

Lecture 7: Modular Arithmetic 2

Yo Dawg I Heard You Like Modular Arithmetic

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

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

$$x \equiv 0 \pmod{10}$$

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.

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:

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv 40 + 288 + 210 \\ &\equiv 58 \pmod{120} \end{aligned}$$

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!

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 $x \equiv \prod_{i=1}^k a_i b_i \pmod{N}$

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!

A Small Example

Apply this method to original problem:

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

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

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

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

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

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

A Larger Example

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

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

A Larger Example 2

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

$$\text{Found: } a_2 = 105, a_3 = 70, a_5 = 126, a_7 = 120$$

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

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

Uniqueness

Claim: Solution from CRT is unique (mod 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 $x \equiv y \pmod{N}$

Uniqueness Proof Is Not Unique

Claim: Solution from CRT is unique (mod 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!

Break All The Things

Break time!

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

Bijections

Let f be a function from D to R ¹

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: $\mathbb{Z}_{n_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{n_k} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_N$

¹This is often denoted $f: D \rightarrow R$.

Function Inverses

Alternative definition: f is bijective if 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 $x = f^{-1}(f(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x')) = x'$

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 $(f^{-1})^{-1} = f$

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 $1 \equiv a^{p-1} \pmod{p}$

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 $f^{-1}(y) = a^{-1}y \pmod{p}$
 - ▶ $f^{-1}(f(x)) \equiv a^{-1}ax \equiv x \pmod{p}$
 - ▶ $f(f^{-1}(x)) \equiv aa^{-1}x \equiv x \pmod{p}$

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!