- Several important cryptosystems make use of modular arithmetic. This is when the answer to a calculation is always in the range 0 m where m is the modulus.
- To calculate the value of *n mod m*, you take away as many multiples of m as possible until you are left with an answer between *0* and *m*.

If n is a negative number then you add as many multiples of m as necessary to get an answer in the range 0 - m.

Examples

- $17 \mod 5 = 2$
- $20 \mod 3 = 2$
- $-3 \mod 11 = 8$
- $25 \mod 5 = 0$

- $7 \mod 11 = 7$
- $11 \mod 11 = 0$
- $-1 \mod 11 = 10$
- $-11 \mod 11 = 0$

• Two numbers *a* and *b* are said to be *"congruent modulo n"* if

 $(a \mod n) = (b \mod n) \rightarrow a \equiv b \pmod{n}$

• The difference between *a* and *b* will be a multiple of *n*

So a-b = kn for some value of kE.g: $4 \equiv 9 \equiv 14 \equiv 19 \equiv -1 \equiv -6 \mod 5$ $73 \equiv 4 \pmod{23}$; $21 \equiv -9 \pmod{10}$ If $a \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$, then n/a.

Properties of Congruences

1.
$$a \equiv b \pmod{n}$$
 if $n/(a-b)$

- 2. $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ implies $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$
- 3. $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ and $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$ imply $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$

Proof of 1.

If n/(a-b), then (a-b) = kn for some k. Thus, we can write a = b + kn. Therefore,

 $(a \mod n) = (\text{remainder when } b + kn \text{ is divided by } n) = (\text{remainder when } b \text{ is divided by } n) = (b \mod n).$

Examples

 $23 \equiv 8 \pmod{5}$ because $23 \cdot 8 = 15 = 5x3$ $-11 \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ because $-11 \cdot 5 = -16 = 8x(-2)$ $81 \equiv 0 \pmod{27}$ because $81 \cdot 0 = 81 = 27x3$

- 1. $[(a \mod n) + (b \mod n)] \mod n = (a + b) \mod n$
- 2. $[(a \mod n) (b \mod n)] \mod n = (a b) \mod n$
- 3. $[(a \mod n) \ge (b \mod n)] \mod n = (a \ge b) \mod n$ Proof of 1.
- Let $(a \mod n) = Ra$ and $(b \mod n) = Rb$. Then, we can write a = Ra + jn for some integer j and b = Rb + kn for some integer k. $(a + b) \mod n = (Ra + jn + Rb + kn) \mod n$
 - $= [Ra + Rb + (k+j) n] \mod n$
 - $= (Ra + Rb) \mod n$
 - $= [(a \bmod n) + (b \bmod n)] \bmod n$

Examples

 $11 \mod 8 = 3$; $15 \mod 8 = 7$ $[(11 \mod 8) + (15 \mod 8)] \mod 8 = 10 \mod 8 = 2$ $(11 + 15) \mod 8 = 26 \mod 8 = 2$ $[(11 \mod 8) - (15 \mod 8)] \mod 8 = -4 \mod 8 = 4$ $(11 - 15) \mod 8 = -4 \mod 8 = 4$ $[(11 \mod 8) \times (15 \mod 8)] \mod 8 = 21 \mod 8 = 5$ $(11 \ge 15) \mod 8 = 165 \mod 8 = 5$

Exponentiation

- Exponentiation is done by repeated multiplication, as in ordinary arithmetic.
- To find $(11^7 \mod 13)$ do the followings $11^2 = 121 \equiv 4 \pmod{13}$
- $11^4 (11^2)^2 \equiv 4^2 \equiv 3 \pmod{13}$
- $11^7 \equiv 11 \times 4 \times 3 \equiv 132 \equiv 2 \pmod{13}$

Sage algorithm for modular exponentiation that computes $x^n \mod m$

def exp(x,n,m): y=1; u=x % mwhile (n > 0): if ((n % 2)=1): y = (y * u) % m;if (n > 0): n = floor(n / 2); $u = (u^*u) \% m$ Output y

A good thing about modular arithmetic is that the numbers you are working with will be kept relatively small. At each stage of an algorithm, the mod function should be applied.

Thus to multiply 39 * 15 mod 11 we first take mods to get

39 mod 11 = *6* and *15 mod 11* = *4*

The multiplication required is now

 $6*4 \mod 11 = 24 \mod 11 = 2$

Modular Division

- What is *5* ÷ *3* mod *11*?
- We need to multiply 5 by the *inverse* of 3 mod 11
- When you multiply a number by its inverse, the answer is 1.
- Thus the inverse of 2 is $\frac{1}{2}$ since $2*\frac{1}{2} = 1$ The inverse of 3 mod 11 is 4 since $3*4=1 \mod 11$ Thus $5 \div 3 \mod 11 = 5*4 \mod 11 = 9 \mod 11$

Euclidean algorithm

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gcd(a,b) = gcd(b, b mod a)
int Euclid(int a, int b) {
   if (b == 0) return a;
    else return Euclid(b, b % a)
}
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Define the set Z_n as the set of nonnegative integers less than n:

$$Z_n = \{0, 1, \dots, (n-1)\}$$

This set is referred to as the set of **residues**, or **residue classes** (mod *n*). That is, each integer in *Zn* represents a residue class.

We can label the residue classes (mod *n*) as: [0],[1],[2],...,[*n*-1], where $[r] = \{a: a \text{ is an integer}, a \equiv r \pmod{n}\}.$ E.g.: The residue classes (mod 4) are $[0] = \{\dots, -16, -12, -8, -4, 0, 4, 8, 12, 16, \dots\}$ $[1] = \{\dots, -15, -11, -7, -3, 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, \dots\}$ $[2] = \{\dots, -14, -10, -6, -2, 2, 6, 10, 14, 18, \dots\}$ $[3] = \{\dots, -13, -9, -5, -1, 3, 7, 11, 15, 19, \dots\}$

Property	Expression	
Cummitative Laws	$(w + x) \mod n = (x + w) \mod n$ $(w \ge x) \mod n = (x \ge w) \mod n$	
Associative Laws	$[(w + x) + y] \mod n = [w + (x + y)] \mod n$ $[(w \ge x) \ge y] \mod n = [w \ge (x \ge y)] \mod n$	
Distributive Law	$[w \ge (x + y)] \mod n = [(w \ge x) + (w \ge y)] \mod n$	
Identities	$(0 + w) \mod n = w \mod n$ (1 x w) mod n = w mod n	
Additive Inverse (-w)	For each w $\Box Z_n$, there exists a <i>z</i> such that $w + z \equiv 0 \mod n$	

- A Multiplication Table in Z_n: Summary
 - The numbers that have inverses in Z_n are **relatively prime** to n
 - That is: gcd(x, n) = 1
 - The numbers that do NOT have inverses in Z_n have **common prime factors** with n
 - That is: gcd(x, n) > 1

- A Multiplication Table in Z_n: Summary
 - The results have implications for division:
 - Some divisions have no answers
 - $-3 * x = 2 \mod 6$ has no solutions => 2/3 has no equivalent in Z_6
 - Some division have multiple answers
 - $-2 * 2 = 4 \mod 6 \Longrightarrow 4/2 \equiv 2 \mod 6$
 - $-2 * 5 = 4 \mod 6 \Longrightarrow 4/2 = 5 \mod 6$
 - Only numbers that are **relatively prime** to n will be uniquely divisible by all elements of Z_n

- A Multiplication Table in Z_n: Summary
 - The results have implications for division:
 - Zero divisors exist in some mods:
 - 3 * 2 = 0 mod 6 => 0/3 = 2 and 0/2 = 3 in mod 6
 - 3 * 6 = 0 mod 9 => 0/3 = 6 and 0/6 = 3 in mod 9

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- Finding Inverses in Z_n
 - What is the inverse of 15 in mod 26?
 - First use the Euclidean Algorithm to determine if 15 and 26 are relatively prime

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$$26 = 1 * 15 + 11$$

• $15 = 1 * 11 + 4$
• $11 = 2 * 4 + 3$
• $4 = 1 * 3 + 1$
• $3 = 3 * 1 + 0$
Then gcd (26, 15) = 1

- Finding Inverses in Z_n
 - What is the inverse of 15 in mod 26? Now we now they are relatively prime – so an inverse must exist.
 - We can use the algorithm to work backward to create 1 (the gcd(26, 15)) as a linear combination of 26 and 15:
 - 1 = x * 26 + y * 15
 - Why would we want to do this?

- Finding Inverses in Z_n
 - Convert 1 = x * 26 + y * 15 to mod 26 and we get:
 - − 1 mod 26 ^(S) (y * 15) mod 26
 - Then if we find y we find the inverse of 15 in mod 26.
 - So we start from 1 and work backward...

- 26 = 1 * 15 + 11 => 11 = 26 (1*15)
- $15 = 1 * 11 + 4 \implies 4 = 15 (1*11)$
- 11 = 2 * 4 + 3 => 3 = 11 (2*4)
- 4 = 1 * 3 + 1 => 1 = 4 (1*3)

Step 1) 1 = 4 - (1 * 3) = 4 - 3Step 2) 1 = 4 - (11 - (2 * 4)) = 3 * 4 - 11Step 3) 1 = 3 * (15 - 11) - 11 = 3 * 15 - 4 * 11Step 4) 1 = 3 * 15 - 4(26 - (1*15))Step 5) 1 = 7 * 15 - 4 * 26 = 105 - 104 >> check

- Finding Inverses in Z_n
 - So, what is the inverse of 15 in mod 26?
 - -1 = 7 * 15 4 * 26 converts to
 - 1 (1) 7 * 15 mod 26
 - $\overset{\circ}{$ **7** is the inverse of 15 in mod 26
 - Can you use the same result to show that 11 is its own inverse in mod 15?

- Using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm
 - Formalizing the backward steps we get this formula:
 - $y_0 = 0$
 - y₁ = 1
 - $y_i = (y_{i-2} [y_{i-1} * q_{i-2}]); i > 1$
 - Related to the "Magic Box" method

Step 0	26 = 1 * 15 + 11	$y_0 = 0$
Step 1	15 = 1 * 11 + 4	$y_1 = 1$
Step 2	11 = 2 * 4 + 3	$y_2 = (y_0 - (y_1 * q_0))$ = 0 - 1 * 1 mod 26 = 25
Step 3	4 = 1 * 3 + 1	$y_3 = (y_1 - (y_2 * q_1))$ = 1 - 25 * 1 = -24 mod 26 = 2
Step 4	3 = 3 * 1 + 0	$y_4 = (y_2 - (y_3 * q_2))$ = 25 - 2 * 2 mod 26 = 21
Step 5	Note: q _i is in red above	$y_5 = (y_3 - (y_4 * q_3))$ = 2 - 21 * 1 = -19 mod 26 = 7

- Using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm

 y₀ = 0
 y₁ = 1
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 Try it for...
 - 13 mod 22
 - 17 mod 97

- Using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm
 - -22 = 1 * 13 + 9 y[0]=0
 - -13 = 1 * 9 + 4 y[1]=1
 - -9 = 2 * 4 + 1 y[2]=0 1 * 1 mod 22 = 21
 - -4 = 4 * 1 + 0 y[3]=1 21 * 1 mod 22 = 2
 - Last Step : $y[4]=21 2 * 2 \mod 22 = 17$
 - Check: $17 * 13 = 221 = 1 \mod 22$

- Using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm
 - -97 = 5 * 17 + 12 x[0]=0
 - -17 = 1 * 12 + 5 x[1]=1
 - $-12 = 2 * 5 + 2 \qquad x[2]=0 1 * 5 \mod 97 = 92$
 - -5 = 2 * 2 + 1 x[3]=1 92 * 1 mod 97 = 6
 - -2 = 2 * 1 + 0 x[4]=92 6 * 2 mod 97 = 80
 - Last Step:

- $x[5]=6 80 * 2 \mod 97 = 40$
- Check: $40 * 17 = 680 = 1 \mod 97$