

Primitive Roots

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- 1 Let n be a positive integer. Show that there are infinitely many primes p such that the smallest positive primitive root of p is greater than n .
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- 3 Show that for each odd prime p , there is an integer g such that $1 < g < p$ and g is a primitive root modulo p^n for every positive integer n .
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- 4 Let g be a Fibonacci primitive root \pmod{p} . i.e. g is a primitive root \pmod{p} satisfying $g^2 \equiv g + 1 \pmod{p}$. Prove that $-g - 1$ is also a primitive root \pmod{p} . - if $p = 4k + 3$ then $(g - 1)^{2k+3} \equiv g - 2 \pmod{p}$, and deduce that $g - 2$ is also a primitive root \pmod{p} .
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- 5 Let p be an odd prime. If $g_1, \dots, g_{\phi(p-1)}$ are the primitive roots \pmod{p} in the range $1 < g \leq p - 1$, prove that
- $$\sum_{i=1}^{\phi(p-1)} g_i \equiv \mu(p-1) \pmod{p}.$$
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- 6 Suppose that m does not have a primitive root. Show that
- $$a^{\frac{\phi(m)}{2}} \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$$
- for every a relatively prime m .
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- 7 Suppose that $p > 3$ is prime. Prove that the products of the primitive roots of p between 1 and $p - 1$ is congruent to 1 modulo p .
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