

Discrete Mathematics Recitation Class

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Congruency

Definitions.(P199)

1. $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ if and only if $n \mid (a - b)$
2. $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \{[a]_n \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
3. $\oplus_n : \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}: \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z},$

$$[a]_n \oplus_n [b]_n = [a + b]_n$$

4. $\otimes_n : \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}: \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z},$

$$[a]_n \otimes_n [b]_n = [ab]_n$$

5. *well-defined*: A function is well-defined if it gives the same result when the representation of the input is changed without changing the value of the input.



Congruency

Theorem

Let $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$. The operation \oplus_n is well-defined. (P200)

Proof.

P200



Theorem

Let $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$. The operation \otimes_n is well defined.(P201)

Proof.

P201



Cayley Table

Lemma

If $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$, then $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, \oplus_n)$ is group. (P202)

Take $(\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}, \oplus_4)$ as an example, we construct Cayley Table:

\oplus_4	$[0]_4$	$[1]_4$	$[2]_4$	$[3]_4$
$[0]_4$	$[0]_4$	$[1]_4$	$[2]_4$	$[3]_4$
$[1]_4$	$[1]_4$	$[2]_4$	$[3]_4$	$[0]_4$
$[2]_4$	$[2]_4$	$[3]_4$	$[0]_4$	$[1]_4$
$[3]_4$	$[3]_4$	$[0]_4$	$[1]_4$	$[2]_4$

Lemma

If $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$, then $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, \oplus_n)$ is abelian with order n . Moreover, $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, \oplus_n) = C_n$

Proof.

P203



Cayley Table (P203)

- ▶ $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, \otimes_n)$ is not group ($[0]_n$ does not have inverse).
- ▶ $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{[0]_n\}, \otimes_n)$ is not group (operation is not close on $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{[0]_n\}, \otimes_n)$ e.g. $[2]_6 \cdot [3]_6 = [6]_6 = [0]_6$)
- ▶ In order (G_n, \otimes_n) to be group, $[1]_n$ must be the identity. For all $[k]_n \in G_n$, there must exist $[m]_n \in G_n$ such that

$$[k]_n \otimes_n [m]_n = [km]_n = [1]_n$$

I.e. for all $[k]_n \in G_n$, there must exist $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$kx \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$



Cayley Table

Definition.

$$(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^* = \{[k]_n \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \mid (\exists x \in \mathbb{Z})(kx \equiv 1 \pmod{n})\} \text{ (P205)}$$

Theorem

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq 2$. Then $((\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^*, \otimes_n)$ is a group.

Proof.

P206



e.g. $[1]_6$ and $[5]_6$ are elements of $((\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z})^*, \otimes_6)$, moreover,
 $((\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z})^*, \otimes_6) \cong ((\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^*, \otimes_3) \cong C_2$. (P207)

\otimes_6	$[1]_6$	$[5]_6$
$[1]_6$	$[1]_6$	$[5]_6$
$[5]_6$	$[5]_6$	$[1]_6$

Cayley Table

Lemma

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq 2$. If $1 < m \leq n$ is such that there exists $1 < d \leq m$ with $d|m$ and $d|n$, then $[m]_n \notin (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^$. (P208)*

Proof.

P208





Greatest Common Divisor

Definitions

1. $\gcd(\text{P209})$: Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $|a| + |b| \neq 0$. We say that $d \in \mathbb{N}$ is the greatest common divisor of a and b , and write this element $\gcd(a, b)$, if

- 1.1 $d|a$ and $d|b$

- 1.2 For all $c \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $c|a$ and $c|b$, then $c|d$

2. *linear Diophantine equation in two variables*(P210):

$$ax + by = c \text{ where } a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ are constants with } |a| + |b| \neq 0$$

3. *relatively prime*(P214): a, b are relatively prime if $\gcd(a, b) = 1$

- ▶ A solution is a pair $(x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ with $ax_0 + by_0 = c$
- ▶ This means that in order to show that $[m]_n \in (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^*$, we show that the linear Diophantine equation $mx + ny = 1$ has a solution.



Bézout's Lemma

Theorem

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $|a| + |b| \neq 0$. Then there exists $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\gcd(a, b) = ax + by$

Proof.

P211-P212



Corollary

(P212) Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq 2$. For all $m \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$[m]_n \in (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^* \text{ if and only if } \gcd(m, n) = 1$$

Corollary

(P213) Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq 2$.

$$(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^* = \{[m]_n \mid (m < n) \wedge (\gcd(m, n) = 1)\}$$



Bézout's Lemma

Lemma

Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$. If $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a = qb + r$, then $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r)$ (P213)

Proof.

P213





Euler's Totient Function

Definition

Euler's Totient Function: $\varphi(n) = |(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^*|$

Lemma

If $p \in \mathbb{N}$ is prime, then $\varphi(p) = p - 1$

Proof.

P216



Theorem (Euler's Theorem)

Let $a, n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq 2$ and $\gcd(a, n) = 1$. Then
 $a^{\varphi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

Proof.

P217



Euler's Totient Function

Theorem (Fermat's Little Theorem)

If $a, p \in \mathbb{N}$, p is prime and $\gcd(a, p) = 1$, then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$.

Proof.

P217



Theorem (Euler's Product Formula)

$$\varphi(n) = n \cdot \prod_{p \in A} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)$$



Bézout's Lemma

Corollary

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $|a| + |b| \neq 0$. Then $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ if and only if there exists a solution to the Diophantine equation $ax + by = 1$

Proof.

P220



Corollary

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $|a| + |b| \neq 0$. If $\gcd(a, b) = d$, then

$$\gcd\left(\frac{a}{d}, \frac{b}{d}\right) = 1$$

Proof.

P220



Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic

Theorem

Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $\gcd(a, b) = 1$. If $a \mid c$ and $b \mid c$, then $ab \mid c$.

Proof.

P222



Theorem (Euclid's Lemma)

Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $\gcd(a, b) = 1$. If $a \mid bc$, then $a \mid c$.

Proof.

P223



Theorem

Let $p \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. If p is prime and $p \mid ab$, then $p \mid a$ or $p \mid b$.

Proof.

P223





Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic

Theorem

Let $p \in \mathbb{N}$ be prime. If $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $p|a_1 \cdots a_n$, then there exists $1 \leq k \leq n$ such that $p|a_k$.

Proof.

P224



Theorem

Let $p, q_1, \dots, q_n \in \mathbb{N}$ be primes. If $p|q_1 \cdots q_n$, then there exists $1 \leq k \leq n$ such that $p = q_k$.

Proof.

P224



Theorem (Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic)

If $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq 2$, then n can be uniquely factored into a product of primes.

Euclidean Algorithm

Definition(P228)

euclidean algorithm: Let $a, b \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ with $b < a$. Recursively define $F_{a,b}(0) = a$ and $F_{a,b}(1) = b$

$$F_{a,b}(n+2) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } F_{a,b}(n+1) = 0 \\ r & \text{where } (\exists q \in \mathbb{Z}) \begin{pmatrix} F_{a,b}(n) = qF_{a,b}(n+1) + r \\ \wedge (0 \leq r < F_{a,b}(n+1)) \\ \text{and } F_{a,b}(n+1) \neq 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

Lemma

Let $a, b, n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ with $b < a$. If $F_{a,b}(n) \neq 0$, then $F_{a,b}(n+1) < F_{a,b}(n)$. (P228)

Lemma

Let $a, b, n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ with $b < a$. If $F_{a,b}(n) = 0$, then for all $m \geq n$, $F_{a,b}(m) = 0$ (P229)

Euclidean Algorithm

Lemma

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ with $b < a$. There exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such $F_{a,b}(n) = 0$.

Proof.

Proof by Contradiction (P229)



Lemma

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ with $b < a$ and let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $F_{a,b}(n) \neq 0$, then $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(F_{a,b}(n), F_{a,b}(n+1))$

Proof.

P230



Euclidean Algorithm

Lemma

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ with $b < a$. Let $n_0 \geq 2$ be least such that $F_{a,b}(n_0) = 0$. Then $\gcd(a, b) = F_{a,b}(n_0 - 1)$.

Proof.

P231



Linear Diophantine Equations

Definition

Diophantine equation in two variables(P210):

$$ax + by = c \text{ where } a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ are constants with } |a| + |b| \neq 0$$

Theorem

Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$. There exists a solution to the linear Diophantine equation $ax + by = c$ if and only if $\gcd(a, b) | c$.

Proof.

P238



Linear Diophantine Equations

Theorem

Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $d = \gcd(a, b)$ and $d \mid c$. Let (x_0, y_0) be a solution to $ax + by = c$. For all $t \in \mathbb{Z}$, (x_t, y_t) is a solution to $ax + by = c$ where

$$x_t = x_0 + \frac{b}{d}t \text{ and } y_t = y_0 - \frac{a}{d}t$$

Moreover, if (x', y') is a solution to $ax + by = c$, then there exists a $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $(x', y') = (x_t, y_t)$

Proof.

P239-P240





Procedure for solving LDEs

Given LDE: $ax + by = c$, with a, b, c are constants and x, y are unknowns, $|a| + |b| \neq 0$:

1. Use Euclidean algorithm to calculate $\gcd(a, b)$.
2. Check whether this LDE has solutions (does $\gcd(a, b) | c$?)
3. Apply euclidean algorithm in reverse direction to obtain one solution.
4. Write general solutions.

Linear Congruency Equations

Definition

linear congruence: an equation in the form

$$a \cdot x \equiv b \pmod{n}$$

Theorem

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and let $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$. The linear congruence equation

$$ax \equiv b \pmod{n}$$

has a solution if and only if $\gcd(a, n) \mid b$. Moreover, if $\gcd(a, n) \mid b$, then the linear congruence equation has exactly $\gcd(a, n)$ solutions that are mutually incongruent \pmod{n} .

Proof.

P247-P250

