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**Module 2: Problem Set**

$$5x + 2 \equiv 3x - 7 \pmod{31}$$

- Subtract  $3x$  from both sides:

$$(5x - 3x) + 2 \equiv -7 \pmod{31}$$

$$2x + 2 \equiv -7 \pmod{31}$$

- Subtract 2 from both sides:

$$2x \equiv -9 \pmod{31}$$

- Since  $-9 \pmod{31} = 22$ , we rewrite:

$$2x \equiv 22 \pmod{31}$$

- Multiply both sides by the modular inverse of 2 modulo 31.  
The inverse of 2 modulo 31 is 16, because:

$$2 \times 16 = 32 \equiv 1 \pmod{31}$$

So:

$$x \equiv 16 \times 22 = 352 \equiv 11 \pmod{31}$$

**Final Answer:**

$$x \equiv 11 \pmod{31}$$

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Solve the system of congruences:

$$\begin{cases} x \equiv 3 \pmod{5} \\ x \equiv 9 \pmod{11} \end{cases}$$

**Step 1: Verify that the moduli are coprime.**

Since 5 and 11 are both prime numbers, they are coprime. This satisfies the condition for applying the Chinese Remainder Theorem, which guarantees a unique solution modulo the product of the moduli.

**Step 2: Compute the product of the moduli.**

$$N = 5 \times 11 = 55$$

**Step 3: Compute the individual terms.**

For modulus 5:

$$N_1 = \frac{N}{5} = \frac{55}{5} = 11$$

Find the inverse of  $N_1$  modulo 5, i.e., find  $M_1$  such that:

$$11 \times M_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

Since  $11 \pmod{5} = 1$ , we have:

$$M_1 = 1$$

For modulus 11:

$$N_2 = \frac{N}{11} = \frac{55}{11} = 5$$

Find the inverse of  $N_2$  modulo 11, i.e., find  $M_2$  such that:

$$5 \times M_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

Since  $5 \times 9 = 45 \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$ , we have:

$$M_2 = 9$$

**Step 4: Compute the solution.**

$$x = (3 \times N_1 \times M_1) + (9 \times N_2 \times M_2) \pmod{N}$$

$$x = (3 \times 11 \times 1) + (9 \times 5 \times 9) \pmod{55}$$

$$x = 33 + 405 \pmod{55}$$

$$x = 438 \pmod{55}$$

**Step 5: Reduce modulo 55.**

$$438 \div 55 = 7 \text{ with a remainder of } 53$$

$$x \equiv 53 \pmod{55}$$

**Final Answer:**

$$x \equiv 53 \pmod{55}$$

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3, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

Compute the alternating sum:

$$3 - 9 + 8 - 7 + 6 - 5 + 4 - 3 + 2 - 1 = -2$$

Now reduce  $-2 \pmod{11}$ :

$$-2 \pmod{11} = 9$$