

## NUMBER THEORY AND ALGEBRA

- ① If  $a|b$  then  $b = ax$  and if  $b|c$  then  $c = bs$   
 Then  $7b - 5c = 7ax - 5bs = 7ax - 5(ax)s = a(7x - 5xs)$   
 Since  $7x - 5xs$  is an Integer then  $a|(7b - 5c)$

- ②  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$   
 Let  $\gcd$  of  $(a+b, a-b) = d$   
 $\Rightarrow d|(a-b)$  and  $d|(a+b)$   
 $a-b = cd$   
 $a+b = ed$

$$2a = d(e+c) \Rightarrow d|2a$$

$$2b = d(e-c) \Rightarrow d|2b$$

$$\gcd(a, b) = 1$$

This is only possible if either  $d=2$  or  $d=1$

$\therefore d$  can not divide both  $a$  and  $b$

$$\therefore \gcd(a+b, a-b) = 1 \text{ or } 2$$

③  $3587 = 1819 \cdot 1 + 1768$

$$1819 = 1768 \cdot 1 + 51$$

$$1768 = 51 \cdot 34 + 34$$

$$51 = 34 \cdot 1 + 17$$

$$34 = 17 \cdot 2 + 0$$

$$17 = 51 - 34 \cdot 1$$

$$= 51 - (1768 - 51 \cdot 34) \cdot 1$$

$$= 51 \cdot 35 - 1768$$

$$= (1819 - 1768) \cdot 35 - (3587 - 1819)$$

$$= 1819 \cdot 35 - 1768 \cdot 36$$

$$= 1819 \cdot 35 - (3587 - 1819) \cdot 36$$

$$= 1819 \cdot 71 - 3587 \cdot 36$$

$$17 = 1819 \cdot 71 - 3587 \cdot 36 = 1819x + 3587y \quad x = 71 \quad y = -36$$

$$(4) i) a^3 + b^3 = (a+b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

$$\text{So } n^3 + 1 = (n+1)(n^2 - n + 1)$$

$$\text{Let } (n+1) \rightarrow a, (n^2 - n + 1) \rightarrow m$$

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$$\Rightarrow (n+1) \mid (n+1)(n^2 - n + 1)$$

$$(n+1) \mid (n^3 + 1) \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

ii) We can take  $n = k$

$$P(k) = (k^2 - 1) \mid (k^3 + 1)$$

$$\text{For } k = 2 \rightarrow P(2) = 3 \mid 9 \Rightarrow \text{True}$$

So for  $k \rightarrow k+1$

$$P(k+1) = ((k+1)^2 - 1) \mid ((k+1)^3 + 1)$$

$$= k^2 + 2k \mid k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 2$$

$$P(3) = 15 \mid 65 \Rightarrow \text{False}$$

$$P(4) = 16 + 16 + 3 \mid 64 + 96 + 48 + 9 \Rightarrow \text{False}$$

So, we can say that  $(n^2 - 1) \mid (n^3 + 1)$  only works for  $n = 2$

$$(5) 3^{n-1} + 5^{n-1} \mid 3^n + 5^n$$

$$3^{n-1} + 5^{n-1} \mid 3^n + 5^n - 5(3^{n-1} + 5^{n-1}) = -2 \cdot 3^{n-1}$$

$$3^{n-1} + 5^{n-1} \mid 3^n + 5^n - 3(3^{n-1} + 5^{n-1}) = 2 \cdot 5^{n-1}$$

$$2 \cdot 3^{n-1} = x(3^{n-1} + 5^{n-1}) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$2 \cdot 5^{n-1} = y(3^{n-1} + 5^{n-1}) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$(1) + (2)$$

$$2 \cdot 5^{n-1} = (2 \cdot x)(3^{n-1} + 5^{n-1})$$

$$x = \frac{2 \cdot 3^{n-1}}{3^{n-1} + 5^{n-1}}$$

$x$  is odd for the  $n = 1$

There can be only 1 reduction which is 1.



- ⑥ Given  $3m + n = 3 \text{ LCM}(m, n) + \text{gcd}(m, n)$  — (1)  
 Let us assume  $\text{gcd} = (m, n) = d$

$$m = d \cdot k, \quad n = d \cdot x$$

$$\text{Eq (1)} \div d$$

$$\frac{3m}{d} + \frac{n}{d} = 3 \frac{d \cdot k}{d} + \frac{d}{d}$$

$$3k + x = 3k + 1$$

$$(3k - 1)(x - 1) = 0$$

$$k = \frac{1}{3} \text{ or } x = 1$$

$k$  cannot be  $\frac{1}{3}$  because  $k$  is an integer  
 so  $x = 1$  or  $n = d$

If  $\text{gcd}(m, n) = n$   
 then  $n$  divides  $m$ .

- ⑦ Given  $T_1 = 2$

$$T_{n+1} = T_n^2 - T_n + 1$$

$$T_2 = T_1^2 - T_1 + 1 = 4 - 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$T_3 = T_2^2 - T_2 + 1 = 9 - 3 + 1 = 7$$

$$T_4 = T_3^2 - T_3 + 1 = 49 - 7 + 1 = 43$$

$$T_{n+1} = T_n^2 - T_n + 1$$

$$T_2 = 3 = 2 + 1 = T_1 + 1$$

$$T_3 = 7 = 6 + 1 = T_1 T_2 + 1$$

$$T_4 = 43 = 42 + 1 = T_1 T_2 T_3 + 1$$

$$T_n = T_1 T_2 \dots T_{n-1} + 1$$

$$\text{gcd}(T_i, T_j) = 1 \quad \forall i \neq j$$

Let's take an example

$$\text{gcd}(7, 43) = 1$$

$$\text{gcd}(3, 7) = 1$$

$$\text{gcd}(3, 43) = 1$$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad abcd.bc \ 1001 = 1000000a + 100000b + 1000c \\ 100a + 10b + c$$

$$= 100100a + 10010b + 1001c$$

$$= 1001(100a + 10b + c)$$

$$= 1001 \text{ "abc"} = 4 \cdot 11 \cdot 13$$