

# Algebra Review

## Modular Arithmetic

## Boolean Algebra

### Lecture 2

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### algebraic properties\* [axioms]

field properties

property	addition	multiplication
associative	$(a+b)+c = a+(b+c)$	$(ab)c = a(bc)$
commutative	$a+b = b+a$	$ab = ba$
identity	$a+0 = a = 0+a$	$a \cdot 1 = a = 1 \cdot a$
inverse	$a+(-a) = 0 = (-a)+a$	$a \cdot a^{-1} = 1 = a^{-1} \cdot a$ if $a \neq 0$
distributive	$a(b+c) = ab+ac$ and $ab+ac = a(b+c)$	

\*given  $a, b$ , and  $c$  are real numbers

### algebraic properties\* [axioms]

properties of equality and inequality (1)

property	equality	inequality
multiplicative property of zero	$a \cdot 0 = 0 = 0 \cdot a$	
zero product	if $ab = 0$ , then $a = 0$ or $b = 0$	
reflexive	$a = a$	
symmetric	if $a = b$ , then $b = a$	
transitive	if $a = b$ and $b = c$ , then $a = c$	if $a > b$ and $b > c$ , then $a > c$ if $a < b$ and $b < c$ , then $a < c$
addition	if $a = b$ , then $a + c = b + c$	if $a < b$ , then $a + c < b + c$ if $a > b$ , then $a + c > b + c$
subtraction	if $a = b$ , then $a - c = b - c$	if $a < b$ , then $a - c < b - c$ if $a > b$ , then $a - c > b - c$

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### algebraic properties\* [axioms]


properties of equality and inequality (2)

property	equality	inequality
multiplication	if $a = b$ , then $ac = bc$	if $a < b$ and $c > 0$ , then $ac < bc$ if $a < b$ and $c < 0$ , then $ac > bc$ if $a > b$ and $c > 0$ , then $ac > bc$ if $a > b$ and $c < 0$ , then $ac < bc$
division	if $a = b$ and $c \neq 0$ , then $a/b = b/c$	if $a < b$ and $c > 0$ , then $a/c < b/c$ if $a < b$ and $c < 0$ , then $a/c > b/c$ if $a > b$ and $c > 0$ , then $a/c > b/c$ if $a > b$ and $c < 0$ , then $a/c < b/c$
substitution	if $a = b$ , then $b$ can be substituted for $a$ in any equation or inequality	

\*given  $a, b$ , and  $c$  are real numbers

## fractions (or pizza math)

addition and subtraction: Least Common Denominator (LCD)

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} = ?$$

$$\frac{6}{18} + \frac{3}{18} = \frac{9}{18}$$

generally


$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{a \cdot d}{b \cdot d} + \frac{c \cdot b}{d \cdot b}$$

## fractions (or pizza math)

division

$$\frac{1}{2} \div \frac{1}{6}$$

is actually asking how many  $\frac{1}{6}$  in  $\frac{1}{2} = 3$




generally

$$\frac{a}{b} \div \frac{c}{d} = \frac{a}{b} \times \frac{d}{c}$$

## fractions (or pizza math)

multiplication

solving  $\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{10} = \frac{1}{5}$$


generally

$$\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ac}{bd}$$

## factoring

writing a polynomial as a product of polynomials

- The **greatest common factor (GCF)**: largest quantity that is a factor of all the integers or polynomials involved

Example, 6, 8 and 46

$$\begin{aligned} 6 &= 2 \cdot 3 \\ 8 &= 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \\ 46 &= 2 \cdot 23 \\ \implies \text{GCF is } 2 \end{aligned}$$

Example,  $6x^3$  and  $4x^3$

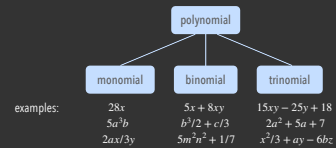
$$\begin{aligned} 6x^3 &= 2 \cdot 3 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \\ 4x^3 &= 2 \cdot 2 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \\ \implies \text{GCF is } 2 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 1,  $a^3b^2$ ,  $a^2b^5$  and  $a^4b^7$

$$\implies \text{GCF is } a^2b^2$$

## factoring

writing a polynomial as a product of polynomials



## factoring trinomials

First Outer Inner Last

Example:  $25x^2 + 20x + 4$

- possible factors of  $25x^2$  are  $\{x, 25x\}$  or  $\{5x, 5x\}$  and possible factors of 4 are  $\{1, 4\}$  or  $\{2, 2\}$
- try each pair of factors until we find a combination that works (or exhausts all possible pairs)
- look for a combination that gives sum of the products of the outside terms and the inside terms equal to  $20x$

Factors of $25x^2$	Factors of 4	Resulting Binomials	Product of Outside Terms	Product of Inside Terms	Sum of Products
$\{x, 25x\}$	$\{1, 4\}$	$(x + 1)(25x + 4)$ $(x + 4)(25x + 1)$	$4x$ $x$	$25x$ $100x$	$29x$ $101x$
$\{x, 25x\}$	$\{2, 2\}$	$(x + 2)(25x + 2)$	$2x$	$50x$	$52x$
$\{5x, 5x\}$	$\{2, 2\}$	$(5x + 2)(5x + 2)$	$10x$	$10x$	$20x$

- Answer:  $(5x + 2)(5x + 2)$  (check via FOIL)
- Exercise 2. Factor the polynomial  $21x^2 - 41x + 10$

## solving quadratic equations by factoring

- quadratic equations of the standard form

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are real numbers and  $a \neq 0$

- below theorem is very useful in solving quadratic equations

### Zero Factor Theorem

If  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers and  $ab = 0$ , then  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$

## solving quadratic equations by factoring

step by step for solving a quadratic equation by factoring

- write the equation in standard form.
- factor the quadratic completely
- set each factor containing a variable equal to 0
- solve the resulting equations
- check each solution in the original equation

example: solve  $x^2 - 5x = 24$

$$x^2 - 5x - 24 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 5x - 24 = (x - 8)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$x - 8 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x + 3 = 0$$

$$\implies x = 8 \quad \text{and} \quad \implies x = -3$$

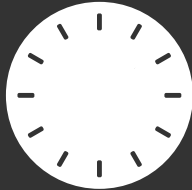
$$8^2 - 5(8) = 64 - 40 = 24 \implies \text{true}$$

$$(-3)^2 - 5(-3) = 9 - (-15) = 24 \implies \text{true}$$

Exercise 3.  $4x(8x + 9) = 5$

## modular arithmetic

a fundamental tool in number theory ("the study of integers")  
deals with repetitive cycles of numbers and remainders



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## congruence modulo

### Definition Congruence

We say that  $a$  is congruent to  $b$  modulo  $m$  if and only if  $m$  divides  $a - b$

- Whether two integers  $a$  and  $b$  have the same remainder when divided by  $n$
- Notation:  $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \leftrightarrow a$  is congruent to  $b$  modulo  $m$   
 $a \not\equiv b \pmod{m} \leftrightarrow a$  is not congruent to  $b$  modulo  $m$
- A congruence modulo asks whether or not  $a$  and  $b$  are in the same **equivalence class**

### Example.

The numbers 31 and 46 are congruent  $\pmod{3}$  because they differ by a multiple of 3.

We can write this as  $31 \equiv 46 \pmod{3}$

Since the difference between 31 and 46 is 15, then these numbers also differ by a multiple of 5; i.e.,

$$31 \equiv 46 \pmod{5}$$

### Exercise 4.

Find the equivalence classes of  $\pmod{3}$

## rules of modular arithmetic

### Addition (and subtraction)

If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$  then  $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$

### Example.

$$87 \equiv 2 \pmod{17} \text{ and } 222 \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

$$\implies 87 + 222 \pmod{17} \equiv 2 + 1 \pmod{17} \equiv 3 \pmod{17}$$

### Multiplication

If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$  then  $a \times c \equiv b \times d \pmod{m}$

### Example.

$$9876 \equiv 6 \pmod{10} \text{ and } 17642 \equiv 2 \pmod{10}$$

$$\implies 9876 \times 17642 \pmod{10} \equiv 6 \times 2 \pmod{10} \equiv 2 \pmod{10}$$

### Division

The remainder after division is always congruent to the number we are dividing.

### Example.

What is the remainder of  $17 \times 18$  when it is divided by 19?

$$\text{We know that } 17 \equiv -2 \pmod{19} \text{ and } 18 \equiv -1 \pmod{19}$$

$$\implies 17 \times 18 \equiv (-2) \times (-1) = 2 \pmod{19}$$

## Boolean algebra

- consider the following statements that can be either TRUE or FALSE:
  - Today is Monday AND it is raining
  - Today is Monday OR today is NOT Monday
  - Today is Monday AND today is NOT Monday
- Boolean algebra allows us to formalize this sort of reasoning
- Boolean variables may take one of only two possible values: TRUE, FALSE
- there are three fundamental Boolean operators: AND, OR, NOT
- an exhaustive approach to describing when some statement is true (or false): TRUTH TABLES
- the  $\equiv$  in Boolean algebra indicates equivalence

Boolean algebra

The three fundamental Boolean operators

1. Logical conjunction: AND ^  
True only when both A and B are true.

A	B	A AND B
F	F	F
F	T	F
T	F	F
T	T	T

A AND B = A ^ B = AB

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Boolean algebra

The three fundamental Boolean operators

1. Logical disjunction: OR v  
True unless both A and B are false.

A	B	A OR B
F	F	F
F	T	T
T	F	T
T	T	T

A OR B = A v B = A+B

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Boolean algebra

The three fundamental Boolean operators

1. Logical negation: NOT ~  
True when A is false  
False when A is true.

A	NOT A
F	T
T	F

NOT A = ~A = A'

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Boolean algebra

Truth table

A	B	A'	B'	AB	A+B
F	F				
F	T				
T	F				
T	T				

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Boolean algebra

Truth table

A	B	A'	B'	AB	A+B
F	F	T	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	F	T
T	F	F	T	F	T
T	T	F	F	T	T

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Boolean algebra

Exercise 5. write the truth table for  $(A+B)B$

A	B	A+B	$(A+B)B$
F	F		
F	T		
T	F		
T	T		

Truth tables can be used to prove equivalencies.  
What have we proved in this table?

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