

Solutions to MATH 356, Dr. Z. , Exam 2, Tue., Nov. 26, 2024 8:30-9:50am
SEC-204

No Calculators! No Cheatsheets!

1. (10 pts.)

Using the formula, find the unique x between 0 and 2001 such that

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \quad , \quad x \equiv 5 \pmod{7} \quad , \quad x \equiv 6 \pmod{11} \quad , \quad x \equiv 4 \pmod{13} \quad .$$

Reminder (Chinese Remainder Theorem, General Version) If n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k are pairwise relatively prime (i.e. $\gcd(n_i, n_j) = 1, 1 \leq i < j \leq k$), then the unique $x, 0 \leq x < n_1 \cdots n_k$ satisfying

$$x \equiv a_i \pmod{n_i} \quad , \quad 1 \leq i \leq k$$

is (letting $N = n_1 \cdots n_k$)

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \frac{N}{n_i} \cdot \left(\left(\frac{N}{n_i} \right)^{-1} \pmod{n_i} \right)$$

Ans.: 1447

We have

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 1 \cdot (7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13) \cdot ((7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13)^{-1} \pmod{2}) + 5 \cdot (2 \cdot 11 \cdot 13) \cdot ((2 \cdot 11 \cdot 13)^{-1} \pmod{7}) \\ &\quad + 6 \cdot (2 \cdot 7 \cdot 13) \cdot ((2 \cdot 7 \cdot 13)^{-1} \pmod{11}) + 4 \cdot (2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11) \cdot ((2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11)^{-1} \pmod{13}) \\ &= 1 \cdot (1001) \cdot ((1001)^{-1} \pmod{2}) + 5 \cdot (286) \cdot (286^{-1} \pmod{7}) \\ &\quad + 6 \cdot (182) \cdot ((182)^{-1} \pmod{11}) + 4 \cdot (154) \cdot ((154)^{-1} \pmod{13}) \\ &= 1 \cdot (1001) \cdot ((1)^{-1} \pmod{2}) + 5 \cdot (286) \cdot ((-1)^{-1} \pmod{7}) \\ &\quad + 6 \cdot (182) \cdot (6^{-1} \pmod{11}) + 4 \cdot (154) \cdot ((-2)^{-1} \pmod{13}) \end{aligned}$$

By inspection

$$6^{-1} \pmod{11} = 2 \quad , \quad 2^{-1} \pmod{13} = 7 \quad ,$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 1 \cdot (1001) \cdot (-1) + 5 \cdot (286) \cdot (-1) + 6 \cdot (182) \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot (154) \cdot (-7) = \\ &(1001 - 1430 + 2184 - 4312) \pmod{2002} = (1001 - 1430 + 182 - 308) \pmod{2002} = 1447 \quad . \end{aligned}$$

2. (10 pts.) What is the day of the week of Nov. 26, 3024.

Reminders: Every year that is a multiple of 4 is a leap year, with the exception that every year that is a multiple of 100 is **not** a leap year, with the exception to the exception that if the year is a multiple of 400 it **is** a leap year.

Ans.: Friday

There are 1000 years from now, and $250 - 10 + 2 = 242$ leap years. Today is day 3 so

$$3 + 1000 + 242 \pmod{7} = 3 + 6 + 4 \pmod{7} = 13 \pmod{7} = 6 \quad .$$

3. a (5 pts.) What is the remainder when you divide $102!$ by 103 ? Explain! What theorem are you using?

Ans.: -1 alias 102

Wilson's theorem claims that if p is a prime then $(p - 1)! \pmod{p} = -1$. Since 103 is a prime, this follows.

b (5 pts.) What is the remainder when you divide 11^{1002} by 1003 ? What theorem are you using?

Ans.: 1

Pascal's identity says

$$a^{p-1} \pmod{p} = 1 \quad ,$$

if $a \neq 0$. Since 1003 is a prime, it follows.

4. a (3 pts.) Define Euler's Totient function $\phi(n)$.

$\phi(n)$ is the number of positive integers less than n that are relatively prime to n .

b (7 pts. altogether)

State (2 pts.) and prove (5 pts), Euler's Classical Formula for Euler's Totient function $\phi(n)$.

(a)

$$\sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = n$$

(b) Write all the n fractions with denominator n and numerators from 1 to n

$$\frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots, \frac{n}{n}$$

Now *reduce* them so that the top and bottom are relatively primes. The denominators that show up at the bottom are all divisors of n , and for each such divisor d , all the integers relatively prime to d show up. There are $\phi(d)$ of them. Adding them up gives n .

5. (10 pts.)

Using the RSA encryption method, with $p = 5$, $q = 11$, $e = 7$, Alice sent you the encrypted message $c = 2$ what was her original message m ?

Ans.: $m = 8$

$n = 5 \cdot 11 = 55$, $\phi(n) = (5 - 1) \cdot (11 - 1) = 40$; $\gcd(7, 40) = 1$, so $e = 7$ is an OK key. We need to find d

$$d = 7^{-1} \pmod{40} = 23$$

(either by trial-and-error or the Extended Euclidean algorithm applied to $\gcd(40, 7)$)

$$40 = 5 \cdot 7 + 5 \quad ; \quad 5 = 40 - 5 \cdot 7$$

$$7 = 1 \cdot 5 + 2 \quad ; \quad 2 = 7 - 5 = 6 \cdot 7 - 40$$

$$5 = 2 \cdot 2 + 1 \quad ; \quad 1 = 5 - 2 \cdot 2 = 40 - 5 \cdot 7 - 2(6 \cdot 7 - 40) = 3 \cdot 40 - 17 \cdot 7$$

Taking mod 40

$$7^{-1} \pmod{40} = -17 \pmod{40} = 23$$

So

$$m = c^{23} \pmod{55} = 2^{23} \pmod{55}$$

$$2^1 = 2 \quad ; \quad 2^2 = 4 \quad ; \quad 2^4 = 16 \quad ; \quad 2^8 = 16^2 \pmod{55} = 36 \quad ;$$

$$2^{16} = 36^2 \pmod{55} = 31 \quad ;$$

Hence

$$2^{23} \pmod{55} = 2^{16+4+2+1} \pmod{55} = 31 \cdot 16 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 \pmod{55} = 8 \quad .$$

6. (10 pts., 2 pts. each) What are $\sigma(105)$, $\sigma_2(105)$, $\sigma_3(105)$, $\sigma_4(105)$, $\sigma_5(105)$?

Ans.: $\sigma(105) = 192$

$$\sigma_2(105) = (1 + 3^2)(1 + 5^2)(1 + 7^2) = 13000,$$

$$\sigma_3(105) = (1 + 3^3)(1 + 5^3)(1 + 7^3)$$

$$\sigma_4(105) = (1 + 3^4)(1 + 5^4)(1 + 7^4)$$

$$\sigma_5(105) = (1 + 3^5)(1 + 5^5)(1 + 7^5)$$

The prime factorization of 105 is

$$105 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \quad .$$

7. (10 pts., 5 pts. each) Find **(a):** $\mu(2002)$ **(b):** $\mu(4004)$. Explain!

Ans.: (a) 1

a:

b: 0

2002 = $2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13$ is a product **four** distinct primes, hence $\mu(2002) = (-1)^4 = 1$
4004 = $2^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13$ is **not** a product of distinct primes, hence $\mu(4004) = 0$

8. (10 pts.) Is 17 a quadratic residue modulo 281? Explain!

Reminders:

Rule 1: If p is an odd prime and a and b are not multiples of p , then

$$\left(\frac{ab}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{a}{p}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{b}{p}\right)$$

Rule 2: If p is an odd prime then

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = (-1)^{(p-1)/2} .$$

Rule 3: If p is an odd prime then

$$\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) = (-1)^{(p^2-1)/8} .$$

Rule 4: (THE QUADRATIC-RECIPROCITY LAW)

If p and q are distinct odd primes, then

$$\left(\frac{p}{q}\right) \left(\frac{q}{p}\right) = (-1)^{(p-1)(q-1)/4} .$$

Ans.: Yes; 17 is a quadratic residue of 281.

$$\left(\frac{17}{281}\right) \left(\frac{281}{17}\right) = (-1)^{280(16)/4} = 1$$

But $281 \pmod{17} = 9$, hence

$$\left(\frac{17}{281}\right) \left(\frac{9}{17}\right) = 1$$

So

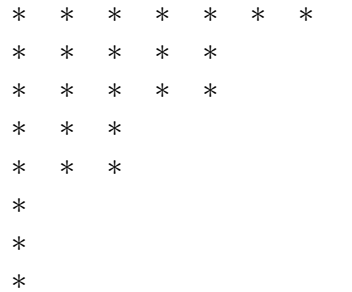
$$\left(\frac{17}{281}\right) = \left(\frac{9}{17}\right) = \left(\frac{3 \cdot 3}{17}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{17}\right)^2 = 1 .$$

Since the Legendre symbol $\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)$ is either 1 or -1 its square is always 1. So we don't need to know $\left(\frac{3}{17}\right)$

9. (10 pts.) For the following partitions λ , (i) Draw the Ferrers graph (ii) Find the conjugate partition λ' .

$$\lambda = (7, 5, 5, 3, 2, 1, 1, 1)$$

(i)



(ii) $(8, 5, 4, 3, 3, 1, 1)$

10. (10 pts. altogether)

i. (5 pts) Apply Glashier's bijection (in the distinct \rightarrow odd direction) to the distinct partition $(8, 6, 3, 2, 1)$ to get an partition, call it μ

$$8 = 8 \cdot 1 \quad ; \quad 6 = 2 \cdot 3 \quad ; \quad 3 = 1 \cdot 3 \quad ; \quad 2 = 2 \cdot 1 \quad ; \quad 1 = 1 \cdot 1 \quad .$$

This becomes $1^8, 3^2, 3^1, 1^2, 1^1$

Combining, we get $1^{11}3^3$ and in the usual notation

$$\mu = (3, 3, 3, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$$

ii. (5 pts.) Apply Glashier's bijection (in the odd \rightarrow distinct direction) to the partition μ and show that you get $(8, 6, 3, 2, 1)$ back, as you should.

$$(3^3, 1^{11}) = (3^{2+1}, 1^{8+2+1}) = (6, 3, 8, 2, 1)$$

Putting it in order, we get that indeed the reverse mapping gives $(8, 6, 3, 2, 1)$