

MTH215 ★★ 2019-20 ★★ ASSIGNMENT – 3

1. Let $a \geq 2$ be an integer. Show that $n \mid \varphi(a^n - 1)$ for all integers $n \geq 2$.
2. Let a has order 3 modulo prime p . Show that order of $a + 1$ modulo p is 6.
3. Let n be a positive integer. Show that
 - (a) Odd prime divisors of $n^2 + 1$ are of form $4k + 1$.
 - (b) Odd prime divisors of $n^4 + 1$ are of form $8k + 1$.
 - (c) A prime divisors of $n^2 + n + 1$ is either 3 or of the form $6k + 1$.
4. Show that there are infinitely many primes each of the form $4k + 1$, $6k + 1$ and $8k + 1$.
5. Find all primitive roots of 43. Find all positive integers $n < 43$ such that order of n is 6 modulo 43.
6. Let a and b be primitive roots of odd prime p . Show that $a^{(p-1)/2} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ and that ab is not a primitive root modulo p .
7. Let a be a primitive root of prime p . Show that $(p-1)! \equiv a^{p(p-1)/2} \pmod{p}$. Hence establish that $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$.
8. Let p be an odd prime and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Show that $\sum_{i=1}^{p-1} i^n \equiv 0$ or 1 according as $(p-1) \mid n$ or $(p-1) \nmid n$.
9. Find all primitive roots of 25.
10. Let a be a primitive root of p^n where p is prime and $n \geq 2$. Show that a is also a primitive root of p^{n-1} .
11. Let a be a primitive root of p^2 . Find all b such that $b^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p^2}$.
12. Prove that 3 is primitive root for 17^k and 2×17^k for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.
13. Solve
 - (a) $x^2 + 7x + 10 \equiv 0 \pmod{11}$
 - (b) $3x^2 + 9x + 7 \equiv 0 \pmod{13}$
 - (c) $5x^2 + 6x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{23}$
14. Find all quadratic residues of prime 23.
15. Let a be a quadratic residue of p , where p is an odd prime. Show that
 - (a) a is not a primitive root of p ,
 - (b) $p - a$ is a quadratic residue iff $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$,
 - (c) if $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ then $x = \pm a^{(p+1)/4}$ are the solutions of $x^2 \equiv a \pmod{p}$.
16. Let a be a primitive root of p . Find all quadratic residues of p in terms of a .
17. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\gcd(ab, p) = 1$ Show that one of the a, b, ab is a quadratic residue modulo p .
18. Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\gcd(a, p) = 1$. Let $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$. Show that $(a/p) = (b/p)$.

19. Show that $\sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \left(\frac{i(i+1)}{p} \right) = -1$. Further show that there exist $a, b \in \{1, 2, \dots, p-2\}$ such that $(a/p) = 1 = ((a+1)/p)$ and $(b/p) = -1 = ((b+1)/p)$.
20. If p and $q = 2p + 1$ are both primes then show that -4 is a primitive root of q .
21. If $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ then show that -4 and $(p-1)/4$ are quadratic residues of p .
22. Let p be of type $8k + 7$. Show that $p \mid 2^{(p-1)/2} - 1$.
23. Let a be a primitive root for p . Show that the product of all quadratic residues is congruent to $a^{(p^2-1)/4}$ and that the product of quadratic nonresidues is congruent to $a^{(p-1)^2/4}$ modulo p .
24. Show that the product of all quadratic residues is congruent to -1 or 1 modulo p according as $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ or $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.
25. Let $p > 3$. Show that p divides sum of its quadratic residues.
26. Let $p > 5$. Show that p divides sum of squares of its quadratic nonresidues.
27. Let $p = 4k + 1$. Show that sum of its quadratic residues in $\{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$ is $p(p-1)/4$.
28. Let $p = 8k + 1$ and let a be primitive root of p . Show that the solutions of $x^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{p}$ are $\pm(a^{7(p-1)/8} + a^{(p-1)/8})$.
29. Show that $(-1/p) = (-1)^{(p-1)/2}$ and $(-2/p) = (-1)^{\frac{(p-1)}{2} + \frac{p^2-1}{8}}$.
30. Show that $(-3/p)$ is 1 or -1 according as $p \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ or $p \equiv 5 \pmod{6}$.
31. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Find the forms of the prime which divide $n^2 + 1$, $n^2 + 2$ and $n^2 + 3$.
32. Find a prime which is expressible in the form of $x_1^2 + y_1^2$, $x_2^2 + 2y_2^2$ and $x_3^2 + 3y_3^2$, where $x_i, y_i \in \mathbb{Z}$.
33. Let p and q be odd primes such that $q = p + 4n$. Show that $(n/p) = (q/p)$.
34. Let p be an odd prime.
 - (a) If $p \neq 5$, then $(5/p) = 1$ iff $p \equiv 1, 9, 11$ or $19 \pmod{20}$.
 - (b) If $p \neq 3$, then $(6/p) = 1$ iff $p \equiv 1, 5, 19$ or $23 \pmod{24}$.
 - (c) If $p \neq 7$, then $(7/p) = 1$ iff $p \equiv 1, 3, 9, 19, 25$ or $27 \pmod{28}$.