

Number Theory 1

Varsity Practice 2/21/21

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1 True Statements on Modularity

- Bezout's Theorem: $ax + by = c$ for fixed a, b, c has solution (x, y) iff $\gcd(a, b)$ divides c . This stems from the Euclidean algorithm, which is based on the fact that $\gcd(bq + r, b) = \gcd(r, b)$ for any q .
- Multiplicative Inverses: If $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, then there exists a^{-1} such that $a * a^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod n$. Inverses may be obtained via Euclidean Algorithm.
- Conversions: Given $x \equiv a \pmod n$, we can rewrite this as $x = a + kn$, for some integer k . Similarly, given $x = a + kn$ for any integer k , we can rewrite this as $x \equiv a \pmod n$.
- Chinese Remainder Theorem: Suppose we are given two equations $x = a \pmod m, x = b \pmod n$. We can combine the two into a singular equation $x = c \pmod{\text{lcm}(m, n)}$, by substituting one equation into the other.
- Fermat's Little Theorem: $a^p \equiv a \pmod p$, for p prime.
- Wilson's Theorem: $(p - 1)! \equiv -1 \pmod p$ for p prime.
- Euler's Theorem: Let $\phi(n)$ represent the number of integers x such that $x \leq n$ and $\gcd(x, n) = 1$. Then $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod n$, for a, n relatively prime.

2 Problems

Problems taken from Stanford Math Tournament and Berkeley Math Tournament

1. What is $2019^{2019} \pmod{11}$?
2. Compute the remainder when $98!$ is divided by 101 .
3. The number N_b is the number that, when written in base b , is represented as 123 . What is the smallest b such that N_b is a perfect cube?
4. Let $1 = a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_k = n$ denote the factors of n in increasing order. Suppose $n = a_3^3 - a_2^3$. Solve for n .
5. Positive integer n has the property that $n - 64$ is a perfect cube. Further suppose that n is divisible by 37 . Find the smallest positive value for n .
6. Suppose both p and $p^4 + 34$ are prime numbers. Solve for p .
7. Compute $\sum_{i=1}^9 99\gcd(x, 10x + 9)$.

8. Find the two smallest numbers n such that 3^n is divisible by n and $3^n - 1$ is divisible by $n - 1$.
9. Compute the last two digits of $2^{3^{4 \dots 2014}}$.
10. Find the largest integer that divides $p^2 - 1$ for all primes $p > 3$.
11. Compute the remainder when the product of all positive integers less than and relatively prime to 2019 is divided by 2019.
12. Let $f(x)$ be defined as $\sum_{i=0}^2 \binom{x-1}{i} ((x-1-i)! + i!) \pmod{x}$. Let S be the set of all primes between 3 and 30 inclusive. Compute $\sum_{x \in S} f(x)$.
13. Let $\psi(n)$ be the number of integers $0 \leq r < n$ such that there exists x such that $x^2 + x \equiv r \pmod{n}$. Find the sum of all distinct prime factors of

$$\sum_{i=0}^4 \sum_{j=0}^4 \psi(3^i 5^j)$$

3 Advanced Problems

Selection from HMMT, PuMaC, and CHMMC

1. Warmup: Calculate $\phi(p^k)$, and $\phi(p^k q^j)$ for p, q prime, and $j, k > 0$. Extend this to $\phi(p^k q)$ for p prime and not dividing q .
2. Warmup: Let $\sigma(n)$ denote the sum of the factors of n . Calculate $\sigma(p^k)$ and $\sigma(p^k q^j)$ for p, q prime, and $j, k > 0$. Extend this to $\sigma(p^k q)$ for p prime and not dividing q .
3. (CHMMC 2020) Find the smallest positive integer k such that there exists exactly one prime number of the form $kx + 60$ for $0 \leq x \leq 10$. (So among all the $kx + 60$ for $0 \leq x \leq 10$, then exactly one of them is prime.)
4. Let S be the sum of all positive integers n such that $3/5$ of the positive divisors of n are multiples of 6 and n has no prime divisors greater than 3. Calculate $S/36$.
5. Let S be the set of all positive integers n satisfying:
 - n is relatively prime to all numbers $\leq n/6$.
 - $2^n \equiv 4 \pmod{n}$
6. Find the remainder when $\prod_{i=1}^{1903} (2^i + 5)$ is divided by 1000.
7. Let $p, q < 200$ be prime numbers such that $\frac{q^p - 1}{p}$ is a perfect square. Find all possible pairs of $p + q$.
8. For a positive integer n , let $\phi(n)$ be the Euler totient function, and let $\sigma(n)$ be the sum of the positive divisors of n . Find the sum of all positive even n such that

$$\frac{\sigma(n)n^5 - 2}{\phi(n)}$$

is an integer.

9. For a positive integer n , let $f(n)$ be equal to the sum of all positive numbers $k \leq n$ such that k, n are relatively prime. Let S be the sum of $\frac{1}{f(m)}$ over all m that are divisible by 2, 3, and 5, and whose prime factors are only 2, 3, and 5. Then $S = \frac{p}{q}$ for relatively prime p, q . Find $p + q$.