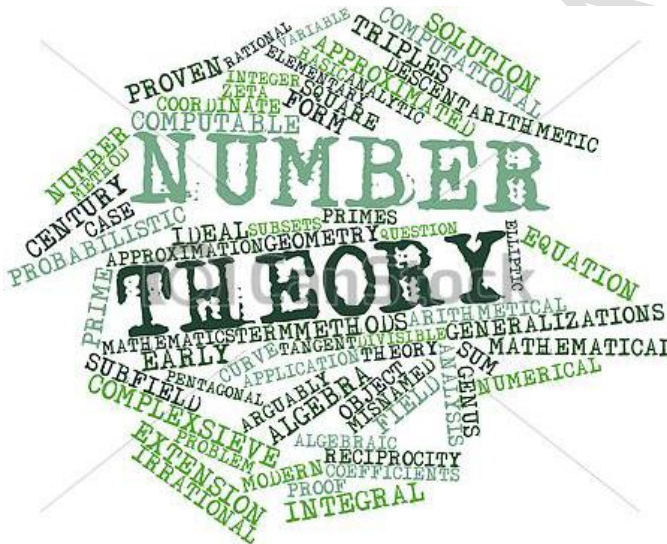


MODULE-1 Modular Arithmetic and Number

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Module 1

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Prime number is a positive integer > 1 whose only factors are 1 and itself. It cannot be divided by any number other than 1 and itself. Examples: 2, 3, 5, 7, 11.

Two numbers are **relatively prime** when they have no factors in common other than 1. If the Greatest Common Divisor (GCD) of a and n is 1, it is written as $\text{GCD}(a, n)=1$. As we will note that the numbers 21 and 44 are relatively prime (because they have no factors in common), but the numbers 21 and 45 are not (because they have a factor 3 in common).

Euclid's algorithm

One of the basic techniques of number theory is the Euclidean algorithm, which is a simple procedure for determining the greatest common divisor of two positive integers. First, we need a simple definition: Two integers are **relatively prime** if their only common positive integer factor is 1.

The Euclidean algorithm is based on the following theorem: For any nonnegative integer a and any positive integer b ,

$$\text{gcd}(a, b) = \text{gcd}(b, a \bmod b)$$

E.g. Find $\text{gcd}(105, 80)$ using Euclid's algorithm also tell whether 105 and 90 are relatively prime

Solution:

We know $\text{gcd}(a, b) = \text{gcd}(b, a \bmod b)$

So, $\text{gcd}(105, 80) = \text{gcd}(80, 105 \bmod 80) = \text{gcd}(80, 25)$

$= \text{gcd}(25, 80 \bmod 25) = \text{gcd}(25, 5)$

$= \text{gcd}(5, 25 \bmod 5) = \text{gcd}(5, 0)$

Since $y=0$, so $\text{gcd}=x$

i.e. $\gcd=5$

Two integers are relatively prime when there are no common factors other than 1. This means that no other integer could divide both numbers evenly.

Two integers a, b are called relatively prime to each other if $\gcd(a, b) = 1$.

For example, 7 and 20 are relatively prime

105 and 80 are not relatively prime

Example:

$$\begin{aligned}\gcd(20, 3) &= \gcd(3, 20 \bmod 3) = \gcd(3, 2) \\ &= \gcd(2, 3 \bmod 2) \\ &= \gcd(2, 1) \\ &= \gcd(1, 2 \bmod 1) \\ &= \gcd(1, 0) = 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\gcd(34, 6) &= \gcd(6, 34 \bmod 6) = \gcd(6, 4) \\ &= \gcd(4, 6 \bmod 4) \\ &= \gcd(4, 2) \\ &= \gcd(2, 4 \bmod 2) \\ &= \gcd(2, 0) \\ &= 2\end{aligned}$$

Euler Totient Function ($\phi(n)$)

This function is written as $\phi(n)$, where $\phi(n)$ is the number of positive integers less than n and relatively prime to n .

Example 1: if $n=6$, the positive integers less than n are 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Of these, only 1 and 5 do not have any factors common with 6. Thus, $\phi(n)=\phi(6)=2$.

Example 2: if $n=7$. Hence, all the positive integer preceding it (ie., 1 to 6) are relatively prime to it. Thus, $\phi(n)=\phi(7)=6$.

Euler's theorem:

It says that every a and n that are relatively prime. So, $a^{\phi(n)} \bmod n \equiv 1$.

Example 1: If $a=3, n=10$ then $\phi(n)=\phi(10)=4$ (4 numbers are 1, 3, 7 and 9).

$$\text{So, } a^{\phi(n)} = 3^4 = 81 \bmod 10 = 1.$$

Example 2: If $a=2$, $n=11$ then $\phi(n)=\phi(11)=10$ (10 numbers are 1 to 10).
So, $a^{\phi(n)} = 2^{10} = 1024 \bmod 11 = 1$.

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Euclid's algorithm--Prime numbers-Fermat's and Euler's theorem- Testing for primality -
The Chinese remainder theorem, Discrete logarithms.

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