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Topic:: Euclidean algorithm

Read:: Rosen 4.3

Topic:: Solving congruences

Read:: Rosen 4.4

RSA encryption needs

- fast modular exponentiation
- solving modular equations

Arithmetic mod  $m$  (need integer  $m \geq 2$ )

Define  $\mathbb{Z}_m$ :

both a set of integers  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, m-1\}$

along with operations

$$a +_m b = a + b \pmod{m}$$

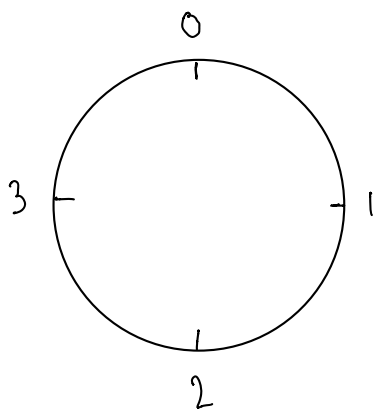
$$a \cdot_m b = ab \pmod{m}$$

Ex.] Work mod 4

$$\mathbb{Z}_4 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

$+_4$	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	1	2	3	0
2	2	3	0	1
3	3	0	1	2

$\cdot_4$	0	1	2	3
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3
2	0	2	0	2
3	0	3	2	1



$$27 \cdot_4 (-5) \equiv 3 \cdot_4 (-1) = -3 \pmod{4} = 1.$$

In  $\mathbb{R}$ , the solution  $x$  to  $ax=1$  is called the multiplicative inverse of  $a$ .

In mod 4 arithmetic, 3 is its own multiplicative inverse.

## Solving congruence equations

Ex. Solve  $3x + 1 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

$$3x \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \quad \text{after subtracting 1}$$

Now, since 3 is multiplicative inv.  $\pmod{4}$  of itself, can multiply both sides by 3

$$3 \cdot 3x \equiv 3 \cdot 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$\rightarrow 1x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

$$\text{Soln. } x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

(really means all of these solve:

$$\dots, -5, -1, 3, 7, 11, 15, \dots$$

Hard: Solve

$$19x \equiv 51 \pmod{420}$$

Underlying question: What is 19's mult. inv.  $\pmod{420}$ ?

## Euclidean Algorithm

Our main purpose in learning it: *You use it to determine  $\gcd(a, b)$ .*

How it works:

1. Start with two (usually positive) integers  $a, b$ . Call the larger one  $r_0$ , the smaller  $r_1$ .
2. Iterate the division algorithm:
  - Divide  $r_0$  by  $r_1$ —that is, find integers  $q_1$  and  $r_2$  (Note:  $0 \leq r_2 < r_1$ ) so that

$$r_0 = q_1 r_1 + r_2$$

- Shift roles  $r_1$  into the former role of  $r_0$ ,  $r_2$  into the former role of  $r_1$ , and repeat, using the division algorithm to find  $q_2$  and  $r_3$ . (Note:  $0 \leq r_3 < r_2$ .)

$$r_1 = q_2 r_2 + r_3$$

We continue to shift roles of the  $r_j$  and repeat. This process produces a strictly decreasing sequence

$$r_0, r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n$$

until a remainder, call it  $r_{n+1}$ , finally is zero, which is our **stopping criterion**.

### Example 1:

Perform the Euclidean algorithm with  $a = 276, b = 324$ , to find  $\gcd(276, 324)$ .

*Start by labeling larger number  $r_0$ , smaller  $r_1$ .*

$$r_0 = 324, \quad r_1 = 276.$$

$$r_0 = r_1 \cdot q + r_2$$

$$324 = 276 \cdot 1 + 48$$

Notes:

- Call my remainder  $r_2 = 48$ .
- Any divisor of two-out-of-three in list  $r_0, r_1, r_2$  is a divisor of all three.
- $r_2 < r_1$ .

See website <https://www.extendedeuclideanalgorithm.com/calculator.php>.

*Repeatedly do division alg. until remainder of 0.*

$$276 = 48 \cdot \frac{5}{r_1} + \frac{36}{r_2}$$

Notes:

- Call  $r_3 = 36$
- Any divisor of two-out-of-three in list  $r_1, r_2, r_3$  is a divisor of  $r_0, r_1, r_2$  and  $r_3$
- $r_3 < r_2$

$$48 = 36 \cdot \frac{1}{r_3} + \frac{12}{r_4}$$

$$r_4 = 12$$

$$36 = 12 \cdot \frac{3}{r_4} + \frac{0}{r_5}$$

gcd = last nonzero remainder  
= 12.

**Example 2:**

Perform the Euclidean algorithm with  $a = 4312, b = 585$ .

$$r_0 = 4312, \quad r_1 = 585$$

$$4312 = \underline{7} (585) + \underline{217}^{r_2}$$

$$585 = \underline{2} (217) + \underline{151}^{r_3}$$

$$217 = \underline{1} (151) + \underline{66}^{r_4}$$

$$151 = \underline{2} (66) + \underline{19}^{r_5}$$

$$66 = \underline{3} (19) + \underline{9}^{r_6}$$

$$19 = \underline{2} (9) + \underline{1}^{r_7}$$

$$9 = \underline{9} (1) + \underline{0}$$

$\gcd(4312, 585) = 1$ , say 4312 and 585 are relatively prime.

Foreshadown: This means 585 has a multiplicative inverse mod 4312.

## Extended Euclidean Algorithm

Our main purpose in learning it:

to write  $\gcd(a, b)$  as a linear combination  $ta + sb$

Key theorem based on our Eucl. alg. work

Ex.] Above we found  $\gcd(324, 276) = 12$

In preparation, solve for remainder

$$48 = 36 \cdot 1 + 12 \quad \rightarrow \quad 12 = 48 - 36$$

$$276 = 48 \cdot 5 + 36 \quad \rightarrow \quad 36 = 276 - (48)(5)$$

$$324 = 276 \cdot 1 + 48 \quad \rightarrow \quad 48 = 324 - 276$$

Now carry out extended Eucl. Alg. — Writing  $12 = t \cdot 324 + s \cdot 276$   
w/  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$12 = 48 - 36$$

$$= 48 - [276 - (48)(5)]$$

$$= (48)(6) - 276$$

$$= (324 - 276)(6) - 276$$

$$= (324)6 + (276)(-7)$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ a=324 & t=6 & b=276 & s=-7 \end{array}$$