

Examples: Find the remainder of 2^{31415} divided by 7.

$$2^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$2^3 \equiv 8 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$(2^3)^k \equiv 1^k \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$31415 = 3 \cdot 10471 + 2$$

$$2^{31415} \equiv 2^{3 \cdot 10471 + 2} \equiv (2^3)^{10471} \cdot 2^2 \pmod{7}$$

$$\equiv 1 \cdot 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$\equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

So the remainder is 4.

Example: Find remainder of 20^{31415} divided by 9.

$$20 \equiv 2 \pmod{9}$$

$$\text{So } 20^{31415} \equiv 2^{31415} \pmod{9}$$

$$2^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{9}$$

$$2^3 \equiv 8 \equiv -1 \pmod{9}$$

$$2^{31415} \equiv (2^3)^{10471} \cdot 2^2$$

$$\equiv -1 \cdot 4$$

$$\equiv -4 \pmod{9}$$

$$\equiv 5 \pmod{9}$$

remainder is 5.

Note: Every int is congruent to exactly one of $0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1 \pmod{m}$.

Modular Arithmetic

Definition: The congruence class modulo m of an integer a is the set $[a] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \equiv a \pmod{m}\}$.

The set of integers modulo m is

$$\mathbb{Z}_m = \{[0], [1], \dots, [m-1]\}$$

Example: $m=5$ $\mathbb{Z}_5 = \{[0], [1], [2], [3], [4]\}$.

$$[0] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \equiv 0 \pmod{5}\} = \{5n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$[1] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}\} = \{5n+1 \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$[2] = \dots \dots \dots 2 \dots \dots \dots 2 \dots \dots$$

$$[3] = \dots \dots \dots 3 \dots \dots \dots 3 \dots \dots$$

$$[4] = \dots \dots \dots 4 \dots \dots \dots 4 \dots \dots$$

Note: $[5] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \equiv 5 \pmod{5}\} = [0]$

$$[6] = [1] \dots \dots \dots$$

Definitions of operations: For $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\text{define } [a] + [b] = [a+b]$$

$$[a] \cdot [b] = [ab]$$

Examples: $m=5$ $[2] + [3] = [5] = [0]$

$$[2] - [3] = [6] = [1]$$

	$[0]$	$[1]$	$[2]$	$[3]$	$[4]$
$[0]$	$[0]$				
$[1]$		$[1]$			
$[2]$			$[4]$	$[1]$	
$[3]$				$[1]$	
$[4]$					$[2]$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow [2] + [3] &= \{a+b \mid a \in [2], b \in [3]\} \\ &\quad \begin{aligned} a &\equiv 2 \pmod{5} \\ b &\equiv 3 \pmod{5} \\ a+b &\equiv 2+3 \equiv 0 \pmod{5} = [0] \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$$

$$[0] = [5] = [10] = [-100] = \dots$$

Proposition: $[a] = [b]$ if and only if $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

Proof: exercise.

Additive Identity: $[0]$ in \mathbb{Z}_m $[a] + [0] = [a]$

Additive Inverse: Additive Inverse of $[3]$ is $[2]$,
since $[3] + [2] = [0]$ [Add. Id.].

Multiplicative Identity: $[1]$ in \mathbb{Z}_m . Since $[a] \cdot [1] = [a]$.

Multiplicative Inverse: $[a]^{-1}$ is the element in \mathbb{Z}_m such
that $[a] \cdot [a]^{-1} = [1]$.

Example: \mathbb{Z}_5

$$[1]^{-1} = [1]$$

$$[2]^{-1} = [3] \quad ([2] \cdot [3] = [1])$$

$$[3]^{-1} = [2]$$

$$[4]^{-1} = [4]$$

$$[0]^{-1} = ??? \quad \text{no inverse}$$

Example: \mathbb{Z}_6

$$[5]^{-1} = [5] \quad ([5] \cdot [5] = [25] = [1])$$

$$[3]^{-1} = \text{X} \quad \text{does not exist} \quad [3] \cdot [x] = [3x]$$

$$3x \not\equiv 1 \pmod{6}$$

Not all elements in \mathbb{Z}_m have inverses.