

Quick Tips

① → use inverse for solving  $x$

$3x \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$   
 $(3^{-1})3x \equiv (3^{-1})1 \pmod{n}$   
 $x \equiv \dots$

② → when  $a \equiv b$

$A \equiv b \pmod{m}$  then  $[a-b] \equiv 0 \pmod{m}$   
 or  $m \mid [a-b] \Rightarrow d \mid m \Rightarrow [d \mid a-b] \Rightarrow a \equiv b \pmod{d}$

③ not prime any divisors of  $m$  also divide  $a-b$

③ All arithmetic except (division) holds

④ [Simplify]! first under mod  $m$

$a \equiv (a \bmod m) \pmod{m}$   
 $a \equiv b + ca \pmod{m}$   
 apply to all operations

Exponents: repeated squared

[CRT] Chinese remainder theorem

the "linear algebra" connection to mod

thing is on [basis]

First def:  $3, 5, 7$

$[a_1 \dots a_n]$  → range

$[m_1 \dots m_n]$  → pairwise coprime

$M = \prod m_i$

$x \equiv a_i \pmod{m_i}$  mod  $m_i$  excluded

$x = [a_1 \cdot b_1 \dots a_n \cdot b_n] \pmod{M}$

$\prod m_i$  (if)

$b_i \equiv 0 \pmod{m_i}$  if  $i \neq 1$

$b_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i}$  if  $i = 1$

$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1}$

after constructing basis ⇒ linear combination to retrieve  $x$

trick for large mod calc → (split into two parts) ⇒ perform calc on parts ⇒ combine back

$8^{100} \pmod{77}$

$8^{100} \equiv a_1 \pmod{7}$

$8^{100} \equiv a_2 \pmod{11}$

$a_1 = 1$   
 $a_2 = 64$   
 $\equiv 9$   
 $\equiv 81$

combine with  $(b_i)$

$a_1, a_2$   
 find  $b_1, b_2$   
 $x = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2$



(e)  $7^{21} \equiv x \pmod{11}$ .

↳ exercise → [apply repeated squaring]

## 2 When/Why can we use CRT?

Let  $a_1, \dots, a_n, m_1, \dots, m_n \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $m_i > 1$  and pairwise relatively prime. In lecture, you've constructed a solution to

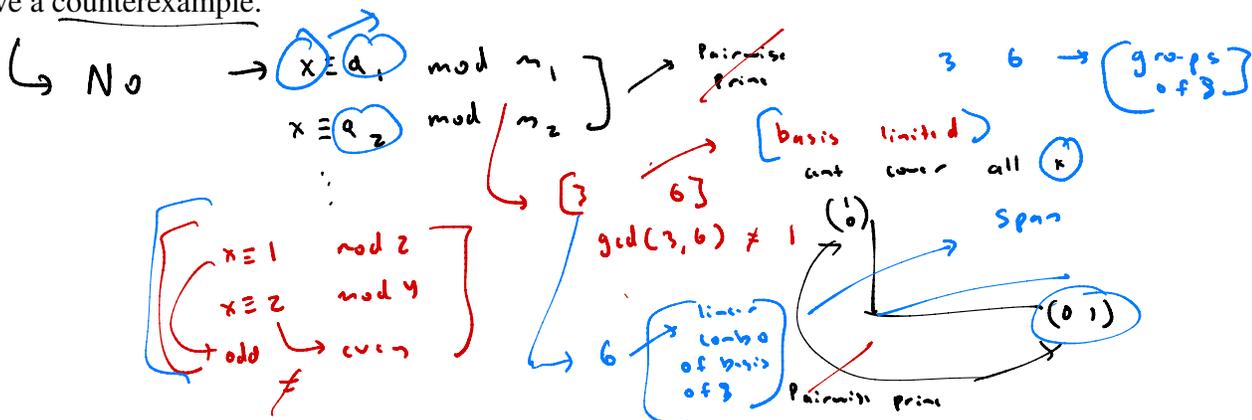
$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv a_1 \pmod{m_1} \\ &\vdots \\ x &\equiv a_n \pmod{m_n}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $m = m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdots m_n$ .

1. Show the solution is unique modulo  $m$ . (Recall that a solution is unique modulo  $m$  means given two solutions  $x, x' \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we must have  $x \equiv x' \pmod{m}$ .)

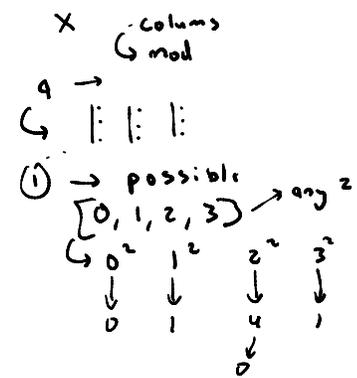
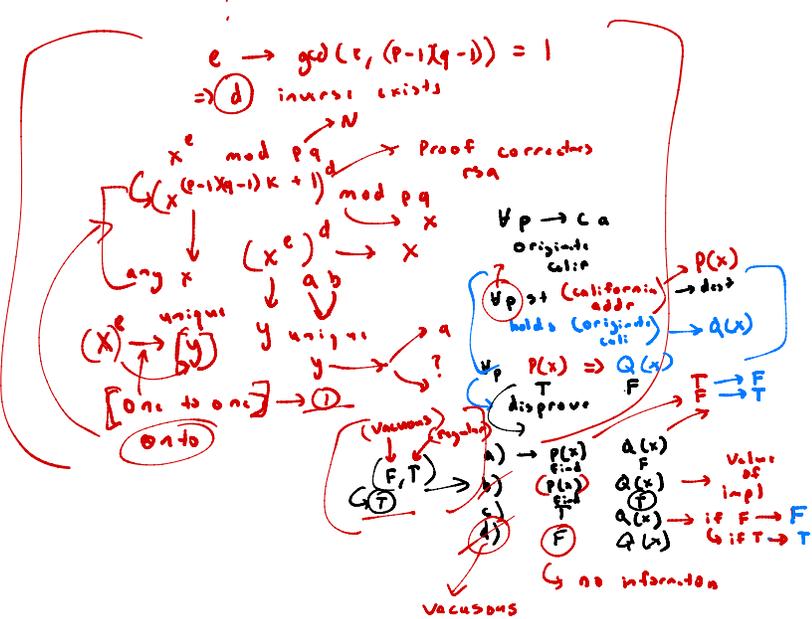
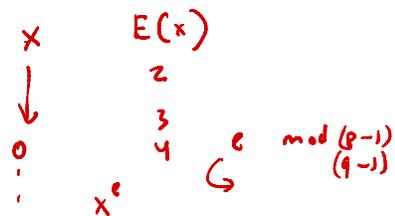
$\text{CRT} \rightarrow \text{if pairwise}$   
 $\hookrightarrow \{ \text{solution unique} \}$

2. Suppose  $m_i$ 's are not pairwise relatively prime. Is it guaranteed that a solution exists? Prove or give a counterexample.



3. Suppose  $m_i$ 's are not pairwise relatively prime and a solution exists. Is it guaranteed that the solution is unique modulo  $m$ ? Prove or give a counterexample.

NO



### 3 Mechanical Chinese Remainder Theorem

In this problem, we will solve for  $x$  such that

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$$

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

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

(a) Find a number  $0 \leq b_2 < 30$  such that  $b_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $b_2 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , and  $b_2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ .

(b) Find a number  $0 \leq b_3 < 30$  such that  $b_3 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $b_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , and  $b_3 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ .

(c) Find a number  $0 \leq b_5 < 30$  such that  $b_5 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $b_5 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , and  $b_5 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ .

(d) What is  $x$  in terms of  $b_2$ ,  $b_3$ , and  $b_5$ ? Evaluate this to get a numerical value for  $x$ .