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## 4.1 Divisibility & Congruence

Defn

let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $a \neq 0$ . We say  
a divides b iff  $b = ak$  for  
some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . notation:  $a|b$

Also say:  $a$  is a factor of  $b$

$a$  is a divisor of  $b$

$b$  is a multiple of  $a$

$b$  is divisible by  $a$

Ex.  $3 \mid 24$  since  $24 = 3 \cdot 8$

Ex.  $5 \nmid 21$  since  $21 \neq 5k$   
for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Theorem

Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then

(1)  $a \mid b \wedge a \mid c \rightarrow a \mid (b+c)$

(2)  $a \mid b \rightarrow \forall d : a \mid bd$

(3)  $a \mid b \wedge b \mid c \rightarrow a \mid c$

Proof of (1)

$$a|b \rightarrow b = ak_1 \text{ (some } k_1 \in \mathbb{Z})$$

$$a|c \rightarrow c = ak_2 \text{ (some } k_2 \in \mathbb{Z})$$

$$\rightarrow b+c = ak_1 + ak_2$$

$$\therefore b+c = a(k_1 + k_2)$$

$$\therefore a|(b+c) \text{ since } k_1 + k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$



Proof of (2)

Let  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then

$$a|b \rightarrow b = ak \text{ (some } k \in \mathbb{Z}\text{)}$$

$$\rightarrow bd = (ak)d$$

$$\rightarrow bd = a(kd)$$

$\therefore a|bd$  since  $kd \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  $\blacksquare$

Exercise Prove (3).

## Note

- $1|a$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- $a|a$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$
- $a|0$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$

## Corollary

Let  $a, b, c, m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then

$$a|b \wedge a|c \rightarrow a|(mb+nc)$$

Proof 1:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a|b \rightarrow a|mb \\ a|c \rightarrow a|nc \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow a|(mb+nc)$$

by (2)                      by (1)



Proof 2

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a|b \rightarrow b = ak_1 \rightarrow mb = a(mk_1) \\ a|c \rightarrow c = ak_2 \rightarrow nc = a(nk_2) \end{array} \right\}$$

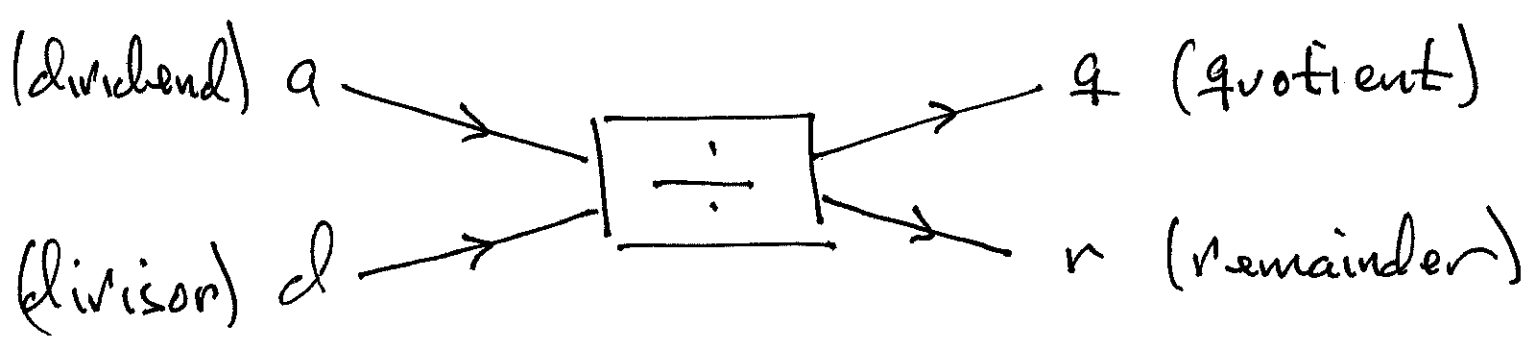
$$mb+nc = a(mk_1) + a(nk_2) = a(\underbrace{mk_1+nk_2}_{\in \mathbb{Z}})$$

$\therefore a|(mb+nc)$



# Integer Division

is an op. with 2 inputs  $\frac{1}{2}$   
2 outputs



## Theorem (Division Algorithm)

Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $d \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then there exist unique  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

\*  $a = dq + r$  and  $0 \leq r < d$

Proof of existence

Let  $q = \lfloor \frac{a}{d} \rfloor$  and  $r = a - dq$ .

Then  $\boxed{a = dq + r}$  and

$$q \leq \frac{a}{d} < q + 1$$

$$\therefore dq \leq a < dq + d$$

$$\therefore 0 \leq a - dq < d$$

$$\therefore \boxed{0 \leq r < d} \quad \blacksquare$$

Alternate defn of  $q$ :

$$q = \max\{j \in \mathbb{Z} \mid dj \leq a\}$$

$$\therefore dq \leq a < d(q+1) = dq + d$$

Exercise

Prove uniqueness, i.e. show that  
it also

$$a = d q' + r' \text{ and } 0 \leq r' < d$$

then show  $q' = q$  and  $r' = r$ .

Ex.

$$\bullet \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} 123 & = & 12 \cdot 10 & + & 3 & , & 0 \leq 3 < 12 \\ a & & d \cdot q & & r & & \end{array}$$

$$\bullet \quad 91 = 11 \cdot 8 + 3, \quad 0 \leq 3 < 11$$

$$\bullet \quad -35 = 8(-5) + 5, \quad 0 \leq 5 < 8$$

Defn

let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . we say

$a$  is congruent to  $b$  modulo  $m$  iff

$$m \mid (a-b)$$

notation.  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

alternate notation!  $a \equiv_m b$

Ex.

$$\bullet 8 \equiv 22 \pmod{7} \text{ since } 7 \mid (8-22) = -14$$

$$\bullet 51 \equiv 18 \pmod{11} \text{ since } 11 \mid (51-18) = 33$$

$$\bullet 13 \equiv -7 \pmod{10} \text{ since } 10 \mid (13 - (-7)) = 20$$

Theorem

$a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  iff  $a = b + km$ , for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Proof

$$a \equiv_m b$$

$$\iff m \mid (a-b)$$

$$\iff a-b = km \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\iff a = b + km \text{ " " " "}$$

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Theorem

$a \equiv b \pmod{m}$   $\begin{matrix} \rightarrow \\ \text{iff} \\ \leftarrow \end{matrix}$   $a$  and  $b$  have

same remainder upon division by  $m$ .