

# HW 4 Discrete

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## 1 Number Theory

a) If  $p$  is prime, and  $a$  is any integer not divisible by  $p$ , then  $a^{p-1} \equiv_p 1$

By theorem 10.2, For any prime  $p$ ,  $\varphi(p) = p - 1$ . Therefore,  $a^{p-1} \equiv_p 1$  equals  $a^{\varphi(p)} \equiv_p 1$

As  $p$  is prime, and  $a$  is any integer not divisible by  $p$ , then  $p > 1$  and  $p$  and  $a$  are co-prime. By Euler's Theorem,  $a^{\varphi(p)} \equiv_p 1$ . As  $a^{p-1} \equiv_p 1$  equals  $a^{\varphi(p)} \equiv_p 1$ ,  $a^{p-1} \equiv_p 1$

Therefore,  $a^{p-1} \equiv_p 1$

b) If  $p$  is prime, and  $a$  is any integer not divisible by  $p$ , then  $a^{-1}$  is an inverse of  $a$  modulo  $p$ .

Let  $? = p - 2$ , so  $a^{p-2}$  is an inverse of  $a$  modulo  $p$

Consider  $a * a^{p-2}$ . This simplifies to  $a^{p-2+1}$  or  $a^{p-1}$

By 1)a,  $a^{p-1} \equiv_p 1$ , meaning that  $a * a^{p-2} \equiv_p 1$ , or  $a^{p-2}$  is an inverse of  $a$  modulo  $p$

c) Calculate  $7^{66} \bmod 15$  by hand.

By Corollary 10.6, as 7 and 15 are co-prime,  $15 > 1$ , and  $66 \geq 0$ ,  $7^{66} \equiv_{15} 7^{66 \bmod \varphi(15)}$

By Theorem 10.3, consider 5,3, as distinct primes.

Therefore, as  $\varphi(15) = \varphi(5 * 3)$ ,  $\varphi(15) = (5 - 1)(3 - 1)$

Therefore,  $\varphi(15) = 8$

Consider  $7^{66 \bmod 8} \bmod 15$

$(66 \bmod 8) = 2$  as  $8 * 8 = 64$

Therefore  $7^{66 \bmod 8} \equiv_{15} 7^2$

Therefore,  $49 \equiv_{15} 4$

Therefore  $7^{66} \bmod 15$  equals 4

d) Calculate  $3^{103} \bmod 11$  by hand.

As 3 and 11 are co-prime, by Corollary 10.6,  $3^{103} \equiv_{11} 3^{103 \bmod \varphi(11)}$

Consider  $3^{103 \bmod \varphi(11)}$ . As 11 is prime,  $\varphi(11) = 11 - 1$ , or 10

Consider  $3^{103} \bmod 10$ . By Corollary 10.6, as 3 and 10 are co-prime,  $3^{103} \bmod$

10 equals  $3^{103 \bmod \varphi 10} \bmod 10$

Consider  $103 \bmod \varphi 10$ . By Theorem 10.3, consider 5,2, as distinct primes.

Therefore, as  $\varphi 10 = \varphi(5 * 2)$ ,  $\varphi 10 = (5 - 1)(2 - 1)$ , or 4

Therefore  $103 \bmod \varphi 10$  equals  $103 \bmod 4$ , which mods down to 3.

Therefore, we have  $3^{103} \bmod 10$  equals  $3^3 \bmod 10$ .  $27 \bmod 10$  is 7.

Therefore,  $3^{3^{103}} \bmod 11$  equals  $3^7 \bmod 11$ .

$27 * 27 * 3 \bmod 11$  equals  $6 * 6 * 3 \bmod 11$ , by modding down.  $36 * 3 \bmod 11$  equals  $3 * 3 \bmod 11$ , or 9.

Therefore  $3^{3^{103}} \bmod 11$  is 9.

e)

If  $N = 35$ ,  $E = 5$ ,  $C = 11$ , and assume that  $N$  and  $M$  are relatively prime

Consider  $\varphi(35)$ . Consider 7,5, as distinct primes and factors of 35. By Theorem 10.3,  $\varphi(35) = (7 - 1)(5 - 1)$ , or 28

Let  $D$  be some integer, such that  $D$  is the inverse of  $E$  modulo  $\varphi(35)$ .

Consider  $ED \equiv_{\varphi(35)} 1$ , by definition of inverse

Substitution for  $E$  and  $\varphi(35)$ , so that  $5D \equiv_{28} 1$

Therefore  $24 | (5D - 1)$ , meaning that  $D = 5$

Using the Decryption formula,  $M = (C^D \bmod N)$

Substitution,  $M = (11^5 \bmod 35)$

Therefore,  $M = (121 * 121 * 11 \bmod 35)$

Therefore,  $M = (16 * 16 * 11 \bmod 35)$ , by modding down multiplication rule

Therefore,  $M = (16 * 176 \bmod 35)$

Therefore,  $M = (16 * 1 \bmod 35)$

Therefore,  $M = 16$

## 2 Induction

a) **For all positive integers  $N$  there exists some integer  $M$  where  $M^2 \leq N < (M + 1)^2$ .**

Proof by induction:

Statement: Let there be a positive integer  $N$  such that there exists some integer  $M$  where  $M^2 \leq N < (M + 1)^2$ .

Base case:

$N = 0$ ,  $0^2 \leq 0 < (0 + 1)^2$

$M = 0$  is a solution. Therefore, true.

Inductive hypothesis:  $M^2 \leq N < (M + 1)^2$

Let  $K$  be an integer, such that  $K^2 \leq N + 1 < (K + 1)^2$

Let  $K = M$ . As  $M^2 \leq N$ ,  $K^2 \leq N + 1$ .

Also, as  $N < (M + 1)^2$ ,  $N + 1 \leq (K + 1)^2$

Therefore, we have  $K^2 \leq N + 1 \leq (K + 1)^2$  for some integer  $K$

Consider case where  $N + 1 < (K + 1)^2$ . This holds for inductive hypothesis, so we are done.

Consider case where  $N + 1 = (k + 1)^2$ . Let  $k = m + 1$ . As we know  $N < (M + 1)^2$ , we have  $N + 1 < (M + 2)^2$

Therefore, For all positive integers  $N$  there exists some integer  $M$  where  $M^2 \leq N < (M+1)^2$ .

b) **For the statement, Let there be a positive integer  $N$  such that there exists some integer  $M$  where  $M^2 \leq N < (M+1)^2$ , prove that  $M$  is unique**

First, assume that there exists a  $k$  such that  $k$  is less than  $m$ .

Therefore,  $k^2 \leq N < (k+1)^2$

Smallest possible  $k$  element is  $k = M-1$ , which means that  $(M-1)^2 \leq N < M^2$ , which contradicts  $M^2 \leq N$

Second, assume that there exists a  $k$  such that  $k$  is greater than  $m$ .

Therefore,  $k^2 \leq N < (k+1)^2$

Greatest possible  $k$  element is  $k = M+1$ , which means that  $(M+1)^2 \leq N < (M+2)^2$ , which contradicts  $N < (M+1)^2$

As  $M$  cannot be a greater or smaller element,  $M$  is unique.

c) **Prove**  $\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i * i^2 = (-1)^n * (n(n+1))/2$

Statement:  $\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i * i^2 = (-1)^n * (n(n+1))/2$  holds for all positive integers  $n$

Base case:  $n = 1$

$(-1)^1 * (1(1+1))/2$

This reduces to  $-1 * 2/2$ , or  $-1$ , which equals  $\sum_{i=1}^1 (-1)^1 * 1^2$

Therefore, the base is true

Inductive step:

Consider  $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^i * i^2$

Therefore,  $(\sum_{i=1}^k (-1)^i * i^2) + ((-1)^{k+1} * (k+1)^2)$

By inductive hypothesis,  $((-1)^k * (k(k+1))/2) + ((-1)^{k+1} * (k+1)^2)$

Rewrite  $(-1)^k * (k(k+1))/2$  as  $-1((-1)^k * (k(k+1))/2)$ , or  $(-1)^{k+1} * -(k(k+1))/2$

Therefore,  $(-1)^{k+1}((k+1)^2 - (k(k+1))/2)$

Expand to  $(-1)^{k+1}(k^2 + 2k + 1 - (k(k+1))/2)$

Which is  $(-1)^{k+1}((2k^2 + 4k + 2 - k^2 - k)/2)$

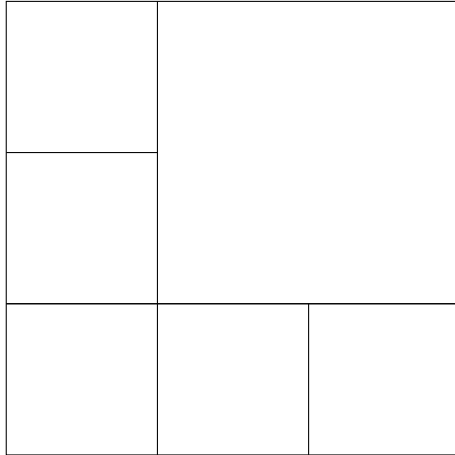
This simplifies to  $(-1)^{k+1}((k^2 + 3k + 2)/2)$

Rewrite as  $(-1)^{k+1}((k+1)(k+2)/2)$

Thus we have shown that  $\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i * i^2 = (-1)^n * (n(n+1))/2$  holds for  $n = k+1$ . Therefore  $\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i * i^2 = (-1)^n * (n(n+1))/2$  holds for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

### 3 Squaring Up

a)



b)

20 squares. Currently 17 squares, - 1 (square to be divided up) + 4 (added amount of squares)

c)

Prove that for all  $n > 5$ , there exist integers  $a \in \{6, 7, 8\}$  and  $m \geq 0$  such that  $n = a + 3m$ .

Strong Induction Proof:

Base case:  $n = 6, 7, 8, 9$

$$6 = 6 + 3 * 0$$

$$7 = 7 + 3 * 0$$

$$8 = 8 + 3 * 0$$

$$9 = 6 + 3 * 1$$

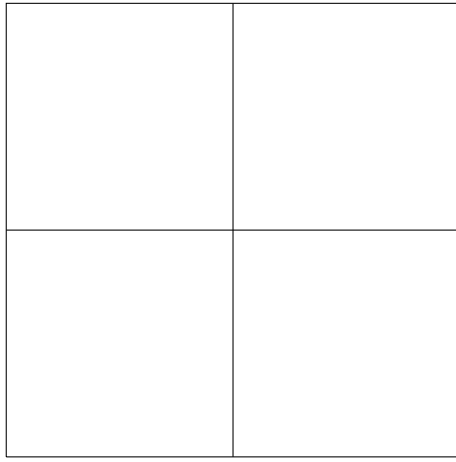
Inductive case: Let  $k \in \mathbf{N}$  be arbitrary with  $k \geq 9$  and assume for all  $6 \leq j \leq k$  that  $j = a + 3m$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbf{N}$ . Consider  $n = k + 1$ . Since  $k \geq 9$ , we have that  $k - 3 \geq 6$  and  $k - 3 = a + 3m$  with  $a, b \in \mathbf{N}$ . Then  $k + 1 = a + 3(m + 1)$ .

d)

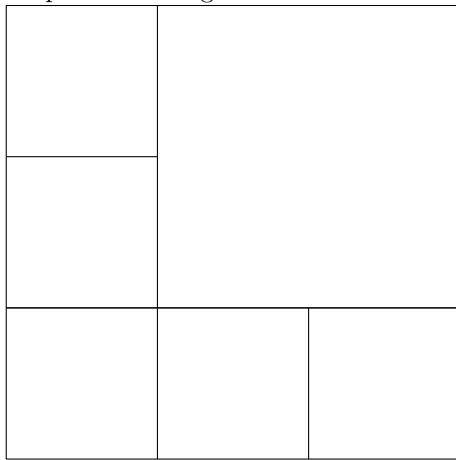
Prove that for any  $n > 5$ , a square can be divided into  $n$  smaller non-overlapping squares.

Strong Induction Proof: Base case:  $n = 6, 7, 8$

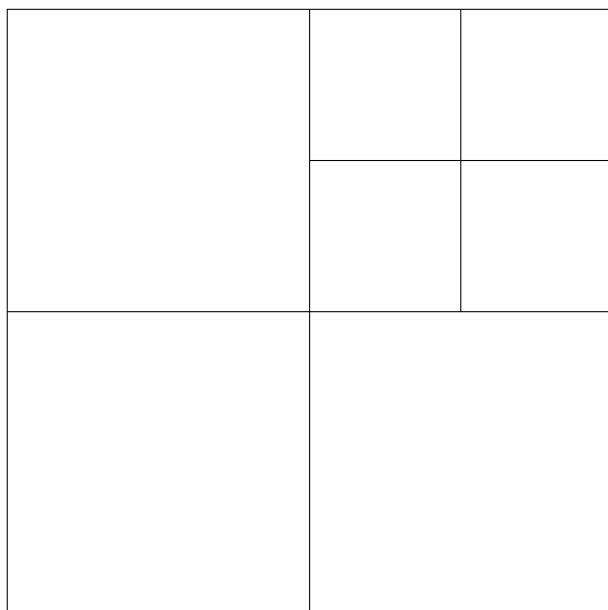
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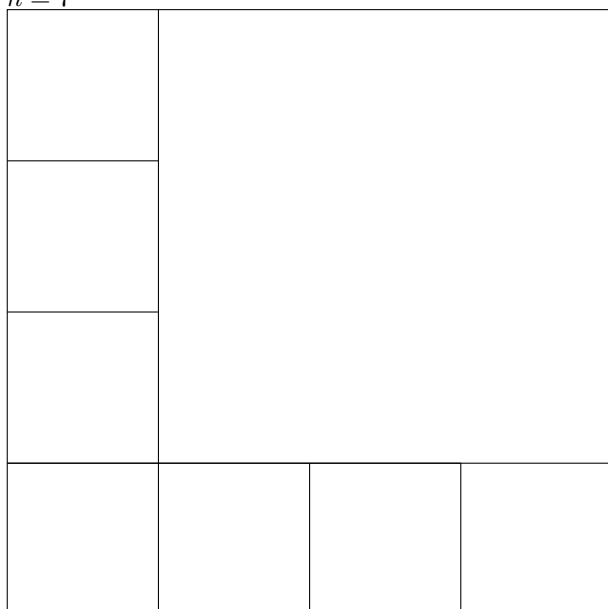
$n = 4$  While this is not in the base case, it indicates that given a square, adding 3 squares is straightforward



$n = 6$



$n = 7$



$n = 8$

Therefore, propose the formula  $n = a + 3m$ , where  $a \in \{6, 7, 8\}$ . As shown by  $n = 4$ , any square can be divided into 4 smaller squares (or adding increments of 3 to an amount of already non-overlapping squares will be always cause there to be  $n$  non-overlapping squares), hence  $a + 3m$ , where  $a$  is the base set and  $3m$  is amount of squares one can add

By 4)c, For all  $n > 5$ , there exist integers  $a \in \{6, 7, 8\}$  and  $m \geq 0$  such that  $n = a + 3m$ .

Therefore, for any  $n > 5$ , a square can be divided into  $n$  smaller non-overlapping squares.

## 4 Irreducibility

a)

The following set is T-irreducible, from the set of  $\{1, 2, \dots, 20\}$

The set of  $\{4, 7, 10, 13, 19\}$

This set is all intersections between  $\{1, 2, \dots, 20\}$  and T-set, excluding values with a factor other than itself in the set. In this case, that only removes 16, as 4 is also a factor, so 16 is not T-irreducible

b) Prove that for all  $a, b \in T$  and  $c \in N$ , if  $a = bc$ , then  $c \in T$ .

By definition of set  $T$  all numbers in the set can be reduced to  $3K + 1$ . Therefore,  $[a]_3 = 1$  and  $[b]_3 = 1$

As,  $a = bc$ , consider  $[a]_3 = [bc]_3$

By modding down,  $[1]_3 = [c]_3$

By modular rules,  $[c]_3 = 1$ .

Therefore, for some positive integer  $K$ ,  $c = 3K + 1$ , so  $c \in T$

c) Prove that every element of  $T$  greater than 1 can be written as a product of T-irreducible integers.

Base case: Smallest element of  $T$  greater than 1 is 4. 4 is T-irreducible, therefore, it is T-irreducible with itself.

Statement: Let  $N$  be an element of  $T$ , and assume that there is some integer  $k$  such that  $k < N, k \in T$  and  $k > 1$ . Assume that  $k$  can be written as the product of smaller T-irreducible factors.

Inductive Hypothesis:

Consider if  $N$  is prime or if  $N$  is T-irreducible. Therefore,  $Div(N) \cap T$  will always be  $\{1, N\}$ . Therefore, if  $N$  is prime or T-irreducible, it's T-irreducible with itself, and proof is complete.

Assume it isn't. By definition of an element of  $T$  which is not T-irreducible,  $Div(N)$  has one or more factors in common with  $T$ . Let  $c$  be integer such that  $c|N$ , and  $a$  be an integer such that  $ca = N$ . By 4b), because  $c \in T$  and  $N \in T$ , then  $a \in T$ . Therefore, if  $Div(N)$  has one or more factors in common with  $T$  it can be written as smaller T-irreducible factors, which meets the induction hypothesis.

Therefore, every element of  $T$  greater than 1 can be written as a product of T-irreducible integers

d) Prove, via a counterexample, that factorization into T -irreducible integers is not unique up to reordering.

100 is a counterexample.

$10 * 10$  is a factorization of 100. As  $\text{Div}(10) = \{1, 2, 5, 10\}$ , and  $\text{Div}(10) \cap T = \{1, 10\}$ , it is T -irreducible

$4 * 25$  is also a factorization of 100. As  $\text{Div}(4) = \{1, 2, 4\}$ , and  $\text{Div}(4) \cap T = \{1, 4\}$ , it is T -irreducible. As  $\text{Div}(25) = \{1, 5, 25\}$ , and  $\text{Div}(25) \cap T = \{1, 25\}$ , it is also T-irreducible.

Therefore, 100 has can be factorized into T-irreducible integers in 2 ways which aren't unique to up reordering. Therefore, factorization into T -irreducible integers is not unique up to reordering.

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