

## HW III

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**QUESTION 1.** (a) Find two positive integers  $a, b$  such that  $a^2 + b^2 = 41$

**HINT: You may use this technique if you choose. First note that  $41 = 4(10) + 1$  is prime. By try and error find two integers,  $x, y$  such that  $x^2 + y = 10$  and  $4y + 1 = b^2$  for some integer  $b$ . Let  $x = 2$  and  $y = 6$ . Then  $41 = 4(10) + 1 = 4(2^2 + 6) + 1 = 4^2 + 4(6) + 1 = 4^2 + 5^2$ .**

(b) Find two positive integers  $a, b$  such that  $a^2 + b^2 = 89$

**HINT: First note that  $89 = 4(22) + 1$  is prime. By try and error, see my comments in (a). Let  $x = 4$  and  $y = 6$ . Then  $89 = 4(22) + 1 = 4(4^2 + 6) + 1 = 8^2 + 4(6) + 1 = 8^2 + 5^2$ .**

(c) Find two positive integers  $a, b$  such that  $a^2 + b^2 = 23$

**HINT: It is impossible since for every relatively prime positive integers,  $a, b$ ,  $a^2 + b^2 \pmod{4}$  must be 1, see HW2. However,  $23 \pmod{4} = 3$**

(d) Is  $33 = a^2 + b^2$  for some integers  $a, b$ ?

**HINT: No, note 33 is not prime, so this does not contradict Q1.  $33 = 4(8) + 1$ , try and error, not equal  $a^2 + b^2$ .**

(e) Is  $45 = a^2 + b^2$  for some integers  $a, b$ ?

**HINT: yes, note 45 is not prime,  $45 = 4(11) + 1$ , try and error, see my comments in (a),  $45 = 4(11) + 1 = 4(3^2 + 2) + 1 = 6^2 + 8 + 1 = 6^2 + 3^2$**

(f) Is  $49 = a^2 + b^2$  for some integers  $a, b$ ?

**HINT: No, note 49 is not prime, so this does not contradict Q1.  $49 = 4(12) + 1$ , try and error, not equal  $a^2 + b^2$ .**

**QUESTION 2.** Let  $n = 100(7^3)(5^4)(2^3)$ . Let  $D$  be the set of all divisors of  $n$ .

(i) Find  $|D|$ . (note that the prime factorization of  $n$  is  $(2^5)(5^6)(7^3)$ , see class notes.)

(ii) Find  $\sigma(n)$ , i.e., the sum of all divisors of  $n$ . See class notes.

(iii) Let  $F = \{d \in D, \text{ such that, } 100 \mid d\}$ . Find  $|F|$ . Find  $\sum_{f \in F} f$ .

**Hint. Let  $f \in F$ . Then  $f$  has the form  $2^i 5^k 7^j$ , where  $2 \leq i \leq 5, 2 \leq k \leq 6, 0 \leq j \leq 3$  and see class notes**

(iv) Let  $F = \{d \in D, \text{ such that, } 10 = \gcd(100, d)\}$ . Find  $|D|$ . Find  $\sum_{f \in F} f$ .

**Hint. Let  $f \in F$ . Then  $f$  has the form  $(2)(5)7^j$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq 3$  and see class notes**

(v) Let  $F = \{d \in D, \text{ such that, } 70 = \gcd(350, d)\}$ . Find  $|F|$ . Find  $\sum_{f \in F} f$ .

**Hint. Let  $f \in F$ . Then  $f$  has the form  $2^i(5)7^j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq 6, 1 \leq j \leq 3$  and see class notes**

(vi) Let  $F = \{d \in D, \text{ such that, } 25 = \gcd(100, d)\}$ . Find  $|F|$ . Find  $\sum_{f \in F} f$ .

**Hint. Let  $f \in F$ . Then  $f$  has the form  $5^i 7^j$ , where  $2 \leq i \leq 6, 0 \leq j \leq 3$  and see class notes**

**QUESTION 3.** Assume that  $a, b, c$  are positive integers such that  $a \mid bc$ . Assume that  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ . Prove that  $a \mid c$ .

**Hint: We know that (\*)  $1 = an + bm$  for some integers  $n, m$ . Multiply (\*) by  $c$ , we get (\*\*)  $c = can + cbm$ . By staring at (\*\*),  $a$  is a factor of the right-hand side of (\*\*), i.e.,  $a \mid (can + cbm)$ . Thus  $a$  is a factor of  $c$ .**

**QUESTION 4.** Let  $n = d_1 d_2 \cdots d_m$ ,  $m \geq 5$ , where  $1 \leq d_1 \leq 9$ , and  $0 \leq d_i \leq 9$  for every  $2 \leq i \leq m$ . Assume that  $101 \mid n$ . Prove that  $101 \mid (d_1 \cdots d_{(m-2)} - d_{(m-1)} d_m)$ . (see class notes, but multiply with 100)

**QUESTION 5.** Prove the converse of Q5.

**Hint:** Assume that  $101 \mid (d_1 \cdots d_{(m-2)} - d_{(m-1)} d_m)$ . **It is clear that**  $101 \mid 100(d_1 \cdots d_{(m-2)} - d_{(m-1)} d_m)$ . **We show**  $101 \mid n$ . **Now,**  $100(d_1 \cdots d_{(m-2)} - d_{(m-1)} d_m) = d_1 \cdots d_{(m-2)} 00 - 100 d_{(m-1)} d_m = d_1 \cdots d_{(m-2)} 00 + d_{(m-1)} d_m - d_{(m-1)} d_m - 100 d_{(m-1)} d_m = n - 101 d_{(m-1)} d_m$ . **Hence**  $101 \mid (n - 101 d_{(m-1)} d_m)$ . **By staring, since**  $101 \mid 101 d_{(m-1)} d_m$ , **we conclude that**  $101 \mid n$ .

**QUESTION 6.** Show the work. Use the algorithm as in Q5 and Q6.

- (i) Is 5,656 divisible by 101?
- (ii) Is 12,423 divisible by 101?
- (iii) Is 54,134 divisible by 101?

**QUESTION 7.** Let  $n = d_1 d_2 \cdots d_m$ ,  $m \geq 4$ , where  $1 \leq d_1 \leq 9$ , and  $0 \leq d_i \leq 9$  for every  $2 \leq i \leq m$ . Assume that  $27 \mid n$ . Prove that  $27 \mid (d_1 \cdots d_{(m-1)} - 8d_m)$ . (see class notes)

**QUESTION 8.** Prove the converse of Q8.(see the proof of Q6, maybe you need to multiply with 10)

**QUESTION 9.** Let  $n = d_1 d_2 \cdots d_m$ ,  $m \geq 4$ , where  $1 \leq d_1 \leq 9$ , and  $0 \leq d_i \leq 9$  for every  $2 \leq i \leq m$ . Assume that for some positive integer  $k > 1$ ,  $k \mid n$  if and only if  $k \mid (d_1 \cdots d_{(m-1)} - 8d_m)$ . Find all possibilities of  $k$ . Think, it is not hard.

**QUESTION 10.** Show the work. Use the algorithm as in Q8 and Q9.

- (i) Is 2, 862 divisible by 27?
- (ii) Is 50,301 divisible by 27?
- (iii) Is 16, 252 divisible by 27?

**QUESTION 11.** Find the largest positive integer  $n$  such that  $(n + 8) \mid (n^3 + 80)$ . (Answer:  $n = 424$ , see class notes )

**QUESTION 12.** Find the largest positive integer  $n$  such that  $(n + 9) \mid (n^2 + 90)$ .(Answer:  $n = 162$ , see class notes )

**QUESTION 13.** Find the largest positive integer  $n$  such that  $(n + 29) \mid (n^2 + n + 23)$ .(Answer:  $n = 806$ , see class notes )

**QUESTION 14.** Find the largest positive integer  $n$  such that  $(n + 21) \mid (3n^4 + 5n + 10)$ .(Answer:  $n = 583327$ , see class notes )

**QUESTION 15.** Find the largest positive integer  $n$  such that  $(n + 37) \mid (n + 37)^{12} + 547$ .(Answer:  $n = 510$ , see class notes )

**QUESTION 16.** Consider  $U(26)$ .

(a) can we generate  $U(26)$  by one element? If yes find a generator.

**HINT: Yes/ see class notes,  $26 = 2(13)$ .  $|U(26)| = \phi(26) = 12$ . Since  $4 \mid 12$ , find a in  $U(26)$  such that  $a^6 = -1 = 25 \pmod{26}$  and  $a^4 \neq 1$ , **5 will not work since  $a^6 = 25 \pmod{26}$ , but  $5^4 = 1 \pmod{26}$ , a = 7 will generate  $U(26)$ .****

(b) Find  $4 - R(U(26))$ . Note that  $4 - R(U(26)) = C(3) \subset U(26) = \{7^4, (7^4)^2, (7^4)^3 = 1\} = \{9, 3, 1\}$ .

(c) Solve for  $x$  over  $U(26)$ ,  $x^4 = 3$ .

**HINT: Find  $C(4)$  in  $U(26)$ ,  $C(4) = \{7^3, (7^3)^2, (7^3)^3, (7^3)^4 = 1\} = \{5, 25, 21, 1\}$ . Now from (a), it is clear that  $x = 7^2 = 23$  is a solution for  $x^4 = 3$ . Hence the solution set in  $U(26)$  is  $23C(4) = \{11, 3, 15, 23\}$**

(d) Find all integers over  $Z$ , say  $x$ , such that  $\gcd(x, 26) = 1$  and  $x^4 \pmod{26} = 3$ . No comments, use (c).

**QUESTION 17.** Consider  $U(49)$ .

(a) can we generate  $U(49)$  by one element? If yes find a generator.

**HINT: Yes/ see class notes,  $49 = 7^2$ .  $|U(49)| = \phi(49) = 42$ . Since  $4 \nmid 42$ , find  $a$  in  $U(49)$  such that  $a^{21} = -1 = 48 \pmod{49}$ ,  $a = 3$  will generate  $U(49)$ .**

(b) Find  $6 - R(U(26))$ . Note that  $6 - R(U(49)) = C(7) \subset U(49)$ . See Q17

(c) Solve for  $x$  over  $U(49)$ ,  $x^6 = 43$ . See Q17

(d) Find all integers over  $Z$ , say  $x$ , such that  $\gcd(x, 49) = 1$  and  $x^6 \pmod{49} = 43$ . No comments, use (c).

(e) Is  $18 \in 7 - R(U(49))$ ? (yes if  $18^6 = 1$ , see HW2). Is  $31 \in 7 - R(U(49))$ ? Is  $9 \in 21 - R(U(49))$ ?

**QUESTION 18.** Prove that  $(p - 1)! \pmod{p} = p - 1$  for every odd prime positive integer. (see class notes)

**QUESTION 19.** Find all positive prime integers, say  $p$ , such that  $p \mid (389^p + 1)$ . (see class notes)

**QUESTION 20.** Let  $m > 1$  be an integer and  $f(n) = n^m + a_{m-1}n^{m-1} + \dots + a_1n + a_0$ , where all the  $a_i$ 's are integers and  $n \in Z$ . Given  $f(b_1) = f(b_2) = 22$  for some distinct  $b_1, b_2 \in Z$ . Prove that  $f(k) \neq 23$  for every  $k \in Z$ . (see class notes)

**QUESTION 21.** Prove that for each integer  $n > 1$ ,  $(2^n - 1)$  is never a factor of  $x^2 + 1$  for every  $x \in Z$ . (see class notes)

**QUESTION 22.** Let  $n, m \geq 1$  be positive integers and  $x \in Z^+$ . Show that  $3^n + 3^m + 1 \neq x^2$ ; (i.e., Show that  $3^n + 3^m + 1$  is never a perfect square.)

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