

CSI 2101 Lecture Notes

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Definitions, Theorems, Lemmas, and Corollaries

Definition 4.1.1. Let a and b be two integers such that $a \neq 0$. We say that a divides b if there exists c such that $b = ac$. If a divides b we say a is a factor or divisor of b . We also can say b is a multiple of a .

Theorem 4.1.1. Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$.

1. If $a \mid b$ and $a \mid c$, then $a \mid (b + c)$
2. If $a \mid b$, then $a \mid bc$ for every integer c
3. If $a \mid b$ and $b \mid c$, then $a \mid c$

Corollary 4.1.1. Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$. If $a \mid b$ and $a \mid c$, $a \mid (mb + nc)$ for all integers m and n

Theorem 4.1.2 (The Division Algorithm). Let $a, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $d > 0$. There exists a unique q and r such that

$$0 \leq r < d$$

and

$$a = dq + r$$

We write

$$q = a \operatorname{div} d$$

$$r = a \operatorname{mod} d$$

Definition 4.1.2. Let $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 2$. We say a is congruent to b modulo m if $m \mid (a - b)$. We write $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

Theorem 4.1.3. Let $a, b, c, d, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 2$. If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$, then

1. $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$
2. $ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$

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Theorem 5.1.1 (Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic). All integers greater than 1 can be written as a product of prime numbers. This representation is unique if we write the prime numbers in non-decreasing order.

Theorem 5.1.2. Let $n > 1$ be an integer. If n is not prime, then n has a prime divisor p such that $p \leq \sqrt{n}$.

Corollary 6.0.1. Let

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

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

Where p_i is prime, $a_i \geq 0$ and $b_i \geq 0$, $1 \leq i \leq k$. Then

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

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

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

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$$a = b \cdot q + r$$

Then

$$\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r)$$

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while $y \neq 0$

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$$y = r$$

return x

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$$s \cdot a + t \cdot b = \gcd(a, b)$$

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Lemma 8.0.2. *Let p be a prime number and $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $p \mid (a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n)$, then there exists $1 \leq i \leq n$ such that $p \mid a_i$.*

Theorem 8.0.2. *Let $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 2$ and let $a \in \mathbb{Z}_m$. The multiplicative inverse of $a \pmod{m}$ exists if and only if $\gcd(a, m) = 1$. When it exists, the inverse of $a \pmod{m}$ is unique.*

Lecture 1

Logic and Proof Techniques

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Lecture 2

Proof Examples

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Lecture 3

Proof by Induction and More Examples

Lecture 4

Intro to Number Theory

4.1 Divisibility

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Proof. 1. We have to prove if $a \mid b$ and $a \mid c$, then $a \mid (b + c)$. Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$. Assume that $a \mid b$ and $a \mid c$, then for some $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$b = k \cdot a$$

$$c = l \cdot a$$

Thus, we have

$$b + c = k \cdot a + l \cdot a = a(k + l)$$

So $a \mid (b + c)$

2. We have to prove if $a \mid b$, $a \mid bc$ for every c . Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$. Assume that $a \mid b$. Then for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$b = k \cdot a$$

Let $c \in \mathbb{Z}$, so

$$bc = k \cdot a \cdot c = a \cdot (kc)$$

Therefore, $a \mid bc$

3. We have to prove if $a \mid b$ and $b \mid c$, then $a \mid c$. Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$. Assume $a \mid b$ and $b \mid c$. Then we have for some $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$b = k \cdot a$$

$$c = l \cdot b$$

So,

$$c = l \cdot b = l \cdot (k \cdot a) = (lk)a$$

Therefore $a \mid c$

□

Corollary 4.1.1. Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$. If $a \mid b$ and $a \mid c$, $a \mid (mb + nc)$ for all integers m and n

Proof. Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$. Assume $a \mid b$ and $a \mid c$. By the previous theorem (part 2), we have $a \mid mb$ and $a \mid nc$. Therefore, by the previous theorem (part 1), $a \mid (mb + nc)$ □

Theorem 4.1.2 (The Division Algorithm). Let $a, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $d > 0$. There exists a unique q and r such that

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and

$$a = dq + r$$

We write

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Definition 4.1.2. Let $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 2$. We say a is congruent to b modulo m if $m \mid (a - b)$. We write $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

Example: Prove or disprove. We have $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ if and only if $b \equiv a \pmod{m}$

$$\begin{aligned} a &\equiv b \pmod{m} \\ \iff m \mid (a - b) & \quad \text{(by definition)} \\ \iff a - b = km & \quad (k \in \mathbb{Z}) \\ \iff b - a = -km \\ \iff m \mid (b - a) \\ \iff b \equiv a \pmod{m} & \quad \text{(by definition)} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 4.1.3. Let $a, b, c, d, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 2$. If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$, then

1. $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$

$$2. \quad ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$$

Proof. 1. We have to prove $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$. Since $a \equiv b$ and $c \equiv d$, we have

$$m \mid (a - b)$$

$$m \mid (c - d)$$

By theorem 4.1.1 (part 1), we have

$$m \mid ((a - b) + (c - d))$$

$$m \mid ((a + c) - (b + d))$$

Therefore,

$$a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$$

$$2. \quad \text{We have to prove } ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$$

Since $a \equiv b$ and $c \equiv d$, we have $m \mid (a - b)$ and $m \mid (c - d)$. By Corollary 4.1.1, we have

$$m \mid (c(a - b) + b(c - d))$$

$$m \mid (ac - bc + bc - bd)$$

$$m \mid (ac - bd)$$

Therefore $ac \equiv bd$.

□

4.2 Arithmetic Modulo m

Let $m \geq 2$ be an integer and

$$\mathbb{Z}_m = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, m - 1\}$$

We define

$$a +_m b = (a + b) \pmod{m}$$

$$a \cdot_m b = (a \cdot b) \pmod{m}$$

in \mathbb{Z}_m , this is arithmetic modulo m . TBC

Lecture 5

Prime Numbers and GCD

5.1 Prime Numbers

Definition 5.1.1. A positive integer p is prime if it admits exactly two divisors.

Theorem 5.1.1 (Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic). All integers greater than 1 can be written as a product of prime numbers. This representation is unique if we write the prime numbers in non-decreasing order.

Proof. **(Existence)** By induction,

- **Base Case:** Take $n = 2$. We have $2 = 2$, the product of 1 prime number.
- **Induction Hypothesis:** Let $k \geq 2$ be an integer. Suppose that all numbers $2, 3, 4, \dots, k - 1, k$ can be written as a product of primes.
- **Induction Step:** Consider $k + 1$. If $k + 1$ is prime, then we're done. If not, then $k + 1 = d \cdot e$ for integers $1 < d < k + 1$ and $1 < e < k + 1$. By the induction hypothesis, d and e can be written as products of prime. So $k + 1 = d \cdot e$ can be written as a product of primes.

(Uniqueness) to be seen later. \square

Theorem 5.1.2. Let $n > 1$ be an integer. If n is not prime, then n has a prime divisor p such that $p \leq \sqrt{n}$.

Proof. Let $n > 1$, if n is not prime, then $n = a \cdot b$ for two integers $1 < a < n$ and $1 < b < n$. We will show that $a \leq \sqrt{n}$ or $b \leq \sqrt{n}$ by contradiction. Assume $a > \sqrt{n}$ and $b > \sqrt{n}$. Then $n = a \cdot b > \sqrt{n} \cdot \sqrt{n} = n$. This is a contradiction so $a \leq \sqrt{n}$.

Assume without loss of generality that $a \leq \sqrt{n}$. If a is prime, we're done. If not, then by the fundamental theorem of arithmetic, a is divisible by a prime number p . \square

Theorem 5.1.3. There exists an infinite number of prime numbers.

Proof. By contradiction, suppose there exists a finite number of prime numbers, say k prime numbers, and we order them

$$p_1 < p_2 < p_3 < \cdots < p_k$$

Consider the number

$$Q = p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_k + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Since $Q > p_k$, then Q is not prime by our assumption. By Theorem 5.1.2, Q is divisible by a prime number. So $p_i \mid Q$ for some $1 \leq i \leq k$. We also have that

$$p_i \mid (p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_i \cdot \dots \cdot p_k)$$

By Corollary 4.1.1, we get

$$p_i \mid (Q - p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_k)$$

$p_i \mid 1$ Therefore $p_i = 1$, this is a contradiction since we assumed p_k is the largest prime but $Q > p_k$ is prime. \square

Lecture 6

Euclidean Algorithm and Bézout's Theorem

Corollary 6.0.1. *Let*

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

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

Where p_i is prime, $a_i \geq 0$ and $b_i \geq 0$, $1 \leq i \leq k$. Then

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

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$$\gcd(a, b) \cdot \operatorname{lcm}(a, b) = ab$$

Example:

$$24 = 2^3 \cdot 3$$

$$36 = 2^2 \cdot 3^2$$

$$\gcd(24, 36) = 2^2 \cdot 3^1 = 12$$

$$\operatorname{lcm}(24, 36) = 2^3 \cdot 3^2 = 72$$

$$12 \cdot 72 = 864 = 24 \cdot 36$$

Lemma 6.0.1. *Let a, b, q, r be integers such that*

$$a = b \cdot q + r$$

Then

$$\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r)$$

Proof. Let a, b, q, r be integers such that

$$a = bq + r$$

Let $d \in \mathbb{Z}$. We will prove that

$$d \mid a \wedge d \mid b \iff d \mid b \wedge d \mid r$$

(\implies) Let $d \in \mathbb{Z}$. Assume $d \mid a$ and $d \mid b$. Then $d \mid (1 \cdot a + (-q) \cdot b)$, by Corollary 4.1.1. Then $a = bq + r \implies r = a - bq$, so $d \mid (1 \cdot a + (-q) \cdot b) \implies d \mid r$.

(\impliedby) Let $d \in \mathbb{Z}$. Assume $d \mid b$ and $d \mid r$. Then $d \mid (q \cdot b + 1 \cdot r)$ by Corollary 4.1.1. Then $d \mid a$, therefore $d \mid a$ and $d \mid b$ \square

Example: $\gcd(414, 662)$, $662 = 1 \cdot 414 + 248$

$$662 = 1 \cdot 414 + 248$$

$$414 = 1 \cdot 248 + 166$$

$$248 = 1 \cdot 166 + 82$$

$$166 = 2 \cdot 82 + 2$$

$$82 = 41 \cdot 2 + 0$$

The last none-zero remainder of this sequence is the \gcd of 414 and 662 by the previous lemma. (can someone find which lemma this is!)

Definition 6.0.1 (Euclidean Algorithm).

$$x = a$$

$$y = b$$

while $y \neq 0$

$$r = x \mod y$$

$$x = y$$

$$y = r$$

return x

This algorithm returns the \gcd of a and b .

Example: $\gcd(465, 144)$

$$465 = 3 \cdot 144 + 33$$

$$144 = 4 \cdot 33 + 12$$

$$33 = 2 \cdot 12 + 9$$

$$12 = 1 \cdot 9 + 3$$

$$9 = 3 \cdot 3 + 0$$

Therefore $\gcd(465, 144) = 3$.

Note: When you show the trace of Euclid's algorithm, you must include the last line with a remainder of 0.

Theorem 6.0.1 (Bézout). *Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ be positive integers. There exists $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that*

$$s \cdot a + t \cdot b = \gcd(a, b)$$

Proof. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$. Run Euclidian algorithm, and assume without loss of generality $b \leq a$.

$$\begin{aligned} a &= q \cdot b + r \\ r_0 &= q_1 \cdot r_1 + r_2 \\ r_1 &= q_2 \cdot r_2 + r_3 \\ r_2 &= q_3 \cdot r_3 + r_4 \\ &\vdots \\ r_{n-3} &= q_{n-2} \cdot r_{n-2} + r_{n-1} \\ r_{n-2} &= q_{n-1} \cdot r_{n-1} + r_n \\ r_{n-1} &= q_n \cdot r_n + 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \gcd(a, b) &= r_n \\ &= r_{n-2} - q_{n-1} \cdot r_{n-1} \\ &= r_{n-2} - q_{n-1}(r_{n-3} - q_{n-2}r_{n-2}) \\ &= r_{n-2} - q_{n-1}(r_{n-3} - q_{n-2}r_{n-2}) \\ &= -q_{n-1} \cdot r_{n-3} + (1 + q_{n-2}q_{n-1}) \cdot r_{n-2} \\ &\vdots \\ &= s \cdot r_0 + t \cdot r_1 \\ &= s \cdot a + t \cdot b \end{aligned}$$

So we read the trace of Euclid's algorithm backward while keeping $\gcd(a, b)$ on the same side of the equality. \square

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Lemma 6.0.2. *Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$. If $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ and $a \mid (bc)$, then $a \mid c$.*

Proof. Assume $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ and $a \mid (bc)$. By Bézout, there exist $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} s \cdot a + t \cdot b &= \gcd(a, b) = 1 \\ s \cdot a \cdot c + t \cdot b \cdot c &= c \end{aligned} \tag{*}$$

Since $a \mid a$ and $a \mid (bc)$, we have

$$a \mid (s \cdot c \cdot a + t \cdot b \cdot c)$$

By Corollary 4.1.1. Then from (*), this means

$$a \mid c$$

□

Lecture 7

Applications of Bézout's Theorem

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Lecture 8

GCD and Modulo n, Multiplicative Inverses in Modulo n

Lemma 8.0.1. Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, with $a \neq 0$. If $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, and $a \mid (bc)$, then $a \mid c$.

Proof. Seen last week. □

Theorem 8.0.1. Let $a, b, c, m \in \mathbb{Z}$, with $m \geq 2$. Assume $ac \equiv bc \pmod{m}$ and $\gcd(c, m) = 1$. Then $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$.

Proof. Let $a, b, c, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 2$. Assume $ac \equiv bc \pmod{m}$ and $\gcd(c, m) = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} m &\mid (ac - bc) && \text{(def of mod)} \\ m &\mid (c(a - b)) \\ m &\mid (a - b) && \text{(by previous lemma)} \\ a &\equiv b \pmod{m} && \text{(def of mod)} \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 8.0.2. Let p be a prime number and $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $p \mid (a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n)$, then there exists $1 \leq i \leq n$ such that $p \mid a_i$.

Proof. By induction on n .

- **Base Case:** $n = 1$. Let p be a prime number, if $p \mid a_1$, then $p \mid a_1$
- **Induction Hypothesis:** Let $k \geq 1$ be an integer. Suppose that for all integers a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k

$$p \mid (a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_k) \implies \exists 1 \leq i \leq k \text{ s.t. } p \mid a_i$$

If $p \mid a_{k+1}$, then we're done. If not, then

$$\gcd(p, a_{k+1}) = 1$$

So $p \mid (a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_k)$ by the previous lemma. By the induction hypothesis, there exists $1 \leq i \leq k$ such that $p \mid a_i$.

Induction Step: Suppose

$$p \mid (a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_k \cdot a_{k+1})$$

□

Theorem 8.0.2. *Let $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 2$ and let $a \in \mathbb{Z}_m$. The multiplicative inverse of $a \pmod{m}$ exists if and only if $\gcd(a, m) = 1$. When it exists, the inverse of $a \pmod{m}$ is unique.*

Proof. Let $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $m \geq 2$ and $a \in \mathbb{Z}_m$

(\implies): Assume the multiplicative inverse of $a \pmod{m}$ exists. Let \bar{a} be this inverse. By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} a \cdot \bar{a} &\equiv 1 \pmod{m} \\ m &\mid (a \cdot \bar{a} - 1) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{def. of modulo})$$

Then, $a \cdot \bar{a} - 1 = k \cdot m$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Let $d = \gcd(a, m)$. Then $d \mid a$ and $d \mid m$. By a result seen in class,

$$\begin{aligned} d &\mid (\bar{a} \cdot a + (-k)m) \\ d &\mid 1 \end{aligned}$$

So, $d = 1$

(\impliedby): Assume $\gcd(a, m) = 1$. By Bézout, there exists $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$s \cdot a + t \cdot m = \gcd(a, m) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} s \cdot a + t \cdot m &\equiv 1 \pmod{m} \\ s \cdot a + t \cdot 0 &\equiv 1 \pmod{m} \\ s \cdot a &\equiv 1 \pmod{m} \end{aligned}$$

So, we can take $\bar{a} \equiv s \pmod{m}$

(Uniqueness): Consider two arbitrary multiplicative inverses of $a \pmod{m}$. Denote them by $s, s' \in \mathbb{Z}_m$. So by definition

$$sa \equiv 1 \pmod{m} \text{ and } s'a \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$$

Then $\gcd(a, m) = 1$ by the previous proof, also we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 sa &\equiv s'a \pmod{m} \\
 m &\mid (sa - s'a) && \text{(def. of modulo)} \\
 m &\mid (a(s - s')) \\
 m &\mid (s - s') && \text{(since } \gcd(a, m) = 1) \\
 s &\equiv s' \pmod{m} && \text{(def. of modulo)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, s and s' are the same in \mathbb{Z}_m . □

Example: Find the multiplicative inverse of 101 (mod 4620).

Euclid:

$$\begin{aligned}
 4620 &= 45 \cdot 101 + 75 \\
 101 &= 1 \cdot 75 + 26 \\
 75 &= 2 \cdot 26 + 23 \\
 26 &= 1 \cdot 23 + 3 \\
 23 &= 7 \cdot 3 + 2 \\
 3 &= 1 \cdot 2 + 1 \\
 2 &= 2 \cdot 1 + 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Bézout:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= 3 - 1 \cdot 2 \\
 1 &= 3 - 1 \cdot (23 - 7 \cdot 3) \\
 1 &= 3 - 1 \cdot 23 + 7 \cdot 3 \\
 1 &= 8 \cdot 3 - 1 \cdot 23 \\
 1 &= -1 \cdot 23 + 8 \cdot 3 \\
 1 &= -1 \cdot 23 + 8 \cdot (26 - 1 \cdot 23) \\
 1 &= -1 \cdot 23 + 8 \cdot 26 - 8 \cdot 23 \\
 1 &= -9 \cdot 23 + 8 \cdot 26 \\
 1 &= 8 \cdot 26 - 9 \cdot 23 \\
 1 &= 8 \cdot 26 - 9 \cdot (75 - 2 \cdot 26) \\
 1 &= 8 \cdot 26 - 9 \cdot 75 + 18 \cdot 26 \\
 1 &= -9 \cdot 75 + 26 \cdot 26 \\
 1 &= -9 \cdot 75 + 26 \cdot (101 - 1 \cdot 75) \\
 1 &= -9 \cdot 75 + 26 \cdot 101 - 26 \cdot 75 \\
 1 &= 26 \cdot 101 - 35 \cdot 75 \\
 1 &= 26 \cdot 101 - 35 \cdot (4620 - 45 \cdot 101) \\
 1 &= 26 \cdot 101 - 35 \cdot 4620 + 1575 \cdot 21 \\
 1 &= -35 \cdot 4620 + 1601 \cdot 101
 \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}-35 \cdot 4620 + 1601 \cdot 101 &\equiv 1 \pmod{4620} \\ -35 \cdot 0 + 1601 \cdot 101 &\equiv 1 \pmod{4620} \\ 1601 \cdot 101 &\equiv 1 \pmod{4620} \\ 101 &\equiv 1601 \pmod{4620}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the inverse of 101 in \mathbb{Z}_{4620} is 1601.

Example: Find the multiplicative inverses in \mathbb{Z}_{10} .

- $\bar{0}$ does not exist since $\gcd(0, 10) = 10 \neq 1$
- $\bar{1} \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$
- $\bar{2}$ does not exist since $\gcd(2, 10) = 2 \neq 1$
- $\bar{3} \equiv 7 \pmod{10}$
- $\bar{4}$ does not exist since $\gcd(4, 10) = 2 \neq 1$
- $\bar{5}$ does not exist since $\gcd(5, 10) = 5 \neq 1$
- $\bar{6}$ does not exist since $\gcd(6, 10) = 2 \neq 1$
- $\bar{7} \equiv 3 \pmod{10}$
- $\bar{8}$ does not exist since $\gcd(8, 10) = 2 \neq 1$
- $\bar{9} \equiv 9 \pmod{10}$

This concludes the material for midterm 1.

Lecture 9

Solving Congruences

Definition 9.0.1 (Linear Congruence). $ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$

Example:

$$3x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

$$x \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$$

$$x - 0 = 7k$$

Question: What is the multiplicative inverse of 3 (mod 7) So we have $3x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$.

$$15x \equiv 25 \pmod{7}$$

$$x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$3 \cdot 4 = 12 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

9.1 Linear Congruence System

Find x such that

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1}$$

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{m_n}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$x \equiv a_n \pmod{m_n}$$

Example:

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

Try $x = 68$

$$68 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$68 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$68 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

So, $x = 68$ is a solution to the system.

9.1.1 Substitution Method

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$x = 3 \cdot t + 2$$

For some $t \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$3t + 2 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$3t \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

Multiply $3t$ by the multiplicative inverse of 3 in \mathbb{Z}_5 .

$$2 \cdot 3t \equiv 2 \cdot 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$t \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

$$t = 5u + 2 \pmod{5}$$

For an $u \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = 3t + 2 \\ t = 5u + 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\implies x = ?$$

$$x = 3(5u + 2) + 2 = 15u + 8$$

$$15u + 8 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

$$15u \equiv -3 \pmod{7}$$

$$15u \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$15u - 14u \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$u \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

So $u = 7v + 4$ for some $v \in \mathbb{Z}$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 15u + 8 \\ &= 15(7v + 4) + 8 \\ &= 105v + 68 \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$105v + 68 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$105v + 68 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$105v + 68 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

Example:

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

Then $x = 4t + 1$ for some $t \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then from the second equation, we get

$$4t + 1 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$4t + 1 - 1 \equiv 3 - 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$4t \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

$$4 \cdot 4t \equiv 4 \cdot 2 \pmod{5}$$

$$16t \equiv 8 \pmod{5}$$

$$16t \equiv 8 \pmod{5}$$

$$16t - 15t \equiv 8 - 5 \pmod{5}$$

$$t \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

Thus, $t = 5u + 3$ for some $u \in \mathbb{Z}$. So $x = 20u + 13$ is a solution to the system.

$$20u + 13 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$20u + 13 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

Question: Are there systems that admit no solution? Consider

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$$

So $x = 4t + 2$ for some $t \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$4t + 2 \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$$

$$4t \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$$

But, 4 does not have a multiplicative inverse in \mathbb{Z}_6 since $\gcd(4, 6) \neq 1$.

Theorem 9.1.1 (Chinese Remainder Theorem). *Let $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r \in \mathbb{Z}$ be pairwise co-prime integers such that $m_i \geq 2$ for $1 \leq i \leq r$*

Definition 9.1.1 (Pairwise Co-prime). $\gcd(m_i, m_j) = 1$

Let $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r \in \mathbb{Z}$, then the system

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1} \\ x &\equiv a_2 \pmod{m_2} \\ &\vdots \\ x &\equiv a_r \pmod{m_r} \end{aligned}$$

admits a unique solution $\pmod{m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdots m_r}$. In other words, the solution exists and is unique in $\mathbb{Z}_{m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdots m_r}$.

Consider the system

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ x &\equiv 3 \pmod{5} \\ x &\equiv 5 \pmod{7} \end{aligned}$$

So we have $\mathbb{Z}_{3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7} = \mathbb{Z}_{105}$, $68 \in \mathbb{Z}_{105}$ and $x = 105u + 68$.

Lecture 10

Fermat's Theorem

Theorem 10.0.1 (Fermat's Theorem). *Let $p, a \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that p is prime, then*

1.

$$a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$$

2. *If $\gcd(a, p) = 1$, then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$*

Example:

$$1534^{2016} \pmod{2017}$$

2017 is prime and $1534 < 2017$, so $\gcd(1534, 2017) = 1$ and $1534^{2016} \equiv 1 \pmod{2017}$

Proof. For (2), we need to use the following property

$$1 \cdot a, 2 \cdot a, 3 \cdot a, \dots, (p-1) \cdot a$$

are all different \pmod{p} . Consider $s, e \in \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$ such that

$$ra \equiv sa \pmod{p}$$

Since $\gcd(a, p) = 1$, we can divide both sides by a to get

$$r \equiv s \pmod{p}$$

Then since $r, s < p$, then $r = s$

□

Lecture 12

Intro to Cryptography

Lecture 13

Asymptotic Notation

13.1 Big-O Notation

The *O*-notation describes an asymptotic upper bound.

Definition 13.1.1. *Let*

$$f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$$

be two functions. We say that f is $O(g)$ if there exists a real number $c > 0$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \geq k$,

$$f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$$

Notation:

$$f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$$

$$f = O(g)$$

$$\exists c \exists k \forall n (n \geq k \implies f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n))$$

Domain: $k, n \in \mathbb{N}, c \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \{0\}$

Example: $13x^3 + 12x^2 + 5 = O(x^3)$. We have

$$13x^3 + 12x^2 + 5 \leq 13x^3 + 12x^3 + 5x^2 = 30x^3$$

Take $c = 30$ and $k = 1$. So

$$13x^3 + 12x^2 + 5 \leq 30 \cdot x^3$$

for all $x \geq 1$. Therefore $13x^3 + 12x^2 + 5 = O(x^3)$.

Example: $x^2 = O\left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 10x\right)$. We have

$$x^2 \leq 2 \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 10x \right)$$

Now we want

$$x^2 \geq 40x$$

so that that $x^2 - 40x$ is positive. So

$$x > 40$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= 2x^2 - x^2 \\ &\leq 2x^2 - 40x \\ &= 4 \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 10x \right) \end{aligned}$$

So take $c = 4$ and $k = 40$. Then $x^2 = O\left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 10x\right)$ for all $x \geq 40$.

Proposition 13.1.1. *Let $a > 0$ and $b > 0$. be two real numbers. We have*

$$\log^a(x) = O(x^b)$$

Proof. Let $a > 0$ and $b > 0$ be two real numbers. We'll use that fact that $\forall x \geq 0$, we have $x \leq e^x$. From which, we have $\log(x) \leq x$. Let x be an integer. We have, by the previous property,

$$\begin{aligned} \log(x^{\frac{b}{a}}) &\leq x^{\frac{b}{a}} \\ \frac{b}{a} \log(x) &\leq x^{\frac{b}{a}} \\ \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^a \log^a(x) &\leq x^b \\ \log^a(x) &\leq \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^a x^b \end{aligned}$$

So we take $c = \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^a$ and $k = 1$. □

13.2 Big-Omega Notation

The Ω -notation describes an asymptotic lower bound.

Definition 13.2.1. *Let*

$$f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$$

be two functions. We say that f is $\Omega(g)$ if there exists a real number $c > 0$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \geq k$,

$$f(n) \geq c \cdot g(n)$$

Notation:

$$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$$

$$f = \Omega(g)$$

$$\exists c \exists k \forall n (n \geq k \implies f(n) \geq c \cdot g(n))$$

Domain: $k, n \in \mathbb{N}, c \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \{0\}$

Example: $13x^3 + 12x^2 + 5 = \Omega(x^3)$.

$$13x^3 + 12x^2 + 5 \geq 13x^3$$

Take $c = 13$ and $k = 0$. So $13x^3 + 12x^2 + 5 = \Omega(x^3)$.

Example: $x^2 = \Omega\left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 10x\right)$.

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &\geq \frac{1}{2}x^2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 10x \\ &= 1 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 10x\right) \end{aligned}$$

Take $c = 1$ and $k = 0$. So $x^2 = \Omega\left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 10x\right) \forall x \geq k$.

Proposition 13.2.1. *Let $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ be two functions.*

$$f(n) = O(g(n)) \iff g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$$

Proof. (\implies) Let $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ be two functions. Assume $f(n) = O(g(n))$. Then there exists $c > 0$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \geq k$, we have $f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$. So,

$$f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$$

given that $n \geq k$, then

$$g(n) \geq \frac{1}{c}f(n)$$

(\impliedby) The proof follows the same. □

13.3 Big-Theta Notation

The Θ -notation describes an asymptotic upper and lower bound.

Definition 13.3.1. *Let*

$$f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$$

be two functions. We say that f is $\Theta(g)$ if there exists a real number $c_1 > 0$, $c_2 > 0$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \geq k$. In otherwords,

$$f(n) = O(g(n)) \text{ and } f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$$

Notation:

$$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$$

$$f = \Theta(g)$$

Proposition 13.3.1. *Let $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ be two functions. $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ if and only if $f(n) = O(g(n))$ and $g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$.*

Proof.

$$f(n) = \Theta(g(n)) \iff f(n) = O(g(n)) \text{ and } f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$$

By the definition of theta, so

$$g(n) = \Omega(f(n)) \text{ and } g(n) = O(f(n))$$

From the previous proposition, then

$$g(n) = \Theta(f(n))$$

□

Lecture 14

Recursivity

Lemma 14.0.1. Let $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$ denote the n th term of the Fibonacci sequence with $F_0 = 0$ and $F_1 = 1$. And let $\alpha = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}$ (golden ratio). Then $\forall n \geq 3$,

$$F_n > \alpha^{n-2}$$

Proof. By induction,

$$\textbf{Note: } \alpha^2 = \left(\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{5+2\sqrt{5}+1}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{5}+3}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2} + 1 = \alpha + 1$$

- **Base case:** $n = 3$. Then $F_3 = F_2 + F_1 = 1 + 1 = 2$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} 3 &> \sqrt{5} \\ 4 &> \sqrt{5} + 1 \\ 2 &> \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2} \\ F_3 &> \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}^2 = \alpha^{3-2} \end{aligned}$$

For $n = 4$, $F_4 = F_3 + F_2 = 2 + 1 = 3$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &> \alpha \\ 2 + 1 &> \alpha + 1 && \text{(From Note)} \\ 3 &> \alpha^2 \\ F_4 &> \alpha^2 = \alpha^{4-2} \end{aligned}$$

- **Induction Hypothesis:** Let $k \geq 4$ be an integer. Assume $F_i > \alpha^{i-2}$ for all $3 \leq i \leq k$.

• **Induction Step:**

$$\begin{aligned}
F_{k+1} &= F_k + F_{k-1} && \text{(By def.)} \\
&> \alpha^{k-2} + \alpha^{(k-1)-2} && \text{(By IH)} \\
&= \alpha^{k-2} + \alpha^{k-3} \\
&= \alpha^{k-3}(\alpha^1 + 1) \\
&= \alpha^{k-3}(\alpha^2) && \text{(From Note)} \\
&= \alpha^{k-1} \\
&= \alpha^{(k+1)-2}
\end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 14.0.1 (Lamé). *Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a \geq b > 0$. Euclid's algorithm takes $O(\log(b))$ steps.*

Proof. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a \geq b > 0$. Euclid's algorithm performs the following divisions:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
a = q \cdot b + r & 0 \leq r < b \\
r_0 = q_1 \cdot r_1 + r_2 & 0 \leq r_2 < r_1 \\
r_1 = q_2 \cdot r_2 + r_3 & 0 \leq r_3 < r_2 \\
\vdots & \vdots \\
r_{n-2} = q_{n-1} \cdot r_{n-1} + r_n & 0 \leq r_n < r_{n-1} \\
r_{n-1} = q_n \cdot r_n + r_{n+1} & 0 \leq r_{n+1} < r_n
\end{array}$$

We have

- $r_n = \gcd(a, b)$
- $q_i \geq 1 \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1$
- $q_n \geq 2$
- n is the number of divisions performed by Euclid's algorithm

Therefore, $r_n = \gcd(a, b) \geq 1 = F_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
r_{n-1} &= q_n \cdot r_n \geq 2 \cdot 1 = 2 = F_3 \\
r_{n-2} &= q_{n-1} \cdot r_{n-1} + r_n \geq 1 \cdot F_3 + F_2 = F_4 \\
r_{n-3} &= q_{n-2} \cdot r_{n-2} + r_{n-1} \geq 1 \cdot F_4 + F_3 = F_5 \\
&\vdots \\
r_2 &= q_3 \cdot r_3 + r_4 \geq 1 \cdot F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} = F_n \\
b = r_1 &= q_2 \cdot r_2 + r_3 \geq 1 \cdot F_n + F_{n-1} = F_{n+1}
\end{aligned}$$

Sp $b \geq F_{n+1} > \alpha^{(n+1)-2}$ by the previous lemma.

$$\begin{aligned}
b &> \alpha^{n-1} \\
\log(b) &> \log(\alpha^{n-1}) \\
\log(b) &> (n-1) \log(\alpha) \\
\log(b) &> (n-1) \log\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}\right) \\
\log(b) &> (n-1) \frac{2}{5} \\
\frac{5 \log(b)}{2} + 1 &> n
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the number of steps $n < 1 + \frac{5}{2} \log(b) < \log(b) + \frac{5}{2} \log(b) = \frac{7}{2} \log(b)$
 $\forall b > 3$. So $n = O(\log(b))$. \square

The Fibonnaci recurrence is an example of a linear homogenous recurrence of order k .

$$a_n = c_1 \cdot a_{n-1} + c_2 \cdot a_{n-2} + \dots + c_k \cdot a_{n-k}$$

In general, a solution of the form

$$a_n = r^n$$

will work for some $r \in \mathbb{R}$

$$r^n = c_1 \cdot r^{n-1} + c_2 \cdot r^{n-2} + \dots + c_k \cdot r^{n-k}$$

Divide by r^{n-k} ,

$$\begin{aligned}
r^k &= c_1 \cdot r^{k-1} + c_2 \cdot r^{k-2} + \dots + c_k \\
r^k - c_1 \cdot r^{k-1} + c_2 \cdot r^{k-2} + \dots + c_k &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

This is known as the characteristic equation. The solutions to this equation are called the *characteristic roots*.

Example: $a_n = 1 \cdot a_{n-1} + 2 \cdot a_{n-2}$. Characteristic Equation:

$$r^2 - 1 \cdot r - 2 = 0 \implies (r+1)(r-1) = 0$$

So we have the roots $r_1 = -1$ and $r_2 = 1$. So,

$$\begin{aligned}
(-1)^n &= 1 \cdot (-1)^{n-1} + 2(-1)^{n-2} \\
2^n &= 1 \cdot 2^{n-1} + 2 \cdot 2^{n-2}
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, for all $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$(\alpha(-1)^n + \beta \cdot 2^n) = 1 \cdot (\alpha \cdot (-1)^{n-1} + \beta \cdot 2^{n-1}) + 2 \cdot (\alpha(-1)^{n-2} + \beta \cdot 2^{n-2})$$

Any linear combination works.

Example: $F_0 = 0$, $F_1 = 1$, $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$. Characteristic Equation:

$$r^2 - r - 1 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

So,

$$F_n = \alpha \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n + \beta \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n$$

is a solution for any $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. Now we can find α, β to match the base cases.

$$F_0 = \alpha \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^0 + \beta \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^0 = 0 \implies \alpha + \beta = 0$$

$$F_1 = \alpha \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^1 + \beta \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^1 = 1$$

So, $\beta = -\alpha$. Then,

$$\alpha \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) - \alpha \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$\alpha \left(\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) \right) = 1$$

$$\alpha \sqrt{5} = 1$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

So $\beta = -\alpha = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$. Therefore,

$$F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n$$

Lecture 15

Recursivity Continued

Let us consider the special case where some characteristic roots are repeated.
We only focus on the case of order $k = 2$.

$$a_n = c_1 \cdot a_{n-1} + c_2 \cdot a_{n-2}$$

Characteristic Equation:

$$1 \cdot r^2 - c_1 \cdot r - c_2 = 0$$

Since the roots are repeated, we have

$$(r - t)^2 = 0 \rightarrow r^2 - 2rt + t^2 = 0$$

For some $t \in \mathbb{R}$. So $c_1 = 2t$, $c_2 = -t^2 = \frac{-c_1^2}{4}$. And the repeated root is $t = \frac{c_1}{2}$.

For any $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, the general solution is

$$a_n = \alpha \left(\frac{c_1}{2} \right)^n + \left(\beta \cdot n \cdot \frac{c_1}{2} \right)^n$$

Indeed we have

$$\left(\alpha \left(\frac{c_1}{2} \right)^n + \beta \cdot n \cdot \left(\frac{c_1}{2} \right)^n \right) = c_1 \cdot \left(\alpha \left(\frac{c_1}{2} \right)^{n-1} + \beta \cdot (n-1) \cdot \left(\frac{c_1}{2} \right)^{n-1} \right) + c_2 \cdot \left(\alpha \left(\frac{c_1}{2} \right)^{n-1} + \beta \cdot (n-1) \cdot \left(\frac{c_1}{2} \right)^{n-1} \right)$$

Example: $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 6$, $a_n = 6a_{n-1} - 9a_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 2$. Characteristic Equation

$$r^2 - 6r + 9 = 0 \rightarrow (r - 3)^2 = 0$$

So

$$a_n = \alpha \cdot 3^n + \beta \cdot n \cdot 3^n$$

For some $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. We have

$$a_n = \alpha \cdot 3^0 + \beta \cdot 0 \cdot 3^0 = 1$$

$$a_n = \alpha \cdot 3^1 + \beta \cdot 1 \cdot 3^1 = 6$$

$$\alpha = 1$$

$$3\alpha + 3\beta = 6$$

So $\alpha = 1$, and $\beta = 1$, so

$$a_n = 1 \cdot 3^n + 1 \cdot n \cdot 3^n = (n+1) \cdot 3^n$$

Example: $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 1$, $a_n = 4a_{n-1} - 4 \cdot a_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 2$. Charactereristic Equation:

$$r^2 - 4r + 4 = 0$$

$$(r-2)^2 = 0$$

So

$$a_n = \alpha \cdot 2^n \beta \cdot n \cdot 2^n$$

for some $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. We have

$$a_0 = \alpha \cdot 2^0 + \beta \cdot 0 \cdot 2^0 = 0$$

$$a_1 = \alpha \cdot 2^1 + \beta \cdot 1 \cdot 2^1 = 1$$

Then $\alpha = 0$, $2\alpha + 2\beta = 1$. So $\alpha = 0$, $\beta = \frac{1}{2}$. So

$$a_n = 0 \cdot 2^n + \frac{1}{2} \cdot n \cdot 2^n = n \cdot 2^{n-1}$$

Example: Let S be the set defined recursively by

- $3 \in S$
- If $x, y \in S$, then $x + y \in S$

So we can take $x = 3$, $y = 3$, then $3 + 3 \in S$ and so on.

Conjecture: Let $E = \{3, 6, 9, \dots\}$ and $S = E$.

Proof. We will prove $S \subseteq E$ and $E \subseteq S$.

$S \subseteq E$ By induction,

- **Base Case:** $3 \in S$ and $3 \in E$
- **Inductive Hypothesis:** Let $x, y \in S$. Assume $x \in E$, and $y \in E$.
- **Induction Step:** We have $x + y \in S$ by definition. We want to show $x + y \in E$. Since $x, y \in E$ (from the induction hypthesis), then $x = 3k$, $y = 3l$ For some $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $k, l \geq 1$. So $x + y = 3k + 3l = 3(k + l) \in E$.

$E \subseteq S$ By induction,

- **Base Case:** $3 \in E$ and $3 \in S$

- **Inductive Hypothesis:** Let $m \in E$. Assume that $m \in S$
- **Induction Step:** We want to prove that $m + 3 \in S$. By definition, $3 \in S$. By the induction hypothesis, $m \in S$. From the definition of S , $m + 3 \in S$.

□

Example: Find a recursive definition for the set

$$E = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{4}{5}, \dots\}$$

How do we get $\frac{k+1}{k+2}$ from $\frac{k}{k+1}$?

If $x = \frac{k}{k+1}$, then we have

$$kx + x = k \implies x = k(1 - x)$$

$$\frac{x}{1 - x} = k$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{k+1}{k+2} &= \frac{\frac{x}{1-x} + 1}{\frac{x}{1-x} + 2} = \frac{\frac{x}{1-x} + \frac{1-x}{1-x}}{\frac{x}{1-x} + \frac{2-2x}{1-x}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1-x}{1-x}}{\frac{2-x}{1-x}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2-x} \end{aligned}$$

Conjecture:

- $0 \in S$
- If $x \in S$, then $x + \frac{1}{2-x} \in S$

Proof. We want to prove $E = S$, so we will prove $E \subseteq S$ and $S \subseteq E$.

$E \subseteq S$ By induction,

- **Base Case:** $0 \in E$, and $0 \in S$.
- **Inductive Hypothesis:** Let $x \in E$. Assume $x \in S$.
- **Induction Step:** Since $x \in E$, $x = \frac{k}{k+1}$, for an integer $k \geq 0$. We want to show

$$\frac{k+1}{k+2} \in S$$

We know $x \in S$ by the induction hypothesis. By the definition of S ,

$$\frac{1}{2-x} \in S$$

So,

$$\frac{1}{2-x} = \frac{1}{2 - \frac{k}{k+1}} = \frac{k+1}{2(k+1) - k} = \frac{k+1}{k+2} \in S$$

$S \subseteq E$ By induction,

- **Base Case:** $0 \in S$, and $0 \in E$.
- **Inductive Hypothesis:** Let $x \in S$. That is, assume

$$x = \frac{k}{k+1}$$

for some integer $k \geq 0$

- **Induction Step:** We want to prove that

$$\frac{1}{2-x} \in E$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2-x} &= \frac{1}{2 - \frac{k}{k+1}} && \text{(By the IH.)} \\ &= \frac{k+1}{2(k+1) - k} \\ &= \frac{k+1}{(k+1) + 1} \in E \end{aligned}$$

□

15.1 K-ary Trees

Definition 15.1.1. A complete k -ary tree with height h and root r is defined recursively by

- An isolated node r is a complete k -ary tree with height 0 and root r
- Let $h \geq 0$. Let T_i be a complete k -ary tree with height h and root r_i with $1 \leq i \leq k$, and let r be an isolated node. The graph obtained by adding the edges $\{r, r_i\}$ is a complete tree with height $h+1$ and root r .

Lecture 16

K-Ary Trees

Example: Ternary Trees