

The Ninth Grade Math Competition Class
Modular Arithmetic
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1. The remainders when two natural numbers are divided by 12 are 5 and 9. (a) Find the remainder when their product is divided by 12. (b) Find the remainder when their product is divided by 4.

2. Is $21^{100} - 12^{100}$ a multiple of 11?

3. Find the remainder when $24^{50} - 15^{50}$ is divided by 13.

4. Find the tens and units digits of 7^{2006} .

5. Find the remainder when $1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \cdots + 99^2$ is divided by 13.

6. Find the remainder when $9^{42} - 5^{42}$ is divided by 7.

7. Find the remainder when 7^{255} is divided by 11.

$$3^{2020} \pmod{10} \qquad 7^{255} \pmod{11}$$

$$3^1 = 3$$

$$3^2 = 9$$

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Fermat's Little Theorem

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \quad \begin{array}{l} a \text{ is any \#} \\ p \text{ is a prime} \end{array}$$

$$a=7, p=11$$

$$7^{10} \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

$$7^{255} \equiv 7^{25 \cdot 10} \cdot 7^5 \equiv (7^{10})^{25} \cdot 7^5 \equiv 7^5 \pmod{11}$$

8. Find the last two digits of 99^{2005} .

$$99^{2005} \pmod{100} = -1 \pmod{100}$$

$$99 \equiv -1 \pmod{100}$$

$$(-1)^{2005} \equiv -1 \pmod{100}$$

9. A natural number n , has a unit digit of A when expressed in base 12. Find the remainder when n^2 is divided by 6.

$$49 \pmod{10} = 9$$

$$n_{12} \pmod{12} = 10$$

$$n \equiv 10 \pmod{12}$$

$$n^2 \equiv 100 \pmod{12}$$

$$n^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{12}$$

$$n^2 - 4 = 12k$$

$$n^2 = 12k + 4$$

$$n^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{6}$$