

# MTH 4441 - HW #4 - Modulo Arithmetic (Solutions)

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1. Compute the congruent values modulo  $n$ :

(a)  $(26 + 35) \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{5}$

$26 + 35 = 61$  and 61 leaves a **remainder of 1** when divided by 5

Hence,  $(26 + 35) \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

**Alternatively:**

26 leaves a **remainder of 1** when divided by 5.

Hence,  $26 \pmod{5} \equiv 1$

**Also:**

35 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 5.

Hence,  $35 \pmod{5} \equiv 0$

Thus,  $(26 + 35) \equiv (1 + 0) \pmod{5} \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

i.e.,  $(26 + 35) \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

(b)  $(84 + 91) \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{13}$

$84 + 91 = 175$  and 175 leaves a **remainder of 6** when divided by 13

Hence,  $(84 + 91) \equiv 6 \pmod{13}$

**Alternatively:**

84 leaves a **remainder of 6** when divided by 13.

Hence,  $84 \pmod{13} \equiv 6$

**Also:**

91 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 13.

Hence,  $91 \pmod{13} \equiv 0$

Thus,  $(84 + 91) \equiv (6 + 0) \pmod{13} \equiv 6 \pmod{13}$

i.e.,  $(84 + 91) \equiv 6 \pmod{13}$

(c)  $(29 + 57) \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{6}$

$29 + 57 = 86$  and 86 leaves a **remainder of 2** when divided by 6

Hence,  $(29 + 57) \equiv 2 \pmod{6}$

**Alternatively:**

29 leaves a **remainder of 5** when divided by 6.

Hence,  $29 \pmod{6} \equiv 5$

**Also:**

57 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 6.

Hence,  $57 \pmod{6} \equiv 3$

Thus,  $(29 + 57) \equiv (5 + 3) \pmod{6} \equiv 8 \pmod{6} \equiv 2 \pmod{6}$

i.e.,  $(29 + 57) \equiv 2 \pmod{6}$

(d)  $(45 + 36) \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{12}$

$45 + 36 = 81$  and 81 leaves a **remainder of 9** when divided by 12

Hence,  $(45 + 36) \equiv 9 \pmod{12}$

**Alternatively:**

45 leaves a **remainder of 9** when divided by 12.

Hence,  $45 \pmod{12} \equiv 9$

**Also:**

36 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 12.

Hence,  $36 \pmod{12} \equiv 0$

Thus,  $(45 + 36) \equiv (9 + 0) \pmod{12} \equiv 9 \pmod{12}$

i.e.,  $(45 + 36) \equiv 9 \pmod{12}$

(e)  $(45 + 36) \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{9}$

$45 + 36 = 81$  and 81 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 9

Hence,  $(45 + 36) \equiv 0 \pmod{9}$

**Alternatively:**

45 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 9.

Hence,  $45 \pmod{9} \equiv 0$

**Also:**

36 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 9.

Hence,  $36 \pmod{9} \equiv 0$

Thus,  $(45 + 36) \equiv (0 + 0) \pmod{9} \equiv 0 \pmod{9}$

i.e.,  $(45 + 36) \equiv 0 \pmod{9}$

2. Compute the congruent values modulo n:

(a)  $(26 \cdot 35) \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{5}$

$26 \cdot 35 = 910$  and 910 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 5

Hence,  $(26 \cdot 35) \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$

**Alternatively:**

26 leaves a **remainder of 1** when divided by 5.

Hence,  $26 \pmod{5} \equiv 1$

**Also:**

35 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 5.

Hence,  $35 \pmod{5} \equiv 0$

Thus,  $(26 \cdot 35) \equiv (1 \cdot 0) \pmod{5} \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$

i.e.,  $(26 \cdot 35) \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$

(b)  $(84 \cdot 92) \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{13}$

$84 \cdot 92 = 7728$  and 7728 leaves a **remainder of 6** when divided by 13

Hence,  $(84 \cdot 92) \equiv 6 \pmod{13}$

**Alternatively:**

84 leaves a **remainder of 6** when divided by 13.

Hence,  $84 \pmod{13} \equiv 6$

**Also:**

92 leaves a **remainder of 1** when divided by 13.

Hence,  $92 \pmod{13} \equiv 1$

Thus,  $(84 \cdot 92) \equiv (6 \cdot 1) \pmod{13} \equiv 6 \pmod{13}$

i.e.,  $(84 \cdot 92) \equiv 6 \pmod{13}$

(c)  $(29 \cdot 57) \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{6}$

$29 \cdot 57 = 1653$  and 1653 leaves a **remainder of 3** when divided by 6

Hence,  $(29 \cdot 57) \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$

**Alternatively:**

29 leaves a **remainder of 5** when divided by 6.

Hence,  $29 \pmod{6} \equiv 5$

**Also:**

57 leaves a **remainder of 3** when divided by 6.

Hence,  $57 \pmod{6} \equiv 3$

Thus,  $(29 \cdot 57) \equiv (5 \cdot 3) \pmod{6} \equiv 15 \pmod{6} \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$

i.e.,  $(29 \cdot 57) \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$

(d)  $(45 \cdot 36) \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{12}$

$45 \cdot 36 = 1620$  and 1620 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 12

Hence,  $(45 \cdot 36) \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$

**Alternatively:**

45 leaves a **remainder of 9** when divided by 12.

Hence,  $45 \pmod{12} \equiv 9$

**Also:**

36 leaves a **remainder of 0** when divided by 12.

Hence,  $36 \pmod{12} \equiv 0$

Thus,  $(45 \cdot 36) \equiv (9 \cdot 0) \pmod{12} \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$

i.e.,  $(45 \cdot 36) \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$

(e)  $(45 \cdot 36) \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{8}$

$45 \cdot 36 = 1620$  and 1620 leaves a **remainder of 4** when divided by 8

Hence,  $(45 \cdot 36) \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$

**Alternatively:**

45 leaves a **remainder of 5** when divided by 8.

Hence,  $45 \pmod{8} \equiv 5$

**Also:**

36 leaves a **remainder of 4** when divided by 8.

Hence,  $36 \pmod{8} \equiv 4$

Thus,  $(45 \cdot 36) \equiv (5 \cdot 4) \pmod{8} \equiv 20 \pmod{8} \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$

i.e.,  $(45 \cdot 36) \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$

(f)  $(27 \cdot 36) \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{15}$

$27 \cdot 36 = 972$  and 972 leaves a **remainder of 12** when divided by 15

Hence,  $(27 \cdot 36) \equiv 12 \pmod{15}$

**Alternatively:**

27 leaves a **remainder of 12** when divided by 15.

Hence,  $27 \pmod{15} \equiv 12$

**Also:**

36 leaves a **remainder of 6** when divided by 15.

Hence,  $36 \pmod{15} \equiv 6$

Thus,  $(27 \cdot 36) \equiv (12 \cdot 6) \pmod{15} \equiv 72 \pmod{15} \equiv 12 \pmod{15}$

i.e.,  $(27 \cdot 36) \equiv 12 \pmod{15}$

3. Express the following integers as a “proper remainder” modulo  $n$ .

(a)  $26 \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{7}$

$26 = (3)(7) + 5$  (i.e., 26 leaves a “proper remainder” of 5 when divided by 7)

Hence,  $26 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$

**Alternatively:**

Since integers that are congruent to one another mod 7 are exactly those integers that differ from one another by a whole number multiple of 7, we can successively add or subtract multiples of **7**, until we get a number between 0 and 6 (i.e., until we get a number between 0 and  $(7 - 1)$ )

$26 \equiv 19 \pmod{7} \equiv 12 \pmod{7} \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$

Hence,  $26 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$

(b)  $-32 \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{5}$

$-32 = (-7)(5) + 3$  (i.e.,  $-32$  leaves a “proper remainder” of 3 when divided by 5)

Hence,  $-32 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$

**Alternatively:**

Since integers that are congruent to one another mod 5 are exactly those integers that differ from one another by a whole number multiple of 5, we can successively add or subtract multiples of **5**, until we get a number between 0 and 4 (i.e., until we get a number between 0 and  $(5 - 1)$ )

$$-32 \equiv -27 \pmod{5} \equiv -22 \pmod{5} \equiv -17 \pmod{5} \equiv -12 \pmod{5} \equiv -7 \pmod{5} \equiv -2 \pmod{5} \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

Hence,  $-32 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$

(c)  $-29 \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{7}$

$-29 = (-5)(7) + 6$  (i.e.,  $-29$  leaves a “proper remainder” of 6 when divided by 7)

Hence,  $-29 \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$

**Alternatively:**

Since integers that are congruent to one another mod 7 are exactly those integers that differ from one another by a whole number multiple of 7, we can successively add or subtract multiples of **7**, until we get a number between 0 and 6 (i.e., until we get a number between 0 and  $(7 - 1)$ )

$$-29 \equiv -22 \pmod{7} \equiv -15 \pmod{7} \equiv -8 \pmod{7} \equiv -1 \pmod{7} \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$$

Hence,  $-29 \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$

(d)  $15 \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{8}$

$15 = (1)(8) + 7$  (i.e., 15 leaves a “proper remainder” of 7 when divided by 8)

Hence,  $15 \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$

**Alternatively:**

Since integers that are congruent to one another mod 8 are exactly those integers that differ from one another by a whole number multiple of 8, we can successively add or subtract multiples of **8**, until we get a number between 0 and 7 (i.e., until we get a number between 0 and  $(8 - 1)$ )

$$15 \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$$

Hence,  $15 \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$

(e)  $-15 \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{8}$

$-15 = (-2)(8) + 1$  (i.e.,  $-15$  leaves a “proper remainder” of 1 when divided by 8)

Hence,  $-15 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$

**Alternatively:**

Since integers that are congruent to one another mod 8 are exactly those integers that differ from one another by a whole number multiple of 8, we can successively add or subtract multiples of 8, until we get a number between 0 and 7 (i.e., until we get a number between 0 and  $(8 - 1)$ )

$-15 \equiv -7 \pmod{8} \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$

Hence,  $-15 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$

(f)  $-25 \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{8}$

$-25 = (-4)(8) + 7$  (i.e.,  $-25$  leaves a “proper remainder” of 7 when divided by 8)

Hence,  $-25 \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$

**Alternatively:**

Since integers that are congruent to one another mod 8 are exactly those integers that differ from one another by a whole number multiple of 8, we can successively add or subtract multiples of 8, until we get a number between 0 and 7 (i.e., until we get a number between 0 and  $(8 - 1)$ )

$-25 \equiv -17 \pmod{8} \equiv -9 \pmod{8} \equiv -1 \pmod{8} \equiv -7 \pmod{8}$

Hence,  $-25 \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$

(g)  $23 \equiv \underline{\quad} \pmod{8}$

$23 = (2)(8) + 7$  (i.e., 23 leaves a “proper remainder” of 7 when divided by 8)

Hence,  $23 \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$

**Alternatively:**

Since integers that are congruent to one another mod 8 are exactly those integers that differ from one another by a whole number multiple of 8, we can successively add or subtract multiples of 8, until we get a number between 0 and 7 (i.e., until we get a number between 0 and  $(8 - 1)$ )

$23 \equiv 15 \pmod{8} \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$

Hence,  $23 \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$



4. Compute the congruent values modulo  $n$ :

(a)  $26^{10} \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{5}$

$26^{10} = 141167095653376$  and  $141167095653376$  leaves a **remainder of 1** when divided by 5

Hence,  $26^{10} \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

**Alternatively:**

26 leaves a **remainder of 1** when divided by 5. Therefore,  $26 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

Hence,  $26^{10} \equiv (1)^{10} \pmod{5} \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

i.e.,  $26^{10} \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

(b)  $26^{10} \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{12}$

This number is probably too large to deal with directly. So we replace 26 with its equivalent value mod 12.

26 leaves a **remainder of 2** when divided by 12. Therefore,  $26 \equiv 2 \pmod{12}$

Hence,  $26^{10} \equiv 2^{10} \pmod{12} \equiv 1024 \pmod{12} \equiv 4$  (because 1024 leaves a remainder of 4, when divided by 12)

i.e.,  $26^{10} \equiv 4 \pmod{12}$

(c)  $45^{14} \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{7}$

This number is probably too large to deal with directly. So we replace 45 with its equivalent value mod 7.

45 leaves a **remainder of 3** when divided by 7. Therefore,  $45 \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$

Hence,  $45^{14} \equiv 3^{14} \pmod{7} \equiv 4782969 \pmod{7} \equiv 2$  (because 4782969 leaves a remainder of 2, when divided by 7)

i.e.,  $45^{14} \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$

**Alternatively:**

$$45^{14} \equiv 3^{14} \pmod{7} \equiv 3^{3 \cdot 4 + 2} \pmod{7} \equiv 3^{3 \cdot 4} \cdot 3^2 \pmod{7} \equiv (3^3)^4 \cdot 9 \pmod{7} \equiv (3^3)^4 \cdot 9 \pmod{7}$$

$$\equiv \underbrace{(27)^4 \cdot 9 \pmod{7} \equiv (-1)^4 \cdot 9 \pmod{7}}_{27 \equiv 6 \pmod{7} \equiv (-1) \pmod{7}} \equiv 1 \cdot 9 \pmod{7} \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

i.e.,  $45^{14} \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$

(d)  $36^{25} \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{5}$

This number is probably too large to deal with directly. So we replace 36 with its equivalent value mod 5.

36 leaves a **remainder of 1** when divided by 5. Therefore,  $36 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

Consequently,  $36^{25} \equiv 1^{25} \pmod{5} \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$

i.e., $36^{25} \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$
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(e)  $36^{15} \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{8}$

This number is probably too large to deal with directly. So we replace 36 with its equivalent value mod 8.

36 leaves a **remainder of 4** when divided by 8.

Hence,  $36^{15} \equiv 4^{15} \pmod{8} \equiv 1073741824 \pmod{8}$

1073741824 leaves a remainder of 0 when divided by 8.

Therefore:  $36^{15} \equiv 4^{15} \pmod{8} \equiv 1073741824 \pmod{8} \equiv 0$

i.e., $36^{15} \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$
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**Alternatively:**

$$36^{15} \equiv 4^{15} \pmod{8} \equiv 4^{2 \cdot 7 + 1} \pmod{8} \equiv 4^{2 \cdot 7} \cdot 4^1 \pmod{8} \equiv (4^2)^7 \cdot 4 \pmod{8} \equiv \underbrace{16^7 \cdot 4 \pmod{8} \equiv 0^7 \cdot 4 \pmod{8}}_{16 \equiv 0 \pmod{8}}$$

$$\equiv 0 \pmod{8}$$

i.e., $36^{15} \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$
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(f)  $29^{11} \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{5}$

This number is probably too large to deal with directly. So we replace 29 with its equivalent value mod 5.

29 leaves a **remainder of 4** when divided by 5.

Hence,  $29^{11} \equiv 4^{11} \pmod{5} \equiv 4194304 \pmod{5}$

4194304 leaves a remainder of 4 when divided by 5.

Therefore:  $29^{11} \equiv 4^{11} \pmod{5} \equiv 4194304 \pmod{5} \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$

i.e., $29^{11} \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$
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**Alternatively:**

$$29^{11} \equiv 4^{11} \pmod{5} \equiv 4^{2 \cdot 5 + 1} \pmod{5} \equiv 4^{2 \cdot 5} \cdot 4^1 \pmod{5} \equiv (4^2)^5 \cdot 4 \pmod{5} \equiv (4^2)^5 \cdot 4 \pmod{5}$$

$$\equiv \underbrace{16^5 \cdot 4 \pmod{5} \equiv 1^5 \cdot 4 \pmod{5}}_{16 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}} \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

i.e., $29^{11} \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$
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