

# MATH 405: Assignment 4

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1. Find the smallest positive solution to the system of congruences.

$$x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$x \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$$

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{16}$$

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{19}$$

2. Consider the set  $\mathbb{Z}_3[i] = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_3\}$  where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ .

(a) find all the elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_3[i]$ . How many are there?

(b)  $1 + 2i \in \mathbb{Z}_3[i]$  has a multiplicative inverse in find it.

(c) Classify each nonzero element of  $\mathbb{Z}_3[i]$  as a unit, a zero divisor or neither.

3. let  $R$  be a ring and let  $S$  and  $T$  be subrings of  $R$ . Let  $M = S \cap T$ . Show that  $M$  is a subring of  $R$

4. Let  $R$  be a ring (not necessarily commutative).

Let  $a, b \in R$ ,  $(a \cdot b)^{-1} = b^{-1} \cdot a^{-1}$

**Extra Credit:** let  $R$  be a ring (not necessarily commutative).

If for any  $a, b \in R$ ,  $(a \cdot b)^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot b^{-1}$  then show that  $R$  is commutative