

1. Use modular exponentiation to find:

i) $7^{644} \bmod 645$.

ii) $3^{2003} \bmod 99$.

iii) $242^{329} \bmod 243$.

Solution:

i) Algorithm 5 initially sets $x = 1$ and $\text{power} = 7 \bmod 645 = 7$.

In the computation of $7^{644} \bmod 645$, this algorithm determines $7^{(2^j)} \bmod 645$ for $j = 1, 2, \dots, 9$ by successively squaring and reducing modulo 645. If $a_j = 1$ (where a_j is the bit in the j th position in the binary expansion of 644, which is $(1010000100)_2$), it multiplies the current value of x by $7^{(2^j)} \bmod 645$ and reduces the result modulo 645. Here are the steps used:

$i=0$ Because $a_0 = 0$, we have $x = 1$ and $\text{power} = 7^2 \bmod 645 = 49 \bmod 645 = 49$;

$i=1$ Because $a_1 = 0$, we have $x = 1$ and $\text{power} = 49^2 \bmod 645 = 2401 \bmod 645 = 466$;

$i=2$ Because $a_2 = 1$, we have $x = 1 \cdot 466 \bmod 645 = 466$ and $\text{power} = 466^2 \bmod 645 = 217156 \bmod 645 = 436$;

$i=3$ Because $a_3 = 0$, we have $x = 466$ and $\text{power} = 436^2 \bmod 645 = 190096 \bmod 645 = 466$;

$i=4$ Because $a_4 = 0$, we have $x = 466$ and $\text{power} = 466^2 \bmod 645 = 217156 \bmod 645 = 436$;

$i=5$ Because $a_5 = 0$, we have $x = 466$ and $\text{power} = 436^2 \bmod 645 = 190096 \bmod 645 = 466$;

$i=6$ Because $a_6 = 0$, we have $x = 466$ and $\text{power} = 466^2 \bmod 645 = 217156 \bmod 645 = 436$;

$i=7$ Because $a_7 = 1$, we have $x = 466 \cdot 436 \bmod 645 = 1$ and $\text{power} = 436^2 \bmod 645 = 190096 \bmod 645 = 466$;

$i=8$ Because $a_8 = 0$, we have $x = 1$ and $\text{power} = 466^2 \bmod 645 = 217156 \bmod 645 = 436$;

$i=9$ Because $a_9 = 1$, we have $x = 1 \cdot 436 \bmod 645 = 436$.

ii) Let us first determine the binary expansion of 2003:

$$2003 = (1111101001)_2$$

a_i then represents the i th digit in the binary expansion of 2003.

$a_0=a_1=a_4=a_6=a_7=a_8=a_9=a_{10}=1$

$a_2=a_3=a_5=0$

Initially x is set to 1 and power is set to $3 \bmod 99$.

$x=1$

$\text{power}=3 \bmod 99=3$

When $a_i=1$ then x is first multiplied by the power and reduced modulo 99.

Then on each iteration the power is multiplied by itself and reduced modulo 99.

$i=0$ Since $a_0=1$:

$x=1 \cdot 3 \bmod 99=3 \bmod 99=3$

$\text{power}=3^2 \bmod 99=9 \bmod 99=9$

$i=1$ Since $a_1=1$:

$x=3 \cdot 9 \bmod 99=27 \bmod 99=27$

$\text{power}=9^2 \bmod 99=81 \bmod 99=81$

$i=2$ Since $a_2=0$:

$x=27$

$\text{power}=81^2 \bmod 99=6561 \bmod 99=27$

$i=3$ Since $a_3=0$:

$x=27$

$\text{power}=27^2 \bmod 99=729 \bmod 99=36$

$i=4$ since $a_4=1$:

$x=27 \cdot 36 \bmod 99=972 \bmod 99=81$

$\text{power}=36^2 \bmod 99=1296 \bmod 99=9$

$i=5$ since $a_5=0$:

$x=81$

$\text{power}=9^2 \bmod 99=81 \bmod 99=81$

$i=6$ since $a_6=1$:

$x=81 \cdot 81 \bmod 99=6561 \bmod 99=27$

$\text{power}=81^2 \bmod 99=6561 \bmod 99=27$

$i=7$ since $a_7=1$:

$$x=27 \cdot 27 \bmod 99 = 729 \bmod 99 = 36$$

$$\text{power}=27^2 \bmod 99=729 \bmod 99=36$$

$i=8$ since $a_8=1$:

$$x=36 \cdot 36 \bmod 99 = 1296 \bmod 99 = 9$$

$$\text{power}=36^2 \bmod 99=1296 \bmod 99=9$$

$i=9$ since $a_9=1$:

$$x=9 \cdot 9 \bmod 99 = 81 \bmod 99 = 81$$

$$\text{power}=9^2 \bmod 99=81 \bmod 99=81$$

$i=10$ since $a_{10}=1$:

$$x=81 \cdot 81 \bmod 99 = 6561 \bmod 99 = 27$$

$$\text{power}=81^2 \bmod 99=6561 \bmod 99=27$$

iii) $242^{329} \bmod 243 = 242$.

2. Not covered in syllabus.

3. Let a, b, c , and d be integers, where $a \neq 0$ such that $a \mid c$ and $b \mid d$, then prove that $ab \mid cd$.

Solution:

DEFINITIONS

a divides b if there exists an integer c such that $b=ac$

Notation: $a \mid b$

Given: a, b, c , and d are integers with $a \mid c$ and $b \mid d$ and $a \neq 0$

To proof: $ab \mid cd$

PROOF

Since $a \mid c$, there exists an integer f such that:

$$c=af$$

Since $b \mid d$, there exists an integer g such that:

$$d=bg$$

Multiply these two equations:

$$cd=(af)(bg)=afbg=abfg=(ab)(fg)$$

Since f and g are integers, their product fg is an also integer.

By the definition of divides, we have then shown that ab divides cd .

$ab|cd$

4. Prove that if n is an odd positive integer, then $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$.

Solution:

If n is odd, we can write $n = 2k + 1$ for some integer k .

$$\text{Then } n^2 = (2k + 1)^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

To show that $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$, it is sufficient to show that $8 | n^2 - 1$. We have that

$n^2 - 1 = 4k^2 + 4k = 4k(k + 1)$. Now, we have two cases to consider: if k is even, there is some integer d such that $k = 2d$. Then $n^2 - 1 = 4(2d)(2d + 1) = 8d(2d + 1)$, and clearly this is divisible by 8 since it is a multiple of 8. If k is odd, then there is some integer d such that $k = 2d + 1$. Then $n^2 - 1 = 4(2d + 1)(2d + 2) = 8(2d + 1)(d + 1)$, and again, this is divisible by 8. Thus, in both cases, $n^2 - 1$ is divisible by 8, so $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$.

5. Find the integer a such that:

i) $a \equiv -11 \pmod{21}$ and $90 \leq a \leq 110$.

ii) $a \equiv 99 \pmod{41}$ and $100 \leq a \leq 140$.

iii) $a \equiv 17 \pmod{29}$ and $-14 \leq a \leq 14$.

Solution:

i) Answer: $a = 94$ (we can check by seeing that $21 | (94 - (-11))$)

ii) Answer: $a = 140$ (we can check by seeing that $41 | (140 - 99)$)

iii) Answer: $a = -12$ (we can check by seeing that $29 | (17 - (-12))$)

6. Find the quotient and remainder when:

i) 1,234,567 is divided by 1001?

ii) -123 is divided by 19?

iii) 0 is divided by 17?

iv) -2002 is divided by 87?

v) 1001 is divided by 13?

Solution:

i) Quotient: 1233, Remainder: 334

ii) Quotient: -7, Remainder: 10

iii) Quotient: 0, Remainder: 0

iv) Quotient: -24, Remainder: 86

v) Quotient: 77, Remainder: 0

7. Find the prime factorization of the following numbers:

i) 909,090.

ii) $10!$

iii) 7007.

Solution:

i) 2, 3, 3, 3, 5, 7, 13, 37.

ii) 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3, 5, 5, 7.

iii) 7, 7, 11, 13.

8. Show that if a and b are positive integers, then $ab = \gcd(a, b) \cdot \text{lcm}(a, b)$.

Solution:

Given: a and b are positive integers

To prove: $ab = \gcd(a, b) \cdot \text{lcm}(a, b)$

PROOF

Let p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k be the primes in the prime factorization in either a or b . Then the prime factorization of a and b is of the form:

$$a = p_1^{a_1} \cdot p_2^{a_2} \cdot p_k^{a_k}$$

$$b = p_1^{b_1} \cdot p_2^{b_2} \cdot p_k^{b_k}$$

The prime factorizations of the numbers have been given. The prime factorization of the greatest common divisor then contains all common primes in the prime factorizations of a and b , where its power is the minimum of the powers of the prime in the prime factorization of a and b .

$$\gcd(a, b) = p_1^{\min(a_1, b_1)} \cdot p_2^{\min(a_2, b_2)} \cdot p_k^{\min(a_k, b_k)}$$

The prime factorizations of the numbers have been given. The prime factorization of the least common multiple then contains all primes in the prime factorizations of a and b , where its power is the maximum of the powers of the prime in the prime factorization of a and b .

$$\text{lcm}(a, b) = p_1^{\max(a_1, b_1)} \cdot p_2^{\max(a_2, b_2)} \cdot p_k^{\max(a_k, b_k)}$$

Let us determine the product of the greatest common divisor and least common multiple (use the fact that if $\min(a_i, b_i) = a_i$ then $\max(a_i, b_i) = b_i$

and if $\min(a_i, b_i) = b_i$ then $\max(a_i, b_i) = a_i$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \gcd(ab) \cdot \text{lcm}(a,b) = (p_1^{a_1, b_1} \cdot p_2^{a_2, b_2} \cdot p_k^{a_k, b_k}) \cdot (p_1^{\max(a_1, b_1)} \cdot p_2^{\max(a_2, b_2)} \cdot p_k^{\max(a_k, b_k)}) \\
&= p_1^{\min(a_1, b_1) + \max(a_1, b_1)} \cdot p_2^{\min(a_2, b_2) + \max(a_2, b_2)} \cdot p_k^{\min(a_k, b_k) + \max(a_k, b_k)} \\
&= p_1^{a_1 + b_1} \cdot p_2^{a_2 + b_2} \cdot p_k^{a_k + b_k} \\
&= (p_1^{a_1} \cdot p_2^{a_2} \cdot p_k^{a_k}) \cdot (p_1^{b_1} \cdot p_2^{b_2} \cdot p_k^{b_k}) \\
&= a \cdot b \\
& ab = \gcd(ab) \cdot \text{lcm}(a,b)
\end{aligned}$$

9. Determine whether the integers in each of these sets are pairwise relatively prime:

i) 14, 17, 85.

ii) 21, 34, 55.

iii) 25, 41, 49, 64.

iv) 17, 18, 19, 23.

Solution:

i) Let us determine the prime factorization of each integer:

$$14 = 2 \cdot 7$$

$$17 = 17$$

$$85 = 5 \cdot 17$$

Let us use the prime factorizations to determine the greatest common divisor of each pair of the given integers.

$$\gcd(14, 17) = 1$$

$$\gcd(14, 85) = 1$$

$$\gcd(17, 85) = 17$$

The integers are then not pairwise relatively prime, because there exists a pair of integers that has a greatest common divisor different from 1.

ii) Let us determine the prime factorization of each integer:

$$21 = 3 \cdot 7$$

$$34 = 2 \cdot 17$$

$$55 = 5 \cdot 11$$

Let us use the prime factorizations to determine the greatest common divisor of each pair of the given integers.

$$\gcd(21, 34) = 1$$

$$\gcd(21, 55) = 1$$

$$\gcd(34, 55) = 1$$

The integers are then pairwise relatively prime, because all greatest common divisors are equal to 1.

iii) Let us determine the prime factorization of each integer:

$$25 = 5^2$$

$$41 = 41$$

$$49 = 7^2$$

$$64 = 2^6$$

Let us use the prime factorizations to determine the greatest common divisor of each pair of the given integers.

$$\gcd(25, 41) = 1$$

$$\gcd(25, 49) = 1$$

$$\gcd(25, 64) = 1$$

$$\gcd(41, 49) = 1$$

$$\gcd(41, 64) = 1$$

$$\gcd(49, 64) = 1$$

The integers are then pairwise relatively prime, because all greatest common divisors are equal to 1.

iv) Let us determine the prime factorization of each integer:

$$17 = 17$$

$$18 = 2 \cdot 3^2$$

$$19 = 19$$

$$23 = 23$$

Let us use the prime factorizations to determine the greatest common divisor of each pair of the given integers.

$$\gcd(17, 18) = 1$$

$$\gcd(17, 19) = 1$$

$$\gcd(17, 23) = 1$$

$$\gcd(18, 19) = 1$$

$$\gcd(18, 23) = 1$$

$$\gcd(19, 23) = 1$$

The integers are then pairwise relatively prime because all greatest common divisors are equal to 1.

10. Express the greatest common divisor of each of these pairs of integers as a linear combination of these integers.

i) 252, 198.

ii) 35,78.

iii) 33,44.

Solution:

i) The Euclidean algorithm uses these divisions:

$$252 = 1 \cdot 198 + 54$$

$$198 = 3 \cdot 54 + 36$$

$$54 = 1 \cdot 36 + 18$$

$$36 = 2 \cdot 18.$$

Using the next-to-last division (the third division), we can express $\gcd(252, 198) = 18$ as a linear combination of 54 and 36. We find that

$$18 = 54 - 1 \cdot 36.$$

The second division tells us that

$$36 = 198 - 3 \cdot 54.$$

Substituting this expression for 36 into the previous equation, we can express 18 as a linear combination of 54 and 198. We have

$$18 = 54 - 1 \cdot 36 = 54 - 1 \cdot (198 - 3 \cdot 54) = 4 \cdot 54 - 1 \cdot 198.$$

The first division tells us that

$$54 = 252 - 1 \cdot 198.$$

Substituting this expression for 54 into the previous equation, we can express 18 as a linear combination of 252 and 198. We conclude that

$$18 = 4 \cdot (252 - 1 \cdot 198) - 1 \cdot 198 = 4 \cdot 252 - 5 \cdot 198$$

ii) The Euclidean algorithm starts by dividing the largest integer by the smallest. The divisor is then divided by the remainder in the following steps until we obtain a remainder of 0.

$$78 = 2 \cdot 35 + 8$$

$$35 = 4 \cdot 8 + 3$$

$$8 = 2 \cdot 3 + 2$$

$$3 = 1 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$2 = 2 \cdot 1$$

The greatest common divisor is then the last nonzero remainder: $\gcd(35, 78) = 1$.

By solving the 4th equation of the Euclidean algorithm to the greatest common divisor, we then obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
\gcd(35,78) &= 1 \\
&= 3 - 1 \cdot 2 \\
&= 1 \cdot 3 + (-1) \cdot 2 \\
&= 1 \cdot 3 + (-1) \cdot (8 - 2 \cdot 3) \\
&= 3 \cdot 3 + (-1) \cdot 8 \\
&= 3 \cdot (35 - 4 \cdot 8) + (-1) \cdot 8 \\
&= 3 \cdot 35 + (-13) \cdot 8 \\
&= 3 \cdot 35 + (-13) \cdot (78 - 2 \cdot 35) \\
&= 29 \cdot 35 + (-13) \cdot 78
\end{aligned}$$

iii) The Euclidean algorithm starts by dividing the largest integer by the smallest. The divisor is then divided by the remainder in the following steps until we obtain a remainder of 0.

$$\begin{aligned}
44 &= 1 \cdot 33 + 11 \\
33 &= 3 \cdot 11
\end{aligned}$$

The greatest common divisor is then the last nonzero remainder: $\gcd(33, 44) = 11$

By solving the first equation of the Euclidean algorithm to the greatest common divisor, we then obtain:

$$\gcd(33, 44) = 1 = 44 - 1 \cdot 33 = 1 \cdot 44 + (-1) \cdot 33$$

11. Find the greatest common divisors and the least common multiples of the following Pairs:

$$\text{i) } 3^{13} \cdot 5^{17}, 2^{12} \cdot 7^{21}$$

$$\text{ii) } 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13, 2^{11} \cdot 3^9 \cdot 11 \cdot 17^{14}$$

$$\text{iii) } 41 \cdot 43 \cdot 53, 41 \cdot 43 \cdot 53$$

Solution:

i) We note that the two prime factorizations have no factors in common, then the greatest common divisor is 1.

$$\gcd(a, b) = 1.$$

$$\text{lcm}(a, b) = 2^{12} \cdot 3^{13} \cdot 5^{17} \cdot 7^{21}$$

$$\text{ii) } \gcd(a, b)$$

$$2^{\min(1,11)} \cdot 3^{\min(1,9)} \cdot 11$$

$$=66.$$

$$\text{lcm}(a,b)=2 \cdot 3 \cdot 11$$

$$\text{iii) } \gcd(a,b) = 41 \cdot 43 \cdot 53 = 93439.$$

$$\text{lcm}(a,b)=41 \cdot 43 \cdot 53 = 93439.$$

12. Show that if a , b , and m are integers such that $m \geq 2$ and $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$, then $\gcd(a,m) = \gcd(b,m)$.

Solution:

DEFINITIONS

a divides b if there exists an integer c such that $b=ac$

Notation: $a|b$

a is congruent to b modulo m if m divides $a-b$

Notation: $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

Given: a , b and m are integers with $m \geq 2$

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m}$$

To prove: $\gcd(a,m) = \gcd(b,m)$

PROOF

Since $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$, m divides $a-b$ and thus there exists an integer c such that: $a-b=mc$ or equivalently $a=mc+b$.

Let us define the constants A and B as:

$$A = \gcd(a,m)$$

$$B = \gcd(b,m)$$

The greatest common divisor of two integers divides both integers:

$$A|a \quad A|m \quad B|b \quad B|m$$

Since $a=mc+b$, $A|a$ and $A|m$ implies $A|b$

$$A|b$$

Since $a=mc+b$, $B|b$ and $B|m$ implies $B|a$

$$B|a$$

If an integer divides two integers, then the integer also divides their greatest common divisor:

$$A|\gcd(b,m)$$

$$B|\gcd(a,m)$$

$$\text{Since } A = \gcd(a,m) \text{ and } B = \gcd(b,m)$$

$A|B$

$B|A$

$A|B$ and $B|A$ then imply $A=B$

$\gcd(a,m)=\gcd(b,m)$.

13. If the product of two integers is $2^7 3^8 5^2 7^{11}$ and their greatest common divisor is $2^3 3^4 5$, what is their least common multiple?

Solution:-

we know that the product of the greatest common divisor and the least common multiple of two numbers is the product of the two numbers. Therefore the answer is

$$2^7 3^8 5^2 7^{11} / 2^3 3^4 5 = 2^4 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 5 \cdot 7^{11}$$

14. Find the greatest common divisor of the following pair of numbers using the Euclidean

Algorithm:

i) 11111, 111111.

ii) 1529, 14038.

iii) 750,900.

iv) 414,662.

Solution:-

To apply the Euclidean algorithm, we divide the larger number by the smaller, replace the larger by the smaller and the smaller by the remainder of this division, and repeat this process until the remainder is 0. At that point, the smaller number is the greatest common divisor.

i) $\gcd(11111, 111111) = \gcd(11111, 1) = \gcd(1, 0) = 1$

ii) $\gcd(1529, 14038) = \gcd(1529, 277) = \gcd(277, 144) = \gcd(144, 133) = \gcd(133, 11) = \gcd(11, 1) = \gcd(1, 0) = 1$

iii) $\gcd(750, 900) = \gcd(750, 150) = \gcd(150, 0) = 150$

iv) $\gcd(414, 662) = \gcd(414, 248) = \gcd(248, 166) = \gcd(166, 82) = \gcd(82, 2) = \gcd(41, 0) = 41$.

15.How many divisions are required to find $\gcd(21, 34)$ using the Euclidean algorithm?

Solution:-

By using the Euclidean algorithm

$$34 = 21 \times 1 + 13$$

$$21 = 13 \times 1 + 8$$

$$13 = 8 \times 1 + 5$$

$$8 = 5 \times 1 + 3$$

$$5 = 3 \times 1 + 2$$

$$3 = 2 \times 1 + 1$$

$$2 = 1 \times 2 + 0$$

As 1 is the last nonzero remainder.

So, $\gcd(21, 34)$ is 1.

Therefore, 7 divisions are required to find $\gcd(21, 34)$ using the Euclidean algorithm.