

CS250: Discrete Math for Computer Science

L5: Divisibility and Modular Arithmetic

Discussion 2: Using the Schröder-Bernstein Theorem

Schröder-Bernstein: $|A| \leq |B| \wedge |B| \leq |A| \rightarrow |A| = |B|$
If $\exists f : A \xrightarrow{1:1} B$ and $\exists g : B \xrightarrow{1:1} A$ Then $\exists h : A \xrightarrow[onto]{1:1} B$

D2. Use Schröder-Bernstein Thm to show $|R| = |P(\mathbf{N})|$.

1. Construct $f : (0, 1) \xrightarrow{1:1} P(\mathbf{N})$

$r \in (0, 1)$ represented in binary number: $r = .b_0b_1b_2b_3\dots$

Note: $\frac{1}{2} = .1 = .0111\dots = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \dots$

Solution: If possible, represent r using finitely many non-zero bits!

Each set $S \subseteq \mathbf{N}$ can be represented as $S : a_0a_1a_2\dots$ where $a_i = 1$ iff $i \in S$, e.g., $\text{Odd} = 010101\dots$

Finally, let $f(r) = f(.b_0b_1b_2b_3\dots) = \{i \in \mathbf{N} \mid b_i = 1\}$.

1:1 if $r = .b_0b_1b_2b_3\dots \neq s = .c_0c_1c_2c_3\dots$ then some $c_i \neq b_i$.
Thus $f(r) \neq f(s)$ because $i \in f(r) \Leftrightarrow i \notin f(s)$.

2. Construct $g : P(\mathbf{N}) \xrightarrow{1:1} (0, 1)$

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If we defined g as in f , then **not 1:1** because $S = \{0\}$ and $T = \mathbf{N}^+$ would map to **different representations** of the **same number**.

Solution: For $S = a_0 a_1 a_2 \dots$ let $g(S) = .a_0 a_1 a_2 \dots$ **in decimal**

g is **1:1** If $S \neq T$ Then $g(S) \neq g(T)$ because different digits, no 9's. □

Integer Divisibility: definition and examples

For the next few lectures, let the **universe of discourse** be \mathbf{Z} , i.e., when we write $\exists x, \forall x$, we mean $\exists x \in \mathbf{Z}, \forall x \in \mathbf{Z}$.

For $a \neq 0, b \in \mathbf{Z}$, a **divides** b ($a|b$) iff $\exists d(ad = b)$.

Examples: $3|6, 2|6, 4 \nmid 6$

\exists -intro proof rule: To prove $\exists xF(x)$ construct t and prove $F(t)$.

let $d_1 = 2, 2 \in \mathbf{Z}, 3 \cdot 2 = 6,$ thus, $3|6$.

let $d_2 = 3, 3 \in \mathbf{Z}, 2 \cdot 3 = 6,$ thus, $2|6$.

Suppose $4 \cdot d = 6, d = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2} \notin \mathbf{Z},$ thus, $4 \nmid 6$

Remember the definition: $a|b$ iff $\exists d(ad = b)$

Observation: $\forall x(1|x)$.

\forall -intro proof rule: To prove $\forall xF(x)$ let t be an **arbitrary** element of the universe and prove $F(t)$.

Let $t \in \mathbf{Z}$ be **arbitrary**

$$1 \cdot t = t \quad \text{thus, } 1|t$$

Since $t \in \mathbf{Z}$ was **arbitrary**, we have shown $\forall x(1|x)$. □

Remember the definition: $a|b$ iff $\exists d(ad = b)$

Proposition: For all $a \neq 0, b, c,$

1. $a|b \wedge a|c \rightarrow a|(b + c)$
2. $a|b \rightarrow a|(bc)$
3. $a|b \wedge b|c \rightarrow a|c$

\rightarrow -intro proof rule: To prove $F \rightarrow G$ **assume** F and **prove** G .

Proof.

1. Suppose $ad_1 = b, ad_2 = c,$ then $a(d_1 + d_2) = b + c.$
2. Suppose $ad = b,$ then $a(dc) = bc.$
3. Suppose $ad_1 = b, bd_2 = c,$ then $a(d_1d_2) = c.$



Modular Arithmetic

Fix a **modulus** m , and for any other number a consider the **remainder** when a is divided by m .

Notation: For $m > 1$, $a \bmod m = a \% m$ is the remainder when a is divided by m . **always:** $0 \leq r < m$

$$3 \bmod 10 = 3$$

$$21 \bmod 10 = 1$$

$$128 \bmod 10 = 8$$

$$-7 \bmod 10 = 3$$

Examples:

$$3 \bmod 2 = 1$$

$$21 \bmod 2 = 1$$

$$128 \bmod 2 = 0$$

$$-7 \bmod 2 = 1$$

Def: a is congruent to $b \pmod{m}$ ($a \equiv b \pmod{m}$)

$a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ iff $(a \pmod{m}) = (b \pmod{m})$ iff $m \mid (a - b)$.

$$3 \equiv 13 \pmod{10}$$

$$3 \equiv -7 \pmod{10}$$

Examples:

$$128 \equiv 13 \pmod{5}$$

$$128 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$$

Def: a is the **multiplicative inverse** of $b \pmod m$ iff
 $(ab \equiv 1 \pmod m)$

Examples:

$$7 \cdot 3 \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$$

$$5 \cdot 5 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$$

3 and 7 are multiplicative inverses $\pmod{10}$

5 is its own multiplicative inverse $\pmod{8}$

2 has no multiplicative inverse $\pmod{4}$. **Why?**

Casting Out Nines

A trick for checking multiplication that they used to teach in elementary school.

After multiplying two numbers, here's a check that you are right:

Sum the digits and multiply the sums of digits:

$$25 \times 289 = 7225$$

$$7 \times 1 = 7$$

$$2 + 5 \rightarrow 7$$

$$2 + 8 + 9 \rightarrow 19 \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 1$$

$$7 + 2 + 2 + 5 \rightarrow 16 \rightarrow 7$$

Why does this work?

Because casting out by nines, is the same as reducing mod 9.

$$10 \equiv 1 \pmod{9}$$

$$10^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{9} \quad 10^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{9} \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} 7225 &= 7 \cdot 10^3 + 2 \cdot 10^2 + 2 \cdot 10^1 + 5 \cdot 1 \\ &\equiv 7 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 + 5 \cdot 1 && \pmod{9} \\ &\equiv 16 && \pmod{9} \\ &\equiv 1 \cdot 10 + 6 \cdot 1 && \pmod{9} \\ &\equiv 1 \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot 1 && \pmod{9} \\ &\equiv 7 && \pmod{9} \end{aligned}$$

IF $a \cdot b = c$ THEN $a \cdot b \equiv c \pmod{9}$.

Changing Bases

Base 10: $215 = 2 \cdot 10^2 + 1 \cdot 10 + 5$

Changing from base 10 to base 8:

$$215 = 26 \cdot 8 + 7$$

$$26 = 3 \cdot 8 + 2$$

$$3 = 0 \cdot 8 + 3$$

Thus,

$$215 = (327)_8 = 3 \cdot 64 + 2 \cdot 8 + 7 = 192 + 16 + 7 = 215$$

Changing from base 10 to base 2: $215 = (327)_8$

$$215 = 107 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$107 = 53 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$53 = 26 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$26 = 13 \cdot 2 + 0$$

$$13 = 6 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$6 = 3 \cdot 2 + 0$$

$$3 = 1 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$1 = 0 \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$215 = (11\ 010\ 111)_2 = (327)_8$$

How long does this take?

It's Fast: one division per digit.

Exponentiating mod m with huge exponents

Say we want to compute:

$$a^e \pmod{m}$$

but a , e , and m have a thousand bits each!

It's not feasible to raise a to the e power because that would be too large: about a million-bit number.

Much better to iteratively **square** a and then **reduce mod** m

How many times?

The number of bits of the exponent = $\log e$

Example: $234^{215} \pmod{1000}$ $215 = (11\ 010\ 111)_2$

$$234^1 \equiv 234 \equiv 234 \equiv 234 \pmod{1000}$$

$$234^2 \equiv 234^2 \equiv 54756 \equiv 756 \pmod{1000}$$

$$234^4 \equiv 756^2 \equiv 571536 \equiv 536 \pmod{1000}$$

$$234^8 \equiv 536^2 \equiv 287296 \equiv 296 \pmod{1000}$$

$$234^{16} \equiv 296^2 \equiv 87616 \equiv 616 \pmod{1000}$$

$$234^{32} \equiv 616^2 \equiv 379456 \equiv 456 \pmod{1000}$$

$$234^{64} \equiv 456^2 \equiv 207936 \equiv 936 \pmod{1000}$$

$$234^{128} \equiv 936^2 \equiv 876096 \equiv 96 \pmod{1000}$$

$$234^{215} \equiv 234 \cdot 234^2 \cdot 234^4 \cdot 234^{16} \cdot 234^{64} \cdot 234^{128} \pmod{1000}$$

$$\equiv 234 \cdot 756 \cdot 536 \cdot 616 \cdot 936 \cdot 96 \pmod{1000}$$

$$\equiv 24 \pmod{1000}$$

iClicker: what is $7^{10} \pmod{11}$?

$$10 = (1010)_2$$

$$7^1 \equiv 7 \equiv 7 \equiv 7 \pmod{11}$$

$$7^2 \equiv 7^2 \equiv 49 \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$$

$$7^4 \equiv 5^2 \equiv 25 \equiv 3 \pmod{11}$$

$$7^8 \equiv 3^2 \equiv 9 \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$$

A: 0

B: 7

C: 10

D: 1

E: 4

Greatest Common Divisors, GCD

If $d|a$ and $d|b$ then d is a **common divisor** of a and b .

1, 2, 3, and 6 are common divisors of 12, 18.

1 is a common divisor of every pair of integers a, b .

The **greatest common divisor** of a, b is denoted $\gcd(a, b)$.

$$\gcd(12, 18) = 6$$

$$\gcd(5, 11) = 1$$

$$\gcd(17, 34) = 17$$

$$\gcd(30, 100) = \quad \text{A 1} \quad \text{B 2} \quad \text{C 5} \quad \text{D 10} \quad \text{E 15}$$

$$\gcd(98, 105) = \quad \text{A 1} \quad \text{B 2} \quad \text{C 3} \quad \text{D 5} \quad \text{E 7}$$

How do we efficiently compute $\gcd(a, b)$?

Easy if we know the prime factors of a and b :

$$12 = 2^2 \cdot 3^1 \quad 18 = 2^1 \cdot 3^2 \quad \gcd(12, 18) = 2^1 \cdot 3^1$$

$$5 = 5^1 \cdot 11^0 \quad 11 = 5^0 \cdot 11^1 \quad \gcd(5, 11) = 5^0 \cdot 11^0$$

$$17 = 2^0 \cdot 17^1 \quad 34 = 2^1 \cdot 17^1 \quad \gcd(17, 34) = 2^0 \cdot 17^1$$

$$30 = 2^1 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 5^1 \quad 100 = 2^2 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^2 \quad \gcd(30, 100) = 2^1 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^1$$

$$98 = 2^1 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^0 \cdot 7^2 \quad 105 = 2^0 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 5^1 \cdot 7^1 \quad \gcd(98, 105) = 2^0 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^0 \cdot 7^1$$

Prop: If $a = p_1^{a_1} \cdot p_2^{a_2} \cdots p_k^{a_k}$ and $b = p_1^{b_1} \cdot p_2^{b_2} \cdots p_k^{b_k}$
for primes $p_1 < p_2 < \cdots < p_k$,

Then $\gcd(a, b) = p_1^{\min(a_1, b_1)} \cdot p_2^{\min(a_2, b_2)} \cdots p_k^{\min(a_k, b_k)}$

But, factoring integers is computationally difficult

To factor a thousand-bit integer, a ,

we would try all divisors up to \sqrt{a}

but that we would be about 2^{500} divisors!

This is **exponential time** in terms of the size of the input, so it is **not feasible**.

Next time, we will see how over 2300 years ago, Euclid gave a very efficient algorithm to compute $\gcd(a, b)$, without factoring.

This was in Euclid's Geometry text. He was thinking about line segments and wanted to be able to compute the length d of the longest line segment that evenly divided two given line segments, a and b .