

HW #11 A, PART II SOLUTION

This solution uses methods presented in the handout:  
'Solving Simple Congruences'

The congruence under consideration is

$$788x \equiv 24 \pmod{1,647}.$$

1. In order to show that 1,415 is a  $\pmod{1,647}$  inverse of 788, we demonstrate that

$$(1,415)(788) \equiv 1 \pmod{1,647}.$$

Now,  $(1,415) \times (788) = 1,115,020$ .

So,  $((1,415) \times (788) - 1) = 1,115,019$

and  $1,115,019 = (1,647)(677)$ ,

so,  $1,647 \mid 1,115,019$ . That is,  $1,647 \mid ((1,415) \times (788) - 1)$ .

$\therefore (1,415)(788) \equiv 1 \pmod{1,647}$ .

Another way to prove that  $(1,415)(788) \equiv 1 \pmod{1,647}$  is to find that  $(1,415)(788) = (1,647)(677) + 1$ .

$\therefore (1,415)(788) \equiv 1 \pmod{1,647}$  by Theorem 8.4.1.

$\therefore 1,415$  is a  $\pmod{1,647}$  inverse of 788.

The solution for the second part of this assignment appears on the next page.

HW #11A, Part II Solution (continued)

2. The congruence under consideration is

$$\underline{788x \equiv 24 \pmod{1647}}.$$

In part 1, it was shown that 1415 is a  $\pmod{1647}$  inverse of 788.

Multiplying both sides of the congruence by 1415 (which is a  $\pmod{1647}$  inverse of 788), we obtain

$$(1415)(788x) \equiv (1415)(24) \pmod{1647}, \text{ by Thm 8.4.3.}$$

$$\text{Also, } (1415)(788x) \equiv ((1415)(788))x \equiv 1 \cdot x \equiv x \pmod{1647}$$

$$\text{Thus, } x \equiv (1415)(24) \equiv 33,960 \pmod{1647}.$$

(So, any integer congruent  $\pmod{1647}$  to 33,960 is a solution of this congruence.)

$$33,960 \equiv 33,960 \pmod{1647}.$$

So,  $x = 33,960$  is one solution.

$$33,960 = (1647)(20) + 1020 \text{ and } 0 \leq 1020 < 1647.$$

$\therefore 33,960 \equiv 1020 \pmod{1647}$ , by Theorem 8.4.1,  
and  $(33,960 \pmod{1647}) = 1020$ , by definition of the " $(k \pmod{1647})$ " function.

Thus,  $(33,960 \pmod{1647}) = 1020$  is also a solution.

In fact,

$$\underline{(33,960 \pmod{1647}) = 1020} \text{ is the least}$$

non-negative solution.

The Solution to Part II of the IIA assignment  
using the methods shown in class.

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Part II of IIA:

The congruence is  $788x \equiv 24 \pmod{1647}$ .

Since  $\gcd(788, 1647) = 1$ ,

this is a simple congruence  $Bx \equiv D \pmod{n}$   
with  $\gcd(B, n) = 1$ .

1. We verify that

1,415 is a  $\pmod{1647}$  inverse of 788.

$$(788)(1,415) = (1,647)(677) + 1,$$

$$\text{so, } (788)(1,415) \equiv 1 \pmod{1,647}.$$

$\therefore A = 1,415$  is a  $\pmod{1647}$  inverse of 788.

2. It was shown in class that  $x_0 = (1,415)(24)$   
is one solution of this congruence.

$$x_0 = (1,415)(24) = 33,960$$

$$\text{Check: } (788)(33,960) = (1,647)(16,248) + 24,$$

$$\text{so, } (788)(33,960) \equiv 24 \pmod{1,647} \text{ by} \\ \text{Thm 8.4.1.}$$

So,  $x_0 = 33,960$  is a solution of the congruence.

The least non-negative solution of this congruence

$$\text{is } x_1 = (x_0 \pmod{1,647}) = (33,960 \pmod{1,647}).$$

$$33,960 = (1,647)(20) + 1,020 \text{ and } 0 \leq 1,020 < 1,647$$

$$\text{so } (33,960 \pmod{1,647}) = 1,020.$$

So,  $x_1 = 1,020$  is the least non-negative solution  
of this congruence.