

Number Theory

① gcd: d is the gcd of $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

① $d|a$

② $d|b$

③ $q \in \mathbb{Z} \quad q|a \wedge q|b \Rightarrow q|d$

↳ find w/ Euclidean Alg (Big Thm) general \star
can also be used (exam 2)

↳ find specific soln to $ax + by = c$ w/ reverse Euclidean alg

\star Bezout's Lemma: sol to $ax + by = c \Leftrightarrow \gcd(a, b) | c$

↳ display thm to get all solns

$$x = x_0 + k \frac{b}{\gcd(a, b)} \quad y = y_0 - k \frac{a}{\gcd(a, b)} \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

② prime #'s p \star

① $p|ab \Rightarrow p|a \vee p|b$ (def of prime)

② $p = mn \Rightarrow m$ or n unit (def of irreducible)

↳ coprime: $a \perp b \Leftrightarrow \gcd(a, b) = 1$

\star (↳ unique prime factorization: $n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad n > 1$

n can uniquely be represented as the prod of primes

↳ coprime:

\star ↳ coprime lemma: ~~prime~~ $a \perp b \quad a|bc \Rightarrow a|c$

③ modular arithmetic: $a, b, n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad a \equiv b \pmod{n}$

$$\Leftrightarrow n|a-b \Leftrightarrow a-b = nk, k \in \mathbb{Z} \Leftrightarrow a = b + nk \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

↳ CAN ONLY

$$a + c \equiv b + c$$

$$ac \equiv bc$$

$$a - c \equiv b - c$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{NO} \\ c^a \equiv c^b \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$a/c \equiv b/c$$

mod cont.

↳ FLT: for prime p , $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$

~~OR~~ AND ALSO

when $a \perp p$ $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

↳ wanna mult by a^{-1} on both sides so $a \perp p$ req.

↳ Euler's Thm (general FLT)

↳ Wilson's Thm: for prime $p > 1$ $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$

↳ pf of Wilson's: each # gets matched to their inverses except $(p-1)$ so it is -1 ($2-p-2$)

Problems:

① Prove $n^7 - n$ is divisible by 42 $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+$

$$\Rightarrow 42 \mid n^7 - n$$

$$\Rightarrow n^7 \equiv n \pmod{42} \quad \varphi(42) = \overset{12}{20} \ddot{n}$$

$42 = 7 \cdot 3 \cdot 2$ so

$$42 \mid n^7 - n \Leftrightarrow 7 \mid n^7 - n \wedge 3 \mid n^7 - n \wedge 2 \mid n^7 - n$$

$$\begin{aligned} n^7 - n &\equiv n - n \pmod{7} \text{ (FLT)} \text{ general case} \\ &\equiv 0 \pmod{7} \checkmark \quad \text{cuz } a \perp p \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n^7 - n &\equiv (n^3)^2 \cdot n - n \pmod{3} \text{ (FLT)} \equiv n^2 \cdot n - 2 \pmod{3} \text{ (FLT)} \\ &\equiv n - n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$2 \mid n^7 - n$ b/c n^7 & n have same parity

so diff will be even \checkmark

② Let a be an int st $\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{23} = \frac{a}{23!}$

Find the remainder of a when divided by 13

$$\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{23} = \frac{a}{23!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{23!}{1} + \frac{23!}{2} + \dots + \frac{23!}{23} = a$$

$$\Rightarrow a \equiv \frac{23!}{13} \pmod{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow a \equiv 12! \cdot 14 \cdot 15 \cdot \dots \cdot 23 \pmod{13}$$

$$\equiv 12! (1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot 10) \pmod{13}$$

$$\equiv -1 \cdot 10! \pmod{13} \quad (\text{Wilson's})$$

$$\equiv -1 \cdot 10! \cdot 11 \cdot 11^{-1} \cdot 12 \cdot 12^{-1} \pmod{13} \quad 12 \equiv -1 \pmod{13}$$

$$\equiv -1 \cdot 12! \cdot 11^{-1} \cdot 12^{-1} \pmod{13} \quad \Rightarrow 12^{-1} \equiv -1 \pmod{13}$$

$$\equiv -1 \cdot 12! (-1)(-7) \pmod{13} \quad (\text{Wilson's})$$

$$\equiv (-1)(-1)(-1)(-7) \pmod{13}$$

$$11 \equiv -2 \pmod{13}$$

$$\equiv 7 \pmod{13} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow 11^{-1} \equiv -7 \pmod{13}$$