

Computational Number Theory: CS5610

Q2) Let $k = \text{ord}(a)$

$\Rightarrow k$ is the least power such that $a^k = e$

Let $d = qk + r$ $\iff r < k$

$$\Rightarrow a^d = a^{qk} \cdot a^r$$

$$\text{but } a^{qk} = e \Rightarrow a^d = a^r$$

but by definition of order, if $r < k$ and $a^r = e$ then $r = 0$

$$\therefore d = qk \text{ or } k | d \text{ i.e. } \text{ord}(a) | d$$

Q4) We have $f(x)(2x+1) \equiv 1 \pmod{x^2+1}$

We basically need $(2x+1)^{-1} \pmod{x^2+1}$

Let us write

$$\cancel{g(x)(x^2+1)} \\ f(x)(2x+1) - g(x)(x^2+1) \equiv 1$$

	a	b	q	-g	f	u	v
	x^2+1	$2x+1$	$4x+5$	1	0	0	1
	$2x+1$	3	$3x+5$	0	1	1	$-4x-5$
	3	0	-	1	$-4x-5$		

$$\Rightarrow g(x) = -1 \quad f(x) = -4x-5 = 3x+2$$

but this is solution for $f(x)(2x+1) - g(x)(x^2+1) = 3$

$$\therefore \text{Multiply } 8^{-1} = 5 \rightarrow f(x) = x+3$$

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Q6) $x^2 = 3 \pmod{p}$ has a solution if $\left(\frac{3}{p}\right) = 1$

Case 1

$$p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{3}\right)$$

(i) $p \pmod{3} = 0$ Not possible since p is prime

(ii) $p \pmod{3} = 1$ OK

(iii) $p \pmod{3} = 2$ No since $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = -1$

$$\therefore p \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \text{ and } p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$p = 4x + 1 = 3y + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 3y$$

$$x = 3k, y = 4k$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 4(3k) + 1 = 12k + 1$$

$$\text{i.e. } p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$$

Case 2

$$p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\left(\frac{p}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{p}\right)$$

only here only

$$p \pmod{3} = 2 \text{ would work}$$

$$\Rightarrow p \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ and } p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 4x + 3 = 3y + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 3 = 3y - 4y = -y \Rightarrow 3y - 4x = 1$$

$$(x, y) = (-1, -1) \text{ satisfies}$$

$$\text{general } \Rightarrow (-1 - 3k, -1 - 4k)$$

$$\therefore p = 4(-3k - 1) + 3$$

$$= -12k - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$$

$$\therefore p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{12}$$

Q7) $\mathbb{Z}_{15} \cong \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$

\therefore We find solutions in \mathbb{Z}_3 and \mathbb{Z}_5 separately and multiply

Solutions in $\mathbb{Z}_3 \in \{0, 1, 2\}$

Solutions in $\mathbb{Z}_5 \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$

(5 because if $f(x) \pmod{5} = 0$)

\therefore We have $d = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15\}$