

Lecture 1,2,3 - Introduction, Diophantine Equations, Divisibility, GCD

- Finding all integer solutions x, y such that for integers a, b, c , we have $ax + by = c$

1. Definitions

- Divisibility:** a, b are integers. We say " a divides b " or " b is a multiple of a " if $b = ka$ for an integer k . We write $a \mid b$ in that case and $a \nmid b$ otherwise.
 - Let a be any natural number. Then, we have
 - $a \mid 0$
 - $a \mid a$
 - $a \mid -a$
 - $1 \mid a$
 - Similarly, we have
 - $a \mid b \wedge b \mid c \rightarrow a \mid c$
 - $a \mid b \wedge c \mid d \Leftrightarrow ac \mid bd$
 - Let $m \neq 0$. $a \mid b \Leftrightarrow ma \mid mb$
 - $x \mid a \wedge x \mid b \rightarrow x \mid ma + nb$
 - $a \mid b \wedge b \mid a \rightarrow a = \pm b$
 - $a \mid b \rightarrow |a| \leq |b|$ unless $b = 0$
- Division Algorithm:** Given $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a > 0$, $\exists q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $b = aq + r$, $0 \leq r < a$
 - We can partition the integers into several classes using Division Algorithms
 - even: $2k$, odd: $2k + 1$
 - $3k, 3k + 1, 3k + 2$
 - $4k, 4k + 1, 4k + 2, 4k + 3$
 - $2k, 4k + 1, 4k + 3$
- GCD and LCM**
 - c is a common divisor of a and b if $c \mid a$ and $c \mid b$.
 - d is a common multiple of a and b if $a \mid d$ and $b \mid d$.
 - $\gcd(a, b) = (a, b)$
 - eg. $(10, 12) = 2$
 - $\text{lcm}(a, b) = [a, b]$
 - eg. $[10, 12] = 60$
 - $[a, b] = \frac{ab}{(a, b)}$
 - $(a, b, c) = ((a, b), c)$

- $(ma, mb) = m(a, b)$
- $(a, b) = 1 \rightarrow [a, b] = |a, b|$ if $a, b \neq 0$

2. Theorems on GCD

- There are integers x, y such that $ax + by = (a, b)$
- $a = kb + r$ then $(a, b) = (b, r)$
- $ax + by = c$ has solution if and only if $(a, b) \mid c$
- GCD is the smallest positive integer that can be written as $ax+by$.
- $c \mid a$ and $c \mid b \Leftrightarrow c \mid (a, b)$
- Common divisors are divisors of greatest common divisor
- We say a and b are relatively prime if $(a, b) = 1$

Lecture 3,4,5,6 - Euclidean Algorithm, Primes

1. Step by Step - Solve Diophantine Equations

Back to the equation $ax + by = c$.

Step 1 - Find gcd(a,b)

- Use Euclid's algorithm, find x_0 and y_0 such that $ax_0 + by_0 = (a, b)$.

Step 2 - If divisible, then

- Check whether $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$.
- If not divisible, then there is no solution to the diophantine equation. If divisible, proceed to step3.

Step 3 - Find general solution

- From step 1, we have $ax_0 + by_0 = (a, b)$.
- if $k(a, b) = c$, thus we have $k(ax_0 + by_0) = k(a, b) = c$
- Thus, one solution is $x = kx_0, y = ky_0$
- General solutions:
 - $x = x_0 + m \cdot \frac{b}{(a,b)}$
 - $y = y_0 - m \cdot \frac{a}{(a,b)}$

😄 Diophantine Equations Examples

Find all integers (x, y) such that

- $66x + 121y = 100$

- Sol: $(66, 121) = 11 \nmid 100 \rightarrow$ no solution
- $14x + 8y = 6$
 - Use Euclidean algorithm to find GCD
 - $14 = 1 * 8 + 6$
 - $8 = 1 * 6 + 2$
 - $6 = 3 * 2 + 0$
 - Thus, $\gcd(14, 8) = 2$
 - Thus, exist x and y such that $14x + 8y = 2$
 - $2 = 8 - 1 * 6 = 8 - 6 = 8 - (14 - 8) = 2 * 8 - 14$
 - Thus, $14 * -1 + 8 * 2 = 2$
 - Thus, $3 * (14 * -1 + 8 * 2) = 6$
 - Thus, $(-3 * 14 + 6 * 8) = 6$
 - Thus, one solution is $x_0 = -3, y_0 = 6$
 - Thus, $x = -3 + m \frac{8}{2} = 4m - 3, y = 6 - m \frac{14}{2} = 6 - 7m$

2. Prime and Divisibility

- $p \geq 2$ is called prime if 1 and p are its only positive divisors
- $n \geq 2$ is called composite if it is not prime.
 - it has a divisor $a \mid n$ such that $1 < a < n$
 - $n = ab$ with $1 < a, b < n$
- p prime. n integer. Then, $(n, p) = 1$ or p .
- $p \mid ab \rightarrow p \mid a \vee p \mid b$

3. Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic

- Every $n \geq 2$ has a prime factorization $n = p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \dots p_k^{a_k}$ where p_i are distinct primes and a_i are positive integers. This factorization is unique up to re-ordering.
- Similarly, we have
 - $ab = p_1^{a_1+b_1} p_2^{a_2+b_2} \dots p_k^{a_k+b_k}$
 - $\frac{a}{b} = p_1^{a_1-b_1} p_2^{a_2-b_2} \dots p_k^{a_k-b_k}$
 - $a^m = p_1^{ma_1} p_2^{ma_2} \dots p_k^{ma_k}$
 - $\gcd(a, b) = p_1^{\min(a_1, b_1)} p_2^{\min(a_2, b_2)} \dots p_k^{\min(a_k, b_k)}$
 - $\text{lcm}(a, b) = p_1^{\max(a_1, b_1)} p_2^{\max(a_2, b_2)} \dots p_k^{\max(a_k, b_k)}$
- if $a_1 \leq b_1, a_2 \leq b_2, \dots, a_k \leq b_k$, then a divide b .
- $\gcd(a, b) * \text{lcm}(a, b)$

$$= p_1^{\min(a_1, b_1)} p_2^{\min(a_2, b_2)} \dots p_k^{\min(a_k, b_k)} * p_1^{\max(a_1, b_1)} p_2^{\max(a_2, b_2)} \dots p_k^{\max(a_k, b_k)}$$

$$= p_1^{\min(a_1, b_1) + \max(a_1, b_1)} p_2^{\min(a_2, b_2) + \max(a_2, b_2)} \dots p_k^{\min(a_k, b_k) + \max(a_k, b_k)}$$

$$= p_1^{a_1+b_1} p_2^{a_2+b_2} \dots p_k^{a_k+b_k}$$

$$= ab$$

4. Rational Number

- **Definition:** If n is a rational number, then it can be written in the form of $\frac{a}{b}$ where a and b are integers.
- $\sqrt{2}$ is not a rational number
 - Proof:
Assume $\sqrt{2}$ is a rational number.
Then, $\sqrt{2} = \frac{a}{b}$.
Thus, $a = \sqrt{2} \cdot b$.
Thus, $a^2 = 2b^2$
As per Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic $a = 2^{a_1} \dots$ and $b = 2^{b_1} \dots$
Then, we have $2^{2a_1} = 2^{2b_1+1}$
Thus, $2a_1 = 2b_1 + 1$.
Reach contradiction.
- Fully Divisibility
 - We say that p^e fully divides a (i.e. $p^e || a$) if $p^e | a$ and $p^{e+1} \nmid a$. That is, p^e is the highest power of p contained in a .
 - $(p^x || a) \wedge (p^y || b) \rightarrow (p^{x+y} || ab) \wedge (p^{x-y} || \frac{a}{b})$
 - $(p^x || a) \wedge (p^y || b) \wedge (x < y) \rightarrow p^x || a + b$

5. Square

- $(a, b) = 1$ and ab is a square $\rightarrow a$ and b are both square
- $n(n+1)$ is never a square

6. Dirchlet's Theorem

There are infinitely many primes of the form $ak + b$ if and only if $(a, b) = 1$.

- Infinitely many primes $(4k + 3)$
 - Suppose $p_1 = 3, p_2 = 7, p_3, \dots, p_n$ are all the primes of the form $4k+3$.
 - $m = 4p_1p_2p_3\dots p_n - 1$, which is of the form $4k+3$
 - m has a prime divisor of the form $4k+3$
 - Let $p_i | m$
 - Then, $p_i | 4p_1p_2\dots p_n \rightarrow p_i | 1$
 - Thus, reach contradiction.

7. Check Primeness

- If n is composite, then it must have a prime divisor $p \leq \sqrt{n}$.

- **Divisibility by 2**

$$n = a_0 + a_1 \cdot 10 + a_2 \cdot 10^2 + \dots + a_k \cdot 10^k$$

$$\text{Thus, } 2|n \leftrightarrow 2|a_0$$

- **Divisibility by 4**

Notice that 4/100,1000,...

$$\text{Thus, } 4|n \leftrightarrow 4|a_0 + 10a_1$$

- **Divisibility by 5 : $5|a_0$**

- **Divisibility by 3**

$$n = a_0 + a_1 \cdot 10 + a_2 \cdot 10^2 + \dots + a_k \cdot 10^k = a_0 + a_1 + \dots + a_k + 9a_1 + 99a_2 + \dots + (10^k - 1)a_k$$

$$\text{Thus, } 3|n \leftrightarrow 3|a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k$$

- **Divisibility by 11**

$$n = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - \dots + (-1)^k a_k + (11a_1) + (10^2 - 1)a_2 + \dots + (10^k - (-1)^k)a_k$$

$$\text{Thus, } 11|n \leftrightarrow 11|a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - \dots + (-1)^k a_k$$

8. Factoring

- $x^a - 1 = (x - 1)(x^{a-1} + x^{a-2} + x^{a-3} + \dots + x + 1)$
- $x^{2a+1} + 1 = (x + 1)(x^{2a} - x^{2a-1} + x^{2a-2} - \dots - x + 1)$

9. Consider $p = 2^m + 1$

- **m is not odd**

$$p = 2^m + 1 = (2 + 1)(x^{m-1} - x^{m-2} + \dots - x + 1) \rightarrow p \text{ is divisible by } 3 \rightarrow p \text{ is not prime.}$$

- **m is not divisible by any odd number except 1**

◦ Assume m can be divided by a odd number $2a + 1$.

◦ Then, we have $m = (2a + 1)k$

◦ This means that $2^m + 1 = 2^{(2a+1)k} + 1 = 2^{k(2a+1)} = (2^k + 1)(2^{2ak} \dots)$

- if $2^m + 1$ is prime, then $m = 2^n$ for some n .

9. Consider $p = 2^m - 1$

- m must be a prime, otherwise $m = ab$ with $1 < a, b < m$ and $2^m - 1 = 2^{ab} - 1$ is divisible by $2^b - 1$, cannot be prime.

Lecture 6,7 - Modular Arithmetic

Definitions

- Fermat Numbers: $F_n = 2^{2^n} + 1$
- Mersenne Numbers: $M_p = 2^p - 1$

Congruence Class

Integers are partitioned into n sets (congruence classes)

- $\mathbf{Z}_n = \{[0]_n, [1]_n, \dots, [n-1]_n\}$
- $[a]_n = [b]_n \leftrightarrow n \mid a - b$. (i.e. $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$)
- $[a]_n + [b]_n = [a + b]_n$
- $[a]_n \cdot [b]_n = [ab]_n$

Theorems

- If $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$ and $b \equiv d \pmod{n}$, then
 - $a + b \equiv c + d \pmod{n}$
 - $ab \equiv cd \pmod{n}$
 - $a^k \equiv c^k \pmod{n}$ where $k \in \mathbb{N}$
- Also, we have
 - $x \equiv x \pmod{n}$
 - $x \equiv y \pmod{n} \rightarrow y \equiv x \pmod{n}$
 - $x \equiv y \pmod{n}$ and $y \equiv z \pmod{n} \rightarrow x \equiv z \pmod{n}$
 - $a \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ means a is divisible by n
- Let $p(x)$ be a polynomial with integer coefficients, then $a \equiv b \pmod{n} \rightarrow p(a) \equiv p(b) \pmod{n}$
- Suppose $d \geq 1$ and $d \mid m$, then $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \rightarrow a \equiv b \pmod{d}$
- Suppose $c > 0$, then $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \rightarrow ac \equiv bc \pmod{mc}$
- $ax \equiv ay \pmod{m} \rightarrow x \equiv y \pmod{\frac{m}{(a,m)}}$

Step by Step - Solve $ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$

- Step 1
Check whether $\gcd(a, m)$ divides b . If not, then there is no solution. Otherwise, proceed to step 2.
- Step 2
- Find x_0 and then $x = x_0 + t \frac{m}{(a,m)}$.
- We can find x_0 using Euclid's algorithm
 - $ax \equiv b \pmod{m} \rightarrow ax \equiv mk + b \pmod{m} \rightarrow ax - mk = b$
- That is, the set of all solutions : $\{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x \equiv x_0 \pmod{\frac{m}{(a,m)}}\}$

Examples

- **Find remainder of $113 \cdot 114$ after dividing by 120**

$$113 \equiv 7 \pmod{120}$$

$$114 \equiv 6 \pmod{120}$$

$$\rightarrow 113 \cdot 114 \equiv 7 \cdot 6 \equiv 42 \pmod{120}$$

- **Find remainder of 5^{16} after dividing by 17**

$$5^2 = 25 \equiv 8 \pmod{17}$$

$$5^4 \equiv 8^2 \equiv 64 \equiv -4 \pmod{17}$$

$$5^8 \equiv (-4)^2 \equiv 16 \equiv -1 \pmod{17}$$

$$5^{16} \equiv (-1)^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

- **Prove that n^3 is of the form $7k$ or $7k + 1$ or $7k + 6$**

◦ That is, we want to show that $n^3 \equiv 0, 1, 6 \pmod{7}$

◦ n can be either of form $7a, 7a + 1, 7a + 2, 7a + 3, 7a + 4, 7a + 5, 7a + 6$

- $(7a)^3 \equiv 0^3 \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$
- $(7a + 1)^3 \equiv 1^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$
- $(7a + 2)^3 \equiv 2^3 \equiv 8 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$
- $(7a + 3)^3 \equiv 3^3 \equiv 27 \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$
- $(7a + 4)^3 \equiv 4^3 \equiv (2^3)^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$
- $(7a + 5)^3 \equiv 5^3 \equiv (-2)^3 \equiv -8 \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$
- $(7a + 6)^3 \equiv 6^3 \equiv (-1)^3 \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$

- **Prove that $n \cdot (n + 1) \cdot (n + 2)$ is divisible by 6**

◦ n can be either of form $6a, 6a + 1, 6a + 2, 6a + 3, 6a + 4, 6a + 5$

◦ Let $N = n \cdot (n + 1) \cdot (n + 2)$

◦ Then, consider the six cases

- $N \equiv_6 0 * 1 * 2 \equiv_6 0$
- $N \equiv_6 1 * 2 * 3 \equiv_6 6 \equiv_6 0$
- $N \equiv_6 2 * 3 * 4 \equiv_6 0$
- $N \equiv_6 3 * 4 * 5 \equiv_6 0$
- $N \equiv_6 4 * 5 * 6 \equiv_6 0$
- $N \equiv_6 5 * 6 * 7 \equiv_6 0$

◦ Thus N is divisible by 6 is proved

- **Prove that $x^3 - x + 1 = 42$ has no integer solution**

◦ $p(x) = x^3 - x + 1$ and $p(x) \equiv 42 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$

◦ $x \equiv 0, 1, 2 \pmod{3}$

◦ Thus, $p(x) \equiv p(0) \vee p(1) \vee p(2)$

- $p(1) = 1^3 - 1 + 1 = 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

- $p(2) = 2^3 - 2 + 1 = 7 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$
- $p(3) = 3^3 - 3 + 1 = 25 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$
- Thus, no such integer solution.

• **Which integers x satisfy $15x \equiv 30 \pmod{40}$?**

- $\gcd(15, 40) = 5$
- Thus, $x \equiv 2 \pmod{\frac{40}{5}}$ i.e. $x \equiv 2 \pmod{8}$
- Thus, we have $x - 2 = 8t$
- That is, $x = 8t + 2$ where $t \in \mathbb{Z}$

• **Solve $3x \equiv 7 \pmod{11}$**

- $\gcd(11, 3) = 1 \rightarrow$ there exists solution
- $11 = 3 * 3 + 2, 3 = 2 * 1 + 1, 2 = 1 * 2 + 0$
- $1 = 3 - 2 = 3 - 11 + 3 * 3 = 3 * 4 + 11 * 1$
- Thus, solve the original linear congruence by multiplying 4. That is, we need to solve $12x \equiv 28 \equiv 6 \pmod{11}$
- $2x \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$ as $\gcd(2, 11) = 1$
 - Notice that $1 = 2 * 6 - 1$
 - Thus, $2 * 6 \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$
- Thus, $x_0 = 6$ is one of the solutions. As a result, we have the general solution : $x \equiv 6 \pmod{11}$ as $\gcd = 1$

• **Solve $9x \equiv 6 \pmod{12}$**

- $\gcd(9, 12) = 3$ which divides 6.
- Thus, we have $3x \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$
- thus $x_0 = 2$ and $x = 2 + 4t$
- i.e. $x \equiv_4 2$

• **Solve $66x \equiv 100 \pmod{121}$**

- $\gcd(121, 66) = 11$ which does not divide 100
- Thus, no solution

• **Solve $14x \equiv 1 \pmod{45}$**

- $\gcd(14, 45) = 1$
- Euclidean algorithm
 - $45 = 3 * 14 + 3$
 - $14 = 4 * 3 + 2$
 - $3 = 1 * 2 + 1$
- $1 = 3 - 2 = 45 - 4 * 14 + 4 * (45 - 3 * 14) = 5 * 45 - 16 * 14$
- $x \equiv_{45} -16$

• **Solve $30x \equiv 56 \pmod{71}$**

- Euclidean algo
 - $\gcd(30, 71) = 1$

- $71 = 2 \cdot 30 + 11$
- $30 = 2 \cdot 11 + 8$
- $11 = 1 \cdot 8 + 3$
- $8 = 2 \cdot 3 + 2$
- $3 = 1 \cdot 2 + 1$
- $2 = 2 \cdot 1 + 0$

◦ Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \blacksquare 1 &= 3 - 1 \cdot 2 \\
 &= 3 - 8 + 2 \cdot 3 \\
 &= 3 \cdot 3 - 8 \\
 &= 3 \cdot (11 - 8) - (30 - 2 \cdot 11) \\
 &= 5 \cdot 11 - 3 \cdot 8 - 30 \\
 &= 5 \cdot 11 - 3 \cdot 8 - (2 \cdot 11 + 8) \\
 &= 3 \cdot 11 - 4 \cdot 8 \\
 &= 3 \cdot (71 - 2 \cdot 30) - 4 \cdot (30 - 2 \cdot 11) \\
 &= 3 \cdot 71 - 10 \cdot 30 + 8 \cdot 11 \\
 &= 3 \cdot 71 - 10 \cdot 30 + 8 \cdot (71 - 2 \cdot 30) \\
 &= 11 \cdot 71 - 26 \cdot 30
 \end{aligned}$$

◦ Thus, we have $-26 \cdot 30x \equiv_{71} 56 \cdot -26$

◦ That is, $x \equiv_{71} 56 \cdot -26 \equiv_{71} 35$

Lecture 8,9 - Chinese Remainder Theorem

Theorem

$x \equiv_{m_1} a, x \equiv_{m_2} a, \dots, x \equiv_{m_k} a$ is equivalent to $x \equiv_m a$ where $m = \text{lcm}[m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k]$

- for example, to prove that x is divisible by 120, we can show that x is divisible by all of 8, 3 and 5

Chinese Remainder Theorem (pairwise coprime moduli)

$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1}, x \equiv a_2 \pmod{m_2}, \dots, x \equiv a_k \pmod{m_k}$ with $(m_i, m_j) = 1$ for all $i \neq j$ has a unique solution $x \equiv a \pmod{m_1 m_2 \dots m_k}$ in $\mathbb{Z}_{m_1 m_2 \dots m_k}$ for some a .

Examples

- Which integers x satisfy both $x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ and $x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$?
 - $x \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \rightarrow x \equiv_{35} 1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26, \dots$
 - $x \equiv 5 \pmod{7} \rightarrow x \equiv_{35} 5, 12, 19, 26, \dots$
- Solve $x \equiv_{15} 2$ and $x \equiv_7 3$

- $x = 7k + 3 \equiv_{15} 2$
- $7k \equiv_{15} -1 \equiv_{15} 14$
- Thus, $k \equiv_{15} 2$ as $\gcd(7, 15) = 1$
- Thus, $k = 15l + 2$
- Thus, $x \equiv_{15} 7k + 3 \equiv_{15} 7(15l + 2) + 3 \equiv_{15} 105l + 17$
- Thus, we get $x \equiv_{105} 17$
- Check the isolated pdf on exercises on Chinese Remainder Theorem

Lecture 10 - Congruence Class, Lagrange, Fermat Theorem

1. Linear Congruences : $ax \equiv b \pmod{p}$

- If $(p, a) = p$ i.e $p \mid a$, then we have -- solution x exists $\leftrightarrow b \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$
- If $(p, a) = 1$, then there exist a unique solution x in $Z_{\frac{p}{(p,a)}} = Z_p$
 - In particular, a^{-1} always exist \pmod{p} unless $a \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$

2. Lagrange Theorem

$f(x) = a_d x^d + a_{d-1} x^{d-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$ is a polynomial with integer coefficients such that $a_i \neq 0$ for at least one i . Then, $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ has at most d solutions in Z_p

3. Lemma based on Lagrange

If $f(x) = a_d x^d + a_{d-1} x^{d-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0 \equiv_p 0$ has more than d roots, then $a_i \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ for all i .

4. Fermat Theorem

For $a \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$