

Worksheet 6

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1. Proving that Carmichael numbers are squarefree.

(a) Show that a given non squarefree number n can be written in the form $n = p^k N$ for some prime p and integers N and k with $k \geq 2$ and $\gcd(p, N) = 1$.

(b) Show that $(1 + pN)^{n-1} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p^2}$.

(c) Deduce that Carmichael numbers are squarefree.