

Factor the following polynomial over  $\mathbb{Z}$  by first factoring it modulo a suitably chosen prime  $p$  and employing linear Hensel lifting.

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> a := 35*x^4+77*x^2+51*x-15*x^3-36;
          a := 35 x4 - 15 x3 + 77 x2 + 51 x - 36

=> gcd(a,diff(a,x));
          1

=> content(a,x);
          1

=> `mod` := mods;
          mod := mods

=> Factor(a) mod 2;
          x (x + 1)3

=> Factor(a) mod 3;
          -x2 (x2 + 1)

=> Factor(a) mod 11;
          2 (x + 4) (x2 - 4 x + 5) (x - 2)

=> Factor(a) mod 13;
          -4 (x + 3) (x2 - 3 x + 6) (x - 6)

```

We cannot use  $p=2$  nor  $p=3$  since the polynomial is not square-free modulo those primes.  
Let us use  $p=11$  noting that the factorization modulo 11 is square-free hence is assured.

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> p := 11;
          p := 11

=> alpha := lcoeff(a,x);
          α := 35

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The Mignotte bound on the the biggest coefficient of any factor of  $a(x)$

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> d := degree(a,x):
  B := ceil( alpha*maxnorm(a)*2^degree(a,x)*sqrt(d+1) );
          B := 96420

=> p^4-B, p^5-B;
          -81779, 64631

=> DiophantSolve := proc(a,b,c,x,p)
  local g,sigma,tau,q,s,t;
    g := Gcdex(a,b,x,'s','t') mod p;
    if g <> 1 then error "a and b are not relatively prime!" fi;
    sigma := Rem(c*s,b,x,'q') mod p;
    # c s a = b (aq) + sigma a
    tau := Expand(c*t+q*a) mod p;
    return( sigma,tau );
  end:

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Let us lift the first factor  $x - 2$  up to the bound

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> u[0] := x-2 mod p;
 $u_0 := x - 2$ 

> w[0] := Expand( alpha*(x+4)*(x^2-4*x+5) ) mod 11;
 $w_0 := 2x^3 - 4$ 

> U := u[0];
W := w[0];
for k while p^k < 2*B do
  e[k] := expand( a-U*W );
  if k=1 then print(evaln(e[k])=e[k]); fi;
  if e[k]=0 then break; fi;
  c[k] := (e[k]/p^k) mod p;
  u[k], w[k] := DiophantSolve( w[0], u[0], c[k], x, p );
  U := U + u[k]*p^k;
  W := W + w[k]*p^k;
od:
```

$$U := x - 2$$

$$W := 2x^3 - 4$$

$$e_1 = 33x^4 - 11x^3 + 77x^2 + 55x - 44$$

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> 'U' = U, 'W' = W;
U = x + 759240, W = 35x^3 + 77x + 84
```

Check that we have  $a - U \cdot W = 0 \pmod{p^k}$ .

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> Expand( a - U*W ) mod p^k;
0
```

In principle we would lift the other factors but perhaps we have a real factor already.

Notice  $U$  is monic and  $\text{lc}(W) = \alpha = 35$ .

```
> f := alpha*U mod p^k;
f := 35x - 15

> f := primpart(f);
f := 7x - 3

> divide(a,f,'g');
true
```

Thus we have found the factorization

```
> a = f*g;
 $35x^4 - 15x^3 + 77x^2 + 51x - 36 = (7x - 3)(5x^3 + 11x + 12)$ 
```

But we do not know that  $g$  is irreducible because it has a non-trivial factorization modulo  $p$ .

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> Factor(g) mod p;
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$$5(x^2 - 4x + 5)(x + 4)$$

Let us lift  $x + 4$  the other linear factor with  $a/(x+4)$ .

```
> u[0] := x+4 mod p;           u0 := x + 4
> w[0] := Quo( a, u[0], x ) mod p;   w0 := 2x^3 - x^2 + 4x + 2
> U := u[0];
W := w[0];
for k while p^k < 2*B do
  e[k] := expand( a-U*W );
  if e[k]=0 then break; fi;
  c[k] := (e[k]/p^k) mod p;
  u[k], w[k] := DiophantSolve( w[0], u[0], c[k], x, p );
  U := U + u[k]*p^k;
  W := W + w[k]*p^k;
od:
'U'=U; 'W'=W;
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$$U := x + 4$$

$$W := 2x^3 - x^2 + 4x + 2$$

$$U = x - 159661$$

$$W = 35x^3 + 273437x^2 + 647211x - 797608$$

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> h := alpha*U mod p^k;          h := 35x - 273452
> h := primpart(h);            h := 35x - 273452
> divide(a,h);                false
```

Therefore since there are no linear factors dividing the factor  $g$  determined earlier  $g$  must be irreducible (over  $\mathbb{Z}$ ) hence

```
> a = f*g;                      35x^4 - 15x^3 + 77x^2 + 51x - 36 = (7x - 3)(5x^3 + 11x + 12)
> factor(a);                   (7x - 3)(5x^3 + 11x + 12)
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