

Proof. 2.3.4e Prove $24|2(7^n) + 3(5^n) - 5$. Assume $n = 0$.

We have $2(7^0) + 3(5^0) - 5 = 0$.

By Theorem 2.2a, $24|0$.

Assume $n = k$ holds.

We have

$$24|2(7^k) + 3(5^k) - 5 \quad (1)$$

Assume $n = k + 1$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2(7^{k+1}) + 3(5^{k+1}) - 5 \\ &= 14(7^k) + 15(5^k) - 5 \\ &= 15(7^k) + 15(5^k) - 5 - 7^k \\ &= 15(2(7^k) + 3(5^k) - 5) - 16(7^k) - 30(5^k) + 14(5) \\ &= 25(2(7^k) + 3(5^k) - 5) - (36(7^k) + 60(5^k) - 24(5)) \\ &= 25(2(7^k) + 3(5^k) - 5) - 12(3(7^k) + 5(5^k) - 10) \end{aligned}$$

$$(1) \implies 24|25(2(7^k) + 3(5^k) - 5).$$

$$12|-12 \text{ and } 2|3(7^k) + 5(5^k) - 10 \implies 24|-12(3(7^k) + 5(5^k) - 10) \text{ by Theorem 2.2c.} \quad (2)$$

We can represent $3(7^k)$ as $2a + 1$ for some $a \in \mathbb{Z} \forall k \geq -1$.

We can represent $5(5^k)$ as $2b + 1$ for some $b \in \mathbb{Z} \forall k \geq -1$.

We now have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2a + 1 + 2b + 1 - 10 \\ &= 2a + 2b - 8 \\ &= 2(a + b - 4) \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that $2|2(a + b - 4) \implies 2|3(7^k) + 5(5^k) - 10$.

Therefore by Theorem 2.2g and (2), we know $24|2(7^{k+1}) + 3(5^{k+1}) - 5$.

By FPMI we see $24|2(7^{k+1}) + 3(5^{k+1}) - 5 \implies 24|2(7^n) + 3(5^n) - 5 \forall n \geq 0$. \square