

Chapter 1: The Basics

Definition (1.1 Divisibility). If $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$ and there exists a $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $b = ac$, then **a divides b** and we write $a|b$.

Definition (1.2 Prime/Composite). Let $p \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $p \geq 2$ whose only positive divisors are 1 and itself, then p is a **prime**. If $p > 1$ and p is not prime, then p is **composite**.

Definition (1.10 Positional Notation). For any $a \in \mathbb{N}$ and any integer $b > 1$, we can write a as $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{c}_n \mathbf{b}^n + \mathbf{c}_{n-1} \mathbf{b}^{n-1} + \cdots + \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}_0$, where $n \geq 0$ and $0 \leq c_i < b$ for all $0 \leq i \leq n$. This is denoted $\mathbf{a}_{10} = (\mathbf{c}_n \mathbf{c}_{n-1} \cdots \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{c}_0)_b$ and is the **positional notation of a in base b**.

Theorem (1.9 Division Algorithm). For any $b \in \mathbb{N}$ and any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\exists! q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}q + \mathbf{r}$, where $0 \leq r < b$. (e.g. $2021 = 21 \cdot 96 + 5$)

Chapter 2: Divisibility

Definition (2.1 GCD). If d is the largest common divisor of a and b , where a, b are not both equal to 0, then d is the **greatest common divisor** of a and b , denoted $\mathbf{d} = (a, b)$.

Definition (2.1 LCM). If m is the smallest common multiple of a and b , where a, b are not equal to 0, then m is the **least common multiple** of a and b , denoted $\mathbf{m} = [a, b]$.

Definition (Pythagorean Triples). If the lengths of a Pythagorean triangle are all integers, we say (a, b, c) is a **Pythagorean Triple**. If $\gcd(a, b, c) = 1$, then (a, b, c) is a **Primitive Pythagorean Triple**.

Definition (Greatest Integer Function). If $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then $[\alpha]$ (or $\lfloor \alpha \rfloor$) is the **greatest integer** that is $\leq \alpha$.

Definition (2.5 Exact Order of Division). Let $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ where $m \geq 2$ and $n \geq 1$. \mathbf{m}^f **exactly divides n** if $m^f | n$ and $m^{f+1} \nmid n$. f is the **exact order of division** of n by m , denoted $\mathbf{m}^f || n$.

Theorem (2.1). If $a \neq 0$, then $a|0$ and $a|a$.

$1|b \forall b$.

If $a|b$, then $a|bc$.

If $a|b$ and $b|c$, then $a|c$.

Theorem (2.2). If $a|b$ and $b \neq 0$, then $|a| \leq |b|$.

Corollary (2.3). If $a|b$ and $b|a \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $a = b$.

Theorem (2.4). If $a, b \neq 0$ and $d = (a, b)$, then d is the least element in the set of all positive integers of the form $ax + by$.

Theorem (2.5). $d = (a, b)$ if and only if $d > 0$, $d|a$, $d|b$, and for any f such that $f|a$ and $f|b$, we have $f|d$.

Theorem (2.8). If $a|bc$ and $(a, b) = 1$, then $a|c$.

Theorem (2.9). If p is prime and $p|bc$, then $p|b$ or $p|c$.

Theorem (2.12). If $(a, b_i) = 1$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$, then $(a, b_1 b_2 \cdots b_n) = 1$.

Theorem (2.13). If $a|c$, $b|c$ and $(a, b) = 1$, then $ab|c$.

Theorem (2.18). For $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, $[a, b] = m$ if and only if $m > 0$, $a|m$, $b|m$, and $m|n$ for any n such that $a|n$ and $b|n$.

Theorem (2.19). For $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, $(a, b)[a, b] = ab$.

Theorem (2.22 FTA). Every integer $a \geq 2$ is either prime or a product of primes, and the product is unique up to different orders of prime divisors of a . $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{p}_1^{e_1} \mathbf{p}_2^{e_2} \cdots \mathbf{p}_n^{e_n}$, where $p_1 < p_2 < \cdots < p_n$ are prime divisors of n and $e_1 \geq 1, e_2 \geq 1, \dots, e_n \geq 1$ is the **canonical representation of a**

Theorem (2.24). If $a = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \cdots p_n^{e_n}$ is the canonical representation of a , then $\tau(\mathbf{a}) = (\mathbf{e}_1 + 1)(\mathbf{e}_2 + 1) \cdots (\mathbf{e}_n + 1)$ and $\sigma(\mathbf{a}) = \frac{p_1^{e_1+1}-1}{p_1-1} \frac{p_2^{e_2+1}-1}{p_2-1} \cdots \frac{p_n^{e_n+1}-1}{p_n-1}$.

Theorem (2.26). $x, y, z \in \mathbb{N}$ where x is even form a primitive Pythagorean triple if and only if $\exists s, t$ such that $s < t$, $(s, t) = 1$, one of s and t is odd and the other is even, $x = 2st$, $y = t^2 - s^2$, $z = t^2 + s^2$.

Theorem (2.29). If $a > 0$ and p is prime, then $p^e || a!$, where $e = \lfloor \frac{a}{p} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{a}{p^2} \rfloor + \cdots + \lfloor \frac{a}{p^r} \rfloor$, and r satisfies $p^r \leq a < p^{r+1}$

Chapter 3: Primes

Definition (Mersenne). Primes of the form $2^n - 1$ are called **Mersenne primes**.

Definition (Fermat). Primes of the form $2^{2^n} + 1$ are called **Fermat primes** $\mathcal{F}(n)$

Definition (3.1 Perfect). If $\sigma(a) = 2a$, then a is a **perfect number**.

Theorem (3.2). If $(a, d) = 1$ where $a > 0, d > 0$, then there are infinitely many primes of the form $ax + d$.

Theorem (3.8). Let $\pi(x)$ be the number of primes $\leq x$. Then $\pi(x) \approx \frac{x}{\ln(x)}$.

Theorem (3.11). If $2^n - 1$ is a Mersenne prime, then $a = 2^{n-1}(2^n - 1)$ is perfect. Also, every even perfect number is of the form $2^{n-1}(2^n - 1)$, where $2^n - 1$ is a Mersenne prime.

Chapter 4: Congruence

Definition (4.1 Congruence). If $m > 0$ and $m|(a - b)$, then a is **congruent to $b \pmod{m}$** and $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$.

Definition (4.2 Least Residue). If $a = mq + r$, where $0 \leq r \leq m - 1$, then $a \equiv r \pmod{m}$ and r is the **least residue of $a \pmod{m}$** .

Definition (4.4 LR Systems). The set of integers $\{0, 1, \dots, m - 1\}$ is a **least residue system \pmod{m}** . Any set of m integers, no two of which are congruent mod m , is called a **complete modulo system modulo m**

Definition (Pseudoprime). If a composite number passes Fermat's test to base 2, then it's a **pseudoprime** to base 2.

Definition (Strong Pseudoprime). If n passes the base a Miller's test and n is composite, then n is a **strong pseudoprime** to base a .

Theorem (4.3). If $a_i \equiv b_i \pmod{m}$, where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \equiv \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \pmod{m}$ and $\prod_{i=1}^n a_i \equiv \prod_{i=1}^n b_i \pmod{m}$

Theorem (4.6). If $ac \equiv bc \pmod{m}$, then $a \equiv b \pmod{\frac{m}{d}}$, where $d = (c, m)$.

Corollary (4.7). If $(c, m) = 1$ and $ac \equiv bc \pmod{m}$, then $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$.

Theorem (4.8). If $c \neq 0$ and $ac \equiv bc \pmod{mc}$, then $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$.

Theorem (4.9). If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$, $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$, and $(m, n) = 1$, then $a \equiv b \pmod{mn}$.

Corollary (4.10). If $a \equiv b \pmod{m_i}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, and m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n are pairwise relatively prime, then $a \equiv b \pmod{m_1 m_2 \dots m_n}$.

Theorem (4.14). If $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, then $\phi(1) = 1$, and for $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2} \dots p_r^{\alpha_r} \geq 2$ the canonical representation of n , we have $\phi(n) = n \prod_{i=1}^r (1 - \frac{1}{p_i})$.

Theorem (Fermat's Lil Thm). If p is prime and $(a, p) = 1$, then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$. This implies that if p is prime, then $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$.

Theorem (4.17 Euler-Fermat). If $(a, m) = 1$, then $a^{\phi(m)} \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$, where $\phi(m)$ is the number of integers from 0 to $m - 1$ that are relatively prime to m .

Chapter 5: Congruence Equations

Definition (5.1). For an odd prime p and $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $(c, p) = 1$, if $x^2 \equiv c \pmod{p}$ is solvable, then c is a **quadratic residue mod p** .

Definition (5.2). The **Legendre symbol** is defined as $(\frac{a}{p})$. Its value is 1 if a is a quadratic residue mod p , 0 if $p|a$, or -1 if a is a quadratic non-residue mod p , where p is an odd prime.

Theorem (5.1). $ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$ is solvable if and only if $d|b$, where $d = (a, m)$. In the case that $d|b$, the congruence equation has precisely d incongruent solutions mod m (e.g. $x_0, x_0 + \frac{m}{d}, x_0 + \frac{2m}{d}, \dots, x_0 + (d-1)\frac{m}{d}$), where x_0 can be found via Euclid's algorithm.

Theorem (5.5 Chinese Remainder Theorem). Suppose m_1, m_2, m_s are pairwise relatively prime and $(a_i, m_i) = 1$ for $1 \leq i \leq s$. Then the system $a_1x \equiv b_1(\text{mod } m_1)$, $a_2x \equiv b_2(\text{mod } m_2), \dots, a_sx \equiv b_s(\text{mod } m_s)$ has a unique solution mod M , where $M = \prod_{i=1}^s m_i$.

Theorem (5.15 Gauss Quadratic Reciprocity). If p and q are distinct odd primes, then $(\frac{p}{q}) = (\frac{q}{p})$ if $p \equiv 1(\text{mod } 4)$ or $q \equiv 1(\text{mod } 4)$, or $-(\frac{q}{p})$ if $p \equiv q \equiv 3(\text{mod } 4)$.

Theorem (5.16). For an odd prime p , we have $(\frac{2}{p}) = 1$ if $p \equiv 1$ or $7(\text{mod } 8)$, and -1 if $p \equiv 3$ or $5(\text{mod } 8)$.

Chapter 6: Cryptography

Definition (Caesar Cipher). Take $m = 26$ and let A, B, C, \dots, Z be represented by the 26 least residues.

Key: (r, s) where r is a multiplier and s is a shift such that $1 \leq r \leq 25$ and $(r, 26) = 1$, $0 \leq s \leq 25$, and $(r, s) \neq (1, 0)$.

Encryption: $C \equiv rP + s(\text{mod } 26)$, where $0 \leq C \leq 25$.

Decryption: First find r^{-1} such that $rr^{-1} \equiv 1(\text{mod } 26)$ via Euclid. Then $P \equiv r^{-1}(C - s)(\text{mod } 26)$.

Definition (Exponentiation Cipher). First change the plaintext to groups of letters and use numbers to represent them (e.g. $A = 00, B = 01, \dots, Z = 25$). Choose p such that each group of numbers with $2m$ digits.

Key: $(k, p - 1) = 1$.

Encryption: Compute the least residue of $T^k(\text{mod } p)$, which is the ciphertext C .

Decryption: Compute deciphering key q which satisfies $kq \equiv 1(\text{mod } p - 1)$ via Euclid. Then compute the least residue of $C^q(\text{mod } p)$, which is the plaintext T .

Definition (Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange). A method which makes it possible to share a common secret without meeting in person.

First Alice and Bob pick a prime p and $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $(r, p) = 1$ and $(r, p - 1) = 1$.

Then Alice picks a k_1 , computes $x_1 \equiv r^{k_1}(\text{mod } p)$, and send it to Bob. Bob also picks a k_2 and computes $x_2 \equiv r^{k_2}(\text{mod } p)$ and sends it to Alice.

Now Alice computes $k \equiv x_2^{k_1}(\text{mod } p)$ and Bob computes $k \equiv x_1^{k_2}(\text{mod } p)$.

Definition (RSA Cryptosystem). An asymmetric cryptosystem where Alice and Bob have different keys.

Key: Pick 2 large primes p and q , compute $n = pq$ and $\alpha(n) = pq(1 - \frac{1}{p})(1 - \frac{1}{q})$. Pick a number e that is relatively prime to n and $\alpha(n)$. Publish (n, e) , keep $\alpha(n)$ secret.

Encryption: Compute $C \equiv m^e(\text{mod } n)$. Send C .

Decryption: Compute d such that $ed \equiv 1(\text{mod } (p - 1)(q - 1))$. The pair (n, d) is the private key. Compute $m \equiv C^d(\text{mod } n)$.