

## 1 Last Lecture Recap

A potential primality test was proposed which generalised the basic approach of using the idea  $a^n \equiv a \pmod n$  whenever  $n$  is prime, over a ring of polynomials. So we have a ring  $R$ ,

$$R = \mathbb{Z}_n[X]/(X^r - 1)$$

where  $n$  is square-free. Also we have a map,

$$\psi(e(X)) = e^n(X), e(X) \in R$$

The following question was to be answered, "Is  $\psi$  an automorphism of  $R$ ?"

## 2 Proceeding towards Proof

To check if  $\psi$  is a linear map :

$$\text{test } \psi(e(X)) = e(\psi(X)), \forall e(X) \in R.$$

Let  $p$  be a prime divisor of  $n$ . Let  $h(x)$  be an irreducible factor of  $x^r - 1$  over  $F_p$ . Let  $F = F_p[X]/(h(X))$ . Let  $\deg(h) = d$  then  $|F| = p^d$ . Field  $F$  occurs as one of the components in the direct sum representation of  $R$ .

**Lemma 2.1** (*First Size Reduction Lemma*)

Let  $S \subseteq F$  such that,

1.  $\psi(S) \subseteq S$
2.  $\forall e(X) \in S, \psi(e(X)) = e(\psi(X))$
3.  $|S| > n^{2\sqrt{r}}$

Then  $n = p^j$  for some  $j$ .

*Proof:* Let  $\phi(e(X)) = e^p(X), e(X) \in F$ . Let  $G = \{\phi^i \psi^j(X) \mid i, j \geq 0, X \in F\}$ . Let  $t = |G|$ .

Choose a pair  $(\alpha, \beta), (\gamma, \delta)$  such that,

1.  $(\alpha, \beta) \neq (\gamma, \delta)$
2.  $0 \leq \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \leq \sqrt{t}$
3.  $\phi^\alpha \psi^\beta(X) = \phi^\gamma \psi^\delta(X)$

Such a pair always exists due to pigeonhole principle.

Consider  $\phi^\alpha \psi^\beta(e(X)), e(X) \in S$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi^\alpha \psi^\beta(e(X)) &= \phi^\alpha \psi^{\beta-1}(e(\psi(X))) && \dots \text{ [By definition of } S] \\
&= \phi^\alpha \psi^{\beta-2}(e(\psi^2(X))) && \vdots \\
&\vdots && \vdots \\
&= \phi^\alpha(e(\psi^\beta(X))) && \vdots \\
&= \phi^{\alpha-1}(e(\phi \psi^\beta(X))) && \dots \text{ [Since } \phi \text{ is linear over } F] \\
&\vdots && \vdots \\
&= e(\phi^\alpha \psi^\beta(X)) && \vdots
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, it can be shown that,

$$\phi^\gamma \psi^\delta(e(X)) = e(\phi^\gamma \psi^\delta(X))$$

Hence,

$$\phi^\alpha \psi^\beta(e(X)) = \phi^\gamma \psi^\delta(e(X)), \forall e(X) \in S$$

This implies that,  $\phi^\alpha \psi^\beta(y) - \phi^\gamma \psi^\delta(y)$  has atleast  $|S|$  many roots in  $F$ .

Let  $P(y) = \phi^\alpha \psi^\beta(y) - \phi^\gamma \psi^\delta(y) = y^{n^\beta p^\alpha} - y^{n^\delta p^\gamma}$ .

$\deg(P) = \max \{n^\beta p^\alpha, n^\delta p^\gamma\} \leq n^{2\sqrt{t}}$ .

However, since  $|S| > n^{2\sqrt{r}}$  and  $t \leq r$ , it implies,

$$\begin{aligned}
\implies P &= 0 \\
\implies n^\beta p^\alpha &= n^\delta p^\gamma \\
\implies n^{\alpha'} &= p^{\beta'} && \dots \text{ [for some } \alpha', \beta'] \\
\implies n &= p^j && \dots \text{ [for some } j]
\end{aligned}$$

Hence Proved. ■

Let  $T = \{X^j + a \mid 0 \leq j \leq r, 0 \leq a \leq 2\sqrt{r} \log n, X \in F\}$ . Now  $|T| \leq 2r^{\frac{3}{2}} \log n$ , which is small if  $r$  is small. Let  $S$  be the multiplication closure of  $T$  in  $F$ .

**Lemma 2.2** (Second Size Reduction Lemma)

If  $p > t > 4 \log^2 n$  and  $\psi(e(X)) = e(\psi(X)), \forall e(X) \in T$ , then

1.  $\psi(S) \subseteq S$
2.  $\psi(e(X)) = e(\psi(X))$

$$3. |S| > n^{2\sqrt{t}}$$

*Proof:*

1. Let  $e(X) \in S$ . Therefore,  $e(X) = \prod_{i=1}^k e_i(X)$ ,  $e_i(X) \in T$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(e(X)) &= \psi\left(\prod_{i=1}^k e_i(X)\right) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^k e_i(\psi(X)) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $e_i(\psi X) \in T$ ,  $\psi(e(X)) \in S$ .

2.  $\psi(e(X)) = \prod_{i=1}^k e_i(\psi(X)) = e(\psi(X))$

3. Let  $Q = \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^t (y + a_i) \mid 0 \leq a_i \leq 2\sqrt{r} \log n \right\}$ .  
Let  $q(y) \in Q$ . Then,  $q(X) \in S$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Number of polynomials in } Q &= \binom{2\sqrt{r} \log n + t}{t} \\ &> \binom{2\sqrt{r} \log n + 2\sqrt{t} \log n}{2\sqrt{t} \log n} \\ &\geq \binom{4\sqrt{t} \log n}{2\sqrt{t} \log n} \\ &> 2^{2\sqrt{t} \log n} \\ &= n^{2\sqrt{t}} \end{aligned}$$

Now, we make a claim,

Claim : The map  $y \mapsto X$  is 1-1 on  $Q$

Proof : Let  $q_1(y), q_2(y) \in Q$ ,  $q_1 \neq q_2$ . Suppose that  $q_1(X) = q_2(X)$  in  $F$ . We have  $q_1(X), q_2(X) \in S$  and,

$$\begin{aligned} q_1(X) &= q_2(X) \\ \implies \psi(q_1(X)) &= \psi(q_2(X)) \\ \implies q_1(\psi(X)) &= q_2(\psi(X)) \\ \implies q_1(\psi^j(X)) &= q_2(\psi^j(X)) \\ \implies q_1(\phi^i \psi^j(X)) &= q_2(\phi^i \psi^j(X)) \\ \implies q_1(e(X)) &= q_2(e(X)) \end{aligned}$$

The above implies that every  $e(X) \in G$  is a root of the polynomial  $q_1(y) - q_2(y)$  in  $F$ . But  $\deg(q_1(y) - q_2(y)) \leq t - 1$ , which gives us a contradiction. Therefore the map is 1-1.

The above proof tells us that  $|S| = |Q| \geq n^{2\sqrt{t}}$ .

Hence Proved. ■