

6.1

Question: Find the orders of the elements of U_9 and of U_{10} .

Solution:

Answer

6.2

Question: Show that if l and m are positive integers with highest common factor h , then $\gcd(2^l - 1, 2^m - 1)$ divides $2^h - 1$.

Solution:

Answer

6.3

Question: The groups U_{10} and U_{12} both have order 4; show that exactly one of them is cyclic.

Solution:

Answer

6.4

Question: Find primitive roots in U_n for $n = 18, 23, 27$ and 31 .

Solution:

Answer

6.5

Question: Show that if U_n has a primitive root then it has $\phi(\phi(n))$ of them.

Solution:

Answer

6.6

Question: Verify that the element 5 is a generator of U_7
(answer to problem)

6.7

Question: Find the elements of order d in U_{11} , for each d dividing 10; which elements are generators?

Solution:

Answer

6.8

Question: Verify that 2 is a primitive root mod(25) by calculating its powers.

Solution:

Answer

6.9

Question: Show that 2 is a primitive root mod (3^e) for all $e \geq 1$.

Solution:

Answer

6.10

Question: Find an integer which is a primitive root $\text{mod}(7^e)$ for all $e \geq 1$.

Solution:

Answer

Problem 2

Question: Check that 3 is a primitive root modulo 17 by constructing an explicit isomorphism between $\mathbb{Z}/16\mathbb{Z}$ and $(\mathbb{Z}/17\mathbb{Z})^\times$ mapping the class of 1 on the class of 3. Use this map to solve the congruence equations

Solution:

Answer

(a)

$$z^{12} \equiv 16 \pmod{17}$$

Solution:

Answer

(b)

$$x^{20} \equiv 13 \pmod{17}$$

Solution:

Answer

(c)

$$x^{48} \equiv 9 \pmod{17}$$

Solution:

Answer

(d)

$$x^{11} \equiv 9 \pmod{17}$$

Solution:

Answer

7.1

Question: Find all solutions in \mathbb{Z}_{15} of the congruence $x^2 - 3x + 2 \equiv 0 \pmod{15}$.

Solution:

Answer

7.2

Question: What square roots do the elements 5 and 16 have in \mathbb{Z}_{21} ? Hence find all solutions of the congruences $x^2 + 3x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{21}$ and $x^2 + 2x - 3 \equiv 0 \pmod{21}$.

Solution:

Answer