

## Lecture 7: Modular Arithmetic 2

Yo Dawg I Heard You Like Modular Arithmetic

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### A Remainder Problem

I want to buy cookies for lecture.  
Box A costs \$7, Box B costs \$10.

Buy only box A: \$4 left over  
Buy only box B: use up all my money  
How much money did I start with?

Mathematically: find  $x$  such that  
 $x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$   
 $x \equiv 0 \pmod{10}$

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### Remainder Solution

Want  $x$  such that  $x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$ ,  $x \equiv 0 \pmod{10}$   
Is there a solution? idk...let's try finding one!

List all positive  $x$  such that  $x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$ :  
4, 11, 18, 25, 32, 39, 46, 53, 60, ...  
Oh look —  $x = 60$  works! So maybe I have \$60

But what if I actually have \$130? Still works...  
Adding multiples of 70 doesn't change equivalences!  
Makes sense to consider answer modulo 70.

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### More Complicated Remainders

$x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ ,  $x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$ ,  $x \equiv 2 \pmod{8}$   
Listing method possible, but difficult...



$b_3 = 40$   
 $b_5 = 96$   
 $b_8 = 105$

Why did we want these?  
 $x \equiv 1 \cdot b_3 + 3 \cdot b_5 + 2 \cdot b_8!$

For this problem:  
 $x \equiv 40 + 288 + 210$   
 $\equiv 58 \pmod{120}$

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### The Quest For $b_i$

Goal:  $b_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ ,  $0 \pmod{5}$ ,  $0 \pmod{8}$

Getting last two easy: take  $b_3 = 5 \cdot 8 = 40$

Idea: last two still fine for  $c \cdot 40$   
Choose  $c$  st  $c \cdot 40 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$   
Means we want  $c = 40^{-1} \pmod{3}!$   
 $40 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , so take  $c = 1$

For  $b_5$ , use  $(3 \cdot 8) \cdot (24^{-1} \pmod{5}) = 24 \cdot 4 = 96$

For  $b_8$ , use  $(3 \cdot 5) \cdot (15^{-1} \pmod{8}) = 15 \cdot 7 = 105$

Exact same values the genie gave us!

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### Chinese Remainder Theorem

**Theorem:** Let  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$  be coprime. Then

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv a_1 \pmod{n_1} \\ &\vdots \\ x &\equiv a_k \pmod{n_k} \end{aligned}$$

has a solution modulo  $N = n_1 \cdot n_2 \cdot \dots \cdot n_k$ .

**Proof:**

- ▶ Suppose have  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_k$  such that
  - ▶  $b_i \equiv 1 \pmod{n_i}$
  - ▶  $b_i \equiv 0 \pmod{n_j}$  for  $j \neq i$
- ▶ Take  $x \equiv \prod_{i=1}^k a_i b_i \pmod{N}$

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## Continue CRT

Finish proof: show how to create  $b_i$  such that

- ▶  $b_i \equiv 1 \pmod{n_i}$
- ▶  $b_i \equiv 0 \pmod{n_j}$  for  $j \neq i$

Similar to before:  $c \cdot \prod_{j \neq i} n_j$  satisfies second point

What should  $c$  be?

Want  $c \cdot \prod_{j \neq i} n_j \equiv 1 \pmod{n_i}$

So take  $c = \left(\prod_{j \neq i} n_j\right)^{-1} \pmod{n_i}$

Note:  $\left(\prod_{j \neq i} n_j\right)^{-1} \equiv \left(\prod_{j \neq i} n_j^{-1}\right) \pmod{n_i}$

This is why we need coprimality!

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## A Small Example

Apply this method to original problem:

$x \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$ ,  $x \equiv 0 \pmod{10}$

$10 \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$ , so  $b_7 = 10 \cdot (3^{-1} \pmod{7}) = 50$

$b_{10} = 7 \cdot (7^{-1} \pmod{10}) = 21$

Take  $x = 4b_7 + 0b_{10} = 200$

Hence  $x \equiv 60 \pmod{70}$

Note: didn't actually have to calculate  $b_{10}$  here!

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## A Larger Example

$x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ ,  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ ,  
 $x \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$

- ▶  $3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 = 105 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$
- ▶  $a_2 = 105 \cdot (1^{-1} \pmod{2}) = 105$
- ▶  $2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 = 70 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$
- ▶  $a_3 = 70 \cdot (1^{-1} \pmod{3}) = 70$
- ▶  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 = 42 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$
- ▶  $a_5 = 42 \cdot (2^{-1} \pmod{5}) = 126$
- ▶  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 = 30 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$
- ▶  $a_7 = 30 \cdot (2^{-1} \pmod{7}) = 120$

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## A Larger Example 2

$x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ ,  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ ,  
 $x \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$

Found:  $a_2 = 105$ ,  $a_3 = 70$ ,  $a_5 = 126$ ,  $a_7 = 120$

$x = 105 + 2 \cdot 70 + 126 + 3 \cdot 120 = 731$

Hence  $x \equiv 101 \pmod{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 = 210}$

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## Uniqueness

**Claim:** Solution from CRT is unique  $\pmod{N}$ .

**Proof:**

- ▶ Suppose have two solutions  $x$  and  $y$
- ▶ Let  $z = x - y$
- ▶ For each  $i$ ,  $z \equiv x - y \equiv a_i - a_i \equiv 0 \pmod{n_i}$
- ▶ So  $n_i | z$  for each  $i$
- ▶  $n_i$ s coprime, so  $N | z$
- ▶ Hence,  $x - y \equiv z \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$
- ▶ Rearrange to  $x \equiv y \pmod{N}$

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## Uniqueness Proof Is Not Unique

**Claim:** Solution from CRT is unique  $\pmod{N}$ .

**Proof:**

- ▶ Number of possible  $a_i$  values:  $\prod_i n_i$
- ▶ Number of possible  $x$  values:  $N = \prod_i n_i$
- ▶ Each  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_N$  corresponds to 1 set of  $a_i$
- ▶ If two  $x$  collide,  $\exists a_i$ s w/o an  $x$
- ▶ Contradicts CRT!

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## Break All The Things

Break time!

**Today's Discussion Question:**  
Should orange juice include pulp?

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## Bijections

Let  $f$  be a function from  $D$  to  $R$ <sup>1</sup>

$f$  is *one-to-one* (injective) if  $f(x) \neq f(x')$  for  $x \neq x'$   
 $f$  is *onto* (surjective) if  $(\forall y \in R)(\exists x \in D)(f(x) = y)$   
 $f$  is *bijective* if is one-to-one *and* onto

Examples:

- ▶  $f_1 : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  given by  $f_1(x) = 2x$ 
  - ▶ One-to-one, but not onto
- ▶  $f_2 : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  given by  $f_2(x) = x^2$ 
  - ▶ Bijective
- ▶ CRT gives bijection:  $\mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_k} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_N$

<sup>1</sup>This is often denoted  $f: D \rightarrow R$ .

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## Function Inverses

Alternative definition:  $f$  is bijective iff has inverse

**Theorem:** Let  $f: D \rightarrow R$ .  $f$  is bijective iff  $\exists f^{-1}$  st  $f(f^{-1}(y)) = y$  and  $f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$ .

**Proof** (if):

- ▶ Suppose have  $f^{-1}$
- ▶  $f$  onto
  - ▶  $\forall y, f^{-1}(y) \in D$  st  $f(f^{-1}(y)) = y$
- ▶  $f$  one-to-one:
  - ▶ Suppose  $f(x) = f(x')$
  - ▶ Then  $x = f^{-1}(f(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x')) = x'$

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## Only If Direction

**Theorem:** Let  $f: D \rightarrow R$ .  $f$  is bijective iff  $\exists f^{-1}$  st  $f(f^{-1}(y)) = y$  and  $f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$ .

**Proof** (only if):

- ▶ Suppose  $f$  bijective
- ▶ Each  $y \in R$  has unique  $x \in D$  with  $f(x) = y$
- ▶ Let  $f^{-1}(y)$  be this  $x$

Note:  $f^{-1}$  is itself a bijection!  
Have  $(f^{-1})^{-1} = f$

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## Fermat's Little Theorem

**Theorem:** Let  $p$  be a prime and  $a \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ .  
Then  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

**Proof:**

- ▶ Consider set  $S_p = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p-1\}$
- ▶ Claim:  $f(x) = ax \pmod{p}$  is bijection  $S_p \rightarrow S_p$
- ▶  $\{1, 2, \dots, p-1\} = \{a, 2a, \dots, (p-1)a\} \pmod{p}$
- ▶ Means  $\prod_i i \equiv \prod_i ia \equiv a^{p-1} \prod_i i \pmod{p}$
- ▶ Multiply by  $\prod_i i^{-1}$ , get  $1 \equiv a^{p-1} \pmod{p}$

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## Proof Of Claim

To finish FLT proof, need to prove:

**Claim:**  $f(x) = ax \pmod{p}$  is bijection  $S_p \rightarrow S_p$

**Proof:**

- ▶ Need that for  $x \in S_p$ ,  $f(x) \in S_p$ 
  - ▶ If  $x \in S_p$ ,  $p \nmid x$
  - ▶  $p \nmid a$  either, so  $p \nmid ax$
  - ▶ Hence  $ax \pmod{p} \in S_p$
- ▶ Inverse is  $f^{-1}(y) = a^{-1}y \pmod{p}$ 
  - ▶  $f^{-1}(f(x)) \equiv a^{-1}ax \equiv x \pmod{p}$
  - ▶  $f(f^{-1}(x)) \equiv aa^{-1}x \equiv x \pmod{p}$

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## Uses For Fermat

Speed up repeated-squaring algorithm

- ▶ *Can't* take modulus of exponent
- ▶ But if modulus prime, can take modulo  $p - 1$

Eg:  $3^{661} = (3^6)^{110} \cdot 3 \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$

Used critically in RSA cryptosystem!

See more of this next week

## Fin

Next time: cryptography!