

Recap

Rec Yesterday, we defined, for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$,

$a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ to mean

$a \bmod m = b \bmod m$ to mean

and showed

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \quad \text{iff}$$
$$a \bmod m = b \bmod m \quad \text{iff}$$

Ex Note that $38 - 16 =$

Then

①

②

③

Rec By the Division Algorithm,

Since $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \iff a \bmod m = b \bmod m$,

Ex Consider the integers mod 3.

When working with respect to a modulus

Rec As a result of what we proved, if $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$, then

Ex Note that $154324 \equiv \pmod{5}$ and $-76938 \equiv \pmod{5}$.

$$154324 - 76938 \equiv$$

$$154324 \cdot (-76938) \equiv$$

Exponentiation

Rec For $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, a^n denotes

Alg We want to compute $a^n \bmod m$.

Observe: if $n = 2k$,
if $n = 2k+1$,

(Repeat Squares)

$\text{mod-exp}(a, n, m)$:

if $n = 0$, return

if n is even,

$a_k =$

return

if n is odd,

$a_k =$

return

Ex Calculate $10^{20} \bmod 7$.

Linear Congruences

Def A linear congruence is of the form

for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, and y a variable

If $ax \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$, we say

The inverse of a exists and is unique iff

The inverse can be found using

Ex Find all solutions, if any exist, to $31x \equiv 33 \pmod{225}$

① Check for solutions

② Find the inverse

$$225 = 7 \times 31 + 8$$

$$31 = 3 \times 8 + 7$$

$$8 = 1 \times 7 + 1$$

③ Use inverse to isolate x .

Chinese Remainder Theorem

Our goal is to solve systems of linear congruences.

Ex

$$\begin{aligned}x &\equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\x &\equiv 3 \pmod{5} \\x &\equiv 2 \pmod{7}\end{aligned}$$

Note The existence of a solution to a general system of linear congruences is not guaranteed

$$\begin{aligned}x &\equiv 1 \pmod{2} \\x &\equiv 0 \pmod{4}\end{aligned}$$

Def $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ are \quad or \quad if

Thm (Chinese Remainder Theorem)

Let $1 < m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ be pairwise coprime.

Let $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then the system

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1}$$

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{m_2}$$

\vdots

$$x \equiv a_n \pmod{m_n}$$

has a solution, and that solution is unique mod $m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot \dots \cdot m_n$.

pf (Existence)

(Uniqueness) In discussion

Using Chinese Remainder Theorem

Ex Consider $n = 3$

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1}$$

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{m_2}$$

$$x \equiv a_3 \pmod{m_3}$$

Ex Find the smallest positive integer solution to the system

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

① Compute the M_i

② Compute the y_i

③ Construct a solution x