

COM1002: Foundations of Computer Science

Problem Sheet 3: Integers Modulo n

1. Work out the following. When doing arithmetic modulo n , present your answer as an element of the set $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1\}$.

(a) $3 + 11 \pmod{12}$

(b) $13 - 20 \pmod{21}$

(c) $6 \times 5 \pmod{21}$

(d) $6 \times (-5) \pmod{21}$

(e) $(3 \times 6) + (11 \times 2) - 4 \pmod{12}$

2. Solve the following equations

(a) $12x \equiv 2 \pmod{13}$

(b) $49x \equiv 14 \pmod{42}$

(c) $27x \equiv 6 \pmod{18}$

3. You have a jug which will carry 7 litres of water, and a washbasin which holds exactly 20 litres. By pouring the contents of the jug into the basin, or by emptying the basin when it is full, how can we end up with exactly 4 litres of water in the washbasin?

4. Find all solutions of the equation $30x \equiv 234 \pmod{1001}$.

5. Find all solutions of the equation $33x \equiv 234 \pmod{1001}$.

6. Find all solutions $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ to the simultaneous equations

$$x \equiv 4 \pmod{7} \quad x \equiv 3 \pmod{9}.$$

7. Find all solutions $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ to the simultaneous equations

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{21} \quad x \equiv 2 \pmod{28}.$$

8. Find:

(a) $10^{11} \bmod 7$.

(b) $2^{10} \bmod 3$.

(c) $5^{13} \bmod 8$.

9. Find an integer $0 \leq x < 31$ such that $x \equiv 101010^{1955} \bmod 31$.

10. Pick two prime numbers p and q . Use these numbers to generate:

(a) A *public key* (n, e) where $n = pq$, $1 < e < (p-1)(q-1)$ and $\text{hcf}(e, (p-1)(q-1)) = 1$.

(b) A *private key* $d > 0$ where

$$de \equiv 1 \bmod (p-1)(q-1).$$