

**IND4-4**

**Problem: 4**

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### Solution 1

We first prove three crucial things to be used frequently.

①  $p(x+1)$  is coprime to  $p(x)$   
for any  $x \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$ .

②  $p(x)$  is coprime to  $p(x+1)$ .

③  $p(x)$  not coprime to  $p(x+2) \Rightarrow x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$

④  $p(x)$  not coprime to  $p(x+3) \Rightarrow x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1}. \quad (p(x), p(x+1)) &= (x^2 + x + 1, x^2 + 3x + 3) \\ &= (x^2 + x + 1, 2x + 2) \rightarrow 2 \nmid x^2 + x + 1 \\ &= (x^2 + x + 1, x + 1) \\ &\underset{2}{=} (x^2 + 1, x + 1) = 1 \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2}. \quad (p(x), p(x+2)) &= (x^2 + x + 1, x^2 + 5x + 7) \\ &= (x^2 + x + 1, 4x + 6) \\ &= (x^2 + x + 1, 2x + 3) \\ &= (2x^2 + 2x + 2, 2x + 3) \\ &\underset{2}{=} ((2x+3)x - x + 1, 2x + 3) \\ &= (-x + 2, 2x + 3) \\ &= (-2x + 2, 2x + 3) = (7, 2x + 3) \\ &\Rightarrow 7 \mid 2x + 3 \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow f \equiv 2 \pmod{7} \quad \square$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad (p(x), p(x+3)) &= (x^2+x+1, x^2+x+13) \\ &= (x^2+x+1, 6x+12) \\ &= (x^2+x+1, 3x+6) \end{aligned}$$

Now if  $3 \mid x^2+x+1 \Rightarrow x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow (x^2+x+1, x+2) \\ &= (x-x+1, x+2) \\ &= (3, x+2) \mid 3. \quad \square \\ &\hookrightarrow \text{hence } x \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \end{aligned}$$

Now we turn our attention to the problem.

Claim 1 :  $b \neq 2, 3, 4$ .

Proof :  $b = 2$  violates ①.

$b = 3$  violates ① too, because  $p(a+2)$  is coprime to  $p(a+1), p(a+3)$ .

$b = 4$  : In order not to violate ①,  $p(a+2)$  has to be non coprime with  $p(a+4)$ . Similarly  $p(a+3)$  is non coprime to  $p(a+1)$ .  $\Rightarrow a+2 \not\equiv a+1 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$ , a contradiction.

Claim 2 :  $b \neq 5$ .

Proof look at  $p(a+3)$ . in order not to violate (1), it must be non coprime to  $p(a+1)$  or  $p(a+5)$

WLOG assume  $p(a+3)$  is non coprime to  $p(a+1)$

$$\Rightarrow a+1 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}.$$

now look at  $p(a+2)$ . ~~it~~ it cannot be non coprime to  $p(a+1)$ ,  $p(a+3)$ ,  $p(a+4)$ .

violate (1)  $\rightarrow$  implies  $a+2 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$  [contra]

$\therefore p(a+2)$  <sup>non</sup>coprime to  $p(a+5)$

$\therefore p(a+4)$  non coprime to  $p(a+1)$  [similarly]

$\Rightarrow a+2 \wedge a+4 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , a contradiction  $\square$ .

Claim 3 :  $b = 6$  works.

We will hunt for an  $a$  such that

$$a+1 \equiv 7 \pmod{19}$$

$$a+1 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$a+1 \equiv -1 \pmod{3}$$

a solution to the system exists by Chinese remainder theorem. let  $x$  be the solution

$$\Rightarrow [p(x+1), p(x+5)]$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x+1) \equiv 7^2 + 7 + 1 = 57 \equiv 0 \pmod{19}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x+5) \equiv 11^2 + 11 + 1 = 133 \equiv 0 \pmod{19}$$

Hence  $19 \mid p(x+1) \wedge p(x+5)$ .

also,

$$p(x+2) \equiv 2^2 + 2 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$$

$$p(x+4) \equiv 5^2 + 5 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$$

Hence  $7 \mid p(x+2) \wedge p(x+4)$

also,

$$p(x+3) \equiv 1^2 + 1 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$p(x+6) \equiv 1^2 - 1 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \mid p(x+3) \wedge p(x+6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \{p(x+1), p(x+2), p(x+3), p(x+4), p(x+5), p(x+6)\}$$

is a fragment set  $\square$

$$44^2 + 44 + 1 = 4 + 2 + 1 = 0 \quad \checkmark \quad 7.$$

$$46^2 + 46 + 1 = 9 - 3 + 1 = 0$$

44, 48.

$$19 \nmid a^2 + a + 1$$

$$b = c$$

11, 7.

$$\Rightarrow a = 19k + 7 \text{ or } 19k + 11$$

and 19.

1	1
2	4
3	9
4	16
5	11
6	14
7	11
8	
9	
10	
11	

12
13
14
15

16
17
18
19

$$a \equiv 7 \pmod{19}$$

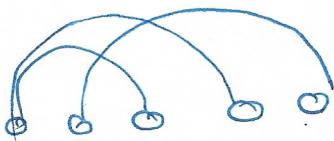
$$a+1 \equiv 3 \pmod{17}$$

$$a+2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$a \equiv 7 \quad 118a \equiv 56 \equiv 77 \equiv 1 \pmod{19}$$

$$a \equiv 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

$$a \equiv -1 \quad 3a \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$



$$x^2 + x + 1, 2x + 3$$

$$= 2x^2 + 2x + 2, 2x + 3$$

$$= 2x^2 - 1, 2x - 3$$

$$-7, 2x^2 + 3$$

$$-x + 1, x + 2 \\ 3, x + 2$$

$$-2x + 1, x + 3 \\ 2x + 1$$

$$x^2 + x + 1, 3x + 4 \\ 3x^2 + 3x + 3, 3x + 4$$

$$-3x + 3, 3x + 6 \\ -2x + 3, 3x + 6$$

$$-3x + 9, 3x + 4 \\ 13, 3x + 4$$

$$13, 3x +$$



$$a^2 + 2a + 1, \quad a^2 + \frac{8a + 16}{6a + 9}.$$

$$= a^2 + 2a + 1 + \frac{4a + 8}{6a + 15}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$a^2 + 2a + 1, \quad \cancel{\frac{2a+5}{2a+5}}, \quad a^2 - 4$$

$$2a^2 + 4a + 2, \quad 2a^2 + 5a$$

$$= 2-a, \quad 2a^2 + 5a$$

$$a+2 \Rightarrow 2-a, \quad 2a+5$$

$$4-2a, \quad 9.$$

1	1	→ 2
4	2	6 ✓
2	3	5 ✓
2	4	6 ✓
4	5	7
1	6	

$$3 | n^2 + n + 1 \Rightarrow n = 3k + 1$$

$$7 | n^2 + n + 1 \Rightarrow n = 7k + 3 \quad 7k + 3 \approx 7k + 5.$$

$$3m + 1 = 7n - 1$$

$$7n - 3m = 2. \quad n = 5$$

$$\boxed{34} \rightarrow 34$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{matrix} 3k+1 & = & 7n+2 \\ 7n-3m & = & 3 \\ n & = & 3 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} n = 10 \\ 75 \end{matrix}$$



$$P(a) = P(a+1)$$

$$P(a-1) = a^2 - 2a + 1 + a - 1 + 1 = a^2 - a + 1$$

$$(a^2 - a + 1, a^2 + a + 1) = (a^2 - a + 1), (2(a^2 + 1))$$

$$= a^2 + 1, a \cdot - 1 - \cancel{a} + 4a + 4 + a + 2 + 1 \\ = a^2 + 5a + 7.$$

$$a^2 - a + 1, a^2 + a + 1, a^2 + 3a + 3, a^2 + 5a + 7$$

$$(a^2 - a + 1, 4a + 2 - 2a + 1) = (a^2 + a + 2), a^2 - a + 1$$

$$\frac{a(a-3), 2a+1}{2a-6, 2a+1} = \\ \Rightarrow a = 3. \\ = 1, 2a+1$$

n	
1	3
2	7
3	13
4	21
5	31
6	43
7	57 = 3 \times 19
8	73
9	91 = 7 \times 13
10	111 = 3 \times 37
11	133 = 7 \times 19
12	157
13	183 = 3 \times 61
14	211
15	241 = 7 \times 3 \times 11

$$16 = 2 \times 3 = 3 \times 7 \times 13 \\ 17 = 307$$

$$(a+1)^2, (a+k)^2.$$

$$= a^2 + 2a + 1, a^2 + 2k + k^2.$$

$$= a^2 + 2a + 1, 2(a-k)2(k-a) + k^2 - 1$$

$$= a^2 + 2k + k^2, 2(k-a) + k^2 - 1$$

$$\tilde{a}^2 + \tilde{a} + 1, \quad \tilde{a}^2 + 8\tilde{a} + 16.$$

$$\sim \tilde{a}^2 + \tilde{a} + 1, \quad 7\tilde{a} + 15.$$

~~$$7\tilde{a}^2 + 7\tilde{a} + 15, \quad 7\tilde{a} + 15$$~~

$$7\tilde{a}^2 + 7\tilde{a} + 7, \quad 7\tilde{a}^2 + 15\tilde{a}.$$

~~$$7\tilde{a}^2 + 7\tilde{a} - 8\tilde{a}, \quad 7\tilde{a}^2 + 15\tilde{a}.$$~~

$$7 - 8\tilde{a}, \quad 7\tilde{a} + 15.$$

$$22, \quad 15\tilde{a} \quad \alpha \parallel | \alpha.$$

$$\alpha = 11k.$$

$$\alpha + 1 = 3m + 1$$

$$\alpha + 2 = 7n + 5.$$

$$\alpha = 33k.$$

$$33k + 2 = 7n + 5.$$

$$33k - 7n = 3.$$

66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71.

$$11 \mid 21k + 12 \\ = k=1$$

32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37.

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= 11k. \\ \alpha + 1 &= 3m = 7n + 5 \\ \alpha + 2 &= 3m + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha = 66.$$

$$\alpha + 1 = 3m = 7n + 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha + 1 &= 7(3k+1) + 5 \\ &= 21k + 12. \end{aligned}$$

$$63, \quad k=2, \quad n=9.$$

$$11 \mid 21k + 12 \\ 11 \mid 66 \quad 44.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha + 1 &= 33 \\ \alpha &= 32. \end{aligned}$$

65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70,  
44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49