

**Modular Multiplicative  
inverse**

**Arabic Animated  
intuition**



# Modular Multiplicative Inverse

$$A * B = 1$$

find B such that it satisfies the equation

$$B = 1/A$$

$$\text{or } A^{-1}$$

$$1/A = A^{-1}$$

$$1/A^2 = A^{-2}$$

$$1/A^3 = A^{-3}$$

please don't forget the above rules

## Modular Multiplicative Inverse

What's modular multiplicative inverse ?

find B such it that satisfies the following equation:

$$(A*B)\%M=1$$

Here B is the modular multiplicative inverse of A under modulo M.

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if it satisfies the following equation:

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$$A \equiv B \pmod{C}$$

$$(A*B)\%M=[(A\%M)*(B\%M)]\%M$$

**and B%M in range 0 to m-1**

**Congruence modulo  
meaning  $A\%C=B\%C$**

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**Existence of modular multiplicative inverse :**

**An inverse exists only when A and M are coprime .**

$$\text{gcd}(A,M)=1$$

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$$Ax+My=1 \quad \text{let's take \%M}$$

$$(Ax+My)\%M=1\%M$$

$$((Ax)\%M+(My))\%M=1\%M$$

$$(Ax)\%M=1\%M$$

**we want to prove that  
A and M coprime  $\text{gcd}(A,M)=1$   
then an inverse exists**

$$ax \equiv 1 \pmod{m}.$$



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**approach 1 brute force**

```
int modInverse(int A,int M)
{
    A=A%M;
    for(int B=1;B<M;B++)
        if((A*B)%M==1)
            return B;
}
```

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find B

Approach 2

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```
int d,x,y;
int modInverse(int A, int M)
{
    extendedEuclid(A,M);
    return (x%M+M)%M;    //x may be negative
}
```



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**Approach 3 (used only when M is prime)**

$$B=A^{-1}$$

This approach uses Fermat's Little Theorem.

The theorem specifies the following:

if p is prime

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

$$A^{M-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{M}$$

$$A^{-1} \equiv A^{M-2} \pmod{M}$$

```
int modInverse(int A,int M)
{
    return modularExponentiation(A,M-2,M);
}
```