

MATH 55 WORKSHEET 9

- 1 Express the gcd of 34 and 55 as a linear combination of 34 and 55.

Euclid Algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} 55 &= 34 \cdot 1 + 21 \\ 34 &= 21 \cdot 1 + 13 \\ 21 &= 13 \cdot 1 + 8 \\ 13 &= 8 \cdot 1 + 5 \\ 8 &= 5 \cdot 1 + 3 \\ 5 &= 3 \cdot 1 + 2 \\ 3 &= 2 \cdot 1 + 1 \\ 2 &= 1 \cdot 1 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\gcd(34, 55) = 1.$$

Then by very difficult and unenlightening substitution, we arrive at

$$\boxed{55 \cdot 13 - 34 \cdot 21 = 1}$$

The interesting thing to see is that everything in this problem is a Fibonacci number!

- 2 Solve the linear congruence $34x \equiv 2 \pmod{55}$.

$$34x \equiv 2 \pmod{55}, \text{ so } \overline{34}34x \equiv 1 \equiv \overline{34} \cdot 2 \pmod{55}.$$

By (1) we see that $55 \cdot 13 - 34 \cdot 21 = 1$, so
 $-34 \cdot 21 \equiv 1 \pmod{55}$. So $\overline{34} \equiv -21 \equiv 34 \pmod{55}$

And $x = 34 \cdot 2 = 68 \equiv \boxed{13} \pmod{55}$

- 3 Find all solutions to: $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, $x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$, $x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$.

By CRT:
$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv \underbrace{1 \cdot (3 \cdot 5) \cdot \overline{(3 \cdot 5)}} + \underbrace{2 \cdot (2 \cdot 5) \cdot \overline{(2 \cdot 5)}} + \underbrace{3 \cdot (2 \cdot 3) \cdot \overline{(2 \cdot 3)}} \\ &= 1 \cdot 15 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 10 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 6 \cdot 1 \\ &= 53 \equiv \boxed{23} \pmod{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5} \end{aligned}$$

- 4 Find all solutions, if any, to: $x \equiv 7 \pmod{9}$, $x \equiv 4 \pmod{12}$, $x \equiv 16 \pmod{21}$.

We can't use CRT because 9, 12, and 21 aren't coprime.

But we can deduce from these three congruences that

$$x \equiv 7 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

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

$$x \equiv 16 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

Now use CRT on these new congruences:

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv 1 \cdot (28) \cdot \overline{(28)} + 0 \cdot (21) \cdot \overline{(21)} + 2 \cdot (12) \cdot \overline{(12)} \\ &= 1 \cdot 28 \cdot 1 + 0 + 2 \cdot 12 \cdot 3 \\ &= 100 \equiv \boxed{16} \pmod{84} \end{aligned}$$