

## Week 4 Part B highlights

- Modular arithmetic and applications
- Proof by contradiction
- Strong induction
- Use insights from proofs to develop new algorithms
- Distinguish between and use as appropriate each of structural induction, mathematical induction, and strong induction

## Tuesday

**Modular Arithmetic, zybook 7.1:** It's the arithmetic used on the clock.

"How many minutes past the hour are we at?"

*Model with  $x \bmod 60$*

Time:	12:00pm	12:15pm	12:30pm	12:45pm	1:00pm	1:15pm	1:30pm	1:45pm
Minutes past noon:	0	15	30	45	60	75	90	105
Minutes past the hour:	0	15	30	45	0	15	30	45

**More generally**, given an integer  $m > 1$ , we can define a **ring** to be the set  $\mathbb{Z}_m = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1\}$ . The operation **mod m** can then be seen as a function  $f_m : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_m$  that takes an integer  $x$  as input and outputs  $x \bmod m$ .

We can define arithmetic operations (like addition, subtraction, multiplication, etc) on the elements in this set  $\mathbb{Z}_m$  in the usual way, except that the mod  $m$  function is applied afterwards to ensure that the result will again be in  $\mathbb{Z}_m$ .

**Why is modular arithmetic useful?**

**Observation:** For any integers  $a, j$  and positive integer  $m$ ,  $(a + j \cdot m) \bmod m = a \bmod m$

**Definition:** Let  $m$  be an integer greater than 1. Let  $a$  and  $b$  be any two integers. Then  $a$  is congruent to  $b \pmod{m}$ , denoted as  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  if and only if \_\_\_\_\_.

**Practice using the notation for congruence**

(i) Write examples of numbers that are congruent to each other  $\pmod{60}$ :

(ii) Restate the observation  $(a + j \cdot m) \pmod{m} = a \pmod{m}$ :

(iii) Compute without a calculator:

$$(365 + 657) \pmod{60} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$(365 \cdot 657) \pmod{60} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

**Theorem 1:** For  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$  and positive integer  $m$

- (i)  $a \equiv a \pmod{m}$
- (ii)  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  iff  $b \equiv a \pmod{m}$
- (iii) if  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $b \equiv c \pmod{m}$ , then  $a \equiv c \pmod{m}$

**Informally:** congruence is like equality.

**Theorem 2:** For  $a, b, a', b' \in \mathbb{Z}$  and positive integer  $m$ , if  $a \equiv a' \pmod{m}$  and  $b \equiv b' \pmod{m}$ , then:

- (i)  $(a + b) \equiv (a' + b') \pmod{m}$
- (ii)  $(a - b) \equiv (a' - b') \pmod{m}$
- (iii)  $(a \cdot b) \equiv (a' \cdot b') \pmod{m}$

**Informally:** can bring mod “inside” and do it first, for addition and for multiplication.

## Some very neat applications of the congruence theorems<sup>1</sup>

What is  $8^{1759} \bmod 7$ ?

Is the 8000th Fibonacci number divisible by 3?

Prove some of the tricks you learned in high school to check divisibility by 3 and 11

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<sup>1</sup>credits: Prof. Daniel Lokshtanov's Winter 22 offering of CS40.

**Proof of some of the congruence theorems**

**Finding multiplicative inverse of a number mod m** : A key step in RSA crypto algorithm

**Definition (zybook 6.5.1):** A multiplicative inverse mod  $m$  (or just inverse mod  $m$ ) of an integer  $x$ , is an integer  $s \in \{1, 2, \dots, m-1\}$  such that  $sx \bmod m = 1$ .

**The multiplicative inverse of  $x \pmod{m}$  only exists when:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Theorem (zybook 6.5.2):** Let  $x$  and  $y$  be integers, then there are integers  $s$  and  $t$  such that  $\gcd(x, y) = sx + ty$

Constructive proof based on Euclid's algorithm, known as extended Euclid's algorithm

**Find the inverse of 3 mod 7**

**Prove** or **disprove** the following claims:

Claim: There is a greatest integer.	Claim: There is a least integer.
Claim: There is a greatest prime number.	Claim: There is a least prime number.

**New! Proof by Contradiction** (Rosen 1.7 p86, zybook 7.2)

To prove that a statement  $p$  is true, pick another statement  $r$  and once we show that  $\neg p \rightarrow (r \wedge \neg r)$  then we can conclude that  $p$  is true.

*Extra examples:* Prove or disprove that  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$  each have a least and a greatest element.

The **set of rational numbers**,  $\mathbb{Q}$  is defined as

$$\left\{ \frac{p}{q} \mid p \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \neq 0 \right\} \quad \text{or, equivalently,} \quad \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \exists p \in \mathbb{Z} \exists q \in \mathbb{Z}^+ (p = x \cdot q)\}$$

*Extra practice:* Use the definition of set equality to prove that the definitions above give the same set.

**Goal:** The square root of 2 is not a rational number. In other words:  $\neg \exists x \in \mathbb{Q} (x^2 - 2 = 0)$

**Attempted proof:** The definition of the set of rational numbers is the collection of fractions  $p/q$  where  $p$  is an integer and  $q$  is a nonzero integer. Looking for a **witness**  $p$  and  $q$ , we can write the square root of 2 as the fraction  $\sqrt{2}/1$ , where 1 is a nonzero integer. Since the numerator is not in the domain, this witness is not allowed, and we have shown that the square root of 2 is not a fraction of integers (with nonzero denominator). Thus, the square root of 2 is not rational.

*The problem in the above attempted proof is that* \_\_\_\_\_

**Proof:**

**Lemma 1:** For every two integers  $p$  and  $q$ , not both zero,  $\gcd\left(\frac{p}{\gcd(p,q)}, \frac{q}{\gcd(p,q)}\right) = 1$ .

**Lemma 2:** For every two integers  $a$  and  $b$ , not both zero, with  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , it is not the case that both  $a$  is even and  $b$  is even.

**Lemma 3:** For every integer  $x$ ,  $x$  is even if and only if  $x^2$  is even.

**Greatest common divisor** (Rosen 4.3 p265) Let  $a$  and  $b$  be integers, not both zero. The largest integer  $d$  such that  $d$  is a factor of  $a$  and  $d$  is a factor of  $b$  is called the greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$  and is denoted by  $\gcd(a, b)$ .

**Definition** (Rosen p257): An integer  $p$  greater than 1 is called **prime** if the only positive factors of  $p$  are 1 and  $p$ . A positive integer that is greater than 1 and is not prime is called composite.

**Theorem** (Rosen p336): Every positive integer *greater than 1* is a product of (one or more) primes.

**Proof by strong induction**, with  $b = 2$  and  $j = 0$ .

**Basis step:** WTS property is true about 2.

**Inductive step:** Consider an arbitrary integer  $n \geq 2$ . Assume (as the IH) that the property is true about each of  $2, \dots, n$ . WTS that the property is true about  $n + 1$ .

**Case 1:**

**Case 2:**

**New! Proof by Strong Induction** (Rosen 5.2 p337, zybook 7.1)

To prove that a universal quantification over the set of all integers greater than or equal to some base integer  $b$  holds, pick a fixed nonnegative integer  $j$  and then:

**Basis Step:** Show the statement holds for  $b, b + 1, \dots, b + j$ .

**Recursive Step:** Consider an arbitrary integer  $n$  greater than or equal to  $b + j$ , assume (as the **strong induction hypothesis**) that the property holds for **each of**  $b, b + 1, \dots, n$ , and use this and other facts to prove that the property holds for  $n + 1$ .



For which non-negative integers  $n$  can we make change for  $n$  with coins of value 5 cents and 3 cents?

Restating: We can make change for \_\_\_\_\_, we cannot make change for \_\_\_\_\_, and

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**Proof of ★ by mathematical induction** ( $b = 8$ )

**Basis step:** WTS property is true about 8

**Inductive step:** Consider an arbitrary  $n \geq 8$ . Assume (as the IH) that there are nonnegative integers  $x, y$  such that  $n = 5x + 3y$ . WTS that there are nonnegative integers  $x', y'$  such that  $n + 1 = 5x' + 3y'$ . We consider two cases, depending on whether any 5 cent coins are used for  $n$ .

*Case 1:* Assume \_\_\_\_\_.

Define  $x' =$

and  $y' =$

(both in  $\mathbb{N}$  by case assumption).

Calculating:

$$\begin{aligned} 5x' + 3y' &\stackrel{\text{by def}}{=} \\ &\stackrel{\text{rearranging}}{=} \\ &\stackrel{\text{IH}}{=} \end{aligned}$$

*Case 2:* Assume \_\_\_\_\_.

Therefore  $n = 3y$  and  $n \geq 8$ , by case assumption.

Therefore,  $y \geq 3$  Define  $x' = 2$  and  $y' = y - 3$  (both in  $\mathbb{N}$  by case assumption). Calculating:

$$\begin{aligned} 5x' + 3y' &\stackrel{\text{by def}}{=} 5(2) + 3(y - 3) = 10 + 3y - 9 \\ &\stackrel{\text{rearranging}}{=} 3y + 10 - 9 \\ &\stackrel{\text{IH and case}}{=} n + 10 - 9 = n + 1 \end{aligned}$$

**Proof of ★ by strong induction** ( $b = 8$  and  $j = 2$ )

**Basis step:** WTS property is true about 8, 9, 10

**Inductive step:** Consider an arbitrary  $n \geq 10$ . Assume (as the IH) that the property is true about each of 8, 9, 10,  $\dots$ ,  $n$ . WTS that there are nonnegative integers  $x', y'$  such that  $n + 1 = 5x' + 3y'$ .

## Algorithms for making change

### Change making (greedy) algorithm in pseudocode

```
1 procedure change( $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r$ : values of denominations of coins, where  $c_1 > c_2 > \dots > c_r$ ;  $n$ : a positive integer)
2
3 for  $i := 1$  to  $r$ 
4    $d_i := 0$  { $d_i$  counts the number of coin of denomination  $c_i$  used}
5   while  $n \geq c_i$ 
6      $d_i := d_i + 1$  {Add a coin of denomination  $c_i$ }
7      $n := n - c_i$ 
8
9 return  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_r$  { $d_i$  the number of coins of denomination  $c_i$  in the change for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$ }
```

The greedy approach doesn't work with 5¢ and 3¢ coins even for large values of  $n$ . However, we can write two new algorithms inspired by the proofs that we completed using mathematical induction and strong induction.

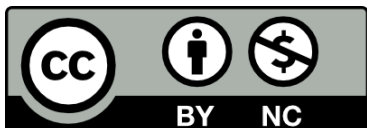
## Recursive algorithms for making change

### One recursive algo for making change using 5¢ and 3¢ coins

```
1 procedure change1( $n$ : a positive integer)
2 if  $n = 8$ 
3    $(d_1, d_2) := (1, 1)$ 
4    $(x, y) := \text{change1}(n-1)$ 
5 if  $x \geq 1$ 
6    $(d_1, d_2) := (x-1, y+2)$ 
7 else
8    $(d_1, d_2) := (2, y-3)$ 
9
10 return  $(d_1, d_2)$  { $d_1, d_2$  are the number of 5¢ and 3¢ coins respectively }
```

### Another recursive algo for making change using 5¢ and 3¢ coins

```
1 procedure change2( $n$ : a positive integer)
2 if  $n = 8$ 
3    $(d_1, d_2) := (1, 1)$ 
4 if  $n = 9$ 
5    $(d_1, d_2) := (0, 3)$ 
6 if  $n = 10$ 
7    $(d_1, d_2) := (2, 0)$ 
8
9    $(x, y) := \text{change1}(n-3)$ 
10   $(d_1, d_2) := (x, y+1)$ 
11
12 return  $(d_1, d_2)$  { $d_1, d_2$  are the number of 5¢ and 3¢ coins respectively }
```



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