

# Chapter # III

## THEORY OF PRIMES

Primes (book P# 41)

Definition:- 3.1

An integer  $p \geq 1$ , is called a prime Number, if  $\pm 1$  and  $\pm p$  are its only divisors.

Example:

The integers 2, 3, 5, 11 and 13 are primes.

Definition:- 3.2

An integer  $n \geq 1$ , which is not a prime, is called a Composite Number.

We note that  $n$  is composite if and only if  $n$  can written as a product of two integers  $n_1, n_2 \geq 1$  and

Example:

The integers 4, 6, 8, 9, 10 and 12 are Composite.

Notes:-

- (1) The integer 1 is neither prime nor Composite.
- (2) 2 is the only even prime number.
- (3) Throughout this chapter, we will consider only positive divisors of positive integers.

Definition:- 3.3

Any prime number  $p$ , which divides an integer  $n$  is called prime divisor of  $n$ .

The greatest prime number is  $2^{72,301,281}-1$  a number with 22,338,018 digits. It was found in 2016 by Great Internet Mersenne Prime Search (GIMPS). It is also known as M74,201,281-1. It is almost 5 million digits larger than the previous record prime number. Mersenne prime number is of the form  $2^p-1$ .

**Theorem:- 3.1** (book Pg:42)

Every integer  $n \geq 1$  has a prime divisor.

**Proof:-**

Since  $n \geq 1$ , so it is either prime or composite.

Case I :-

If 'n' is prime then  $n/n$   
 $\Rightarrow n$  has a prime divisor which is itself.

Case II :-

Let 'n' be Composite and 'd' is the least divisor of 'n' then we claim that 'd' is prime.

Suppose that 'd' is composite then

$$d = d_1 d_2$$

Where

$$1 < d_1, d_2 < d$$

Since  $d_1, d_2 | d$  and  $d | n$  then  $d_1 | n$  &  $d_2 | n$ .

Where  $1 < d_1, d_2 < d$

Which is contradiction to the choice that 'd' is the least divisor of 'n'. Hence our supposition is wrong. This proves the truthness of our claim that 'd' is prime.

So this proves that every integer  $n \geq 1$  has a prime divisor.

Hence if  $P|ab$

then  $P|a$  or  $P|b$ .

"Proved."

Theorem #3.3 (book P#42)

If 'P' is a prime and  
 $P|a_1a_2\dots a_m$ , then  $P|a_i$  for some  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ )

PROOF :-

It is given that

①  $P$  is a prime.

②  $P|a_1a_2\dots a_m$

We prove that

$P|a_i$  for some  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m$ ). We prove  
this theorem by Mathematical Induction.

Case I :-

When  $m=2$

then  $P|a_1a_2$

$\Rightarrow P|a_1$  or  $P|a_2$

Which is true.

Case II :-

Let us suppose that it is  
true for  $m=k$ .

i.e.

if  $P|a_1a_2\dots a_k$

then

$P|a_1$  or  $P|a_2$  ... or  $P|a_k$

## THEOREM # 3.2 (book Pg. 42)

If 'P' is a prime and  $P/ab$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  then either  $P/a$  or  $P/b$ .

### PROOF

It is given that:

- (i)  $P$  is prime
- (ii)  $P/ab$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

We have to prove that  $P/a$  or  $P/b$

Let  $P \nmid b$  then

$$\Rightarrow (P, b) = 1$$

$\Rightarrow \exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$Px + by = 1$$

Multiplying by 'a'

$$apx + aby = a \rightarrow ①$$

Since

$$P \nmid apx$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & P \nmid aby & \therefore P \nmid ab \\ \Rightarrow & P \nmid apx + aby \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow P/a \rightarrow \text{by } ①$$

i.e.

If  $P \nmid b$  then  $P/a$

Similarly

If  $P \nmid a$  then we can prove that  $P/b$ .

### Case III:-

Now we prove that the result is true for  $m = k+1$ .

$$\Rightarrow P \mid (a_1 a_2 \dots a_k) a_{k+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow P \mid a_1 a_2 \dots a_k \text{ or } P \mid a_{k+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow P \mid a_1 \text{ or } P \mid a_2 \dots \text{ by (E-I)}$$

$$\Rightarrow P \mid a_1 \text{ or } P \mid a_2 \dots \text{ or } P \mid a_k \text{ or } P \mid a_{k+1} \text{ by (C-2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow P \mid a_1 \text{ or } P \mid a_2 \dots \text{ or } P \mid a_{k+1} \text{ by (C-2)}$$

The result is true for  $m = k+1$ . Hence by mathematical induction we conclude that the theorem is true for every positive integer 'm' i.e.

if  $P \mid a_1 a_2 \dots a_m$

then  $P \mid a_i$  for some  $i (1 \leq i \leq m)$

Where 'P' is a prime.

(Proved)

Theorem:- 3.4 (book P#43)

This theorem is named as  
**"FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF ARITHMETIC"**

OR

**"UNIQUE FACTORIZATION THEOREM"**

Statement:-

Every integer  $n > 1$  can be represented as a product of primes and this representation is Unique except for the order in which they are written.

PROOF:-

We prove this theorem by "Mathematical Induction".

Case I:-

When  $n=2$   
then  $2=2$

Which is true.

Case II:-

Let us suppose that the theorem is true for

$n=3, 4, 5, \dots, k-1$

Case III:-

Now we prove that the result is true for  $n=k$

i)  $k-1$

Where ' $k$ ' is prime then  $k/k$ .

ii)  $k-2$

Where ' $k$ ' is Composite then

$$k = k_1 k_2$$

Where  $(1 < k_1, k_2 < k)$

Since  $1 < k_1, k_2 < k$

So by case II  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  can be expressed as product of primes.

Since ' $k$ ' is the product of ' $k_1$ ' and ' $k_2$ ' so, we conclude that ' $k$ ' is expressed as a product of primes.

Hence by Mathematical Induction we conclude that every integer  $n > 1$  can be expressed as a product of primes.

Uniqueness:

Now we prove that the representation of 'n' as a product of primes is unique. Let there be two different representation of 'n'

$$(1) n = p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_i$$

$$(2) n = q_1 \cdot q_2 \cdot \dots \cdot q_j$$

$$\Rightarrow p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_i = q_1 \cdot q_2 \cdot \dots \cdot q_j \rightarrow ①$$

We cancel the common primes on both sides (if any) and get.

$$p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_t = q_1 \cdot q_2 \cdot \dots \cdot q_t \rightarrow ②$$

Where 'p's and 'q's are all different primes.  $\rightarrow ③$

From expression ② We conclude that

$$p_i | q_1 \cdot q_2 \cdot \dots \cdot q_t$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$p_i | q_1 \text{ or } p_i | q_2 \dots \text{ or } p_i | q_t$$

For definiteness we consider suppose

$$p_i | q_1 \Rightarrow p_i = q_1$$

Which is contradiction to the theorem statement given in ③

Hence our supposition that 'n' has two representations is wrong. This proves that the representation of  $n > 1$  as a product of primes is unique except for the order in which primes are written.

Example:- (book P# 45)

Show that none of the following  $(n-1)$  consecutive integers is prime.

$n!+2, n!+3, n!+4, \dots, n!+n$

Hence show that given a positive integer  $N$ , it is always possible to find  $N$  consecutive composite integers.

### Solution:-

The integer  $n!+2 = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots n+2$  is obviously divisible by 2. Similarly the integer  $n!+3$  is divisible by 3 and so on. Finally  $n!+n$  is divisible by  $n$ . Hence the given integers are not prime.

If  $N$  is a given integer, then the following  $N$  consecutive integers are composite.

$(N+1)!+2, (N+1)!+3, \dots, (N+1)!+N+1$

### FOR KNOWLEDGE

The greatest prime number is  $2^{74,201,902}$ , a number with 22,338,618 digits. It was found in 2016 by Great Internet Mersenne prime search (GIMPS). It is also known as M<sub>74,201,281</sub>. It is almost 5 million digits larger than the previous record prime number. Mersenne prime number is of the form  $2^p - 1$ .

## EXERCISE # 1 (book pg. 115)

If 'p' is a prime such that  $p | a^2 + b^2$ , and  $p | a$ , then  $p | b$

Solution:-

It is given that

①  $p | a^2 + b^2$

②  $p | a$  where 'p' is prime.

then We have to prove that

$$p | b$$

since

$$p | a \text{ so } p | a^2$$

since

$$p | a^2 \text{ and } p | a^2 + b^2$$

so  $p | b^2 \Rightarrow p | b \cdot b$

$$\Rightarrow p | b \text{ or } p | b$$

$$\Rightarrow p | b$$

"Proved"

2) Show that all the primes except 2, are of the form  $4n-1$  or  $4n+1$ .

Solution:-

We have to show that all the primes except 2 are of the form  $4n-1$  or  $4n+1$ .

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

①  $a$  is any integer

②  $b > 0$

An expression in Euclid theorem is

$$a = bq + r \rightarrow ① \quad 0 \leq r < b$$

We put

$$a = a, \quad q = n \\ b = 4 \quad \text{and} \quad r = r \quad \text{in } ①$$

$$a = 4n + r : \quad 0 \leq r < 4$$

i.e.  $r = 0, 1, 2, 3$  then

$$a = 4n, 4n+1, 4n+2, 4n+3$$

When  $4n, 4n+2$  are even integers. Prime 2 is of the form  $4n+2$  at  $n=0$

$4n+1$  and  $4n+3$  are odd integers.

So every integer (prime) except 2 is of the form  $4n+1$  or  $4n+3$ .

"Hence it is proved"

(7) Show that every positive integer of the form  $3n+2$  has a prime divisor of the form  $3n+2$ .

Solution :-

We have to show that every positive integer of the form  $3n+2$  has a prime divisor of the form  $3n+2$ .

Case ①

Let  $(n')$  is prime then  $n'/n'$

Hence  $(n')$  is a prime divisor of the form  $3n+2$  which is itself.

### Case ②

Let  $(n')$  be Composite. We know that all primes except 3 are of the form  $3n+1$  or  $3n+2$ .

When  $(n')$  is expressed as a product of primes then these primes are of the form  $3n+1$ ,  $3n+2$ .

Let us suppose that the primes in the standard form of  $(n')$  are of the form  $3n+1$ . Then their product will also be of the form  $3n+1$ .

Which is contradiction to the fact that  $(n')$  is of the form  $3n+2$ . Hence our supposition is wrong. This proves that there exist at least one prime divisor of  $(n')$  which is also of the form  $3n+2$ .

(Proved).

$$\sqrt{n} = \sqrt{P} \sqrt{n_1}$$

Theorem 3.5: (book Pg#46)

Every composite number  $n$  has a prime divisor  $\leq \sqrt{n}$

Proof:

Since ' $n$ ' is composite number, it has a least prime divisor  $P$ .

We claim that  $P \leq \sqrt{n}$   
OR We want to Prove that  $P \leq \sqrt{n}$

Where  $n = Pn_1 \rightarrow ① n_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$

Let us suppose that

$P \not\leq \sqrt{n}$  i.e.  $P > \sqrt{n}$

then

$P > \sqrt{n}$  then from ①

We get

$n_1 < \sqrt{n}$

and  $n_1 < P$  ( $\because n_1 < \sqrt{n} < P$ )

Since  $n = Pn_1$  and  $n_1 < P$  So ' $P$ ' is not the least divisor of ' $n$ ' which is contradiction to the choice that ' $P$ ' is the least prime divisor of ' $n$ '.

Hence Our Supposition is Wrong, this proves the truthness of our claim that

$P \leq \sqrt{n}$

Hence this Completes the Proof.

Example:- (book p#47)

Find all the primes less than or equal to 30.

Solution:- 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47, 53, 59, 61, 67, 71, 73, 79, 83, 89, 97, 101, 103, 107, 109, 113, 127, 131, 137, 149, 151, 157, 163, 173, 179, 181, 191, 197, 199, 211, 223, 227, 229, 233, 239, 241, 251, 257, 263, 269, 271, 281, 293, 297, 307.

Therefore the primes  $\leq 30$  are  
2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29.

Note:- (FOR KNOWLEDGE)

With the help of Eratosthenes, many tables of primes have been constituted. Recently, Baker and Gruenberger have found all primes  $\leq 109,395,301$  which are 6,000,000 in number. These tables indicate that the series of primes is infinite. In fact one can prove the following theorem which is due to Euclid.

Theorem (3.6) (book p#47)

The number of primes is infinite.

Proof:-

We want to prove that number of primes is infinite and these primes are 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, ..., P.

Where P is last prime number.

Now Contrary Suppose that number of primes is finite.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 = 30 \\
 +1 \\
 \hline
 31 \text{ Prime}
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 = 210 \\
 +1 \\
 \hline
 211 \text{ Prime}
 \end{array}$$

only

Prime 1 i can be divided by 1 and n itself

$$n' = (2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot \dots \cdot p) + 1$$

We see that

$$2 \nmid n', 3 \nmid n', 5 \nmid n', \dots, p \nmid n'$$

this shows that  $n'$  has no prime divisor. Which is contradiction to the fact that every integer  $n > 1$  has a prime divisor.

Hence our supposition is wrong, this proves that number of prime is infinite.  
 (Proved).

### Theorem 3.7 (book P#48)

Lemma 20: There exist infinitely many primes of the form  $4n-1$  or  $4n+3$ .

Proof:

Let us contrary suppose that the number of primes of the form  $4n-1$  is finite and these primes are

$$3, 7, 11, \dots, p$$

Where  $p$  is the last prime of the form  $4n-1$ .

Now consider a number

n' = 4(3, 7, 11, \dots, p) - 1 \rightarrow ①

We know that all the primes except '2' of the form  $4n-1$  or  $4n+1$ .

When 'n' is expressed as a product of primes then these primes are of the form  $4n-1$  or  $4n+1$ .

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We see that

$3/n'$ ,  $7/n'$ , ...,  $p/n'$

which shows that the primes of the form  $4n-1$  are not the divisor of 'n'.

Then we conclude that all the prime factors of (n') are of the form  $4n+1$ .

The product of primes is also of the form  $4n+1$  but 'n' is not of the form  $4n+1$ .

Hence our supposition is wrong. So we conclude that the primes of the form  $4n-1$  or  $4n+3$  are infinite.

"Proved"

## CHAPTER #4

### THEORY OF NUMBER

Definition:-

#### (i) CONGRUENCES:-

Let  $m$  be a fixed positive integer then  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  is said to be congruent to  $b$  mod  $m$  if  $m | a - b$ .

It is represented as

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

(ii)  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  iff  $a, b$  leave the same remainder after division by  $m$  then  $a$  is congruent to  $b$ .

For example:-

$$(i) -8 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

$$(ii) 5 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$(iii) 15 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

RESIDUE:-

If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  then ' $a$ ' is called residue of ' $b$ ' and ' $b$ ' is called residue of ' $a$ '.

CONGRUENCE RELATIONS:-

(i) If ' $a$ ' and ' $b$ ' such that  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  then relation between ' $a$ ' and ' $b$ ' is called congruence relations.

(ii) Let ' $m$ ' be a positive integer then the statement " $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ " is either true or false for any ordered pair  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ . So it is defined as relation in  $\mathbb{Z}$  called the congruence relation or simply called.

Congruence modulus 'm'.

## EQUIVALENCE RELATION:-

A relation is said to be equivalence if it satisfy following three properties.

i) Reflexive Property

ii) Symmetric Property

iii) Transitive Property

For Example:-

Congruence relation is an equivalence relation in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

## THEOREM 1:

Prove that congruence relation is an equivalence relation in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

### PROOF:-

To prove this theorem we show that three properties of an equivalence relations are satisfied by the relation  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ .

#### (i) Reflexive property:-

Since  $m|a-a$  therefore  $a \equiv a \pmod{m}$ .

#### (ii) Symmetric property:-

If  $m|a-b$  then  $m|b-a$ .

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

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

#### (iii) Transitive property:-

If  $m|a-b$  and  $m|b-c$  then

$m|a-b+(b-c)$  or  $m|a-c$

If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $b \equiv c \pmod{m}$   
then  $a \equiv c \pmod{m}$

Hence it is proved that the congruence relation is an equivalence relation.

### THEOREM 3:- P(6)

#### Statement

If  $a, b, c, d$  are integers such that  
 $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$   
and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$  then

- (i)  $a+c \equiv b+d \pmod{m}$
- (ii)  $a-c \equiv b-d \pmod{m}$
- (iii)  $ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$

#### Proof:-

(i) Since  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$   
and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$

$\therefore m | a-b$  and  $m | c-d$

Then  $\exists$  unique integers  $q_1, q_2$  such that

$$a-b = mq_1 \rightarrow (i)$$

$$c-d = mq_2 \rightarrow (ii)$$

By adding eq (i) and (ii) We get

$$(a+c) - (b+d) = m(q_1 + q_2)$$

$\Rightarrow m | (a+c) - (b+d)$  ( $\because m$  is factor of  $(a+c) - (b+d)$ ).

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

Which is required result.

(ii) Since  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

$c \equiv d \pmod{m}$

$\therefore m | a-b$  &  $m | c-d$

There exist unique integers  $q_1, q_2$  such

that

$$a-b = mq_1 \rightarrow (i)$$

$$c-d = mq_2 \rightarrow (ii)$$

By subtracting eq (i) and (ii)

$$(a-c) - (b-d) = m(q_1 - q_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow m | (a-c) - (b-d)$$

$$\Rightarrow a-c \equiv b-d \pmod{m} \quad : (m \text{ is factor of } (a-c) - (b-d))$$

Which is required result.

iii) Since  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

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

$\therefore m | a-b$  and  $m | c-d$

Then  $\exists$  unique integers  $q_1, q_2$  such that

$$a-b = mq_1 \rightarrow (i)$$

$$c-d = mq_2 \rightarrow (ii)$$

From eq (i) and (ii)

$$a = b + mq_1$$

$$c = d + mq_2$$

By xing both equations

$$ac = (b + mq_1)(d + mq_2)$$

$$ac = bd + mbq_2 + mdq_1 + m^2q_1q_2$$

$$ac - bd = m(bq_2 + dq_1) + m^2q_1q_2$$

so  $m | ac - bd$   $\because m \text{ is factor of } ac - bd$

$$m | ac - bd$$

$$\Rightarrow ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$$

Which is required Result.

### COROLLARIES:-

(i) Statement:-

If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  then  $na \equiv nb \pmod{m}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Proof:- It is given that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$

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

$$\Rightarrow m | a - b$$

$\therefore \exists q \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$a - b = mq,$$

$$\Rightarrow na - nb = nmq, \quad : m \text{ is factor of } na - nb$$

$$\therefore m | na - nb$$

$\therefore m | nb$

$$\Rightarrow ((b - na) \equiv nb \pmod{m}).$$

Which is required Result.

(ii) Statement:-

If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  then  $a^n \equiv b^n \pmod{m}$  where  $n$  is positive integer.

Proof:- It is give that

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

$$\Rightarrow m | a - b$$

$\therefore \exists q \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$a - b = mq,$$

$$a = b + mq,$$

$$a^n = (b + mq)^n$$

$$a^n = b^n + nb^{n-1}mq + \dots + (mq)^n$$

$$a^n - b^n = m [nb^{n-1}q + \dots + m^{n-1}q^n]$$

$$\Rightarrow m | a^n - b^n \quad : m \text{ is factor of } a^n - b^n$$

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

Which is required Result.

THEOREM 4:- R-68  
Statement:-

then If  $na \equiv nb \pmod{m}$  and  $(n, m) = d$ ,  
 $a \equiv b \pmod{\frac{m}{d}}$

Proof:-

Since  $na \equiv nb \pmod{m}$   
then  $m | na - nb$

then  $\exists$  an integer  $q$ , such that

$$na - nb = mq,$$

$$n(a - b) = mq, \rightarrow (i)$$

As  $(m, n) = d$  (g.c.d)

$$\Rightarrow d | m, d | n \quad \text{Every integer has a factor, (iii)}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = m_1 d, n = n_1 d \quad \text{Where } (m_1, n_1) = 1$$

Consider eq (1)

$$n(a - b) = mq,$$

putting the values of  $m$  and  $n$

$$n_1 d(a - b) = m_1 d q,$$

$$n_1(a - b) = m_1 q,$$

$$\Rightarrow m_1 | (a - b) n_1.$$

$\therefore m_1$  is factor of

$$n_1(a - b)$$

As  $m_1 \nmid n_1$  (i.e.  $m_1$  does not divide  $n_1$ )

$$\therefore (m_1, n_1) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow m_1 | (a - b)$$

So  $a \equiv b \pmod{m_1}$

Putting the value of  $m_1$

$$(\because m_1 = \frac{m}{d})$$

$$\Rightarrow a \equiv b \pmod{\frac{m}{d}}$$

Which is required Result.  $\therefore$

## Exercise (book Pg: 174)

(Q) (i) Determine whether the following statements are true or false.

$b \equiv (m \cdot q)$

$$(i) 131 \equiv 14 \pmod{15}$$

$$\Rightarrow 15/131-14$$

$$\Rightarrow 15/417$$

Hence it is false.

$$(ii) 132 \equiv 2 \pmod{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow 13/132-2$$

$$13/130$$

Hence it is true.

$$(iii) -207 \equiv 2 \pmod{11}$$

$$\Rightarrow -207 \equiv 2$$

$$\text{smr} \Rightarrow 11/-207-2$$

$$11/-209$$

Hence it is true.

(Q) If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $(a, m) = 1$  then show that  $(b, m) = 1$ .

Solution:-

It is given that

$$(i) a \equiv b \pmod{m}$$

$$(ii) (a, m) = 1 \quad (\text{i.e relatively prime}).$$

then  $(b, m) = 1$

Since  $m/a-b$

then there exists an integer  $q$ , such that

$$a-b=mq$$

$$\Rightarrow a=b+mq$$

$$\text{Let } (b, m) = d$$

$$\Rightarrow d/b, d/m$$

$a/b$   
 $\therefore d/b, d/mq$   
 $\Rightarrow d/b+mq$   
 $\Rightarrow d/a$  smt  
 $\therefore d/a$  smt  
 $d$  is a common divisor of  $a$  and  $mq$   
 $\therefore (a, m) = 1$  smt  
 Which is our required result. smt

(6) Find the smallest +ive integer  $n$  so that  $3^n \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$

Solution :- Put  $n=1$

$$3^1 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

Put  $n=2$

$$3^2 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

Put  $n=3$

$$3^3 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

Put  $n=4$

$$3^4 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

Put  $n=5$

$$3^5 \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

$n=5$  is required +ive integer.

## SOLUTION OF CONGRUENCE.

A congruence of the form  $ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$  where  $a \neq 0$  (mod  $m$ ) is called a Linear congruence. If  $(a, m) = d$  and  $d \mid b$ , the congruence has solution and if  $d \nmid b$  then the congruence has no solution. If solutions exist, they are  $d$  in number.

(1) Solve  $3x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$

$\because (3, 7) = 1$  and  $1/3$  exists therefore the congruence has unique solution.

We try  $x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ .

$\therefore x=4$  satisfies the congruence

$\therefore x=4 \pmod{7}$  is the required solution.

(2)  $11x + 9 \equiv 0 \pmod{13}$

$$11x \equiv -9 \pmod{13}$$

~~$11x \equiv 4$~~

$\because (11, 13) = 1$  and  $1/11$

$\therefore$  Congruence has unique solution, we try

$$x = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 5, \pm 6.$$

Since  $x = -2$  satisfies the congruence therefore  $x = -2 \pmod{13}$

$$\text{or } x = -2 + 13 \pmod{13}$$

or  $x = 11 \pmod{13}$  is required solution.

(3)  $17x \equiv 11 \pmod{43}$

$\because (17, 43) = 1$  and  $1/17$

$\therefore$  Congruence has unique solution

$$\text{Let } \frac{17x - 11}{43} = y$$

By Euclidean Algorithm.

$$157 = 4 \cdot 36 + 13$$

$$36 = 2 \cdot 13 + 10$$

$$13 = 1 \cdot 10 + 3$$

$$10 = 3 \cdot 3 + 1$$

$$3 = 1 \cdot 1$$

$$1 = 10 - 3 \cdot 3$$

$$= 10 - 3 \cdot [13 - 1 \cdot 10]$$

$$= 10 - 3 \cdot 13 + 3 \cdot 10$$

$$= 4 \cdot 10 - 3 \cdot 13$$

$$= 4 \cdot [36 - 2 \cdot 13] - 3 \cdot 13$$

$$= 4 \cdot 36 - 11 \cdot 13$$

$$= 4 \cdot 36 - 11 \cdot [157 - 4 \cdot 36]$$

$$= 4 \cdot 36 - 11 \cdot 157 + 44 \cdot 36$$

$$= 48 \cdot 36 - 11 \cdot 157$$

$$1 = 48 \cdot 36 + 11(-157)$$

Multiplying both sides by 7

$$7 = 336 \cdot 36 + 77(-157)$$

$$x_0 = 336$$

$$x \equiv 336 \pmod{157}$$

OR  $x \equiv 336 - 157 \pmod{157}$

OR  $x \equiv 179 \pmod{157}$

$$x \equiv 179 - 157 \pmod{157}$$

$$x \equiv 22 \pmod{157}$$

is the required solution.

Then  $17x - 43y = 11$  is the linear Diophantine equation.

$$\therefore \text{Now } (17, 43) = 1$$

By Euclidean ALgorithm.

$$43 = 2 \cdot 17 + 9$$

$$17 = 1 \cdot 9 + 8$$

$$9 = 1 \cdot 8 + 1$$

$$1 = 9 - 1 \cdot 8$$

$$= 9 - 1 \cdot [17 - 1 \cdot 9]$$

$$= 9 - 1 \cdot 17 + 1 \cdot 9$$

$$= 2 \cdot 9 - 1 \cdot 17$$

$$= 2 \cdot [43 - 2 \cdot 17] - 1 \cdot 17$$

$$= 2 \cdot 43 - 4 \cdot 17 - 1 \cdot 17$$

$$= 2 \cdot 43 - 5 \cdot 17$$

$$= (-5)17 + (-2)(-43)$$

Multiplying both sides by 11

$$11 = (-55)17 + (-22)(-43)$$

$$x_0 = -55$$

$$x \equiv -55 + 43 \pmod{43}$$

$$\equiv -12 \pmod{43}$$

$$\equiv -12 + 43 \pmod{43}$$

$$x \equiv 31 \pmod{43}$$

Which is the required solution.

(4)  $36x \equiv 7 \pmod{157}$

$\because (36, 157) = 1$  and  $1 \mid 7$

$\therefore$  Congruence has unique solution.

The linear Diophantine equation is

$$36x - 157y = 1$$

$$(36, -157) = 1$$

$$21x \equiv 23 \pmod{29}$$

As  $\gcd(21, 29) = 1$  and  $1/23 \pmod{29}$   
Congruence has unique solution.  
The Linear Diophantine equation is  
 $21x - 29y = 23$

Using  $(21, -29) = 1$  (Euclidean Algorithm)

By Euclidean Algorithm,  
 $24 = 1021 + 8$ , SW

$$21 = 2 \cdot 8 + 5$$

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

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

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

$$2 = 1 \cdot 2$$

$$1 = 3 - 1 \cdot 2$$

$$= 3 - 1 \cdot [5 - 1 \cdot 3]$$

$$= 3 - 1 \cdot 5 + 1 \cdot 3$$

$$= 2 \cdot 3 - 1 \cdot 5$$

$$= 2 \cdot [8 - 1 \cdot 5] - 1 \cdot 5$$

$$= 2 \cdot 8 - 2 \cdot 5 - 1 \cdot 5$$

$$= 2 \cdot 8 - 3 \cdot 5$$

$$= 2 \cdot 8 - 3 \cdot [21 - 2 \cdot 8]$$

$$= 2 \cdot 8 - 3 \cdot 21 + 6 \cdot 8$$

$$= 2 \cdot 8 - 3 \cdot 21 + 6 \cdot 8$$

$$= 8 \cdot 8 - 32 \cdot 1$$

$$= 8 \cdot 29 - 8 \cdot 21 - 32 \cdot 1$$

$$= 8 \cdot 29 - 11 \cdot 21$$

$$1 = (-11)21 + (-8)(-29)$$

Multiplying both sides by 23

$$23 = (-253)21 + (-184)(-29)$$

$$x_0 = -253$$

$$x \equiv -253 \pmod{29}$$

$$x \equiv -253 + 9(29) \pmod{29}$$

$$x \equiv -253 + 261 \pmod{29}$$

OR

or  $x \equiv 8 \pmod{29}$  is the required solution.

(6)  $34x \equiv 60 \pmod{98}$

$\therefore (34, 98) = 2$  and  $2 \mid 60$

$\therefore$  Congruence has exactly two solutions.

We solve the Congruence

$$17x \equiv 30 \pmod{49}$$

The Linear diophantine equation is

$$17x - 49y = 30$$

$$\therefore (17, -49) = 1$$

By Euclidean algorithm.

$$49 = 2 \cdot 17 + 15$$

$$17 = 1 \cdot 15 + 2$$

$$15 = 7 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$7 = 1 \cdot 7$$

$$1 = 1 \cdot 15 - 2 \cdot 7$$

$$= 1 \cdot 15 - 7 \cdot [17 - 1 \cdot 15]$$

$$= 1 \cdot 15 - 7 \cdot 17 + 7 \cdot 15$$

$$49 - 16 \cdot 17 = 8 \cdot 15 - 7 \cdot 17$$

$$+ 8(49) + 16 \cdot 17 - 7 \cdot 17 = 8 \cdot [49 - 2 \cdot 17] - 7 \cdot 17$$

$$(16 - 7) \cdot 17 = (-8)(7 - 49) + (-23)(17)$$

Multiplying both sides by 30

$$30 = (-690)(17) + (-240)(-49)$$

$$x_0 = -690$$

$$\therefore x \equiv -690 \pmod{49}$$

$$\text{or } x \equiv -690 + 15(49) \pmod{49}$$

or  $x \equiv 45, 94 \pmod{98}$  are required solutions.

$$343x \equiv 201 \pmod{1029}$$

$$(343, 1029) = 343$$

$$343 \nmid 201$$

and Congruence has no solution.

Ex: Solve the System of Linear Conguences

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \rightarrow \text{(i) } x \equiv 1$$

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \rightarrow \text{(ii) } x \equiv 2$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5} \rightarrow \text{(iii)}$$

From (i)  $\frac{x-1}{2} = y$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 + 2y$$

Put in (ii)

$$1 + 2y \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$2y \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$2y \equiv 4 \pmod{3}$$

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

Let  $\frac{y-2}{3} = z$

then  $y = 2 + 3z$

$$\therefore x = 1 + 2(2 + 3z)$$

$$= 1 + 4 + 6z$$

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$$x = 5 + 6z \rightarrow \text{(iv)}$$

put in (iii)

$$5 + 6z \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$6z \equiv -2 \pmod{5}$$

$$6z \equiv -2 + 20 \pmod{5}$$

$$6z \equiv 18 \pmod{5}$$

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

$$x = 3 + 5t, t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

put in (iv)

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 5 + 6(3 + 5t) \\&= 5 + 18 + 30t \\&= 23 + 30t\end{aligned}$$

~~$x - 23 = t$~~   
30  
 $x = 23 \pmod{30}$   
is the required solution.