

PROBLEM 1. When is $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$? $a \equiv b \pmod{1}$? $a \equiv b \pmod{0}$?

PROBLEM 2. What are the last two digits of $99^{100000^{100000}+2021}$?

PROBLEM 3. Recall the equivalence relation from the mini-lecture: having fixed $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, we say $a \sim b$ if $a - b = kn$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. In other words, $a \sim b$ if and only if $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$. Take $n > 0$, for convenience.

- (i) Show that $\sim$ is an equivalence relation.
- (ii) State the division algorithm for integers a and n , and use it to determine the number of equivalence classes for $\sim$.

PROBLEM 4. Suppose $a \equiv a' \pmod{n}$ and $b \equiv b' \pmod{n}$.

- (i) Prove that $a + b \equiv a' + b' \pmod{n}$.
- (ii) Prove that $ab \equiv a'b' \pmod{n}$.

PROBLEM 5. (If you have extra time.) Let $V := \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ for some positive integer n , and fix $a \in V$. Let $G(a, n)$ be the directed graph with vertex set V and with an edge from b to c if $c = b + a \pmod{n}$. Draw this graph for various a and n , and try to deduce its general structure.