

**PROBLEM I** Assume  $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$  and  $2^n + 1$  is prime. Prove that  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}, n = 2^k$ .

*Lemma 1.* Assume  $b = ka$  and  $k$  is odd, then for  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have  $x^a + y^a \mid x^b + y^b$ .

*证明.* Easily  $x^b + y^b \equiv (x^a)^k + y^b \equiv (x^a + y^a - y^a)^k + y^b \equiv (-y^a)^k + y^b \equiv 0 \pmod{x^a + y^a}$ . So  $x^a + y^a \mid x^b + y^b$ .  $\square$

*SECTION.* Assume  $n$  is not power of 2, then  $\exists p > 2$  is prime such that  $p \mid n$ . Let  $a = \frac{n}{p}$ , then from Lemma 1 we have  $2^a + 1^a \mid 2^n + 1^n$ . Easily  $a = \frac{n}{p} < n$ , so  $2^a + 1 < 2^n + 1$ . And easily  $1 < 2^a + 1$ . So  $2^n + 1$  is not prime, contradiction! So  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}, n = 2^k$ .  $\square$

**PROBLEM II** Find the standard decomposition of  $30!$ .

*SECTION.* There are 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 10 primes, below 30. So we know  $30!$  can be broken down into power and product of them. By calculation, we can get that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_2(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{2^k} \right] = 15 + 7 + 3 + 1 = 26 \\
 v_3(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{3^k} \right] = 10 + 3 + 1 = 14 \\
 v_5(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{5^k} \right] = 6 + 1 = 7 \\
 v_7(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{7^k} \right] = 4 \\
 v_{11}(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{11^k} \right] = 2 \\
 v_{13}(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{13^k} \right] = 2 \\
 v_{17}(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{17^k} \right] = 1 \\
 v_{19}(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{19^k} \right] = 1 \\
 v_{23}(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{23^k} \right] = 1 \\
 v_{29}(30!) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{30}{29^k} \right] = 1
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

So finally we get  $30! = 2^{26} 3^{14} 5^7 7^4 11^2 13^2 17^1 19^1 23^1 29^1$ .  $\square$

**PROBLEM III** Assume  $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , prove that:

$$1. \left[ \frac{[n\alpha]}{n} \right] = [\alpha].$$

2.  $\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} [\alpha + \frac{k}{n}] = [n\alpha]$ .

**SOLUTION.** 1. Easily  $\left[ \frac{[n\alpha]}{n} \right] \leq \left[ \frac{n\alpha}{n} \right] \leq [\alpha]$ . Now we will prove  $\left[ \frac{[n\alpha]}{n} \right] \geq [\alpha]$ . By the definition of  $[\cdot]$  we only need to prove  $\frac{[n\alpha]}{n} \geq [\alpha]$ . So we only need  $[n\alpha] \geq n[\alpha]$ . By the definition of  $[\cdot]$  it is sufficient to show  $n\alpha \geq n[\alpha]$ , which is obvious.

2. By 1 easily to know  $[\alpha + \frac{k}{n}] = \left[ \frac{[n(\alpha + \frac{k}{n})]}{n} \right] = \left[ \frac{[n\alpha] + k}{n} \right]$ . Let  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \{0, \dots, n-1\}$  and  $f(x) \equiv x \pmod{n}$ . Then easily  $[\frac{x}{n}] = \frac{x}{n} - \frac{f(x)}{n}$ . So we know  $\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} [\alpha + \frac{k}{n}] = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left[ \frac{[n\alpha] + k}{n} \right] = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{[n\alpha] + k}{n} - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{f([n\alpha] + k)}{n}$ . Easily to know  $(f([n\alpha] + k) : k = 1, \dots, n-1)$  is a replacement of  $(k : k = 0, \dots, n-1)$ . So finally we get  $\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{[n\alpha] + k}{n} - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{f([n\alpha] + k)}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{[n\alpha] + k}{n} - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{k}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{[n\alpha]}{n} = [n\alpha]$ .

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**PROBLEM IV** Assume  $r > 0, r \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $T$  be the number of integer point in  $x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2$ . Prove that

$$T = 1 + 4[r] + 8 \sum_{0 < x \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}} [\sqrt{r^2 - x^2}] - 4 \left[ \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} \right]^2$$

**SOLUTION.**

$$T = \sum_{x, y \in \mathbb{Z}, x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2} 1 = \sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, xy=0} 1 + \sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, xy \neq 0} 1 = 1 + \sum_{0 < x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, xy=0} 1 + 4 \sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, x>0, y>0} 1$$

By symmetry, we know

$$\sum_{0 < x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, xy=0} 1 = 4 \sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, x>0, y=0} 1 = 4[r]$$

And

$$\sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, x>0, y>0} 1 = \sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, 0 < x \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 < y} 1 + \sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, 0 < y \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 < x} 1 - \sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, 0 < x \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 < y \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}} 1$$

Since for  $y : 0 < y \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}$  we have  $0 < x < \sqrt{r^2 - y^2}$ , so there are  $[\sqrt{r^2 - y^2}]$  different  $x$  for each  $y$ . So easily

$$\sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, 0 < y \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 < x} 1 = \sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, 0 < x \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 < y} 1 = \sum_{0 < x \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}} [\sqrt{r^2 - x^2}]$$

For  $x, y : 0 < x \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}$  we have  $x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2$ , so:

$$\sum_{x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2, 0 < x \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 < y \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}} 1 = \left[ \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} \right]^2$$

So finally we get

$$T = 1 + 4[r] + 8 \sum_{0 < x \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}} [\sqrt{r^2 - x^2}] - 4 \left[ \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} \right]^2$$

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**PROBLEM V** Find all integer solution of  $306x - 360y = 630$ .

**SOLUTION.** The origin equation is equivalent to  $17x - 20y = 35$ . Consider  $\pmod{5}$ , we get  $5 \mid 17x$ . So  $5 \mid x$ . Assume  $x = 5k$ , then  $17k - 4y = 7$ . Then  $17(k+1) - 4y = 24$ , consider  $\pmod{4}$ , we get  $4 \mid k+1$ , so  $k+1 = 4s$  and  $17s - y = 6$ . So  $y = 17s - 6$  and easily  $x = 5s = 5(4s - 1) = 20s - 5$ . So  $\begin{cases} x = 20s - 5 \\ y = 17s - 6 \end{cases}$  is all solutions of the equation.  $\square$

**PROBLEM VI** Assume  $N, a, b \in \mathbb{N}, a, b > 0, \gcd(a, b) = 1$ . Prove that the number of positive integer solutions of the equation  $ax + by = N$  is  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{ab} \right\rfloor$  or  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{ab} \right\rfloor + 1$ .

**SOLUTION.** Since  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , we know  $\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}, as + bt = N$ . So we know  $x = s + kb, y = t - ka$ . Let  $x, y > 0$ , we get  $k > -\frac{s}{b}, k < \frac{t}{a}$ . So we know the number of solution is  $\left\lfloor \frac{t}{a} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{s}{b} \right\rfloor + 1$ . Now we only need  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{ab} \right\rfloor \leq \left\lfloor \frac{t}{a} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{s}{b} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq \left\lfloor \frac{N}{ab} \right\rfloor + 1$ .

To prove  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{ab} \right\rfloor \leq \left\lfloor \frac{t}{a} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{s}{b} \right\rfloor + 1$ , it is sufficient to show  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{ab} \right\rfloor \leq \left\lfloor \frac{t}{a} \right\rfloor + \frac{s}{b} + 1$ . Only need to show  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{ab} \right\rfloor \leq \frac{t}{a} + \frac{s}{b}$ . Noting  $ab \left\lfloor \frac{N}{ab} \right\rfloor \leq ab \frac{N}{ab} = N = as + bt = ab(\frac{t}{a} + \frac{s}{b})$  it's obvious.

To prove  $\left\lfloor \frac{t}{a} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{s}{b} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq \left\lfloor \frac{N}{ab} \right\rfloor + 1$ , we only need  $\left\lfloor \frac{t}{a} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{s}{b} \right\rfloor \leq \frac{N}{ab}$ . Noting  $ab(\left\lfloor \frac{t}{a} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{s}{b} \right\rfloor) \leq ab(\frac{t}{a} + \frac{s}{b}) = as + bt = N = ab(\frac{N}{ab})$  it's obvious.  $\square$

**PROBLEM VII** Write  $\frac{17}{60}$  as sum of three reduced fraction whose denominators are coprime to each other.

**SOLUTION.** Consider  $\frac{17}{60} = \frac{x}{4} + \frac{y}{3} + \frac{z}{5}$ , i.e.,  $17 = 15x + 20y + 12z$ . Since  $\gcd(15, 20, 12) = 1$ , we know this equation has some solution. Easy to know  $x = -1, y = 1, z = 1$  is a solution. So  $\frac{17}{60} = -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5}$  satisfy the condition.  $\square$