

# MATH 381 Section 4.1

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## Divisibility

**Definition**  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$   $a \neq 0$ . We say  $a$  divides  $b$  if  $\exists c \in \mathbb{Z}$   $b = ac$  (or  $a \mid b$  if  $\frac{b}{a} \in \mathbb{Z}$ ).

If  $a \mid b$  we say  $b$  is a multiple of  $a$  or  $a$  is a divisor of  $b$ .  
 $a \mid 0$  since  $\frac{0}{a} = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Remark** Notation

$$a \mid b \text{ or } b : a$$

**Remark**

$$1 \mid n \wedge n \mid n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

**Example** Assume  $n$  and  $d$  are positive integers. How many positive integers not exceeding  $n$  are divisible by  $d$ ?

Fix  $n$  and  $d$ .

$$\#\{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid da \leq n\} \quad 0 < da \leq n$$

The positive integers divisible by  $d$  are all integers of form  $d \cdot k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Therefore, the number of positive integers divisible by  $d$  that do not exceed  $n$  equals the number of integers  $k$ .

$$0 < dk \leq n \quad \text{or} \quad 0 < k \leq \frac{n}{d}$$

$$\#\{k \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 0 < k \leq \frac{n}{d}\} = \lfloor \frac{n}{d} \rfloor$$

## Floor function

$$\lfloor \cdot \rfloor : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\lfloor \cdot \rfloor = \{k \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x = k + a \quad a \in [0, 1)\}$$

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \implies \exists! k \in \mathbb{Z} (x = k + a) \quad a \in [0, 1)$$

Returns the largest of all integers  $k$  such that  $k \leq x$ .

## Ceiling function

$$\lceil \cdot \rceil : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\lceil \cdot \rceil = \{k \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x = k + a \quad a \in (-1, 0]\}$$

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \implies \exists! k \in \mathbb{Z} (x = k + a) \quad a \in (-1, 0]$$

Returns the smallest of all integers  $k$  such that  $k \geq x$ .

**Example** Prove that if  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lfloor 2x \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor x + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor$$

**Proof** To prove this statement

$$x = n + \varepsilon \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge \varepsilon \in [0, 1)$$

1.  $0 \leq \varepsilon \leq \frac{1}{2}$

$$x = n + \varepsilon \implies \lfloor x \rfloor = n$$

$$x + \frac{1}{2} = n + (\varepsilon + \frac{1}{2}) \implies \lfloor x + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor = n$$

$$2x = 2n + 2\varepsilon \implies \lfloor 2x \rfloor = 2n$$

$$2n = n + n$$

$$\therefore \lfloor 2x \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor x + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor$$

2.  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \varepsilon < 1$

$$x = n + \varepsilon \implies \lfloor x \rfloor = n$$

$$x + \frac{1}{2} = n + (\varepsilon + \frac{1}{2}) \implies \lfloor x + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor = n + 1$$

$$2x = 2n + 2\varepsilon \implies \lfloor 2x \rfloor = 2n + 1$$

$$2n + 1 = n + n + 1$$

$$\therefore \lfloor 2x \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor x + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor \quad \blacksquare$$

**Example**

$$\lfloor 3x \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor x + \frac{1}{3} \rfloor + \lfloor x + \frac{2}{3} \rfloor$$

**Proof** Proof by cases

1.  $\varepsilon \in [0, \frac{1}{3})$
2.  $\varepsilon \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$
3.  $\varepsilon \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1)$

**Theorem 0.1** Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}, a \neq 0$ . Then

1. if  $a \mid b$  and  $b \mid c$  then  $a \mid c$

$$x \mid x \quad \text{Reflexive}$$

**Proof**

$$a \mid b \implies \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} (b = k \cdot a)$$

$$b \mid c \implies \exists n \in \mathbb{Z} (c = n \cdot b)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies c &= n \cdot b \\ &= n(k \cdot a) \implies a \mid c \\ n, k &\in \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

2. if  $a \mid b$  and  $a \mid c$  then  $a \mid b + c$

$$x \mid y \wedge y \mid z \implies x \mid z \quad \text{Transitive}$$

3. if  $a \mid b$  then  $a \mid bc$  for all integers  $c$

$$x \mid y \wedge y \mid x \implies x = \pm 1$$

**Corollary 0.2** If  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}, a \neq 0$ 

$$a \mid b \wedge a \mid c \implies a \mid mb + nc \quad m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

**Definition** A number  $p \geq 2$  is prime if the only integers that divide  $p$  are 1 and  $p$ .

### Section 4.1.3: The Division algorithm

**Theorem 0.3** *The Division Algorithm*

Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $d \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then there exists unique integers  $q$  (quotient) and  $r$  (remainder),  $0 \leq r < d$  and  $a = q \cdot d + r$ .

$$\begin{array}{l} d = \text{divisor} \\ a = \text{dividend} \end{array} \quad \begin{cases} q := a \div d \\ r := a \bmod d \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a, d &\in \mathbb{Z} \\ q, r &\in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } 0 \leq r < d \text{ and } a = q \cdot d + r \\ a - r &= qd \\ q &\mid a - r \\ r = 0 &\iff \frac{a}{d} \in \mathbb{Z} \iff d \mid a \quad \begin{cases} q = \lfloor \frac{a}{d} \rfloor \\ r = a - q \cdot d \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

**Definition** Modular Arithmetic

If  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , we say  $a$  is **congruent** to  $b \pmod{m}$  if  $m \mid a - b$ .  $\pmod{m}$  is an **equivalence relation**.

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \iff m \mid a - b$$

Relations

1. Reflexivity

$$a \equiv a \pmod{m} \iff m \mid a - a = 0$$

2. Symmetry

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \rightarrow b \equiv a \pmod{m}$$

3. Transitivity

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \wedge b \equiv c \pmod{m} \rightarrow a \equiv c \pmod{m}$$

**Theorem 0.4** Let  $m, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $m \mid a$  and  $m \mid b$ , then  $k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $m \mid ak + b\ell$ .

**Theorem 0.5** Let  $a$  and  $b$  be two integers and  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  if and only if  $a \bmod m = b \bmod m$ .

**Example** Determine whether 17 is congruent to 5 modulo 6 and whether 24 and 14 are congruent modulo 6.

- $17 \equiv 5 \pmod{6} \iff 6 \mid 17 - 5$
- $24 \not\equiv 14 \pmod{6} \iff 6 \nmid 24 - 14$

**Theorem 0.6** Let  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \iff \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} (a = b + k \cdot m)$ .

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} a \equiv b \pmod{m} &\iff m \mid a - b \\ \text{i.e. } \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} &\text{ so that} \\ a - b &= k \cdot m \\ a &= b + k \cdot m \end{aligned}$$

**Definition** The set of all integers congruent to an integer  $m$  is called the **congruence class** of  $m$ .

**Theorem 0.7** Let  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$ , then  $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$  and  $a \cdot c \equiv b \cdot d \pmod{m}$ .

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} s, t &\in \mathbb{Z} \\ b &= a + s \cdot m \\ d &= c + t \cdot m \\ b \cdot d &= (a + sm)(c + tm) = ac + m(sc + at + stm) \\ &\implies b \cdot d \equiv ac \pmod{m} \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 0.8**  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} a + b \pmod{m} &= (a \bmod m + b \bmod m) \bmod m \\ a \cdot b \pmod{m} &= (a \bmod m) \cdot (b \bmod m) \bmod m \end{aligned}$$

## Proof

$$\begin{aligned}\exists! q, 0 \leq r < m \\ a &= qm + r \\ m &\mid a - r \\ a &\equiv r \pmod{m} \\ a &\equiv (a \bmod m) \pmod{m} \\ b &\equiv (b \bmod m) \pmod{m} \\ r = a \bmod m &\implies a + b \equiv (a \bmod m + b \bmod m) \pmod{m} \\ a \cdot b &\equiv (a \bmod m) \cdot (b \bmod m) \pmod{m}\end{aligned}$$

## Section 4.1.4 Modular Arithmetic

Let  $m$  be a positive integer.

$$\begin{array}{r} a \equiv b \pmod{m} \\ c \equiv d \pmod{m} \\ \hline a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m} \\ a \cdot c \equiv b \cdot d \pmod{m} \end{array}$$

## Example

$$\begin{aligned}(19^3 \bmod 31)^4 &\bmod 23 \\ 19^3 &= 6859 = 31 \cdot 221 + 8 \\ 8^4 &= 4096 = 178 \cdot 23 + 2\end{aligned}$$

**Definition** The **equivalence class** is defined as

$$\mathbb{Z}_m = \{\hat{0}, \hat{1}, \hat{2}, \dots, \widehat{m-1}\}$$

$$0 \leq k < m$$

$$\hat{k} = \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \bmod m = k\}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_4 = \{\hat{0}, \hat{1}, \hat{2}, \hat{3}\}$$

$$S_0 = \hat{0} = \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \bmod 4 = 0 \iff 4 \mid z\}$$

$$= \{\dots, -8, -4, 0, 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, \dots\} = \{4k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$S_1 = \hat{1} = \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \bmod 4 = 1 \iff 4 \mid z - 1\}$$

$$= \{\dots, -7, -3, 1, 5, 9, 13, \dots\} = \{4k + 1 \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$S_2 = \hat{2} = \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \bmod 4 = 2 \iff 4 \mid z - 2\}$$

$$= \{\dots, -6, -2, 2, 6, 10, 14, \dots\} = \{4k + 2 \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$S_3 = \hat{3} = \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \bmod 4 = 3 \iff 4 \mid z - 3\}$$

$$= \{\dots, -5, -1, 3, 7, 11, 15, \dots\} = \{4k + 3 \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_4 = S_0 \sqcup S_1 \sqcup S_2 \sqcup S_3$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C}$$

0.  $\forall z, w, v \in \mathbb{Z} ((z + w) + v = z + (w + v))$
  1.  $\exists z = 0$  so that  $\forall z \in \mathbb{Z} (z + 0 = 0 + z = z)$
  2.  $\forall z \in \mathbb{Z} \exists! w \in \mathbb{Z}$  so that  $z + w = 0$
  3.  $z + w = w + z$  for any  $z, w \in \mathbb{Z}$  (abelian)
- $(\mathbb{N}, +)$  is not an abelian group
  - $(\mathbb{Q}, +), (\mathbb{R}, +), (\mathbb{C}, +)$  are abelian groups

**Theorem 0.9**

1.  $(\mathbb{Z}, +), (\mathbb{R}, +), (\mathbb{Q}, +), (\mathbb{C}, +)$  are examples of abelian groups. Yes
2.  $(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot), (\mathbb{Q}^*, \cdot), (\mathbb{C}^*, \cdot)$  are abelian groups. Yes
3.  $(\mathbb{Z}^* = \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$  is an abelian group. NO

### Proof

1.  $\exists 1 \in \mathbb{Q} \quad ab \neq 0 \quad z = \frac{a}{b} \implies w = \frac{b}{a}$
2.  $\forall z \in \mathbb{Q}^* \implies \exists w$  so that  $z \cdot w = w \cdot z = 1$

**Definition**  $(k, +, \cdot)$  is a **field** if

1.  $(k, +)$
2.  $(k \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$  is an abelian group
3.  $(a + b) \cdot z = az + bz$  and/or  $a(z + w) = az + aw$  (distribution law of multiplication over addition)

$(k, +, \cdot)$  is a **ring** if it satisfies 1, 2, 3 besides  $\exists$  an inverse with respect to multiplication

### Corollary 0.10

1.  $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot), (\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot), (\mathbb{C}, +, \cdot)$  are fields
2.  $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$  is a ring

### Theorem 0.11

$(\mathbb{Z}_m, +, \cdot)$  is a commutative (abelian) ring.  
If  $m$  is prime,  $(\mathbb{Z}_p, +, \cdot)$  is a field.

$$\mathbb{Z}_m = \{\hat{0}, \hat{1}, \hat{2}, \dots, \widehat{m-1}\}$$

1.  $\hat{a} + \hat{b} \equiv \widehat{a+b} \pmod{m}$
2.  $\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} \equiv \widehat{a \cdot b} \pmod{m}$

While working with equivalence relations, we always need to check that the operations are well-defined i.e. they don't depend on the representative of claim.

1. Closure  
For any  $\hat{a}, \hat{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_m$  then  $\hat{a} + \hat{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_m$  and  $\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ .



2. Associativity

$$\begin{aligned}(\hat{a} + \hat{b}) + \hat{c} &= \hat{a} + (\hat{b} + \hat{c}) \\(\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}) \cdot \hat{c} &= \hat{a} \cdot (\hat{b} \cdot \hat{c})\end{aligned}$$

3. Commutativity

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} &= \hat{b} \cdot \hat{a} \\ \hat{a} + \hat{b} &= \hat{b} + \hat{a}\end{aligned}$$

4. Identity elements

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{0} &= \{m \cdot k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ \forall \hat{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m &\implies \begin{cases} \hat{a} + \hat{0} = \hat{0} + \hat{a} = \hat{a} \\ \hat{a} \cdot \hat{1} = \hat{1} \cdot \hat{a} = \hat{a} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

5.  $\mathbb{Z}_m$  has an additive inverse if  $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m \exists! \hat{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_m$  so that  $\hat{b} + \hat{a} = \hat{a} + \hat{b} = \hat{0}$ .

6. Distributivity  $(+, \cdot)$

$$\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{c} \in \mathbb{Z}_m$$

**Example**

$$\begin{aligned}\forall z \in \mathbb{Z}_5 \setminus \{0\} &\implies \exists w \in \mathbb{Z}_5 (z \cdot w) = \hat{1} \\ (\mathbb{Z}_5, +, \cdot) & \\ \mathbb{Z}_5 &= \{\hat{0}, \hat{1}, \hat{2}, \hat{3}, \hat{4}\} \\ (\hat{1})^{-1} &= \hat{1} \\ (\hat{2})^{-1} = \hat{3} &\iff \hat{2} \cdot \hat{3} = \hat{6} = \hat{1} \\ (\hat{3})^{-1} &= \hat{2} \\ (\hat{4})^{-1} &= \hat{4}\end{aligned}$$

**Example**

$$\begin{aligned}a, b, k, m &\in \mathbb{Z} \\ k &\geq 1, m \geq 2\end{aligned}$$

Prove that if  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  then  $a^k \equiv b^k \pmod{m}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}m \mid a - b &\rightarrow m \mid a^k - b^k \\ (a - b)(a^{k-1} + a^{k-2}b + \dots + ab^{k-2} + b^{k-1})\end{aligned}$$

**Definition** Euclidean domain

$$\mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Euclidean algorithm exists so that

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{z_1 \cdot \bar{z}_2}{z_2 \cdot \bar{z}_2} = \frac{z}{|z_2|^2} \in \mathbb{C} \because z \in \mathbb{C} \wedge |z_2| \in \mathbb{R}$$

Ordering can be done in complex based on absolute value

$$z_1 \leq z_2 \iff |z_1| \leq |z_2|$$

**Theorem 0.12** *If  $p$  is prime, then  $(\mathbb{Z}_p, +, \cdot)$  is a field.*

$$\begin{cases} (\mathbb{Z}_p, +) \text{ is an abelian group} \\ (\mathbb{Z}_p \setminus \{0\}, \cdot) \text{ is an abelian group} \\ +, \cdot \text{ is distributive} \end{cases}$$

- $(\hat{a} + \hat{b}) + \hat{c} = \hat{a} + (\hat{b} + \hat{c})$
- $\exists \hat{0} \in \mathbb{Z}_p (\hat{a} + \hat{0} = \hat{0} + \hat{a} = \hat{a})$
- $\forall \hat{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_n \exists \hat{b} (\hat{a} + \hat{b} = \hat{0})$

**Lemma 0.13** *If  $p$  is prime, then any non-zero element in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is invertible with respect to multiplication.*

$$\forall \hat{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_p [(a, p) = 1]$$

**Theorem 0.14** *If  $n$  is not a prime*

$$(\mathbb{Z}_n, +, \cdot) \text{ is a ring}$$

$$U(\mathbb{Z}_n) = \{\hat{a} \mid (a, n) = 1\}$$

$$|U(\mathbb{Z}_n)| = \phi(n)$$

**Definition** Euler Function

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\phi(n) = \#\{m \in \mathbb{N} \mid 1 \leq m < n \text{ so that } (m, n) = 1\}$$

$$\phi(n) = n \prod_{d|n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{d}\right)$$

**Theorem 0.15** *Let  $n = p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}$ .*

$$\phi(n) = p_1^{k_1-1}(p_1 - 1)p_2^{k_2-1}(p_2 - 1) \dots p_r^{k_r-1}(p_r - 1)$$

**Theorem 0.16** *Gauss' Divisor Sum Property*

$$\sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = n$$

**Theorem 0.17** *Euler's theorem*

*If  $(a, n) = 1$ , then*

$$a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$