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Week 2

$\mathbb{Z} = \{0, 1, -1, 2, -2, 3, -3, \dots\}$
is the set of integers.

Def 1: Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $a \neq 0$.
We say that a divides b if
there exists $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ where $b = ak$.
If such a k exists then we write

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$a \mid b$ and say that
a is a factor or divisor
of b.

If there is no such k
then we say that a
does not divide b and

write $a \nmid b$.

Ex 2 $2 \mid 8$ since

$$8 = (2)(4)$$

k

Ex 3 $3 \nmid 7$

since there is no integer k

with $7 = 3k$ [you'd need $k = \frac{7}{3}$
which isn't an integer.]

Theorem 4 (Division Algorithm)

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $b > 0$

then there exists unique

$$q, r \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ with } a = bq + r$$

and $0 \leq r < b$.

Ex 5

$$a = 133$$

$$b = 21$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 21 \overline{) 133} \\ \underline{-126} \\ 7 \end{array}$$

6 ← q
7 ← r

$$133 = (21)(6) + 7$$

$$a = bq + r$$

Def 6

Let $a, b, n \geq 2$. a is congruent to b modulo n if $n \mid (a - b)$

a is congruent to b modulo n if $n \mid (a - b)$

if $n \mid (a - b)$

and $0 \leq r < n$
 $0 \leq r < b$

Def 6

Let $a, b, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $n \geq 2$. We say that a is congruent to b modulo n

if $n \mid (a-b)$. If this is so then we write $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$.

If $n \nmid (a-b)$ then we write $a \not\equiv b \pmod{n}$.

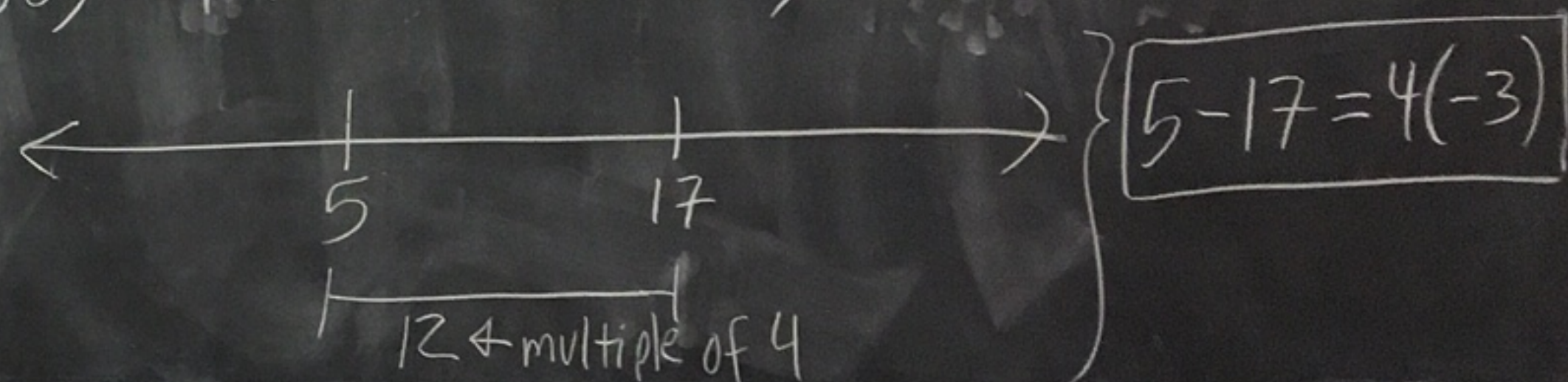
and
 $0 \leq r < n$
 $0 \leq r < b$

Ex 7: $n = 4$
 $a = 5$
 $b = 17$

$$5 - 17 = -12 = 4(-3)$$

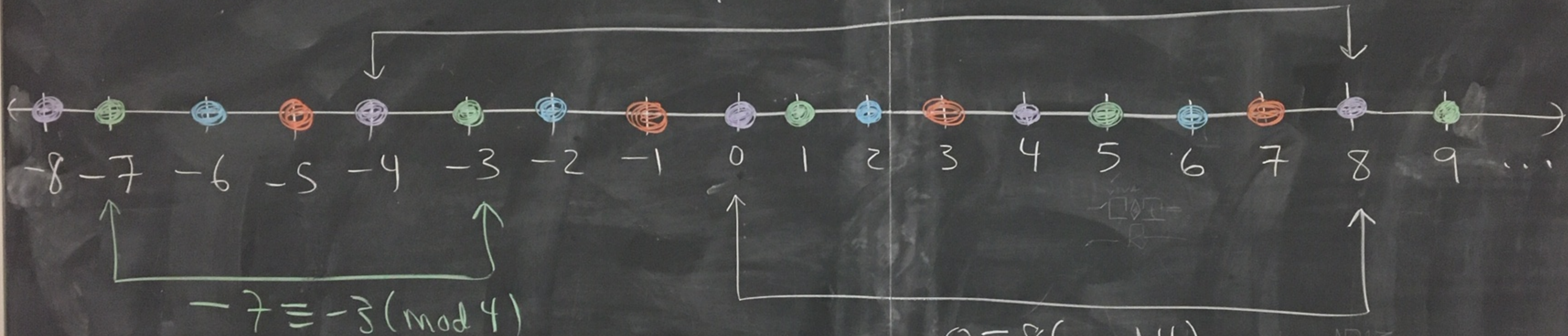
$a - b$ $n(-3)$

So, $4 \mid (5 - 17)$. So, $5 \equiv 17 \pmod{4}$



Ex 8: $n = 4$

$$4 \mid (-4 - 8)$$
$$-4 \equiv 8 \pmod{4}$$



mod 4 breaks the integers
into 4 classes of numbers

$$0 \equiv 8 \pmod{4}$$
$$4 \mid (0 - 8)$$

Thm 9 Let $a, b, n \in \mathbb{Z}$
with $n \geq 2$. Then
 $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ iff
there exists $k \in \mathbb{Z}$
with $a - b = nk$.

Ex 10: Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $n = 4$.

By the division algorithm there exist unique
 $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $x = 4q + r$ and
 $0 \leq r < 4$. So,

$$x = 4q + 0 \text{ [or]} x = 4q + 1 \text{ [or]} x = 4q + 2 \text{ [or]} x = 4q + 3,$$

$$\text{That is, } x - 0 = 4q \text{ [or]} x - 1 = 4q \text{ [or]} x - 2 = 4q \text{ [or]} x - 3 = 4q.$$

$$\text{So, } x \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \text{ [or]} x \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \text{ [or]} x \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \text{ [or]} x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}.$$

Thm 11 Let $x, n \in \mathbb{Z}$
with $n \geq 2$.

Then x is congruent
to exactly one of
 $0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$.