

**Problem 1. (4 points)**

Perform the following congruence computations. Enter the smallest non-negative integer in the congruence class (that is, your entered answer should be  $\geq 0$  and  $\leq N - 1$ , where  $N$  is the modulus of the congruence).

$$6229 + 1237 \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{45}$$

$$6285 - 33 * 2649 \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{79}$$

$$67012 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} - 451 \equiv 637 * 733 \pmod{41}$$

$$557 * (72360 - 645) * 6092 - 602 \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{79}$$

$$8544^2 \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{63}$$

Answer(s) submitted:

- 41
- 1
- 36
- 50
- 9

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

**Problem 2. (4 points)**

Solve the following congruences. Enter for your answer the smallest non-negative integer in the correct congruence class (so, an integer  $\geq 0$  and  $\leq N - 1$ , where  $N$  is the modulus of the congruence). If there is more than one solution, enter the answer as a list separated by commas.

$$X_1 - 304 \equiv 287 \pmod{72}$$

$$X_1 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$X_2 + 379 \equiv 151 \pmod{53}$$

$$X_2 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$(X_3)^2 \equiv 12 \pmod{13}$$

$$X_3 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

$$(X_4)^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$$

$$X_4 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

Answer(s) submitted:

- 15
- 37
- 5,8
- 1,3,5,7

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

**Problem 3. (10 points)**

For  $n$  a nonnegative integer, either  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  or  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  or  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . In each case, fill out the following table with the canonical representatives modulo 3 of the expressions given:

$n \pmod{3}$	$n^3 \pmod{3}$	$2n \pmod{3}$	$n^3 + 2n \pmod{3}$
0	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
1	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
2	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>

From this, we can conclude:

- A. Since  $n^3 + 2n \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  for all  $n$ , we conclude that 3 does not necessarily divide  $n^3 + 2n$  for all nonnegative integers  $n$ .
- B. Since  $n^3 + 2n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  for all  $n$ , we conclude that 3 divides  $n^3 + 2n$  for any nonnegative integer  $n$ .

Answer(s) submitted:

- 0
- 0
- 0
- 1
- 2
- 0
- 2
- 1
- 0
- B

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

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**Problem 4. (7 points)**

The goal of this exercise is to practice finding the inverse modulo  $m$  of some (relatively prime) integer  $n$ . We will find the inverse of 26 modulo 161, i.e., an integer  $c$  such that  $26c \equiv 1 \pmod{161}$ .

First we perform the Euclidean algorithm on 26 and 161:

$$161 = 6 * \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$
$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} * 5 + 1$$

[Note your answers on the second row should match the ones on the first row.]

Thus  $\gcd(26, 161) = 1$ , i.e., 26 and 161 are relatively prime.

Now we run the Euclidean algorithm backwards to write  $1 = 161s + 26t$  for suitable integers  $s, t$ .

$$s = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$t = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

when we look at the equation  $161s + 26t \equiv 1 \pmod{161}$ , the multiple of 161 becomes zero and so we get

$26t \equiv 1 \pmod{161}$ . Hence the multiplicative inverse of 26 modulo 161 is  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Answer(s) submitted:

- 26
- 5
- 26
- 5
- -5
- 31
- 31

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

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**Problem 5. (2 points)**

Find the smallest positive integer  $x$  that solves the congruence:

$$21x \equiv 4 \pmod{152}$$

$$x = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(Hint: From running the Euclidean algorithm forwards and backwards we get  $1 = s(21) + t(152)$ . Find  $s$  and use it to solve the congruence.)

Answer(s) submitted:

- 116

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

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**Problem 6. (2 points)**

Solve each of the following congruences. Make sure that the number you enter is in the range  $[0, M - 1]$  where  $M$  is the modulus of the congruence. If there is more than one solution, enter the answer as a list separated by commas. If there is no answer, enter 2.

(a)  $23x \equiv 1 \pmod{255}$

$$x = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(b)  $129x \equiv 27 \pmod{255}$

$$x = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Answer(s) submitted:

- 122
- 18, 103, 188

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

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**Problem 7. (1 point)**

Find the smallest positive integer  $x$  such that:

$$x \bmod 2 = 1$$

$$x \bmod 3 = 2 \text{ and}$$

$$x \bmod 5 = 3$$

$\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

What is the next integer with this property?

$\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

[You will have to do some trial and error, but thinking about divisibility should lead you to some patterns.]

Answer(s) submitted:

- 23
- 53

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

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**Problem 8. (1 point)**

There is exactly one integer  $x$  with  $0 \leq x < 10$  that also is a solution to the two congruences below.

$$x \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \quad \text{and} \quad x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

What is  $x$ ?

$x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

(Hint: We know that for some integers  $s$  and  $t$ , we have  $1 = 2s + 5t$ . Find  $s$  and  $t$  first. Then find integers  $v$  and  $w$  such that  $x = 2(vs) + 5(wt)$  solves these congruences.)

*Answer(s) submitted:*

- 6

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

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**Problem 9. (1 point)**

For which of the integers  $n \in \{45, 89, 33, 4, 85, 92, 73, 80\}$  is it true that if  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  satisfy  $18x = 18y$  then  $x = y$ ?

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*Answer(s) submitted:*

- 89, 85, 73

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)