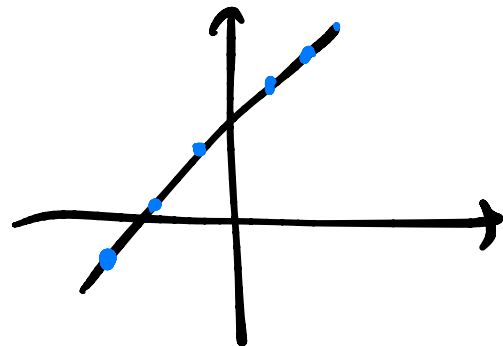

Abstract Algebra III

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Q: Can we prove $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \{a : \gcd(a, n) = 1\}$?

Yes.

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If $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, then can solve $ax + ny = 1$

$$\Rightarrow ax \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \equiv a^{-1} \pmod{n}$$

For the other direction

if $ax \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

$\Rightarrow \exists y \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $ax = 1 + yn$

$\Rightarrow ax - yn = 1 \quad x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$

so $\gcd(a, n) \mid 1$

Solve $4, 6$ $4x + 6y = 1$

this has no sol. because $2 \mid (4x + 6y)$
always if $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$4x + 6y = 2$$

$$6 = 4 + \textcircled{2} \text{ gcd}$$

$$4 = 2 \cdot \underline{2} + 0$$

$$4(-1) + 6(1) = 2$$

$$4x + 6y = 10$$

Chinese Remainder Theorem

$$R = \mathbb{Z} \quad n = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \dots p_r^{e_r} \quad \begin{array}{l} p_i \text{ PRIME, } p_i \neq p_j \text{ if } i \neq j \\ e_i > 0 \end{array}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/p_1^{e_1}\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/p_2^{e_2}\mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}/p_r^{e_r}\mathbb{Z}$$

(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r)

$$x \equiv a_1 \pmod{p_1^{e_1}}$$

$$x \equiv a_2 \pmod{p_2^{e_2}}$$

$$\vdots$$
$$x \equiv a_r \pmod{p_r^{e_r}}$$

Quiz 9

That's all for today!