

Introduction to Cryptology

Tutorial-02-1 Mathematical Background: Groups, Rings, Finite Fields (GF)

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Summary: Ring of Integers modulo $m \mathbb{Z}_m$

Euler Function $\phi(m)$ gives the number of invertible elements in \mathbb{Z}_m

$$\text{For } m = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} p_3^{e_3} \dots p_l^{e_l} \rightarrow \phi(m) = m \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_2}\right) \dots$$

$$\text{For } m = p_1 p_2 p_3 \dots p_l \rightarrow \phi(m) = (p_1 - 1)(p_2 - 1)(p_3 - 1) \dots$$

Order of elements in the Ring of Integers modulo $m: \mathbb{Z}_m$

The invertible elements in \mathbb{Z}_m build a multiplicative group called \mathbb{Z}_m^* with the following properties:

- The number of elements in \mathbb{Z}_m^* is $\phi(m)$
- \mathbb{Z}_m^* is a cyclic group if it contains an element with the order $\phi(m)$
- The order of any element in \mathbb{Z}_m^* divides $\phi(m)$
- If the order of α is k then $\text{Ord}(\alpha^i) = k / \text{gcd}(i, k)$
- special case: If the order of α is k then the other elements with order k are (α^i) where $\text{gcd}(i, k) = 1$
- Number of elements with order k is $\phi(k)$ if \mathbb{Z}_m^* is a cyclic group

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Summary: Euler and Carmichael Theorems

Euler's Theorem

For any unit u in \mathbb{Z}_m where $\text{gcd}(m, u) = 1$ (or for any element in \mathbb{Z}_m^*), the following holds:
 $u^{\phi(m)} = 1$ (in \mathbb{Z}_m)

Fermat's Theorem (a special case of Euler's theorem):

For $m=p$, where p is prime $\Rightarrow u^{p-1} = 1$ in \mathbb{Z}_p for any integer u

Carmichael's Theorem

The greatest order of an elements in \mathbb{Z}_m^* is called Carmichael's function $\lambda(m)$:
 $\lambda(m)$ divides $\phi(m)$, for any $u \in \mathbb{Z}_m^*$, $u^{\lambda(m)} = 1$ in \mathbb{Z}_m^*

Carmichael's function $\lambda(m)$:

$$\lambda(2) = 1, \lambda(2^2) = 2, \lambda(2^k) = 2^{k-2} \text{ for } k \geq 3;$$

$$\lambda(p^k) = \phi(p^k) = (p-1)p^{k-1} \text{ for } p \text{ odd prim.}$$

$$\text{for } m = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} p_3^{e_3} \dots p_n^{e_n}$$

$$\lambda(m) = \text{lcm}[\lambda(p_1^{e_1}), \lambda(p_2^{e_2}), \dots, \lambda(p_n^{e_n})]$$

$$\text{lcm}(a, b) = \frac{a \cdot b}{\text{gcd}(a, b)}$$

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Problem 2-1: Elements of \mathbb{Z}_{33}

- How many invertible element under multiplication do exist in \mathbb{Z}_{33} (number of units in \mathbb{Z}_{33})?
- Which multiplicative orders are possible in \mathbb{Z}_{33}^* ?
- Compute the order of the element 2, 5 and 7 in \mathbb{Z}_{33}^* .
- Compute 3 other elements having the same order as 2, 5, and 7.
- Compute the order of the elements 10, 32, 23.
- Compute the order of elements 4 and other elements having the same order.

Solution 2-1:

- Number of invertible elements (units) is Euler function $\phi(33) = \phi(3 \cdot 11) = (3-1)(11-1) = 20$
The 20 units in \mathbb{Z}_{33} are: $u = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 31, 32\} = \mathbb{Z}_{33}^*$, $(\text{gcd}(33, u) = 1)$
 \Rightarrow Possible orders are the divisors of 10, which are 1, 2, 5, 10
- Order of 2: $2^1 = 2 \neq 1$, $2^2 = 4 \neq 1$, $2^3 = 8 \neq 1$, $2^4 = 16 \neq 1$, $2^5 = 32 \equiv -1 \neq 1$, $2^{10} = 1$ \Rightarrow order of 2 is 10
Order of 5: $5^1 = 5 \neq 1$, $5^2 = 25 \equiv -8 \neq 1$, $5^3 = -2 \neq 1$, $5^4 = 10 \neq 1$, $5^5 = 1$ \Rightarrow order of 5 is 5
Order of 7: $7^1 = 7 \neq 1$, $7^2 = 49 \equiv 16 \neq 1$, $7^3 = 13 \neq 1$, $7^4 = 13^2 \equiv 16 \neq 1$, $7^5 = 1$ \Rightarrow order of 7 is 5
- If order $\alpha = k$, then $\text{ord}(\alpha^i) = k / \text{gcd}(k, i)$. By selecting $i = 1, 3, 7, 9$ we get $\text{gcd}(10, i) = 1$.
 $\Rightarrow 2^1, 2^3, 2^7, 2^9$ or **2, 8, 29, 17** are 4 elements having order 10
 $\Rightarrow 5^1, 5^3, 5^7, 5^9$ or **5, 26, 14, 20** are 4 elements having order 5
 $\Rightarrow 7^1, 7^3, 7^7, 7^9$ or **7, 13, 28, 19** are 4 elements having order 5
- Order of 10: $10^1 = 10 \neq 1$, $10^2 = 100 \equiv 1$ \Rightarrow order of 10 is 2
Order of 32: $32^1 = 32 \equiv -1 \neq 1$, $32^2 = 1$ \Rightarrow order of 32 is 2
Order of 23: $23^1 = 23 \equiv -10 \neq 1$, $23^2 = (-10)^2 = 100 \equiv 1$ \Rightarrow order of 23 is 2
Order of 4: $4^1 = 4 \neq 1$, $4^2 = 16 \neq 1$, $4^3 = 25 \equiv 10 \neq 1$, $4^4 = 25^2 \equiv 100 \equiv 1$ \Rightarrow order of 4 is 5
For $\text{gcd}(5, i) = 1 \Rightarrow i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \Rightarrow 4^1, 4^2, 4^3, 4^4$ or **4, 16, 31, 25** are elements having order 5

Notice: No. of elements having order 10 is not $\phi(10)$ as \mathbb{Z}_{33}^* is not a cyclic group

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Problem 2-2: Elements of $\mathbb{Z}_{17} = \text{GF}(17)$

- How many invertible element under multiplication do exist in $\text{GF}(17)$ (number of units in $\text{GF}(17)$)?
- Which multiplicative orders are possible in $\text{GF}(17)$?
- How many elements do exist from each possible order?
- Compute the order of the element 2 in $\text{GF}(17)$.
- Compute all other elements having the same order as 2.

Solution 2-2:

- Number of invertible elements is Euler function $\phi(17) = (17-1) = 16$
- The possible multiplicative orders in $\text{GF}(17)$ are the divisors of $\phi(17) = 17 - 1 = 16$, namely **1, 2, 4, 8, 16**
- Number of elements with order 1 is $\phi(1) = 1$
Number of elements with order 2 is $\phi(2) = (2-1) = 1$
Number of elements with order 4 is $\phi(4) = 4(1-1/2) = 2$
Number of elements with order 8 is $\phi(8) = \phi(2^3) = 8(1-1/2) = 4$
Number of elements with order 16 is $\phi(16) = \phi(2^4) = 16(1-1/2) = 8$
- Order of 2: $2^1 = 2 \neq 1$, $2^2 = 4 \neq 1$, $2^3 = 8 \neq 1$, $2^4 = 16 \equiv -1 \neq 1$, $2^5 = -2 \neq 1$, $2^6 = 4 \neq 1$, $2^7 = 8 \neq 1$, $2^8 = 16 \equiv -1 \neq 1$, $2^9 = -2 \neq 1$, $2^{10} = 4 \neq 1$, $2^{11} = 8 \neq 1$, $2^{12} = 16 \equiv -1 \neq 1$, $2^{13} = -2 \neq 1$, $2^{14} = 4 \neq 1$, $2^{15} = 8 \neq 1$, $2^{16} = 1$ \Rightarrow order of 2 is 16
- If order $\alpha = k$, then $\text{ord}(\alpha^i) = k / \text{gcd}(k, i)$. by selecting $i = 1, 3, 5, 7$ we get $\text{gcd}(16, i) = 1$.
 $\Rightarrow 2^1, 2^3, 2^5, 2^7$ or **2, 8, 15, 9** are the 4 elements having order 8

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Problem 2-3: Elements of $\text{GF}(23)$

- How many invertible element under multiplication do exist $\text{GF}(23)$ (number of units in $\text{GF}(23)$)?
- Which multiplicative orders are possible in $\text{GF}(23)$?
- How many elements do exist from each possible order?
- Compute the order of the element 2 in $\text{GF}(23)$.
- Compute all other elements having the same order as 2.
- Compute the inverse of 2^{18} in $\text{GF}(23)$ without using the gcd algorithm.

Solution 2-3:

- Number of invertible elements is Euler function $\phi(23) = (23-1) = 22$ elements
- The possible multiplicative orders in $\text{GF}(23)$ are the divisors of $23 - 1 = 22$, namely **1, 2, 11, 22**
- Number of elements with order 1 is $\phi(1) = 1$
Number of elements with order 2 is $\phi(2) = (2-1) = 1$
Number of elements with order 11 is $\phi(11) = (11-1) = 10$
Number of elements with order 22 is $\phi(22) = \phi(2 \cdot 11) = (2-1)(11-1) = 10$
- Order of 2: $2^1 = 2 \neq 1$, $2^2 = 4 \neq 1$, $2^3 = 8 \neq 1$, $2^4 = 16 \equiv -7 \neq 1$, $2^5 = -14 \neq 1$, $2^6 = 81 \equiv 12 \neq 1$, $2^7 = 12^2 = 24 \equiv 1$ \Rightarrow order of 2 is 11
- If order $\alpha = k$, then $\text{ord}(\alpha^i) = k / \text{gcd}(k, i)$. By selecting $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10$ we get $\text{gcd}(11, i) = 1$.
 $\Rightarrow 2^1, 2^2, 2^3, 2^4, 2^5, 2^6, 2^7, 2^8, 2^9, 2^{10}$ or **2, 4, 8, 16, 9, 18, 13, 3, 6, 12** are the 10 elements having order 11
- The inverse of 2^{18} is 2^{-18} . The modulus in the exponent is $\phi(23) = 23 - 1 = 22$
 $2^{-18} = 2^{22-18} = 2^4 = 16$. Check $2^{18} = (2^9)^2 = 6^2 = 13 \Rightarrow 16 \cdot 13 = 208 \equiv 1$ in $\text{GF}(23)$.

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Homework: Elements of Z_{35}

1. How many invertible element under multiplication do exist Z_{35} (number of units in Z_{35})?
2. Which multiplicative orders are possible in Z_{35} ?
3. Compute the order of all invertible elements in Z_{35} .
4. Find the cycle length for all non-invertible elements.

Homework: Elements of Z_{39}

1. How many invertible element under multiplication do exist Z_{39} (number of units in Z_{39})?
2. Which multiplicative orders are possible in Z_{39} ?
3. Compute the order of all invertible elements in Z_{39} .
4. Find the cycle length for all non-invertible elements.

Homework: Analyze the structure of $GF(29)$, $GF(83)$, $Z_{2^{16}}$

Z_{2^n} is a widely used ring in modern cryptography