

## Eisenstein's Criterion

Given  $f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$   
 where  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $\exists p$ , prime such that  
 $p \nmid a_n$ ,  $p \mid a_i$  for  $0 \leq i < n$ , and  $p^2 \nmid a_0$   
 then  $f(x)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Z}$ , hence  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Pf: FSOC suppose  $f(x)$  factors as  
 $g(x) \cdot h(x)$  where  $1 \leq \deg g, \deg h < n$ .

$$\text{Let } g(x) = b_r x^r + b_{r-1} x^{r-1} + \dots + b_1 x + b_0$$

$$h(x) = c_s x^s + c_{s-1} x^{s-1} + \dots + c_1 x + c_0$$

Note  $a_0 = b_0 c_0$ . Implies  $p \mid b_0$  but  
 $p \nmid c_0$ .

Also  $p \nmid a_n = b_r c_s$  so  $p \nmid b_r$

Claim:  $\exists t \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $p \nmid b_t$  and  
 $t$  is minimal in this regard.

Consider  $a_t = b_t^{\leftarrow p} c_0 + b_{t-1}^{\leftarrow p} c_1 + b_{t-2}^{\leftarrow p} c_2 + \dots$   
 $b_0^{\leftarrow p} c_t$ . We have assumed that  $p \mid a_t$

This shows  $p \mid b_t$  ~~↔~~

So  $f(x)$  not reducible. ■

$$2x^5 - 6x^3 + 9x^2 - 15 \quad p=3$$

not reducible

$$\frac{x^p - 1}{x - 1} = x^{p-1} + x^{p-2} + \dots + x + 1$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$$

Show  $\phi_p(x)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Z}$ :

Consider  $\phi_p(y)$  where  $y = x+1$

$$\phi_p(x+1) = \frac{(x+1)^p - 1}{(x+1) - 1} =$$

$$(x+1)^p = \sum_{k=0}^p \binom{p}{k} x^k \underline{(1)^{p-k}}$$

$$\binom{p}{0} x^0 + \binom{p}{1} x^1 + \binom{p}{2} x^2 + \dots + \binom{p}{p} x^p$$

$$(x+1)^p - 1 = \binom{p}{1} x + \binom{p}{2} x^2 + \dots + \binom{p}{p} x^p$$

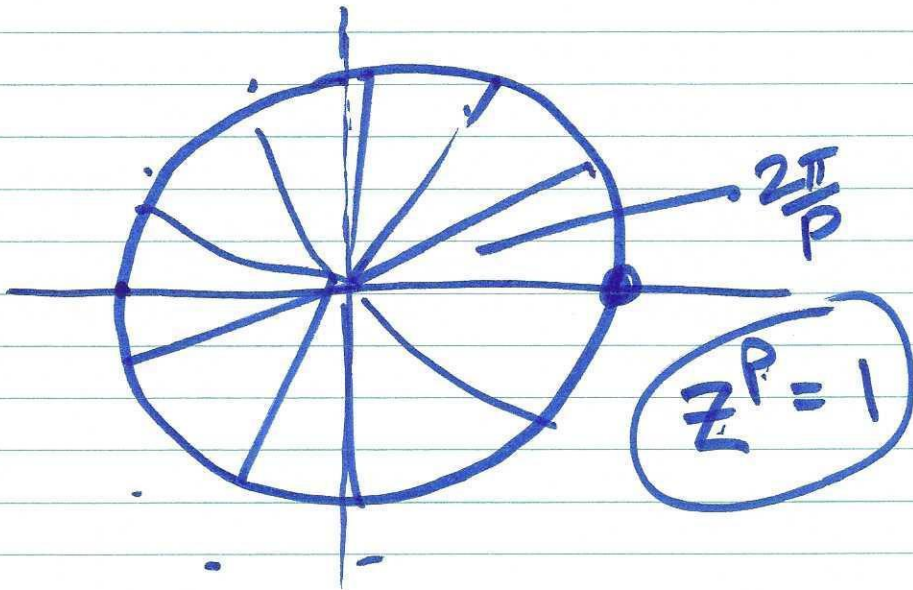


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$$\frac{(x+1)^{P-1}}{x} = \binom{P}{1} + \binom{P}{2}x + \dots + \binom{P}{P}x^{P-1}$$

$$\frac{P!}{(P-1)!1!} \quad \frac{P!}{(P-2)!2!} \quad \dots \quad + x^{P-1}$$

$$P + \frac{P(P-1)}{2}x + \dots + x^{P-1}$$



If  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$   
 $c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n \in F$

$f$  is unique poly.  $\exists$ .  $f(a_i) = c_i$

Lagrange Interpolation  $(x - a_i)$

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(x-a_0) \cdots (x-a_{i-1})(x-a_{i+1}) \cdots (x-a_n)}{(a_i-a_0) \cdots (a_i-a_{i-1})(a_i-a_{i+1}) \cdots (a_i-a_n)} c_i$$

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Finite Fields all have order  $p^n$ , some  $n$  w/  
 $p$  prime.

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Field of order 8.

$x^3 + x + 1$  is irred. over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$

$\mathbb{Z}_2 / \langle x^3 + x + 1 \rangle$   
"zero"

$$x^2 + x + 1 + \langle x^3 + x + 1 \rangle + x^2 + 1 + \langle x^3 + x + 1 \rangle$$



$$x^3 + x + 1 \equiv 0$$

$$x^3 \equiv x + 1$$

$$= \underline{x + (x^3 + x + 1)}$$

	1	x	x+1	<del>x<sup>2</sup></del>	x <sup>2</sup> +1	...
1	1	x	x+1	x <sup>2</sup>	x <sup>2</sup> +1	
x	x					
x+1	x+1					
x <sup>2</sup>	x <sup>2</sup>		x <sup>2</sup> +x+1			
x <sup>2</sup> +1	x <sup>2</sup> +1		x <sup>2</sup>		x <sup>2</sup> +x+1	

$$x^2(x+1) = x^3 + x^2 = x^2 + x + 1$$

$$(x^2+1)(x^2+1) = x^4 + 2x^2 + 1$$

$$x(x^3) = x(x+1) = \underline{x^2 + x}$$

x+1

$$(x^2+1)(x+1) = \underline{x^3 + x^2 + x + 1}$$

$\mathbb{Z}_3$  $ax^2+bx+c$ 

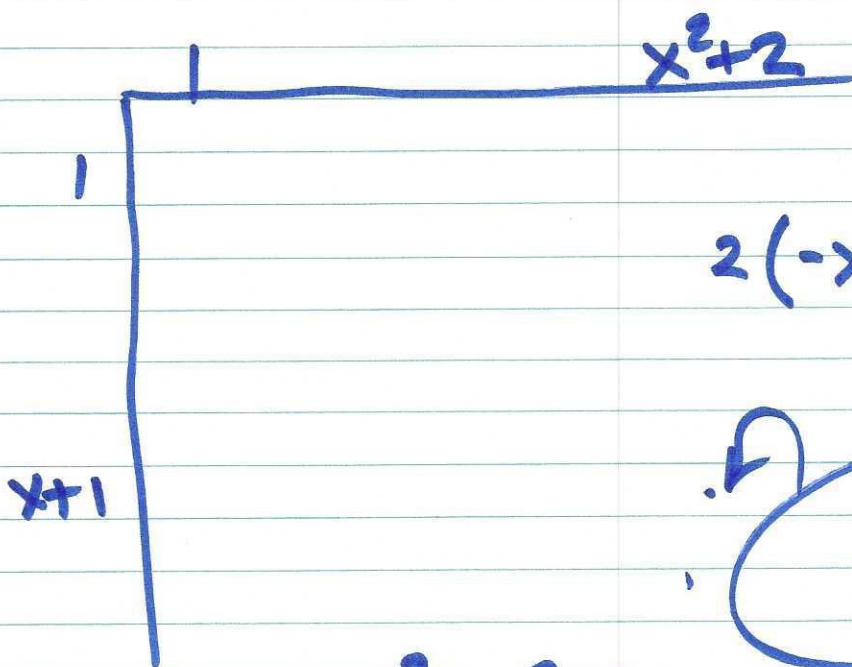
$x^2+x+1$

$x=1$

$x^2+x+2=0 \quad (3)$

$x^2+x+2$

$x^2 = -x-2$   
 $+2x+1$

 $\mathbb{Z}_3[x]$  $\langle x^2+x+2 \rangle$  $\approx \mathbb{F}_9$ 

$2(-x-2) =$

$-2x-4$   
 $x-1$

$2(x^2+1)$

$x^3+x^2+2x+2$

 $x$ 

$x^3+x$

$x^3 = x(x^2) = x(+2x+1) = 2x^2+x$

$$\mathbb{Z}_3[x] / \langle x^2 + x + 2 \rangle = ax + b \quad a, b \in \{0, 1, 2\}$$

		0	1	2
0	0		x	2x
b	1	1	x+1	2x+1
2	2	2	x+2	2x+2

$$\mathbb{Z}_K[x] / \langle x^n + \dots + a_0 \rangle$$

$$a_1 x^{n-1} + a_2 x^{n-2} + \dots + a_0$$

$$a_i \in \mathbb{Z}_K$$