Discrete Mathematics

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Symbols

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∀ for all
∃ exists
∃! exists exactly one
\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \ldots\}
\mathbb{N}^+ – set of positive natural numbers
\mathbb{Z} = \{x : x \in \mathbb{N} \ \lor -x \in \mathbb{N}\} - \text{set of integers}
\mathbb{Q} = \{x : x = \frac{a}{b}, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0\} – set of rational numbers
\mathbb{R} – set of real numbers
\mathbb{R}^+, the set of positive real numbers
\mathbb{C}, the set of complex numbers
\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i = a_1 + a_2 + \ldots + a_k
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 $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ can also be thought of as asserting that both **divisions** a/n and b/n have the same remainder.

Example:

 $-3 \equiv 11 \pmod{7}$

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The following are equivalent.

- $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$
- a = b + nt for some integer t,
- 3 a and b have the same remainder when divided by n.

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Step 2. Since
$$a > 0$$
 write $a = bq + r$ with $r \in \{0, 1, ..., a - 1\}$. Replace (a, b) with (b, r) and go to **Step 1**.

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Theorem:

Let a = bq + r, where a, b, q, and r are integers. Then gcd(a, b) = gcd(b, r).

The Euclidean Algorithm

Example:

Find gcd(54, 102).



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Theorem: Bézout's Theorem

For any integers a,b there exist integers α,β such that:

$$gcd(a, b) = \alpha \cdot a + \beta \cdot b.$$



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Euler's totient or phi function, $\varphi(n)$ is an arithmetic function that counts the number of positive integers less than or equal to n that are relatively prime to n.

Example:

$$\varphi(5) =$$

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$$\varphi(5) = 4$$

 $\varphi(9) =$

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If $n = p \cdot q$, where p, q are different primes, then $\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1)$.



Theorem: Chinese remainder theorem

Suppose m_1, m_2, \ldots, m_k are positive integers which are pairwise coprime. Then, for any given sequence of integers a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_k , there exists an integer x solving the following system of congruences:

$$\begin{cases} x \equiv a_1 \pmod{m}_1 \\ x \equiv a_2 \pmod{m}_2 \\ \dots \\ x \equiv a_k \pmod{m}_k \end{cases}$$
 (*)

Furthermore, all solutions x of this system are congruent modulo the product, $M = m_1 m_2 \dots m_k$. Hence $x \equiv y \pmod{m}_i$ for all $1 \le i \le k$, if and only if $x \equiv y \pmod{M}$.

Example:

Solve the system

$$\begin{cases} x \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ x \equiv 5 \pmod{6} \end{cases}$$

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Thus \exists \alpha_i, \beta_i : \alpha_i \cdot M_i + \beta_i \cdot m_i = 1
Then: \alpha_i \cdot M_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i} and \alpha_i \cdot M_i \equiv 0 \pmod{m_i} for i \neq j
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is solution of system (*) modulo M

Example:

Solve the system

$$\begin{cases} x \equiv 3 \pmod{7} \\ x \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ x \equiv 8 \pmod{25} \end{cases}$$

Fermat's Little Theorem



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Theorem: Fermat's Little Theorem

If $p \in \mathbb{P}$ and a is an integer not divisible by p, then

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}.$$

Furthermore, for every integer n we have

$$n^p \equiv n \pmod{p}$$
.





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If $p \in \mathbb{P}$ then $\varphi(p) = p - 1$ thus Fermat's Little Theorem follows from Euler's Totient Theorem.





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$$(34)^{67} \pmod{15} =$$

