

7.2.10) If every prime that divides n also divides m then $\phi(mn) = n\phi(m)$.

Proof. Take p_i as a prime $\forall i$.

Take $R = \{r : p_r | mn\} ; S = \{s : p_s | m\} ; T = \{t : p_t | n\}$.

Take $k_r = a_r + b_r$ where

$$\begin{array}{ll} p_r^{a_r} | m & p_r^{a_r+1} \nmid m \\ p_r^{b_r} | n & p_r^{b_r+1} \nmid n \\ p_r^{k_r} | mn & p_r^{k_r+1} \nmid mn. \end{array}$$

By the FTA

$$\prod_{j \in T} p_j^{b_j} = n.$$

By Theorem 7.3

$$\phi(m) = \prod_{j \in S} \left(p_j^{a_j} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_j} \right) \right).$$

By Theorem 7.3

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(mn) &= \prod_{j \in R} \left(p_j^{k_j} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_j} \right) \right) \\ &= \prod_{j \in R} \left(p_j^{a_j+b_j} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_j} \right) \right) \\ &= \prod_{j \in R} p_j^{b_j} \prod_{j \in R} \left(p_j^{a_j} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_j} \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

By the condition, we know $R = S$ and $T \subset S$ and $i \notin T \implies b_i = 0$. Take

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(mn) &= \prod_{j \in T} p_j^{b_j} \prod_{j \in S} \left(p_j^{a_j} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_j} \right) \right) \\ &= n\phi(m). \end{aligned}$$

Taking $m = n$ we get $\phi(n^2) = \phi(mn) = n\phi(m) = n\phi(n)$. □