

CM 1606 Computational Mathematics

Logarithm and Modular Arithmetic

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Learning Outcomes

- Covers LO1 for Module
- On completion of this lecture, students are expected to be able to:
 - Review the mathematical concept behind logarithm
 - Discuss some basic rules in logarithm
 - Locate the relevant rule appropriately in different examples
 - Review the concept and applications of modular arithmetic

CONTENT

- Definition
- Laws of logarithm
- Examples
- Natural logarithm
- Basics of Modular Arithmetic
- Applications of Modular arithmetic

Logarithm

Definition

If a number N can be expressed as a^x , then the index x is called the
Logarithm of N to the base a

denoted as

$$x = \log_a N$$

where $N = a^x$

Then,

$$x = \log_a a^x$$

Example

$$1) 8 = 2^3$$

$$\log_2 8 = \log_2 2^3 = 3$$

$$2) 64 = \log_4 4^3 = 3$$

Base 10 is known as the common logarithm

If $\log_a x = \log_a y$, then $x = y$

Laws of Logarithm

- $\log_a 1 = 0$ for $a \neq 0$
- $\log_a xy = \log_a x + \log_a y$
- $\log_a \left(\frac{x}{y} \right) = \log_a x - \log_a y$
- $\log_a x^r = r \log_a x$

$$\log_a x^{\frac{1}{r}} = \frac{1}{r} \log_a x$$

Change of Base

- $\log_b x = \frac{\log_a x}{\log_a b}$ or
- $\log_a b \times \log_b x = \log_a x$

Example

Simplify the following

$$1) \log_2 \sqrt{256}$$

$$2) 6\log_a 3 + 4\log_a x - \log_a 9 = 2\log_a 25$$

$$3) \log_a x = \frac{1}{2} [\log_a 9 + \log_a 12 - \log_a 3]$$

Natural logarithm

- Logarithm to the base of the constant 'e'
- Denoted as
 \log_e or \ln
- 'e' is an irrational and ≈ 2.718
- Highly applicable for fitting a growth function for large set of data

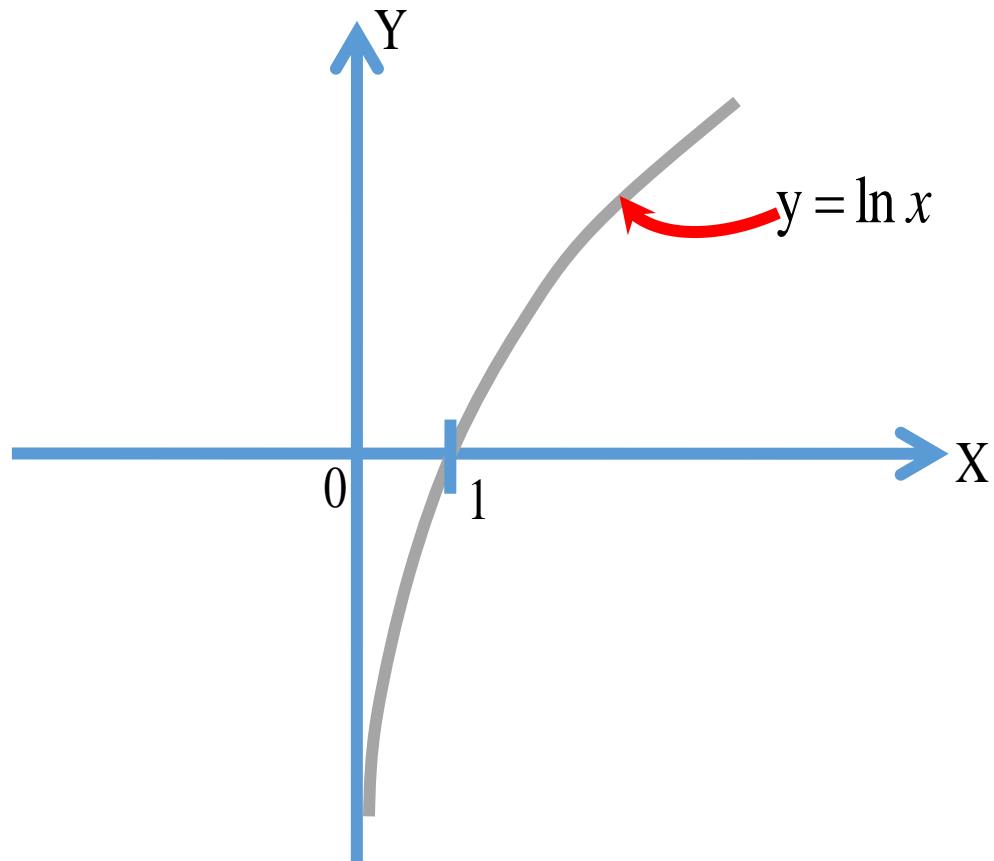
Example:

$$1) \ln e = 1$$

2) simplify for x

$$\ln(5x - 2) = 5$$

Graph of $\ln(x)$



Modular Arithmetic

Modular Arithmetic

- Consider the division

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Dividend} & \searrow & & \swarrow & \text{Quotient} \\ & & \frac{A}{B} = Q & \text{remainder } R & \\ & \swarrow & & \nwarrow & \\ & \text{Divisor} & & & \text{Remainder} \end{array}$$

- Sometimes we only consider the remainder of $\frac{A}{B}$
- For such cases, the operator 'modulo' is used.
abbreviated as 'mod'

Congruency modulo m

Definition

Let m be a fixed natural number greater than 1. The integer a is congruent to the integer b modulo m if and only if $(a - b)$ is divisible by m .

Notation

$$a \equiv b(\text{mod } m)$$

The number m is called the modulus

Example

i) $17 \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$

since $(17 - 5)$ is divisible by 12

ii) $-5 \equiv 11 \pmod{8}$

since $(-5 - 11)$ is divisible by 8

iii) $248 \equiv 113 \pmod{5}$

since $(248 - 113)$ is divisible by 5

Many properties of modular arithmetic are very similar to properties of equalities and can be demonstrate by following theorems.

Equivalence relation and congruent

- $a \equiv a \pmod{m}$ - Reflexive
- If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$, then $b \equiv a \pmod{m}$ - Symmetric
- If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $b \equiv c \pmod{m}$, then $a \equiv c \pmod{m}$ - Transitive

Theorem

Theorem 6.1 : congruence behaves nicely with respect to addition, subtraction, and multiplication

If

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

$$c \equiv d \pmod{m}$$

then,

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

$$a - c \equiv b - d \pmod{m} \text{ - Subtraction}$$

$$a \times c \equiv b \times d \pmod{m} \text{ - Multiplication}$$

Addition

Let $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$

Then $a - b$ and $c - d$ are divisible by m (multiples of m)

So,

$$a - b = m * s \text{ and}$$

$$c - d = m * t \text{ for some integers } s \text{ and } t$$

Then

$$(a + c) - (b + d) = (a - b) + (c - d)$$

$$= ms + mt$$

$$= m(s + t)$$

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

since $(a + c) - (b + d)$ is a multiple of m .

Subtraction

Let $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$

Then $a - b$ and $c - d$ are divisible by m (multiples of m)

So,

$$a - b = m * s \text{ and}$$

$$c - d = m * t \text{ for some integers } s \text{ and } t$$

Then

$$(a - c) - (b - d) = (a - b) - (c - d)$$

$$= ms - mt$$

$$= m(s - t)$$

So, $a - c \equiv b - d \pmod{m}$,

since $(a - c) - (b - d)$ is a multiple of m .

Multiplication

Let $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$

Then $a - b$ and $c - d$ are divisible by m (multiples of m)

So,

$$a - b = m * s \text{ and } \text{-----} \Rightarrow a = ms + b$$

$$c - d = m * t \text{ for some integers } s \text{ and } t \text{-----} \Rightarrow c = mt + d$$

Then

$$ac - bd = (ms + b)(mt + d) - bd$$

$$= (m^2 st + dms + bmt + bd) - bd$$

$$= m(mst + ds + bt) + bd - bd$$

$$= m(mst + ds + bt),$$

so $ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$, since $ac - bd$ is a divisible by m .

Theorem

Theorem 6.2:

If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ then for every natural number n , then

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

Addition of a constant

If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$, then $a + c \equiv b + c \pmod{m}$ for any c .

Eg:

$$7 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}, \text{ So } 1+7 \equiv 1+1 \pmod{3}$$

Examples

- 1) $23 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $18 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, So
- i) $(23 + 18) \equiv (3 + 2) \pmod{4} \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$
 - ii) $(23 - 18) \equiv (3 - 2) \pmod{4} \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$
 - iii) $23 \cdot 18 \equiv 3 \cdot 2 \pmod{4} \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$
- 2) $13 \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$, so
- $$4,826,809 = 13^6 \equiv 1^6 \pmod{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$$

Examples

- 3) What is the remainder of
- I. $13+9+27+31+18$ when divided by 4
 - II. $25+19+31+17$ when divided by 3
 - III. $42+17+38+14$ when divided by 5

Example

4) What is the remainder when $8 + 5^{301563}$ divide by 31?

$$5^{301563} = (5^3)^{100521} \dots (1)$$

$$5^3 = 125 \equiv 1 \pmod{31}$$

So by (1)

$$5^{301563} = (5^3)^{100521} \equiv 1^{100521} \pmod{31} \equiv 1 \pmod{31}$$

$$8 + 5^{301563} = 8 + (5^3)^{100521} \equiv 8 + 1 \pmod{31}$$

$$8 + 5^{301563} \equiv 9 \pmod{31}$$

Example

- 5) Find a solution in the set $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 16\}$ to the congruence
- i) $7x \equiv 11 \pmod{17}$
 - ii) $6x \equiv 6 \pmod{15}$

Applications

- 1) Check whether the decimal numbers 6347 and 6345 are divisible by 3 or not.
 - Can you explain an easy way to check this?

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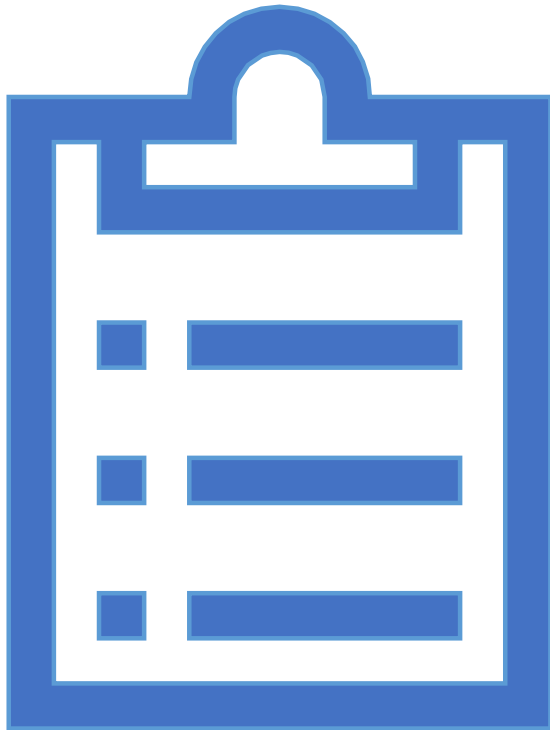
1) What is the remainder of $13 \times (17 \times 22 + 8) - 19$ when divided by 3?

- Do we need to evaluate this to answer?
- Any easy way?

Applications

3) What are the last two digits of the number 99^{99} ?

Task



Identify at least three situations that we can use the function `mod` in Excel and discuss how you use the function `mod` in each case by giving a proper example.