

# The Chinese Remainder Theorem

The Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT) is used to solve a set of different congruent equations with one variable but different moduli which are relatively prime as shown below:

$$X \equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1}$$

$$X \equiv a_2 \pmod{m_2}$$

...

$$X \equiv a_n \pmod{m_n}$$

CRT states that the above equations have a unique solution if the moduli are relatively prime.

$$X = (a_1 M_1 M_1^{-1} + a_2 M_2 M_2^{-1} + \dots + a_n M_n M_n^{-1}) \pmod{M}$$



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$a_2 = 3$	$m_2 = 5$	$M_2$	$M_2^{-1}$	$M$
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$$M = m_1 \times m_2 \times m_3$$

$$M = 3 \times 5 \times 7$$

$$M = 105$$

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$$M_1 = \frac{105}{3}$$

$$M_1 = 35$$

$$M_2 = \frac{M}{m_2}$$

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$$M_1 \times M_1^{-1} = 1 \pmod{m_1}$$

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$$35 \times 2 = 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$M_1^{-1} = 2$$

$$M_2 \times M_2^{-1} = 1 \pmod{m_2}$$

$$21 \times M_2^{-1} = 1 \pmod{5}$$

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