CSC281 Discrete Mathematics for CS Students

Homework 2

Due Date: October, 18th

- 1. Consider the statement, if gcd(a,b) = 1 then either a or b must be prime. If this is a True statement then prove it, and if it is False give a counter example.
- **2.** What are the possible remainders of $[n^3 mod \ 9]$ for all positive values of n. In other words, what are the possible values of x in: $n^3 \equiv x \pmod{9}$.
- **3.** Solve: $4x^2 \equiv 3 \pmod{9}$.
- **4.** Find the value of (2021²⁰²¹ mod 21). Show all the steps.
- **5.** Use the Chinese Remainder Theorem to solve the system of congruences:

 $x \equiv 2 \mod 9$

 $x \equiv 5 \mod 26$

 $x \equiv 3 \mod 55$

 $x \equiv 6 \mod 49$