

Assignment 5

Due: Wednesday, November 15th, 2017, upload before 11:59pm

1) (15 pts.) Answer the following:

a. Prove or disprove: For all integers a, b, c, d , if $a|b$ and $c|d$, then $(ac)|(b+d)$.

Let $a = 5, b = 10, c = 2, d = 6$

$$a|b = 5|10 = 2$$

$$c|d = 2|6 = 3$$

$$(ac)|(b+d) = (5*2)|(10+6) = 10|16$$

10 does not divide 16 so this disproves it.

b. True or false: if $a|c^2$ and $b|c^2$ then $ab|c^3$. Give a proof or counter example.

There is $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$1 = as + bt$$

Assume $a|c$ and $b|c$ then there are $k, j \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$c = ka \text{ and } c = jb$$

Multiply by c

$$c = cas + cbt = (jb)as + (ka)bt = (js)ab + (kt)ab = (js + kt)ab$$

Proves that $ab|c$

and if $ab|c$ then $ab|c^3$. Therefore the statement is true.

c. If p and p^2+2 are primes, show that p^3+2 is prime.

If $p = 3$, then $p^2+2 = 11$, and so $p^3+2 = 29$ which is prime

2) (30 pts.)

a. Show that if a and b are both positive integers, then $(2^a - 1) \bmod (2^b - 1) = 2^{a \bmod b} - 1$.

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If $a \geq b$ then we can let $a = bn + r$, $n \geq 1$, $0 \leq r \leq b$

$r = a \bmod (b)$

$$x^n - 1 = (x - 1)(x^{n-1} + x^{n-2} + \dots + 1); (x - 1) | (x^n - 1)$$

choose $x = 2^b$, then $(2^b - 1) | (2^{bn} - 1)$

$$\begin{aligned}(2^a - 1) \bmod (2^b - 1) &= (2^{bn+r} - 1) \bmod (2^b - 1) \\&= (2^{bn} \cdot 2^r - 2^r + 2^r - 1) \bmod (2^b - 1) \\&= ((2^{bn} - 1) \cdot 2^r + (2^r - 1)) \bmod (2^b - 1) \\&= (2^r - 1) \bmod (2^b - 1) \\&= 2^r - 1 = 2^{a \bmod b} - 1\end{aligned}$$

b. Using the above question, show that if a and b are both positive integers, then $\gcd(2^a - 1, 2^b - 1) = 2^{\gcd(a, b)} - 1$.

If $a = 1$, $b = 0$, then $\gcd(2^1 - 1, 2^0 - 1) = \gcd(1, 0) = 1$ and $2^{\gcd(1, 0)} - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1$.

Assume true for $1 \leq n \leq a$

Consider $n = a+1$

$$\begin{aligned}\gcd(2^{a+1} - 1, 2^b - 1) &= \gcd((2^{a+1} - 1) \bmod (2^b - 1), 2^b - 1) \\&= \gcd(2^{(a+1) \bmod b} - 1, 2^b - 1) \\&= 2^{\gcd((a+1) \bmod b, b)} - 1 \\&= 2^{\gcd(a+1, b)} - 1\end{aligned}$$

3) (20 pts.) Solve the following:

a. Compute $21^{4600} \pmod{47}$

47 is prime

$$21 \equiv 0 \pmod{47}$$

Fermat's Theorem

$$21^{4600} \equiv (21^{46})^{100} \equiv 1 \pmod{47}$$

b. Compute $21^{4601} \pmod{47}$

$$21^{4601} \equiv 21^{4600} \cdot 21 \equiv 21$$

c. Compute $21^{4599} \pmod{47}$ [Hint: work on 3. (b) will be useful to solve this.]

$$21^{4599} \equiv 21^{4600} \cdot 21^{-1} \equiv 21^{-1} \equiv 1/21$$

$$21x + 41y = 1$$

$$x = 9$$

$$21^{4599} \equiv 9$$

4) (10 pts.) Solve the system of congruences using Substitution method:

$$5x \equiv 14 \pmod{17}$$

$$3x \equiv 2 \pmod{13}$$

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$$35x \equiv 98 \pmod{17}$$

$$x \equiv 13 \pmod{17}$$

$$3x \equiv 2 \pmod{13}$$

$$27x \equiv 18 \pmod{13}$$

$$x \equiv 5 \pmod{13}$$

$$x = 13 + 17k$$

$$13 + 17k \equiv 5 \pmod{13}$$

$$4k \equiv 5 \pmod{13}$$

$$k \equiv 11 \pmod{13}$$

$$x \equiv 13 + 17 \cdot 11 \equiv 200 \pmod{221}$$

5) (10 pts.) Solve the system of congruences using Chinese Remainder Theorem:

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$$

$$\gcd(3, 5) = 1$$

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$$\begin{array}{rcl} x & = & 5 \cdot 7 \quad + 3 \cdot 7 \quad + 3 \cdot 5 \\ x & = & 35 \quad + 21 \quad + 15 \\ x & = & 35 \quad + 0 \quad + 0 \pmod{3} \\ x & = & 35 \pmod{3} \\ x & = & 2 \pmod{3} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x & = & 0 \quad + 0 \quad + 15 \pmod{7} \\ x & = & 15 \pmod{7} \\ x & = & 1 \pmod{7} \\ 1 \cdot 3 & = & 3 \pmod{7} \\ x & = & 35 \quad + 21 \quad + 15 \cdot 3 \\ x & = & 35 \quad + 21 \quad + 45 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x & = & 0 \quad + 21 \quad + 0 \pmod{5} \\ x & = & 21 \pmod{5} \\ x & = & 1 \pmod{5} \\ 1 \cdot 2 & = & 2 \pmod{5} \\ x & = & 35 \quad + 21 \cdot 2 \quad + 45 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x & = & 35 \quad + 42 \quad + 45 \\ x & = & 122 \\ 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 & = & 105 \end{array}$$

$$x = 17 \pmod{105}$$

6) (15 pts.) True or False: two positive integers m and n are coprime if and only if

$\varphi(mn) = \varphi(m)\varphi(n)$. Give a proof or counter example.

TRUE

If $m = 1$ or $n = 1$ then $\varphi(1) = 1$, so $m > 1$ and $n > 1$

We shall arrange integers from $1, 2, \dots, mn$ in an array, a , of n rows and m columns.

Since m and n are coprime $\gcd(a, mn) = 1$ if a and m are coprime and a and n are coprime.

$\Phi(m)$ of the columns contain integers coprime with m .

Column c of integers coprime with m is in the form

$C, m + c, 2m + c, \dots, (n-1)m + c$

Since m and n are coprime all answers are different mod n . Therefore the column contains $\varphi(n)$ integers coprime with n and therefore there are $\varphi(m) \varphi(n)$ integers in the array coprime with m and n .

So $\varphi(mn) = \varphi(m) \varphi(n)$

Note: Provide justifications for your solutions.

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