

# Preliminaries

## 0.1: Basics

### Proposition 1

1. For (not injective)  $\rightarrow$  (no left inverse): if  $f$  is not injective then there exist  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  such that  $f(a_1) = f(a_2)$ , call this element  $b \in B$ . If a left inverse  $g : B \rightarrow A$  existed it would be the case that  $g(b) = a_1$  but also  $g(b) = a_2$ . This is not a function.  
For (injective)  $\rightarrow$  (left inverse): we want to construct a  $g : B \rightarrow A$  such that  $g(f(a)) = a$  holds for all  $a \in A$ . The definition of injective given is that if  $a_1 \neq a_2$ , then  $f(a_1) \neq f(a_2)$ . The contrapositive is that if  $f(a_1) = f(a_2)$ , then  $a_1 = a_2$ , meaning that the preimage of any  $b \in \text{im} f$  is a one-element set  $\{a\}$ . Defining  $g(b) = a$  means  $g(f(a)) = g(b) = a$  as required.
2. For (not surjective)  $\rightarrow$  (no right inverse): if  $f$  is not surjective then there exists  $b \in B$  such that  $b \notin \text{im} f$ . Then,  $f \circ g$  (for some  $g : B \rightarrow A$ ) cannot be the identity map because  $(f \circ g)(b)$  cannot be  $b$ .  
For (surjective)  $\rightarrow$  (right inverse): we want to construct  $g : B \rightarrow A$  such that  $f(g(b)) = b$  holds for all  $b \in B$ . For a given  $b \in B$ , choose an  $a$  such that  $f(a) = b$ . This is always possible since  $\text{im} f = B$ . Define  $g(b) = a$ , then  $f(g(b)) = f(a) = b$  as required.
3. For (bijective)  $\rightarrow$  (inverse exist): if  $f$  is bijective then it is injective and surjective. From the above we see that  $f$  has a left inverse  $g$  and right inverse  $h$ , now we need to show  $g = h$ .

$$f = f \tag{1}$$

$$I \circ f = f \circ I \tag{2}$$

$$(f \circ h) \circ f = f \circ (g \circ f) \tag{3}$$

$$f \circ h \circ f = f \circ g \circ f \tag{4}$$

$$g \circ f \circ h \circ f = g \circ f \circ g \circ f \tag{5}$$

$$I \circ h \circ f = I \circ g \circ f \tag{6}$$

$$I \circ h \circ f \circ h = I \circ g \circ f \circ h \tag{7}$$

$$I \circ h \circ I = I \circ g \circ I \tag{8}$$

$$h = g \tag{9}$$

4. It suffices to show (injective)  $\leftrightarrow$  (surjective). If  $f$  is injective then (from part 1) the preimage of every  $b \in \text{im} f$  is a single element set. Since every element of  $A$  is some preimage,  $|\text{im} f| = |A|$ . Then since  $|A| = |B|$  we see that  $\text{im} f = B$ .  
If  $f$  is surjective then  $|\text{im} f| = |B|$ , but  $|A| \geq |\text{im} f|$  (by something like the pigeonhole principle), so  $|A| = |\text{im} f|$  and we have a bijection between the two sets.

### Exercises

1. Instead of checking these just work out the general case first. Let  $X = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$MX = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+c & b+d \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \tag{10}$$

$$XM = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & a+b \\ c & c+d \end{bmatrix} \tag{11}$$

The equality of the diagonal elements means  $c = 0$ , the equality of the top right entries means  $a = d$ . The general form of  $X$  is

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix}. \tag{12}$$

So in order, the answers are: yes, no, yes, no, yes, no.

2. If  $P, Q \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $(P + Q)M = PM + QM = MP + MQ = M(P + Q)$ .
3.  $(PQ)M = P(QM) = P(MQ) = (PM)Q = (MP)Q = M(PQ)$ .
4. See (12).
5. (a) No: then  $1 = f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = f\left(\frac{2}{4}\right) = 2$ .  
 (b) Yes:  $f\left(\frac{mx}{my}\right) = \frac{m^2x^2}{m^2y^2} = \frac{x^2}{y^2} = f\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$  (anyway, this is just  $x \mapsto x^2$ ).
6. No: then  $0 = f(1.0) = f(0.\bar{9}) = 9$ .
7. Reflexivity:  $f(a) = f(a)$  so  $a \sim a$ .  
 Symmetry:  $a \sim b \implies f(a) = f(b) \implies f(b) = f(a) \implies b \sim a$ .  
 Transitivity: equality is transitive so if  $a \sim b$  and  $b \sim c$  then  $f(a) = f(b) = f(c)$  so  $a \sim c$ .

## 0.2: Properties of the Integers

### Exercises

1. Find the gcd using the Euclidean Algorithm, then  $\text{lcm} = \frac{ab}{(a,b)}$ .

(a) Find the gcd first:

$$20 = 1 \cdot 13 + 7 \quad (13)$$

$$13 = 1 \cdot 7 + 6 \quad (14)$$

$$7 = 1 \cdot 6 + 1 \quad (15)$$

$$6 = 6 \cdot 1 \quad (16)$$

so  $(20, 13) = 1$ . Then the lcm is  $\frac{20 \cdot 13}{1} = 260$ .

(b) Find the gcd first:

$$372 = 5 \cdot 69 + 27 \quad (17)$$

$$69 = 2 \cdot 27 + 15 \quad (18)$$

$$27 = 1 \cdot 15 + 12 \quad (19)$$

$$15 = 1 \cdot 12 + 3 \quad (20)$$

$$12 = 4 \cdot 3 \quad (21)$$

so  $(69, 372) = 3$ . Then the lcm is  $\frac{69 \cdot 372}{3} = 8556$ .

(c) Find the gcd first:

$$792 = 2 \cdot 275 + 242 \quad (22)$$

$$275 = 1 \cdot 242 + 33 \quad (23)$$

$$242 = 7 \cdot 33 + 11 \quad (24)$$

$$33 = 3 \cdot 11 \quad (25)$$

so  $(792, 275) = 11$ . Then the lcm is  $\frac{792 \cdot 275}{11} = 19800$ .

(d) Find the gcd first:

$$11391 = 2 \cdot 5673 + 45 \quad (26)$$

$$5673 = 126 \cdot 45 + 3 \quad (27)$$

$$45 = 15 \cdot 3 \quad (28)$$

so  $(11391, 5673) = 3$ . Then the lcm is  $\frac{11391 \cdot 5673}{3} = 21540381$ .

(e) Find the gcd first:

$$1761 = 1 \cdot 1567 + 194 \quad (29)$$

$$1567 = 8 \cdot 194 + 15 \quad (30)$$

$$194 = 12 \cdot 15 + 14 \quad (31)$$

$$15 = 1 \cdot 14 + 1 \quad (32)$$

$$14 = 14 \cdot 1 \quad (33)$$

so  $(1761, 1567) = 1$ . Then the lcm is  $\frac{1761 \cdot 1567}{1} = 2759487$ .

(f) Find the gcd first:

$$507885 = 8 \cdot 60808 + 21421 \quad (34)$$

$$60808 = 2 \cdot 21421 + 17966 \quad (35)$$

$$21421 = 1 \cdot 17966 + 3455 \quad (36)$$

$$17966 = 5 \cdot 3455 + 691 \quad (37)$$

$$3455 = 5 \cdot 691 \quad (38)$$

so  $(507885, 60808) = 691$ . Then the lcm is  $\frac{507885 \cdot 60808}{691} = 44693880$ .

2. If  $k|a$  and  $k|b$  then  $a = mk$  and  $b = nk$  for some  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $as + bt = mks + nkt = k(ms + nt)$ .
3. If  $n$  is composite then it is either a power of a prime  $p^n$  or its prime factorization  $\prod_i p_i^{n_i}$  contains multiple primes. In the first case,  $a = p$  and  $b = p^{n-1}$ . In the second case,  $a = p_1^{n_1}$  and  $b = \prod_{i>1} p_i^{n_i}$ .
4.  $ax + by = a(x_0 + \frac{b}{d}t) + b(y_0 - \frac{a}{d}t) = ax_0 + by_0 + a\frac{b}{d}t - b\frac{a}{d}t = N$
5. <https://oeis.org/A000010> lol
6. Call the set  $A$ . If  $|A| = 1$ , trivially that element  $m$  is the minimal element. For  $|A| = n > 1$  elements, choose one element  $a$  (finite choice) and make the set  $A^* = \{b|b \in A, b \neq a\}$ . Then  $A^*$  has a minimal element, call it  $m_{n-1}$ . Since  $A$  is a set,  $a \neq m_{n-1}$ . Then one of them is smaller, and is the unique minimal element of  $A$ .
7. If  $a^2 = pb^2$  then  $p = \frac{a^2}{b^2} = (\frac{a}{b})^2$ . Any prime factor on the right-hand side shows up an even number of times; the only prime factor on the left-hand side shows up once (an odd number of times).
8. We want to find the exponent of  $p$  in the prime factorization of  $n!$ , call this  $f(n, p)$ . For now say  $p = 7$ , since 7 is a small prime, but still big enough where it feels like a real prime (sorry 5). Obviously  $f = 0$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ , then it jumps up to 1 when we reach  $n = 7$ . It stays at 1 until we reach  $n = 14$ , where it jumps to 2. This suggests that

$$f(n, 7) \sim \left\lfloor \frac{n}{7} \right\rfloor. \quad (39)$$

This form works until we hit  $n = 49$ , which contributes two factors of 7. In fact, every multiple of 49 contributes twice, but so far we've only counted it once. That means we have to increment  $f$  by another 1 every 49 factors:

$$f(n, 7) \sim \left\lfloor \frac{n}{7} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{n}{49} \right\rfloor. \quad (40)$$

The same is true for  $n = 343 = 7^3$ : it's a multiple of 7, and of 49, so we've counted it twice, but we should count it three times. Then again for  $7^4$ , etc. In total we have (the actual answer)

$$f(n, 7) = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{7} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{n}{49} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{n}{343} \right\rfloor + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{n}{7^k} \right\rfloor. \quad (41)$$

In practice, infinitely many of the terms being summed are zero, e.g.  $n = 1000$  doesn't have any contribution from multiples of  $7^{1000}$ . The contributions stop when

$$n < 7^k \implies \log n < k \log 7 \implies \frac{\log n}{\log 7} < k, \quad (42)$$

so an equivalent form of the sum is

$$f(n, 7) = \sum_{k=1}^{\lceil \log_7 n \rceil} \left\lfloor \frac{n}{7^k} \right\rfloor. \quad (43)$$

The generalization to all primes  $p$  is obvious now:

$$f(n, p) = \sum_{k=1}^{\lceil \log_p n \rceil} \left\lfloor \frac{n}{p^k} \right\rfloor. \quad (44)$$

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9 def get_gcd(a,b):
10     if b == 0:
11         return 0, (0,0)
12
13     if b>a:
14         #have to swap the tuple order first
15         ans = get_gcd(b,a)
16         return ans[0], ans[1][::-1]
17
18     #keep track of coefficients to get linear combination
19     coeffsA = (1,0) #a = 1*a + 0*b
20     coeffsB = (0,1) #b = 0*a + 1*b
21
22     while True:
23         #a = nb + r
24         n = a//b
25         r = a - n*b
26         if r == 0:
27             return b, coeffsB
28
29         #else keep going
30         tmp = coeffsB
31         coeffsB = ( coeffsA[0]-n*coeffsB[0], coeffsA[1]-n*coeffsB[1] )
32         coeffsA = tmp
33
34         a = b
35         b = r
36
37 print(get_gcd(20,13)) #(1, (2, -3))
38 print(get_gcd(69,372)) #(3, (27, -5))
39 print(get_gcd(792,275)) #(11, (8, -23))
40 print(get_gcd(11391,5673)) #(3, (-126, 253))
41 print(get_gcd(1761,1567)) #(1, (-105, 118))
42 print(get_gcd(507885,60808)) #(691, (-17, 142))

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10. ?

11. Write the prime factorization of  $n$  as  $\prod_i p_i^{n_i}$ . Then  $\phi(n) = \prod_i (p_i - 1)p_i^{n_i-1}$ . If  $d|n$  then all the prime factors of  $d$  are prime factors of  $n$ ; the prime factorization of  $d$  is  $p_{i_1}^{m_1} \dots p_{i_j}^{m_j}$  where  $i_1 \dots i_j$  are some labels of prime factors of  $n$  and all  $m_i$  are at most the corresponding  $n_i$ . Then  $\phi(d) = \prod_k (p_{i_k} - 1)p_{i_k}^{m_k-1}$ . Comparing to  $\phi(n)$ , we see  $(p_{i_k} - 1)p_{i_k}^{m_k-1} | (p_k - 1)p_k^{n_k-1}$  since  $n_k \geq m_k$ . This is true for each prime factor of  $d$ .

### 0.3: $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ : The Integers Modulo $n$

#### Exercises

- $\bar{0} : \{\dots, -36, -18, 0, 18, 36, \dots\}$   
 $\bar{1} : \{\dots, -35, -17, 1, 19, 37, \dots\}$   
 $\bar{n} : \{\dots, -36 + n, -18 + n, n, 18 + n, 36 + n, \dots\}$
- For  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there exists unique  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $r \in [0, n)$  such that  $a = qn + r$ . Then  $a$  and  $r$  are in the same equivalence class modulo  $n$ .

3. Write  $a = \sum_i a_i 10^i$ . Then

$$a \bmod 9 = \sum_i (a_i 10^i) \bmod 9 \quad (45)$$

$$= \sum_i (a_i \bmod 9) (10^i \bmod 9) \quad (46)$$

$$\equiv \sum_i (a_i \bmod 9) (10 \bmod 9)^i \quad (47)$$

$$= \sum_i (a_i \bmod 9) (1 \bmod 9)^i \quad (48)$$

$$= \sum_i (a_i \bmod 9) (1 \bmod 9) \quad (49)$$

$$= \sum_i a_i \bmod 9 \quad (50)$$

4.  $37 \equiv 8 \bmod 29$ , so we want  $8^{100} \bmod 29$ . Notice that  $8^2 = 64 = 58 + 8 \equiv 8 \bmod 29$  so you can keep multiplying by 8 to find  $8 \equiv 8^2 \equiv 8^3 \equiv \dots \equiv 8^{100}$ .
5. We want  $9^{1500} \bmod 100$ . Note that (trial and error)  $9^{10} \equiv 1 \bmod 100$ . Then  $9^{1500} = (9^{10})^{150} \equiv 1^{150} \bmod 100 = 1 \bmod 100$ .
6.  $0^2 = 0$ ;  $1^2 = 1$ ;  $2^2 = 4 \equiv 0$ ;  $3^2 = 9 \equiv 1$
7. Both  $a^2$  and  $b^2$  are 0 or 1 mod 4, so their sum is 0, 1 or 2 mod 4 (not 3).
8. The left-hand side of  $a^2 + b^2 = 3c^2$  is, from above, in one of  $\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}$ . Since  $c^2$  is in  $\bar{0}$  or  $\bar{1}$ , the right-hand side is in  $\bar{0}$  or  $\bar{3}$ . For equality the only option is that  $c^2$  is in  $\bar{0}$  while  $a^2$  and  $b^2$  are either both in  $\bar{0}$  or  $\bar{2}$ . In either case all are even; being squares, this means that  $a^2, b^2, c^2$  are all divisible by 4 and in  $\bar{0}$ , so we can divide both sides by 4. This can be repeated ad infinitum, even though  $a^2, b^2, c^2 > 0$  and there is a minimal positive integer 1.
9.  $1^2 = 1$ ;  $3^2 = 9 \equiv 1$ ;  $5^2 = 25 \equiv 1$ ;  $7^2 = 49 \equiv 1$ ; any higher odd integer is equivalent to one of these.
10.  $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^x = \{\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \mid (a, n) = 1\}$ , and  $\phi(n)$  is the number of  $a$  on  $[1, n]$  (equivalent to  $[0, n-1]$  modulo  $n$ ) such that  $(a, n) = 1$ .
11. If  $(a, n) = 1$  and  $(b, n) = 1$ , then, taking the prime factorizations of all three, we see that  $a$  and  $n$  have no prime factors in common (likewise for  $b$  and  $n$ ). Then  $ab$  has no prime factors in common with  $n$ , so  $(ab, n) = 1$ . Take everything modulo  $n$  to complete the proof.
12. ?
13. If  $(a, n) = 1$  then there exist  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $ax + ny = 1$ . Take both sides modulo  $n$  to get  $(a \bmod n)(x \bmod n) \equiv 1 \bmod n$ . Then  $c = x$ , or any equivalent.
14. Exercise 12 shows that if  $(a, n) \neq 1$ , then there is no  $c$  such that  $ac \equiv 1 \bmod n$ . Exercise 13 shows that if  $(a, n) = 1$ , then there is such a  $c$ . We can take  $c$  to be on  $[0, n-1]$  without loss of generality. Then  $\{\bar{a} \mid (a, n) = 1\} = \{\bar{a} \mid \exists c \text{ such that } \bar{a} \cdot \bar{c} \equiv 1 \bmod n\}$ . For  $n = 12$ , the first set is  $\{1, 5, 7, 11\}$ . To see which elements aren't invertible we have to make a times table:

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2	0	2	4	6	8	10	0	2	4	6	8	10
3	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	9
4	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8	0	4	8
5	0	5	10	3	8	1	6	11	4	9	2	7
6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
7	0	7	2	9	4	11	6	1	8	3	10	5
8	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4	0	8	4
9	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3	0	9	6	3
10	0	10	8	6	4	2	0	10	8	6	4	2
11	0	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

15. I will be an honest person and not do this on the computer (I did 0.3.16 first):

- (a) We did this one in 0.2.1.a, now solve for the remainder in each line to find the gcd as a linear combination of  $a$  and  $n$ .

The first line gives  $7 = 20 - 13$ .

The second line gives  $6 = 13 - 7 = 2 \cdot 13 - 20$ .

The third line gives  $1 = 7 - 6 = -3 \cdot 13 + 2 \cdot 20$ .

Now take both sides modulo 20 to get  $1 \equiv -3 \cdot 13 \equiv 17 \cdot 13$ . The inverse of 13 is 17.

- (b) From scratch, sadly

$$89 = 1 \cdot 69 + 20 \quad \implies 20 = 1 \cdot 89 - 1 \cdot 69 \quad (51)$$

$$69 = 3 \cdot 20 + 9 \quad \implies 9 = 69 - 3 \cdot 20 = -3 \cdot 89 + 4 \cdot 69 \quad (52)$$

$$20 = 2 \cdot 9 + 2 \quad \implies 2 = 20 - 2 \cdot 9 = 7 \cdot 89 - 9 \cdot 69 \quad (53)$$

$$9 = 4 \cdot 2 + 1 \quad \implies 1 = 9 - 4 \cdot 2 = -31 \cdot 89 + 40 \cdot 69 \quad (54)$$

$$2 = 2 \cdot 1 \quad (55)$$

The inverse of 69 is 40.

- (c) Why don't they reuse numbers man

$$3797 = 2 \cdot 1891 + 15 \quad \implies 15 = 1 \cdot 3797 - 2 \cdot 1891 \quad (56)$$

$$1891 = 126 \cdot 15 + 1 \quad \implies 1 = 1891 - 126 \cdot 15 = -126 \cdot 3797 + 253 \cdot 1891 \quad (57)$$

$$15 = 15 \cdot 1 \quad (58)$$

The inverse of 1891 is 253.

- (d) I refuse to write these numbers more than once so,  $n = 77695236973$ ,  $a = 6003722857$ .

$$n = 12 \cdot a + 5650562689 \text{ (why)} \quad \implies 5650562689 = n - 12a \quad (59)$$

$$a = 1 \cdot 5650562689 + 353160168 \quad \implies 353160168 = a - 5650562689 = -n + 13a \quad (60)$$

$$5650562689 = 16 \cdot 353160168 + 1 \quad \implies 1 = 5650562689 - 16 \cdot 353160168 = 17n - 220a \quad (61)$$

$$353160168 = 353160168 \cdot 1 \quad (62)$$

The inverse of  $a$  is  $-220 = n - 220 = 77695236753$ .

16. Reuse the gcd code from 0.2.9 to get inverses: if  $(a, n) = 1$ , then  $1 = ax + by$  for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then taking both sides modulo  $n$  gives  $x$  as the inverse of  $a$ .

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1 def get_gcd(a,b):
2     if b == 0:
3         return 0, (0,0)
4
5     if b>a:
6         #have to swap the tuple order first
7         ans = get_gcd(b,a)
8         return ans[0], ans[1][::-1]
9
10    coeffsA = (1,0) #a = 1*a + 0*b
11    coeffsB = (0,1) #b = 0*a + 1*b
12
13    while True:
14        #a = nb + r
15        n = a//b
16        r = a - n*b
17        if r == 0:
18            return b, coeffsB
19
20        #else keep going
21        tmp = coeffsB
22        coeffsB = ( coeffsA[0]-n*coeffsB[0], coeffsA[1]-n*coeffsB[1] )
23        coeffsA = tmp
24
25        a = b
26        b = r

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28 def get_inv(a,n):
29     gcd, coeffs = get_gcd(a,n)
30     if gcd == 1:
31         #then coeffs[0]*a + coeffs[1]*n = 1
32         #take mod n, coeffs[0]*a = 1
33         return modn(coeffs[0],n)
34     else:
35         return None
36
37 def modn(a,n):
38     q = a//n
39     return a - n*q
40
41 def addmodn(a,b,n):
42     return modn(a+b,n)
43 def multmodn(a,b,n):
44     return modn(a*b,n)
45
46 print(modn(-11,12)) #1
47 print(addmodn(13,5,12)) #6
48 print(multmodn(7,7,12)) #1
49 print()
50 #verify the solution for 0.3.14:
51 for i in range(24):
52     print(i, get_inv(i,12)) #None other than 1,5,7,11, which are their own inverses
53 print()
54 #verify the solution for 0.3.15:
55 print(get_inv(13,20)) #17
56 print(get_inv(69,40)) #29
57 print(get_inv(1891,3797)) #253
58 print(get_inv(6003722857,77695236973)) #77695236753

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