

Assignment 2

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Problem (Question 1). Solve the following system of congruences:

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

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

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

Solution.

$$N = 3 \times 5 \times 7 = 105$$

$$N_1 = 5 \times 7, N_2 = 3 \times 7, N_3 = 3 \times 5$$

$$35x \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \Rightarrow x \equiv 2$$

$$21x \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \Rightarrow x \equiv 1$$

$$15x \equiv 1 \pmod{7} \Rightarrow x \equiv 1$$

$$X = 2 * 35 * 2 + 1 * 21 * 3 + 2 * 15 * 1 = 233$$

$$X \equiv 23 \pmod{105}$$

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Problem (Question 2). Solve the following system of congruences:

$$x \equiv 11 \pmod{36}$$

$$x \equiv 7 \pmod{40}$$

$$x \equiv 32 \pmod{75}$$

Solution.

$$36 = 2^2 * 3^2 = 4 * 9$$

$$40 = 5 * 2^3 = 5 * 8$$

$$75 = 3 * 5^2 = 3 * 25$$

$$x \equiv 11 \pmod{4} \Rightarrow x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

$$x \equiv 11 \pmod{9} \Rightarrow x \equiv 2 \pmod{9}$$

$$x \equiv 7 \pmod{5} \Rightarrow x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

$$x \equiv 7 \pmod{8} \Rightarrow x \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$$

$$x \equiv 32 \pmod{25} \Rightarrow x \equiv 7 \pmod{25}$$

$$x \equiv 32 \pmod{3} \Rightarrow x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

Solving these 6 equations is equivalent to solving equation number 2, 4 and 5:

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{9}$$

$$x \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$$

$$x \equiv 7 \pmod{25}$$

Solving these we get $X \equiv 407 \pmod{1800}$

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Problem (Question 3). Solve the following system of congruences:

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 &\equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ x &\equiv 2 \pmod{4}\end{aligned}$$

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 &\equiv 1 \pmod{3} \Rightarrow x \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \text{ or } x \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ \text{Case - 1 : } x &\equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ x &\equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ \text{Solve : } 4 \times x &\equiv 1 \pmod{3} \Rightarrow x = 1 \\ 3 \times x &\equiv 1 \pmod{4} \Rightarrow x = 3 \\ X &= 1 * 4 * 1 + 2 * 3 * 3 = 22 \\ X &\equiv 10 \pmod{12} \\ \text{Case - 2 : } x &\equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ x &\equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ \text{Solve : } 4 \times x &\equiv 1 \pmod{3} \Rightarrow x = 1 \\ 3 \times x &\equiv 1 \pmod{4} \Rightarrow x = 3 \\ X &= 2 * 4 * 1 + 2 * 3 * 3 = 26 \\ X &\equiv 2 \pmod{12}\end{aligned}$$

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Problem (Question 4). For a positive integer p , define the positive integer n to be p -safe if n differs in absolute value by more than 2 from all multiples of p . For example, the set of 10-safe numbers is 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 23, Find the number of positive integers less than or equal to 10,000 which are simultaneously 7-safe, 11-safe, and 13-safe.

Solution. Consider the set of equations:

$$x \equiv a \pmod{7} \text{ where } a = 3, 4$$

$$x \equiv b \pmod{11} \text{ where } b = 3, 4, \dots, 7, 8$$

$$x \equiv c \pmod{13} \text{ where } c = 3, 4, \dots, 9, 10$$

So, the number of possible cases = $2 * 6 * 8 = 96$ and for each case we will get a unique solution ($\pmod{1001}$)
So, total number of integers between 1 and 10010 which are simultaneously 7-safe, 11-safe, and 13-safe are $96 \times 10 = 960$.

Now, remove the integers greater than 10000 which fulfil the conditions (i.e. 10006, 10007).

So, the answer is 958.

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Problem (Question 5). There are N permutations $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{30})$ of 1, 2, . . . , 30 such that for $m \in \{2, 3, 5\}$, m divides $a_{n+m} - a_n$ for all integers n with $1 \leq n < n + m \leq 30$. Find the remainder when N is divided by 1000.

Solution. Each position n from 1 to 30 can be represented by triplet (i, j, k) , where $i = n \pmod{2}$, $j = n \pmod{3}$, $k = n \pmod{5}$

As L.C.M. of 2, 3 and 5 is 30, each n will have a unique index and all the possible indexes will be used
Now, 1 is at position $n = (i_1, j_1, k_1)$, the number of possible positions being $2 \times 3 \times 5 = 30$. Now, 2 cannot be at a place with $i = i_1$. Also, $j \neq j_1$ and $k \neq k_1$. So, number of possible places for 2 = $(2-1) \times (3-1) \times (5-1) = 8$
Similarly, for 3 we have, $i=1$, $j \neq j_1, j_2$ and $k \neq k_1, k_2$. So, number of possible places for 3 are $(1) \times (3-2) \times (5-2) = 3$.

Likewise, number of possible places for 4 = 2, for 5 = 1. This fixes the position of integers from 6 to 30.

So, the number of possible permutations = $30 \times 8 \times 3 \times 2 = 1440$.

$$1440 \pmod{1000} = 440.$$

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Problem (Question 6). Implement Chinese Remainder Theorem in code: You are given n numbers which are pairwise co-prime and corresponding remainders when these numbers are divided by some number x . You need to find minimum possible value of x that produces given remainders.

Solution. #Code in Python

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k=int(input("Enter the number of eqns:"))
b=[]
n=[]
m=[]
for i in range(k):
    b1,n1=input().split()
    b.append(int(b1))
    n.append(int(n1))
N=1
for i in range(k):
    N = N*n[i]
for i in range(k):
    N1 = N/n[i]
    for j in range(1,n[i]):
        if (j*N1) % n[i]==1:
            m.append(j)
            break
ans=0
for i in range(k):
    ans=ans + N/n[i]*b[i]*m[i]
ans=ans % N
print(ans)
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