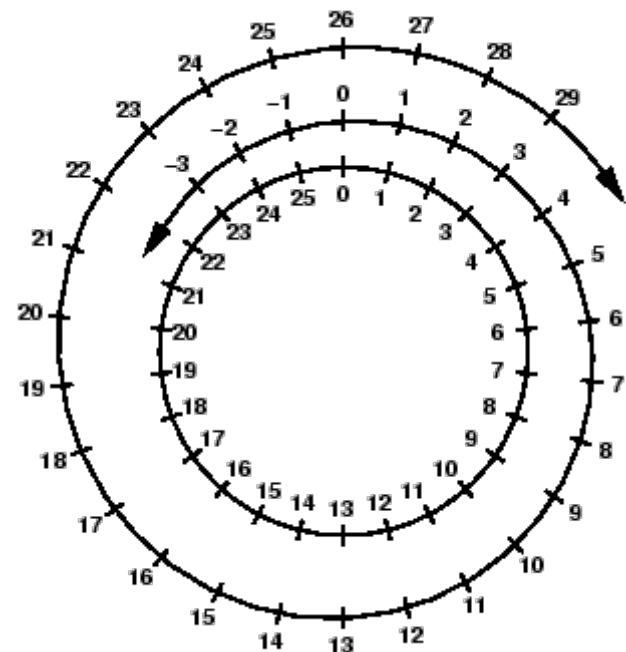


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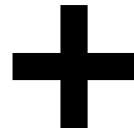
Lecture 26: Modular Arithmetic

November 28th, 2017



This Week

Modular arithmetic



Cryptography
(in particular, “public-key” cryptography)

Main goal of this lecture

Goal:

Understanding modular arithmetic: **theory** + **algorithms**

Why:

1. When we do addition or multiplication, the universe is **infinite** (e.g. \mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{Q} , \mathbb{R} .)

Sometimes we prefer to restrict ourselves to a **finite** universe (e.g. the modular universe).

2. Some **hard-to-do** arithmetic operations in \mathbb{Z} or \mathbb{Q} are **easy** in the modular universe.

3. Some **easy-to-do** arithmetic operations in \mathbb{Z} or \mathbb{Q} seem to be **hard** in the modular universe.

And this is great for cryptography applications!

Main goal of this lecture

Modular Universe

- How to view the elements of the universe?
- How to do basic operations:

1. addition

2. subtraction

3. multiplication

4. division

5. exponentiation

6. taking roots

7. logarithm

theory
+
algorithms
(efficient (?))

The plan

Start with algorithms on good old integers.

Then move to the modular universe.

Integers

Algorithms on numbers involve **BIG** numbers.

3618502788666131106986593281521497110455743021169260358536775932020762686101
7237846234873269807102970128874356021481964232857782295671675021393065473695
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Integers

$B = 5693030020523999993479642904621911725098567020556258102766251487234031094429$

$B \approx 5.7 \times 10^{75}$ (5.7 quattorvigintillion)

B is roughly the number of atoms in the universe

Definition: $\text{len}(B) = \# \text{ bits to write } B$
 $\approx \log_2 B$

For $B = 5693030020523999993479642904621911725098567020556258102766251487234031094429$

$$\text{len}(B) = 251$$

(for crypto purposes, this is way too small!)

Integers: Arithmetic

In general, arithmetic on numbers is not free!

Think of algorithms as performing string-manipulation.

The number of steps is measured with respect to the length of the input numbers.

I. Addition in integers

$$\begin{array}{r} 36185027886661311069865932815214971104 \\ + 65743021169260358536775932020762686101 \\ \hline 101928049055921669606641864835977657205 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} A \\ B \\ C \end{array}$$

Grade school addition is linear time:

if $\text{len}(A), \text{len}(B) \leq n$

number of steps to produce C is $O(n)$

2. Subtraction in integers

$$\begin{array}{r} 101928049055921669606641864835977657205 \quad A \\ - 36185027886661311069865932815214971104 \quad B \\ \hline 65743021169260358536775932020762686101 \quad C \end{array}$$

Grade school subtraction is linear time:

if $\text{len}(A), \text{len}(B) \leq n$

number of steps to produce C is $O(n)$

5. Exponentiation in integers

Given as input B , compute 2^B .

If

$B = 5693030020523999993479642904621911725098567020556258102766251487234031094429$

$\text{len}(B) = 251$

but $\text{len}(2^B) \sim 5.7$ quattuorvigintillion

(output length exceeds number of particles in the universe)



exponential in
input length

6. Taking roots in integers

Given as input A, E , compute $A^{1/E}$.

Solution: binary search.

7. Taking logarithms in integers

Given as input A, B , compute $\log_B A$.

i.e., find X such that $B^X = A$.

Solution:

Try $X = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Stop when $B^X \geq A$.

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Modular Operations: Basic Definitions and Properties

Modular universe: How to view the elements

Hopefully everyone already knows:

Any integer can be reduced mod N .

$A \bmod N =$ remainder when you divide A by N

Example

$$N = 5$$

0	1	2	3	4	⋮	5	6	7	8	9	⋮	10	11	12	⋯
↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	⋮	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	⋮	↓	↓	↓	mod 5
0	1	2	3	4	⋮	0	1	2	3	4	⋮	0	1	2	⋯

Modular universe: How to view the elements

We write $A \equiv B \pmod{N}$ or $A \equiv_N B$

when $A \pmod{N} = B \pmod{N}$.

(In this case, we say A is congruent to B modulo N .)

Examples

$$5 \equiv_5 100$$

$$13 \equiv_7 27$$

Exercise

$$A \equiv_N B \iff N \text{ divides } A - B$$

Modular universe: Addition

Can define a “plus” operation in \mathbb{Z}_N :

$$A +_N B = (A + B) \bmod N$$



“plus” in \mathbb{Z}_N



“plus” in \mathbb{Z}

Modular universe: Addition

Addition table for \mathbb{Z}_5

$+_N$	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	1	2	3	4
1	1	2	3	4	0
2	2	3	4	0	1
3	3	4	0	1	2
4	4	0	1	2	3

0 is called the (additive) identity: $\mathbf{0} +_N A = A +_N \mathbf{0} = A$
for any A

Modular universe: Addition

In \mathbb{Z}

In \mathbb{Z}_5

3019573



3

912382236



1

3019573
+
912382236



4

YES!

Modular universe: Addition

In \mathbb{Z}

In \mathbb{Z}_5

A



3

B



1

$A + B$



4

YES!

Modular universe: Addition

In \mathbb{Z}

In \mathbb{Z}_N

A \longrightarrow

$A \bmod N$

B \longrightarrow

$B \bmod N$

$A + B$ $\xrightarrow{?}$ $(A \bmod N) +_N (B \bmod N)$

Is $(A + B) \bmod N = (A \bmod N) +_N (B \bmod N)$?

YES!

Modular universe: Subtraction

How about subtraction in \mathbb{Z}_N ?

What does $A - B$ mean?

It is actually addition in disguise: $A + (-B)$

Then what does $-B$ mean in \mathbb{Z}_N ?

Definition:

Given $B \in \mathbb{Z}_N$, its *additive inverse*, denoted by $-B$, is the element in \mathbb{Z}_N such that $B +_N -B = 0$.

$$A -_N B = A +_N -B$$

Modular universe: Subtraction

Addition table for \mathbb{Z}_5

$+_N$	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	1	2	3	4
1	1	2	3	4	0
2	2	3	4	0	1
3	3	4	0	1	2
4	4	0	1	2	3

$$-0 = 0$$

$$-1 = 4$$

$$-2 = 3$$

$$-3 = 2$$

$$-4 = 1$$

Modular universe: Subtraction

\mathbb{Z}_5

$+_N$	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	1	2	3	4
1	1	2	3	4	0
2	2	3	4	0	1
3	3	4	0	1	2
4	4	0	1	2	3

Note:

For every $A \in \mathbb{Z}_N$, $-A$ exists.

Why? $-A = N - A$

This implies:

A row contains distinct elements.

i.e. every row is a permutation of \mathbb{Z}_N .

Fix row A :	$A +_N B = A +_N B' \implies B = B'$
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↓
row

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row

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Modular universe: Multiplication

Can define a “multiplication” operation in \mathbb{Z}_N :

$$A \cdot_N B = (A \cdot B) \bmod N$$



“multiplication”
in \mathbb{Z}_N

“multiplication”
in \mathbb{Z}

Modular universe: Multiplication

Multiplication table for \mathbb{Z}_5

\bullet_N	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4
2	0	2	4	1	3
3	0	3	1	4	2
4	0	4	3	2	1

1 is called the (multiplicative) identity: $1 \bullet_N A = A \bullet_N 1 = A$
for any A

Modular universe: Multiplication

In \mathbb{Z}

In \mathbb{Z}_N

A



$A \bmod N$

B



$B \bmod N$

$A \cdot B$



$(A \bmod N) \cdot_N (B \bmod N)$

Is $(A \cdot B) \bmod N = (A \bmod N) \cdot_N (B \bmod N)$?

YES!

Modular universe: Division

How about division in \mathbb{Z}_N ?

What does A/B mean?

It is actually multiplication in disguise: $A \cdot \frac{1}{B} = A \cdot B^{-1}$

Then what does B^{-1} mean in \mathbb{Z}_N ?

Definition:

Given $B \in \mathbb{Z}_N$, its *multiplicative inverse*, denoted by B^{-1} , is the element in \mathbb{Z}_N such that $B \cdot_N B^{-1} = 1$.

$$A/_N B = A \cdot_N B^{-1}$$

Modular universe: Division

Multiplication table for \mathbb{Z}_5

\bullet_N	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4
2	0	2	4	1	3
3	0	3	1	4	2
4	0	4	3	2	1

$$0^{-1} = \text{undefined}$$

$$1^{-1} = 1$$

$$2^{-1} = 3$$

$$3^{-1} = 2$$

$$4^{-1} = 4$$

Modular universe: Division

Multiplication table for \mathbb{Z}_6

\bullet_N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5
2	0	2	4	0	2	4
3	0	3	0	3	0	3
4	0	4	2	0	4	2
5	0	5	4	3	2	1

$$0^{-1} = \text{undefined}$$

$$1^{-1} = 1$$

$$2^{-1} = \text{undefined}$$

$$3^{-1} = \text{undefined}$$

$$4^{-1} = \text{undefined}$$

$$5^{-1} = 5$$

WTF?

Modular universe: Division

Multiplication table for \mathbb{Z}_7

\bullet_N	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

Every number except 0 has a multiplicative inverse.

Modular universe: Division

Multiplication table for \mathbb{Z}_8

\bullet_N	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

$\{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ have inverses. Others don't.

Modular universe: Division

Fact: $A^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_N$ exists if and only if $\gcd(A, N) = 1$.

$\gcd(a, b)$ = greatest common divisor of a and b .

Examples:

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

$$\gcd(13, 9) = 1$$

$$\gcd(1, a) = 1 \quad \forall a$$

$$\gcd(0, a) = a \quad \forall a$$

If $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, we say a and b are **relatively prime**.

Modular universe: Division

Fact: $A^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_N$ exists if and only if $\gcd(A, N) = 1$.

Definition: $\mathbb{Z}_N^* = \{A \in \mathbb{Z}_N : \gcd(A, N) = 1\}$.

Definition: $\varphi(N) = |\mathbb{Z}_N^*|$

Note that \mathbb{Z}_N^* is “closed” under multiplication,

$$\text{i.e., } A, B \in \mathbb{Z}_N^* \implies A \cdot_N B \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$$

(Why?)

Modular universe: Division

$$\mathbb{Z}_5^*$$

\bullet_N	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4
2	0	2	4	1	3
3	0	3	1	4	2
4	0	4	3	2	1

$$\varphi(5) = 4$$

Modular universe: Division

$$\mathbb{Z}_5^*$$

\bullet_N	1	2	3	4
1	1	2	3	4
2	2	4	1	3
3	3	1	4	2
4	4	3	2	1

$$\varphi(5) = 4$$

Modular universe: Division

$$\mathbb{Z}_5^*$$

\bullet_N	1	2	3	4
1	1	2	3	4
2	2	4	1	3
3	3	1	4	2
4	4	3	2	1

For P prime, $\varphi(P) = P - 1$.

Modular universe: Division

$$\mathbb{Z}_8^*$$

\bullet_N	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

$$\varphi(8) = 4$$

Modular universe: Division

$$\mathbb{Z}_8^*$$

\bullet_N	1	3	5	7
1	1	3	5	7
3	3	1	7	5
5	5	7	1	3
7	7	5	3	1

$$\varphi(8) = 4$$

Modular universe: Division

$$\mathbb{Z}_{15}^*$$

\bullet_N	1	2	4	7	8	11	13	14
1	1	2	4	7	8	11	13	14
2	2	4	8	14	1	7	11	13
4	4	8	1	13	2	14	7	11
7	7	14	13	4	11	2	1	8
8	8	1	2	11	4	13	14	7
11	11	7	14	2	13	1	8	4
13	13	11	7	1	14	8	4	2
14	14	13	11	8	7	4	2	1

$$\varphi(15) = 8$$

Modular universe: Division

$$\mathbb{Z}_{15}^*$$

\bullet_N	1	2	4	7	8	11	13	14
1	1	2	4	7	8	11	13	14
2	2	4	8	14	1	7	11	13
4	4	8	1	13	2	14	7	11
7	7	14	13	4	11	2	1	8
8	8	1	2	11	4	13	14	7
11	11	7	14	2	13	1	8	4
13	13	11	7	1	14	8	4	2
14	14	13	11	8	7	4	2	1

Exercise: For P, Q distinct primes, $\varphi(PQ) = (P - 1)(Q - 1)$.

Modular universe: Division

$$\mathbb{Z}_8^*$$

\bullet_N **1 3 5 7**

1	1	3	5	7
3	3	1	7	5
5	5	7	1	3
7	7	5	3	1

$$\varphi(8) = 4$$

For every $A \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$, A^{-1} exists.

This implies:

A row contains distinct elements.

i.e. every row is a permutation of \mathbb{Z}_N^* .

$$A \cdot_N B = A \cdot_N B' \implies B = B'$$

Summary so far

$+_N$	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	1	2	3	0
2	2	3	0	1
3	3	0	1	2

\mathbb{Z}_N

behaves nicely
with respect to
addition / subtraction

\bullet_N	1	3	5	7
1	1	3	5	7
3	3	1	7	5
5	5	7	1	3
7	7	5	3	1

\mathbb{Z}_N^*

behaves nicely
with respect to
multiplication / division

Modular universe: Exponentiation

Exponentiation in \mathbb{Z}_N

Notation:

For $A \in \mathbb{Z}_N$, $E \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$A^E = \underbrace{A \cdot_N A \cdot_N \cdots \cdot_N A}_{E \text{ times}}$$

Modular universe: Exponentiation

Exponentiation in \mathbb{Z}_N^*

(Same as before)

Notation:

For $A \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$, $E \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$A^E = \underbrace{A \cdot_N A \cdot_N \cdots \cdot_N A}_{E \text{ times}}$$

There is more though...

Modular universe: Exponentiation

Exponentiation in \mathbb{Z}_N^*

\mathbb{Z}_5^*					1	1^2	1^3	1^4	1^5	1^6	1^7	1^8
\bullet_N	1	2	3	4								
1	1	2	3	4	2	2^2	2^3	2^4	2^5	2^6	2^7	2^8
2	2	4	1	3	2	4	3		2	4	3	
3	3	1	4	2	3	3^2	3^3	3^4	3^5	3^6	3^7	3^8
4	4	3	2	1	3	4	2		3	4	2	
$\varphi(8) = 4$					4	4^2	4^3	4^4	4^5	4^6	4^7	4^8
					4		4		4		4	

2 and 3 are called **generators**.

Modular universe: Exponentiation

Exponentiation in \mathbb{Z}_N^*

\mathbb{Z}_8^*

\bullet_N	1	3	5	7
1	1	3	5	7
3	3	1	7	5
5	5	7	1	3
7	7	5	3	1

$$\varphi(8) = 4$$

1	1^2	1^3	1^4	1^5	1^6	1^7	1^8
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	3^2	3^3	3^4	3^5	3^6	3^7	3^8
3	1	3	1	3	1	3	1
5	5^2	5^3	5^4	5^5	5^6	5^7	5^8
5	1	5	1	5	1	5	1
7	7^2	7^3	7^4	7^5	7^6	7^7	7^8
7	1	7	1	7	1	7	1

Modular universe: Exponentiation

Euler's Theorem:

For any $A \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$, $A^{\varphi(N)} = 1$.

Equivalently, for $A \in \mathbb{Z}, N \in \mathbb{N}$ with $\gcd(A, N) = 1$,

$$A^{\varphi(N)} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$$

When N is a prime, this is known as:

Fermat's Little Theorem:

Let P be a prime. For any $A \in \mathbb{Z}_P^*$, $A^{P-1} = 1$.

Poll

What is $213^{248} \pmod{7}$?

- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- Beats me.

Poll Answer

Euler's Theorem:

For any $A \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$, $A^{\varphi(N)} = 1$.

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccccc} A^0 & A^1 & A^2 & \dots & \vdots & A^{\varphi(N)} & A^{\varphi(N)+1} & \dots & \vdots & A^{2\varphi(N)} & A^{2\varphi(N)+1} \\ || & & & & \vdots & || & || & & \vdots & || & || \\ 1 & & & & \vdots & A^0 & A^1 & \dots & \vdots & A^0 & A^1 \end{array}$$

In other words, the exponent can be reduced mod $\varphi(N)$.

$$213^{248} \equiv_7 3^{248}$$

$$3^{248} \equiv_7 3^2 = 2$$

Poll Answer

IMPORTANT!!!

When exponentiating elements $A \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$

can think of the exponent living in the universe $\mathbb{Z}_{\varphi(N)}$.

Modular Operations: Computational Complexity

Complexity of Addition

Input: $A, B \in \mathbb{Z}_N$

Output: $A +_N B$

Compute $(A + B) \bmod N$.

Poly-time



Complexity of Subtraction

Input: $A, B \in \mathbb{Z}_N$

Output: $A -_N B$

Compute $(A + (N - B)) \bmod N$.

Poly-time



Complexity of Multiplication

Input: $A, B \in \mathbb{Z}_N$

Output: $A \cdot_N B$

Compute $(A \cdot B) \bmod N$.

Poly-time



Complexity of Division

Input: $A, B \in \mathbb{Z}_N$

Output: $A/_N B$ (if the answer exists)

Now things get interesting.

$$A/_N B = A \cdot_N B^{-1}$$

Questions:

1. Does B^{-1} exist?
2. If it does, how do you compute it?

Complexity of Division

Recall: B^{-1} exists **iff** $\gcd(B, N) = 1$.

So to determine if B has an inverse, we need to compute $\gcd(B, N)$.

Euclid's Algorithm finds gcd in polynomial time.

One of the first algorithms ever. ~ 300 BC

Complexity of Division

Euclid's Algorithm

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gcd(A, B):  
  if B == 0, return A  
  return gcd(B, A mod B)
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Recitation or Homework or Practice

Why does it work?

Why is it polynomial time?

Major open problem in Computer Science

Is gcd computation efficiently parallelizable?

i.e., is there a circuit family of

- $\text{poly}(n)$ size
- $\text{polylog}(n)$ depth

that computes gcd?

Complexity of Division

Ok, Euclid's Algorithm tells us whether an element has an inverse. **How do you find it if it exists?**

Claim: An extension of Euclid's Algorithm gives us the inverse.

First, a definition:

Definition: We say that C is a **miix** of A and B if

$$C = k \cdot A + \ell \cdot B$$

for some $k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$.

not a real term 😊

Examples:

2 is a miix of 14 and 10: $2 = (-2) \cdot 14 + 3 \cdot 10$

7 is not a miix of 55 and 40. (why?)

Complexity of Division

Fact: C is a miix of A and B if and only if
 C is a multiple of $\gcd(A, B)$.

Take $C = \gcd(A, B)$. $\gcd(A, B) = k \cdot A + \ell \cdot B$

Exercise: The coefficients k and ℓ can be found by slightly modifying Euclid's Algorithm (in poly-time).

Finding B^{-1} :

If $\gcd(B, N) = 1$, we can find $k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$1 = k \cdot B + \ell \cdot N$$

Therefore found

$$B^{-1}$$

Complexity of Division

Summary for the complexity of division

To compute $A/_N B = A \cdot_N B^{-1}$, we need to compute B^{-1} (if it exists).

B^{-1} exists **iff** $\gcd(B, N) = 1$ (can be computed with Euclid).

Extension of Euclid gives us (in poly-time) $k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$\gcd(B, N) = 1 = k \cdot B + \ell \cdot N$$

$$B^{-1} = k \pmod N$$

Complexity of Exponentiation

Input: $A, E, N \in \mathbb{N}$

Output: $A^E \bmod N$

In the modular universe, length of output not an issue.

Can we compute this efficiently?

Complexity of Exponentiation

Example

Compute $2337^{32} \bmod 100$.

Naïve strategy:

$$2337 \times 2337 = 5461569$$

$$2337 \times 5461569 = 12763686753$$

$$2337 \times 12763686753 = \dots$$

⋮ *(30 more multiplications later)*

Complexity of Exponentiation

Example

Compute $2337^{32} \bmod 100$.

2 improvements:

- Do mod 100 after every step.
- Don't multiply **32** times. Square **5** times.

$$2337 \longrightarrow 2337^2 \longrightarrow 2337^4 \longrightarrow 2337^8 \longrightarrow 2337^{16} \longrightarrow 2337^{32}$$

(what if the exponent is 53?)

Complexity of Exponentiation

Example

Compute $2337^{53} \bmod 100$.

(what if the exponent is 53?)

Multiply powers 32, 16, 4, 1. ($53 = 32 + 16 + 4 + 1$)

$$2337^{53} = 2337^{32} \cdot 2337^{16} \cdot 2337^4 \cdot 2337^1$$

$$53 \text{ in binary} = 110101$$


Complexity of Exponentiation

Input: $A, E, N \in \mathbb{N}$ (each at most n bits)

Output: $A^E \bmod N$

Algorithm:

- Repeatedly square A , always mod N .
Do this n times.
- Multiply together the powers of A corresponding to the binary digits of E (again, always mod N).

Running time: a bit more than $O(n^2 \log n)$.

Complexity of Log

Input: A, B, P such that

- P is prime
- $A \in \mathbb{Z}_P^*$
- $B \in \mathbb{Z}_P^*$ is a **generator**.

Output: X such that $B^X \equiv_P A$.

Note: $\{B^0, B^1, B^2, B^3, \dots, B^{P-2}\} = \mathbb{Z}_P^*$

Which one corresponds to A ?

It is like we want to compute $\log_B A$ in \mathbb{Z}_P^* .

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Complexity of Taking Roots

Input: A, E, N such that $A \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$

Output: B such that $B^E \equiv_N A$

So we want to compute $A^{1/E}$ in \mathbb{Z}_N^* .

We don't know how to compute this efficiently!

Main goal of this lecture

Modular Universe

- How to view the elements of the universe?
- How to do basic operations:

1. addition

2. subtraction

3. multiplication

4. division

5. exponentiation

6. taking roots

7. logarithm

theory

+

algorithms

(efficient (?))

Next Time

Cryptography

