

*Exercise 6.22*

Show that if  $p$  is prime, then  $(p-2)! \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . Show that if  $p$  is an odd prime, then  $(p-3)! \equiv (p-1)/2 \pmod{p}$ .

*Exercise 6.23*

Use Corollary 6.3 to show that there are infinitely many primes. (Take care to avoid a circular argument!)

*Exercise 6.24*

For which Fermat primes and Mersenne primes is 2 a primitive root?

*Exercise 6.25*

Find all the primitive roots for the integers  $n = 18$  and  $27$ . (Hint: see Exercises 6.4 and 6.5.)

*Exercise 6.26*

- (a) Show that if  $p$  is an odd prime, and  $g$  is a primitive root mod  $(p)$  but not mod  $(p^2)$ , then  $g + rp$  is a primitive root mod  $(p^2)$  for  $r = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$ . By counting primitive roots, deduce that if  $g$  is a primitive root mod  $(p)$  then exactly one of  $g, g + p, g + 2p, \dots, g + (p-1)p$  is not a primitive root mod  $(p^2)$ .
- (b) Find elements of  $U_{25}$  congruent to 2, 3 mod (5) respectively, which are not primitive roots mod (25).