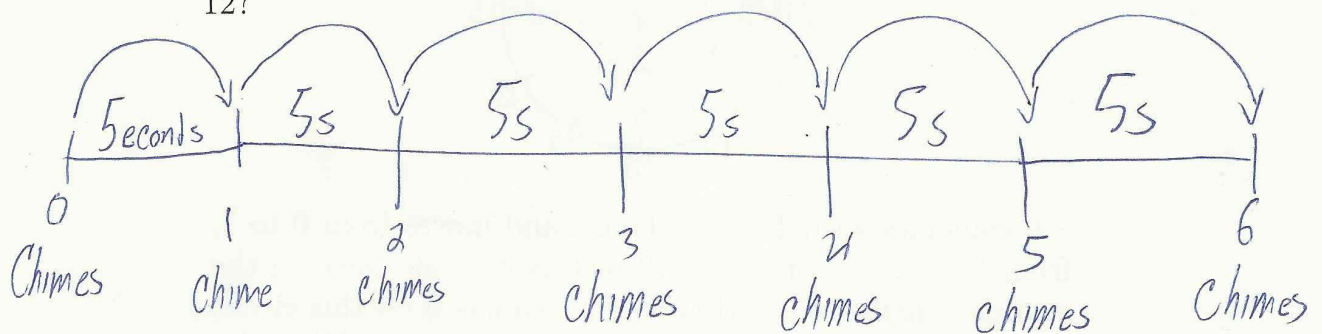


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Problem 1. It takes a grandfather's clock 30 seconds to chime 6 o'clock. Assuming that the time of each chime is negligible compared to the time intervals between the chimes, how much time would it take the clock to chime 12?



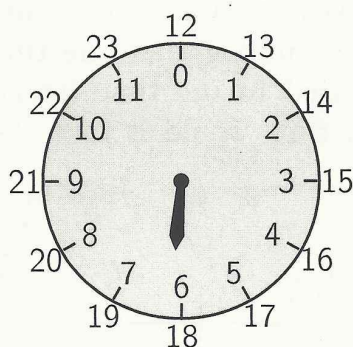
* It takes 5 seconds per chime.

$$5 \frac{\text{seconds}}{\text{chime}} \cdot 12 \text{ chimes} = 60 \text{ seconds.}$$

It would take 60 seconds to
chime 12 o'clock

Clock Arithmetic or a Circle as a Number Line

One way to turn a circle into a number line is to divide it into twelve equal parts. In this case, one step is usually called one hour.



0 coincides with 12. The hour hand moves from 0 to 1, from 1 to 2, ... from 11 to 12 just as it would have on the straight number line. However, 12 equals 0 on this circle, so there it goes again, from 1 to 2, and so on. We write down the fact that 12 equals 0 as

$$(0.1) \quad 12 \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$$

and read it as *12 is congruent to 0 modulo 12*. The usual “=” sign is reserved for the straight number line; we use “ \equiv ” on the circle instead. The *mod* 12 symbol tells us that the circle is divided into 12 equal parts, so 12 coincides with 0, 13 – with 1, 14 – with 2, and so on. Or in the new notations,

$$13 \equiv 1 \pmod{12}, \quad 14 \equiv 2 \pmod{12}, \dots, \quad 23 \equiv 11 \pmod{12},$$

$$24 \equiv 12 \equiv 0 \pmod{12}.$$

Problem 2. Divide the following numbers by 12, and write the remainders of the divisions.

$$15 \div 12 = \underline{1} R \underline{3} \text{ (because } 15 = (12 \times \underline{1}) + \underline{3})$$

$$21 \div 12 = \underline{1} R \underline{9}$$

$$37 \div 12 = \underline{3} R \underline{1}$$

$$46 \div 12 = \underline{3} R \underline{10}$$

$$80 \div 12 = \underline{6} R \underline{8}$$

Now, write down the modular congruencies for the following numbers.

$$15 \pmod{12} \equiv 3$$

$$21 \pmod{12} \equiv 9$$

$$37 \pmod{12} \equiv 1$$

$$46 \pmod{12} \equiv 10$$

$$80 \pmod{12} \equiv 8$$

* Notice
the
relationships

These are remainders
after division.

Problem 3. Write down the modular congruencies for the following additions.

$$9 + 4 \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$$

$$18 + 8 \equiv 2 \pmod{12}$$

* Add the numbers ($9+4=13$), then take the mod ($13 \bmod 12 = 1 \bmod 12$)

When subtracting two numbers 'a' and 'b', finding $a - b$ means finding a number 'c' such that $c + b = a$.

For example, $5 - 3 = 2$ because when you add 2 to 3, you get 5.

The same occurs with modular arithmetic.

Write down the modular congruencies for the following subtractions.

$$8 - 3 \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$$

$$1 - 11 \equiv 2 \pmod{12}$$

$$4 - 15 \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$$

* Subtract the numbers ($8-3=5$), then take the mod ($5 \bmod 12 = 5 \bmod 12$)

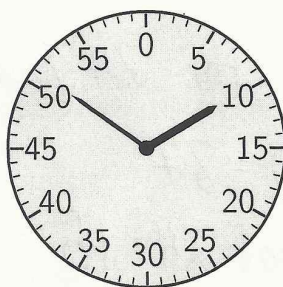
* To find the mod of negative numbers (like $-10 \bmod 12$), keep adding the mod base until you have a positive number.
Example:

$$(-10) \bmod 12 = (-10 + 12) \bmod 12 = 2 \bmod 12$$

↑
Add together

↑
The number is positive, so stop

Another standard way to turn a circle into a number line is to divide it into 60 equal parts. Depending on the situation, the unit step is called either a minute or a second.



All the numbers living on this number line are considered modulo 60. In particular, $60 \equiv 0 \pmod{60}$. There are 60 minutes in an hour.

Problem 4.

$$72 \equiv 12 \pmod{60}$$

$$135 \equiv 15 \pmod{60}$$

$$55 + 55 \equiv 0 \pmod{60}$$

$$-15 \equiv 45 \pmod{60}$$

$$240 - 59 \equiv 1 \pmod{60}$$

Problem 5. An experiment in a biological lab starts at 7:00 AM and runs for 80 hours. What time will it end?

* Hint: Use 24 hour clock (where 1pm = 13)

7am = 7 on the 24 hour clock

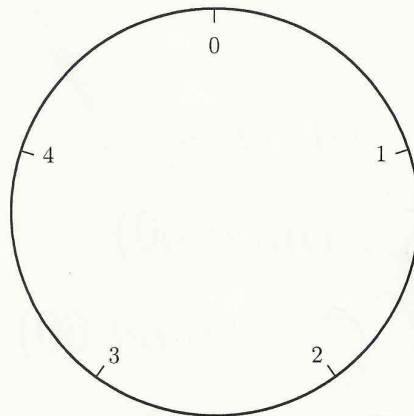
$$7 + 80 = 87$$

$$87 \bmod 24 = 15$$

15 = 3pm on 12-hour clock.

The experiment will end at 3pm

In the following problems, we will consider the *mod 5* arithmetic, that of a circle divided into five equal parts.



Problem 6. Write down the modular congruencies for the following multiplication problems.

$$2 \times 3 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$4 \times 4 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

$$5 \times 7 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$$

* Multiply first
and then take
the mod of that number
Ex: $2 \times 3 = 6$ then
 $6 \bmod 5 = 1$

Similar to how subtraction is related to addition, division is related to multiplication. Finding $a \div b$ means finding a number 'c' such that
 $b \times c = a$.

For example, $6 \div 3 = 2$ because $3 \times 2 = 6$.

Write down the modular congruencies for the following division problems.

$$1 \div 2 \equiv 3 \pmod{5} \text{ (Because } 3 \times 2 = 6 \text{ and } 6 \bmod 5 = 1)$$

$$1 \div 3 \equiv 2 \pmod{5} \quad \downarrow$$

$$1 \div 4 \equiv 4 \pmod{5} \text{ (Because } 4 \times 4 = 16 \text{ and } 16 \bmod 5 = 1)$$

Problem 7. Write down the modular congruencies using "mod (your age)".

$$11 + 39 \equiv 4 \pmod{23}$$

$$22 + 17 \equiv 16 \pmod{23}$$

$$33 - 11 \equiv 22 \pmod{23}$$

$$2 - 50 \equiv 21 \pmod{23}$$

$$1 \times 10 \equiv 10 \pmod{23}$$

$$4 \times 4 \equiv 16 \pmod{23}$$

	mod 8	mod 9	mod 10	mod 11	mod 12
11 + 39	2	5	0	6	2
22 + 17	7	3	9	6	3
33 - 11	6	4	2	0	10
2 - 50	0	6	2	7	0
1 × 10	2	1	0	10	10
4 × 4	0	7	6	5	4