Assignment 1

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Problem 1. Solving equations

For each equation, either find all solutions or explain why none exist.

- (a) $235x \equiv 12 \pmod{243}$
- (b) $235x \equiv 12 \pmod{245}$
- (c) $235x \equiv 10 \pmod{245}$

Solution. 1. (a) gcd(235, 243) = 1

So find the linear combination of these two number:

$$235 = 0(243) + 235$$

$$243 = 1(235) + 8$$

$$235 = 29(8) + 3$$

$$8 = 2(3) + 2$$

$$3 = 1(2) + 1$$

Now, back substitute:

$$1 = 3 - 2$$

$$= 3 - [8 - 2(3)]$$

$$= 3(3) - 8$$

$$= 3[235 - 9(8)] - 8$$

$$= 3(235) - 28(8)$$

$$= 3(235) -28(243 - 235)$$

$$=31(235) - 28(243)$$

Therefore $1 \equiv 31(235) \pmod{243}$

so
$$235^{-1} \equiv 31 \pmod{243}$$

Then,
$$x \equiv 12 \times (235^{-1}) \pmod{243}$$

$$x \equiv 12 \times 31 \pmod{243}$$

$$x \equiv 651 \pmod{243}$$

$$x \equiv 165 \pmod{243}$$

The set of all solutions is $\{165+243k, k\in\mathbb{Z}\}$.

(b)
$$235 \equiv 12 \pmod{245}$$

$$\Rightarrow 235x - 12 = 245k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow 12 = 235x - 245k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

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Since \gcd(235,245)=5, 5|235 and 5|245
So 5\mid 235x and 5\mid 245k
However, 5\nmid 12
Therefore 12=235 - 245k, k\in\mathbb{Z} implies that 5 must divide 12, which leads to contradiction.
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Thus, solution does not exist.

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(c) gcd(235,245) = 5, and 5 \mid 10
So divide both side by 5.
47x \equiv 2 \pmod{49}
now \gcd(47,49) = 1
Find their linear combination:
47 = 0(49) + 47
49 = 1(47) + 2
47 = 23(2) + 1
2 = 2(1) + 0
Back substitute:
1 = 47 - 23(2)
1 = 47 - 23[49 - 47)
1 = 24(47) - 23(49)
Thus, 1 \equiv 24(47) \pmod{49}
47^{-1} \equiv 24 \pmod{49}
Then, x \equiv 47^{-1} \times 2 \pmod{49}
x \equiv 48 \pmod{49}
The set of all solutions is \{48+49k, k\in\mathbb{Z}\}.
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Problem 2. Congruence

(a) There is a divisibility rule for dividing an integer n by 11:

Label the digits (starting with the ones place and moving right to left) with the labels 0, 1, 2, ... and so on. Sum the digits with even labels, sum the digits with the odd labels, and subtract one sum from the other. The result is divisible by 11 if and only if n is divisible by 11. For example, consider 5; 195; 407; 283. We check $(3+2+0+5+1) \mid (8+7+4+9+5) = (11) - (33) = -22$. Since $11 \mid 22$, we also have $11 \mid 5$, 195, 407, 283.

Prove this rule is correct. HINT: FInd an appropriate way to represent a number in terms of its digits, and think modulo 11.

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Solution. (a) Let the number be x, and the digits of x is labelled as the question suggested. Then x = d_0 d_1 d_2 d_3 d_4 ... d_{2n} d_{2n+1}
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We can also represent x using decimal representation:
    x = d_0(10)^0 + d_1(10)^1 + d_2(10)^2 + \dots + d_{2n}(10)^{2n} + d_{2n+1}(10)^{2n+1}
    Since 10 \equiv -1 \pmod{11}

x \equiv d_0(-1)^0 + d_1(-1)^1 + d_2(-1)^2 + \dots + d_{2n}(-1)^{2n} + d_{2n+1}(-1)^{2n+1} \pmod{n}
11)
    x \equiv d_0 - d_1 + d_2 - \dots + d_{2n} - d_{2n+1} \pmod{11}
    x \equiv (d_0 + d_2 + d_4 + d_6 \dots + d_{2n}) - (d_1 + d_3 + d_5 + d_7 \dots + d_{2n+1}) \pmod{11}
     Which is the difference between sum of even labelled numbers and sum of
odd labelled numbers
     W.L.O.G. let s be their difference i.e.: s = s_{even} - s_{odd}
    So,
    x \equiv s \pmod{11}
    Now, we claim that 11 divides x if and only if 11 divides s.
    (\Rightarrow)
    if 11 divides x, then x = 11k_1 \ k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}
    we know that x \equiv s \pmod{11}
     \Rightarrow x - s = 11k, k \in \mathbb{Z}
     \Rightarrow s = x - 11k, k \in \mathbb{Z}
     \Rightarrow s = 11k_1 - 11k, k, k_1 \in \mathbb{Z}
     \Rightarrow s = 11(k_1 - k), (k_1 - k) \in \mathbb{Z}
     \Rightarrow 11|s
    (\Leftarrow)
    if 11 divides s, then s = 11k_2 \ k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}
    we know that x \equiv s \pmod{11}
     \Rightarrow x - s = 11k, k \in \mathbb{Z}
     \Rightarrow x = s + 11k, k \in \mathbb{Z}
     \Rightarrow x = 11k_2 + 11k, k, k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}
     \Rightarrow x = 11(k_2 + k), (k_2 + k) \in \mathbb{Z}
     \Rightarrow 11|x
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Therefore, the statement is proven.

Problem 3. Cryptography

You have stabled across a (bad) RSA encryption system with public key n = 221, e = 113.

(a) Find primes p, q such that n = pq. (b) You intercept the message E = 2. Decode it using the single private key d as described in the handout. (c) Decode E using two private key s and the Chinese Remainder Theorem as described in the handout.

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Solution. (a) p and q need to satisfy n=pq=221, and also (p-1)(q-1) is relatively prime with e. 221=17\times 13 That implies a potential combination of p and q is p=17 and q=13. also, 16\times 12=192, check if \gcd(113,192)=1, 192=1(113)+79 113=1(79)+34 79=2(34)+11 34=3(11)+1 11=1(11)+0 Therefore, \gcd(113,192)=1
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(b) Now, we can find a linear combination os 113 and 192 to represent 1

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1 = 34 - 3(11)
= 34 - 3(79 - 2(34))
= 7(34) - 3(79)
= 7(113 - 79) - 3(79)
= 7(113) - 10(79)
= 7(113) + 10(113) - 10(192)
= 17(113) - 10(192)
Then 1 \equiv 17(113) \pmod{192}
113^{-1} = 17
Thus, d = 17
\mathbf{M} \equiv E^d \; (\bmod \; \mathbf{n}) \equiv 2^{17} \; (\bmod \; 221)
\equiv 2^{17} \pmod{221}
\equiv 2(2^{16}) \pmod{221}
\equiv 2(2^8)^2 \pmod{221}
\equiv 2(256)^2 \pmod{221}
\equiv 2(35)^2 \pmod{221}
\equiv 2450 \pmod{221}
\equiv 2450 - 2210 \pmod{221}
\equiv 240 \pmod{221}
\equiv 19 \pmod{221}
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So, p = 17 and q = 13.

Thus, M is 19.

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(c) Now decode this message using Chinese Remainder Theorem. p = 17 and q =13 So, p-1 = 16 and q-1 = 12 Reduce e, e = 113 \Rightarrow e \equiv 1 (mod 16) and e \equiv 5 (mod 12) which means that x \equiv 2<sup>5</sup> (mod 13) and x \equiv 2<sup>1</sup> (mod 17) x \equiv 32 (mod 13) and x \equiv 2 (mod 17) x = 13k_1 + 32 k_1 \in \mathbb{Z} and x = 17k_2 + 2 k_2 \in \mathbb{Z} One solution is x = 19, which is consistent with the answer obtained in (b).
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