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**Complete Residue Theorem**

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Congruence: ① If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ ,  $d > 0$ ,  $d \mid m$ ,  
 $a \equiv b \pmod{d}$ .

Recall

Lcm

② A common multiple of  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$   
is a multiple by the lcm of  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ .

③ Assume that  $x \equiv y \pmod{m_i}$   $i=1, 2, \dots, r$

Then  $m_i \mid x-y$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, r$

$\Rightarrow x-y$  is a common multiple of  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r$

$\Rightarrow x-y$  is a multiple of  $[m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r]$ .

(i.e.)  $[m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r] \mid x-y$

$\Rightarrow x \equiv y \pmod{[m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r]}$

Conversely, assume that

$$x \equiv y \pmod{[m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r]}$$

Since each  $m_i \mid [m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r]$ ,

$$\underline{x \equiv y \pmod{m_i} \quad i=1, 2, \dots, r}$$

Remark

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \Leftrightarrow m \mid a-b \Leftrightarrow a-b \text{ is a multiple of } m.$$

(or  $a-b = km$  for some integer  $k$ )

Division algorithm -  $m$  is fixed  
 $m$ -divisor,  $a$  is any integer

Apply division algorithm on  $a$  and  $m$   
we get unique quotient  $q$  & remainder  $r$

$$\underline{0 \leq r < m} \Rightarrow r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1$$

$$a = qm + r$$

$$\Rightarrow a - r = qm$$

$$\Rightarrow m \mid a - r$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{a \equiv r \pmod{m}}$$

Theorem:

Let  $m > 0$  be fixed integer. Every integer  $a$   
is congruent  $\uparrow$   $\pmod{m}$  to unique integer among the  
numbers  $0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1$

Definition Complete residue system modulo  $m$ .

A set  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$  of  $m$  numbers is said to be a complete residue system modulo  $m$  if for every integer  $y$  there is one and only one  $x_j$  such that  $y \equiv x_j \pmod{m}$ .

Example: (1)  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1\}$  is a CRS (mod  $m$ )

$$A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, C = \{7, 15, 3, 4, 42, 76, 51\}$$

$x$	$r$
7	0
15	1
3	3
4	4
42	0
76	6
51	2

$$42 = 6 \cdot 7 + 0$$

$$76 = 10 \cdot 7 + 6$$

$$51 = 7 \cdot 7 + 2$$

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$$C = \{7, 15, 3, 4, 42, 76, 51\}$$

is not CRS (mod 7)

because 5 is not congruent to any one in  $C$ .

$$a \equiv r \pmod{7} \text{ (known)}$$

$$x \equiv r$$

$$a \equiv x$$

$$a \equiv b \Rightarrow m \mid b - a$$

$C = \{ 3, 4, 7, 15, 40, 51, 76 \}$   
CRS (verify) Yes.

$$42 \equiv 7 \pmod{7}$$

$$14 \equiv 42 \quad \& \quad 14 \equiv 7 \pmod{7}$$

unique congruence

Remark: A set of  $m$  integers forms a complete residue system modulo  $m$  if and only if no two integers in the set are congruent modulo  $m$ .

Remark  $m$ -fixed integer  $> 0$   
a is any integer.



The set of all integers  $x$  congruent to  $a \pmod{m}$  is the arithmetic progression  $\dots, a-2m, a-m, a, a+m, a+2m, \dots$

$$b \equiv a \pmod{m} \Leftrightarrow m \mid b-a \Rightarrow b-a = km \text{ for some int } k$$

$$\Leftrightarrow b = a + km$$

$$a + km$$

$$k=0, 1, 2, \dots, k=-1, -2, \dots$$

$$k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Residue class or congruence class (mod  $m$ )

(or) residue class of  $a$  (mod  $m$ )

is the set of all integers  $x$   
congruent to  $a$  (mod  $m$ )

$\dots, a-2m, a-m, a, a+m, a+2m, \dots$

$m=7, a=2$

Residue class of  $2$  (mod  $7$ )

$\dots, -19, -12, -5, 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, \dots$

$$x \equiv a$$

$$y \equiv a$$

$$\Rightarrow x \equiv y$$

$a$	residue class of $a \pmod{7}$
0	$\dots, -21, -14, -7, 0, 7, 14, 21, \dots$
1	$\dots, -20, -13, -6, 1, 8, 15, 22, \dots$
2	$\dots, -19, -12, -5, 2, 9, 16, 23, \dots$
3	$\dots, -18, -11, -4, 3, 10, 17, 24, \dots$
4	$\dots, -17, -10, -3, 4, 11, 18, 25, \dots$
5	$\dots, -16, -9, -2, 5, 12, 19, 26, \dots$
6	$\dots, -15, -8, -1, 6, 13, 20, 27, \dots$

The residue class of  $a \pmod{m}$   
is denoted by  $[a]$ .

Ex  $[0] = [7]$   
 $[1] = [8]$

Result  $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \Leftrightarrow [a] = [b]$

$a \not\equiv b \pmod{m} \Leftrightarrow [a] \cap [b] = \emptyset$

Remark: There are  $m$  distinct residue

$\{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$  is CRS (mod  $m$ ).

$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there is one and only one member congruent to  $x \pmod{m}$ .

NOT: ① Any two members of a CRS are not congruent mod  $m$ .

② A complete residue system (mod  $m$ ) has exactly  $m$  members.

Division Algorithm  
 $m$ -divisor

$$a \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\exists ! r$$

(remainder) s.t.

$$a = qm + r \Rightarrow a - r = qm$$

$$\Rightarrow a \equiv r \pmod{m}$$

$\{0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1\}$   
is complete residue system

$$r \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$[r] = \{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a \equiv r \pmod{m}\}$$

$[r]$  is a residue class  $\pmod{m}$

There are  $m$  residue classes  $\pmod{m}$   
which are mutually disjoint

and their union is the set of all  
integers

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Proof:  $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \Rightarrow b - a = mx$  for some  $x$   
 $\Rightarrow b = a + mx$

By the result.  $(a, m) = (a + mx, m) = (b, m)$

Remark: If  $(a, m) = 1$  and  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ ,  
then  $(b, m) = 1$ .

Relatively prime: Two integers  $a$  &  $b$   
are said to be relatively prime if  
$$\gcd(a, b) = 1.$$

Ex: For any integer  $n$ ,  $(n, n+1) = 1$   
 $n$  &  $n+1$  are relatively prime.

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 $a$  is prime to  $b$ .

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 $n$  &  $n+2$  are relatively prime.

Prove that  $(n, n+1) = 1$ . Also prove that

if  $n$  is odd,  $(n, n+2) = 1$ .

$d|n, d|n+1$

Hint:  $a|b$  &  $a|c$   
 $\Rightarrow a|bx+cy$ .

Remark: If  $a$  is prime to  $m$ , then any integer congruent to  $a \pmod{m}$  is also prime to  $m$ . (e)

if  $(a, m) = 1$  &  $b \equiv a \pmod{m}$ ,  $(b, m) = 1$

Suppose that  $\sigma$  is any integer such that  $(\sigma, m) = 1$ .

all integers belonging the residue class  $\pmod{m}$  are prime to  $m$ .

## Reduced residue system

A set  $\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n\}$  of integers is called reduced residue system (mod  $m$ ) if

(1) For each  $i$ ,  $(r_i, m) = 1$

(2) for any  $i, j$  with  $i \neq j$ ,  
 $r_i \not\equiv r_j \pmod{m}$

Remark:  $\nexists (a, m) = 1$ , there is a unique member  $r_i$  in a reduced residue system

(mod  $m$ ) such that  $a \equiv r_i \pmod{m}$ .

Consider CRS

remove all integers from CRS  
which is not relative prime to  $m$

$$m=10$$

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$$

↓ Reduce

$\{1, 3, 7, 9\}$  is a reduced residue system.

$$\text{Ex of RRS} = \{ r \mid 1 \leq r \leq m \text{ \& } (r, m) = 1 \}$$



Definition: The Euler  $\phi$ -function

$\phi(m)$  is the number of +ve integers less than or equal to  $m$  which are relatively prime to  $m$ .

$$\phi(m) = \# \left\{ r / 1 \leq r \leq m, (r, m) = 1 \right\}$$

$\phi$  is called <sup>the</sup> Euler  $\phi$ -function or the totient.

$$\phi(7) = \# \{ r \mid 1 \leq r \leq 7, (r, 7) = 1 \}$$

$$\phi(10) = 4,$$

$m$	$\phi(m)$	$m$	$\phi(m)$	$m$	$\phi(m)$
1	1	6	2	11	10
2	1	7	6	12	4
3	2	8	4	13	12
4	2	9	6	14	6
5	4	10	4	15	8

$$m=1, \quad 1 \leq r \leq 1 \Rightarrow r=1$$

$$(1, 1) = 1$$

Observation! ① If  $p$  is prime,

$$\phi(p) = p - 1$$

② If  $m = 2^k$ , for some  $k > 0$ ,

$$\phi(2^k) = 2^{k-1}$$

If  $p$  is odd prime,  $\phi(p^\alpha) =$

Theorem If  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m$  form a complete residue system  $\&$

$(b, m) = 1$  and  $c$  is any integer, then

$$\underline{a_1b+c, a_2b+c, \dots, a_mb+c}$$

form a complete residue system.

EX:  $\overset{m=12}{\{1, 2, \dots, 12\}}$  is a CRS (mod  $m$ )

$$b = 7, \quad c = 4$$



Theorem If  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_{\phi(m)}$  form a reduced residue system mod  $m$  &  $(b, m) = 1$ , then

$br_1, br_2, \dots, br_{\phi(m)}$  form a reduced residue system (mod  $m$ ).