

Homework 7

Exercise 1: .

e)-2002 is divided by 89?

$$\therefore -2002 \bmod 89 = 45$$

\therefore -2002 is not divided by 89

f) 0 is divided by 19?

$$\therefore 0 \bmod 19 = 0$$

\therefore 0 is divided by 19

g) 1,234,567 is divided by 101?

$$\therefore 1234567 \bmod 19 = 14$$

\therefore 1,234,567 is not divided by 19

h)-100 is divided by 103?

$$\therefore -100 \bmod 103 = 3$$

\therefore -100 is not divided by 103

Exercise 2: .

a) Let a be a positive integer. Show that $\gcd(a, a-1) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \gcd(a, a-1) \\ &= \gcd(a-1, 1) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

b) Use the result of part a) to solve the Diophantine equation

$$a + 2b = 2ab$$

where (a, b) are positive integers

$$\begin{aligned} a + 2b &= 2ab \\ a &= 2(a-1)b \\ b &= \frac{a}{2(a-1)} \end{aligned}$$

Because both a and b are positive integer, we can only get one set of solution, $a = 2$, $b = 1$.

Exercise 3: .

Let a , b , and c be three integers. Show that the equation $ax + by = c$ has at least one solution (x_1, y_1) if and only if $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$

Let p be the proposition “ $ax + by = c$ has at least one integer solution (x_1, y_1) ” and q be the proposition “ $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$ ”. We want to show that $p \leftrightarrow q$, which is logically equivalent to show that $p \leftarrow q$ and $q \rightarrow p$.

i) Let us show $p \rightarrow q$:

Hypothesis: p is true, If $ax + by = c$ has one integer solution (x_1, y_1) , then let $a = pd$, $b = qd$ where $d = \gcd(a, b)$ and p, q are also integers. We get:

$$\begin{aligned} ax + by &= c \\ pdx + qdy &= c \\ d(px + qy) &= c \end{aligned}$$

Because $px + qy$ and c are integers, we can get that $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$

ii) Let us show $q \rightarrow p$:

Hypothesis: q is true. If $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$, then $c = k\gcd(a, b)$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. And according to the BZOUTS THEOREM, $\gcd(a, b) = sa + tb$, $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ we can get that:

$$\begin{aligned} c &= k \gcd(a, b) \\ &= a \cdot sk + b \cdot tk \end{aligned}$$

So we can get one solution easily:

$$\begin{cases} x = sk \\ y = tk \end{cases}$$

Thus this equation has at least one integer solution when $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$

we can conclude that the equation $ax + by = c$ has at least one solution (x_1, y_1) if and only if $\gcd(a, b) \mid c$

Exercise 4: .

Let a , b and n be three positive integers with $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ and $\gcd(b, n) = 1$. Show that $\gcd(ab, n) = 1$.

Because $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, a and n are relative prime.

So $a = pn + i$, $p \in \mathbb{R}$, $i \in \mathbb{N}$, $i < n$, i and n are relative prime.

Similarly, we can get $b = qn + j$, $q \in \mathbb{R}$ and $j \in \mathbb{N}$, $j < n$, j and n are relative prime.

Then $ab = pqn^2 + pjn + qin + ij$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \gcd(ab, n) &= \gcd(n, ab \bmod n) \\ &= \gcd(n, (pqn^2 + pjn + qin + ij) \bmod n) \\ &= \gcd(n, ij \bmod n) \end{aligned}$$

Because i , n are relative prime and j , n are relative prime, ij and n are relative prime. Therefore, $ij \bmod n$ and n are relative prime.

$$\gcd(n, ij \bmod n) = \gcd(ab, n) = 1$$

Exercise 5: .

Prove that there are no solutions in integers x and y to the equation $3x^2 + 5y^2 = 19$.

Let both side mod 3:

$$\begin{aligned} &RHS \text{ mod } 3 \\ &= 19 \text{ mod } 3 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &LHS \text{ mod } 3 \\ &= (3x^2 + 5y^2) \text{ mod } 3 \\ &= 5y^2 \text{ mod } 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{if } y = 1, 5y^2 \text{ mod } 3 = 2$$

$$\text{if } y = 2, 5y^2 = 20 > 19$$

So we can conclude that this equation cannot have integer solution.

Exercise 6: .

Show that if $n > 3$ then n , $2n + 1$ and $4n + 1$ cannot all be prime

if $n \text{ mod } 3 = 0$: n is not prime.

if $n \text{ mod } 3 = 1$, then $n = 3k + 1$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $2n + 1 = 6k + 3$, which is not prime.

if $n \text{ mod } 3 = 2$, then $n = 3k + 2$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $4n + 1 = 12k + 9$, which is not prime.

Exercise 7: .

Prove or disprove that there are three consecutive odd positive integers that are primes, that is, odd primes of the form p , $p + 2$, $p + 4$.

Because 3, 5, 7 are consecutive odd positive primes, this statement is true.

Exercise 8: .

Prove that if n is a positive integer such that the sum of its divisors is $n + 1$, then n is prime.

let's assume that the sum of its divisors is $n + 1$, and n is not a prime.

Because n is not a prime, $n = 1 * p * q$, $(p, q) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Because m, n may not be prime, the sum of n 's divisors must greater than or equal to $1 + p + q + n$, which is greater than $n + 1$. This is contradict with my assumption. So we can conclude that if n is a positive integer such that the sum of its divisors is $n + 1$, then n is prime.

Exercise 9: Extra Credit

Let a and b be two strictly positive integers. Solve $\gcd(a, b) + \text{lcm}(a, b) = b + 9$

Let $a = pd$, $b = qd$, which p, q, d are positive integers

$$\begin{aligned} \gcd(a, b) + \text{lcm}(a, b) &= b + 9 \\ d + \frac{pqd^2}{d} &= qd + 9 \\ d + pqd - qd &= 9 \\ d(1 - q + pq) &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

Because p, q, d are positive integers, we can get these solutions:

$$\begin{cases} d = 3 \\ p = 3 \\ q = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} d = 1 \\ p = 3 \\ q = 4 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} d = 1 \\ p = 9 \\ q = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} d = 1 \\ p = 5 \\ q = 2 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} d = 9 \\ p = 1 \\ q = n, n \in \mathbb{Z}, n > 1 \end{cases}$$

So we can know that $(9, 3), (3, 4), (9, 1), (5, 2)$ or $(9, 9n)$