

Today: mostly exercise 3

Computations w/ Legendre symbol.

$$\left(\frac{n}{p}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is a square mod } p \\ -1 & \text{if } n \text{ is not a square mod } p \end{cases}$$

p prime, $p \nmid n$.

Main properties: IF $n \equiv m \pmod p$

$$\binom{n}{p} = \binom{m}{p}$$

$$\cdot \binom{a}{p} = \binom{a}{p} \binom{b}{p}$$

$$\cdot \binom{-1}{p} \text{ is } \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod 4 \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv 3 \pmod 4 \end{cases}$$

$$\cdot \binom{2}{p} \text{ is } \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \text{ or } 7 \pmod 8 \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv 3 \text{ or } 5 \pmod 8 \end{cases}$$

$$\cdot \text{Quadratic reciprocity: } \binom{p}{q} \binom{q}{p} = (-1)^{\frac{(p-1)(q-1)}{4}}$$

$$\text{in fact: } \binom{p}{q} = - \binom{q}{p} \text{ if } p, q \equiv 3 \pmod 4 \quad \binom{p}{q} = \binom{q}{p} \text{ otherwise}$$

Exercise 3.

127 is prime.

(1) Is 66 a square mod 127?
 $\Leftrightarrow$ Is $\left(\frac{66}{127}\right) = 1$?

NO

$$66 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 11$$

$$\left(\frac{66}{127}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{127}\right) \left(\frac{3}{127}\right) \left(\frac{11}{127}\right)$$

$$1 \cdot (-1) \cdot 1 = -1$$

$$127 \equiv 7 \pmod{8} \xrightarrow{1''} \left(\frac{3}{127}\right) \left(\frac{11}{127}\right)$$

Use q.r. $\left(\frac{3}{127}\right) = -\left(\frac{127}{3}\right)$

because $127 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

$$= -\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = -1$$

$$\left(\frac{11}{127}\right) = -\left(\frac{127}{11}\right)$$

$$= -\left(\frac{6}{11}\right)$$

because $127 \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$

$$= -(-1) = 1$$

Note -1 rule is also useful
Sometimes. — e.g. $\begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ \vdots \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ \vdots \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$
 $\begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ \vdots \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ \vdots \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$
 $= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ \vdots \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ \vdots \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$

7.11 or which odd primes p is S a square
mod p ?

i.e. $\begin{pmatrix} S \\ \vdots \\ p \end{pmatrix} = 1$

quadratic recip: $\begin{pmatrix} S \\ \vdots \\ p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ \vdots \\ S \end{pmatrix}$

so $\boxed{\text{if } p \equiv 1 \text{ or } 4 \pmod{S}}$

3.5)

$$\binom{3}{\vdots} \equiv \binom{p}{\vdots} \quad \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

need also then $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

$$-\binom{p}{\vdots} \quad \text{if } p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}.$$

need also $\binom{p}{\vdots} = -1$

$$p \equiv 2 \pmod{3},$$

Need either $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$
or $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$

by CRT
either $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$
 $p \equiv -1 (\equiv 11) \pmod{12}$

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