

Assignment 5

Problem 1(2.35)

Calculate the square roots of 1 modulo 4, 8, and 16.

1) $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ find x

$$0^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \quad 1^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \quad 2^2 \equiv 4 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \quad 3^2 \equiv 9 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$$

$$\therefore \{1, 3\}$$

2) $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ find x

$$0^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{8}, \quad 1^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \quad 2^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{8}, \quad 3^2 \equiv 9 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \quad 4^2 \equiv 16 \equiv 0 \pmod{8}, \\ 5^2 \equiv 25 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \quad 6^2 \equiv 36 \equiv 4 \pmod{8}, \quad 7^2 \equiv 49 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$$

$$\therefore \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$$

3) $x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{16}$, find x

$$0^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{16}, \quad 1^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{16}, \quad 2^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{16}, \quad 3^2 \equiv 9 \pmod{16}, \quad 4^2 \equiv 16 \equiv 0 \pmod{16}, \\ 5^2 \equiv 25 \equiv 9 \pmod{16}, \quad 6^2 \equiv 36 \equiv 4 \pmod{16}, \quad 7^2 \equiv 49 \equiv 1 \pmod{16}, \quad 8^2 \equiv 64 \equiv 0 \pmod{16}, \\ 9^2 \equiv 81 \equiv 1 \pmod{16}, \quad 10^2 \equiv 100 \equiv 4 \pmod{16}, \quad 11^2 \equiv 121 \equiv 9 \pmod{16}, \quad 12^2 \equiv 144 \equiv 0 \pmod{16}, \\ 13^2 \equiv 169 \equiv 9 \pmod{16}, \quad 14^2 \equiv 196 \equiv 4 \pmod{16}, \quad 15^2 \equiv 225 \equiv 1 \pmod{16}$$

$$\therefore \{1, 7, 9, 15\}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 21 \\ 2 \times 1 = 2 \\ 4 \times 1 \end{array}$$

4) $\frac{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{6}^{24} \quad b = \alpha^{\frac{p-1}{4}}$

Problem 2 (2.37)

Let p be a prime with $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, and $b := ((p-1)/2)!$, show that $b^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$

When $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ^{and odd prime number}, then $(p-1)/2$ is a even number.

And from the question $b := ((p-1)/2)!$ and we need to show $b^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$

In order to be $B^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$, by Euler's Criterion, we need to show that $B^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv -1$

we also know from the question $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ so $p \equiv 4t+1$ for $t \in \mathbb{Z}$

From Dirichlet's theorem "Let p be an odd prime. Then $\prod_{p \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*} p = -1$.
Then $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$."

So Wilson's theorem says $1 \times 2 \times 3 \times \dots \times (p-1) \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$. In Wilson's theorem except $p-1$, there is an each inverse pair so $1 \times p-1 \times 2 \times p-2 \times 3 \times p-3 \times \dots \times \frac{p}{2} \times \frac{p}{2} + 1$ and it would cancel out except $p-1$ since $p = 4t+1$ we can put it as

$(4t-1)! = 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times \dots \times 2t \times 2t+1 \times \dots \times 3t-2 \times \dots$
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 $(p-2t)$ sure as $(4t-1)$ so $1 \times 1 \times 2 \times 2 \times \dots \times 2t \times 2t$ so this is

Since, as $\sum_{i=1}^{2t} \text{Squares} - 2t \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$, so $(2t)^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ And $2t = \frac{p-1}{2}$

$$50 \left(\frac{p-1}{2}! \right)^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$$

Problem 3 (2.40)

show that if p is an odd prime, with $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^4 = (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2$. More generally, show that if n is an odd positive integer, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ for each prime $p|n$, then $(\mathbb{Z}_n^*)^4 = (\mathbb{Z}_n^*)^2$.

when p is an odd prime with $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, that means $\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)$ is an odd integer. so $(-1)^{(p-1)/2} = -1$ so -1 is not a quadratic residue modulo p .

we need to show $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^4 = (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2$ so we need to show $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^4 \subseteq (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2$ and $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^4 \supseteq (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2$.

First let's show $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^4 \subseteq (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2$.

let's say $\alpha \in (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^4$, so from $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^4 \subseteq (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2$, for some $\beta \in (\mathbb{Z}_p)$, $\beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{p}$.

we also need to show $r^2 \equiv \alpha \pmod{p}$, for some $r \in (\mathbb{Z}_p)$ similar to β .

From the following observation $\beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{p} \Rightarrow 1 \cdot \beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{p} \Rightarrow$
(since $\beta^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$) $\beta^{p-1} \cdot \beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{p} \Rightarrow \beta^{p-1} \cdot \beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{p}$.

we know $p = 4t+3$ for some $t \in \mathbb{Z}$, substitute $4t+3$ to p in above equation

$\beta^{4t+2} \cdot \beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{p} \Rightarrow \beta^{4t+6} \equiv \alpha \pmod{p} \Rightarrow \beta^{2(2t+3)} \equiv \alpha \pmod{p} \equiv (\beta^{2t+3})^2 \equiv \alpha \pmod{p}$
 $\Rightarrow r^2 \equiv \alpha \pmod{p}$ when $r \equiv \beta^{2t+3}$ r and β are both in \mathbb{Z}_p , so $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^4 \subseteq (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2$.

For $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^2 \subseteq (\mathbb{Z}_p^*)^4$

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 $\beta^{4t+2} \cdot \beta^2 \equiv \beta^{4t+4} \equiv \beta^{4(t+1)} \equiv \alpha \pmod{p}$. so when $t \equiv \beta^{2t+1}$ this statement is true but r and $\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ so this condition true.

More generally $(zn^*)^4 = (zn^*)^2$ if n is an odd positive integer, when $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ for each prime $p|n$.

This prove also need two parts $(zn^*)^4 \leq (zn^*)^2$ and $(zn^*)^2 \leq (zn^*)^4$

For $(zn^*)^4 \leq (zn^*)^2$

n is an arbitrary integer now. $n = p_1^{e_1} \times p_2^{e_2} \times p_3^{e_3} \dots$ and p divides n , which means p is one of prime factor of n .

There is $\alpha \in (zn^*)^4$ then for $\beta \in (zn)$ $\beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{n}$, we need to show $r^2 \equiv \alpha \pmod{n}$ for some $r \in zn$.

$$\beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{n} \Rightarrow \exists \beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{n} \Rightarrow \beta^{e(n)} \cdot \beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{n}.$$

From the theorem 2.10 and 2.11 $n = p_1^{e_1} \dots p_r^{e_r}$, $e(n) = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{e_i-1} (p_i-1)$
 $= n \prod_{i=1}^r (1 - 1/p_i)$. But we can say simplified n as p^e which is one of the smallest p factor. $e(p^e) = p^{e-1} (p-1)$.

$$\Rightarrow p^{p^{e-1}(p-1)} \times \beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{n} \Rightarrow \text{we can substitute } 4t+3 \text{ into } p \Rightarrow \beta^{(4t+3)^{e-1} (4t+2)} \beta^4 \equiv \alpha \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow ((4t+3)^{e-1} (4t+2))^4 \text{ is also has a square root. so } r^2 \equiv \alpha \pmod{n} \text{ for some } p\text{'s power}$$

For $(zn^*)^2 \leq (zn^*)^4$ has the same approach as above. so prove is done.