

Homework 9

CMPSC 360

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Question 1: Show that if x is an odd integer, then x^2 has the form $8k + 1$, for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

Proof:

Assume that x is an odd integer.

By definition of odd, $x = 2t + 1$ where $t \in \mathbb{Z}$.

This also means that $x = 4t + 1$ and $x = 4t + 3$.

Case 1: ($x = 4t + 1$)

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 &= (4t + 1)^2 \\&= 16t^2 + 8t + 1 \\&= 8(2t^2 + t) + 1 \\&= 8k + 1 \text{ such that } k \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } k = 2t^2 + t\end{aligned}$$

So we know when $x = 4t + 1$, that x^2 has the form $8k + 1$

Case 2: ($x = 4t + 3$)

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 &= (4t + 3)^2 \\&= 16t^2 + 24t + 9 \\&= 16t^2 + 24t + 8 + 1 \\&= 8(2t^2 + 3t + 1) + 1 \\&= 8k + 1 \text{ such that } k \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ where } k = 2t^2 + 3t + 1\end{aligned}$$

So we know when $x = 4t + 3$, that x^2 has the form $8k + 1$

Both cases hold true. Therefore, when x is an odd integer, then x^2 has the form $8k + 1$. \square

Question 2: Solve for $23^3 \pmod{30}$

$$\begin{aligned}23^3 \pmod{30} &= 23^{1+2} \pmod{30} \\&= ((23^1 \pmod{30})(23^2 \pmod{30})) \pmod{30} \\&= (23 \cdot 19) \pmod{30} \\&= 437 \pmod{30} \\&= 17\end{aligned}$$

Question 3: Show that if an integer n is not divisible by 3, then $n^2 - 1$ is always divisible by 3. Similarly, show that if an integer n is not divisible by 3, then $n^2 - 1 \equiv 0$

Proof:

Assume that $3 \nmid n$ such that $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

We need to prove that $3 \mid (n^2 - 1)$ and $n^2 - 1 \equiv 0$, which means $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

This means that $n = 3x + 1$ or $n = 3x + 2$ such that $x \in \mathbb{Z}$

Case 1: ($n = 3x + 1$)

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 - 1 &= (3x + 1)^2 - 1 \\ &= 9x^2 + 6x + 1 - 1 \\ &= 9x^2 + 6x \\ &= 3(3x^2 + 2x) \\ &= 3t \text{ where } t \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } t = 3x^2 + 2x \end{aligned}$$

By definition of divides, when $n = 3x + 1$, then $3 \mid (n^2 - 1)$.

Case 2: ($n = 3x + 2$)

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 - 1 &= (3x + 2)^2 - 1 \\ &= 9x^2 + 12x + 4 - 1 \\ &= 9x^2 + 12x + 3 \\ &= 3(3x^2 + 4x + 1) \\ &= 3t \text{ where } t \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } t = 3x^2 + 4x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

By definition of divides, when $n = 3x + 2$, then $3 \mid (n^2 - 1)$.

Since both cases hold, we know that if $3 \nmid n$ such that $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $3 \mid (n^2 - 1)$. \square

Question 4: Find GCD of 2947 and 3997 using Euclidean Theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} 3997 &= 2947(1) + 1050 \\ 2947 &= 1050(2) + 847 \\ 1050 &= 847(1) + 203 \\ 847 &= 203(4) + 35 \\ 203 &= 35(5) + 28 \\ 35 &= 28(1) + 7 \\ 28 &= 7(4) + 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, $\gcd(2947, 3997) = 7$

Question 5: Express $\gcd(128469, 12818)$ as a linear combination of 128469 and 12818 using extended Euclid algorithm.

Applying Euclid's algorithm:

i	r_i	r_{i+1}	q_{i+1}	r_{i+2}	s_i	t_i
0	128469	12818	10	289	1	0
1	12818	289	44	102	0	1
2	289	102	2	85	1	-10
3	102	85	1	17	-44	441
4	85	17	5	0	89	-892
5					-133	1333

$$\gcd(128469, 12818) = (-133)(128469) + (1333)(12818)$$

Question 6: Prove that if $a \mid bc$ with $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, then $a \mid c$

Proof:

Assume that $a \mid bc$ and $\gcd(a, b) = 1$

By definition of divides, we know that $bc = at$ where $t \in \mathbb{Z}$

Dividing both sides by b , we get $c = \frac{at}{b}$

Since we know that $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, it must mean that $t \mid b$.

Therefore, we can say that $\frac{t}{b} \in \mathbb{Z}$

This means that $c = ax$ where $x = \frac{t}{b}$

Thus, by the definition of divides, we can say that $a \mid c$. \square

Question 7: Prove that $\gcd(a^2, b^2) = \gcd(a, b)^2$ using Bezout's identity.

Proof:

Bezout's identity states that $\gcd(a, b) = as + bt = x$ for some $s, t, x \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Considering x :

$$\begin{aligned} x^3 &= (as + bt)^3 \\ &= (as)^3 + 3(as)^2bt + 3as(bt)^2 + (bt)^3 \\ &= a^2(as^3 + 3s^2bt) + b^2(3ast^2 + bt^3) \\ x^2 &= a^2 \left(\frac{as^3 + 3s^2bt}{x} \right) + b^2 \left(\frac{3ast^2 + bt^3}{x} \right) [\text{divide by } x] \\ &= a^2 \left(\frac{a}{x} \cdot s^3 + 3s^2 \cdot \frac{b}{x} \cdot t \right) + b^2 \left(\frac{3a}{x} \cdot st^2 + \frac{b}{x} \cdot t^3 \right) \end{aligned}$$

By definition of $\gcd(a, b) = x$, we know that $x \mid a$ and $x \mid b$.

So we know that $\frac{a}{x}, \frac{b}{x} \in \mathbb{Z}$

Let $\frac{a}{x}, \frac{b}{x} = y_0, y_1$ respectively, where $y_0, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$

Rewriting the equation, we can say that

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= a^2 (y_0s^3 + 3s^2y_1t) + b^2 (3y_0st^2 + y_1t^3) \\ &= a^2 \cdot n + b^2 \cdot m \text{ for some } n, m \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } n = y_0s^3 + 3s^2y_1t, m = 3y_0st^2 + y_1t^3 \end{aligned}$$

By definition of \gcd , we know that $\gcd(a^2, b^2) = a^2s_0 + b^2t_0$ for some $s_0, t_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$

So we can see that x^2 follows the form of $\gcd(a^2, b^2)$

This means that $a^2s_0 + b^2t_0 = a^2n + b^2m$

And by substitution, we know that $\gcd(a^2, b^2) = \gcd(a, b)^2$

Therefore, we can conclude that $\gcd(a^2, b^2) = \gcd(a, b)^2$. \square

Question 8: For \mathbb{Z}_{11} , find out:

- a) $3 \oplus 7$
 $(3 + 7) \bmod 11 = 10 \bmod 11 = 10$
- b) $3 \otimes 7$
 $(3 \cdot 7) \bmod 11 = 21 \bmod 11 = 10$
- c) $10 \ominus 7$
 $(10 - 7) \bmod 11 = 3 \bmod 11 = 3$
- d) $10 \oslash 7$
 $10 \otimes 7^{-1} = 10 \otimes 8 = (10 \cdot 8) \bmod 11 = 80 \bmod 11 = 3$
 By definition, $7 \cdot x \bmod 11 = 1$ where $x = 7^{-1}$. So $7^{-1} = 8$

Question 9: Determine whether every element a of \mathbb{Z}_n has an inverse for $n = 5, 6$ and $7, 11$

By definition of an inverse, a number $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ has an inverse when a and n are coprimes. This means that a is invertible when $\gcd(a, n) = 1$. In the case of $n = 5, 7, 11$, since they are all primes, all $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ will be coprime with n . However, for the case of $n = 6$, not every element will have an inverse because 2 and 3 are not coprime with 6.

Question 10: Write the following decimal string 334_{10} to senary (base 6) showing work

$$\begin{aligned} 334 \div 6 &= 55 \text{ R } 4 \\ 55 \div 6 &= 9 \text{ R } 1 \\ 9 \div 6 &= 1 \text{ R } 3 \\ 1 \div 6 &= 0 \text{ R } 1 \end{aligned}$$

So $334_{10} = 1314_6$.

Question 11: Find the GCD of 846 and 265.

- 1) $846 = (q_1 = 3) * 265 + (r_1 = 51)$
 - 2) $265 = (q_2 = 5) * r_1 + (r_2 = 10)$
 - 3) $r_1 = (q_3 = 5) * r_2 + (r_3 = 1)$
 - 4) $r_2 = (q_4 = 10) * r_3 + 0$
- r_3 is our gcd.
 $\text{GCD}(846, 265) = 1$

We have to find the Bezout coefficients a, b such that $a * 846 + b * 265 = \text{GCD}(846, 265)$. For doing this we start backward substitution. So we can write the above steps as:

- 1) $r_1 = 846 - q_1 * 265$
- 2) $r_2 = 265 - q_2 * r_1$
- 3) $r_3 = r_1 - q_3 * r_2$

We start from 3 as r_3 is our \gcd and keep on substituting the values of r_1, r_2 and r_3 as above.

$$\begin{aligned} r_3 &= r_1 - q_3 * r_2 \\ &= 846 - q_1 * 265 - [5 * (265 - q_2 * r_1)] \\ &= 846 - 3 * 265 - [5 * 265 - 25 * (846 - q_1 * 265)] \\ &= 846 - 3 * 265 - [5 * 265 - 25 * (846 - 3 * 265)] \\ &= 846 - 3 * 265 - (5 * 265 - 25 * 846 + 75 * 265) \\ &= 846 - 3 * 265 - 5 * 265 + 25 * 846 - 75 * 265 \\ &= 26 * 846 - 83 * 265 \end{aligned}$$