Worksheet 4.1 and 4.2

Max's Lecture MATH 54

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Exercise A (from Charles). Let a, b, c be integers. If a|bc, is it the case that a must divide b or c?

Exercise B(from Ritvik). Prove that if a is any integer other than 0, can you think of a number that divides a? Can you think of a number that a must divide?

Exercise C. What are the quotient and remainder when 11 is divided by 4? What if -25 is divided by 4?

Exercise D. 4.1.21,22 Let m be a positive integer. Prove the following:

- 1. Let *m* be a positive integer. Show that $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ if $a \mod m = b \mod m$.
- 2. Show that $a \mod m = b \mod m$ if $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$.

Together, these two prove Theorem 2 in section 4.1

Exercise E (4.1.45). Show that if m is a positive integer of the form 4k + 3 for some nonnegative integer k, then m is not the sum of the squares of two integers.

Exercise F. Are the following true? Prove or disprove. In all cases, a, b, c, d are integers, and m is a positive integer.

- 1. If $ac \equiv bc \pmod{m}$ then $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$.
- 2. If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$, then $a^c \equiv b^d \pmod{m}$.

Exercise G. Try doing the following computations without using a calculator:

- 1. $6^{81} \mod 7$
- 2. $3^{18} \mod 5$

Exercise H (from charles). 1. Express 74 in base 2. Express 27 in hexidecimal.

2. Convert the binary number 10101 to base 4. Do the same for base 8. Can you guess a pattern?

Exercise I. Suppose that an integer is expressed in the standard decimal notation. How can you tell whether the number is divisible by 3? Why does your rule work?