

1) show that, 2 is a primitive root modulo 11.

Ans:-

A number g is a primitive root modulo p (prime) if its multiplicative order modulo p is $\phi(p) = p-1$. for $p=11$ we need the order of 2 mod 11 to be 10.

$$2^1 \equiv 2 \pmod{11}$$

$$2^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{11}$$

$$2^3 \equiv 8 \pmod{11}$$

$$2^4 \equiv 16 \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$$

$$2^5 \equiv 32 \equiv 10 \pmod{11}$$

$$2^6 \equiv 64 \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$$

$$2^7 \equiv 128 \equiv 7 \pmod{11}$$

$$2^8 \equiv 256 \equiv 3 \pmod{11}$$

$$2^9 \equiv 512 \equiv 6 \pmod{11}$$

$$2^{10} \equiv 1024 \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

The only exponent ≤ 10 giving 1 is 10 itself,
so the order of 2 modulo 11 is $10 = \phi(11)$.
Therefore, 2 is a primitive root modulo 11.

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2) How many incongruent primitive roots does 14 have?

Ans:-

A primitive root modulo n is a number g such that the powers of g modulo n generate all numbers that are coprime to n .

• Coprime numbers = 1, 3, 5, 9, 11, 13.

• Total coprime numbers = 6 $\rightarrow \phi(14) = 6$

primitive roots exist only for numbers n of the form:

① $n = 2$ or $n = 4$

② $n = p^k$ (where, p odd prime)

③ $n = 2p^k$ (where p odd prime)

Here, $14 = 2 \cdot 7 \rightarrow$ form $2p$ ($p=7$ odd prime)

\therefore primitive roots exist modulo 14.

The number of primitive roots modulo n is:
 $\phi(\phi(n))$

• $\phi(14) = 6$

• $\phi(6) = 2$

\therefore there are 2 primitive roots modulo 14.

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(a.) Let $\text{ord}_n(a) = k$,

Then, $a^k \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

Now, $(a^{-1})^k \cdot a^k \equiv (a^{-1})^k \Rightarrow 1 \equiv (a^{-1})^k \pmod{n}$

That means, The order of a^{-1} divides k .

Hence, The two orders divided each other

So, They are equal

$$\text{ord}_n(a) = \text{ord}_n(a^{-1}) = k$$

(b.) a is a primitive root modulo n if
 $\text{ord}_n(a) = \phi(n)$

where

$\phi(n)$ = number of integers 1 to $n-1$
 coprime to n .

we know,

$$\text{ord}_n(a^{-1}) = \text{ord}_n(a) = \phi(n)$$

therefore, a^{-1} also has order $\phi(n)$.

since,

a^{-1} must also be a primitive root
 modulo n . \square