# BNUZ 2024 春季学期数论初步期中考试

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- 1. (10 points) Calculate (187, 221).
- (10分) 计算最大公因子 (187,221).
- 2. (10 points) Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Show that the equation ax + by = c has solutions in integers iff (a, b)|c.
  - (10 分) 设  $a,b,c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . 证明方程 ax + by = c 有整数解, 当且仅当 (a,b)|c.
- 3. (15 points) If a is a nonzero integer, then for n > m show that  $(a^{2^n} + 1, a^{2^m} + 1) = 1$  or 2 depending on whether a is odd or even.
  - (15 分) 设 a 是非零整数, n > m. 证明  $(a^{2^n} + 1, a^{2^m} + 1) = 1$  或 2 取决于 a 是奇数或偶数.
  - 4. (10 points) Show that  $\sum_{d|n} \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \sigma(d) = n$  for all n.
  - (10 分) 证明等式  $\sum_{d|n} \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \sigma(d) = n$  对所有 n 成立.
  - 5. (15 points) Show that there are infinitely many primes congruent to  $-1 \mod 6$ .
  - (15 分) 证明模 6 同余 -1 的素数有无穷多个.
  - 6. (10 points) If n is not prime, show that  $(n-1)! \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ , except when n=4.
  - $(10 \ \mathcal{G})$  设 n 不是素数且  $n \neq 4$ , 证明  $(n-1)! \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ .
- 7. (15 points) Suppose that a is a primitive root modulo  $p^n$ , p an odd prime. Show that a is a primitive root modulo p.
  - (15 分) 设 p 是奇数, a 是模  $p^n$  的一个原根. 证明 a 也是模 p 的原根.
- 8. (15 points) Use the fact that 2 is a primitive root modulo 29 to find all solutions to  $x^7 \equiv 1 \pmod{29}$ .
  - (15 分) 利用 2 是模 29 的原根, 求方程  $x^7 \equiv 1 \pmod{29}$  的全部解.

## 1. (10 points)

Calculate (187, 221).

计算最大公因子 (187,221).

**Proof.** (187, 221) = (187, 34) = (17, 34) = 17.

## 2. (10 points)

Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Show that the equation ax + by = c has solutions in integers iff (a, b)|c. 设  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . 证明方程 ax + by = c 有整数解, 当且仅当 (a, b)|c.

**Proof.**  $\Rightarrow$ : (a,b)|a,(a,b)|b, then (a,b)|ax+by=c.

 $\Leftarrow$ :  $\exists u, v, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ , such that (a, b) = au + bv, c = (a, b)q. Then c = auq + bvq, which means

$$x = uq, y = vq$$

as a solution of the equation.

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设 a 是非零整数, n > m. 证明  $(a^{2^n} + 1, a^{2^m} + 1) = 1$  或 2 取决于 a 是奇数或偶数.

**Proof.** For n > m, notice that

$$a^{2^{n}} - 1 = (a-1)(a+1)(a^{2}+1)(a^{2^{2}}+1)\cdots(a^{2^{m}}+1)\cdots(a^{2^{n-1}}+1),$$

so 
$$a^{2^m} + 1|a^{2^n} - 1$$
, then  $(a^{2^n} + 1, a^{2^m} + 1)|(a^{2^n} + 1, a^{2^n} - 1) = 1$  or 2.

If a is odd,  $a^{2^n} + 1$ ,  $a^{2^m} + 1$  are both even,  $2|(a^{2^n} + 1, a^{2^m} + 1)$ , then  $(a^{2^n} + 1, a^{2^m} + 1) = 2$ .

If a is even,  $a^{2^n} + 1$ ,  $a^{2^m} + 1$  are both odd, then  $(a^{2^n} + 1, a^{2^m} + 1) = 1$ .

## 4. (10 points)

Show that  $\sum_{d|n} \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \sigma(d) = n$  for all n.

证明等式  $\sum_{d|n} \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \sigma(d) = n$  对所有 n 成立.

**Proof.** Since  $\sigma(n) = \sum_{d|n} \operatorname{Id}(d)$ , then by **Mobius Inversion Theorem**,

$$n = \operatorname{Id}(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \sigma(d).$$

#### 5. (15 points)

Show that there are infinitely many primes congruent to  $-1 \mod 6$ . 证明模 6 同余 -1 的素数有无穷多.

**Proof.** Notice that odd numbers are one of the form 6k - 1, 6k + 1, 6k + 3. But 6k + 3 has a divisor 3, all odd prime numbers except 3 have the form 6k - 1 or 6k + 1. Since  $(6k_1 + 1)(6k_2 + 1) = 6(k_1k_2 + k_1 + k_2) + 1$ , every integer of the form 6k - 1 must have a prime divisor of the form 6k' - 1.

Now suppose that  $p_1 < p_2 < \cdots < p_m$  are all primes of the form 6k-1. Let  $N = 6p_1 \cdots p_m - 1$ , which is not divisible by any  $p_i$ . Moreover, N is not divisible by any number of the form 6k+1, hence N is a prime greater than  $p_m$ , contradiction!

#### 6. (10 points)

If n is not prime, show that  $(n-1)! \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ , except when n=4. 设  $n \times \mathbb{Z}$  委 且  $n \neq 4$ , 证明  $(n-1)! \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ .

**Proof.**  $(4-1)! = 6 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ . When n > 4, then  $n = a \cdot b$ , where  $2 \le a \le b \le n-1$ .

If b = a, then n > 2a for n > 4, that's a < n - a. Since  $a(n - a) \equiv a(-a) = -n \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ , and a(n - a)|(n - 1)!, then  $(n - 1)! \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ .

If b > a, then  $a \cdot b = n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . Since ab | (n-1)!, hence  $(n-1)! \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ .

## 7. (15 points)

Suppose that a is a primitive root modulo  $p^n$ , p an odd prime. Show that a is a primitive root modulo p.

设 p 是奇数, a 是模  $p^n$  的一个原根. 证明 a 也是模 p 的原根.

**Proof.** Suppose  $a^r \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , by **Lemma 3**,

$$a^{rp} \equiv 1 \pmod{p^2}, \quad a^{rp^2} \equiv 1 \pmod{p^3}, \dots, a^{rp^{n-1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p^n}.$$

Since a is a primitive root modulo  $p^n$ , then  $rp^{n-1}$  should be divisible by  $\phi(p^n) = (p-1)p^{n-1}$ , that's  $p-1 \mid r$ . Hence, the smallest r such that  $a^r \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  is p-1.

#### 8. (15 points)

Use the fact that 2 is a primitive root modulo 29 to find all solutions to

$$x^7 \equiv 1 \pmod{29}$$
.

利用 2 是模 29 的原根, 求方程  $x^7 \equiv 1 \pmod{29}$  的全部解.

**Proof.** Since 2 is a primitive root modulo 29. Let  $x = 2^y$ , then

$$x^7 \equiv 1 \pmod{29} \Leftrightarrow 2^{7y} \equiv 1 \pmod{29} \Leftrightarrow 7y \equiv 0 \pmod{\phi(29)},$$

so  $28 = \phi(29) \mid 7y$ , that's y = 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 28. Since  $(7, \phi(29)) = 7$ , and

$$2^4 \equiv 16 \pmod{29}, \quad 2^8 \equiv 24 \pmod{29}, \quad 2^{12} \equiv 7 \pmod{29},$$

$$2^{16} \equiv 25 \pmod{29}, \quad 2^{20} \equiv 23 \pmod{29}, \quad 2^{24} \equiv 20 \pmod{29}, \quad 2^{28} \equiv 1 \pmod{29},$$

the 7 solutions to  $x^7 \equiv 1 \pmod{29}$  are 16, 24, 7, 25, 23, 20, 1.