

## Bezout's Theorem

Lemma:- If  $a, b$  and  $c$  are positive integers such that  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$  and  $a \mid bc$  then  $a \mid c$ .

proof:-

Assume  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$  and  $a \mid bc$

• Since  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , by Bezout's theorem there are integers  $s$  and  $t$  such that

$$\boxed{sa + tb = 1}$$

• Multiplying both sides of the equation by  $c$ ,

$$\text{yields } sac + tbc = c$$

• we know that,  $a \mid tbc$  and  $a$  divides

$$sac + tbc \text{ since } a \mid sac \text{ and } a \mid tbc.$$

• we conclude  $a \mid c$ , since  $sac + tbc = c$

$$3 = 23 - 7 \cdot 3$$

Find an inverse of 101 modulo 4620.

Solution:-

First have to use Euclidian algorithm to show that  $\gcd(101, 4620) = 1$

$$4620 = 45 \times 101 + 75$$

$$101 = 1 \times 75 + 26$$

$$75 = 2 \times 26 + 23$$

$$26 = 1 \times 23 + 3$$

$$23 = 7 \times 3 + 2$$

$$3 = 1 \times 2 + 1$$

$$2 = 2 \times 1$$

$$\gcd(101, 4620) = 1$$

Bezout co-efficients: ~~33~~

35 and 1601

Working Backwards

$$1 = 3 - 1 \cdot 2$$

$$1 = 3 - 1(23 - 7 \cdot 3)$$

$$= -1 \cdot 23 + 8 \cdot 3$$

$$= -1 \cdot 23 + 8(26 - 1 \cdot 23)$$

$$= 8 \cdot 26 - 9 \cdot 23$$

$$= 8 \cdot 26 - 9(75 - 2 \cdot 26)$$

$$= -9 \cdot 75 + 26 \cdot 26$$

$$= 26(101 - 1 \cdot 75) - 9 \cdot 75$$

$$= 26 \cdot 101 - 35 \cdot 75$$

$$\therefore 1 = 26 \cdot 101 - 35 \cdot (4620 - 45 \cdot 101)$$

$$= -35 \cdot 4620 + 1601 \cdot 101$$

1601 is an inverse of 101 modulo 4620.



## The Chinese Remainder Theorem

Theorem:- Let  $m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_n$  be pairwise relatively prime positive integers greater than one and  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  arbitrary integers. 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 unique solution modulo  $m = m_1 m_2 \dots m_n$

proof:-

To construct a solution first let

$M_k = m/m_k$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $m = m_1 m_2 \dots m_n$ .

Since  $\gcd(m_k, m_k) = 1$ , there

is an integer  $y_k$  an inverse of  $M_k$  modulo  $m_k$  such that

$$m_k y_k \equiv 1 \pmod{m_k}$$

Form the Sum

$$x = a_1 m_1 m_1^{-1} + a_2 m_2 m_2^{-1} + \dots + a_n m_n m_n^{-1}$$

note that because  $m_j \equiv 0 \pmod{m_k}$  whenever  $j \neq k$ , all terms except the  $k$ th term in this sum are congruent to 0 modulo  $m_k$ .

Because  $m_k m_k^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{m_k}$ , we see that

$$x \equiv a_k m_k m_k^{-1} \equiv a_k \pmod{m_k}, \text{ for } k=1, 2, \dots, n$$

Hence,  $x$  is a simultaneous solution to the  $n$  congruences

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

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

$\vdots$

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

## Fermat's Little Theorem

proof:-

If  $p$  is prime and  $a$  is an integer not divisible by  $p$ , then

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

Furthermore, for every integer  $a$  we have  $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$

Fermat's little theorem is useful in computing the remainders modulo  $p$  of large powers of integers.

Example:-

Find  $7^{222} \pmod{11}$

By Fermat's Little theorem, we know that  $7^{11-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$

and  $7^{10} \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$  and so,



$(7^{10})^k \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$ , for every positive integer  $k$ . therefore,

$$7^{222} = (7^{10})^{22} \cdot 7^2$$

$$\equiv (7^{10})^{22} \cdot 7^2 \equiv 1^{22} \cdot 7^2 \pmod{11}$$

~~Q.E.D.~~

$$\equiv (7^{10})^{22} \cdot 7^2 \equiv 1^{22} \cdot 49 \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$$

Hence,  $7^{222} \pmod{11} = 5$

Example:

Find  $7^{222} \pmod{11}$

By Fermat's little theorem we know that  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  for any integer  $a$  not divisible by  $p$ .  
 Here  $p=11$  and  $a=7$ .  
 So  $7^{10} \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$