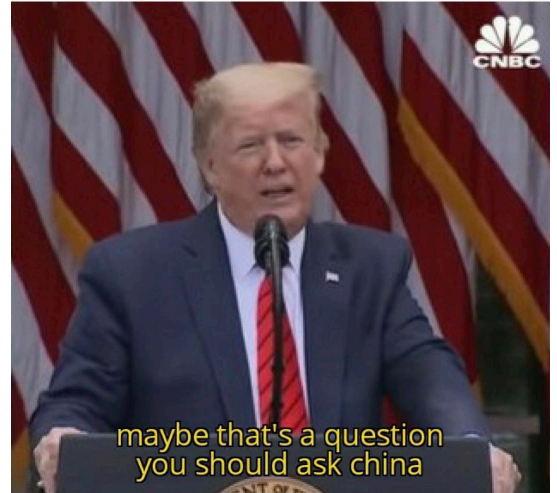


Dis 4A: CRT, FLT

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Me: Why is there exist integer a such that $a \equiv 5 \pmod{17}$ and $a \equiv 8 \pmod{21}$

My teacher:



History [\[edit\]](#)

The earliest known statement of the theorem, as a problem with specific numbers, appears in the 3rd-century book *Sun-tzu Suan-ching* by the Chinese mathematician Sun-tzu:^[1]

There are certain things whose number is unknown. If we count them by threes, we have two left over; by fives, we have three left over; and by sevens, two are left over. How many things are there?^[2]

Sun-tzu's work contains neither a proof nor a full algorithm.^[3] What amounts to an algorithm for solving this problem was described by *Aryabhata* (6th century).^[4] Special cases of the Chinese remainder theorem were also known to *Brahmagupta* (7th century), and appear in *Fibonacci's Liber Abaci* (1202).^[5] The result was later generalized with a complete solution called *Ta-yan-shu* (大衍術) in *Ch'in Chiu-shao's* 1247 *Mathematical Treatise in Nine Sections* (數書九章, *Shu-shu Chiu-chang*)^[6] which was translated into English in early 19th century by British missionary *Alexander Wylie*.^[7]

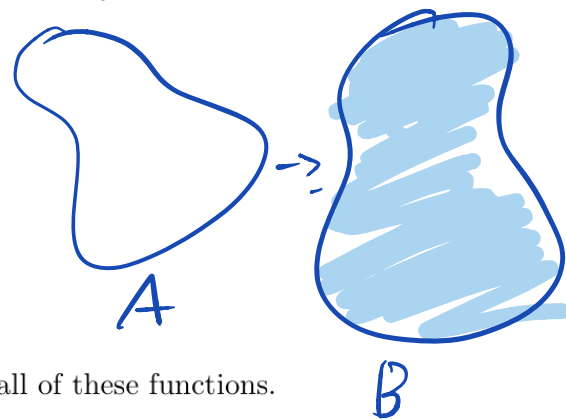
The notion of congruence was first introduced and used by Gauss in his *Disquisitiones Arithmeticae* of 1801.^[9]

Review (Bijections)

$$f: A \rightarrow B$$

- f is **onto** (surjective) if $\forall b \in B, \exists a \in A$ s.t. $f(a) = b$
 - i.e. every $b \in B$ has a pre-image.
- f is **one-to-one** (injective) if $\forall a, a' \in A, f(a) = f(a') \implies a = a'$.
 - i.e. different inputs map to different outputs,

one-to-one & onto = bijective.



Here's a helpful graphic illustrating the differences between all of these functions.

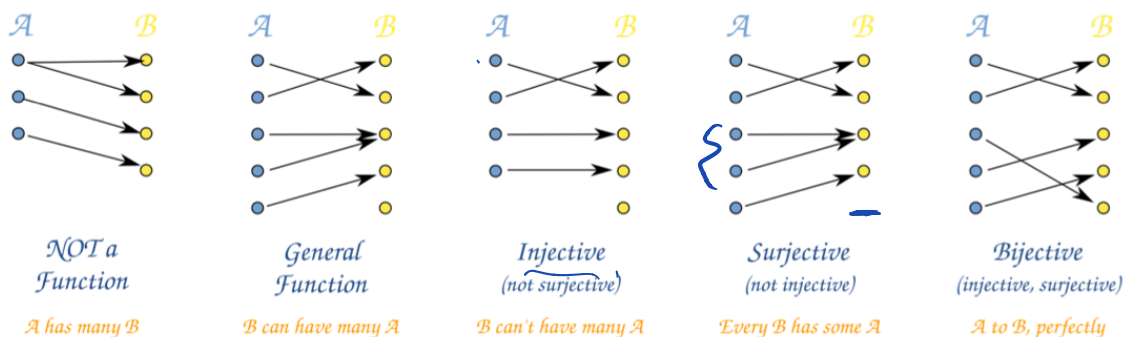


Figure 1: Examples of the four types of functions, and a non-function. Source: Math is Fun.

Review (CRT)

12, 13, 20.

2-3 }
2-5 }
3-5 }

Theorem 5 (Chinese Remainder Theorem). Let m_1, \dots, m_k be pairwise^a relatively prime positive integers, and let

$$M = m_1 \dots m_k.$$

Then for every k -tuple (x_1, \dots, x_k) of integers, there is exactly one residue class $x \pmod{M}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv x_1 \pmod{m_1} \\ x &\equiv x_2 \pmod{m_2} \\ &\vdots \\ x &\equiv x_k \pmod{m_k}. \end{aligned}$$

^aEvery pair of integers is relatively prime, as opposed to being relatively prime as a whole.

CRT is both constructive & can show existence,
(HW 4 #3) (HW 4 #4)

the big idea is that every number mod M can be broken down into its "components" mod m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k . aka basis vectors,

key prop: coprime moduli

example: $(\text{mod } 15) \iff \text{mod } 3 \ \& \ \text{mod } 5.$

→ mod 5

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	6	12	3	9
1	10	1	7	13	4
2	5	11	2	8	14

↓ mod 3

ex:

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ x &\equiv 2 \pmod{5}. \end{aligned}$$

in general,

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^k C_i \left(\frac{M}{m_i}\right) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{M}{m_i}\right)_{m_i}^{-1} \left(\frac{M}{m_i}\right) x_i \pmod{M}.$$

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0						
1		1					
2			2				
3				3			
4							
5							

A 6x6 grid with a diagonal of numbers 0-5. The upper triangular area is shaded yellow. An arrow points from the cell at row 3, column 4 towards the bottom right.

1 Chinese Remainder Theorem Practice

In this question, you will solve for a natural number x such that,

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ x &\equiv 3 \pmod{5} \\ x &\equiv 4 \pmod{7} \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

(a) Suppose you find 3 natural numbers a, b, c that satisfy the following properties:

$$a \equiv 2 \pmod{3}; a \equiv 0 \pmod{5}; a \equiv 0 \pmod{7}, \tag{2}$$

$$b \equiv 0 \pmod{3}; b \equiv 3 \pmod{5}; b \equiv 0 \pmod{7}, \tag{3}$$

$$c \equiv 0 \pmod{3}; c \equiv 0 \pmod{5}; c \equiv 4 \pmod{7}. \tag{4}$$

Show how you can use the knowledge of a, b and c to compute an x that satisfies (1).

$$x = a + b + c.$$

$$x \equiv 2 + 0 + 0 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$x \equiv 0 + 3 + 0 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$x \equiv 0 + 0 + 4 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

(b) Find a natural number a that satisfies (2). In particular, an a such that $a \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ and is a multiple of 5 and 7. It may help to approach the following problem first:

(b.i) Find a^* , the multiplicative inverse of 5×7 modulo 3. What do you see when you compute $(5 \times 7) \times a^*$ modulo 3, 5 and 7? What can you then say about $(5 \times 7) \times (2 \times a^*)$?

$$\begin{aligned} a &\equiv 0 \pmod{35} \\ &\equiv 35 \end{aligned} \quad \boxed{a \equiv 35}$$

$$35 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$a^* \equiv (5 \times 7)^{-1} \pmod{3}$$

$$a^* \equiv 2.$$

$$140 \equiv 35.$$

(c) Find a natural number b that satisfies (3). In other words: $b \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$ and is a multiple of 3 and 7.

$$\begin{aligned} b &\equiv (3 \times 7)^{-1} \pmod{5} \\ &\equiv 21^{-1} \equiv 1^{-1} \equiv 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$b = b^* \times 3 \times 3 \times 7 = 63$$

(d) Find a natural number c that satisfies (4). That is, c is a multiple of 3 and 5 and $\equiv 4 \pmod{7}$.

$$\begin{aligned} c &\equiv (3 \times 5)^{-1} \pmod{7} \\ &\equiv 1^{-1} \pmod{7} \end{aligned}$$

$$c = c^* \times 4 \times 3 \times 5 = 60.$$

(e) Putting together your answers for Part (a), (b), (c) and (d), report an x that indeed satisfies (1).

$$x = 35 + 63 + 60 \equiv 158 \equiv 53 \pmod{105}$$

2 CRT Decomposition

In this problem we will find $3^{302} \pmod{385}$.

- (a) Write 385 as a product of prime numbers in the form $385 = p_1 \times p_2 \times p_3$.
 (b) Use Fermat's Little Theorem to find $3^{302} \pmod{p_1}$, $3^{302} \pmod{p_2}$, and $3^{302} \pmod{p_3}$.
 (c) Let $x = 3^{302}$. Use part (b) to express the problem as a system of congruences (modular equations $\pmod{385}$). Solve the system using the Chinese Remainder Theorem. What is $3^{302} \pmod{385}$?

Fermat's Little Theorem

For prime p ,

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

equiv. if $\gcd(a, p) = 1$,

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

(a) $35 \times 11 = 5 \times 7 \times 11$.

(b) $3^{302} \equiv (3^4)^k \cdot 3^2 \pmod{5}$
 $\equiv 1^k \cdot 3^2 = 3^2 \pmod{5}$

($302 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$)

$3^{302} \equiv 3^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$

($302 \equiv 2 \pmod{6}$)

$3^{302} \equiv 3^2 \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$

($302 \equiv 2 \pmod{10}$)

$x \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$

$x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$

$x \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$

4, 9, 14

2, 9, 16

$x \equiv 9 \pmod{35}$

$x \equiv 9 \pmod{385}$

$(a)_m^{-1}$

$\Rightarrow a^{-1} \pmod{m}$

$3^{302} \equiv 9 \pmod{385}$

$a = (7 \times 11)_5^{-1} \cdot 7 \times 11 \times 4 \equiv 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 4 \equiv 154$

$b = (5 \times 11)_7^{-1} \cdot 5 \times 11 \times 2 \equiv -1 \cdot 5 \cdot 11 \cdot 2 = -110 \equiv 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 11 \cdot 2$

$c = (5 \times 7)_{11}^{-1} \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 9 \equiv 6 \times 5 \times 7 \cdot 9 \equiv -35$

$[9]$