#### VE203 Discrete Math

# Spring 2022 — HW5 Solutions

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### Exercise 5.1

(i)

Since  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ , denote  $a = r_1 m + s$ ,  $b = r_2 m + s$  so that  $a \equiv b \equiv s \pmod{m} (r, s \in a)$  $\mathbb{Z}$ ). From  $d \mid m$ , we can represent m by  $m = r_3 d$ . So  $a = r_1 r_3 d + s, b = r_1 r_3 d + s.a \equiv$  $s(\bmod d), b \equiv s(\bmod d), \text{ thus } a \equiv b(\bmod d).$ 

Similarly, denote  $a = r_1 m + s, b = r_2 m + s$ , so that  $a \equiv b \equiv s \pmod{m} (r, s \in \mathbb{Z}) . ac =$  $r_1mc + sc$ ,  $bc = r_2mc + sc.ac \equiv sc \pmod{mc}$ ,  $bc \equiv sc \pmod{mc}$ , thus  $ac \equiv bc \pmod{mc}$ .

#### Exercise 5.2

If  $ax \equiv ay \pmod{m}$ :  $m \left| (ax - ay) \Rightarrow \frac{m}{\gcd(a,m)} \right| \frac{a}{\gcd(a,m)} (x - y)$ .

Since  $\gcd\left(\frac{m}{\gcd(a,m)}, \frac{a}{\gcd(a,m)}\right) = 1, \frac{m}{\gcd(a,m)} \mid (x-y).$  So  $x \equiv y \pmod{\frac{a}{\gcd(a,m)}}$ 

If  $x \equiv y \left( \operatorname{mod} \frac{a}{\gcd(a,m)} \right) : \frac{m}{\gcd(a,m)} | (x-y) \Rightarrow m | \gcd(a,m) \cdot (x-y)$ . Since  $\gcd(a,m) | a, m | a \cdot a = 1$ . (x-y). So  $ax \equiv ay \pmod{m}$ .

So  $ax \equiv ay \pmod{m} \Leftrightarrow x \equiv y \pmod{\frac{a}{\gcd(a.m)}}$ .

(ii)

If  $ax \equiv ay \pmod{m}$ ,  $m \mid (ax - ay)$ . Since  $\gcd(a, m) = 1$ ,  $m \mid (x - y)$ . So  $x \equiv y \pmod{m}$ .

## Exercise 5.3

If  $x \equiv y \pmod{m_i}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r : m_i \mid (x - y) \Rightarrow (x - y)$  is the common multiple of  $m_i$ .

So  $\text{lcm}(m_1, m_2, ..., m_r) \mid (x - y)$ . So  $x \equiv y \pmod{\text{lcm}(m_1, m_2, ..., m_r)}$ . If  $x \equiv y \pmod{\text{lcm}(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r)}$ :

## Exercise 5.4

If  $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ :  $p \mid (x^2 - 1) \Rightarrow p \mid (x + 1)(x - 1)$ . Since p is prime, either  $p \mid (x + 1)$  or  $p \mid (x-1)$ . So  $x \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ .

If  $x \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ :  $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  by simply square both side.

So  $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Leftrightarrow x \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ .

(ii)

For  $p = 2, 1 \equiv -1 \pmod{2}$ .

For  $p \neq 2$ , namely, p is odd:

The multiplicative group  $X = (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$  since p is prime and every integer less than p is coprime to p. As is shown in (i), the only solution of  $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  for  $x \in X$  is x = 1 and x = p - 1.

This is to say, x 's inverse does not equal to itself for  $x \neq 1$  or p-1. Besides, there are even elements in  $X \setminus \{1, p-1\}$ . So we can always pair tow elements in  $X \setminus \{1, p-1\}$  with their multiple equals  $1 \pmod p$ , i.e.  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot \ldots \cdot (p-2) \equiv 1 \pmod p$ . Since  $1 \cdot (p-1) \equiv -1 \pmod p$ , so  $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod p$ .

(iii)

If  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $\frac{p-1}{2}$  is odd. For  $x = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{p-1}{2}, x \equiv -(p-x) \pmod{p}$ . Since  $(p-1)! \equiv 1 \cdot (-1) \cdot 2 \cdot (-2) \dots \frac{p-1}{2} \cdot -\frac{p-1}{2} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  and  $\frac{p-1}{2}$  is odd,  $-\left(\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)!\right)^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ . According to (i),  $\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)! \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ .

#### Exercise 5.5

$$561 - 1 = 280 \cdot 2 = 56 \cdot 10 = 35 \cdot 16$$
. So  $a^{561 - 1} = (a^{3-1})^{280} = (a^{11-1})^{56} = (a^{17-1})^{35}$ .

For  $\gcd(a,3)=1, a^{560}\equiv 1 \pmod 3$ . For  $\gcd(a,3)\neq 1$ , i.e.  $a\in 3\mathbb{Z}, 3\mid a$ . Then,  $3\mid a\ (a^{560}-1), \forall a\in \mathbb{Z}$  because either  $3\mid a$  or  $3\mid (a^{560}-1)$ . Similar for 7 and 11. Therefore,  $a^{561}\equiv a \pmod 3, a^{561}\equiv a \pmod {11}, a^{561}\equiv a \pmod {17}$ . So that  $a^{561}-a$  is divisible by 3,11 and 17 and since they are pairwise relatively prime,  $3\cdot 11\cdot 17\mid a^{561}-a$ . i.e.  $a^{561}\equiv a \pmod {561}$  for all integer a.

### Exercise 5.6

(i)

For  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ , because  $a^q \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . we can get that  $\gcd(a \cdot p) = 1$ . Hence. from Fermat's (Little) Theorem. we can get  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

Therefore  $a^{p-1} \equiv a^q \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .  $\Leftrightarrow p \mid a^{\min\{p-1,q\}} \left(1 - a^{\max(p-1,q) - \min\{p-1,q\}}\right)$ . If a is identify element that  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . it's obviously true. If p+a-1. because p+a. hence.  $a^{\max(p-1,q) - \min\{p-1,q\}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

Therefore  $|p-1-q|=nq(n\in z)$ .  $\Leftrightarrow p-1\equiv 0 \pmod{q} \Leftrightarrow p\equiv 1 \pmod{q}$ . Hence,  $a^q\equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow p\equiv 1 \pmod{q} va\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

(ii)

Because 5|a. we can get that  $a \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ 

Hence. we can prove  $5|a \wedge p|a^4 + a^3 + a^2 + a + 1 \rightarrow P \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \Rightarrow$ 

$$a^5 \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \to p \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

Hence, we need to prove  $5|a \wedge p|a^4 + a^3 + a^2 + a + 1 \Rightarrow p \mid a^5 - 1$ .

Because  $a^5 - 1 = (a - 1)(a^4 + a^3 + a^2 + a + 1)$ 

Hence.  $p \mid a^4 + a^3 + a^2 + a + 1 \Rightarrow p \mid (a-1)(a^4 + a^3 + a^2 + a + 1) \Leftrightarrow p \mid a^5 - 1$ . Therefore, we can get that  $a^5 \equiv 1 \pmod{P}$  and  $P \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ .

(iii)

Because  $P \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \Leftrightarrow P = 5n + 1, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $5|a \cap P|a^4 + a^3 + a^2 + a + 1$ .

It's easy to find that  $2 \mid P$  and  $P \in P$ . therefore. P = 10n + 1.  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Hence. for  $\forall a (5 \mid a)$ .  $\exists p = 10n + 1 (p \mid a^4 + a^3 + a^2 + a + 1 \land n \in \mathbb{Z}.)$ 

Here we set  $a = 5m, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . and  $k = a^4 + a^3 + a^2 + a + 1$ .

For  $k = 5(125m^4 + 25m^3 + 5m^2 + m) + 1$ , it's easy ts find that whether m is odd or m is even.  $125m^4 + 25m^3 + 5m^2 + m$  is even.

Hence. for  $\forall k = 10n + 1(n \in \mathbb{Z}), \exists p = 10q + 1(p \mid k \land q \in \mathbb{Z}).$ 

Here we assume the greatest prime  $P_x = 10n + 1$ .

For  $S = 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times \cdots \times (10n + 1) + 1$ . all primes from 2 to  $P_x$  are not the divisor.

and  $S = (2 \times 5) \times 3 \times 7 \times \cdots \times (10n+1) + 1$  can be express as S = 10m+1.

Therefore, there must exist a prime P with form 10n + 1 fits  $P \mid S$ . Hence, for every prime with form 10n + 1, there must exists a greater one with form 10n + 1, which means that there are infinitely many primes with form 10n + 1.

### Exercise 5.7

Suppose  $p \mid 2^{2^5} + 1, p \leq \sqrt{2^{2^5} + 1}$ . Hence,  $2^{32} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  and  $2^{64} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . By Fermat's theorem,  $2^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow p \equiv 1 \pmod{64}$ . By checking all  $64k + 1 \pmod{k} \in \mathbb{Z}$  in  $0 \leq 64k + 1 \leq 2^{16}$ , we can find  $F_5 = 641 \times 6700417$ .

### Exercise 5.8

$$2021 = (11111100101)_2 = 2^{10} + 2^9 + 2^8 + 2^7 + 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^2 + 2^0 \cdot 2^{2^0} \equiv 2 \pmod{2021}, 2^{2^2} \equiv 16$$

 $(\bmod{2021}), 2^{2^5} \equiv 747 (\bmod{2021}), 2^{2^6} \equiv 213 (\bmod{2021}), 2^{2^7} \equiv 907 (\bmod{2021}), 2^{2^8} \equiv 102 (\bmod{2021}), 2^{2^9} \equiv 299 (\bmod{2021}), 2^{2^{10}} \equiv 477 (\bmod{2021}) \cdot 2^{2021} = 2^{2^{10}} \cdot 2^{2^9} \cdot 2^{2^8} \cdot 2^{2^7} \cdot 2^{2^6} \cdot 2^{2^5} \cdot 2^{2^2} \cdot 2^{2^9} = 477 \cdot 299 \cdot 102 \cdot 907 \cdot 213 \cdot 747 \cdot 16 \cdot 2 \equiv 388 \cdot 907 \cdot 213 \cdot 747 \cdot 4 \equiv 1322 (\bmod{2021}).$  Since  $2^{2021} \equiv 1322 \not\equiv 2 \pmod{2021}, 2021$  is not a prime.

### Exercise 5.9

To begin with, we deal with the first two linear congruence  $x \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$ . Solve 4u + 7v = 1 and we easily get  $u = 2, v = -1.t_1 = 8 \cdot 5 - 7 \cdot 2 \equiv 26 \pmod{28}$ . Then we deal with the last two linear congruence  $x \equiv 0 \pmod{11}, x \equiv 8 \pmod{15}$ . Solve 11m + 15n = 1 and we get m = -4, n = 3.  $t_2 = -44 \cdot 8 + 45 \cdot 0 = -352 \equiv -22 \pmod{165}$ . Finally we deal with  $x \equiv 26 \pmod{28}, x \equiv -22 \pmod{165}$ . Solve 28p + 165q = 1 and we get p = -53, q = 9.  $t = -1484 \cdot (-22) + 1485 \cdot 26 = 71258 \equiv 1958 \pmod{4620}$ . Thus the final solution x = 1958.

#### Exercise 5.10

(i) 
$$6x \equiv 2 \cdot 3x \equiv 2 \cdot 0 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

Therefore  $6x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$  does not have solutions.

(ii) 
$$6x \equiv x + 5x \equiv x + 0 \equiv x \pmod{5}$$

Since there are infinitely many x that satisfies  $x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$ , such as 5k + 2,  $(k \in \mathbb{Z}, 6x \equiv 2 \pmod{5})$  has infinitely many solutions.

#### Exercise 5.11

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i) e(233) = 233^{95} \pmod{323}
        Since 95 = 2^6 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1 + 2^0
        233^{95} = 233^{64} \times 235^{16} \times 233^8 \times 233^4 \times 233^2 \times 233^1
        233^1 \equiv 233 \pmod{323}
        233^2 \equiv 25 \pmod{323}
        233^4 \equiv 25^2 \equiv 302 \pmod{323}
        233^8 \equiv 302^2 \equiv 118 \pmod{323}
        233^{16} \equiv 118^2 \equiv 35 \pmod{323}
        233^{32} \equiv 35^2 \equiv 256 \pmod{323}
        233^{64} \equiv 256^2 \equiv 290 \pmod{323}
        \Rightarrow 233^{95} \equiv 290 \times 35 \times 118 \times 302 \times 25 \times 233 \equiv 180 \pmod{323}
ii) D = E^{-1} \pmod{\varphi(n)}
   d(y) = y^D = x^{ED} \equiv x \bmod n
    d(y) = y^{191} \bmod 323
iii) d(180) = 180^{191} \mod 323
     Since 191 = 2^7 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1 + 2^0
     180^{191} = 18^{128} \times 180^{32} \times 18^{16} \times 180^8 \times 18^4 \times 18^2 \times 180^1
     180^1 \equiv 180 \pmod{323}
     180^2 \equiv 100 \pmod{323}
     180^4 \equiv 100^2 \equiv 310 \pmod{323}
     180^8 \equiv 310^2 \equiv 169 \pmod{323}
     180^{16} \equiv 169^2 \equiv 137 \pmod{323}
     180^{32} \equiv 137^2 \equiv 35 \pmod{323}
     180^{64} \equiv 35^2 \equiv 256 \pmod{323}
     180^{128} \equiv 256^2 \equiv 290 \pmod{323}
      \Rightarrow 180^{191} \equiv 290 \times 35 \times 137 \times 169 \times 310 \times 100 \times 180 \equiv 233 \pmod{323}
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