

COSC581 - Algorithms
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Homework #8 Solutions

1. Let ω be an n^{th} root of unity, and let k be a fixed integer. Evaluate:

$$1 + \omega^k + \omega^{2k} + \dots + \omega^{(n-1)k}$$

The sum of a closed form geometric formula: $a + ar^2 + \dots + ar^n = \sum_{k=0}^n (ar^k) = a((1 - r^{n+1}) / (1 - r))$.
source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geometric_series.

Therefore, $a=1$, $r=\omega$, and $k=0 \rightarrow n-1$. Thus,

$$1 + \omega^k + \omega^{2k} + \dots + \omega^{k(n-1)} = 1((1 - \omega^n) / (1 - \omega)) = 1((1 - 1) / (1 - e^{2\pi i/n})) = 0.$$

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2. Use the FFT to compute $C(x)$ as the product of $A(x)$ and $B(x)$, where $A(x) = x^2 + 3x + 1$ and $B(x) = x + 7$.

- a. Find the value of $A(x)$ at the complex fourth roots of unity (1, -1, i, -i).

$$A^{[0]}(x) = 1 + x$$

$$A^{[1]}(x) = 3$$

$$\text{So, } A(x) = A^{[0]}(x^2) + x(A^{[1]}(x^2))$$

$$A(1) = 1^2 + 3(1) + 1 = 5$$

$$A(-1) = (-1)^2 + 3(-1) + 1 = -1$$

$$A(i) = i^2 + 3(i) + 1 = 3i$$

$$A(-i) = (-i)^2 + 3(-i) + 1 = -3i$$

- b. Find the value of $B(x)$ at the complex fourth roots of unity.

$$B^{[0]}(x) = 7$$

$$B^{[1]}(x) = 1$$

$$\text{So, } B(x) = B^{[0]}(x^2) + x(B^{[1]}(x^2))$$

$$B(1) = 1 + 7 = 8$$

$$B(-1) = -1 + 7 = 6$$

$$B(i) = i + 7$$

$$B(-i) = -i + 7$$

- c. Use the results of (a) and (b) to find the value of $C(x)$ at the complex fourth roots of unity.

$$C(1) = A(1)*B(1) = 5*8 = 40$$

$$C(-1) = A(-1)*B(-1) = -1*6 = -6$$

$$C(i) = A(i)*B(i) = 3i(i+7) = 3i^2+21i = 21i - 3$$

$$C(-i) = A(-i)*B(-i) = -3i(-i+7) = 3i^2 - 21i = -21i - 3$$

- d. Use these results to find the coefficients of $C(x)$.

$$C = \frac{1}{4} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -i & -1 & i \\ 1 & (-i)^2 & (-1)^2 & i^2 \\ 1 & (-i)^3 & (-1)^3 & i^3 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 40 \\ 21i-3 \\ -6 \\ -21i-3 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{vmatrix} 40-6+21i-3-21i-3 \\ 40-i(21i-3)+6+i(-21i-3) \\ 40-1(21i-3)-6-1(-21i-3) \\ 40+i(21i-3)+6-i(-21i-3) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 7 \\ 22 \\ 10 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

So, $C(x) = 7 + 22x + 10x^2 + x^3$.

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3. What is the totient of 3044?

Recall $\varphi(n) = n(1-1/p_1)(1-1/p_2)\dots(1-1/p_k)$, where $p_1 \rightarrow p_k$ are primes that divide $n=3044$.

The primes of 3044 are: 2, and 761 (determined programmatically). Thus,

$$\varphi(n) = 3044(1-(1/2))(1-(1/761)) = 1520.$$

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4. Consider an RSA crypto scheme with $n=21$ and $D=5$.

- a. What is a possible value(s) of E ?

$$\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1) = (7-1)(3-1) = 6*2 = 12$$

E can be any value such that:

- $DE \bmod \varphi(n) \equiv 1$
- $1 < E < \varphi(n)$
- $\gcd(E, \varphi(n)) = 1$

So, if $E = 5 \Rightarrow DE = 5 * 5 = 25 \% 12 = 1$.

b. Encode two messages of your choosing.

1) $M=3 \Rightarrow c \equiv 3^5 \% 21 = 12$

2) $M=9 \Rightarrow c \equiv 9^5 \% 21 = 18$

c. Name three messages that are unencodable.

$M=0$ and $M=1$ are always unencodable. Other messages include:

1) $M=6 \Rightarrow 6^5 = 7776 \% 21 = 6$

2) $M=7 \Rightarrow 7^5 = 16807 \% 21 = 7$

3) $M=8 \Rightarrow 8^5 = 32768 \% 21 = 8$

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5. Given a finite simple undirected graph G and a positive integer k , explain how you would reduce the problem of finding in G an independent set of size k to the problem of merely deciding whether such a set exists.

One such solution is as follows:

Given $G = (V, E)$. Denote an independent set as $I = []$. We can iterate through the cuts of G , i.e. $G' = G \setminus V$, for all V . Decide if an independent set exists for G' of size k . If an independent set exists for G' then V does not belong to the independent set, otherwise V does belong and we add V to I and remove V from G .

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