

Homework 1

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1. Chinese Remainder Theorem, Special Case:

If n_1 and n_2 are relatively prime ($\gcd(n_1, n_2) = 1$) then mapping:

$$f: [0, n_1 n_2 - 1] \rightarrow [0, n_1 - 1] \times [0, n_2 - 1]$$

defined by

$$f(x) := (x \pmod{n_1}, x \pmod{n_2})$$

is one-to-one and onto (i.e. a bijection).

Proof:

Take some $x \in [0, n_1 n_2 - 1]$ such that $f(x) = (0, 0)$. Then $x \pmod{n_1} = 0$ and $x \pmod{n_2} = 0$, so x is divisible by n_1 and n_2 . By the restriction on the domain $0 \leq x \leq n_1 n_2 - 1$ and to be divisible by n_1 and n_2 , x has to be a multiple of $n_1 n_2$. Therefore $x = 0$.

Now consider $x_1, x_2 \in [0, n_1 n_2 - 1]$ such that $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$. Then:

$$f(x_1) - f(x_2) = 0$$

$$(x_1 \pmod{n_1}, x_1 \pmod{n_2}) - (x_2 \pmod{n_1}, x_2 \pmod{n_2}) = 0$$

$$((x_1 - x_2) \pmod{n_1}, (x_1 - x_2) \pmod{n_2}) = 0$$

$$f(x_1 - x_2) = 0.$$

From above, we know that $f(x) = 0$ only if $x = 0$. Therefore, since $f(x_1 - x_2) = 0$, then

$x_1 - x_2 = 0$ and so $x_1 = x_2$. This shows that

f is one-to-one

Moreover the domain, $\{0, n_1, n_2 - 1\}$ and the range $\{0, n_1 - 1\} \times \{0, n_2 - 1\}$ has the same number of elements and since f is one-to-one, f must also be onto. So $f(x)$ is a bijection.

$$2. \quad \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{15}{30} + \frac{10}{30} + \frac{6}{30} = \frac{31}{30}$$

Smallest integer larger than $\frac{31}{30}$ is 1 so.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{31}{30} &= 1 + \left(\frac{31}{30} - 1\right) \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{30} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{31}{30} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} \quad \text{Method 1}$$

Divide 15 pizzas into $\frac{1}{2}$, distribute between 30 people.

Divide 10 pizzas into $\frac{1}{3}$, distribute between 30 people.

Divide 6 pizzas into $\frac{1}{5}$ distribute between 30 people.

$$\rightarrow \frac{31}{30} = 1 + \frac{1}{30} \quad \text{Method 2}$$

Give one pizza to every person.

Divide one pizza into 30 parts and give to 30 people.

Technically, it is easier to divide a pizza into $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{5}$ than $\frac{1}{30}$. But method 1 requires to change all pizzas, while method 2 requires only one pizza to be cut.

3. Take $f(x) = (x \pmod{3}, x \pmod{7})$
for $0 \leq x \leq 20$. Then:

$f(0) = (0, 0)$	$f(8) = (2, 1)$	$f(16) = (1, 2)$
$f(1) = (1, 1)$	$f(9) = (0, 2)$	$f(17) = (2, 3)$
$f(2) = (2, 2)$	$f(10) = (1, 3)$	$f(18) = (0, 4)$
$f(3) = (0, 3)$	$f(11) = (2, 4)$	$f(19) = (1, 5)$
$f(4) = (1, 4)$	$f(12) = (0, 5)$	$f(20) = (2, 6)$
$f(5) = (2, 5)$	$f(13) = (1, 6)$	
$f(6) = (0, 6)$	$f(14) = (2, 0)$	
$f(7) = (1, 0)$	$f(15) = (0, 1)$	

a) $f(x_1) = (2, 6)$ then $x_1 = 20$

b) $f(x_2) = (1, 4)$ then $x_2 = 4$

c) $f(x_3) = (0, 2)$ then $x_3 = 9$