

Tutorial 1.

Q1. Prove that if $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ and $a \mid bc$ then $a \mid c$

$$\because \gcd(a, b) = 1 \Rightarrow ax + by = 1 \quad \text{---(i)}$$

$$a \mid bc \Rightarrow at = bc \quad \text{---(ii)}$$

multiplying c on both sides of eq (i) we get

$$acx + bcY = c$$

using eq (ii) we get

$$acx + atY = c$$

$$a(cx + tY) = c$$

$$a \cdot t' = c$$

Hence $a \mid c$

Proved.

Q2. Prove that if a number is relatively prime to two numbers, then it is relatively prime to their product.

Let three numbers m, a, b s.t

$$\gcd(a, m) = 1$$

$$\gcd(b, m) = 1$$

∴ (ii)

need to show $\gcd(ab, m) = 1$

$$ax + my = 1$$

$$bx' + my' = 1$$

from eq (i)

$$\text{Now } a \cdot 1 \cdot x + my = 1$$

using $1 = bx' + my'$ we get

$$= a(bx' + my')x + my = 1$$

$$= abx'x + may'x + my = 1$$

$$= abx'x + m(ay'x + y) = 1$$

$$= ab\hat{x} + m\hat{y} = 1$$

Hence $\gcd(ab, m) = 1$ proved.

3. Prove that $\gcd(2^m - 1, 2^n - 1) = 2^{\gcd(m, n)} - 1$

Proof: Let $\gcd(m, n) = d$

then $d \mid m$ and $d \mid n$

$dt_1 = m$ and $dt_2 = n$

$$\gcd(2^m - 1, 2^n - 1) = \gcd(2^{dt_1} - 1, 2^{dt_2} - 1)$$

using geometric summation we know

$$\frac{2^{dt} - 1}{2^d - 1} = (1 + 2^d + \dots + 2^{d(t-1)})$$

$$\therefore \frac{2^{dt_1} - 1}{2^{dt_2} - 1} = \frac{(2^d - 1)(1 + 2^d + \dots + 2^{d(t_1-1)})}{(2^d - 1)(1 + 2^d + \dots + 2^{d(t_2-1)})}$$

\therefore common factor of $2^m - 1, 2^n - 1 > 2^d - 1$

$$\boxed{\gcd \geq 2^d - 1}$$

$$\text{Let } \gcd(2^m - 1, 2^n - 1) = p$$

$$\boxed{p \geq 2^d - 1} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$p \mid 2^m - 1 \quad p \mid 2^n - 1$$

$$2^d \equiv 2^{mx+ty} \pmod{p}$$

$$\equiv (2^m)^x \pmod{p} * (2^n)^y \pmod{p}$$

$$\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

$$\therefore 2^d \pmod{p} \equiv 1$$

$$\therefore p \mid 2^d - 1$$

$$\therefore \boxed{p \leq 2^d - 1} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

From (i) and (ii) we get $p = 2^d - 1$

$$\text{Hence } \gcd(2^m - 1, 2^n - 1) = 2^d - 1 = 2^{\gcd(m, n)} - 1.$$

Q4. Prove that $\gcd(a^2+m^2, (a-1)^2+m^2) = 1$ if
 $\gcd(2a-1, 4m^2+1) = 1$

$$\text{Let } \gcd(a^2+m^2, (a-1)^2+m^2) = t$$

$$\text{using } \gcd(A, B) = \gcd(A, A-B)$$

$$= \gcd(a^2+m^2, a^2+m^2 - ((a-1)^2+m^2)) = t$$

$$= \gcd(a^2+m^2, 1-2a) = t$$

$$= \gcd(a^2+m^2, 2a-1) = t \quad \text{using } \gcd(A, -B) = \gcd(A, B)$$

Since $2a-1$ is always odd

hence multiplying $2^k(a^2+m^2)$ will
have no effect on gcd.

$$\therefore \gcd(4(a^2+m^2), 2a-1) = t$$

$$\gcd(4(a^2+m^2), (2a-1)^2) = t$$

$$\gcd((2a-1)^2 + 4(a^2+m^2), (2a-1)) = t$$

$$\gcd(4a^2+1-4a+4a^2+4m^2, 2a-1) = t$$

$$\gcd(4a(2a-1) + 4m^2+1, 2a-1) = t$$

$$\gcd(4m^2+1, 2a-1) = t$$

Since it is given $\gcd(2a-1, 4m^2+1) = 1$

Hence $\gcd(a^2+m^2, (a-1)^2+m^2) = 1$.

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5. Prove that for some positive integer n , if $2^n - 1$ is prime, then n is prime.

Proof:- Let n be a composite number
and factor of n be $n = x \cdot y$

$$\therefore 2^{x \cdot y} - 1$$

using Geometric summation we can show that

$$\frac{(2^x)^y - 1}{2^x - 1} = (1 + 2^x + 2^{2x} + \dots + 2^{(y-1)x})$$

$$\therefore 2^{x \cdot y} - 1 = (2^x - 1) (1 + 2^x + 2^{2x} + \dots + 2^{(y-1)x})$$

Hence we have shown $2^{x \cdot y} - 1$ can be broken down into multiplication of two numbers hence composite.

So if $2^n - 1$ is prime implies n is prime.

Q.E.D.

Q6. Prove that for prime p of the form $4K+3$, p divides (a^2+b^2) iff p divides a and p divides b . Also justify that this property not shared by $p=2$ and by primes of the form $4K+1$.

$$(i) \quad \text{if } p|a \text{ and } p|b \Rightarrow p|a^2+b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow p t_1 = a \text{ and } p t_2 = b$$

$$a^2+b^2$$

$$= (p t_1)^2 + (p t_2)^2$$

$$= p^2(t_1^2+t_2^2)$$

$$\therefore p|a^2+b^2$$

$$(ii) \quad p|a^2+b^2 \Rightarrow p|a \text{ and } p|b$$

$$a^2+b^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$$

$$a^2 \equiv -b^2 \pmod{p}$$

$$\text{Let } p \nmid a \text{ then } \gcd(a, p) = 1$$

$$\therefore a^{-1} \text{ exists}$$

$$a^2(a^{-1})^2 \equiv -b^2(a^{-1})^2 \pmod{p}$$

$$\text{Let } y = ba^{-1}$$

$$-1 \equiv y^2 \pmod{p}$$

By property for the eqn to have soln p have to be of form $4K+1$.

But since p is of form $4K+3$ hence contradiction

$\therefore p|a$ and thus p also divides b .

eg for $p=2$, $a=3$, $b=5$

$$p|(a^2+b^2) \Rightarrow 2|34$$

still $p \nmid 3$ $p \nmid 5$

Q7. Find three consecutive positive integers which are not square free. A number n is said to be square free if it is not divisible by m^2 for any $m > 1$

Let us choose $9 = 3^2$, $16 = 4^2$, $25 = 5^2$

Hence According to: Let n be first number

$$n \equiv 0 \pmod{9}$$

$$n+1 \equiv 0 \pmod{16} \equiv n \equiv -1 \pmod{16}$$

$$n+2 \equiv 0 \pmod{25} \equiv n \equiv -2 \pmod{25}$$

Now using Chinese remainder theorem to solve the eqn we get

$$N = 9 \times 16 \times 25$$

$$N_1 = 16 \times 25, \quad a_1 = 0, \quad z_1 = (16 \times 25)^{-1} \pmod{9}$$

$$N_2 = 9 \times 25, \quad a_2 = -1, \quad z_2 = (9 \times 25)^{-1} \pmod{16}$$

$$N_3 = 9 \times 16, \quad a_3 = -2, \quad z_3 = (9 \times 16)^{-1} \pmod{25}$$

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^3 N_i a_i z_i \right) \pmod{N}$$

$$= 400 \times 0 \times 7 + 225 \times (-1) \times (1) + 144 \times (-2) \times (4)$$

$$= -225 - 1152$$

$$= (-1377) \pmod{3600}$$

$$= 2223$$

$$\therefore n = 2223$$

$$n+1 = 2224$$

$$n+2 = 2225$$

verification

$$\begin{aligned} 2223 &\equiv 0 \pmod{9} \\ 2224 &\equiv 0 \pmod{16} \\ 2225 &\equiv 0 \pmod{25} \end{aligned}$$

8. Find a primitive root of prime 13.

If order of 'a' number 'K' is such that $a^K \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$, where K is smallest number and $K = \phi(13)$ then a is primitive root of 13.

$$\phi(13) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$$

$$\text{Let } a = 1$$

then $a^1 \pmod{13} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$ Hence not primitive root

$$a = 2.$$

$$2^1 \equiv 2 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^3 \equiv 8 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^4 \equiv 3 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^5 \equiv 6 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^6 \equiv 12 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^7 \equiv 11 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^8 \equiv 9 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^9 \equiv 5 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^{10} \equiv 10 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^{11} \equiv 7 \pmod{13}$$

$$2^{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$$

Hence $a = 2$ is primitive root

Since we have found one primitive root, hence we can find all other primitive root by 2^K where K is coprime to $\phi(13)$

\therefore co-prime of 12 i.e. 1, 5, 7, 11

$$\therefore \text{other primitive roots} = \begin{aligned} 2^5 \pmod{13} &= 6 \\ 2^7 \pmod{13} &= 11 \\ 2^{11} \pmod{13} &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Primitive roots of 13} = \{2, 6, 11, 7\}$$

9. Find the least non-negative residue of $19! + (13!)^{44} \pmod{23}$
 We will use Wilson's theorem $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$
 and Fermat's theorem $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

USING:-

$$\phi(n) = 22$$

$$22! \equiv -1 \pmod{23}$$

or

$$22! \equiv 22 \pmod{23}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 19! + (13!)^{44} \pmod{23} \\ &= (19! \pmod{23} + (13!)^{44} \pmod{23}) \pmod{23} \\ &= (20^{-1} \times 21^{-1} \times 22^{-1} \times (22!) \pmod{23} + ((13!)^{22})^2 \pmod{23}) \pmod{23} \\ &= (20^{-1} \times 21^{-1} \times 22^{-1} \times 22 \pmod{23} + 1 \pmod{23}) \pmod{23} \\ &= (20^{-1} \times 21^{-1} \pmod{23} + 1 \pmod{23}) \pmod{23} \\ &= (165 \pmod{23} + 1 \pmod{23}) \pmod{23} \\ &= (4 \pmod{23} + 1 \pmod{23}) \pmod{23} \\ &= 5 \pmod{23} \end{aligned}$$

10. Find $\phi(125)$. Let $N = 3^{10!} - 1$. Is N divisible by

$$125 = 5^3$$

$$\phi(5^3) = 5^3 - 5^2 = 125 - 25 = 100$$

Divisibility by 125.

if $3^{10!} - 1$ is divisible by 125

$$\text{then } 3^{10!} \pmod{125} \equiv 1 \pmod{125}$$

using Euler-Fermat theorem i.e. $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$

$$a^{100} \equiv 1 \pmod{125}$$

$$\therefore 3^{10!} \pmod{125} \equiv (3^{100})^{9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 4 \times 3 \times 1} \pmod{125} \equiv 1 \pmod{125}$$

Hence $3^{10!} - 1$ is divisible by 125.

11. Let g be a primitive root $\pmod{29}$.

(i) How many primitive roots are there $\pmod{29}$?

If g is a primitive root then g^k is also primitive root if k is co-prime to $\phi(n)$.

$$\phi(29) = 28$$

$$\# \text{ primitive roots modulo } 29 = \phi(28)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(28) &= 2^2 \times 7 \\ &= (2^2 - 2^1) \times 6 = 12.\end{aligned}$$

(ii) Find a primitive root g modulo 29.

Set = $\{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 28\}$ are all co-prime to 29.

$$\text{Let } a = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}2^1 &\equiv 2 \pmod{29} \\ 2^2 &\equiv 4 \pmod{29} \\ 2^3 &\equiv 8 \pmod{29} \\ 2^4 &\equiv 16 \pmod{29} \\ 2^5 &\equiv 3 \pmod{29} \\ 2^6 &\equiv 6 \pmod{29} \\ 2^7 &\equiv 12 \pmod{29} \\ 2^8 &\equiv 24 \pmod{29} \\ 2^9 &\equiv 19 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{10} &\equiv 9 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{11} &\equiv 18 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{12} &\equiv 7 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{13} &\equiv 14 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{14} &\equiv 28 \pmod{29}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}2^{15} &\equiv 27 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{16} &\equiv 25 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{17} &\equiv 21 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{18} &\equiv 13 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{19} &\equiv 26 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{20} &\equiv 23 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{21} &\equiv 17 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{22} &\equiv 5 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{23} &\equiv 10 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{24} &\equiv 20 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{25} &\equiv 11 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{26} &\equiv 22 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{27} &\equiv 15 \pmod{29} \\ 2^{28} &\equiv 1 \pmod{29}\end{aligned}$$

Since order of 2 is $28 = \phi(29)$ Hence 2 is the primitive root modulo of 29.

(iii) Use primitive root $g \pmod{29}$ to express all quadratic residue $\pmod{29}$ as powers of g .

We know that '2' is primitive root modulo 29.

Hence '2' is the generator.

To get other primitive root we need to find set 'S' where $\forall k \in S, \gcd(k, \phi(n)) = 1$

i.e. all elements in set 'S' are coprime to $\phi(n)$.

$$\phi(n) = 28$$

$$S = \{1, 3, 5, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 23, 25, 27\}$$

$|S| = 12 \therefore$ Total 12 primitive roots modulo 29 exist.

$$2^1 \pmod{29} = 2$$

$$2^3 \pmod{29} = 8$$

$$2^5 \pmod{29} = 3$$

$$2^9 \pmod{29} = 19$$

$$2^{11} \pmod{29} = 18$$

$$2^{13} \pmod{29} = 14$$

$$2^{15} \pmod{29} = 27$$

$$2^{17} \pmod{29} = 21$$

$$2^{19} \pmod{29} = 26$$

$$2^{23} \pmod{29} = 10$$

$$2^{25} \pmod{29} = 11$$

$$2^{27} \pmod{29} = 15$$

Hence 2, 8, 3, 19, 18, 14, 27, 21, 26, 10, 11, 15 are all primitive roots modulo 29.

(iv) Use the primitive root $g \pmod{29}$ to express all the quadratic residue modulo 29 as powers of g

Quadratic residue modulo n is

if $x^2 \equiv a \pmod{n}$ then $a \in Q_n$

Let primitive root $g \pmod{29} = 2$

Quadratic residue mod 29 is

$\{1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 13, 16, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28\}$

$$2^{28} \equiv 1 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{22} \equiv 5 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^6 \equiv 6 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{12} \equiv 7 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{10} \equiv 9 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{18} \equiv 13 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^4 \equiv 16 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{24} \equiv 20 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{26} \equiv 22 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{20} \equiv 23 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^8 \equiv 24 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{16} \equiv 25 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{14} \equiv 28 \pmod{29}$$

If g is primitive root mod p , then $Q_p \equiv g^{2k}$ where $k = 0, 1, \dots, \frac{(p-1)}{2}$

(v) Find all quadratic residue modulo 29, and all quadratic non residue modulo 29

For set $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 28\}$

$x \in S$ and $x^2 \equiv a \pmod{29}$

then $a \in Q_{29}$ [Quadratic residue]

else $a \in \bar{Q}_{29}$ [Quadratic non-residue]

Quadratic residue : g^{2n} for $n = 1, \dots, \frac{p-1}{2}$

$Q_n = \{4, 16, 6, 24, 9, 7, 28, 25, 13, 23, 5, 20, 22, 1\}$

Quadratic non residue : \bar{Q}

$\bar{Q}_n = \{2, 8, 3, 12, 15, 18, 14, 27, 21, 26, 17, 10, 11, 15\}$

(vi) Is 5 a quadratic residue modulo 29? If, so is 5 congruent to a fourth power modulo 29?

By Legendre's symbol $\left(\frac{5}{29}\right)$ we can check whether 5 is quadratic residue or not

$$\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) = \begin{array}{ll} 1 & \text{Quadratic residue} \\ -1 & \text{Quadratic non-residue} \\ 0 & n \text{ divides } a. \end{array}$$

$$\left(\frac{5}{29}\right) = (5)^{\frac{(29-1)}{2}} = 5^{14} \pmod{29}$$

$$\left(\frac{5}{29}\right) = 1$$

Hence 5 lies in Quadratic residue modulo 29.

To check fourth power modulo 29
we take $a^4 \pmod{29} \quad \forall a \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 14\}$

So we get $= \{1, 16, 23, 24, 20, 7, 25\}$

Hence 5 is NOT congruent to fourth power modulo 29.

(vii) Use primitive root $g \pmod{29}$ to calculate all the congruence class that are congruent to fourth powers

i) class of fourth powers modulo 29 are
all generate congruence class using generator '2'.

$$2^4 \equiv 16 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^8 \equiv 24 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{12} \equiv 7 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{16} \equiv 25 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{20} \equiv 23 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{24} \equiv 20 \pmod{29}$$

$$2^{28} \equiv 1 \pmod{29}$$

viii Show that equation $x^4 - 29y^4 = 5$ has no integral solution.

$x^4 - 29y^4 = 5$
Taking mod 29 on both sides to convert eqⁿ to congruence.

$$\therefore (x^4 - 29y^4) \bmod 29 \equiv 5 \bmod 29$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^4 - 0) \bmod 29 \equiv 5 \bmod 29$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 \equiv 5 \bmod 29$$

Since we showed 5 is not congruent to fourth power modulo 29. Hence above eqⁿ have no solution.

(vi) / Is 5 a quadratic residue

12. Simplify $146! \pmod{149}$ to a number in range $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 148\}$.

By Wilson's theorem we know that if p is prime then

$$(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$$

$$146! = 148^{-1} \times 147^{-1} \times (148)!$$

$$\therefore 146! \pmod{149} \equiv 148^{-1} \times 147^{-1} \times (148)!$$

$$= 148^{-1} \times 147^{-1} \times (-1) \pmod{149}$$

$$= 148^{-1} \times 147^{-1} \times 148 \pmod{149}$$

$$= 147^{-1} \pmod{149}$$

$$= 74 \pmod{149}$$