

MATH 51 Homework #13

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1. Let $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $b \equiv c \pmod{m}$. This means that (where $k \in \mathbb{Z}$):

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \rightarrow a - b = mk_1 \quad (1)$$

$$b \equiv c \pmod{m} \rightarrow b - c = mk_2 \quad (2)$$

$$(1) + (2) = [a - b = mk_1] + [b - c = mk_2] \quad (3)$$

$$= a - c = m(k_1 + k_2) \quad (4)$$

As $k_1 + k_2$ is also an integer, this means that m divides $a - c$, which is the same as $a \equiv c \pmod{m}$. Therefore the transitive property works $a \equiv b \equiv c \pmod{m}$ if $a \equiv b$ and $b \equiv c$.

2. Let $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$. This means that (where $k \in \mathbb{Z}$):

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \rightarrow a - b = mk_1 \quad (1)$$

$$c \equiv d \pmod{m} \rightarrow c - d = mk_2 \quad (2)$$

$$ac \equiv bd \pmod{m} \rightarrow ac - bd = mk_3 \quad (3)$$

$$= a(c - d) + (a - b)d = mk_3 \quad (4)$$

$$= a(mk_2) + (mk_1)d = mk_3 \quad (5)$$

$$= m(ak_2 + k_1d) = mk_3 \quad (6)$$

Since $ak_2 + k_1d$ is in \mathbb{Z} , this shows that $ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$

- 3.

n	$n^2 + n + 1$	$n^2 + n + 1 \pmod{3}$
1	3	0
2	7	1
3	13	1
4	21	0
5	31	1
6	43	1
7	57	0
...

m	$3m + 2$	$3m + 2 \pmod{3}$
1	5	2
2	8	2
3	11	2
4	14	2
5	17	2
6	20	2
...

Since the results of $n^2 + n + 1 \equiv (0, 1) \pmod{3}$ and $3m + 2 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$, we showed that $n^2 + n + 1 \not\equiv 3m + 2 \pmod{3}$

4. Prove that if n is an odd positive integer, then $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$.

We can look at all of the possible results of $n \pmod{8}$:

n	$n \pmod{8}$
1	1
3	3
5	5
7	7
9	1
11	3
13	5
...	...

All reduced $n \in \{1, 3, 5, 7\} \pmod{8}$. Because multiplication is respected in mod, we can square then mod, or mod then square. We will now square the only possible reductions:

n	n^2	$n^2 \pmod{8}$
1	1	1
3	9	1
5	25	1
7	49	1

Therefore, $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ for all positive odd integers n .

- 5.

$$(p \vee q) \rightarrow r \equiv (p * q + p + q) \rightarrow r \quad (1)$$

$$\equiv (p * q + p + q)r + (p * q + p + q) + 1 \quad (2)$$

$$\equiv p * q * r + p * r + q * r + p * q + p + q + 1 \quad (3)$$

$$(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r) \equiv (p * r + p + 1) \wedge (q * r + q + 1) \quad (4)$$

$$\equiv (p * r + p + 1) * (q * r + q + 1) \quad (5)$$

$$\equiv p * q * r^2 + 2 * p * q * r + p * r + q * r + p * q + p + q + 1 \quad (6)$$

$$\equiv p * q * r + p * r + q * r + p * q + p + q + 1 \quad (7)$$

From both sides, we converted to a Boolean expression, and arrived at the same equivalency.