MAT-255- Number Theory

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IN CLASS WORK MARCH 1

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In-class Problem 1

Repeat the proof from last class to prove

**Theorem 1 (Theorem 3.2).** Let m and n be positive integers where (m,n)=1. Then  $\phi(mn)=\phi(m)\phi(n)$ .

**Proof** Let m and m be relatively prime positive integers. A number a is relatively prime to mn if and only if a is relatively prime to mn and m and m be relatively prime to m and m and m be relatively prime to m and m and m and m be relatively prime to m and m are relatively prime to m and m and m are relatively prime to m and m and m are relatively prime to m and m and m are relatively prime to m and m and m and m are relatively prime to m and m are relatively prime to m and m and m are relatively prime to m and m and m are relatively prime to m and m and m are relatively prime to m and m and m are relatively prime to m and m a

We can partition the positive integers less that or equal to mn into

$$1 \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \equiv \cdots \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{m}$$

$$2 \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \equiv \cdots \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{m}$$

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$$m \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \equiv \cdots \equiv \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \pmod{m}$$

For any b in the range  $1, 2, 3, \ldots, m$ , define  $s_b$  to be the number of integers a in the range  $1, 2, \ldots, mn$  such that  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $\gcd(a, mn) = 1$ . Thus, when (b, m) = 1,  $s_b = \phi(\underline{\hspace{1cm}})$  and when (b, m) > 1,  $s_b = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ .

We have seen that  $\phi(mn) = s_1 + s_2 + \cdots + s_m$ , that when (b, m) = 1,  $s_b = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ , and that when (b, m) > 1,  $s_b = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ . Since there are  $\phi(\underline{\hspace{1cm}})$  integers b where (b, m) = 1. Thus, we can say that  $\phi(mn) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ .

In-class Problem 2

Complete the proof of Theorem 3.2 by proving

**Proposition 1.** If m, n, and i are positive integers with (m, n) = (m, i) = 1, then the integers

$$i, m + i, 2m + i, \dots, (n - 1)m + i$$

form a complete system of residues modulo n.

Learning outcomes:

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