

Lab Homework:

1) Prove: For  $a, b, x \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $x \mid a$  and  $x \mid b$ , then  $x \mid (a+b)$

Since  $x \mid a$  and  $x \mid b$ , there are  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$cx = a, \quad dx = b. \quad \text{Then}$$

$$a+b = cx + dx$$

$$a+b = x(c+d)$$

Since  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c+d \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\therefore x \mid a+b \quad \text{because } x(c+d) = a+b$$

2) Prove: For  $a, b, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a \cdot b \pmod{n} \equiv a \pmod{n} \cdot b \pmod{n}$

$a \pmod{n}$  means that  $a = nq_1 + r_1$

$b \pmod{n}$  means that  $b = nq_2 + r_2$

where  $r_1, r_2$  are remainders in  $[0, n)$ ,  $q_1, q_2$  are quotients.

So

$$a \pmod{n} = r_1 \quad b \pmod{n} = r_2$$

$$a \cdot b \pmod{n} = (nq_1 + r_1)(nq_2 + r_2) \pmod{n}$$

$$\text{LHS: } a \cdot b \pmod{n} = (nq_1 + r_1)(nq_2 + r_2) \pmod{n}$$

$$= [nq_1(nq_2 + r_2) + r_1(nq_2 + r_2)] \pmod{n}$$

$$= [n^2q_1q_2 + nq_1r_2 + nq_2r_1 + r_1r_2] \pmod{n}$$

- Can remove multiples of  $n$  because it is mod  $n$

$$= q_1q_2 + q_1r_2 + q_2r_1 + r_1r_2$$

$$\text{RHS: } a \pmod{n} \cdot b \pmod{n}$$

$$= (nq_1 + r_1) \pmod{n} \cdot (nq_2 + r_2) \pmod{n}$$

- Remove multiples of  $n$

$$= (q_1 + r_1) \pmod{n} \cdot (q_2 + r_2) \pmod{n}$$

$$= q_1q_2 + q_1r_2 + q_2r_1 + r_1r_2$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS} \equiv \text{RHS}$$

3) Prove: For  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $p \geq 5$ . If  $p$  is prime, then

$$p \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \text{ or } p \equiv 5 \pmod{6}.$$

- Every integer can be represented as  $6k \pm i$ ,  
where  $k$  is any integer and  $i$  is an integer such that  $-1 \leq i \leq 4$

- Now,

any integer  $s$  that satisfies  $6k+0$ ,  $6k+2$ , and  $6k+4$  is even so  $s$  is a multiple of 2  $\Rightarrow s$  is not prime.

- Any integer  $q$  that satisfies  $6k+3$  is divisible by 3 because the sum of the digits is divisible by 3  $\Rightarrow q$  is not prime.

- This leaves us with integers that satisfy  $6k \pm 1$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  they are all prime.

- Since all primes are of the form  $6k \pm 1$ ,  
a prime  $p \pmod{n}$  is congruent to 1 or 5. That is,

$$p \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \text{ or } p \equiv 5 \pmod{n}, \text{ where } n = 6. \text{ So}$$

$$p = 6k \pm 1 \Rightarrow 6k + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$$

$$6k - 1 \equiv 5 \pmod{6}.$$

4) a)  $2^9 \pmod{3} \equiv \underbrace{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3}_{9 \text{ times}} \cdot 2$

$$\equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

b)  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $51 \equiv 7 \pmod{x}$

$x = 2$  because  $51 \pmod{2} \equiv 1$ ,  $51 = 25(2) + 1$   
 $7 \pmod{2} \equiv 1$ ,  $7 = 3(2) + 1$

c)  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $4x + 2 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$

4  $\xrightarrow{+2}$  6  $\xrightarrow{\text{mod } 7}$  24 26 5

8 10 3 29 30

12 14 0 32 34

16 18 4 36 38

~~18 20 6~~ 40 42

20 22 1 44 46

$x = 6$  because

$$4(6) + 2 = 24 + 2$$

$$= 26 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 5) a) & 243 + 2583 \pmod{3} \\
 & \equiv 3(81) + (3)861 \pmod{3} \\
 & \equiv 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 + 3^2(287) \pmod{3} \\
 & \equiv 3^4(1) + 3^2(287) \pmod{3} \\
 & \equiv 1 + 287 \pmod{3} \\
 & \equiv 288 \pmod{3} \\
 & \equiv 3^2(32) \pmod{3} \\
 & \equiv \boxed{32 \pmod{3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 b) & 248 \cdot 177 \cdot 299 \cdot 492 \cdot 16 \pmod{7} \\
 & = [7^2 + 3] \cdot [7(25) + 2] \cdot [7(42) + 5] \cdot [7(70) + 2] \cdot [7(1) + 2] \pmod{7} \\
 & \equiv 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \pmod{7} \\
 & \equiv 120 \pmod{7} \\
 & \equiv 7(17) + 1 \pmod{7} \\
 & \equiv \boxed{1 \pmod{7}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c) & 377^5 \pmod{11} \\
 & \equiv (11(34) + 3)^5 \pmod{11} \\
 & \equiv 3^5 \pmod{11} \\
 & \equiv 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \pmod{11} \\
 & \equiv 243 \pmod{11} \\
 & \equiv 11(22) + 1 \pmod{11} \\
 & \equiv \boxed{1 \pmod{11}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d) & 1056^{27} \pmod{13} \\
 & \equiv (1056)^{12} \cdot (1056)^{12} \cdot 1056^3 \pmod{13} \\
 & \equiv 31^7 \cdot 1 \cdot 1056^3 \pmod{13} \\
 & \equiv 1056^3 \pmod{13} \\
 & \equiv (1056)(1056)(1056) \pmod{13} \\
 & \equiv (13(81) + 3)(13(81) + 3)(13(81) + 3) \pmod{13} \\
 & \equiv 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \equiv 27 \pmod{13} \\
 & \equiv \boxed{1 \pmod{13}}
 \end{aligned}$$

6) GCD algorithm:

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[cdele005@hammer ~]$ ./a.out  
gcd(48, 84) = 12  
gcd(19, 3214) = 1  
gcd(51, 36) = 3  
gcd(353, 215) = 1  
gcd(568, 353) = 1  
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7) Prove: There exists exactly one even prime ( $x = 2$ ).

a) Prove  $x = 2$  is prime:

- The only nonzero numbers that divide 2 are 2 (itself) and 1.
- Therefore 2 is prime.

b) Prove  $x = 2$  is the only even prime:

Assume opposite: there are more even primes  $x \geq 2$

Since  $x$  is even, there exists a positive integer  $k$  such that  $x = 2k$ .

Hence,  $x \mid x$ ,  $2 \mid x$ , and  $k \mid x$  meaning

$x$  has three distinct numbers that divide  $x$ .

- Contradiction, because prime numbers only have two numbers that divide them, itself and 1.

Therefore, 2 is the only even prime.