

Math 542-Modern Algebra II

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Problem 1:

(Fri Jan 24) (a) Find an integer x such that $x \equiv 6 \pmod{10}$ and $x \equiv 15 \pmod{21}$ and $0 \leq x \leq 210$.
(b) Find the smallest positive integer y such that $y \equiv 6 \pmod{10}$ and $y \equiv 15 \pmod{21}$ and $y \equiv 8 \pmod{11}$.

Solution:

(a) We will use the proof of the Chinese Remainder Theorem to create a number that is the sum of two integers, x_1, x_2 , which satisfy: $x_1 \equiv 6 \pmod{10}$ and $x_2 \equiv 15 \pmod{21}$, as well as $x_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{10}$ and $x_2 \equiv 0 \pmod{21}$. This number is hence:

$$x = x_1 + x_2 = 6 \cdot 21 \cdot 1 + 15 \cdot 10 \cdot 19 = 2976 \equiv 36 \pmod{210}$$

This number, $x = 36$ satisfies our system of congruences.

(b) We will use the proof of the Chinese Remainder Theorem to create a number that is the sum of three integers, y_1, y_2, y_3 which satisfy: $y_1 \equiv 6 \pmod{10}$, $y_2 \equiv 15 \pmod{21}$ and $y_3 \equiv 8 \pmod{11}$, as well as $y_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{21}$ and $y_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{11}$, $y_2 \equiv 0 \pmod{10}$ and $y_2 \equiv 0 \pmod{11}$ and $y_3 \equiv 0 \pmod{10}$ and $y_3 \equiv 0 \pmod{21}$ respectively. This number is hence:

$$y = y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 6 \cdot 231 + 15 \cdot 110 \cdot 17 + 8 \cdot 210 = 31116 \equiv 1086 \pmod{2310}$$

This number, $y = 1086$, satisfies our system of congruences.

Problem 2:

(Fri Jan 24) (a) Find integers i, j such that there is no integer x with $x = i \pmod{6}$ and $x = j \pmod{15}$. (b) Find all pairs i, j with $i = 0, 1, \dots, 5$ and $j = 0, 1, \dots, 14$ such that there is an integer x with $x = i \pmod{6}$ and $x = j \pmod{15}$.

Solution:

First we will display the pairs i, j for which there is no x that satisfy the above system of congruences.

i	j	i	j	i	j
0	1	2	0	4	0
0	2	2	1	4	2
0	4	2	3	4	3
0	5	2	4	4	5
0	7	2	6	4	6
0	8	2	7	4	8
0	10	2	9	4	9
0	11	2	10	4	11
0	13	2	12	4	12
0	14	2	13	4	14
1	0	3	1	5	0
1	2	3	2	5	1
1	3	3	4	5	3
1	5	3	5	5	4
1	6	3	7	5	6
1	8	3	8	5	7
1	9	3	10	5	9
1	11	3	11	5	10
1	12	3	13	5	12
1	14	3	14	5	13

(b) Here we will display the pairs i, j which have a solution x , as well as the solution x itself:

i	j	x
0	0	0
0	3	18
0	6	6
0	9	24
0	12	12
1	1	1
1	4	19
1	7	7
1	10	25
1	13	13
2	2	2
2	5	20
2	8	8
2	11	26
2	14	14

i	j	x
3	0	15
3	3	3
3	6	21
3	9	9
3	12	27
4	1	16
4	4	4
4	7	22
4	10	10
4	13	28
5	2	17
5	5	5
5	8	23
5	11	11
5	14	29