

## **UNIT-I GROUPS AND RINGS**

**Groups: Definition and Properties-Homomorphism-Isomorphism-Cyclic groups-Cosets Lagrange's theorem.**

**Rings: Definition and examples-sub rings-Integral domain-Field-Integer modulo  $n$ -Ring homomorphism.**

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**UNIT I**  
**GROUPS AND RINGS**  
**PART-A**

**1. State any two properties of a group.**

Closure property:  $a*b \in G$ , for all  $a, b \in G$

Associative property:  $(a*b)*c = a*(b*c)$ , for all  $a, b, c \in G$

**2. Define Homomorphism of groups.**

Let  $(G, *)$  and  $(G_1, o)$  be two groups and  $f$  be a function from  $G$  into  $G_1$ . Then  $f$  is called a **homomorphism** of  $G$  into  $G_1$  if for all  $a, b \in G$ ,

$$f(a*b) = f(a) o f(b).$$

**3. Give an example of Homomorphism of groups.**

Consider the group  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ . Define  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  by  $f(n) = 3n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Here the function  $f$  is from the group  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  to  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$

Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  then we get  $n+m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and we have  $f(n+m) = 3(n+m) = 3n + 3m = f(n) + f(m)$

Hence the function  $f$  is a homomorphism.

**4. Define Isomorphism.**

Let  $(G, *)$  and  $(G', o)$  be two groups and  $f: G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism of groups then  $f$  is called a **isomorphism** if  $f$  is a bijective (one-to-one and onto) function.

**5. Give any two Example of Isomorphism.**

**Example:1**

Consider the function  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  by  $f(x) = x$ , Now we have to show that  $f$  is a homomorphism.

Take any two elements  $x, y$  belongs to  $\mathbb{Z}$ , Then  $x + y$  belongs to  $\mathbb{Z}$ , Hence  $f(x+y) = x + y = f(x) + f(y)$   
Hence  $f$  is homomorphism.

Since the function  $f(x) = x$  is bijective.  $f$  is an isomorphism.

**Example :2**

Consider the function  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  by  $f(x) = x$ . Take any two elements  $x, y$  belongs to  $\mathbb{Z}$ , Then  $x + y$  belongs to  $\mathbb{Z}$ , Hence  $f(x+y) = x + y = f(x) + f(y)$  Hence  $f$  is homomorphism.

Since the function  $f(x) = x$  is bijective.  $f$  is an isomorphism.

**6. Show that  $(\mathbb{Z}_5, +_5)$  is a cyclic group.**

| $+_5$ | [0] | [1] | [2] | [3] | [4] |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| [0]   | 0   | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4   |
| [1]   | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 0   |
| [2]   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 0   | 1   |
| [3]   | 3   | 4   | 0   | 1   | 2   |
| [4]   | 4   | 0   | 1   | 2   | 3   |

$$1^1 = 1$$

$$1^2 = 1 +_5 1 = 2$$

$$1^3 = 1 +_5 1^2 = 1 +_5 2 = 3$$

$$1^4 = 1 +_5 1^3 = 1 +_5 3 = 4$$

$$1^5 = 1 +_5 1^4 = 1 +_5 4 = 0$$

Hence  $(\mathbb{Z}_5, +_5)$  is a cyclic group and 1 is a generator.

**7. Prove that the group  $H = (\mathbb{Z}_4, +)$  is cyclic.**

Here the operation is addition, so we have multiplies instead of powers. We find that both [1] and [3] generate  $H$ . For the case of [3], we have

$$1.[3]=[3], \quad 2.[3]=[2], \quad 3.[3]=[1], \text{ and } 4.[3]=[0].$$

Hence  $H = \langle [3] \rangle = \langle [1] \rangle$ . Hence  $H = (\mathbb{Z}_4, +)$  is cyclic

**8. Prove that  $U_9 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8\}$  is cyclic group.**

Here we find that  $2^1=2, 2^2=4, 2^3=8, 2^4=7, 2^5=5, 2^6=1$ ,

So  $U_9$  is a cyclic group of order 6 and  $U_9 = \langle 2 \rangle$  and also true that  $U_9 = \langle 5 \rangle$

because  $5^1=5, 5^2=7, 5^3=8, 5^4=4, 5^5=2, 5^6=1$ .

**9. Define Left coset and Right coset of the group.**

If  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , then for each  $a \in G$ , the set  $aH = \{ah / h \in H\}$  is called a left coset of  $H$  in  $G$  and  $Ha = \{ha / h \in H\}$  is a right coset of  $H$  in  $G$ .

**10. Consider the group  $Z_4 = \{[0], [1], [2], [3]\}$  of integers modulo 4. Let  $H = \{[0], [2]\}$  be a subgroup of  $Z_4$  under  $+$ . Find the left cosets of  $H$ .**

$$[0] + [H] = \{[0], [2]\} = H$$

$$[1] + [H] = \{[1], [3]\}$$

$$[2] + [H] = \{[2], [4]\} = \{[2], [0]\} = \{[0], [2]\} = H$$

$$[3] + [H] = \{[3], [5]\} = \{[3], [1]\} = \{[1], [3]\} = [1] + H$$

$\therefore [0] + H = [2] + H = H$  and  $[1] + H = [3] + H$  are the two distinct left cosets of  $H$  in  $Z_4$

**11. State Lagrange's theorem for finite groups. Is the converse true?**

If  $G$  is a finite group and  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , then the order of  $H$  is a divisor of order of  $G$ .  
The converse of Lagrange's theorem is false.

**12. Define ring and give an example of a ring with zero-divisors.**

An algebraic system  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is called a ring if the binary operation  $+$  and  $\cdot$  satisfies the following conditions.

(i)  $(a+b)+c=a+(b+c) \quad a, b, c \in R$

(ii) There exists an element  $0 \in R$  called zero element such that  $a+0 = 0+a = a$  for all  $a \in R$

(iii) For all  $a \in R, a+(-a) = (-a)+a = 0, -a$  is the negative of  $a$ .

(iv)  $a+b = b+a$  for all  $a, b \in R$

(v)  $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$  for all  $a, b, c \in R$

The operation  $\cdot$  is distributive over  $+$  i.e., for any  $a, b, c \in R, a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c,$

$(b+c) \cdot a = b \cdot a + c \cdot a$  In other words, if  $R$  is an abelian group under addition with the properties (iv) and (v) then  $R$  is a ring.

Example: The ring  $(Z_{10}, +_{10}, \cdot_{10})$  is not an integral domain. Since  $5 \cdot 2 = 0$ , yet  $5 \neq 0, 2 \neq 0$  in  $Z_{10}$ .

**13. Define unit and multiplicative inverse of a Ring.**

Let  $R$  be a ring with unity  $u$ . If  $a \in R$  and there exists  $b \in R$  such that  $ab=ba=u$ , then  $b$  is called a multiplicative inverse of  $a$  and  $a$  is called a unit of  $R$ .

**14. Define integral domain and give an example.**

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with unity. Then  $R$  is called an integral domain if  $R$  has no proper divisors of zero.

Example:  $(Z, +, \cdot)$  is an integral domain and  $Q, R, C$  are integral domain under addition and multiplication

**15. Define Field and give an example.**

A commutative ring  $(R, +, \cdot)$  with identity is called a field if every non-zero element has a multiplicative inverse. Thus  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is a field if

(i)  $(R, +)$  is abelian group and

(ii)  $(R - \{0\}, \cdot)$  is also abelian group.

Example:  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is a field.

**16. Give an example of a ring which is not a field.**

$(Z, +, \cdot)$  is a ring but not a field, if every non-zero element need not a multiplicative inverse.

**17. Define Integer modulo  $n$ .**

Let  $n \in Z^+, n > 1$ . For  $a, b \in Z$ , we say that " $a$  is congruent to  $b$  modulo  $n$ ", and we write  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ , if  $n | (a - b)$ , or equivalently,  $a = b + kn$  for some  $k \in Z$ .

**18. Determine the values of the integer  $n > 1$  for the given congruence  $401 \equiv 323 \pmod{n}$  is true.**

$401 - 323 = 78 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 13$  there are five possible divisors ( $n > 1$ ), namely 2, 3, 6, 26, 39.

**19. Determine the values of the integer  $n > 1$  for the given congruence  $57 \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  is true.**

$57 - 1 = 56 = 2^3 \cdot 7$ . So there are six divisors, namely 2, 4, 8, 14, 28, 56

**20. Determine the values of the integer  $n > 1$  for the given congruence  $68 \equiv 37 \pmod{n}$  is true.**

$68 - 37 = 31$ , prime, consequently  $n = 31$ .

**21. Determine the values of the integer  $n > 1$  for the given congruence  $49 \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  is true.**

$49 - 1 = 48 = 2^4 \cdot 3$ . So there are nine possible values for  $n > 1$ , namely 2, 4, 8, 16, 3, 6, 12, 24, 48.

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## **UNIT-II-FINITE FIELDS AND POLYNOMIALS**

**Polynomial rings-Irreducible polynomial over finite fields-Factorization of polynomials over finite fields**

**1. Define polynomial.**

Given a ring  $(R, +, \cdot)$ , an expression of the form

$f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x^1 + a_0 x^0$ , where  $a_i \in R$  for  $0 \leq i \leq n$ , is called a polynomial in the indeterminate  $x$  with coefficients from  $R$ .

**2. Define Field.**

A field is a nonempty set  $F$  of elements with two operations '+' (called addition) and ' $\cdot$ ' (called multiplication) satisfying the following axioms. For all  $a, b, c \in F$ :

- (i)  $F$  is closed under  $+$  and  $\cdot$ ; i.e.,  $a + b$  and  $a \cdot b$  are in  $F$ .
- (ii) Commutative laws:  $a + b = b + a$ ,  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$ .
- (iii) Associative laws:  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$ ,  $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$ .
- (iv) Distributive law:  $a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$ .

**3. What is meant by a finite field?**

A field containing only finitely many elements is called a finite field, A finite field is simply a field Whose underlying set is finite. Eg:  $F_2$ , whose element 0 and 1.

**4. What is meant by polynomial ring?**

If  $R$  is a ring, then under the operations of addition and multiplication  $+$  and  $\cdot$ ,  $(R[x], +, \cdot)$  is a ring, called the polynomial ring, or ring of polynomials over  $R$ .

**5. Define root of the polynomial.**

Let  $R$  be a ring with unity  $u$  and let  $f(x) \in R[x]$ , with  $\deg f(x) \geq 1$ . If  $r$  and  $f(r) = z$ , then  $r$  is called a root of the polynomial  $f(x)$ .

**6. When do you say that  $f(x)$  is a divisor of  $g(x)$ ?**

Let  $F$  be a field. For  $f(x), g(x) \in F[x]$ , where  $f(x)$  is not a zero polynomial, we call  $f(x)$  a divisor of  $g(x)$  if there exists  $h(x) \in F[x]$  with  $f(x)h(x) = g(x)$ . In this situation we also say that  $f(x)$  divides  $g(x)$  and that  $g(x)$  is a multiple of  $f(x)$ .

**7. Find the roots of  $f(x) = x^2 - 2$  in  $\mathbb{Q}$ .**

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2 = (x + \sqrt{2})(x - \sqrt{2})$$

Since  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $-\sqrt{2}$  are irrational numbers,  $f(x)$  has no roots.

**8. Find all roots of  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$ .**

$$\mathbb{Z}_{12} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$$

$$f(0) = 0 + 0 = 0 \quad \therefore 0 \text{ is a root of } f(x)$$

$$f(1) = 1 + 4 = 5$$

$$f(2) = 4 + 8 = 12 = 0$$

So 2 is a root.

$$f(3) = 9 + 12 = 21$$

$$f(5) = 25 + 20 = 45$$

$$f(6) = 36 + 24 = 60 = 0$$

So 6 is a root

$$f(7) = 49 + 28 = 77$$

$$f(8) = 64 + 32 = 96 = 0$$

So 8 is a root.

$$f(9) = 81 + 36 = 117$$

$$f(10) = 100 + 40 = 140$$

$$f(11) = 121 + 44 = 165$$

Thus  $x = 0, 2, 6, 8$  are the roots of  $f(x)$

**9. State division algorithm**

Let  $f(x), g(x) \in F[x]$  with  $f(x)$  not the zero polynomial. There exists unique polynomials  $q(x), r(x) \in F[x]$  such that  $g(x) = q(x)f(x) + r(x)$ , where  $r(x) = 0$  or  $\deg r(x) < \deg f(x)$ .

**10. State the remainder theorem.**

The remainder theorem:

For  $f(x) \in F[x]$  and  $a \in F$ , the remainder in the division of  $f(x)$  by  $x - a$  is  $f(a)$ .

**11. Determine all polynomials of degree 2 in  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ .**

The polynomials are

- (i)  $x^2$
- (ii)  $x^2+x$
- (iii)  $x^2+1$
- (iv)  $x^2+x+1$

**12. State the factor theorem.**

If  $f(x)$  and  $a \in F$ , then  $x-a$  is a factor of  $f(x)$  if and only if  $a$  is a root of  $f(x)$ .

**13. Determine polynomial  $h(x)$  of degree 5 and polynomial  $k(x)$  of degree 2 such that degree of  $h(x)k(x)$  is 3.**

Choose  $h(x)=4x^5+x$  of degree 5 and  $k(x)=3x^2$  of degree 2. Then  $h(x)k(x)=(4x^5+x)(3x^2)=12x^7+3x^3=0+3x^3$  which is of degree 3.

**14. Define reducible and irreducible polynomials .**

Let  $f(x)$ , with  $F$  a field and  $\deg f(x) \geq 2$ . We call  $f(x)$  reducible over  $F$  if there exists  $g(x), h(x)$ , where  $f(x)=g(x)h(x)$  and each of  $g(x), h(x)$  has  $\deg \geq 1$ . If  $f(x)$  is not reducible it is called irreducible or prime.

**15. Give example for reducible and irreducible polynomials .**

The polynomial  $f(x)=x^4+2x^2+1$  is reducible. Since  $x^4+2x^2+1=(x^2+1)^2$   
The polynomial  $x^2+1$  is irreducible in  $\mathbb{Q}[x]$  and  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  but in  $\mathbb{C}[x]$  it is reducible.

**16. Verify the polynomial  $x^2+x+1$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_3, \mathbb{Z}$  irreducible or not.**

The polynomial  $x^2+x+1=(x+2)(x+2)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Z}_3$   
The polynomial  $x^2+x+1=(x+5)(x+3)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Z}_7$ .

**17. What is meant by monic polynomial?**

A polynomial  $f(x)$  is called monic if its leading coefficient is 1, the unity of  $F$ .  
Example:  $x^2+2x+1$

**18. When do you say that 2 polynomials are relatively prime?**

If  $f(x), g(x)$  and their gcd is 1, then  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are called relatively prime.

**19. What is the characteristic of  $R$ ?**

Let  $(R, +, \cdot)$  be a ring. If there is least positive integer  $n$  such that  $nr=0$  (the zero of  $R$ ) for all  $r \in R$ , then we say that  $R$  has characteristic  $n$  and write characteristic  $n$ . When no such integer exists,  $R$  is said to be characteristic 0.

**20. Find the characteristic of the following rings a)  $(\mathbb{Z}_3, +, \cdot)$  b)  $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +, \cdot)$  and  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$**

The ring  $(\mathbb{Z}_3, +, \cdot)$  has characteristic 3.  
The ring  $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +, \cdot)$  has characteristic 4  
 $\mathbb{Z}_3[x]$  has characteristic 3.

**21. Give an example of a polynomial  $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$  where  $f(x)$  has degree 8, is reducible but has no real roots.**

Choose  $f(x)=(x^2+9)^4$  is of degree 8, is reducible but has no real roots.

**22. Write  $f(x)=2x^5+5x^4+3x^3+4x^2+3x$  as the product of unit and three monic polynomials.**

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (2x^2+1)(5x^3-5x+3)(4x-3) \\ &= 2(x^2+4)(5x^3-x+2)(x-6) \\ &= 40(x^2+4)(x^3-x+2)(x-6) \\ &= 5(x^2+4)(x^3-x+2)(x-6) \end{aligned}$$

Here each polynomial is monic.

**23. If  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are relatively prime in  $F[x]$  where  $F$  is any field, show that there is no element  $a \in F$  such that  $f(a)=0$  and  $g(a)=0$**

Suppose there exists  $a \in F$  such that  $f(a)=0$  and  $g(a)=0$ . Then  $(x-a)$  would be a factor of both  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ . So  $(x-a)$  would divide the gcd of both  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ . But this is a contradiction since  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are relatively prime.

### UNIT-III DIVISIBILITY THEORY AND CANONICAL DECOMPOSITION

Division algorithm-Base b-representations-Number patterns-Prime and Composite Numbers-GCD-Euclidean algorithm-Fundamental theorem of arithmetic-LCM

### UNIT-III DIVISIBILITY THEORY AND CANONICAL DECOMPOSITIONS PART-A

**1. Write about divisible.**

An integer  $b$  is divisible by an integer  $a$ , not zero, if there is an integer  $x$  such that  $b = ax$ , and we write  $a/b$ . In case  $b$  is not divisible by  $a$ , we write  $a \nmid b$ .

**2. Define division algorithm.**

Given any integers  $a$  and  $b$ , with  $a > 0$ , there exist unique integers  $q$  and  $r$  such that  $b = qa + r$ ,  $0 < r < a$ . If  $a \nmid b$ , then  $r$  satisfies the stronger inequalities  $0 < r < a$ .

**3. Define greatest common divisor of  $b$ .**

The integer  $a$  is a common divisor of  $b$  and  $c$  in case  $a/b$  and  $a/c$ . Since there is only a finite number of divisors of any nonzero integer, there is only a finite number of common divisors of  $b$  and  $c$ , except in the case  $b=c=0$ . If at least one of  $b$  and  $c$  is not 0, the greatest among their common divisors is called the greatest common divisor of  $b$  and  $c$  and is denoted by  $(b, c)$ .

**4. Define Euclidean algorithm.**

Given integers  $b$  and  $c > 0$ , we make a repeated application of the division algorithm, to obtain a series of equations

$$\begin{aligned} b &= cq_1 + r_1, & 0 < r_1 < c \\ c &= r_1q_2 + r_2, & 0 < r_2 < r_1 \\ r_1 &= r_1q_3 + r_3, & 0 < r_3 < r_1 \\ &\dots\dots\dots & \dots\dots \\ r_{j-2} &= r_{j-1}q_j + r_j, & 0 < r_j < r_{j-1} \\ r_{j-1} &= r_jq_{j+1} \end{aligned}$$

The greatest common divisor  $(b, c)$  of  $b$  and  $c$  is  $r_j$ , the last nonzero remainder in the division process. Values of  $x_0$  and  $y_0$  in  $(b, c) = bx_0 + cy_0$  can be obtained by writing each  $r_i$  as a linear combination of  $b$  and  $c$ .

**5. Solve by Euclidean algorithm for  $b=288$  and  $c=158$ .**

$$\begin{aligned} 288 &= 158 \cdot 2 - 28 \\ 158 &= 28 \cdot 6 - 10 \\ 28 &= 10 \cdot 3 - 2 \\ 10 &= 2 \cdot 5 \end{aligned}$$

**6. Define least common multiple.**

The integers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ , all different from zero, have a common multiple  $b$  if  $a_i/b$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$ . The least of the positive common multiples is called the least common multiple [l.c.m.], and it is denoted by  $[a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n]$ .

**7. Define prime number.**

An integer  $p > 1$  is called a prime number, or a prime, in case there is no divisor  $d$  of  $p$  satisfying  $1 < d < p$ .

**8. Define Composite number with example.**

If an integer  $a > 1$  is not a prime, it is called a composite number. Eg: 4, 6, 8, 9, ...

**9. State the binomial theorem.**

For any integer  $n \geq 1$  and any real numbers  $x$  and  $y$   $(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k y^{n-k}$ .

**10. Define arithmetical function with example.**

A function  $f(n)$  defined for all natural numbers  $n$  is called an arithmetical function. Eg:  $x^2 + x - 3$

**11. Prove that if  $n$  is an even number, then  $3^n + 1$  is divisible by 2; if  $n$  is an odd number,  $k$  then  $3^n + 1$  is divisible by  $2^2$ ; if  $n$  is any number, whether even or odd, then  $3^n + 1$  is not divisible by  $2^m$  with  $m \geq 3$ .**

Since the square of an odd number minus 1 is a multiple of 8, when  $n=2m$  we have  $3^n - 1 = (3^m)^2 - 1 = 8a + 1$ , and therefore  $3^n + 1 = 2(4a + 1)$ . When  $n=2m+1$ , we have  $3^n + 1 = 3^{2m+1} + 1 = 3(8a + 1) + 1 = 4(6a + 1)$ . Since  $4a + 1$  and  $6a + 1$  are odd, the statement is true.

**12. Show that if  $1 < a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_{n-1} < a_n$ , then there exist  $i$  and  $j$  with  $i < j$ , such that  $a_i/a_j$ .**

Let  $a_i = 2^{n_i} b_i, n_i \geq 0$ ,  $b_i$  is odd. Since among  $1, 2, \dots, 2n$ , there are only  $n$  distinct odd numbers  $b_1, \dots, b_{n+1}$  are not all distinct, in other words, among them there are some equal odd numbers, Let  $b_i = b_j$ . Then  $a_i/a_j$ .

**13. Define square number with example.**

If an integer  $a$  is a square of some other integer, then  $a$  is called a square number. Eg: 4, 9, 16, ...

**14. Find the greatest common divisor of 525 and 231.**

$$\begin{aligned} 525 &= 2 \cdot 231 + 63 \\ 231 &= 3 \cdot 63 + 42 \\ 63 &= 1 \cdot 42 + 21 \\ 42 &= 2 \cdot 21 \\ \text{Therefore g.c.d.}(525, 231) &= 21 \end{aligned}$$

#### UNIT-IV-DIOPHANTINE EQUATIONS AND CONGRUENCES

Linear Diophantine equations-Congruence's-Linear congruence's-  
Congruence's applications-Divisibility tests-Modular exponentiation  
-Chinese remainder theorem-2x2 linear system.

#### UNIT IV DIOPHANTINE EQUATIONS AND CONGRUENCES PART A

**1. Define linear Diophantine equation.**

Any linear equation in two variables having integral coefficients can be put in the form  $ax + by = c$  where  $a, b, c$  are given integers.

**2. State about the solution of linear Diophantine equation.**

Consider the equation  $ax + by = c$  ----(1), in which  $x$  and  $y$  are integers. If  $a=b=c=0$ , then every pair  $(x, y)$  of integers is a solution of (1), whereas if  $a = b = 0$  and  $c \neq 0$ , then (1) has no

solution. Now suppose that at least one of  $a$  and  $b$  is nonzero, and let  $g = \gcd(a, b)$ . If  $g/c$  then (1) has no solution.

**3. Write the solution of  $ax + by = c$ .**

If the pair  $(x_1, y_1)$  is one integral solution, then all others are of the form  $x = x_1 + kb/g$ ,  $y = y_1 - ka/g$  where  $k$  is an integer and  $g = \gcd(a, b)$

**4. Define unimodular with example.**

A square matrix  $U$  with integral elements is called unimodular if  $\det(U) = \pm 1$ . Eg: Identity matrix

**5. Define Pythagorean triangle.**

We wish to solve the equation  $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$  in positive integers. The two most familiar solutions are 3,4,5 and 5,12,13. We refer to such a triple of positive integers as a Pythagorean triple or a Pythagorean triangle, since in geometric terms  $x$  and  $y$  are the legs of a right triangle with hypotenuse  $z$ .

**6. Write the legs of the Pythagorean triangles.**

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$$X = r^2 - s^2$$

$$Y = 2rs$$

$$Z = r^2 + s^2$$

**7. Define congruent and not congruent.**

If an integer  $m$ , not zero, divides the difference  $a-b$ , we say that  $a$  is congruent to  $b$  modulo  $m$  and write  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ . If  $a-b$  is not divisible by  $m$ , we say that  $a$  is not congruent to  $b$  modulo  $m$ , and in this case we write  $a \not\equiv b \pmod{m}$ .

**8. Define residue.**

If  $x \equiv y \pmod{m}$  then  $y$  is called a residue of  $x$  modulo  $m$ .

**9. Define complete residue**

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

**10. State Chinese Remainder Theorem.**

Let  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r$  denote  $r$  positive integers that are relatively prime in pairs, and let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r$  denote any  $r$  integers. Then the congruences

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1}$$

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{m_2}$$

$$\dots\dots\dots$$

$$\dots\dots\dots$$

$$x \equiv a_r \pmod{m_r}$$

have common solutions. If  $x_0$  is one such solution, then an integer  $x$  satisfies the congruences the above equations iff  $x$  is of the form  $x = x_0 + km$  for some integer  $k$ . Here  $m = m_1 m_2 \dots m_r$ .

**11. Define  $n$ -th power residue modulo  $p$ .**

If  $(a, p) = 1$  and  $x^n \equiv a \pmod{p}$  has a solution, then  $a$  is called an  $n$ -th power residue modulo  $p$ .

**12. Define Euler's criterion.**

If  $p$  is an odd prime and  $(a, p) = 1$ , then  $x^2 \equiv a \pmod{p}$  has two solutions or no solution according as  $a^{(p-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  or  $a^{(p-1)/2} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ .

## UNIT-V-CLASSICAL THEOREMS AND MULTIPLICATIVE FUNCTIONS

Wilson's theorem-Fermat's little theorem-Euler's theorem-Euler's phi-functions-Tau and Sigma functions

### UNIT V CLASSICAL THEOREMS AND MULTIPLICATIVE FUNCTIONS PART A

#### 1. State Wilson's theorem

The Wilson's theorem states that, if  $p$  is a prime, then  $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$

#### 2. State Fermat's theorem.

Let  $p$  denote a prime. If  $p \nmid a$  then  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . For every integer  $a$ ,  $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$ .

#### 3. State Euler's generalization of Fermat's theorem.

If  $(a, m) = 1$ , then  $a^{\phi(m)} \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$ .

#### 4. State Fermat's little theorem

If  $p$  is a prime and  $a \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ , then  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

#### 5. Explain the Exponent of an integer modulo $n$ .

Let  $n$  be a natural number  $> 1$  and  $a$  an integer prime to  $n$ . If the infinite sequence  $a, a^2, a^3, \dots \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ . Suppose that  $a^d$  is the first number in the sequence  $\equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ . Then  $a$  is said to belong to the Exponent of an integer modulo  $n$

#### 6. Define improper divisor of $n$

Every integer  $n$  is a divisor of itself. It is called the improper divisor of  $n$ . All other divisors of  $n$  are called proper divisors.

#### 7. Define Euler's Phi function

$\phi(n)$  is the number of non-negative integers less than  $n$  that are relatively prime to  $n$ . In other words, if  $n > 1$  then  $\phi(n)$  is the number of elements in  $U_n$ , and  $\phi(1) = 1$ .

#### 8. If $p$ is a prime, the only elements of $U_p$ which are their own inverses are $[1]$ and $[p-1] = [-1]$ .

Note that  $[n]$  is its own inverse if and only if  $[n]^2 = [1]$  if and only if  $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  if and only if  $p \mid (n^2 - 1) = (n-1)(n+1)$ . This is true if and only if  $p \mid (n-1)$  or  $p \mid (n+1)$ . In the first case,  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , i.e.,  $[n] = [1]$ . In the second case,  $n \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ , i.e.,  $[n] = [p-1]$ .

#### 9. Find the remainder of $97!$ When divided by $101$ .

First we will apply Wilson's theorem to note that  $100! \equiv -1 \pmod{101}$ . When we decompose the factorial, we get that:  $(100)(99)(98)(97!) \equiv -1 \pmod{101}$ . Now we note that  $100 \equiv -1 \pmod{101}$ ,  $99 \equiv -2 \pmod{101}$ , and  $98 \equiv -3 \pmod{101}$ .

Hence:  $(-1)(-2)(-3)(97!) \equiv -1 \pmod{101}$   $(-6)(97!) \equiv -1 \pmod{101}$   $(6)(97!) \equiv 1 \pmod{101}$ . Now we want to find a modular inverse of 6 (mod 101). Using the division algorithm, we get that:  $101 = 6(16) + 5$   $5 = 5(1) + 1$   $1 = 6 + 5(-1)$   $1 = 6 + [101 + 6(-16)](-1)$   $1 = 101(-1) + 6(17)$   
Hence, 17 can be used as an inverse for 6 (mod 101). It thus follows that:  $(17)(6)(97!) \equiv (17)1 \pmod{101}$   $97! \equiv 17 \pmod{101}$  Hence, 97! has a remainder of 17 when divided by 101.

**10. For prime  $p \geq 5$ , determine the remainder when  $(p-4)!$  is divided by  $p$ .**

By Wilson's theorem,  $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ . Therefore

$$-1 \equiv (p-1)(p-2)(p-3) \cdot (p-4)! \equiv -6 \cdot (p-4)! \pmod{p}.$$

If  $p = 6k + 1$ , multiplying both sides of the congruence by  $k$  gives  $(p-4)! \equiv -k = -(p-1)/6 \pmod{p}$ .

If  $p = 6k - 1$ , multiplying both sides of the congruence by  $k$  gives  $(p-4)! \equiv k = (p+1)/6 \pmod{p}$ .

**11. Find the remainder of 53! when divided by 61.**

We know that by Wilson's theorem  $60! \equiv -1 \pmod{61}$ . Decomposing  $60!$ , we get that:  $(60)(59)(58)(57)(56)(55)(54)(53)(52)51! \equiv -1 \pmod{61}$   $(-1)(-2)(-3)(-4)(-5)(-6)(-7)(-8)(-9)51! \equiv -1 \pmod{61}$   $(-362880)51! \equiv -1 \pmod{61}$   $(362880)51! \equiv 1 \pmod{61}$   $(52)51! \equiv 1 \pmod{61}$  We will now use the division algorithm to find a modular inverse of 52 (mod 61):  $61 = 52(1) + 9$   $52 = 9(5) + 7$   $9 = 7(1) + 2$   $7 = 2(3) + 1$   $1 = 7 + 2(-3)$   $1 = 7 + [9 + 7(-1)](-3)$   $1 = 9(-3) + 7(4)$   $1 = 9(-3) + [52 + 9(-5)](4)$   $1 = 52(4) + 9(-23)$   $1 = 52(4) + [61 + 52(-1)](-23)$   $1 = 61(-23) + 52(27)$  Hence 27 can be used as an inverse (mod 61). We thus get that:  $(27)(52)51! \equiv (27)1 \pmod{61}$   $51! \equiv 27 \pmod{61}$  Hence the remainder of 51! when divided by 61 is 27.

**12. What is the remainder of 149! when divided by 139?**

From Wilson's theorem we know that  $138! \equiv -1 \pmod{139}$ . We are now going to multiply both sides of the congruence until we get up to 149!:

$$149! \equiv (149)(148)(147)(146)(145)(144)(143)(142)(141)(140)(139)(-1) \pmod{139} 149! \equiv (10)(9)(8)(7)(6)(5)(4)(3)(2)(1)(0)(-1) \pmod{139} 149! \equiv 0 \pmod{139}.$$

Hence the remainder of 149! when divided by 139 is 0.

**13. Define congruence in one variable**

A congruence of the form  $ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$  where  $x$  is an unknown integer is called a linear congruence in one variable.

**14. Let  $p$  be a prime. A positive integer  $m$  is its own inverse modulo  $p$  iff  $p$  divides  $m + 1$  or  $p$  divides  $m - 1$ .**

Suppose that  $m$  is its own inverse. Thus  $m \cdot m \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . Hence  $p \mid m^2 - 1$ . then  $p \mid (m - 1)$  or  $p \mid (m + 1)$ .