

Number theory, Talteori 6hp, Kurskod TATA54, Provkod TEN1

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Each problem is worth 3 points. To receive full points, a solution needs to be complete. Indicate which theorems from the textbook that you have used, and include all auxillary calculations.

No aids, no calculators, tables, nor textbooks.

- 1) Find all odd positive integers n such that $n + 1$ is divisible by 3 and $n + 2$ is divisible by 5.

- 2) Show that the congruence

$$x^3 + x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{11^n}$$

has a unique solution for every positive integer n .

- 3) The number 431 is a prime. Determine if the congruence

$$2x^2 - 6x + 38 \equiv 0 \pmod{431}$$

has any solutions.

- 4) How many primitive roots are there mod 5? Find them all. How many primitive roots are there mod 25? For each primitive root a mod 5 that you find, check which of the “lifts”

$$a + 5t, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 4$$

are primitive roots mod 25.

- 5) Determine the (periodic) continued fraction expansion of $\sqrt{7}$. Determine the solution $(x, y) \in \mathbf{Z}^2$, $x, y > 0$, to $x^2 - 7y^2 = 1$ with smallest x .

- 6) For each positive integer n , let $g(n)$ denote the number of triples (a, b, c) of positive integers such that $abc = n$. Calculate $g(p^e)$, with p a prime, then show that g is a multiplicative arithmetic function and use this to give a formula for $g(n)$ in terms of the prime factorisation of n .

(Hint: the number-of-divisors function τ is the Dirichlet square of the constant-one function. What is the Dirichlet cube?).