

# Tutorial-6 (Number Theory)

## Int. Msc 5th year

Q.1 Use Fermat's theorem to verify that 17 divides  $11^{104} + 1$ .

Q.2 (a) If  $\gcd(a, 35) = 1$ , show that  $a^{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{35}$

(b) If  $\gcd(a, 42) = 1$ , show that  $168 = 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 8$  divides  $a^6 - 1$ .

Q.3 ~~Q.3~~ Derive the following congruences:

(a)  $a^{21} \equiv a \pmod{15} \quad \forall a$ .

(b)  $a^9 \equiv a \pmod{30} \quad \forall a$ .

Q.4 If  $\gcd(a, 30) = 1$ , show that 60 divides  $a^4 + 59$ .

Q.5 (a) Find the units digits of  $3^{100}$  by Fermat's theorem.

Q.6 If  $7 \nmid a$ , prove that either  $a^3 + 1$  or  $a^3 - 1$  is divisible by 7.

Q.7 Assuming that  $a$  and  $b$  are integers not divisible by prime  $p$ , establish the following.

(a) If  $a^p \equiv b^p \pmod{p}$ , then  $a \equiv b \pmod{p}$

(b) If  $a^p \equiv b^p \pmod{p}$ , then  $a^p \equiv b^p \pmod{p^2}$ .



Q.8 Use Fermat's theorem to prove that, if  $p$  is an odd prime, then

$$(a) \ 1^{p-1} + 2^{p-1} + 3^{p-1} + \dots + (p-1)^{p-1} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}.$$

$$(b) \ 1^p + 2^p + 3^p + \dots + (p-1)^p \equiv 0 \pmod{p}.$$

Q.9 Confirm the following integers are absolute pseudo primes.

$$(a) \ 1105 = 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 17$$

$$(b) \ 2465 = 5 \cdot 17 \cdot 29.$$

Q.10 Find the remainder when  $15!$  is divided by 17.

Q.11 Arrange the integers  $2, 3, 4, \dots, 21$  in pairs  $a$  and  $b$  that satisfy  $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{23}$ .

Q.12 Show that  $18! \equiv -1 \pmod{437}$ .

Q.13 Given a prime number  $p$ , establish the congruence

$$(p-1)! \equiv p-1 \pmod{1+2+3+\dots+(p-1)}.$$
