

# Assignment 4 Question 1

## Part (a)

Determine the p-adic representation of  $a=116$  with  $p=5$ .

```
> a := 116;
a:= 116
```

```
> p := 5;
p:= 5
```

I'll use  $\text{modp}(a, p)$  for the positive range

```
> for k from 0 while a <> 0 do
  u[k] := modp(a,p);
  a := iquo( a-u[k], p );
od;
u0:= 1
a:= 23
u1:= 3
a:= 4
u2:= 4
a:= 0
```

```
> u = add( u[k]*^(p)^k, k=0..2 );
u = 1 + 3 (5) + 4 (5)2
```

```
> expand(%);
u = 116
```

```
> a := 116;
a:= 116
```

Now for the symmetric range using  $\text{mods}(a, p)$

```
> for k from 0 while a > 0 do
  u[k] := mods(a,p);
  a := iquo(a-u[k],p);
od;
u0:= 1
a:= 23
u1:= -2
a:= 5
u2:= 0
```

$a := 1$

$u_3 := 1$

$a := 0$

$> u = \text{add}(u[k] * \text{``}(p)^k, k=0..3);$

$$u = 1 - 2(5) + (5)^3$$

### Part (b)

Suppose  $u = u_0 + u_1 \cdot p + \dots + u_k \cdot p^{k-1}$  and  $v = v_0 + v_1 \cdot p + \dots + v_{k-1} \cdot p^{k-1}$  both satisfy the conditions  $\frac{p}{2} < u_i < \frac{p}{2}$  and  $\frac{p}{2} < v_i < \frac{p}{2}$ . Then

$$0 = (u_0 - v_0) + (u_1 - v_1) \cdot p + \dots + (u_{k-1} - v_{k-1}) \cdot p^{k-1}.$$

Reducing mod  $p$  we have  $0 \equiv (u_0 - v_0) \pmod{p}$  which implies

$$p \mid (u_0 - v_0).$$

Now the conditions on  $u_0$  and  $v_0$  imply  $-p < u_0 - v_0 < p$  and hence  $u_0 - v_0 = 0$ . Dividing the above equation by  $p$  we obtain

$$0 = (u_1 - v_1) + (u_2 - v_2) + \dots + (u_{k-1} - v_{k-1}) \cdot p^{k-2}.$$

Repeating the above argument we show that  $u_1 = v_1$  then repeating again we show that  $u_i = v_i$  for all  $i$  thus we have uniqueness for this symmetric  $p$ -adic representation.

### Part (c)

Given the polynomial

$> a := x^6 - 531x^5 + 94137x^4 - 5598333x^3 + 4706850x^2 - 1327500x + 125000;$

$$a := x^6 - 531x^5 + 94137x^4 - 5598333x^3 + 4706850x^2 - 1327500x + 125000$$

compute  $\sqrt[3]{a(x)}$  if the cube root exists, i.e. solve  $F(u) = u^3 - a(x) = 0$  for  $u(x)$ . We have that  $F'(u) = 3u^2$ . First we need to compute the cube root modulo 5 if it exists. We will do all arithmetic in the symmetric range from now on.

$> \text{``mod``} := \text{mods};$

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$> p := 5;$

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$> a \text{ mod } p;$

$$x^6 - x^5 + 2x^4 + 2x^3$$

We will get a cube root mod 5 by factoring

$> \text{Factor}(a) \text{ mod } 5;$

$$x^3 (x-2)^3$$

$> u0 := x^2 - 2x;$

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```
> a-Expand(u0^3) mod p;
```

0

We need a bound on the size of the largest coefficient in the cube root. We can use the Mignotte bound for this. Hence we will stop the iteration if  $p^k$  is greater than

```
> B := 2^6*ceil(sqrt(6+1))*maxnorm(a);
```

$B := 1074879936$

We are ready to go

```
> u := u0;
```

$u := x^2 - 2x$

```
> for k from 1 while p^k <= B do
```

```
  e[k] := expand(u^3) - a;
```

```
  if e[k] = 0 then cuberoot := u; break; fi;
```

```
  c[k] := e[k]/p^k;
```

```
  uk := Quo(-c[k], 3*u0^2, x, 'r') mod p;
```

```
  if r <> 0 then print(`non-zero remainder`); break; fi;
```

```
  u := u + uk*p^k;
```

```
od;
```

$e_1 := 525x^5 - 94125x^4 + 5598325x^3 - 4706850x^2 + 1327500x - 125000$

$c_1 := 105x^5 - 18825x^4 + 1119665x^3 - 941370x^2 + 265500x - 25000$

$uk := 0$

$u := x^2 - 2x$

$e_2 := 525x^5 - 94125x^4 + 5598325x^3 - 4706850x^2 + 1327500x - 125000$

$c_2 := 21x^5 - 3765x^4 + 223933x^3 - 188274x^2 + 53100x - 5000$

$uk := -2x + 2$

$u := x^2 - 52x + 50$

$e_3 := 375x^5 - 85875x^4 + 5442125x^3 - 4293750x^2 + 937500x$

$c_3 := 3x^5 - 687x^4 + 43537x^3 - 34350x^2 + 7500x$

$uk := -x$

$u := x^2 - 177x + 50$

$e_4 := 0$

```
> cuberoot;
```

$x^2 - 177x + 50$

Let's check.

```
> factor(a);
```

$$(x^2 - 177x + 50)^3$$

For the second polynomial

```
> b := x^6-406*x^5+94262*x^4-5598208*x^3+4706975*x^2-1327375*x+125125;
```

$$b := x^6 - 406x^5 + 94262x^4 - 5598208x^3 + 4706975x^2 - 1327375x + 125125$$

```
> b mod p;
```

$$x^6 - x^5 + 2x^4 + 2x^3$$

We try to guess the cube root mod 5.

```
> Factor(b) mod p;
```

$$x^3 (x-2)^3$$

There is a cube root

```
> u0 := Expand( x*(x-2) ) mod p;
```

$$u0 := x^2 - 2x$$

```
> B := 2^6*ceil(sqrt(6+1))*maxnorm(a);
```

$$B := 1074879936$$

```
> u := u0;
```

$$u := x^2 - 2x$$

```
> for k from 1 while p^k <= B do
```

```
  e[k] := expand(u^3) - b;
```

```
  if e[k] = 0 then cuberoot := u; break; fi;
```

```
  c[k] := e[k]/p^k;
```

```
  uk := Quo(-c[k], 3*u0^2, x, 'r') mod p;
```

```
  if r <> 0 then print(`non-zero remainder`); break; fi;
```

```
  u := u + uk*p^k;
```

```
od;
```

$$e_1 := 400x^5 - 94250x^4 + 5598200x^3 - 4706975x^2 + 1327375x - 125125$$

$$c_1 := 80x^5 - 18850x^4 + 1119640x^3 - 941395x^2 + 265475x - 25025$$

$$uk := 0$$

$$u := x^2 - 2x$$

$$e_2 := 400x^5 - 94250x^4 + 5598200x^3 - 4706975x^2 + 1327375x - 125125$$

$$c_2 := 16x^5 - 3770x^4 + 223928x^3 - 188279x^2 + 53095x - 5005$$

$$uk := -2x + 2$$

$$u := x^2 - 52x + 50$$

$$e_3 := 250x^5 - 86000x^4 + 5442000x^3 - 4293875x^2 + 937375x - 125$$

$$c_3 := 2x^5 - 688x^4 + 43536x^3 - 34351x^2 + 7499x - 1$$

$$uk := x$$

*non-zero remainder*

This time the algorithm terminated prematurely meaning there is no cube-root. Double check

**> factor(b);**

$$x^6 - 406x^5 + 94262x^4 - 5598208x^3 + 4706975x^2 - 1327375x + 125125$$