

Algebra 411.2

Homework 2

Due Thursday September 29, in class.

All answers should be justified!

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[Division of integers.] Let n be a positive integer. By *dividing an integer N by n* we mean finding two integers q and r such that

- qn is the largest multiple of n which is still $\leq N$;
- $r = N - qn$ is the difference between N and this closest multiple of n which is not $> N$.

Then q is called the *quotient* for the of the division of N by n . Also, r is called the *remainder of N modulo n* , so we denote the remainder r by $R_n(N)$.

For instance if we are dividing $N = 17$ by $n = 7$ then $q = 2$ and $r = 3$ since we have $2 \cdot 7 \leq 17 < 3 \cdot 7$ and also $17 - 2 \cdot 7 = 3$. So, $R_7(17) = 3$.

1. [**Euclidean division.**] (a) Explain why for the division of N by n one has

- (1) $N = qn + r$.
- (2) $0 \leq r < n$.

(b) Find q and r when

- (1) $N = 351$ and $n = 11$,
- (2) $N = -21$ and $n = 11$,
- (3) $N = -351$ and $n = 11$,

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[Addition and multiplication modulo n .] For a positive integer n , denote by \mathbb{Z}_n the set of integers $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}$. We will define on \mathbb{Z}_n the operation $+_n$ of *addition modulo n* and the operation \cdot_n of *multiplication modulo n* by

- For $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ let $a +_n b \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{the remainder of dividing } a + b \text{ with } n$.
- For $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ let $a \cdot_n b \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{the remainder of dividing } a \cdot b \text{ with } n$.

[Group \mathbb{Z}_n .] We will show in class that $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$ is a group with neutral element 0. When we say “group \mathbb{Z}_n ” we mean the group $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$.

2. (a) Write the tables for operations $+_5$ and \cdot_5 on \mathbb{Z}_5 .
 (b) Write the tables for operations $+_9$ and \cdot_9 on \mathbb{Z}_9 .

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[Powers of elements of a group.] For an element g of a group (G, \circ) we define the non-negative powers of g by: zeroth power of g is e , the 1st power of g is g and for $n > 1$ the n^{th} power of g is $g \circ g \circ \cdots \circ g$ (the product of n copies of g).

3. In the group S_5 find all nonnegative powers of the permutation $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$.
 4. (a) Assume that $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$ is a group with neutral element 0. Find inverses of
 (1) 3 in $(\mathbb{Z}_{11}, +_{11})$,
 (2) 12 in $(\mathbb{Z}_{25}, +_{25})$,
 (3) 16 in $(\mathbb{Z}_{32}, +_{32})$,

- (b) Find all nonnegative powers of
 (1) element 3 in $(\mathbb{Z}_{15}, +_{15})$.
 (2) element 4 in $(\mathbb{Z}_{15}, +_{15})$.
 (3) element 5 in $(\mathbb{Z}_{15}, +_{15})$.

5. We will show in class that the subset $\mathbb{Z}_{15}^* \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 11, 13, 14\}$ of \mathbb{Z}_{15} is a group for the operation \cdot_{15} and the neutral element (unit) is 1. Find inverses of all elements.

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0. Read sections 4 and 5 in the book.