

CSCI 2300 — Algo
Homework 2
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• **Q1**

$$\text{Is } 4^{1536} \equiv 9^{4824} \pmod{35}$$

$$4^4 \pmod{35} = 256 \pmod{35} = 11$$

$$9^2 \pmod{35} = 81 \pmod{35} = 11$$

$$4^{1536} \equiv 4^{4 \cdot 384} \equiv 11^{384} \pmod{35}$$

$$9^{4824} \equiv 9^{2 \cdot 2412} \equiv 11^{2412} \equiv 11^{6 \cdot 384 + 108} \equiv 11^{6 \cdot 384} * 11^{108} \pmod{35}$$

$$11^{108} \equiv 121^{54} \equiv 6^{54} \equiv 36^{27} \equiv 1^{27} \pmod{35} = 1$$

$$11^{6 \cdot 384} \equiv 11^{384} \pmod{35}$$

$$\text{Yes, } 4^{1536} \equiv 9^{4824} \pmod{35}$$

• **Q2**

$$x^{86} \equiv 6 \pmod{29}$$

$$x^{28} \equiv 1 \pmod{29}$$

$$x^{86} \equiv x^2 \pmod{29}$$

$$x^2 \equiv 6 \pmod{29}$$

$$x^2 \equiv 64 \pmod{29}$$

$$x = 8$$

• **Q3**

Prove that $\text{GCD}(F_{n+1}, F_n) = 1$, for $n \geq 1$, where F_n is the n-th Fibonacci element.

We prove this with induction

Base: $n = 1$, $F_2 = 1$, $F_1 = 1$, $\text{GCD}(F_2, F_1) = \text{GCD}(1, 1) = 1$.

Induction: Assume $\text{GCD}(F_{n+1}, F_n) = 1$

$$F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n, F_n = F_{n+2} - F_{n+1}$$

$$\text{GCD}(F_{n+1}, F_n) = \text{GCD}(F_{n+1}, F_{n+2} - F_{n+1}) = \text{GCD}(F_{n+1}, F_{n+2}) = \text{GCD}(F_{n+2}, F_{n+1}) = 1$$

$$\text{GCD}(F_{n+1}, F_n) = 1 \rightarrow \text{GCD}(F_{n+2}, F_{n+1}) = 1$$

therefore, $\text{GCD}(F_{n+1}, F_n) = 1$, for $n \geq 1$ ■