

Lab 4

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Problem: Given three positive integers A , B , and N , which represent a linear congruence of the form $AX \equiv B \pmod{N}$, the task is to print all possible values of $X \pmod{N}$ i.e in the range $[0, N-1]$ that satisfies this equation. If there is no solution, print -1.

Solution:

To find all possible values of $X \pmod{N}$ satisfying the linear congruence $AX \equiv B \pmod{N}$, where A , B , and N are integers. we can use the extended Euclidean algorithm. The algorithm will help to find the modular inverse of A modulo N , and then we can use it to find a particular solution. After that, you can use the period of the solution to generate all possible solutions.

Given the linear congruence:

$$AX \equiv B \pmod{N}$$

1. **Existence of Solution:** The linear congruence has a solution if and only if B is divisible by the greatest common divisor (\gcd) of A and N . If $\gcd(A, N)$ does not divide B , then there is no solution.

Theorem 1. If $AX \equiv B \pmod{N}$ has a solution, then B is divisible by $\gcd(A, N)$.

Proof. Assume that $AX \equiv B \pmod{N}$ has a solution. This means there exists an integer X_0 such that $AX_0 \equiv B \pmod{N}$.

We can express this congruence as $AX_0 - B = kN$ for some integer k . Rearranging, we get $AX_0 - kN = B$.

Now, let $d = \gcd(A, N)$. Since d divides both A and N , it must divide AX_0 as well. Therefore, d must also divide $AX_0 - kN$.

This implies that d divides B , because $B = AX_0 - kN$.

Hence, we have shown that if $AX \equiv B \pmod{N}$ has a solution, then B is divisible by $\gcd(A, N)$. \square

2. **Finding Modular Inverse:** If $\gcd(A, N)$ divides B , then a solution exists, and we can proceed to find the modular inverse of A modulo N . The modular inverse A^{-1} exists if A and N are relatively prime (i.e., $\gcd(A, N) = 1$).

Using the extended Euclidean algorithm, we find integers x and y such that $Ax + Ny = \gcd(A, N)$. If $\gcd(A, N) = 1$, then $Ax + Ny = 1$, and x is the modular inverse of A modulo N .

3. **Particular Solution:** Once we have the modular inverse A^{-1} , we can find a particular solution X_0 using the formula:

$$X_0 \equiv A^{-1} \cdot B \pmod{N}$$

4. **General Solution:** The general solution is then given by:

$$X \equiv (X_0 + k \cdot \frac{N}{\gcd(A, N)}) \pmod{N}$$

where k is an integer, and $\frac{N}{\gcd(A, N)}$ is the period of the solution. This expression ensures that all solutions are considered and lie in the range $[0, N - 1]$.

Implementation in C++

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1 #include <bits/stdc++.h>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 // calculate the greatest common divisor (GCD) using Euclid's Algorithm
5 long long gcd(long long a, long long b, long long &x, long long &y) {
6     if (a == 0) {
7         x = 0;
8         y = 1;
9         return b;
10    }
11    long long x1, y1;
12    long long g = gcd(b % a, a, x1, y1);
13
14    x = y1 - (b / a) * x1;
15    y = x1;
16
17    return g;
18 }
19
20 // find the modular inverse of 'a' modulo 'm'
21 long long inverse(long long a, long long m) {
22     long long x, y;
23     long long g = gcd(a, m, x, y);
24
25     if (g != 1) return -1; // Modular inverse doesn't exist
26     else return (x % m + m) % m; // Ensure 'x' is positive
27 }
28
29 // solve the linear congruence AX = B (mod N)
30 void solve_linear_congruence(long long A, long long B, long long N) {
31     long long A_inv = inverse(A, N); // modular inverse of A modulo N
32
33     if (A_inv == -1) {
34         cout << -1 ; // No solution
35         return;
36     }
37
38     // Find a particular solution X0 using the modular inverse
39     long long X0 = (A_inv * B) % N;
40
41     // Print all possible solutions in the range [0, N-1]

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42     set<long long> X;
43     for (long long k = 0; k < N; ++k)
44         X.insert((X0 + k * (N / gcd(A, N))) % N);
45
46     for (auto x: X) cout<<x<<" ";
47     cout << endl;
48 }
49
50 int main() {
51     long long A, B, N;
52     cout << "Enter values for A, B, and N: ";
53     cin >> A >> B >> N;
54
55     solve_linear_congruence(A, B, N);
56
57     return 0;
58 }

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Enter values for A, B, and N: 3 2 7

Solutions: 3

Enter values for A, B, and N: 101 21 6564

Solutions: 1365

Enter values for A, B, and N: 5 7 10

Solutions: -1