

CONTEXTSALGEBRA TOPICS :

- Elementary Number Theory

(internet communications)

- Matrix Theory

(geometry + communications)

- Eigenvalues & Eigenvectors

(breeding rabbits/google searches)

ELEMENTARY NUMBER THEORY

$$[9 + 12 \equiv 9 \pmod{12}] \quad (\equiv: \text{same as})$$

Monday, 73 days time? Thursday.

examples →

$$\hookrightarrow 1 + 73 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$10 \cdot 5 \equiv 2 \pmod{12}$$

$$7 \cdot 8 \equiv 2 \pmod{9}$$

$$2 \cdot 5 \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$$

 $\frac{1}{4}$: a number that when multiplied by 4 is equal to one. $\rightarrow (\frac{1}{4}) \cdot 4 = 1$
Alternative notation: 4^{-1} \hookrightarrow "multiplicative inverse" of 4What is $3^{-1} \pmod{10}$?

$$x = 3^{-1}$$

$$3x \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$$

$$\text{number} \cdot 3 \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$$

$$7 \cdot 3 = 21 \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$$

$$x = 7$$

$$[3^{-1} \equiv 7 \pmod{10}]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} x^{-1} \text{ has property that when multiplied by} \\ x \text{ is equal to } \underline{\text{one}} \end{array} \right]$$

APPLICATIONS

Any book is identified by an ISBN \rightarrow international standard book number

String of 10 digits

(Formerly 5 on a
treasure island)

e.g.

0340029232

identification

\hookrightarrow safety check
digit

\hookrightarrow chosen so that $(1 \cdot \text{first digit}) + (2 \cdot \text{2nd digit}) + \dots + (9 \cdot \text{9th digit}) + (10 \cdot \text{2nd})$

$$\equiv 0 \pmod{11}$$