

## Proof.

- Assume that  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ ,  $c \equiv d \pmod{n}$ .
- Then  $n|(b-a)$  and  $n|(d-c)$ , so  $b-a = kn$  and  $d-c = ln$  for some  $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- Simplifying gives  $b = kn + a, d = ln + c$ .
- Then we have

$$bd = (kn + a)(ln + c) = kln^2 + aln + kcn + ac,$$

or

$$bd - ac = n(kln + al + kc), \quad (1)$$

so  $ac \equiv bd \pmod{n}$ .

- Also,

$$b + d = (kn + a) + (ln + c) = (k + l)n + (a + c),$$

$$(b + d) - (a + c) = (k + l)n,$$

so  $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{n}$ .

