 + 1$	$g + 1$	$g^2$	1	0	$g$
101	$g^6$	$g^2 + 1$	$g^2$	$g^2 + g + 1$	1	$g^2 + g$	$g + 1$	$g$	0

**(a) Addition**

		000	001	010	100	011	110	111	101
	×	0	1	$G$	$g^2$	$g^3$	$g^4$	$g^5$	$g^6$
000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
001	1	0	1	$G$	$g^2$	$g + 1$	$g^2 + g$	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2 + 1$
010	$g$	0	$g$	$g^2$	$g + 1$	$g^2 + g$	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2 + 1$	1
100	$g^2$	0	$g^2$	$g + 1$	$g^2 + g$	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2 + 1$	1	$g$
011	$g^3$	0	$g + 1$	$g^2 + g$	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2 + 1$	1	$g$	$g^2$
110	$g^4$	0	$g^2 + g$	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2 + 1$	1	$g$	$g^2$	$g + 1$
111	$g^5$	0	$g^2 + g + 1$	$g^2 + 1$	1	$g$	$g^2$	$g + 1$	$g^2 + g$
101	$g^6$	0	$g^2 + 1$	1	$g$	$g^2$	$g + 1$	$g^2 + g$	$g^2 + g + 1$

**(b) Multiplication**



**Table 4.7** Polynomial Arithmetic Modulo ( $x^3 + x + 1$ )

		000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
	+	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$
000	0	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x + 1$
001	1	1	0	$x + 1$	$x$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$
010	$x$	$x$	$x + 1$	0	1	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$
011	$x + 1$	$x + 1$	$x$	1	0	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$
100	$x^2$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$
101	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	1	0	$x + 1$	$x$
110	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x$	$x + 1$	0	1
111	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$	$x + 1$	$x$	1	0

**(a) Addition**

		000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
	$\times$	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$
000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
001	1	0	1	$x$	$x + 1$	$x^2$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$
010	$x$	0	$x$	$x^2$	$x^2 + x$	$x + 1$	1	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + 1$
011	$x + 1$	0	$x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2$	1	$x$
100	$x^2$	0	$x^2$	$x + 1$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + x$	$x$	$x^2 + 1$	1
101	$x^2 + 1$	0	$x^2 + 1$	1	$x^2$	$x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x + 1$	$x^2 + x$
110	$x^2 + x$	0	$x^2 + x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	1	$x^2 + 1$	$x + 1$	$x$	$x^2$
111	$x^2 + x + 1$	0	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + 1$	$x$	1	$x^2 + 1$	$x^2$	$x + 1$

**(b) Multiplication**

# Generator for GF( $2^3$ ) using $x^3 + x + 1$

Power Representation	Polynomial Representation	Binary Representation	Decimal (Hex) Representation
0	0	000	0
$g^0 (= g^7)$	1	001	1
$g^1$	$g$	010	2
$g^2$	$g^2$	100	4
$g^3$	$g + 1$	011	3
$g^4$	$g^2 + g$	110	6
$g^5$	$g^2 + g + 1$	111	7
$g^6$	$g^2 + 1$	101	5



# Conclusion

- In general, for  $GF(2^n)$  with irreducible polynomial  $f(x)$ , determine  $g^n = f(g) - g^n$ . Then calculate all of the powers of  $g$  from  $g^{n+1}$  through  $g^{2n-2}$ .
- The elements of the field correspond to the powers of  $g$  from  $g^0$  through  $g^{2n-2}$  plus the value 0.
- For multiplication of two elements in the field, use the equality  $g^k = g^{k \bmod (2n-1)}$  for any integer  $k$ .