

UNIT - V

ELEMENTARY NUMBER THEORY AND
CRYPTOGRAPHY

DIVISIBILITY

If a and b are any two integers such that $b \neq 0$ then we say that " b divides a " if there exists an integer k such that $a = kb$. And it is written as $b|a$.

Note

If " b divides a ", then we say that " b is factor of a " or " a is multiple of b ".

DIVISION ALGORITHM

If a and b are any two integers such that $b > 0$ then there exist unique integer q and r such that,

$$a = bq + r$$

where q is called quotient
 r is called remainder.

CONGRUENCE RELATION

Let m be a positive integer, Then an integer ' a ' is said to be congruent to an integer ' b ' under modulo m , if " m divides $(a-b)$ ". ($m|(a-b)$) symbolically it is written as

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

It is read as " a is congruent to b modulo m ".

Note

b is called remainder or residue of $a \pmod{m}$
 OR b is remainder when m divides a .

Properties of Congruence Relation

- (i) If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$, then $m \mid (a-b)$
- (ii) If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ then $b \equiv a \pmod{m}$
- (iii) If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ & $b \equiv c \pmod{m}$ then $a \equiv c \pmod{m}$

MODULAR ARITHMETIC OPERATION

If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$, then for $k \neq 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$

- (i) $a + k \equiv b + k \pmod{m}$
- (ii) $a - k \equiv b - k \pmod{m}$
- (iii) $a \cdot k \equiv b \cdot k \pmod{m}$
- (iv) $a^k \equiv b^k \pmod{m}$

Properties of Modular Arithmetic

• Residue system Modulo m

Define the set \mathbb{Z}_m as a set of non-negative integers less than m ,

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

It is called residue system modulo m .

• Residue classes

Each integer in \mathbb{Z}_m represents a residue class and it is divided by $[a]$ and defined by

$$[a] = \{x : x \equiv a \pmod{m}\}$$

For Example:

(1) Residue system modulo 3 is

$$\mathbb{Z}_3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

∴ Residue classes of elements of \mathbb{Z}_3 are

$$[0] = \{x : x \equiv 0 \pmod{3}\}$$

$$[0] = \{\dots, -9, -6, -3, 0, 3, 6, 9, \dots\}$$

$$[1] = \{\dots, -8, -5, -2, 1, 4, 7, 10, \dots\}$$

$$[2] = \{\dots, -7, -4, -1, 2, 5, 8, 11, \dots\}$$

Theorem

Let m be a positive integer and $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$. Then prove that $a+c \equiv b+d \pmod{m}$. Then prove that $a+c \equiv b+d \pmod{m}$ and $ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$.

Proof: Given $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$

$$\begin{aligned} & m \mid (a-b) \text{ and } m \mid (c-d) \quad \text{--- (i)} \\ \Rightarrow & m \mid (a-b) + (c-d) \\ \Rightarrow & m \mid (a-b+c-d) \\ \Rightarrow & m \mid (a+c) - (b+d) \\ \Rightarrow & \boxed{a+c \equiv b+d \pmod{m}} \end{aligned}$$

By (i) we get

$$a-b = K_1 m \quad \text{and} \quad c-d = K_2 m$$

$$c(a-b) = cK_1 m \quad \text{and} \quad b(c-d) = bK_2 m$$

$$ac-bc = (K_1 c)m \quad \text{and} \quad bc-bd = (K_2 b)m$$

$$ac-bc+bc-bd = (K_1 c)m + (K_2 b)m$$

$$ac-bd = K'_1 m + K''_1 m \quad \text{where } K'_1 = K_1 c, K''_1 = K_2 b$$

$$ac-bd = (K'_1 + K''_1) m$$

$$ac-bd = K_1 m \quad \text{where } K_1 = K'_1 + K''_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

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

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

PRIME NUMBER

An integer $p \geq 2$ is called prime number if it is divisible by 1 and itself. Otherwise a number is called composite number.

Ex: (1) Prime numbers are 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, ...

(2) Composite numbers are 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, ...

Note

Every composite number can be expressed as product of prime integers:

Ex: ① $10 = 2 \times 5$ ② $20 = 2 \times 10 = 2 \times 2 \times 5$ ③ $35 = 5 \times 7$

RELATIVELY PRIME NUMBER (CO-PRIME NUMBERS)

Two numbers a and b are said to be relatively prime if they have no common divisors other than 1.

($\text{GCD}(a, b) = 1$)

Ex: ① 10 and 21 are relatively prime as $\text{GCD}(10, 21) = 1$

EULER'S ϕ -FUNCTION / EULER'S TOTIENT FUN

REDUCED RESIDUE SYSTEM MODULO m

The reduced residue system modulo m is the set of all elements from residue system modulo m . $Z_m = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1\}$ which are relatively prime to m .

i.e. $S = \{x : \text{GCD}(x, m) = 1\}$

EULER'S ϕ -FUNCTION / EULER'S TOTIENT FUNCTION

The Euler's ϕ Function of an integer $n \geq 1$ is denoted by $\phi(n)$ and defined by the number of non-zero positive integers less than n that are relatively prime to n .

Ex: $\phi(1) = 0$, $\phi(2) = n(\{1\}) = 1$, $\phi(3) = n(\{1, 2\}) = 2$

$\phi(4) = n(\{1, 3\}) = 2$, $\phi(5) = n(\{1, 2, 3, 4\}) = 4$

$\phi(6) = n(\{1, 5\}) = 2$, $\phi(7) = 6$

Note

1. If $n = p$ is a prime number then Euler ϕ function of p is $\phi(p) = p - 1$

2. If n is number that can be expressed as a product of relatively prime numbers (a, b) Euler's ϕ function of n is

Ex:- ① $\phi(20) = \phi(4 \cdot 5) = \phi(4) \cdot \phi(5) = 2 \times 4 = 8$

② $\phi(35) = \phi(5 \cdot 7) = \phi(5) \cdot \phi(7) = 4 \times 6 = 24$

③ $\phi(10) = \phi(2 \cdot 5) = \phi(2) \cdot \phi(5) = 1 \times 4 = 4$

Euler's Theorem.

Statement: Let n and a be positive integers which are relatively prime ($\text{GCD}(n, a) = 1$). Then

$$a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

where $\phi(n)$ is Euler ϕ -Function.

Proof:

Given that $n, a \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\text{GCD}(n, a) = 1$.

Euler ϕ -function of n is

$$\phi(n) = k$$

Let us take

Consider a reduced system modulo n ,

$$S = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\phi(n)}\}$$

$$\text{OR } S = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_k\}$$

Take $a \neq 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\text{GCD}(n, a) = 1$

$$aS = \{aa_1, aa_2, aa_3, \dots, aa_k\}$$

$$aa_1 \equiv a_1 \pmod{n}; aa_2 \equiv a_2 \pmod{n} \dots aa_k \equiv a_k \pmod{n}$$

Now, we know that,

$$aa_1 \cdot aa_2 \cdot aa_3 \cdot \dots \cdot aa_k \equiv a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_k \pmod{n}$$

$$a^k (a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_k) \equiv (a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_k) \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^k \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

FERMAT'S THEOREM / FERMAT'S LITTLE THEOREM

Statement let P be a prime number and $P \nmid a$. then

$$a^{P-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{P}$$

$$\text{OR } a^P \equiv a \pmod{P}$$

PROOF

Given that, P is a prime number and $P \nmid a$.

$$\Rightarrow \text{GCD}(P, a) = 1$$

Euler ϕ -function of prime no ϕ is.

$$\phi(P) = P-1$$

Consider a residue system modulo P

$$S = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{P-1}\}$$

Take $a \neq 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $P \nmid a$

$$aS = \{aa_1, aa_2, aa_3, \dots, aa_{P-1}\}$$

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$$aa_1 \equiv a_1 \pmod{P}; aa_2 \equiv a_2 \pmod{P}; \dots; aa_{P-1} \equiv a_{P-1} \pmod{P}$$

Next we know that,

$$aa_1 \cdot aa_2 \cdot aa_3 \cdot \dots \cdot aa_{P-1} \equiv a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{P-1} \pmod{P}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{P-1} (a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{P-1}) \equiv (a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{P-1}) \pmod{P}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{P-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{P}$$

$$\Rightarrow a \equiv a \pmod{P}$$

For example

$$\textcircled{1} \quad 4^{\phi(7)} \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$\phi(7) = 6$$

$$4^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$4^2 \cdot 4^2 \cdot 4^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$8 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad 5^{\phi(6)} \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$$

$$\phi(6) = n \{ \{1, 3\} \} = 2$$

$$5^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$$

CHINESE REMAINDER THEOREM

Statement: If $m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_k$ are pairwise relatively prime numbers and $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_k$ are any integers then, the simultaneous congruence relations,

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

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{m_2}$$

$$x \equiv a_3 \pmod{m_3}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\vdots$$

$$x \equiv a_k \pmod{m_k}$$

has a unique solution under modulo M ,

where $M = m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot m_3 \cdot \dots \cdot m_k$.

STEPS TO SOLVE SIMULTANEOUS CONGRUENCE RELATION BY CHINESE THEOREM.

Step 1: Check $\text{GCD}(m_i, m_j) \equiv 1$; for $i \neq j$

Step 2: $x \equiv (M_1 x_1 a_1 + M_2 x_2 a_2 + \dots + M_k x_k a_k) \pmod{M}$
where $M = m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot \dots \cdot m_k$

and $M_i = \frac{M}{m_i} = m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot \dots \cdot m_{i-1} \cdot m_{i+1} \cdot \dots \cdot m_k$

Next, to calculate x_i . x_i is a multiplicative inverse of M_i under modulo m_i

$$\text{i.e. } M_i x_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i}$$

step 3: Using values of M_i and x_i in ① we can find the value of x

Examples

① solve the following system of congruences by using Chinese remainder theorem.

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}, \quad x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \quad x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

→ Given,

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

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

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

$$a_1 = 2, \quad a_2 = 1, \quad a_3 = 3$$

$$m_1 = 3, \quad m_2 = 4, \quad m_3 = 5$$

$$\text{GCD}(3, 4) = \text{GCD}(4, 5) = \text{GCD}(3, 5) = 1$$

$\therefore 3, 4, 5$ are pair wise relatively prime

$$\text{Next, } x = (M_1 x_1 a_1 + M_2 x_2 a_2 + M_3 x_3 a_3) \pmod{M} \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$\text{where } M = m_1 m_2 m_3 = 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 = 60$$

$$M = 60$$

$$M_1 = \frac{M}{m_1} = m_2 m_3 = 4 \cdot 5 = 20$$

$$M_2 = \frac{M}{m_2} = m_1 m_3 = 3 \cdot 5 = 15$$

$$M_3 = \frac{M}{m_3} = m_1 m_2 = 3 \cdot 4 = 12$$

Calculate x_i

$$M_i x_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i}$$

$$M_1 x_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{m_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 x_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 x_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$\therefore x_1 = 2 \text{ as } 3/2(2) = 1$$

$$M_2 x_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{m_2}$$

$$15 x_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$3 x_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$x_2 = 3 \text{ as } 4/3(3) = 1$$

$$M_3 x_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{m_3}$$

$$12 x_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$2 x_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$x_3 = 3 \text{ as } 5/2(3) = 1$$

 \therefore Relation (i) becomes,

$$x \equiv [20 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 + 15 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 + 12 \cdot 3 \cdot 3] \pmod{60}$$

$$x \equiv [80 + 45 + 108] \pmod{60}$$

$$x \equiv 233 \pmod{60}$$

$$x \equiv 53 \pmod{60}$$

$$x = 53$$

$$(2) \quad x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}, x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}, x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

$$\rightarrow a_1 = 2, a_2 = 3, a_3 = 2$$

$$m_1 = 3, m_2 = 5, m_3 = 7$$

$$\text{GCD}(3, 5) = \text{GCD}(5, 7) = \text{GCD}(3, 7) = 1$$

 $3, 5, 7$ are pairwise relative prime.

Next,

$$x \equiv (M_1 x_1 a_1 + M_2 x_2 a_2 + M_3 x_3 a_3) \pmod{M} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\text{where } M = m_1 m_2 m_3 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 = 105$$

$$M = 105$$

$$M_1 = \frac{M}{m_1} = 5 \cdot 7 = 35$$

$$M_2 = \frac{M}{m_2} = 3 \cdot 7 = 21$$

$$M_3 = \frac{M}{m_3} = 3 \cdot 5 = 15$$

Calculate x_i

$$M_1 x_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{m_1}$$

$$35 x_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$2 x_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$x_1 = 2 \quad 3(2/2) - 1$$

$$M_2 x_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{m_2}$$

$$21 x_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$1 x_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$x_2 = 1 \quad 5(1/1) - 1$$

$$M_3 x_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{m_3}$$

$$15 x_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$1 x_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$x_3 = 1 \quad 7(1/1) - 1$$

\therefore Relation ① becomes

$$x \equiv 35 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 + 21 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 + 15 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 \pmod{105}$$

$$x \equiv 140 + 63 + 30$$

$$x \equiv 233 \pmod{105}$$

$$x \equiv 23 \pmod{105}$$

$$x = 23$$

GREATEST COMMON DIVISION BETWEEN THE POSITIVE INTEGER

Find GCD between following pairs of integers.

i) 100, 37

$$\rightarrow \text{GCD}(37, 100) = \text{GCD}(37, 300 \pmod{37})$$

$$= \text{GCD}(37, 26)$$

$$= \text{GCD}(26, 37 \pmod{26})$$

$$= \text{GCD}(26, 11)$$

$$= \text{GCD}(11, 26 \pmod{11})$$

$$= \text{GCD}(11, 4)$$

$$= \text{GCD}(4, 11 \pmod{4})$$

$$= \text{GCD}(4, 3)$$

$$= \text{GCD}(3, 4 \pmod{3})$$

$$= \text{GCD}(3, 1)$$

$$= \text{GCD}(1, 3 \pmod{1})$$

$$= 1$$

(ii) 2, 52

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{GCD}(52, 252) &= \text{GCD}(52, 252 \pmod{52}) \\ &= \text{GCD}(52, 44) \\ &= \text{GCD}(44, 52 \pmod{44}) \\ &= \text{GCD}(44, 8) \\ &= \text{GCD}(8, 44 \pmod{8}) \\ &= \text{GCD}(8, 4) \\ &= \text{GCD}(4, 8 \pmod{4}) \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

(iii)

Find GCD between following pairs of integers

$$\text{GCD}(100, 252) = \text{GCD}(100, 252 \pmod{100})$$

$$= \text{GCD}(100, 52)$$

$$= \text{GCD}(52, 100 \pmod{52})$$

$$= \text{GCD}(52, 4)$$

$$= \text{GCD}(4, 52 \pmod{4})$$

$$= \text{GCD}(4, 0)$$

$$= \text{GCD}(4, 4 \pmod{4})$$

$$= \text{GCD}(4, 0)$$

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