## 1 Solutions

## 1.1 Chapter 1

#### 1.1.1

- (a) Is a subset of  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  and therefore is well-ordered.
- (b) There is no least element so the set is not well-ordered.
- (c) Consider the set  $\{a \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}, a \geq 10\}$ , it is apparent that this is a subset of  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  and therefore is well-ordered. So the set  $\{\frac{a}{2} \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}, a \geq 10\}$  is also well-ordered because it holds a least element  $(\frac{10}{5})$ .
- (d) There is no least element so the set is not well-ordered.

#### 1.1.2

Since S is a subset of  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  by well-ordering we know that S has a least element, and because  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , k can be 0 and therefore there is no most element.

#### 1.1.3

*Proof.* Suppose  $\sqrt{5}$  is rational and is of the form  $\frac{a}{b}$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $b \neq 0$ . Consider the set S,

$$S = \left\{ k \mid k, k\sqrt{5} \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \right\}$$

We know that S is a subset of  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  and that  $b \in S$ , by well-ordering this implies that S has a least element. Let l be the least element in S. Consider the properties of l' where  $l' = l\sqrt{5} - 2l$ ,

- $l' = l\sqrt{5} 2l = l(\sqrt{5} 2) \implies 0 < l' < l$ .
- Since  $l \in S$  and  $S \subset \mathbb{Z}^+$ , both l and  $l\sqrt{5} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  which implies  $l' \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .
- Since  $l \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  we have  $5l \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and since  $l\sqrt{5} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  we have  $l'\sqrt{5} = (l\sqrt{5} 2l)\sqrt{5} = 5l 2l\sqrt{5} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

It follows that  $l' \in S$  but l' < l which contradicts l being the least element in S

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1.1.4

(a)

$$\begin{split} \sum_{k=2}^{10} \frac{1}{k^2 - 1} &= \sum_{k=2}^{10} \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{k - 1} - \frac{1}{k + 1} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=2}^{10} \left( \frac{1}{k - 1} - \frac{1}{k + 1} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \dots + \left( \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{10} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{11} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{11} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{72}{55} \right) = \frac{36}{55} \end{split}$$

(b) 
$$\sum_{k=2}^{n} \frac{1}{k^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right]$$

(c) 
$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{k^2 + 2k} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{(k+1)^2 - 1} = \sum_{k=2}^{n+1} \frac{1}{k^2 - 1}$$
$$\sum_{k=2}^{n+1} \frac{1}{k^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right]$$

1.1.5

(a) 
$$\prod_{j=2}^{7} \left(1 - \frac{1}{j}\right) = \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{6} \cdot \frac{6}{7}\right] = \frac{1}{7}$$

(b) 
$$\prod_{j=2}^{n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{j}\right) = \frac{1}{n}$$

(c) 
$$\prod_{j=2}^{n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{j^2}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2n}$$

#### 1.1.6

Proof.

Base Case:

Let n = 1,  $\sum_{j=1}^{1} j(j+1) = 2$  and  $\frac{1(1+1)(1+2)}{3} = 2$ , so the base case is valid.

**Inductive Hypothesis:** 

Assume from the inductive hypothesis that the conclusion is true for

This implies that  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} j(j+1) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}$ .

## **Inductive Step:**

Then consider the sum to n + 1:

$$\begin{split} \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} j(j+1) &= \sum_{j=1}^{n} j(j+1) + (n+1)((n+1)+1) \\ &= \left[\frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}\right] + (n+1)((n+1)+1) \text{ by IH} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left(n(n+1)(n+2) + 3(n+1)(n+2)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left(n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n + 3n^2 + 9n + 6\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left(n^3 + 6n^2 + 11n + 6\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left((n+1)(n+2)(n+3)\right) \end{split}$$

Thus for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} j(j+1) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}$$

### 1.1.7

Proof.

#### Base Case:

Rewrite the statement  $f_n f_{n+2} = f_{n+1}^2 + (-1)^{n+1}$  to be  $f_n f_{n+2} - f_{n+1}^2 = (-1)^{n+1}$ . Let n = 1,  $f_1 f_{1+2} - f_{1+1}^2 = 1 \cdot 2 - 1 = 1$  and  $(-1)^{1+1} = 1$ , so the

base case is valid.

### **Inductive Hypothesis:**

Assume from the inductive hypothesis that the conclusion is true for

This implies that  $f_n f_{n+2} - f_{n+1}^2 = (-1)^{n+1}$ 

#### **Inductive Step:**

Then consider the equation to n+1:

$$f_{(n+1)}f_{(n+1)+2} - f_{(n+1)+1}^2 = f_{n+1}f_{n+3} - f_{n+2}^2$$

$$= f_{n+1} (f_{n+1} + f_{n+2}) - f_{n+2}^2$$

$$= f_{n+1}^2 + f_{n+1}f_{n+2} - f_{n+2}^2$$

$$= f_{n+1}^2 + f_{n+2} (f_{n+1} - f_{n+2})$$

$$= f_{n+1}^2 + f_{n+2} (-f_n)$$

$$= -(f_n f_{n+2} - f_{n+1}^2)$$

$$= -(-1)^{n+1} \quad \text{by IH}$$

$$= (-1)^{n+2}$$

Thus for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$f_n f_{n+2} - f_{n+1}^2 = (-1)^{n+1}$$

#### 1.1.8

Proof.

#### Base Case:

Let  $n=1, 2^1 \times 2^1$  is a  $2 \times 2$  chessboard with a corner missing and can be tiled by one tromino, so the base case is valid.

## Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume from the inductive hypothesis that the conclusion is true for some n. This implies that any  $2^n \times 2^n$  chessboard with a corner missing can be tiled with trominoes.

#### **Inductive Step:**

Then consider a  $2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}$  chessboard.

- Divide the  $2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}$  chessboard into four quadrants of size  $2^n \times 2^n$ .
- By the Inductive Hypothesis we know that each  $2^n \times 2^n$  has one corner missing.
- There are then four empty squares in the  $2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}$  board.
- Rotate each quadrant such that the four empty squares are in the center of the board.
- Add another tromino into the board leaving only one empty square.
- Rotate the quadrant with the empty square such that the empty square is in the corner of the board.

• Therefore the  $2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}$  chessboard can be tiled by trominoes with a corner missing.

Thus, every  $2^n \times 2^n$  chessboard with a corner missing can be tiled with trominoes.

#### 1.1.9

Proof.

### Base Case:

Let n = 1,  $H_{2^1} = \sum_{j=1}^{2^n} \frac{1}{j} = \frac{3}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{2} \le 2$ , so the base case is valid.

## Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume from the inductive hypothesis that the conclusion is true for some n.

This implies that  $\sum_{j=1}^{2^n} \frac{1}{j} \le 1 + n$ .

## **Inductive Step:**

Then consider the equation to n+1:

$$\begin{split} H_{2^{n+1}} &= \sum_{j=1}^{2^{n+1}} \frac{1}{j} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{2^n} \frac{1}{j} + \sum_{j=2^n+1}^{2^{n+1}} \frac{1}{j} \\ &\leq [1+n] + \sum_{j=2^n+1}^{2^{n+1}} \frac{1}{j} \quad \text{by IH} \\ &\leq [1+n] + \frac{1}{2^n+1} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \\ &\leq [1+n] + 2^n \cdot \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \\ &\leq \frac{3}{2} + n \leq 2 + n \end{split}$$

Thus for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

 $H_{2^n} \le 1 + n$ 

#### 1.1.10

Proof.

## Inductive Step:

Assume we can do  $54, \dots, k$ . Because k-6 is in the  $54, \dots, k$  we can do k-6 then add a 7-cent stamp. k-6 is in  $54, \dots, k$  only if  $k-6 \geq 54 \equiv k \geq 60$ . Thus, the inductive step is only valid for  $k=60,61,\dots$  to get to the next k+1.

#### Base Case:

Must do 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60 as base cases.

$$54 = 2(7\text{-cent}) + 4(10\text{-cent})$$

$$55 = 5(7\text{-cent}) + 2(10\text{-cent})$$

$$56 = 8(7-\text{cent})$$

$$57 = 1(7\text{-cent}) + 5(10\text{-cent})$$

$$58 = 4(7\text{-cent}) + 3(10\text{-cent})$$

$$59 = 7(7\text{-cent}) + 1(10\text{-cent})$$

$$60 = 6(10\text{-cent})$$

# 1.3 Chapter 3

1. Use the Euclidean Algorithm to calculate  $d = \gcd(510, 140)$  and then use the result to find  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  so that  $d = 510\alpha + 140\beta$ .

Need to find gcd(510, 140).

$$510 = 3(140) + 90$$

$$140 = 1(90) + 50$$

$$90 = 1(50) + 40$$

$$50 = 1(40) + 10$$

$$40 = 4(10) + 0$$

So the gcd is 10. Now to find the linear combination.

$$\begin{aligned} 10 &= 1(50) - 1(40) \\ &= 1(50) - 1(90 - 1(50)) \\ &= 2(50) - 1(90) \\ &= 2(140 - 1(90)) - 1(90) \\ &= 2(140) - 3(90) \\ &= 2(140) - 3(510 - 3(140)) \\ &= -3(510) + 11(140) \\ &= \alpha a + \beta b \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha = -3$  and  $\beta = 11$ .

2. Use the Euclidean Algorithm to show that if  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  that 3k+2 and 5k+3 are relatively prime.

Need to show that gcd(3k+2,5k+3)=1 for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

$$5k + 3 = 1(3k + 2) + (2k + 1)$$
$$3k + 2 = 1(2k + 1) + (k + 1)$$
$$2k + 1 = 1(k + 1) + k$$
$$k + 1 = 1(k) + 1$$

So the gcd(3k + 2, 5k + 3) = 1, therefore 3k + 2 and 5k + 3 are relatively prime.

3. How many zeros are there at the end of (1000!)? Do not do this by brute force. Explain your method.  $\boxed{10/10}$ 

Zeros at the end of numbers are from multiples of 10 which are pairs of 2 and 5, so we find the number of pairs of 2's and 5's to find the number of zeros. Let  $d_n(x)$  represent the sum of the numbers divisible by all powers of n less than x.

$$d_2(1000!) = 500 + 250 + 125 + 62 + 31 + 15 + 7 + 3 + 1 = 994$$
$$d_5(1000!) = 200 + 40 + 8 + 1 = 249$$

Thus, there can only be 249 pairs of 2's and 5's, so there are only 249 10's, so there are 249 zeros at the end of (1000!).

4. Let a = 1038180 and b = 92950. First find the prime factorizations of a and b. Then use these to calculate gcd(a, b) and lcm(a, b).

Find the prime factorization of a.

$$1038180 = 2^{2}(259545)$$

$$= 2^{2}3^{1}(86515)$$

$$= 2^{2}3^{1}5^{1}(17303)$$

$$= 2^{2}3^{1}5^{1}11^{3}(13)$$

$$= 2^{2}3^{1}5^{1}11^{3}13^{1}$$

Find the prime factorization of b.

$$92950 = 2^{1}(46475)$$

$$= 2^{1}5^{2}(1859)$$

$$= 2^{1}5^{2}11^{1}(169)$$

$$= 2^{1}5^{2}11^{1}13^{2}$$

Now, to find the gcd(a, b) and lcm(a, b).

$$\gcd(a,b) = \gcd(2^2 3^1 5^1 11^3 13^1, 2^1 5^2 11^1 13^2) = 2^1 5^1 11^1 13^1 = 1430$$
$$\operatorname{lcm}(a,b) = \operatorname{lcm}(2^2 3^1 5^1 11^3 13^1, 2^1 5^2 11^1 13^2) = 2^2 3^1 5^2 11^3 13^2 = 67481700$$

5. Which pairs of integers have gcd of 18 and lcm of 540? Explain. 10/10

Find the prime factorization of 18.

$$18 = 2^{1}(9)$$
$$= 2^{1}3^{2}$$

Find the prime factorization of 540.

$$540 = 2^{2}(135)$$
$$= 2^{2}3^{3}(5)$$
$$= 2^{2}3^{3}5^{1}$$

From the prime factors of 18 and 540 we know that  $x = 2^a 3^b 5^c$  and  $y = 2^e 3^f 5^g$ . The gcd is the minimum power of common prime factors, similarly the lcm is the maximum power of common prime factors. Therefore, the list of all possible pairs of integers is:

$$x = 2^{1}3^{2}5^{0}, y = 2^{2}3^{3}5^{1}$$

$$x = 2^{1}3^{3}5^{0}, y = 2^{2}3^{2}5^{1}$$

$$x = 2^{2}3^{2}5^{0}, y = 2^{1}3^{3}5^{1}$$

$$x = 2^{2}3^{3}5^{0}, y = 2^{1}3^{2}5^{1}$$

6. Suppose that  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  is a perfect square divisible by at least two distinct primes. Show that a has at least seven distinct factors.  $\boxed{5/10}$ 

Since a is a perfect square it can be represented by the form  $a=b^2$ , and since a has at least 2 prime factors we can say that  $b=p_1^\alpha p_2^\beta$ . It follows that  $a=p_1^{2\alpha}p_2^{2\beta}$ . Therefore a has factors  $1,p_1,p_2,p_1,p_2,p_1^2,p_2^2,a$ .

7. Show that if  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  with  $a^3 | b^2$  then a | b.

Let  $a=p_1^{\alpha_1}p_2^{\alpha_2}\cdots p_n^{\alpha_n}$  and  $b=p_1^{\beta_1}p_2^{\beta_2}\cdots p_n^{\beta_n}$ . Since  $a^3\mid b^2$  we know that,

$$p_1^{3\alpha_1}p_2^{3\alpha_2}\cdots p_n^{3\alpha_n} | p_1^{2\beta_1}p_2^{2\beta_2}\cdots p_n^{2\beta_n}$$

Therefore,  $3\alpha_n \leq 2\beta_n$ . Now to show  $a \mid b$  we need to show that  $\alpha \leq \beta$ .

$$3\alpha \le 2\beta \implies \alpha \le \frac{2\beta}{3} \le \beta$$

Thus, if  $a^3 \mid b^2$  then  $a \mid b$ .

- 8. For which positive integers m is each of the following statements true: 6/10
  - (a)  $34 \equiv 10 \mod m$

$$m = 12, 24$$

(b)  $1000 \equiv 1 \mod m$ 

$$m = 3, 9, 27, 37, 111, 333, 999$$

(c)  $100 \equiv 0 \mod m$ 

$$m=1,2,4,5,10,20,25,50,100\\$$

# 1.4 Chapter 4

- 1. Calculate the least positive residues modulo 47 of each of the following with justification:
  - (a)  $2^{543}$

Using binary expansion we see that  $2^1 \equiv 2 \mod 47$ ,  $2^2 \equiv 4 \mod 47$ ,  $2^4 \equiv 16 \mod 47$ ,  $2^8 \equiv 21 \mod 47$ ,  $2^{16} \equiv 18 \mod 47$ ,  $2^{32} \equiv 42 \mod 47$ ,  $2^{64} \equiv 25 \mod 47$ ,  $2^{128} \equiv 14 \mod 47$ ,  $2^{256} \equiv 8 \mod 47$ , and  $2^{512} \equiv 14 \mod 47$ ,  $2^{128} \equiv 14 \mod 47$ ,  $2^{128} \equiv 14 \mod 47$ ,  $2^{128} \equiv 14 \mod 47$ , and  $2^{112} \equiv 14 \mod 47$ , and

17 mod 47.

Then 543 = 512 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 1 so,

$$2^{543} = 2^{512}2^{16}2^82^42^22^1 \equiv$$

$$\equiv 17 \cdot 18 \cdot 21 \cdot 16 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 \mod 47$$

$$\equiv 822528 \mod 47$$

$$\equiv 28 \mod 47$$

So 28 is the least non-negative residue.

(b)  $32^{932}$ 

Using binary expansion we see that  $32^1 \equiv 32 \mod 47$ ,  $32^2 \equiv 37 \mod 47$ ,  $32^4 \equiv 6 \mod 47$ ,  $32^8 \equiv 47 \mod 47$ ,  $32^{16} \equiv 27 \mod 47$ ,  $32^{32} \equiv 24 \mod 47$ ,  $32^{64} \equiv 12 \mod 47$ ,  $32^{128} \equiv 3 \mod 47$ ,  $32^{256} \equiv 9$ , and  $32^{512} \equiv 34$ . Then 932 = 512 + 256 + 128 + 32 + 4 so,

$$32^{932} = 32^{512}32^{256}32^{128}32^{32}32^4 \equiv$$
  
 $\equiv 34 \cdot 9 \cdot 3 \cdot 24 \cdot 6 \mod 47$   
 $\equiv 132192 \mod 47$   
 $\equiv 28 \mod 47$ 

So 28 is the least non-negative residue.

(c) 46<sup>327349287323</sup>

Since  $46 \equiv -1 \mod 47$  we know  $46^{327349287323} \equiv (-1)^{327349287323}$ . We also know  $2 \nmid 327349287323$  so  $(-1)^{327349287323} \equiv (-1)^1 \equiv -1 \equiv 46 \mod 47$ . So 46 is the least non-negative residue.

2. Exhibit a complete set of residues mod 17 composed entirely of multiples of 3.

Let  $S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 16\}$  be the set of residues mod 17. Because gcd(3, 17) = 1 the set consisting of only multiples of 3 would be,

$$\{0, 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 30, 33, 36, 39, 42, 45, 48\}$$

3. Show that if  $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with m > 0 and if  $a \equiv b \mod m$  then  $\gcd(a, m) = \gcd(b, m)$ .

If  $a \equiv b \mod m$  then  $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that a = b + xm. So  $\gcd(a, m) = \gcd(b + xm, m) = \gcd(b, m)$ .

4. Suppose p is prime and  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfies  $x^2 \equiv x \mod p$ . Prove that  $x \equiv 0 \mod p$  or  $x \equiv 1 \mod p$ . Show with a counterexample that this fails if p is not prime.

Because  $x^2 \equiv x \mod p$  we know that  $x^2 - x \equiv 0 \mod p$ , which is the same as  $x(x-1) \equiv 0 \mod p$ . This implies that either  $p \mid x, p \mid (x-1)$ , or both.

$$p \mid x \implies x \equiv 0 \mod p$$
  
 $p \mid (x-1) \implies x \equiv 1 \mod p$ 

If p is not prime, say p = 6 we see,

$$3^2 \equiv 3 \mod 6$$

Where  $3 \not\equiv 0 \mod 6$  and  $3 \not\equiv 1 \mod 6$ . So p must be prime for the statement to hold true.

5. Show that if n is an odd positive integer or if n is a positive integer divisible by 4 that:

$$1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + (n-1)^3 \equiv 0 \mod n$$

There are two cases to look at, when n is an odd positive integer and when n is divisible by 4.

• If n is an odd positive integer then n-1 is even so we have an even amount of numbers. Consider the set  $S = \{1^3, 2^3, \dots, (n-1)^3\}$ . Then consider two subsets of S, both with (n-1)/2 elements  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , where

$$\sum S = \sum S_1 + \sum S_2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + (n-1)^3$$

The set  $S_1 = \{1^3, 2^3, 3^3, \dots\}$  and the set  $S_2 = \{\dots, (n-3)^3, (n-2)^3, (n-1)^3\}$ . Because we know that  $a-b \equiv -b \mod a$  we also know that  $(a-b)^3 \equiv (-b)^3 \mod a$ . So we can say that for all elements in  $S_2 \mod n$ ,  $S_2 = \{\dots, (-3)^3, (-2)^3, (-1)^n\}$ . Now if we look at  $\sum S_1 + \sum S_2 \mod n$  we see that the first element of  $S_1$  is cancelled out by the last element of  $S_2$  and so forth until there are no elements left. Thus,  $1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + (n-1)^3 \equiv 0 \mod n$ .

• If n is divisble by 4 then n-1 is odd so we have an odd amount of numbers. Consider the set  $S = \{1^3, 2^3, \dots, (n-1)^3\}$ . Then consider two subsets of S, both with (n-1)/2-1 elements  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , where

$$\sum S = \sum S_1 + \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^3 + \sum S_2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + (n-1)^3$$

The set  $S_1 = \{1^3, 2^3, 3^3, \cdots\}$  and the set  $S_2 = \{\cdots, (n-3)^3, (n-2)^3, (n-1)^3\}$ . Because we know that  $a-b \equiv -b \mod a$  we also know that  $(a-b)^3 \equiv (-b)^3 \mod a$ . So we can say that for all elements in  $S_2 \mod n$ ,  $S_2 = \{\cdots, (-3)^3, (-2)^3, (-1)^n\}$ . Now if we look at

 $\sum S \mod n$ , like in the case above we can see that sets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  will cancel one another out. This leaves us with

$$1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + (n-1)^3 \equiv \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^3 \mod n$$

Because we know that  $4 \mid n$  we know that n = 4x for some  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that,

$$\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{n^3}{8} = \frac{64x^3}{8} = 8x^3 = (2x^2)n$$

So

$$\left(\frac{n^3}{2}\right)^3 \equiv (2x^2)n \equiv 0 \bmod n$$

Thus,  $1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + (n-1)^3 \equiv 0 \mod n$ .

- 6. Find all solutions (mod the given value) to each of the following.
  - (a)  $10x \equiv 25 \mod 75$

Because the  $\gcd(10,75)=5$  and  $5\mid 25$  we know that solutions exist. Let  $x_0\equiv 10 \mod 75$ , so all solutions are then

$$x \equiv 10 + k \cdot \frac{75}{\gcd(10,75)} \mod 75$$
, for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ 

$$x \equiv 10 + 15k \mod 75$$
, for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ 

Therefore,  $x \equiv 10, 25, 40, 55, 70$ .

(b)  $9x \equiv 8 \mod 12$ 

Because the gcd(9,12) = 3 and  $3 \nmid 8$  so there are no solutions.

- 7. Solve each of the following linear congruences using inverses.
  - (a)  $3x \equiv 5 \mod 17$

Since 6 is the inverse of 3 mod 17 we get,  $6 \cdot 3x \equiv 6 \cdot 5 \mod 17$  which implies

$$x \equiv 30 \mod 17 \equiv 13 \mod 17$$

Therefore,  $x \equiv 13$ .

(b)  $10x \equiv 3 \mod 11$ 

Since 10 is the inverse of 10 mod 11 we get,  $10 \cdot 10x \equiv 10 \cdot 3 \mod 11$  which implies

$$x \equiv 30 \mod 11 \equiv 8 \mod 11$$

Therefore,  $x \equiv 8$ .

8. What could the prime factorization of m look like so that  $6x \equiv 10 \mod m$  has at least one solution? Explain.

In order for  $ax \equiv b \mod m$  to have a solution(s),  $gcd(a, m) \mid b$ . So in the context of this problem we have that  $gcd(6, m) \mid 10$ . We are looking for an m such that gcd(6, m) = 2. One possible m could be  $m = 2^1$ .

9. Use the Chinese Remainder Theorem to solve:

A troop of monkeys has a store of bananas. When they arrange them into 7 piles, none remain. When they arrange them into 10 piles there are 3 left over. When they arrange them into 11 piles there are 2 left over. What is the smallest positive number of bananas they can have? What is the second smallest positive number?

Let x be the number of bananas, we have

$$x \equiv 0 \mod 7$$
$$x \equiv 3 \mod 10$$
$$x \equiv 2 \mod 11$$

Test to see if all  $m_i$  are pairwise coprime, gcd(7, 10) = gcd(7, 11) = gcd(10, 11) = 1. This means that M = 770,  $M_1 = 110$ ,  $M_2 = 77$ , and  $M_3 = 70$ .

Solve for  $y_1$ :

$$110y_1 \equiv 1 \mod 7$$
$$5y_1 \equiv 1 \mod 7$$
$$y_1 = 3$$

Solve for  $y_2$ :

$$77y_2 \equiv 1 \mod 10$$
$$7y_2 \equiv 1 \mod 10$$
$$y_2 = 3$$

Solve for  $y_3$ :

$$70y_3 \equiv 1 \mod 11$$
$$4y_3 \equiv 1 \mod 11$$
$$y_3 = 3$$

So we then get

$$x = (0)(110)(3) + (3)(77)(3) + (2)(70)(3) \equiv 1113 \mod 770$$
  
 $x \equiv 343 \mod 770$ 

The smallest number of bananas they can have is 343 and the second smallest is 1113.

10. Solve the system of linear congruences:

$$2x + 1 \equiv 3 \mod 10$$
$$x + 2 \equiv 7 \mod 9$$
$$4x \equiv 1 \mod 7$$

Rewrite the system of linear congruences to be (properties of congruences):

$$2x \equiv 2 \mod 10$$
$$x \equiv 5 \mod 9$$
$$4x \equiv 1 \mod 7$$

Which then becomes

$$x \equiv 1 \mod 5$$
$$x \equiv 5 \mod 9$$
$$x \equiv 2 \mod 7$$

Then test to see if all  $m_i$  are pairwise coprime, gcd(5,9) = gcd(5,7) = gcd(7,9) = 1. This means that M = 315,  $M_1 = 63$ ,  $M_2 = 35$ , and  $M_3 = 45$ .

Solve for  $y_1$ :

$$63y_1 \equiv 1 \mod 5$$
$$3y_1 \equiv 1 \mod 5$$
$$y_1 = 2$$

Solve for  $y_2$ :

$$35y_2 \equiv 1 \mod 9$$
$$8y_2 \equiv 1 \mod 9$$
$$y_2 = 8$$

Solve for  $y_3$ :

$$45y_3 \equiv 1 \mod 7$$
$$3y_3 \equiv 1 \mod 7$$
$$y_3 = 5$$

So we then get

$$x = (1)(63)(2) + (5)(35)(8) + (2)(45)(5) \equiv 1976 \mod 315$$
  
 $x \equiv 86 \mod 315$ 

## 1.6 Chapter 6

1. Use Fermat's Little Theorem to find the least nonnegative residue of  $2^{1000003} \mod 17$ .

Well  $17 \nmid 2$  so  $2^{16} \equiv 1 \mod 17$ . Then 1000003 = 16(62500) + 3 so

$$2^{1000003} = 2^{16^{62500}} 2^3 \equiv (1)^{62500} 2^3 \mod 17$$
  
 $\equiv 2^3 \mod 17$   
 $\equiv 8 \mod 17$ 

So 8 is the least non-negative residue.

- 2. Use Fermat's Little Theorem to solve the following, giving the result as the least nonnegative residue.
  - (a)  $7x \equiv 12 \mod 17$

By FLiT we know  $7^{17-1} \equiv 1 \mod 17$ , it follows that  $7^{16} \cdot 12 \equiv 1 \mod 17$  therefore  $7x = 7^{16} \cdot 12 = 7^{15} \cdot 12$ . Then reduce  $7^{15} \cdot 12 \mod 17$ . So 9 is the least non-negative residue.

(b)  $10x \equiv 13 \mod 19$ 

By FLiT we know  $10^{19-1} \equiv 1 \mod 19$ , it follows that  $10^{18} \cdot 13 \equiv 1 \mod 19$  therefore  $10x = 10^{18} \cdot 13 = 10^{17} \cdot 13$ . Then reduce  $10^{17} \cdot 13 \mod 19$ . So 7 is the least non-negative residue.

3. Use Fermat's Little Theorem to show that  $30|(n^9 - n)$  for all positive integers n.

*Proof.* Note that  $30 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$ , from Fermat's Little Theorem we know that  $a^p \equiv a \mod p$  when p is prime. Let,

$$x = (n^5 - n)(n^4 + 1)$$

$$y = (n^3 - n)(n^2 + 1)(n^4 + 1)$$

$$z = (n^2 - n)(n^3 + n^2 + n + 1)(n^4 + 1)$$

Note that  $x = y = z = n^9 - n$ . Then observe the following,

- By FLiT  $5 \mid n^5 n \implies 5 \mid x \implies 5 \mid n^9 n$ .
- By FLiT  $3 \mid n^3 n \implies 3 \mid y \implies 3 \mid n^9 n$ .
- By FLiT  $2 \mid n^2 n \implies 2 \mid z \implies 2 \mid n^9 n$ .

It follows that  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \mid n^9 - n \implies 30 \mid n^9 - n$ .

4. The definition of n being a Fermat pseudoprime to base b does not actually require that gcd(b,n)=1 because it's not possible to have  $b^{n-1}\equiv 1$  mod n with  $gcd(b,n)\neq 1$ . Prove this.

*Proof.* Let gcd(b, n) = a where  $a \neq 1$ , this implies there exists a prime p such that  $p \mid b$  and  $p \mid n$ . It follows that there exists a linear combination of b and n such that xb + yn = 1 for  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . But if  $p \mid b$  and  $p \mid n$  then  $p \mid xb + yn = 1 \implies p \mid 1$  but this is a contradiction to the fact that p is prime.

5. We didn't exclude even integers from the definition of a Fermat Pseudoprime. Some books do. Show that with our definition 4 is a Fermat Pseudoprime to a certain base.

From  $5^{4-1} = 5^3 \equiv 1 \mod 4$ , we see that 4 is a Fermat Pseudoprime to the base 5.

6. Prove that if n is an odd Fermat Pseudoprime to some base then it must be so to an even number of bases.

*Proof.* Let n be an odd Fermat Pseudoprime, then let b be a base of n where  $b^{n-1} \equiv 1 \mod n$ . Because n is odd n-1 is even, this means that  $b^{n-1} = (-b)^{n-1}$ , it follows that any base b has a pair -b that is also a base as long as  $-b \not\equiv b \mod n$ .

If  $-b \equiv b \mod n$  then n would divide 2b but since n is odd this implies  $n \mid b$ . Then,  $b^{n-1} \equiv 0 \mod n$  which contradicts  $b^{n-1} \equiv 1 \mod n$ .

So it is not possible for  $-b \equiv b \mod n$ , therefore any base b of n has a respective pair -b such that n has an even number of bases.

7. Prove that 1105 is a Carmichael number.

*Proof.* Note that  $1105 = 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 17$ . Suppose b satisfies gcd(b, 1105) = 1. Then,

- gcd(b,5) = 1 so by FLiT  $b^4 \equiv 1 \mod 5$ . So  $b^{1104} = (b^4)^{276} \equiv 1 \mod 5$  so  $5 \mid b^{1104} 1$ .
- $\gcd(b,13)=1$  so by FLiT  $b^{12}\equiv 1 \mod 13$ . So  $b^{1104}=(b^{12})^{92}\equiv 1 \mod 13$  so  $13\mid b^{1104}-1$ .
- $\gcd(b,17)=1$  so by FLiT  $b^{16}\equiv 1 \mod 17$ . So  $b^{1104}=(b^{16})^{69}\equiv 1 \mod 17$  so  $17\mid b^{1104}-1$ .

So  $5 \cdot 13 \cdot 17 \mid b^{1104} - 1 \implies 1105 \mid b^{1104} - 1$ . Therefore  $b^{1104} \equiv 1 \mod 1105$ .

8. Use Euler's Theorem to find the units digit of  $7^{999999}$ .

The units digit is the least non-negative residue mod 10. Since  $\phi(10) = 4$  we have  $7^4 \equiv 1 \mod 10$  and so:

$$7^{999999} = (7^4)^{249999}7^3 \equiv 7^3 \equiv 3 \mod 10$$

The units digit of 7999999 is 3.

- 9. Solve each of the following using Euler's Theorem. Solutions should be least nonnegative residues.
  - (a)  $5x \equiv 3 \mod 14$

Since  $\gcd(5,14)=1$  then  $5^{\phi(14)}\equiv 1 \mod 14$ . Then  $5^6=5^5\cdot 5\equiv 1 \mod 14$  where  $5^5\equiv 3$  is the inverse. Then  $5x\equiv 3 \mod 14$  can be reduced to  $x\equiv 3\cdot 3 \mod 14$ . So 9 is the least non-negative residue.

(b)  $4x \equiv 7 \mod 15$ 

Since gcd(4,15) = 1 then  $4^{\phi(15)} \equiv 1 \mod 15$ . Then  $4^8 = 4^7 \cdot 4 \equiv 1 \mod 15$  where  $4^7 \equiv 4$  is the inverse. Then  $4x \equiv 7 \mod 15$  can be reduced to  $x \equiv 7 \cdot 4 \mod 15$ . So 13 is the least non-negative residue.

(c)  $3x \equiv 5 \mod 16$ 

Since  $\gcd(3,16)=1$  then  $3^{\phi(16)}\equiv 1 \mod 16$ . Then  $3^8=3^7\cdot 3\equiv 1 \mod 16$  where  $3^7\equiv 11$  is the inverse. Then  $3x\equiv 5 \mod 16$  can be reduced to  $x\equiv 5\cdot 11 \mod 16$ . So 7 is the least non-negative residue.

10. Prove that if gcd(a, 30) = 1 then  $60 \mid a^4 + 59$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $60 = 5 \cdot 12$ , because gcd(a, 30) = 1 we know gcd(a, 5) = 1 and gcd(a, 12) = 1.

- $a^{\phi(5)} = a^4 \equiv 1 \mod 5$ , so  $5 \mid a^4 1$ .
- $a^{\phi(12)} = a^4 \equiv 1 \mod 12$ , so  $12 \mid a^4 1$ .

Since  $\gcd(5,12)=1$  it follows that  $60\mid a^4-1\implies 60\mid (a^4-1)+60\implies 60\mid a^4+59.$ 

## 1.7 Chapter 7

1. Find all n satisfying  $\phi(n) = 18$ .

Suppose  $p\mid n$ , then  $p-1\mid \phi(n)$  so  $p-1=1,2,3,6,9,18 \implies p=2,3,4,7,10,19$ . But 4 and 10 are not prime so p=2,3,7,19. Therefore  $n=2^{\alpha}3^{\beta}7^{\gamma}19^{\delta}$  for some  $\alpha,\beta,\gamma$ , and  $\delta$ . Then,

- If  $2^{\alpha} \mid n$  with  $\alpha > 0$  then  $2^{\alpha-1} \mid \phi(n)$  so  $\alpha = 0, 1, 2$ .
- If  $3^{\beta} \mid n$  with  $\beta > 0$  then  $3^{\beta-1} \mid \phi(n)$  so  $\beta = 0, 1, 2, 3$ .
- If  $7^{\gamma} \mid n$  with  $\gamma > 0$  then  $7^{\gamma-1} \mid \phi(n)$  so  $\gamma = 0, 1$ .
- If  $19^{\delta} \mid n$  with  $\delta > 0$  then  $19^{\delta-1} \mid \phi(n)$  so  $\delta = 0, 1$ .

Then these are the cases,

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• n = 2^0 3^0 7^0 19^0 = 1
                                                                • n = 2^2 3^0 7^0 19^1 = 4
                                n = 2^1 3^0 7^0 19^0 = 2
                                • n = 2^2 3^0 7^0 19^1 = 76
n = 2^{0}3^{0}7^{1}19^{0} = 7
                                \bullet n = 2^1 3^0 7^1 19^0 = 14
                                                                • n = 2^2 3^0 7^1 19^1 = 28
• n = 2^{0}3^{0}7^{1}19^{1} = 133
                                n = 2^1 3^0 7^1 19^1 = 266
                                                                n = 2^2 3^0 7^1 19^1 = 532
n = 2^{0}3^{1}7^{0}19^{0} = 3
                                n = 2^1 3^1 7^0 19^0 = 6
                                                                n = 2^2 3^1 7^0 19^1 = 12
 n = 2^0 3^1 7^0 19^1 = 57
                                • n = 2^1 3^1 7^0 19^1 = 114
                                                                • n = 2^2 3^1 7^0 19^1 = 228
 n = 2^0 3^1 7^1 19^0 = 21
                                 n = 2^1 3^1 7^1 19^0 = 42 
                                                                 n = 2^2 3^1 7^1 19^1 = 84 
 n = 2^0 3^1 7^1 19^1 = 399 
                                • n = 2^1 3^1 7^1 19^1 = 798
                                                                \bullet \ n = 2^2 3^1 7^1 19^1 = 1596
n = 2^{0}3^{2}7^{0}19^{0} = 9
                                • n = 2^1 3^2 7^0 19^0 = 18
                                                                • n = 2^2 3^2 7^0 19^1 = 36
• n = 2^{0}3^{2}7^{0}19^{1} = 171
                                n = 2^1 3^2 7^0 19^1 = 342
                                                                • n = 2^2 3^2 7^0 19^1 = 684
                                 \bullet \ n = 2^1 3^2 7^1 19^0 = 126
n = 2^{0}3^{2}7^{1}19^{0} = 63
                                                                • n = 2^2 3^2 7^1 19^1 = 252
\bullet \ n = 2^{0}3^{2}7^{1}19^{1} = 1197
                                \bullet n = 2^1 3^2 7^1 19^1 = 2394
                                                                \bullet n = 2^2 3^2 7^1 19^1 = 4788
• n = 2^2 3^3 7^0 19^1 = 108
\bullet n = 2^{0}3^{3}7^{0}19^{1} = 513
                                \bullet n = 2^1 3^3 7^0 19^1 = 1026
                                                                \bullet n = 2^2 3^3 7^0 19^1 = 2052
• n = 2^{0}3^{3}7^{1}19^{0} = 189
                                 n = 2^1 3^3 7^1 19^0 = 378 
                                                                • n = 2^2 3^3 7^1 19^1 = 756
• n = 2^0 3^3 7^1 19^1 = 3591
                                • n = 2^1 3^3 7^1 19^1 = 7182
                                                                 n = 2^2 3^3 7^1 19^1 = 14364
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Then evaluating all n as  $\phi(n)$  we get that for  $n = 19, 27, 38, 54, \phi(n) = 18$ .

2. Show there are no n with  $\phi(n) = 14$ .

Suppose  $\phi(n)=14$  for some n, then  $7\mid p^{\alpha}-p^{\alpha-1}$  for some odd prime p. Since the factors of 14 are 2 and 7 we have two cases. If p=7 and  $\alpha>1$  which implies  $6\mid 14$  which is not true. Or if  $7\mid p-1$  but p-1 is even, so p=15 which is not prime. Therefore there are no n with  $\phi(n)=14$ .

3. For what values of n is  $\phi(n)$  odd? Justify.

Since  $\phi(p^{\alpha}) = p^{\alpha-1}(p-1)$  we know that it will be even for all p > 2, therefore n cannot have any prime factors greater than 2. It follows that for n = 1, 2  $\phi(n)$  is odd.

4. Prove that  $f(n) = \gcd(n, 3)$  is multiplicative. (This is actually true if 3 is replaced by any positive integer.)

*Proof.* We wish to show  $f(mn) = f(m) \cdot f(n)$  when  $\gcd(m,n) = 1$ . Suppose that  $\gcd(m,n) = 1$ , then  $\gcd(\gcd(m,3),\gcd(n,3)) = p$  for  $p \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . This implies that  $p \mid \gcd(m,3)$  and  $p \mid \gcd(n,3)$  which implies  $p \mid m$  and

 $p \mid n$ , but since gcd(m, n) = 1 we have p = 1. Let gcd(m, 3) = x, this implies  $x \mid 3$  and  $x \mid m$ . Then,

$$x \mid m \implies x \mid mn \implies x \mid \gcd(mn, 3)$$

Likewise, let gcd(n,3) = y, this implies  $y \mid 3$  and  $y \mid n$ . Then,

$$y \mid n \implies y \mid mn \implies y \mid \gcd(mn, 3)$$

Then because  $x \mid \gcd(mn,3)$  and  $y \mid \gcd(mn,3)$  and  $\gcd(x,y) = 1$  we have,  $xy \mid \gcd(mn,3)$ . Thus,  $\gcd(mn,3) = \gcd(m,3) \cdot \gcd(n,3)$  and f(n) is multiplicative.

- 5. Find  $\tau(2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 11^5 \cdot 13^4 \cdot 17^5 \cdot 19^5)$ =  $(1+1)(2+1)(3+1)(5+1)(4+1)(5+1)(5+1) = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 6 \cdot 6 = 25920$
- 6. Find  $\sigma(2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 11^5 \cdot 13^4 \cdot 17^5 \cdot 19^5)$   $= \left(\frac{2^2 1}{2 1}\right) \left(\frac{3^3 1}{3 1}\right) \left(\frac{5^4 1}{5 1}\right) \left(\frac{11^6 1}{11 1}\right) \left(\frac{13^5 1}{15 1}\right) \left(\frac{17^6 1}{17 1}\right) \left(\frac{19^6 1}{19 1}\right)$
- 7. Find  $\tau(20!)$ .

First we need the prime factorization of 20!,

$$20! = (2)(3)(2^{2})(5)(2 \cdot 3)(7)(2^{3})(3^{2})(2 \cdot 5)(11)(2^{2} \cdot 3)$$
$$(13)(2 \cdot 7)(3 \cdot 5)(2^{4})(17)(2 \cdot 3^{2})(19)(2^{2} \cdot 5)$$

Thus,  $20! = 2^{18} \cdot 3^8 \cdot 5^4 \cdot 7^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 13 \cdot 17 \cdot 19$ . Therefore,  $\tau(20!) = (18+1)(8+1)(4+1)(2+1)(1+1)(1+1)(1+1)(1+1) = 41040$ .

8. Classify all n with  $\tau(n) = 30$ . Explain!

Suppose  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_k^{\alpha_k}$  with  $a_i > 0$ , it follows that  $\tau(n) = (1 + \alpha_1) \cdots (1 + \alpha_k) = 30$ . Since  $(1 + \alpha_i) \ge 2$  we get the following cases:

- k = 15 and  $a_1 = \cdots = a_{15} = 1$ .
- k = 10 and  $a_1 = \cdots = a_{10} = 2$ .
- k = 6 and  $a_1 = \cdots = a_6 = 4$ .
- k = 5 and  $a_1 = \cdots = a_5 = 5$ .
- k = 3 and  $a_1 = \cdots = a_3 = 9$ .
- k = 1 and  $a_1 = 29$ .

Then we have,

 $\bullet \ \ n=p_1\cdots p_{15}$ 

- $n = p_1^2 \cdots p_{10}^2$
- $n = p_1^4 \cdots p_6^4$
- $n = p_1^5 \cdots p_5^5$
- $n = p_1^9 p_2^9 p_3^9$
- $n = p_1^{29}$
- 9. Prove that  $\sigma(n) = k$  has at most a finite number of solutions when k is a positive integer.

*Proof.* Since  $\sigma(n)$  is multiplicative we know that  $1 \mid n$  and  $n \mid n$  implies that  $\sigma(n) \geq 1 + n$ . It follows then that  $\sigma(n) = k \implies 1 + n \leq k \implies n \leq k - 1$ . Thus,  $\sigma(n) = k$  has a finite number of solutions.

10. Show that if a and b are positive integers and p and q are distinct odd primes then  $n = p^a q^b$  is deficient.

We wish to show  $\sigma(n) < 2n$ ,

$$\sigma(p^aq^b) = \left(\frac{p^{a+1}-1}{p-1}\right)\left(\frac{q^{b+1}-1}{q-1}\right) < \left(\frac{p^{a+1}}{p-1}\right)\left(\frac{q^{b+1}}{q-1}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)\left(\frac{q}{q-1}\right)p^aq^b$$

Since we wish to show  $\sigma(n) < 2n$  we then need  $\left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right) \left(\frac{q}{q-1}\right) < 2$ .

$$\begin{split} \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)\left(\frac{q}{q-1}\right) &< 2 \\ pq &< 2(p-1)(q-1) \\ pq &< 2\left(pq-p-q+1\right) \\ pq &< 2pq-2p-2q+2 \\ 0 &< pq-2p-2q+2 \\ 0 &< (p-2)(q-2)-2 \\ -2 &< (p-2)(q-1) \end{split}$$

Recall that p and q are distinct odd primes, so let's assume that p > q > 2. Since let p = 5 and q = 3, we then see 2 < (5-2)(3-2), thus the inequality holds. Therefore  $p^a q^b$  is deficient.

11. Prove that a perfect square cannot be a perfect number.

Proof. Let n be a perfect square, first observe that when n is even by Euler's Theorem  $n=2^{p-1}\,(2^p-1)\implies \sqrt{n}=\sqrt{2^{p-1}\,(2^p-1)}$  but then this implies that  $\sqrt{n}\not\in\mathbb{Z}$  which contradicts n being a perfect square. Therefore n must be odd. So  $n=2^k\,(p_1^{\alpha_1}\cdots p_i^{\alpha_i})$ , note that for  $p_1^{\alpha_1}\cdots p_i^{\alpha_i}$  each p and  $\alpha$  is even. Then it follows that n has an odd number of odd divisors. Thus  $\sigma(n)$  is an odd number, but a perfect number is when  $\sigma(n)=2n$  which implies  $\sigma(n)$  must be an even number. Therefore a perfect square cannot be a perfect number.

12. Use Theorem 7.12 to determine whether each of the following Mersenne numbers is a Mersenne prime:

Personally, I found it easiest to create a simple python script to test for primality of Mersenne numbers.

```
1 import math
3 def Mersenne_Prime (n):
    M = 2**n -1
4
5
    for k in range (1, int(math.sqrt(M))):
6
7
       factor = (2*n)*k +1
8
       if M\% factor == 0:
9
         print (M/ factor )
10
         return false
11
12
    return True
```

(a)  $M_{11}$ 

First we see  $M_{11} = 2^{11} - 1 = 2047$ , then the factors of 2047 are of the form 2(11)k + 1 = 22k + 1. Look at k up to  $\sqrt{2047} \approx 45.24$ . We find that  $2047 = 23 \cdot 89$ , therefore  $M_{11}$  is not prime.

(b)  $M_{21}$ 

First we observe that  $21 = 3 \cdot 7$ , then by the definition of a Mersenne prime, since 21 is not prime then  $M_{21}$  is not prime.

(c)  $M_{31}$ 

First we see  $M_{31}=2^{31}-1=2147483647$ , then the factors of 2147483647 are of the form 2(31)k+1=62k+1. Look at k up to  $\sqrt{2147483647}\approx 46340.95$ . We find that there is no factor of 2147483647 of the form 62k+1 for  $k\leq 46341$ , therefore  $M_{31}$  is prime.

## 1.9 Chapter 9

## 1.9.1

1.  $ord_{21}8$ 

Since  $\phi(21) = 12$  we have  $\text{ord}_{21} = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12$ . Then we see,

 $8^1 \equiv 8 \bmod 21$ 

 $8^2 \equiv 1 \mod 21$ 

Therefore,  $ord_{21}8 = 2$ .

2.  $ord_{25}8$ 

Since  $\phi(25) = 20$  we have  $\text{ord}_{25} = 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20$ . Then we see,

 $8^1 \equiv 8 \mod 25$ 

 $8^2 \equiv 14 \mod 25$ 

 $8^4 \equiv 21 \mod 25$ 

 $8^5 \equiv 18 \mod 25$ 

 $8^{10} \equiv 24 \mod 25$ 

 $8^{20} \equiv 1 \bmod 25$ 

Therefore,  $ord_{25}8 = 20$ .

#### 1.9.2

We wish to find a primtive root r such that  $r^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \mod n$ . First we see that  $\phi(50) = 20$  so we want to find an r for  $r^{20} \equiv 1 \mod 50$ . Let r = 3, we can then observe:

 $3^1 \equiv 3 \mod 50$ 

 $3^2 \equiv 9 \mod 50$ 

 $3^4 \equiv 31 \mod 50$ 

 $3^5 \equiv 43 \mod 50$ 

 $3^{10} \equiv 49 \bmod 50$ 

 $3^{20} \equiv 1 \bmod 50$ 

So we have r=3 as a primitive root for n=50. Then we see that there are a total of  $\phi(\phi(50))=\phi(20)=8$  primitive roots for n=50. Take k with

$$\gcd(k,\phi(50))=1 \implies \gcd(k,20)=1. \text{ So } k=1,3,7,9,11,13,17,19. \text{ Then,}$$
 
$$3^1\equiv 3 \bmod 50$$
 
$$3^3\equiv 27 \bmod 50$$
 
$$3^7\equiv 37 \bmod 50$$
 
$$3^9\equiv 33 \bmod 50$$
 
$$3^{11}\equiv 47 \bmod 50$$
 
$$3^{13}\equiv 23 \bmod 50$$
 
$$3^{17}\equiv 13 \bmod 50$$
 
$$3^{19}\equiv 17 \bmod 50$$

So we get 3, 13, 17, 23, 27, 33, 37, 47 as the primitive roots of n = 50.

#### 1.9.3

*Proof.* Since  $\operatorname{ord}_p a = 2k$  we have that  $a^{2k} \equiv 1 \mod p$  which implies that  $p \mid (a^{2k} - 1)$  where  $a^{2k} - 1 = (a^k + 1)(a^k - 1)$ . So we have two cases,

- If  $p \mid (a^k + 1)$  then we get  $a^k \equiv -1 \mod p$ .
- If  $p \mid (a^k 1)$  then we get  $a^k \equiv 1 \mod p$ , but this contradicts the fact that  $\operatorname{ord}_p a = 2k$ .

Thus, p can only divide  $a^k + 1$  and therefore  $a^k \equiv -1 \mod p$ .

#### 1.9.4

Since  $\operatorname{ord}_m a = m-1$  we know that because  $\operatorname{ord}_m a \mid \phi(m)$  we have  $(m-1) \mid \phi(m)$ . But from the definition of the Euler Phi function we know that  $\phi(m) \leq m-1$  so therefore  $\phi(m) = m-1$ . Then it follows that m must be prime.

#### 1.9.5

*Proof.* Using the proof in problem three we can see:

$$\operatorname{ind}_r a + \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) \implies \operatorname{ind}_r a + \operatorname{ind}_r (p-1) \implies \operatorname{ind}_r (ap-a)$$

It then follows that  $\operatorname{ind}_r(p-a) \equiv \operatorname{ind}_r(ap-a) \mod p - 1$ . From here we can "un-index" to then get  $(p-a) \equiv (ap-a) \mod p$  which we know to be true from the definition of congruence. Thus,  $\operatorname{ind}_r(p-a) \equiv \operatorname{ind}_r a + \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) \mod p - 1$ .  $\square$ 

#### 1.9.6

We will show  $\operatorname{ord}_n(ab) = (\operatorname{ord}_n a)(\operatorname{ord}_n b)$  by two directions, first the left side divides the right and then the right side divides the left.

- Observe that  $(ab)^{\operatorname{ord}_n a \cdot \operatorname{ord}_n b} = a^{\operatorname{ord}_n a \cdot \operatorname{ord}_n b} \cdot b^{\operatorname{ord}_n a \cdot \operatorname{ord}_n b} = 1^{\operatorname{ord}_n b} \cdot 1^{\operatorname{ord}_n a} \equiv 1 \mod n$ . This implies that  $\operatorname{ord}_n(ab) \mid (\operatorname{ord}_n a)(\operatorname{ord}_n b)$ .
- We know that  $(ab)^{\operatorname{ord}_n(ab)} \equiv 1$ , so we can see the following.

$$(ab)^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}(ab)} \equiv 1 \qquad (ab)^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}(ab)} \equiv 1$$

$$\left((ab)^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}(ab)}\right)^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}a} \equiv 1^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}a} \qquad \left((ab)^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}(ab)}\right)^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}b} \equiv 1^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}b}$$

$$b^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}(ab)\cdot\operatorname{ord}_{n}a} \equiv 1 \qquad a^{\operatorname{ord}_{n}(ab)\cdot\operatorname{ord}_{n}b} \equiv 1$$

Looking at  $b^{\operatorname{ord}_n(ab)\cdot\operatorname{ord}_n a} \equiv 1$  we see that  $\operatorname{ord}_n b \mid (\operatorname{ord}_n(ab))(\operatorname{ord}_n a)$ . But, since  $\operatorname{ord}_n a$  and  $\operatorname{ord}_n b$  are coprime to one another we get,  $\operatorname{ord}_n b \mid \operatorname{ord}_n(ab)$ . Likewise, the same can be said about  $\operatorname{ord}_n a$ , therefore  $\operatorname{ord}_n a \mid \operatorname{ord}_n(ab)$ . Then we have  $(\operatorname{ord}_n a)(\operatorname{ord}_n b) \mid \operatorname{ord}_n(ab)$ .

Then we see that since  $\operatorname{ord}_n(ab) \mid (\operatorname{ord}_n a)(\operatorname{ord}_n b)$  and  $(\operatorname{ord}_n a)(\operatorname{ord}_n b) \mid \operatorname{ord}_n(ab)$  we get  $\operatorname{ord}_n(ab) = (\operatorname{ord}_n a)(\operatorname{ord}_n b)$ .

#### 1.9.7

*Proof.* Since  $p \equiv 1 \mod 4$  let p = 4k + 1 for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We know that for a primtive root r,  $r^{\phi(p)/2} \equiv -1 \mod p$ . It then follows that  $r^{((4k+1)-1)/2} = r^{4k/2} = r^{2k} \equiv -1 \mod p$ . Thus,  $(-r)^{2k} \equiv -1 \mod p$  and then taking -r to some power gives us congruence to r. Therefore -r is a primtive root of p.  $\square$ 

#### 1.9.8

1.

	a	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
ſ	$ind_7a$	12	11	8	10	3	7	1	9	4	2	5	6

2.

$$x^2 \equiv 12 \mod 13$$
$$\operatorname{ind}_7(x^2) \equiv \operatorname{ind}_712 \mod \phi(13)$$
$$2\operatorname{ind}_7x \equiv 6 \mod 12$$
$$\operatorname{ind}_7x \equiv 3 \mod 6$$
$$\operatorname{ind}_7x \equiv 3, 9 \mod 12$$
$$x \equiv 5, 8 \mod 13$$

3.

$$4^{x} \equiv 12 \mod 13$$
$$\operatorname{ind}_{7}4^{x} \equiv \operatorname{ind}_{7}12 \mod \phi(13)$$
$$x\operatorname{ind}_{7}4 \equiv 6 \mod 12$$
$$10x \equiv 6 \mod 12$$
$$5x \equiv 3 \mod 6$$
$$(5)(5x) \equiv (5)(3) \mod 6$$
$$x \equiv 3 \mod 6$$
$$x \equiv 3, 9 \mod 12$$

#### 1.9.9

- 1. The problem with this is the use of the fraction  $\frac{a}{b}$ , we can not always guarantee  $\frac{a}{b}$  to be an integer, furthermore there is no such thing as "divison" in this context.
- 2. We know that if  $gcd(b, \phi(n)) = 1$  then  $\exists b'$  such that  $b \cdot b' \equiv 1 \mod \phi(n)$ . Then we can substitute  $\operatorname{ind}_r(\frac{a}{b})$  with  $\operatorname{ind}_r(a \cdot b')$ . Formally, if  $gcd(a, n) = \gcd(b, n) = 1$  and r is a primitive root then,

$$\operatorname{ind}_r a - \operatorname{ind}_r b \equiv \operatorname{ind}_r (a \cdot b') \mod \phi(n)$$

3. Proof. Suppose gcd(a, n) = gcd(b, n) = 1 and r is a primitive root. Observe then,

$$\operatorname{ind}_{r} a - \operatorname{ind}_{r} b \mod \phi(n) \equiv r^{\operatorname{ind}_{r} a} \cdot r^{-\operatorname{ind}_{r} b} \mod n$$

$$\equiv r^{\operatorname{ind}_{r} a} \cdot r^{\operatorname{ind}_{r} b'} \mod n$$

$$\equiv r^{\operatorname{ind}_{r} (a \cdot b')} \mod n$$

$$\equiv \operatorname{ind}_{r} (a \cdot b') \mod \phi(n)$$

Thus, we see then that  $\operatorname{ind}_r a - \operatorname{ind}_r b \equiv \operatorname{ind}_r (a \cdot b') \mod \phi(n)$ .

#### 1.9.10

*Proof.* If  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  are primitive roots for some odd prime p we know that,  $r_1^{(p-1)} \equiv r_2^{(p-1)} \equiv 1$  but  $r_1^{(p-1)/2} \equiv r_2^{(p-1)/2} \equiv -1$ . In the first case we see that  $(r_1 \cdot r_2)^{(p-1)} \equiv r_1^{(p-1)} \cdot r^{(p-1)} \equiv 1$  so that works. In the second case we see that  $(r_1 \cdot r_2)^{(p-1)/2} \equiv r_1^{(p-1)/2} \cdot r_2^{(p-1)/2} \equiv -1 \cdot -1 \equiv 1$ . Therefore  $r_1 r_2$  is not a primitive root of p.

### 1.11 Chapter 11

Observe,

From here we can see that 1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 13, 15, and 16 are Quadratic Residues mod 17.

#### 1.11.2

(a)

$$\left(\frac{3}{17}\right) \equiv 3^{(17-1)/2} = 3^8 \equiv 16 \equiv -1 \mod 17$$

Thus, 3 is a QNR mod 17.

(b) By Gauss's Lemma we have the set  $\{3, 2 \cdot 3, \dots, ((17-1)/2) \cdot 3\}$  which is  $\{3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24\}$ . Then we take them mod 17, to get  $\{3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 1, 4, 7\}$ . We want to see how many are greater than 17/2 = 8.5, we then see that 3 are greater than 8.5. Then  $(-1)^3 = -1$ , so we have  $(\frac{3}{17}) = -1$  and therefore 3 is a QNR mod 17.

## 1.11.3

*Proof.* We wish to show that  $\operatorname{ord}_q(-4) = \phi(q)$ . Since we know q to be an odd prime, we have that  $\phi(q) = q - 1 \implies (2p + 1) - 1 = 2p$ . So we then get  $\operatorname{ord}_q(-4) \mid 2p$ , of which  $\operatorname{ord}_q(-4) = 1, 2, p$ , or 2p.

- If  $\operatorname{ord}_q(-4) = 1$  then  $(-4)^1 \equiv 1 \mod q \implies q \mid -5 \implies q = 5$ , but this implies that p = 2 since q = 2p + 1, and we know both p and q to be odd primes, so  $\operatorname{ord}_q(-4) \neq 1$ .
- If  $\operatorname{ord}_q(-4) = 2$  then  $(-4)^2 \equiv 1 \mod q \implies s \mid 15 \implies q = 5, 3$ , but this implies p to be either be 1, 2, and we know both p and q to be odd primes, so  $\operatorname{ord}_q(-4) \neq 2$ .
- If  $\operatorname{ord}_q(-4) = p$  then  $(-4)^p \equiv 1 \mod q \implies \frac{-4}{q} \equiv 1 \mod q \implies \frac{-1}{2p+1}(1) \equiv 1 \mod q \implies -1 \equiv 1 \mod q$ , but this implies  $q \mid 2$  which is false.

Thus, by process of elimination the only value that  $\operatorname{ord}_q(-4)$  is equivalent to is 2p.

*Proof.* We will first prove 4 to be a Quadratic Residue,

$$\left(\frac{-4}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) \left(\frac{2}{p}\right)^2 = 1$$

Then, to prove  $\frac{p-1}{4}$ ,

$$\left(\frac{\frac{p-1}{4}}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{\frac{p-1}{4}}{p}\right)\left(\frac{4}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = 1$$

We can substitute in  $\left(\frac{4}{p}\right)$  during the second step because in the first part of the proof we showed  $\left(\frac{4}{p}\right)$  to be a Quadratic Residue. Thus, both -4 and (p-1)/4 are Quadratic Residues of p when  $p \equiv 1 \mod 4$ .

#### 1.11.5

(a)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{21}{59} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{59} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{7}{59} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by splitting.}$$

$$= \left[ -\begin{pmatrix} \frac{59}{3} \end{pmatrix} \right] \left[ -\begin{pmatrix} \frac{59}{7} \end{pmatrix} \right] \text{ by LoQR since } 3, 7 \equiv 3 \mod 4.$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{7} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= (-1)^1 \left[ -\begin{pmatrix} \frac{7}{3} \end{pmatrix} \right] \text{ by 2 rule and LoQR since } 3 \equiv 3 \mod 4.$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= 1$$

(b) 
$$\left(\frac{1463}{89}\right) = \left(\frac{7}{89}\right) \left(\frac{11}{89}\right) \left(\frac{19}{89}\right) \text{ by splitting.}$$

$$= \left(\frac{89}{7}\right) \left(\frac{89}{11}\right) \left(\frac{89}{19}\right) \text{ by LoQR.}$$

$$= \left(\frac{5}{7}\right) \left(\frac{1}{11}\right) \left(\frac{13}{19}\right) \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= \left(\frac{7}{5}\right) \left(\frac{19}{13}\right) \text{ by LoQR.}$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \left(\frac{6}{13}\right) \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= (-1)^{(25-1)/8} \left(\frac{2}{13}\right) \left(\frac{3}{13}\right) \text{ by 2 rule and splitting.}$$

$$= (-1)(-1)^{(13^2-1)/8} \left(\frac{13}{3}\right) \text{ by 2 rule and LoQR.}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= 1$$

(c) 
$$\left(\frac{1547}{1913}\right) = \left(\frac{7}{1913}\right) \left(\frac{13}{1913}\right) \left(\frac{17}{1913}\right) \text{ by splitting.}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1913}{7}\right) \left(\frac{1913}{13}\right) \left(\frac{1913}{17}\right) \text{ by LoQR.}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{7}\right) \left(\frac{2}{13}\right) \left(\frac{9}{17}\right) \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= (-1)^{(13^2 - 1)/8} \text{by 2 rule}$$

$$= -1$$

We have two main cases,  $p \equiv 1$  or  $p \equiv 3 \mod 4$ .

1. If 
$$p \equiv 1 \mod 4 \implies \left(\frac{3}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{3}\right)$$
. Then,

• 
$$p \equiv 1 \mod 3 \implies \left(\frac{p}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 1 \implies p \equiv 1 \mod 12$$

• 
$$p \equiv 1 \mod 3 \implies \left(\frac{p}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 1 \implies p \equiv 1 \mod 12$$
  
•  $p \equiv 2 \mod 3 \implies \left(\frac{p}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = -1 \implies p \equiv 5 \mod 12$ 

2. If 
$$p \equiv 3 \mod 4 \implies \left(\frac{3}{p}\right) = -\left(\frac{p}{3}\right)$$
. Then,

• 
$$p \equiv 1 \mod 3 \implies -\left(\frac{p}{3}\right) = - \le 13 = -1 \implies p \equiv 7 \equiv -5 \mod 12$$

• 
$$p \equiv 2 \mod 3 \implies -\left(\frac{p}{3}\right) = -\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 1 \implies p \equiv 11 \equiv -1 \mod 12$$

By the Law of Quadratic Residues since  $5 \equiv 1 \mod 4$  we have that  $\left(\frac{5}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{5}\right)$ . Then because  $\gcd(5,p) = 1$  we know that  $p \mod 5$  can only be 1,2,3 or 4.

• 
$$p \equiv 1 \mod 5 \implies \left(\frac{1}{5}\right) = 1$$

• 
$$p \equiv 2 \mod 5 \implies \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) = -1$$

• 
$$p \equiv 3 \mod 5 \implies \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = -1$$

• 
$$p \equiv 4 \mod 5 \implies \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 1$$

So we see that in order for  $\left(\frac{5}{p}\right) = 1$ , p must be either 1 or 4 mod 5.

#### 1.11.8

(a)

$$\left(\frac{5}{21}\right) = \left(\frac{21}{5}\right)$$
 by LoQR since  $5 \equiv 1 \mod 4$ .  
 $= \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)$  by reducing.  
 $= 1$ 

(b)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1009}{2307} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2307}{1009} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by LoQR since } 1009 \equiv 1 \mod 4.$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{289}{1009} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1009}{289} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by LoQR since } 289 \equiv 1 \mod 4.$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{142}{289} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{289} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{71}{289} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by splitting.}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{289}{71} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by 2 rule and LoQR since } 289 \equiv 1 \mod 4.$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{5}{71} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{71}{5} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by LoQR since } 5 \equiv 1 \mod 4.$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{5} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{5} \end{pmatrix} \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= 1$$

(c) 
$$\left(\frac{27}{101}\right) = \left(\frac{101}{27}\right) \text{ by LoQR since } 101 \equiv 1 \mod 4.$$

$$= \left(\frac{20}{27}\right) \text{ by reducing.}$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{27}\right) \left(\frac{5}{27}\right) \text{ by splitting.}$$

$$= \left(\frac{27}{5}\right) \text{ by LoQR since } 5 \equiv 1 \mod 4.$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \text{ by reducing.}$$

Observe that  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right)\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = \left(\frac{n}{15}\right) = \left(\frac{15}{n}\right) = 1$ . It follows then that for  $n \equiv 1 \mod 4$  we have cases,  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) = 1$  and  $\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = 1$ , and  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) = -1$  and  $\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = -1$ .

- If  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) = 1$  and  $\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = 1$  then  $n \equiv 1 \mod 3$  and  $n \equiv 1, 4 \mod 5$ .
- If  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) = -1$  and  $\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = -1$  then  $n \equiv 2 \mod 3$  and  $n \equiv 2, 3 \mod 5$ .

Then, for  $n \equiv 3 \mod 4$  we have cases,  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) = 1$  and  $\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = -1$ , and  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) = -1$  and  $\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = 1$ .

- If  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) = 1$  and  $\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = -1$  then  $n \equiv 1 \mod 3$  and  $n \equiv 2, 3 \mod 5$ .
- If  $\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = -1$  and  $\left(\frac{n}{5}\right) = 1$  then  $n \equiv 2 \mod 3$  and  $n \equiv 1, 4 \mod 5$ .

## 1.11.10

First observe that the prime factorization of a can include primes to both even and odd powers. Let p denote prime factors of a to odd powers, similarly let q denote prime factors of a to even powers. We then see,  $a=p_1\cdots p_iq_1\cdots q_j$ . Then from rules of the Jacobi Symbol we can split  $\left(\frac{a}{n}\right)$ , it follows then that we do not care about the prime factors of a raised to even powers (denoted q) since their Jacobi Symbol will always be 1. So then we get  $\left(\frac{a}{n}\right)=\left(\frac{p_1}{n}\right)\cdots\left(\frac{p_i}{n}\right)$  We then need to handle the specific case of when  $p_1$  is 2. If  $p_1=2$  we have:

$$\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{p_1}{n}\right) \cdots \left(\frac{p_i}{n}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{n}\right) \cdots \left(\frac{p_i}{n}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{n}\right) \cdots \left(\frac{n}{p_i}\right)$$

$$= (-1) \cdots (1)$$

$$= -1$$

In order for this to work we would need n such that  $n \equiv 5 \mod 8$  (2 rule) and  $n \equiv 1 \mod p_k$  for all k (LoQR used in line 3). Then for the more general case of  $p_1 > 2$  we have:

$$\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{p_1}{n}\right) \cdots \left(\frac{p_i}{n}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{n}{p_1}\right) \cdots \left(\frac{n}{p_1}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{x}{p_1}\right) \cdots (1)$$

$$= -1$$

In order for this to work we would need n such that  $n \equiv x \mod p_1$  (where x is a QNR of  $p_1$ ),  $n \equiv 1 \mod 4$ , and  $n \equiv 1 \mod p_k$  for all k. Thus, we get

if 
$$p_1 = 2, n \equiv \begin{cases} 5 \mod 8 \\ 1 \mod p_k & \forall k \end{cases}$$
 if  $p_1 > 2, n \equiv \begin{cases} x \mod p_1 & (x \text{ is a QNR of } p_1) \\ 1 \mod 4 \\ 1 \mod p_k & \forall k \end{cases}$ 

## 1.8 Chapter 8

## 5.1 Sample A

#### 5.1.1

Let 10! be written as,

$$10! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6 \cdot 7 \cdot 8 \cdot 9 \cdot 10$$
  
=  $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 5 \cdot (2 \times 3) \cdot 7 \cdot 2^3 \cdot 3^2 \cdot (2 \times 5)$   
=  $1 \cdot 2^8 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7$ 

Therefore, the prime factorization of 10! is  $2^83^45^27$ .

#### 5.1.2

Using Fermat's Little Theorem. Well 13  $\nmid$  11 so  $11^{12} \equiv 1 \mod 13$ . Then 67 = 12(5) + 7 so,

$$11^{67} = 11^{12(5)+7} = 11^{12^5}11^7 \equiv (1)^{10}11^7 \mod 13$$
  
 $\equiv 11^7 \mod 13$   
 $\equiv 11 \cdot 1771561 \mod 13$   
 $\equiv 11(-1) \mod 13$   
 $\equiv -11 \mod 13$   
 $\equiv 2 \mod 13$ 

So 2 is the least non-negative residue.

#### 5.1.3

Since  $gcd(12, 40) = 4 \mid 28$  there exists a solution. We use the Euclidean Algorithm to solve 12x' + 40y' = 4. This gives us 12(-3) + 40(1) = 4, we want a 28 on the right hand side so multiple by 7. We then get 12(-21) + 40(7) = 28, so  $12(-21) \equiv 28 \mod 40$ . Therefore,  $x_0 \equiv 19 \mod 40$ , so all solutions are then

$$x \equiv 19 + 10k \mod 40k, k = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

That is  $x \equiv 19, 29, 39, 9 \mod 40$ 

#### 5.1.4

Using the Euclidean Algorithm we do the following:

$$390 = 5(72) + 30$$

$$72 = 2(30) + 12$$

$$30 = 2(12) + 6$$

$$12 = 2(6) + 0$$

So the gcd is 6. Now the find the linear combination.

$$6 = 1(30) - 2(12)$$

$$= 1(30) - 2(72 - 2(30))$$

$$= 5(30) - 2(72)$$

$$= 5(390 - 5(72)) - 2(72)$$

$$= 5(390) - 27(72)$$

Where  $\alpha = 5$  and  $\beta = -27$ .

### 5.1.5

Test to see if all  $m_i$  are pairwise coprime, gcd(5,6) = gcd(5,7) = gcd(6,7). This means that M = 210,  $M_1 = 42$ ,  $M_2 = 35$ , and  $M_3 = 30$ .

Solve for  $y_1$ :

$$42y_1 \equiv 1 \mod 5$$
$$2y_1 \equiv 1 \mod 5$$
$$y_1 = 3$$

Solve for  $y_2$ :

$$35y_2 \equiv 1 \mod 6$$
$$5y_2 \equiv 1 \mod 6$$
$$y_2 = 5$$

Solve for  $y_3$ :

$$30y_3 \equiv 1 \mod 7$$
$$2y_3 \equiv 1 \mod 7$$
$$y_3 = 4$$

So we then get

$$x = (2)(42)(3) + (1)(35)(5) + (4)(30)(4) \equiv 907 \mod 210$$
  
 $x \equiv 67 \mod 210$ 

So the least non-negative residue is 67.

#### 5.1.6

Proof.

## Base Case:

Let n=6, n!=720 and  $6^3=216, 720\geq 216$  so the base case is valid.

## Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume from the inductive hypothesis that the conclusion is true for some  $n \ge 6$ . This implies that  $n! \ge n^3$ .

### **Inductive Step:**

Then consider the equation to n+1:

$$(n+1)! \ge (n+1)^3$$
  
 $(n+1)(n!) \ge (n+1)^3$   
 $(n+1)n^3 > (n+1)^3$  by IH  
 $n^3 > (n+1)^2$   
 $n^3 > n^2 + 2n + 1$ 

Which is true for any  $n \geq 3$ .

Thus for all  $n \geq 6$ ,

$$n! \ge n^3$$

5.1.7

The set  $S_1$  is not well-ordered because the subset  $(0,0) \cap \mathbb{R}$  has no least element. Likewise, the set  $S_2$  is also not well-ordered because the set itself has no least element.

5.1.8

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational, this means that  $\sqrt{2}$  is of the form  $\frac{a}{b}$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then  $2 = \frac{a^2}{b^2}$  so  $a^2 = 2b^2$ . Because  $a^2$  and  $b^2$  are both squared the prime factorizations of both are even, but  $a^2 = 2b^2$  implies there is an odd number of prime factorizations for 2. This contradicts uniqueness of prime factors.  $\square$ 

5.1.9

*Proof.* Given that  $a \mid c$ ,  $b \mid c$ , and  $d^2 \mid c$  given that  $d = \gcd(a, b)$  we can *not* conclude that  $ab \mid c$ . We will show this with a simple contradiction, let a = 2, b = 4, c = 4. We know that  $2 \mid 4$  and  $4 \mid 4$ , it follows that  $\gcd(2, 4) = 2^2 \mid 4$  but  $ab \nmid c$  because  $2 \cdot 4 \nmid 4$  because 8 > 4. So the statement is false.

## 5.1 Sample B

5.1.1

(a) We first list the primes up to 18,  $\{2,3,5,7,11,13,17\}$ . We see that there are 7 primes, therefore  $\pi(18) = 7$ .

- (b) Since a > b we know a subset  $\{\frac{2}{1}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{4}{3}, \cdots\}$  exists, and it does not have a least element. Since the subset does not have a least element, the set is not well-ordered.
- (c) From section 2.2 we know that for very large x,  $\pi(x) = \frac{x}{\ln x}$ . So there are, approximately,

$$\frac{20000000000}{\ln(2000000000)} - \frac{10000000000}{\ln(10000000000)}$$

primes between one and two billion.

#### 5.1.2

Zeros at the end of numbers are from multiples of 10 which are pairs of 2 and 5, so we find the number of pairs of 2's and 5's to find the number of zeros. Let  $d_n(x)$  represent the sum of the numbers divisible by all powers of n less than x.

$$d_2(1000!) = 500 + 250 + 125 + 62 + 31 + 15 + 7 + 3 + 1 = 994$$
$$d_5(1000!) = 200 + 40 + 8 + 1 = 249$$

Thus, there can only be 249 pairs of 2's and 5's, so there are only 249 10's, so there are 249 zeros at the end of (1000!).

#### 5.1.3

- (a)  $6 \mid 3 \cdot 4 \text{ but } 6 \nmid 3 \text{ and } 6 \nmid 4$ .
- (b)  $2 \mid 4$  and  $2 \mid 6$  but  $4 \nmid 6$ .
- (c)  $3 \mid 6$  and  $3 \mid 12$  but  $gcd(6, 12) = 6 \neq 3$ .

## 5.1.4

$$\prod_{j=1}^{n} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{j} \right) = \prod_{j=1}^{n} \left( \frac{j+2}{j} \right) = \frac{3}{1} \times \frac{4}{2} \times \dots \times \frac{n+2}{n} = \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{2}$$

#### 5.1.5

Proof.

#### **Base Case:**

Let n = 1,  $2^1 = 2^{1+1} - 2$  is true, so the base case is valid.

### **Inductive Hypothesis:**

Assume from the inductive hypothesis that the conclusion is true for some  $n \ge 1$ . This implies that  $2^1 + 2^2 + \cdots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 2$ .

### Inductive Step:

Then consider the equation to n+1:

$$2^{1} + 2^{2} + \dots + 2^{n+1} = 2^{1} + 2^{2} + \dots + 2^{n} + 2^{n+1}$$
  
=  $2^{n+1} - 2 + 2^{n+1}$  by IH  
=  $2^{(n+1)+1} - 2$ 

Thus for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 2$$

5.1.6

Factor  $n^2 - 5n + 6$  out to be of the form (n-2)(n-3). For this polynomial to be prime we need one factor to be  $\pm 1$  and the other to be a prime. We have four cases:

- If  $n-2=1 \implies n=3$  then  $n^2-5n+6=0$  which is not prime.
- If  $n-2=-1 \implies n=1$  then  $n^2-5n+6=2$  which is prime.
- If  $n-3=1 \implies n=4$  then  $n^2-5n+6=2$  which is prime.
- If  $n-3=-1 \implies n=2$  then  $n^2-5n+6=0$  which is not prime.

So the only values of n such that  $n^2 - 5n + 6$  is prime is n = 1, 4.

### 5.1.7

We know that gcd(a, 7a + p) = gcd(a, p), but since a < p and the only divisors of p are 1 and p we know that  $a \nmid p$ , therefore gcd(a, p) = 1.

#### 5.1.8

Proof. Suppose that  $\sqrt{6}$  is rational, this means that  $\sqrt{6}$  is of the form  $\frac{a}{b}$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then  $6 = \frac{a^2}{b^2}$  so  $a^2 = 6b^2$ . Because  $a^2$  and  $b^2$  are both squared the prime factorizations of both are even, but  $a^2 = 6b^2$  implies there is an odd number of prime factorizations for 2 and 3. This contradicts uniqueness of prime factors.

#### 5.1.9

*Proof.* Suppose that  $a^n \mid b^n$ , this implies that  $b^n = ka^n$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We know that any prime in the prime factorization of k must be to the power of  $\alpha n$ . This implies that  $k = p_1^{\alpha_1 n} p_2^{\alpha_2 n} \cdots p_i^{\alpha_i n}$  which in turn implies that  $k = (p_1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2} \cdots p_i^{\alpha_i})^n$ . From this we know that k is a perfect square, meaning that  $\sqrt{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , thus  $a\sqrt{k} = b$  and  $a \mid b$ .

## 5.2 Sample A

#### 5.2.1

#### 5.2.2

*Proof.* Since gcd(6, n) = 1 we know that gcd(2, n) = gcd(3, n) = 1. Then observe:  $\phi(3n) = \phi(3)\phi(n) = 2\phi(n)$ , and  $2\phi(2n) = 2\phi(2)\phi(n) = 2\phi(n)$ . So we see that  $\phi(3n) = 2\phi(2n)$ .

#### 5.2.3

If  $n=p_1^{\alpha_1}\cdots p_k^{\alpha_k}$  then  $\tau(n)=(\alpha_1+1)\cdots(\alpha_k+1)=12$ . We see that we can have at most three distinct primes  $(12=2\cdot 6=3\cdot 4=2\cdot 2\cdot 3)$ . It then follows that  $n=p^{11},\ n=p_1p_2^5,\ n=p_1^2p_2^3$ , or  $n=p_1p_2p_3^2$ .

#### 5.2.4

*Proof.* Suppose that gcd(p, n) = 1, then by the definition of a perfect number we have  $2pn = \sigma(pn) = \sigma(p)\sigma(n) = \sigma(p)(2n)$ . Then  $\sigma(p) = p$ , but this contradicts the fact that  $\sigma(p) = p + 1$ .

## 5.2.5

*Proof.* Suppose gcd(a, b) = 1 we then get:

- $a^{\phi(b)} \equiv 1 \mod b \implies a^{\phi(b)} + b^{\phi(a)} \equiv 1 \mod b$
- $b^{\phi(a)} \equiv 1 \mod a \implies a^{\phi(b)} + b^{\phi(a)} \equiv 1 \mod a$

Then it follows that  $a^{\phi(b)} + b^{\phi(a)} \equiv 1 \mod ab$ .

## 5.2.6

Proof.

 $\rightarrow$  Suppose  $p \nmid n$ , this implies that gcd(p, n) = 1. Then,

$$\phi(pn) = \phi(p)\phi(n) = (p-1)\phi(n)$$

 $\leftarrow$  Suppose  $p \mid n$ , then  $n = p^{\alpha} \cdot k$  for some  $\alpha, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\gcd(p, k) = 1$ . Then,

$$\phi(pn) = \phi(p \cdot p^{\alpha}k) = \phi(p^{\alpha+1}k) = \phi(p^{\alpha+1})\phi(k) = (p^{\alpha+1} - p^{\alpha})\phi(k)$$

$$= p\phi(p^{\alpha})\phi(k) = p\phi(n) \neq (p-1)\phi(n)$$

Therefore  $p \nmid n \iff \phi(pn) = (p-1)\phi(n)$ .

5.2.7

(a)  $\operatorname{ord}_{17}3 = 16$  and  $\phi(17) = 17 - 1 = 16$  therefore 3 is a primitive root mod 17.

(b)

- 5.2.8
- 5.2.9
- 5.2.10
- 5.2 Sample B

5.2.1

- 5.2.2
- 5.2.3
- 5.2.4
- 5.2.5
- 5.2.6
- 5.2.7
- 5.2.8
- 5.2.9
- 5.2.10