

Math 74, Week 6

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1 Mon Lec, 4c

Non of the number repeating means that it is a rearrangement of the set of remainders $\{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$. We first show that if $a \not\equiv b \pmod{7}$, then $4a \not\equiv 4b \pmod{7}$. Proof: Suppose for contradiction that $4a \equiv 4b \pmod{7}$, then we have $7 \mid 4(a - b)$. Since $\gcd(4, 7) = 1$, $7 \mid a - b$, $a \equiv b \pmod{7}$, \nmid . We have a contradiction, therefore $4a \not\equiv 4b \pmod{7}$.

Let $a = 1, b = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$. We can see that $(4 \times 1) \dots (4 \times 6) \equiv 6! \pmod{7}$. Since $6!$ is coprime with 7, we can divide it, leaving us with

$$4^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

2 Mon Lec, 5a

Using the formula

$$\phi(n) = n \prod_{p \mid n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)$$
$$\phi(10) = 10\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) = 4$$

3 Mon Lec, 6

We simplify

$$\frac{x + 2k}{3} \leq x + 1$$
$$x + 2k \leq 3x + 3$$

$$2x \geq 2k - 3$$

$$x \geq \frac{2k - 3}{2}$$

So $(2k - 3)/2 = 3, 2k = 9, k = 4.5$

4 Mon Dis, 2b

$$17^{1707} \bmod 11 \equiv 6^{1707} \bmod 11$$

By fermats little theorem $6^{10} \equiv 1 \bmod 11$

$$6^{1707} \equiv (6^{10})^{170} \times 6^7 \bmod 11 \equiv 6^7 \bmod 11$$

Now we start raising 6 to higher powers.

$$6^2 \equiv 3 \bmod 11$$

$$6^4 \equiv 9 \bmod 11$$

$$6^7 \equiv 3 \times 9 \times 6 \bmod 11 \equiv 8 \bmod 11$$

So $17^{1707} \equiv 8 \bmod 11$

5 Mon Dis, 4c

We first compute $\phi(100)$

$$\phi(100) = 100(1 - \frac{1}{2})(1 - \frac{1}{5}) = 40$$

Since $\gcd(43, 100) = 1$, we can apply Euler Totient theorem.

$$43^{1763} \equiv (43^{40})^{44} \times 43^3 \equiv 43^3 \bmod 100$$

$43^2 = 1849 \equiv 49 \bmod 100$, so $43^3 \equiv 49 \times 43 \bmod 100$ Finally we get $43^3 \equiv 7 \bmod 100$

6 Wed Lec, 2a

We factor the expression into $n(n^2 - 1) = n(n + 1)(n - 1)$

Integers that are divisible by 2 are spaced such that there is one every other, and those divisible by 3 are spaced such that there is one every third. Here we have a product of 3 consecutive integers, so there must be at least 1 integer between $n - 1, n, n + 1$ that is divisible by 2, and at least 1 that is divisible by 3. Since $6 = 2 \times 3$, we have $6 \mid n(n + 1)(n + 2)$.

Thus we have proven that $6 \mid n^3 - n$

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7 $2021^{4042} \bmod 100$

First we since 2021 is odd and does not end in 5 or 0, $\gcd(2021, 100) = 1$, so we can apply the Euler Totient Theorem.

$$\phi(100) = 100\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) = 40$$

$$2021^{4042} \equiv (2021^{40})^{101} \times 2021^2 \equiv 2021^2 \equiv 21^2 \bmod 100$$

Now we can simply calculate the square to be $441 \equiv 41 \bmod 100$

8 Wed Dis 1a

First we show that $17n^2 + 1 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

$17n^2 + 1 \equiv n^2 + 1 \pmod{4}$ Now we assume that there exists some $n \geq 1$ that satisfies this equation. Then we have $n^2 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

$$n^2 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

Now we consider all the possibilities of $n \pmod{4}$: $1^2 \equiv 1, 2^2 \equiv 0, 3^2 \equiv 1, 4^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Therefore there is no way n that satisfies $n^2 \equiv 3$. Our assumption is incorrect and $4 \nmid 17n^2 + 1$

We repeat the proof for mod 5

$17n^2 + 1 \equiv 2n^2 + 1 \pmod{5}$ We assume that there exists some $n \geq 1$ that satisfies this equation. Then we have $2n^2 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$

$$2n^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

$$n^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

We can examine the possible squares: $1^2 \equiv 1, 2^2 \equiv 4, 3^2 \equiv 4, 4^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$
Once again there is no possible way for n^2 to be 2. Our assumption is incorrect and $5 \nmid 17n^2 + 1$

Thus we have proven both parts of the hypothesis. ■

9 Wed Dis, 5