

Name: Solutions

Directions: Show all work. No credit for answers without work.

1. [3 points] Give the addition and multiplication tables for
- $\mathbb{Z}_5$
- .

+	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	1	2	3	4
1	1	2	3	4	0
2	2	3	4	0	1
3	3	4	0	1	2
4	4	0	1	2	3

x	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4
2	0	2	4	1	3
3	0	3	1	4	2
4	0	4	3	2	1

2. [2 parts, 2 points each] Compute the following. Your answer should be an integer in the set
- $\{0, 1, \dots, m-1\}$
- , where
- $m$
- is the modulus in the given problem.

(a)  $297 + 561 \pmod{48}$

$$297 = (6)(48) + 9, \quad 297 \equiv 9 \pmod{48}$$

$$561 = (11)(48) + 33, \quad 561 \equiv 33 \pmod{48}$$

$$297 + 561 \equiv 9 + 33 \pmod{48}$$

$$\equiv \boxed{42}$$

(b)  $136 \cdot (-524) \pmod{87}$

$$136 = (1)(87) + 49, \quad 136 \equiv 49 \pmod{87}$$

$$-524 = (-6)(87) - 2, \quad -524 \equiv -2 \pmod{87}$$

$$136 \cdot (-524) \equiv (49) \cdot (-2) \pmod{87}$$

$$\equiv -98$$

$$\equiv -11$$

$$\equiv \boxed{76}$$

3. Let
- $a, b, c, m \in \mathbb{Z}$
- with
- $m \geq 1$
- . X

- (a) [1 point] According to the definition, what does
- $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$
- mean?

It means  $m \mid b-a$  or  $b-a = km$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

- (b) [2 points] Prove that if
- $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$
- and
- $b \equiv c \pmod{m}$
- , then
- $a \equiv c \pmod{m}$
- .

Since  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $b \equiv c \pmod{m}$ , we know that

$$b-a = k_1 m \quad \text{and} \quad c-b = k_2 m \quad \text{for some } k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Adding these gives  $(c-b) + (b-a) = k_2 m + k_1 m$ , or  $c-a = (k_2 + k_1)m$ .

Since  $m \mid c-a$ , it follows that  $a \equiv c \pmod{m}$ .  $\square$