

## Prime Fields : $\mathbb{Z}_p$

In [2]: p:7

Out[2]: 7

In [3]: n:1

Out[3]: 1

In [4]: gf\_set\_data(p,n)

Out[4]: Structure [GF-DATA]

In [5]: gf\_info()

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characteristic = 7
reduction polynomial = x
primitive element = 3
nr of elements = 7
nr of units = 6
nr of primitive elements = 2
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Out[5]: **false**

In [6]: gf\_add\_table()

Out[6]:

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

In [7]: gf\_mult\_table()

Out[7]:

1	2	3	4	5	6
2	4	6	1	3	5
3	6	2	5	1	4
4	1	5	2	6	3
5	3	1	6	4	2
6	5	4	3	2	1

**If an element  $\alpha$  generates with its powers all the elements of the group  $\mathbb{Z}_p^*$**

then  $\alpha$  is a generator of the cyclic multiplicative group and is called **primitive**.

In  $\mathbb{Z}_7^*$ , 3 and 5 are the **primitive** elements.

In [27]: for i:1 thru p-1 do print(i,gf\_order(i))

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1 1
2 3
3 6
4 3
5 6
6 2
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Out[27]: **done**

## Fermat's little theorem

$$p \mid (a^p - a)$$

or, said in another way

$$a^p - a \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$$

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In [29]: for a:1 thru p-1 do print(a,mod(a^p-a,p))
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1 0
2 0
3 0
4 0
5 0
6 0
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Out[29]: done
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if  $a \neq 0$  then we can multiply by  $a^{-1}$

$$a^{p-1} - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{p} \quad \text{or} \quad a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

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In [30]: for a:1 thru p-1 do print(a,mod(a^(p-1),p))
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1 1
2 1
3 1
4 1
5 1
6 1
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Out[30]: done
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## Inverse computed with Fermat's little theorem

let's multiply again by  $a^{-1}$

$$a^{p-2} \equiv a^{-1} \pmod{p}$$

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In [11]: for a:2 thru p-1 do print(a,"^-1=",mod(a^(p-2),p))
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2 ^-1= 4
3 ^-1= 5
4 ^-1= 2
5 ^-1= 3
6 ^-1= 6
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Out[11]: done
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In [12]: gf_primitive()
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Out[12]: 3
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In [16]: gf_make_logs()
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Out[16]: [ "{Lisp Array: \#(1 3 2 6 4 5 1)}" , "{Lisp Array: \#(NIL 0 2 1 4 5 3)}" , "{Lisp Array: \#(2 4 1 1 3 5 2)}" ]
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In [24]: for j:0 thru p-2 do print(gf_primitive(),"^",j,"=",gf_powers[j])
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3 ^ 0 = 1
3 ^ 1 = 3
3 ^ 2 = 2
3 ^ 3 = 6
3 ^ 4 = 4
3 ^ 5 = 5
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Out[24]: done
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In [ ]: