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### Module #11: **Applications of Number Theory**

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- RSA Cryptography

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#### Last lecture's review

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- The greatest common divisor gcd(a,b)
- Euclidean algorithm to find gcd(a,b)
- Encryption example:  $f(a) = (3a + 9) \mod 26$ 
  - 1. STOP THIEF
  - 2. 19,20,15,16 20,8, 9, 5, 6
  - 3. 14,17, 2, 5 17,7,10,24,1
  - 4. NQBE QGJXA

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For the encryption function

$$f(a) = (3a + 9) \bmod 26$$

We claimed that an inverse function is given by:

$$f^{1}(a) = (9a - 3) \mod 26$$

Check this:  $f^{1}(f(a)) \equiv f^{1}(3a+9) \pmod{26}$ 

$$\equiv 9(3a+9)-3 \pmod{26} \equiv 27a+81-3 \pmod{26}$$

$$\equiv 27a + 78 \pmod{26} \equiv a \pmod{26}.$$

So, for a in the range [0,25] we have  $f^1(f(a)) = a$  and  $f^1$  and f are inverses of each other.

How one can invert f methodically?

Do a simpler example:  $f(a) = 3a \mod 26$ 

Look for constant x and an inverse of the form:

$$f^1(a) = xa$$

Then condition  $f^1(f(a)) \equiv a \pmod{26}$  gives:

$$f^{1}(f(a)) \equiv x \cdot 3a \pmod{26} \equiv a \pmod{26}$$

The *x* satisfying this equality is:

$$3x \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$$

I.e. we wish to find an *inverse* of 3 modulo 26.

Definition: The *inverse* of *e* modulo *N* is the number *s* between 1 and *N*-1 such that

$$se \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$$

if such a number exists.

Q: What is the inverse of 3 modulo 26?

A: 9. Because  $9.3 = 27 \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$ .

Q: What is the inverse of 4 modulo 8?

A: There is not any.

THM1: *e* has an inverse modulo *N* if *e* and *N* are relatively prime. I.e. gcd(*e*,*N*) =1. This will follow from the following useful fact. THM2: If *a* and *b* are positive integers, the gcd of *a* and *b* can be expressed as an integer combination of *a* and *b*. I.e., there are integers *s*,*t* for which

$$\gcd(a,b) = sa + tb$$

### Modular Inverses Example

$$5.14 - 3.23 = 1$$
 implies:  $\gcd(a,b) = sa + tb$ 

- gcd(14,23) = 1 = 5.14 3.23
  - Any number dividing both 14 and 23 must divide 1
- The inverse of 14 modulo 23 is 5
  - -5.14 = 1 + 3.23
  - $-5.14 \equiv 1 \pmod{23}$
- "An" inverse of 23 modulo 14 is -3
  - -3.23 = 1.5.14
  - $-3.23 \equiv 1 \pmod{14}$
  - $-11.23 \equiv 1 \pmod{14}$
  - "The" inverse is 11

#### **Proof of THM1 using THM2:**

If e,N are relatively prime, using THM2, we write 1 = se + tN.

Rewrite this as se = 1 - tN.

In mod N, equivalent to  $se \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ .

Thus, s seems to be an inverse of e.

#### Extended Euclidean Algorithm

Extended Euclidean Algorithm is a constructive version of THM2, it gives explicit inverses together with s and t.

The extended Euclidean algorithm works same as the regular Euclidean algorithm except that we keep track of the **quotient** (q = x/y).

This allows us to backtrack and write the gcd(a,b) as a linear combination of a and b.

gcd(33,77)					
Step	x = qy + r	X	-y	gcd = sx+ty	
0	_	33	77		

gcd(3	(3,77)			
Step	x = qy + r	X	-y	gcd = sx+ty
0	_	33	77	
1	33=0.77+33	77	33	

Step	x = qy + r	X	у	gcd = sx+ty
0	_	33	77	
1	33=0.77+33	77	33	
2	77=2:33+11	33	11	

Step	x = qy + r	X	<b>-y</b>	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	33	77	
1	33=0.77+33	77	33	
2	77=2:33+11	33	11	
3	33=3:11+0	11	0	

Step	x = qy + r	X	У	gcd = sx+ty
0	_	33	77	
1	33=0.77+33	77	33	
2	77=2:33+11	33	11	
3	33=3:11+0	11	0	Solve for r. Plug it in.

Step	x = qy + r	X	У	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	33	77	$\gcd \neq 1 \rightarrow (33,77)$ are
1	33=0.77+33	77	33	not relatively prime
2	77=2:33+11	33	11-	-11 = 77 - 2.33
3	33=3:11+0	11	0	Solve for r. Plug it in.

Step	x = qy + r	X	<b>-</b> y	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	244	117	

Step	x = qy + r	X	У	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	244	117	
1	244=2:117+10	117	10	

Step	x = qy + r	X	У	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	244	117	
1	244=2:117+10	117	10	
2	117=11·10+7	10	7	

Step	x = qy + r	X	y	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	244	117	
1	244=2:117+10	117	10	
2	117=11:10+7	10	7	
3	10=7+3	7	3	

Step	x = qy + r	X❖	<i>y</i>	gcd = sx + ty		
0	_	244	117			
1	244=2:117+10	117	10			
2	117=11:10+7	10	7			
3	10=7+3	7	3			
4	7=2:3+1	3	1			

Step	x = qy + r	X	У	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	244	117	
1	244=2:117+10	117	10	
2	117=11:10+7	10	7	
3	10=7+3	7	3	
4	7=2:3+1	3	1	
5	3=3·1+0	1	0	

Step	x = qy + r	X	У	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	244	117	
1	244=2:117+10	117	10	
2	117=11:10+7	10	7	
3	10=7+3	7	3	
4	7=2:3+1	3	1	1=7-2:3
5	3=3:1+0	1	0	Solve for r. Plug it in.

Step	x = qy + r	X	У	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	244	117	
1	244=2:117+10	117	10	
2	117=11:10+7	10	7	
3	10=7+3	7	3_	1=7-2·(10-7) = -2·10+3·7
4	7=2:3+1	3	1_	1=7-2:3
5	3=3·1+0	1	0	Solve for r. Plug it in.

Step	x = qy + r	X	У	gcd = sx+ty
0	_	244	117	
1	244=2:117+10	117	10	
2	117=11·10+7	10	7_	1=-2·10+3·(117-11·10) = 3·117-35·10
3	10=7+3	7	3_	1=7-2:(10-7) = -2:10+3:7
4	7=2:3+1	3	1_	1=7-2·3
5	3=3·1+0	1	0	Solve for <i>r</i> . Plug it in.

### Extended Euclidean Algorithm

#### Examples

gcd(244,117):

inverse of 244 mod 117 inverse of 117 mod 244

8 4 4				
Step	x = qy + r	X	У	gcd = sx + ty
0	_	244	117	
1	244=2:117+10	117	10 -	1=3·117-35·(244-2·117) = <b>-35</b> ·244+ <b>73</b> ·117
2	117=11·10+7	10	7_	1=-2·10+3·(117-11·10) = 3·117-35·10
3	10=7+3	7	3 _	1=7-2:(10-7) = -2·10+3·7
4	7=2:3+1	3	1_	→ 1=7-2·3
5	3=3·1+0	1	0	Solve for <i>r</i> . Plug it in.

#### Extended Euclidean Algorithm

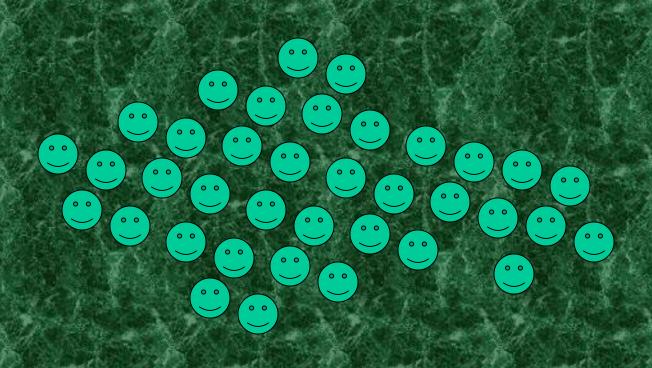
Summary: EEA works by keeping track of how remainder *r* results from dividing *x* by *y*. Last equation (at the bottom) gives *gcd* in terms of last *x* and *y*.

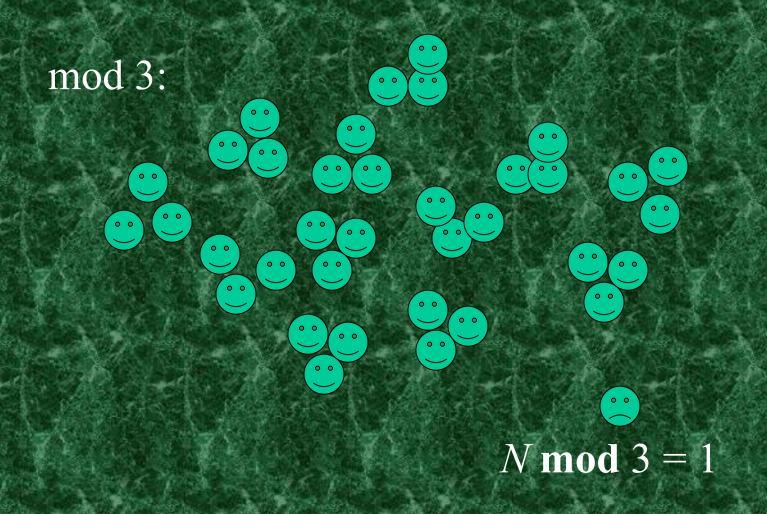
In reverse direction, by repeatedly inserting r into the last equation, one can get the gcd in terms of bigger and bigger values of x,y until the very top is reached, which gives the gcd in terms of the inputs a,b.

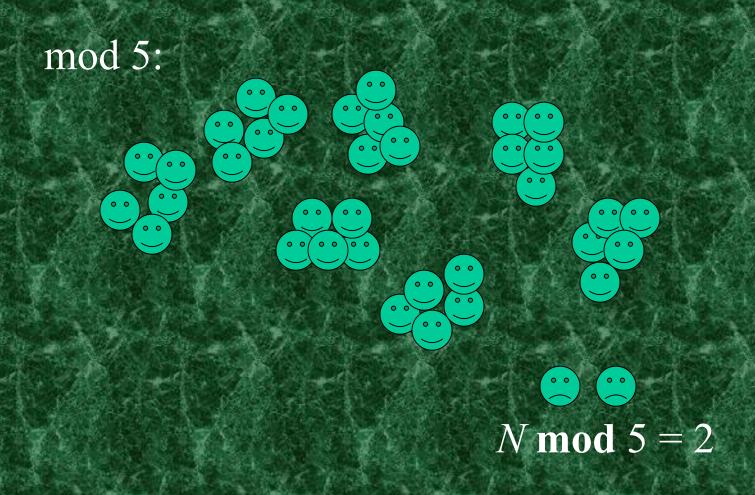
An ancient tale: Chinese Emperor used to count his army by giving a series of tasks.

- 1. All troops should form groups of 3. Report back the number of soldiers that were not able to do this.
- 2. Now form groups of 5. Report back.
- 3. Now form groups of 7. Report back.

At the end, the emperor can ingeniously figure out how many troops there are.

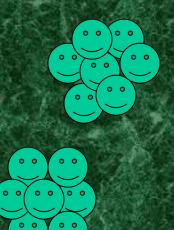






mod 7:











 $N \mod 7 = 2$ 

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Secret inversion formula (for N < 105 = 3.5.7):
                        N \equiv a \pmod{3}
                        N \equiv b \pmod{5}
                        N \equiv c \pmod{7}
Implies that N = (70a + 21b + 15c) \text{ mod } 105.
So in our case a = 1, b = 2, c = 2 gives:
N = (70 \cdot 1 + 21 \cdot 2 + 15 \cdot 2) \text{ mod } 105
  = (70 + 42 + 30) \text{ mod } 105
  = 142 \text{ mod } 105
   = 37
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## Chinese Remainder Theorem Example

- 1. Find three numbers l, m, n with following properties
  - $-l \equiv 1 \pmod{3}, l \equiv 0 \pmod{5}, l \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$
  - $-m\equiv 0 \pmod{3}, m\equiv 1 \pmod{5}, m\equiv 0 \pmod{7}$
  - $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}, n \equiv 0 \pmod{5}, n \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$
- 2. Then N = al + bm + cn [secret formula] satisfies
  - $N \equiv al + bm + cn \pmod{3}$  $\equiv a \cdot 1 + 0 + 0 \pmod{3} \equiv a \pmod{3}$
  - Similarly,  $N \equiv b \pmod{5}$
  - Similarly,  $N \equiv c \pmod{7}$

# Chinese Remainder Theorem Example

Find three numbers l, m, n. E.g., to find l:

- a) Multiply all modulii that are different from 3. Result:  $5 \cdot 7 = 35$
- b) Find an inverse of this number mod 3:  $2.35 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ . Thus, 2 is an inverse of 35.
- c) l is the product of (a) and (b): l = 70

*l* is 0 mod 5 and 7 since it's divisible by 5.7.

But (c) guarantees that it is 1 modulo 3!

Similarly, m = 21 (inverse of 21 modulo 5 is 1).

Similarly, n = 15 (inverse of 15 modulo 7 is 1).

## Chinese Remainder Theorem Example

So our solution to all three congruences is:

- Remember, in our case a = 1, b = 2, c = 2
- If the solution is not between 0 and 104, just compute *N* **mod** 105.

Most internet shopping sites offer a "secure connection" option that allows shoppers to disclose personal information such as credit card, address, etc. without fear that a snoop on the communication.

There are several encryption methods. Perhaps the simplest "unbreakable" system is the RSA (Rivest, Shamir, Adleman).

The server site provides a large number N (e.g. a 400 digit number) and an *encryption* exponent e.

(N,e) is the *public key*.



Mr. Smiley's browser then converts his message into numbers. The letters are put together into number blocks with each block less than *N*.

Mr. Smiley's browser exponentiates each number block by the exponent *e* modulo *N* and broadcasts these garbled blocks back to the server site.



$$N = 4559$$
,  $e = 13$ .

Mr. Smiley Transmits: "Last name Smiley"

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- ◆ 1201<sup>13</sup> mod 4559, 1920<sup>13</sup> mod 4559, ...
- ◆ 2853 0116 1478 2150 3906 4256 1445 2462

The server site receives the encrypted blocks:

 $n = m^e \mod N$ .

It has a *private key*, decryption exponent *d*, which when applied to *n* recovers the original blocks

 $m: (m e \mod N)^d \mod N = m$ 

E.g. For N = 4559 and e = 13, the decryptor d = 3397.

$$N = 4559, d = 3397$$

- ◆ 2853 0116 1478 2150 3906 4256 1445 2462
- $\bullet$  2853<sup>3397</sup> mod 4559, 0116<sup>3397</sup> mod 4559, ...



Public key is known by everyone, but private key, d, is kept secret. Why is this secure?

N is the product of two large prime numbers p,q. Each of them has approximately 200 digits.

e is relatively prime with  $(p-1)\cdot(q-1)$ .

d is inverse to e modulo  $(p-1)\cdot(q-1)$ .

To get d, someone (an intruder) should find p and q. However factorization of a 400 digit number N takes huge amount of time (billions of years in 2005).