

16.40 MODSR: Modular solve and roots

This package supports solve (M_SOLVE) and roots (M_ROOTS) operators for modular polynomials and modular polynomial systems. The moduli need not be primes. M_SOLVE requires a modulus to be set. M_ROOTS takes the modulus as a second argument. For example:

```
on modular; setmod 8;
m_solve(2x=4);           ->  {{X=2}, {X=6}}
m_solve({x^2-y^3=3});
  ->  {{X=0, Y=5}, {X=2, Y=1}, {X=4, Y=5}, {X=6, Y=1}}
m_solve({x=2, x^2-y^3=3}); ->  {{X=2, Y=1}}
off modular;
m_roots(x^2-1, 8);      ->  {1, 3, 5, 7}
m_roots(x^3-x, 7);     ->  {0, 1, 6}
```

The operator `legendre_symbol(a,p)` denotes the Legendre symbol

$$\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) \equiv a^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \pmod{p}$$

which, by its very definition can only have one of the values $\{-1, 0, 1\}$.

There is no further documentation for this package.

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