

TRUE/FALSE. JUSTIFY AND/OR CORRECT.

- (1) If  $a$  is coprime to  $n$ , then there is a unique integer  $b$  such that  $b$  is the inverse to  $a$  modulo  $n$ .
- (2) For  $p$  prime and  $[a] \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ , we have  $[a]$  is a quadratic residue if and only if  $[a]^{-1}$  is a quadratic residue.
- (3) If  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  then  $n$  is a sum of two squares.
- (4) For any integers  $a, n$ , we have  $a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .
- (5) If  $a > n$ , then  $[a]_n$  is not an element of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .
- (6) If  $p$  is an odd prime, and  $a$  is coprime to  $p$ , then  $a^{(p-1)/2} \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ .
- (7) If  $a, b$  are coprime, the equation  $ax + by = n$  has at most one integer solution  $(x_0, y_0)$ .
- (8) The number  $[46]$  is a cube in  $\mathbb{Z}_{307}$ .
- (9) If  $a, b$  are coprime, the equation  $ax + by = n$  has at least one integer solution  $(x_0, y_0)$ .
- (10) There are infinitely many primes  $p$  that are congruent to 4 modulo 6.
- (11) If  $p$  is an odd prime, then exactly half of the elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^\times$  are quadratic residues.
- (12)  $77 \in \mathbb{Z}_{120}^\times$ .

- (13) If  $a, b$  are coprime and  $ab$  is a perfect cube, then  $a$  is a perfect cube.
- (14) If  $n$  is an integer, the number  $n^2 - 2$  can never have a prime factor of the form  $p = 8k + 3$ .
- (15) Every quadratic over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , for  $p$  prime, has either zero or two roots.
- (16) The notions “even” and “odd” are well-defined in  $\mathbb{Z}_{203}$ .
- (17) The notions “even” and “odd” are well-defined in  $\mathbb{Z}_{204}$ .
- (18) There exist integers  $m, n, a, b$  such that  $\begin{cases} a \equiv b \pmod{m} \\ a \equiv b \pmod{n} \end{cases}$  but  $a \not\equiv b \pmod{mn}$ .
- (19) The number 445 is a sum of three cubes.
- (20) If  $p, q$  are distinct primes, then  $a^{(p-1)(q-1)+1} \equiv a \pmod{pq}$  for all integers  $a$ .
- (21) All but finitely many numbers are sums of three squares.
- (22) For any  $g \in \mathbb{Z}_{100}^\times$ , either  $g$  is a primitive root,  $g^{20} = [1]$ , or  $g^8 = [1]$ .
- (23) If  $n$  is an integer, then at least  $2/5$  of the numbers between 0 and  $n$  are coprime to  $n$ .
- (24) There exist integers  $m, n, a, b, c, d$ , with  $m, n$  coprime, such that
- $$\begin{cases} a \equiv c \pmod{m} \\ a \equiv d \pmod{n} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{cases} b \equiv c \pmod{m} \\ b \equiv d \pmod{n} \end{cases}$$
- but  $[a] \neq [b]$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{mn}$ .

## COMPUTATIONS

- (1) Find the GCD of 672 and 399.
- (2) Find the GCD of 310 and 206, and express this GCD as a linear combination of these numbers.
- (3) Find the general integer solution to the equation  $310x + 206y = 14$ .
- (4) Find all solutions in  $\mathbb{Z}_{72}$  to the equation  $[30]x + [4] = [10]$ .
- (5) Find all solutions in  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  to the equation  $x^3 + [5]x^2 = [2]$ .
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$$\begin{cases} x \equiv 4 \pmod{10} \\ x \equiv 7 \pmod{17} \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{cases} x \equiv 4 \pmod{10} \\ x \equiv 7 \pmod{16} \end{cases}$$

- (8) Compute  $3^{2023} \pmod{5}$ .
- (9) Compute  $3^{2023} \pmod{25}$ .
- (10) Compute the last digit of  $3^{3^{3^3}}$ .
- (11) Compute the index/discrete logarithm of  $[7]$  with respect to the primitive root  $[2]$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{11}$ .
- (12) Determine how many primitive roots there are in  $\mathbb{Z}_{37}$ .
- (13) Compute  $\left(\frac{27}{503}\right)$ . (503 is prime.)
- (14) Compute  $\left(\frac{107}{173}\right)$ . (107 and 173 are prime.)
- (15) Determine how many roots the quadratic polynomial  $x^2 + [3]x + [13]$  has in  $\mathbb{Z}_{101}$ .
- (16) Find a formula for all of the rational points on the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 5$ .