

MATH 363 Discrete Mathematics

Assignment 5

Due by February 17th

1. **(2pt)** Prove or disprove that if $a|c$ and $b|d$, then $ab|cd$.
2. **(2pt)** Prove or disprove that $a|bc$ implies that either $a|b$ or $a|c$.
3. **(2pt)** Decode the following message encrypted with Caesar's cipher: **Darorwv olyh lq Arfklplofr.**
4. **(3pt)** Let $a, m \in \mathbf{Z}$ and $m > 0$. Find a formula for the integer with smallest absolute value that is congruent to $a \pmod{m}$.
5. **(2pt)** Consider the linear congruence generated by $x_{n+1} = 2x_n \pmod{18}$ with seed $x_0 = 17$. How many pseudorandom numbers can we generate before numbers start repeating?
6. **(3pt)** Prove that there are infinitely many prime numbers.
7. **(1pt each)** Find the following values and express them as product of prime numbers

i) $\gcd(18, 99)$

ii) $\text{lcm}(18, 99)$

iii) $\gcd(2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2, 2 \cdot 7 \cdot 5^4)$

iv) $\text{lcm}(2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2, 2 \cdot 7 \cdot 5^4)$

8. **(3pt)** Prove or disprove that for any positive integers a, b ,

$$a \cdot b = \gcd(a, b) \cdot \text{lcm}(a, b)$$

9. **(2pt each)** Find the inverse of the following numbers

i) $2 \pmod{17}$

ii) $3 \pmod{18}$

10. **(2pt)** Solve the congruence $2x - 5 = 3 \pmod{17}$
11. **(3pt)** Show that $10! = -1 \pmod{11}$ without explicitly computing $10!$. (Hint: Pair the factors of $10!$ using the inverse of $a \pmod{11}$ for $1 \leq a \leq 10$.)
12. **(2pt)** Find $5^{268} \pmod{7}$ using modular exponentiation.
13. **(2pt each)** What is the smallest positive integer that can be written as a linear combination of (justify your answer)
 - i)* 5 and 7
 - ii)* 4 and 22
14. **(4pt)** What is the original message encrypted using the RSA system with $n = 53 \cdot 61$ and $e = 17$ if the encrypted message is 3185203824602550? (To decrypt, first verify that the decryption exponent is $d = 2753 = (17)^{-1} \pmod{52 \cdot 60}$.)

Extra:3pt Prove using the Euclidean algorithm that $1 = 2(52 \cdot 60) - 17 \cdot 367 = -15(52 \cdot 60) + 17 \cdot 2753$.

15. (2pt) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_k \end{pmatrix}$ be an $k \times k$ diagonal matrix. Show that for any $n \in \mathbf{N}$,

$$A^n = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^n & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_k^n \end{pmatrix}$$