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# Review of Modular Arithmetic

1.  $12 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$

$$12 \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$$

2.  $-3 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$

$$-3 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$89 \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

$$-89 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

3.  $x - 3 \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \rightarrow x \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$

4.  $x + 2 \equiv 4 \pmod{5} \rightarrow x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$

5.  $2x \equiv 3 \pmod{5} \rightarrow 4x \equiv 6 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

6.  $2x \equiv 8 \pmod{5} \rightarrow x \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$

$$3x \equiv 2 \pmod{5} \rightarrow 2(3x) \equiv 6x \equiv \mathbf{x} \pmod{5}$$

$$2(2) \equiv \mathbf{4} \pmod{5} \text{ So, } x \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

7.  $2x \equiv 4 \pmod{5} \rightarrow x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$

8.  $3x \equiv 3 \pmod{6} \rightarrow x \text{ NOT } \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$

Check:  $x = \mathbf{3}$  works since  $9 \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$

but  $\mathbf{3} \text{ NOT } \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$

However,  $3x/3 = x \equiv 3/3 \equiv 1 \pmod{6/3} \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$

$$\mathbf{3 \equiv 3 \pmod{6} \quad 5 \times 3 = 15 \equiv 3 \pmod{6}}$$

$$\mathbf{7 \times 3 = 21 \equiv 3 \pmod{6}}$$

# Solving Equations

1)  $2x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

Since  $(2, 3) = 1$ , there is only one solution among 0, 1, 2 which is  $x = 2$ . And then any  $x = 2 + (3k)$ , where  $k = \text{integers}$ , would satisfy this equation.

They are:  $\{\dots, -4, -1, 2, 5, 8, 11, \dots\}$ .

$$2(2x) = 4x \equiv 2(1) \pmod{3} \rightarrow x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}.$$

2)  $8x \equiv 4 \pmod{12}$

This implies  $2x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  since  $(8, 12) = 4$  and the answers are:

$\{\dots, -4, -1, 2, 5, 8, 11, \dots\}$ .

$$2(2x) = 4x \equiv 2(1) \pmod{3} \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \rightarrow x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}.$$

3)  $6x \equiv 9 \pmod{15}$

This implies  $2x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$  since  $(6, 15) = 3$ . Simple check to see that, among 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4,  $x = 4$  works. So,  $x = 4 + 5k$  satisfy the equation. They are:  $\{-6, -1, 4, 9, 14, \dots\}$

$$3(2x) = 6x \equiv 3(3) \pmod{5} \equiv 9 \pmod{5} \rightarrow x \equiv 4 \pmod{5}.$$

4)  $6x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$

Since  $(6, 7) = 1$ , there is only one solution among 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 which is  $x = 5$ . So,  $x = 5 + 7k$  satisfy the equation. They are:  $\{\dots, -9, -2, 5, 12, 19, \dots\}$

$$6(6x) = 36x \equiv 6(2) \pmod{7} \equiv 12 \pmod{7} \rightarrow x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}.$$

## Solving Equations

5)  $8x \equiv 2 \pmod{12}$

This implies  $4x \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ . However, none of 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 works. **No solution.**

6)  $8x \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$

None of 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 works.

**No solution.**

$ax \equiv c \pmod{m}$  has solution only if the GCD  $(a, m)$  is a factor of  $c$ .

7)  $8x \equiv 4 \pmod{12} \rightarrow 2x \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \quad x = 2+3k$

$x = 5 \quad 8(5) = 40 \equiv 4 \pmod{12}$

$2(2x) = 4x \equiv 2(1) \pmod{3} \rightarrow x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}.$

# DIVISIBILITY

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# Representation of whole numbers

**123,456,789**

9 = units digit

8 = tens digit

7 = hundreds digit

6 = thousands digit

5 = ten thousands digit

4 = hundred thousands digit

3 = millions digit

2 = ten millions digit

1 = hundred millions digit



**123,456,789**

9 = units digit	$= 1 = 10^0$
8 = tens digit	$= 10 = 10^1$
7 = hundreds digit	$= 100 = 10^2$
6 = thousands digit	$= 10^3$
5 = ten thousands digit	$= 10^4$
4 = hundred thousands digit	$= 10^5$
3 = millions digit	$= 10^6$
2 = ten millions digit	$= 10^7$
1 = hundred millions digit	$= 10^8$

**123,456,789 =**

$$\mathbf{1 \times 10^8 + 2 \times 10^7 + 3 \times 10^6 + 4 \times 10^5 + 5 \times 10^4 + 6 \times 10^3 + 7 \times 10^2 + 8 \times 10^1 + 9 \times 10^0}$$

Any number  $m$  can be represented by

$$\overline{a_n \cdots a_2 a_1 a_0}$$

or

$$m = a_n \times 10^n + a_{n-1} \times 10^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 \times 10^2 + a_1 \times 10^1 + a_0 \times 1$$

So,

34067

$$= \overline{34067}$$

$$= \mathbf{3} \times 10^4 + \mathbf{4} \times 10^3 + \mathbf{0} \times 10^2 + \mathbf{6} \times 10^1 + 7 \times 1$$

# Divisible by 2:

$$10^0 = 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$$

$$10^k \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \quad k > 0$$

So, any number

$$\begin{aligned} m &= a_n \times 10^n + a_{n-1} \times 10^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 \times 10^2 + a_1 \times 10^1 + a_0 \times 1 \\ &\equiv a_n \times 0 + a_{n-1} \times 0 + \dots + a_2 \times 0 + a_1 \times 0 + a_0 \times 1 \pmod{2} \\ &\equiv a_0 \pmod{2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $m$  is divisible by 2 if the units digit  $a_0$  is *even*.

# Divisible by 2:

21345 is not divisible by 2  
because 5 is not *even*.

23458 is divisible by 2  
because 8 is *even*.

# Divisible by 3:

$$10^k \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \quad k \geq 0$$

So, any number

$$\begin{aligned} m &= a_n \times 10^n + a_{n-1} \times 10^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 \times 10^2 + a_1 \times 10^1 + a_0 \times 1 \\ &\equiv a_n \times 1 + a_{n-1} \times 1 + \dots + a_2 \times 1 + a_1 \times 1 + a_0 \times 1 \pmod{3} \\ &\equiv a_n + a_{n-1} + \dots + a_2 + a_1 + a_0 \pmod{3} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $m$  is divisible by 3 if the **sum** of all its digits is divisible by 3.

# Divisible by 3:

21347 is not divisible by 3  
because  $2+1+3+4+7 = 17$  is  
not divisible by 3.

22458 is divisible by 3 because  
 $2+2+4+5+8 = 21$  is divisible  
by 3.



# Divisible by 4:

$$10^k \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \quad \text{if } k > 1$$

Any number

$$\begin{aligned} m &= a_n \times 10^n + a_{n-1} \times 10^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 \times 10^2 + a_1 \times 10^1 + a_0 \times 1 \\ &\equiv a_n \times 0 + a_{n-1} \times 0 + \dots + a_2 \times 0 + a_1 \times 10 + a_0 \times 1 \pmod{4} \\ &\equiv a_1 \times 10 + a_0 \times 1 \pmod{4} \\ &\equiv \overline{a_1 a_0} \pmod{4} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $m$  is divisible by 4 if the number formed by the last two digits is divisible by 4.

# Divisible by 4:

22458 is not divisible by 4  
because 58 is not divisible  
by 4.

13524 is divisible by 4  
because 24 is divisible by 4.

# Divisible by 5:

$$10^0 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$10^k \equiv 0 \pmod{5} \quad \text{if } k > 0$$

Any number

$$\begin{aligned} m &= a_n \times 10^n + a_{n-1} \times 10^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 \times 10^2 + a_1 \times 10^1 + a_0 \times 1 \\ &\equiv a_n \times 0 + a_{n-1} \times 0 + \dots + a_2 \times 0 + a_1 \times 0 + a_0 \times 1 \pmod{5} \\ &\equiv a_0 \pmod{5} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $m$  is divisible by 5 if the last digit is either 0 or 5.

# Divisible by 5:

22458 is not divisible by 5 because 8 is not 0 or 5.

13520 and 13525 are both divisible by 5 because their last digit is 0 or 5.

# Divisible by 6:

A number that is divisible by 6 must be divisible by both 2 and 3. So, this number must be:

1. Even number, and
2. The sum of all its digits is divisible by 3.

# Divisible by 6:

21453 is not divisible by 6 because the last digit 3 is odd (although  $2+1+4+5+3 = 15$  is divisible by 3).

13520 is not divisible by 6 because  $1+3+5+2+0 = 11$  is not divisible by 3.

13524 is divisible by 6 because the last digit is even and  $1+3+5+2+4 = 15$  is divisible by 3.

# Divisible by 8:

$$10^k \equiv 0 \pmod{8} \quad \text{if } k > 2$$

Any number

$$\begin{aligned} m &= a_n \times 10^n + a_{n-1} \times 10^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 \times 10^2 + a_1 \times 10^1 + a_0 \times 1 \\ &\equiv a_n \times 0 + a_{n-1} \times 0 + \dots + a_3 \times 0 + a_2 \times 100 + a_1 \times 10 + a_0 \times 1 \\ &\hspace{15em} \pmod{8} \\ &\equiv a_2 \times 100 + a_1 \times 10 + a_0 \times 1 \pmod{8} \\ &\equiv \overline{a_2 a_1 a_0} \pmod{8} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $m$  is divisible by 8 if the number formed by the last three digits is divisible by 8.

# Divisible by 8:

13022458 is not divisible by 8  
because 458 is not divisible by  
8.

13022456 is divisible by 8  
because 456 is divisible by 8.



# Divisible by 9:

$$10^k \equiv 1 \pmod{9} \quad k \geq 0$$

So, any number

$$\begin{aligned} m &= a_n \times 10^n + a_{n-1} \times 10^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 \times 10^2 + a_1 \times 10^1 + a_0 \times 1 \\ &\equiv a_n \times 1 + a_{n-1} \times 1 + \dots + a_2 \times 1 + a_1 \times 1 + a_0 \times 1 \pmod{9} \\ &\equiv a_n + a_{n-1} + \dots + a_2 + a_1 + a_0 \pmod{9} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $m$  is divisible by 9 if the **sum** of all its digits is divisible by 9.

# Divisible by 10:

$$10^0 \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$$

$$10^k \equiv 0 \pmod{10} \quad k \geq 1$$

So, any number

$$\begin{aligned} m &= a_n \times 10^n + a_{n-1} \times 10^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 \times 10^2 + a_1 \times 10^1 + a_0 \times 1 \\ &\equiv a_n \times 0 + a_{n-1} \times 0 + \dots + a_2 \times 0 + a_1 \times 0 + a_0 \times 1 \pmod{10} \\ &\equiv a_0 \pmod{10} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $m$  is divisible by 10 if the last digit is divisible by 10 which means the last digit ends in 0.

# Divisible by 10:

21345 is not divisible by 10 because the last digit (5) is not 0.

21340 is divisible by 10 because the last digit is 0.

# Divisible by 11:

$$10^k \equiv 1 \pmod{11} \quad \text{if } k \text{ is even}$$

$$10^k \equiv 10 \pmod{11} \equiv -1 \pmod{11} \quad \text{if } k \text{ is odd}$$

So, any number

$$\begin{aligned} m &= a_n \times 10^n + a_{n-1} \times 10^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 \times 10^2 + a_1 \times 10^1 + a_0 \times 1 \\ &\equiv a_n \times (\pm 1) + a_{n-1} \times (\pm 1) + \dots + a_2 \times 1 + a_1 \times (-1) + a_0 \times 1 \pmod{11} \\ &\equiv \pm a_n \pm a_{n-1} + \dots + a_2 - a_1 + a_0 \pmod{11} \\ &\equiv a_n - a_{n-1} + \dots + a_2 - a_1 + a_0 \pmod{11} \quad \text{or} \\ &\equiv -a_n + a_{n-1} - \dots + a_2 - a_1 + a_0 \pmod{11} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $m$  is divisible by 11 if the difference of the sum of alternative digits is divisible by 11.

# Divisible by 11:

21317 is not divisible by 11  
because  $(2+3+7) - (1+1) = 10$   
is not divisible by 11.

21307 is divisible by 11  
because  $(2+3+7) - (1+0) = 11$   
is divisible by 11.

# Divisible by 12:

A number that is divisible by 12 must be divisible by both 4 and 3. So, this number must be:

1. Last 2 digits divisible by 4, and
2. The sum of all its digits is divisible by 3.

## Divisible by 12:

21453 is not divisible by 12 because the last digit 3 is odd (although  $2+1+4+5+3 = 15$  is divisible by 3).

13520 is not divisible by 12 because  $1+3+5+2+0 = 11$  is not divisible by 3 (although 20 is divisible by 4).

13524 is divisible by 12 because the last digit is even and  $1+3+5+2+4 = 15$  is divisible by 3 and 24 is divisible by 4.

# Divisible by 7:

$$5 \times 10 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$5 \equiv -2 \pmod{7}$$

So, any number

$$m = \overline{a_n \dots a_2 a_1 a_0}$$

$$5 \times m = 5 \times (\overline{a_n \dots a_2 a_1 a_0})$$

$$= 50 \times (\overline{a_n \dots a_2 a_1}) + 5 \times a_0$$

$$\equiv (\overline{a_n \dots a_2 a_1}) + 5 \times a_0 \pmod{7}$$

$$\equiv (\overline{a_n \dots a_2 a_1}) - 2 \times a_0 \pmod{7}$$



# Divisible by 7:

If the result of multiplying the last digit by 2 and the product is subtracted from the rest of the number is either 0 or divisible by 7, then this number is divisible by 7.

Examples:

- (1) **861.**  $86 - 2 \times 1 = 84$  is divisible by 7 so 861 is divisible by 7.
- (2) **8638.**  $863 - 2 \times 8 = 847$ . Is 847 divisible by 7?  
 $84 - 2 \times 7 = 70$  is divisible by 7 so the original number 8638 is divisible by 7.

# Divisible by 13:

$$40 \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$$

So, any number

$$m = \overline{a_n \dots a_2 a_1 a_0}. \quad \text{Let } k = \overline{a_n \dots a_2 a_1}.$$

$$\text{Then, } m = 10k + a_0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4 \times m &= 40 \times k + 4 \times a_0 \\ &\equiv k + 4 \times a_0 \pmod{13} \\ &\equiv k - 9 \times a_0 \pmod{13} \end{aligned}$$

$m$  is divisible by 13 if  $4m$  is divisible by 13.

# Divisible by 13:

If the result of multiplying the last digit by 9 and the product is subtracted from the rest of the number is divisible by 13, then this number is divisible by 13.

Examples:

- (1) **13261.**  $1326 - 9 \times 1 = 1317$  and  $131 - 9 \times 7 = 68$  is not divisible by 13 so 13261 is not divisible by 13.
- (2) **13260.**  $1326 - 9 \times 0 = 1326$  and  $132 - 9 \times 6 = 78$  is divisible by 13 so 13260 is divisible by 13.



# LINEAR DIOPHANTINE EQUATIONS

Solve  $17x + 11y = 73$ . If  $x$  and  $y$  could be any numbers, there are infinite number of solutions.

For example: When  $x=0$ ,  $11y=73$  or  $y=73/11$ . When  $x=3$ ,  $11y=22$  or  $y=2$ . However, Diophantine Equations require  $x$  and  $y$  to be integers.

This equation is equivalent to the problem that asks Mr. Brown bought some apples at  $17\text{¢}$  each and some oranges at  $11\text{¢}$  each. He spent  $73\text{¢}$ . How many of each kind did he buy?

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$$17x = 73 - 11y \quad 17x \equiv \mathbf{6x} \pmod{11} \quad \text{and} \quad 73 \equiv \mathbf{7} \pmod{11}$$

$$\mathbf{6x} \equiv \mathbf{7} \pmod{11} \equiv 18 \pmod{11} \quad \text{or} \quad x \equiv 3 \pmod{11}$$

So,  $\mathbf{x = 3 + 11k} \quad \mathbf{k = integers}$

$$11y = 73 - 17x \quad 11y \equiv \mathbf{11y} \pmod{17} \quad \text{and} \quad 73 \equiv \mathbf{5} \pmod{17}$$

$$\mathbf{11y} = 73 - 17x = 73 - 17(\mathbf{3 + 11k}) = 73 - 51 - 187k = 22 - 187k$$

or  $\mathbf{y = 2 - 17k} \quad \mathbf{k = integers}$

# LINEAR DIOPHANTINE EQUATIONS

Solve  $3x + 5y = 28$ .

$$3x = 28 - 5y \quad 3x \equiv \mathbf{3x} \pmod{5} \quad \text{and} \quad 28 \equiv \mathbf{3} \pmod{5}$$

$$\mathbf{3x} \equiv \mathbf{3} \pmod{5} \quad \text{or} \quad x \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{x = 1+5k}$$

$$5y = 28 - 3(1+5k) \quad 5y = 25 - 15k$$

$$y = 5 - 3k \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{y \equiv 5-3k} \quad k = \text{integers.}$$

Not all equations  $ax + by = c$  have integer solutions.

It has integer solutions only if  $\text{GCD}(a, b)$  is a factor of  $c$ .



1.  $13x + 11y = 17$

2.  $91x - 26y = 3$

3.  $73x - 17y = 62$

4.  $x^2 - y^2 = 2002$

5.  $x^4 - 4y = 3$

6.  $a^{154} - 1$  is divisible by 23     $\text{GCD}(a, 23) = 1$

7.  $a^{80} - 1$  is divisible by 17     $\text{GCD}(a, 17) = 1$

8. Remainder when  $3^{50}$  is divided by 7

9. Remainder when  $221^{2012}$  is divided by 9

1.  $13x + 11y = 17$  **GCD(13, 11) = 1**

$$13x = 17 - 11y \quad 2x \equiv 6 \pmod{11} \quad x \equiv 3 \pmod{11}$$

$$\mathbf{x = 3 + 11k}$$

$$11y = 17 - 13x = 17 - 13(\mathbf{3 + 11k}) = 17 - 39 - 143k = -22 - 13k$$

$$\mathbf{y = -2 - 13k}$$

2.  $91x - 26y = 3$

**GCD(91, 26) = 13** but 13 is not a factor of 3.

No solution in integers.

3.  $73x - 17y = 62$  **GCD(73, 17) = 1**

$$73x = 62 + 17y \quad 5x \equiv 11 \pmod{17} \quad 5x \equiv 45 \pmod{17}$$

$$\text{(or } 7(5x) \equiv 7(11) \pmod{17} \quad 35x \equiv 77 \pmod{17} \text{)} \quad x \equiv 9 \pmod{17}$$

$$\mathbf{x = 9 + 17k}$$

$$17y = -62 + 73x = -62 + 73(\mathbf{9 + 17k}) = 595 + 1241k$$

$$y \equiv 35 \pmod{73}$$

$$\mathbf{y = 35 + 73k}$$

4.  $x^2 - y^2 = 2002$

$$x^2 \equiv 0 \text{ or } 1 \pmod{4} \quad y^2 \equiv 0 \text{ or } 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$\text{So } x^2 - y^2 \equiv 0, 1, -1 \pmod{4}.$$

But  $2002 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$      **No integer solution.**

$$(x-y)(x+y) = 2002 = 2 \times 7 \times 11 \times 13$$

*Lots possibilities:  $x-y=1/x+y=2002$  or  $x-y=2/x+y=1001$*

*or ...*

5.  $x^4 - 4y = 3$

**No integer solution.**  $x^4 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ . But

$$x^4 \equiv 0 \text{ or } 1 \pmod{4}$$

# FERMAT'S LITTLE THEOREM ( $p = \text{prime number}$ )

$a$  is an integer  $\geq 1$ . Then  $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$

$a$  is an integer  $\geq 1$  and  $(a, p) = 1$ . Then  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

$$2^{5-1} = 2^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$2^7 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

$$2^{29} \equiv 2 \pmod{29}$$

$$10^{10} \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

$$10^5 \equiv 10 \pmod{5} \quad \text{but } 10^4 \text{ **NOT** } \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$2^4 \text{ **NOT** } \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \quad 4 \neq \text{prime}$$

$$6^{3-2} \text{ **NOT** } \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \quad (6, 3) \neq 1$$

# FERMAT'S LITTLE THEOREM

( $p =$  prime number and  $a =$  integer between 1 and  $p$ )

Then  $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$  or  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

Proof (Use Modular Arithmetic):

**Fact:**  $\{a, 2a, 3a, \dots, (p-1)a\}$  is a re-arrangement of  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, (p-1)\}$   
 $\{4, 2(4), 3(4), 4(4)\} = \{4, 8, 12, 16\} \equiv \{4, 3, 2, 1\} \quad p = 5, a = 4$

$$a \times 2a \times 3a \times \dots \times (p-1)a = a^{p-1}(p-1)!$$

$$1 \times 2 \times 3 \times \dots \times (p-1) = (p-1)!$$

So  $a^{p-1}(p-1)! \equiv (p-1)! \pmod{p}$  and  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

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Proof (Use Induction):

**Fact:**  $(x + y)^p \equiv x^p + y^p \pmod{p}$

Use Induction: Want to prove  $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$ .

$a=1$  is obviously true.

Assume  $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$ .

$(a+1)^p \equiv a^p + 1^p \pmod{p} \equiv a+1 \pmod{p}$ .

6.  $a^{154} - 1$  is divisible by 23     $\text{GCD}(a, 23) = 1$   
 $a^{22} \equiv 1 \pmod{23}$      $a^{154} = (a^{22})^7 \equiv 1^7 \equiv 1 \pmod{23}$

7.  $a^{80} - 1$  is divisible by 17     $\text{GCD}(a, 17) = 1$   
 $a^{16} \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$      $a^{80} = (a^{16})^5 \equiv 1^5 \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$

8. **Remainder when  $3^{50}$  is divided by 7**  
 $3^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$      $(3^6)^8 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$   
 $3^{50} = (3^{48})(3^2) \equiv (1)(9) \pmod{7} \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$

9. **Remainder when  $221^{2012}$  is divided by 9**

$$221^1 \equiv 5 \pmod{9}$$

$$221^2 \equiv 7 \pmod{9}$$

$$221^3 \equiv 8 \pmod{9}$$

$$221^4 \equiv 4 \pmod{9}$$

$$221^5 \equiv 2 \pmod{9}$$

$$221^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{9}$$

$$221^7 \equiv 5 \pmod{9} \quad \text{Every 6 repeats}$$

$2012 \equiv 2 \pmod{6}$ . So, remainder should be 7.





# Applications

*Joanne* was expecting six guests and wanted to give them each a bag of candies. Wanting to be fair to all, she divided the candies into 6 equal piles and found that they came out even. Just before the party was to begin a guest called to ask if he might bring a friend. Hence *Joanne* had to divide the candies into 7 piles; here she found she had two left over. What is the least number of candies she could have had?

$6n \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$ . Upon checking, among the numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, only 5 works. So, the answers are:  $\{5, 12, 19, 26, \dots\}$ . So the least number is  $6n = 6 \times 5 = 30$  pieces of candies.

# Applications

## Cryptography I

*Caesar Cipher* Shifting the alphabet forward 3 places.

a→d, b→e, c→f, d→g, ... , w→z, x→a, y→b, z→c.

How to send out this message?

**attack.**

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What is **wklyphvvdjhlvwrsvhfuhw**?

# Applications

## Cryptography I

*Caesar Cipher* Shifting the alphabet forward 3 places.

a→d, b→e, c→f, ... , w→z, x→a, y→b, z→c.

To decipher, shift the alphabets backward 3 places.

Replace letters with numbers: a=0, b=1, c=2, ... , w=22, x=23, y=24, z=25

Examples:

To send a secret message:  $D \equiv (E+3) \pmod{26}$

x=23 (E number), so the corresponding E number is  $D=(23+3)=26 \equiv 0 \pmod{26}$  0=a.

k=10 (E number), so the corresponding E number is  $D=(10+3) \equiv 13 \pmod{26}$  13= n

To decipher a secret message:  $E \equiv (D-3) \pmod{26}$

w=22 (D number), so the corresponding E number is  $E=(22-3) \equiv 19 \pmod{26}$  19=t.

k=10 (D number), so the corresponding E number is  $E=(10-3) \equiv 7 \pmod{26}$  7= h

b=1 (D number), so the corresponding E number is  $E=(1-3)=-2 \equiv 24 \pmod{26}$  24=y.

3 = Key  $K_E = 3$   $K_D = -3$

# Applications

## Cryptography II

*Improved Caesar Cipher* Multiply 5 times.

Replace letter s with numbers: a=0, b=1, c=2, ... , w=22, x=23, y=24, z=25

$5a = 0 \rightarrow a$ ,  $5b = 5 \rightarrow f$ ,  $5c = 10 \rightarrow k$ , ... ,  
 $5w = 110 \equiv 6 \rightarrow g$ ,  $5x = 115 \equiv 11 \rightarrow l$ ,  $5y = 120 \equiv 16 \rightarrow q$ ,  $5z = 125 \rightarrow v$ .

How to send out the message **attack** ?

# Applications

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What is **euriaioddosngsnm**?

To decipher, divide by 5.

Examples:

To send a secret message:  $D \equiv 5E \pmod{26}$

$x=23$  (E number), so the corresponding E number is

$$D = 5 \times 23 = 115 \equiv 11 \pmod{26} \quad 11 = l$$

$k=10$  (E number), so the corresponding E number is

$$D = 5 \times 10 \equiv 50 \equiv 24 \pmod{26} \quad 24 = q$$

# Applications

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To decipher a secret message: Must find the multiplicative inverse of 5 so that  $E \equiv 1/5D \pmod{26} \equiv 21D \pmod{26}$

e=4 (D number), so the corresponding E number is  $E=21 \times 4=84 \equiv 6 \pmod{26}$  6=g.

u=20 (D number), so the corresponding E number is  $E=21 \times 20=420 \equiv 4 \pmod{26}$  4=e

$$5 = \text{key} \quad K_E = 5 \quad K_D = 21$$

# Applications

## Cryptography III

Can we use  $K_E = 4$ ?



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Can we use  $K_E = 4$ ?

$$4 \times 3 = 12$$

$$d \rightarrow m$$

$$4 \times 16 = 64 \equiv 12 \pmod{26}$$

$$q \rightarrow m$$

# Applications

## Cryptography IV

General encipherment rule:

$$D \equiv (mE+s) \pmod{26}$$

$$m=5, s=18 \quad D \equiv (5E+18) \pmod{26}$$

$$\{0, 1, 2, 13, 25\} \rightarrow \{18, 23, 2, 5, 13\}$$

$$\{a, b, c, n, z\} \rightarrow \{s, x, c, f, n\}$$

# Applications

## Cryptography V

### Bigger is Better

Divide into groups of 2:

I want a million dollars  $\rightarrow$

i w a n t a m i l l i o n d o l l a r s

$$D \equiv (mE+s) \pmod{26 \times 26 = 676}$$

$$aa=0, ab=1, ac=2, \dots, zy=674, zz=675$$

# Applications

## Cryptography V

I want your dollar →

iw an ty ou rd ol la r

# Applications

## Cryptography V

I want your dollar  $\rightarrow$

iw an ty ou rd ol la r!

$$D \equiv (mE+s) \pmod{26 \times 27 = 702}$$

aa=0, ab=1, ac=2, ... az=25, a!=26,

ba=27, zy=699, zz=700, z!=701