**Problem 5):** First, we will show that if  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_N$ , then  $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}_N^\star$ ,  $f(x) = (x_p, x_q)$  where  $x_p \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  &  $x_q \in \mathbb{Z}_q$  and  $x_p \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\star$  &  $x_q \in \mathbb{Z}_q^\star$ . To do this, we assume, to the contrary, that  $x_p \notin \mathbb{Z}_p^\star$ . This assumption implies that  $\gcd\left([x \mod p], p\right) \neq 1$  and, by extension, that  $\gcd\left(x, p\right) \neq 1$ . Moreover, this leads to the conclusion that  $\gcd\left(x, N\right) \neq 1$ . This cannot be, otherwise we would have  $z \notin \mathbb{Z}_N^\star$ , violating the definition of  $\mathbb{Z}_N^\star$  we started with. Therefore,  $x_p \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\star$  must hold. To show that  $x_q \in \mathbb{Z}_q^\star$  must also hold, we make the similar contrary assumption (that  $x_q \notin \mathbb{Z}_q^\star$ ) and arrive at a similar contradiction, thereby requiring that  $x_q \in \mathbb{Z}_q^\star$ .

Next, we will show that f is an isomorphism. We begin by showing that f is <u>one-to-one</u>. To begin, let

$$f(x) = (x_p, x_q) = f(x')$$

Then, we let

$$x = x_p = x' \mod p$$

and

$$x = x_q = x' \mod q$$

This implies that (x - x') is divisible by both p and q. However, since  $p|N \otimes q|N$  and  $\gcd(p,q) = 1$ , we must have (x - x') divisible by pq = N. This implies that  $x = x' \mod N$  and  $x' = x \mod N$ . Moreover, since  $x, x' \in \mathbb{Z}_N$ , we <u>must</u> have x = x' so f must also be **one-to-one**.

Continuing, since  $|\mathbb{Z}_p| = p$  and  $|\mathbb{Z}_q| = q$ , we must have

$$|\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_q| = |\mathbb{Z}_p| \cdot |\mathbb{Z}_q| = pq \tag{5.1}$$

Now, we have N = pq and  $|\mathbb{Z}_N| = N$ , so the expression in 5.1 becomes

$$|\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_q| = pq$$

$$= N$$

$$= |\mathbb{Z}_N|$$

Therefore, f must also be <u>onto</u> and, by extension, bijective.

Finally, we must show that

$$f((a+b) \mod N) = [(a+b) \mod p] \circ_{\mathbb{Z}_N} [(a+b) \mod q]$$
$$= [(a+b) \mod p] \boxplus [(a+b) \mod q]$$
$$= f(a) \boxplus f(b)$$

Since we have defined  $f(x) \equiv ([x \mod p], [x \mod q])$ , we may write  $f((a+b) \mod N)$  as

$$f((a+b) \mod N) = ([[(a+b) \mod N] \mod p], [[(a+b) \mod N] \mod q])$$
 (5.2)

Now, since p|N and q|N, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [[X \mod N] \mod p] &= [[X \mod p] \mod p] \\ &= [X \mod p] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} [[X \mod N] \mod q] &= [[X \mod q] \mod q] \\ &= [X \mod p] \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the expression in 5.2 becomes

$$\begin{split} f\left((a+b) \mod N\right) &= \left(\left[\left[(a+b) \mod N\right] \mod p\right], \left[\left[(a+b) \mod N\right] \mod q\right]\right) \\ &= \left(\left[\left[(a+b) \mod p\right] \mod p\right], \left[\left[(a+b) \mod q\right] \mod q\right]\right) \\ &= \left(\left[(a+b) \mod p\right], \left[(a+b) \mod q\right]\right) \end{split}$$

Separating this result according to a and b gives

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\left[\left(a+b\right) \mod p\right], \left[\left(a+b\right) \mod q\right]\right) &= \left(\left[a \mod p\right], \left[a \mod q\right]\right) \boxplus \left(\left[b \mod p\right], \left[b \mod q\right]\right) \\ &= f\left(a\right) \boxplus f\left(b\right) \end{aligned}$$

as desired.