

Lecture 2

Training Camp

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Level 2

Lifting The Exponent Lemma (LTE)

Theorem 3.3.1. For p being an odd prime relatively prime to integers a and b with $p \mid a - b$ then

$$v_p(a^n - b^n) = v_p(a - b) + v_p(n).$$

Corollary 3.3.1. For p being an odd prime relatively prime to a and b with $p \mid a - b$ and n is a **odd** positive integer than

$$v_p(a^n + b^n) = v_p(a + b) + v_p(n)$$

Theorem 3.3.2. If $p = 2$ and n is even, and

- $4 \mid x - y$ then $v_2(x^n - y^n) = v_2(x - y) + v_2(n)$
 - $4 \mid x + y$ then $v_2(x^n - y^n) = v_2(x + y) + v_2(n)$
- $v_2(x^n - y^n) =$
 $v_2(x - y) + v_2(x + y) + v_2(n) - 1$

4. (ISL 1991) Find the largest k such that $1991^k \mid 1990^{1991^{1992}} + 1992^{1991^{1990}}$.

$$\text{Hint: } 1990^{1991^{1992}} = (1990^{1991^2})^{1991^{1990}} + (1992)^{1991^{1990}}$$

$$S = \underbrace{(1990^{1991^2})^{1991^{1990}}}_{\text{1991 is prime}} + \underbrace{(1992)^{1991^{1990}}}_{\text{1992 is composite}}$$

$$1990^{1991^2} + 1992 \equiv (-1)^{1991^2} + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{1991}$$

$$1991 = 11 \times 181 \quad \text{and} \quad 11, 181 \text{ are primes}$$

$$\text{from LTE } v_{11}(S) = v_{11}\left(\frac{1990^{1991^2} + 1992}{\geq 1}\right) + v_{11}(1991^{1990}) \\ = 1990$$

$$v_{181}(S) = v_{181}\left(\frac{1990^{1991^2} + 1992}{\geq 1}\right) + v_{181}(1991^{1990}) \\ = 1990$$

$$k = \min(v_{11}(S), v_{181}(S))$$

$$K \geq 1991$$

4. (ISL 1991) Find the largest k such that $1991^k \mid 1990^{1991^{1992}} + 1992^{1991^{1990}}$.

$$\begin{array}{c} 1990^{1991^2} + 1992 \\ \text{?} \\ 1990^{1991^2} + 1992 \end{array}$$

$$1990^{1991^2} + 1992 \equiv 54^{1991^2} + 56 \pmod{121}$$

$$1991^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{\phi(121)}$$

$$\equiv 54'' + 56 \pmod{121}$$

$$\not\equiv 0 \pmod{121}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{11} (1990^{1991^2} + 1992) &= 1 \Rightarrow \nu_{11}(s) = 1991 \\ &\Rightarrow \boxed{k = 1991} \end{aligned}$$

4. (ISL 1991) Find the largest k such that $1991^k \mid 1990^{1991^{1992}} + 1992^{1991^{1990}}$.

$$11^2 \nmid 1990^{1991^2} + 1992$$

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LTE: $11 \mid 1990 + 1992$

$$\nu_{11}(1990^{1991^2} + 1992^{1991^2}) = \nu_{11}(1990 + 1992) + \nu_{11}(1991^2) \\ = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 11^2 \mid 1990^{1991^2} + 1992^{1991^2} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$11^2 \mid 1990^{1991^2} + 1992 \Leftrightarrow 11^2 \mid 1992^{1991^2} - 1992 \\ \Leftrightarrow 11^2 \mid 1992 \left(1992^{1991^2-1} - 1 \right) \\ \Leftrightarrow 11^2 \mid 1992^{1991^2-1} - 1$$

LTE: $11 \mid 1992 - 1$

$$\nu_{11}(1992^{1991^2-1} - 1) = \nu_{11}(1992 - 1) + \nu_1(1991^2 - 1) \\ = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$11^2 \nmid 1990^{1991^2} + 1992$$

$$\Rightarrow \nu_{11}(S) = 1991$$

$$k = 1991$$

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5. (AIME 2018) Find the smallest n such that 3^n ends with 01 when written in base 143.

$$3^n \text{ ends with } 01 \text{ base } 143, \quad 3^n = \overline{a_k a_{k-1} \dots a_1 a_0}_{(143)}, \quad \begin{array}{l} a_1=0 \\ a_0=1 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^n = 143^k a_k + 143^{k-1} a_{k-1} + \dots + 143 a_1 + a_0$$

$$a_0=1, a_1=0 \Leftrightarrow 3^n \equiv 143 a_1 + a_0 \pmod{143^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3^n \equiv 0 + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{143^2}$$

$$3^n \equiv 1 \pmod{11}, \quad 3^n \equiv 1 \pmod{13} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{ord}_{11} 3 = 5, \quad \text{ord}_{13} 3 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 5|n, 3|n \Rightarrow 15|n \Rightarrow n = 15n_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_{11}(3^n - 1) &= v_{11}(3^{15n_1} - 1) = v_{11}((3^5)^{3n_1} - 1) \\ &= v_{11}(3^5 - 1) + v_{11}(3^{5n_1}) = 2 + v_{11}(3n_1) \geq 2 \end{aligned} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

5. (AIME 2018) Find the smallest n such that 3^n ends with 01 when written in base 143.

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{13}(3^n - 1) &= \nu_{13}(3^{15n_1} - 1) = \nu_{13}((3^3)^{5n_1} - 1) \\ &= \nu_{13}(3^3 - 1) + \nu_{13}(5n_1) \\ &= 1 + \nu_{13}(n_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\nu_{13}(n_1) \geq 1 \text{ چنانچه } \nu_{13}(3^n - 1) \geq 2 \text{ 01 باشد}$$

$$\frac{13 | n_1}{\nu_{13}(3^n - 1) \geq 2 \iff 13 | n_1 \quad (3)}$$

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$$143^2 | 3^n - 1 \iff 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 13 | n \iff 195 | n$$

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Example 3.3.1 (AoPS). Let $p > 2013$ be a prime. Also, let a and b be positive integers such that $p|(a + b)$ but $p^2 \nmid (a + b)$. If $p^2|(a^{2013} + b^{2013})$ then find the number of positive integer $n \leq 2013$ such that $p^n|(a^{2013} + b^{2013})$

$$p \mid a+b, p^2 \nmid a+b \Rightarrow np(a+b) = 1$$

$$p^2 | a^{2013} + b^{2013} \Rightarrow \nu_p(a^{2013} + b^{2013}) \geq 2$$

$$\underline{\text{Case 1}}: \quad \gcd(a, p) = 1$$

$\Rightarrow \gcd(b, p) = 1$ and by LTE

$$\nu_p(a^{2013} + b^{2013}) = \nu_p(a+b) + \underbrace{\nu_p(2013)}_{\text{but } p > 2013} = 1 + 0$$

$$N_p(a^{2013} + b^{2013}) = 1 \rightarrow \leftarrow$$

Case 2: p19

$$\Rightarrow p \mid b \quad \Rightarrow \quad p^{2013} \mid a^{2013}, \quad p^{2013} \mid b^{2013}$$

$$\Rightarrow p^{2013} \mid a^{2013} + b^{2013} \quad \text{و} \quad p^n \mid a^{2013} + b^{2013}$$

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Example 3.3.2 (AMM). Let a, b, c be positive integers such that $\underline{c} \mid a^c - b^c$.
 Prove that $c \mid \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b}$.

Assume that p is a prime divisor of c and

$$x = N_p(c) \quad (p^x \parallel c)$$

$$c \mid \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b} \iff p^{N_p(c)} \mid \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b} \quad \text{for all prime divisors } p$$

$$c \mid a^c - b^c \Rightarrow p^x \mid a^c - b^c$$

$$\text{Case 0: } p \mid a-b, p \mid a, p \mid b \\ a = p^x, b = p^y \Rightarrow x = y \\ \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b} = \frac{p^c x^c - p^c y^c}{p(x-y)} = p^{c-1} \left(\frac{x^c - y^c}{x-y} \right)$$

$$p^{c-1} \geq c > p^x \Rightarrow p^x \mid \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b}$$

$$\text{Case 1: } p \nmid a-b$$

$$\Rightarrow p^x \mid \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b} \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Example 3.3.2 (AMM). Let a, b, c be positive integers such that $c \mid a^c - b^c$.
 Prove that $c \mid \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b}$.

Case 2: $p \nmid a-b$

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If $p \neq 2$:

$$v_p(a^c - b^c) = v_p(a-b) + v_p(c)$$

$$v_p(a^c - b^c) = v_p(a-b) + \infty$$

$$v_p\left(\frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b}\right) = \infty \Rightarrow p^\infty \mid \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b}$$

If $p=2$:

$$\text{c is even } v_2(a^c - b^c) = \boxed{v_2(a-b)} + \cancel{v_2(a+b)} + \boxed{v_2(c)} - 1$$

$$\geq \boxed{v_2(a-b)} + v_2(c)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_2\left(\frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b}\right) \geq v_2(c) = \infty \Rightarrow 2^\infty \mid \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b}$$

$$c \mid \frac{a^c - b^c}{a-b}$$

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Example 3.3.3 (IMO 1999). *Find all pairs of positive integers (x, p) such that p is prime, $x \leq 2p$, and $x^{p-1} \mid (p - 1)^x + 1$.*