

Assignment 6.

This homework is due *Thursday* March 1.

There are total 41 points in this assignment. 36 points is considered 100%. If you go over 36 points, you will get over 100% for this homework and it will count towards your course grade.

Collaboration is welcome. If you do collaborate, make sure to write/type your own paper *and give credit to your collaborators in your pledge*. Your solutions should contain full proofs. Bare answers will not earn you much.

- (1) [2pt] (5.2.1) Use Fermat's theorem to verify that 17 divides $11^{104} + 1$.
- (2) (5.2.2ac)
 - (a) [3pt] If $\gcd(a, 35) = 1$, show that $a^{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{35}$. (*Hint*: From Fermat's theorem $a^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ and $a^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$.)
 - (b) [3pt] If $\gcd(a, 133) = \gcd(b, 133) = 1$, show that $133 \mid a^{18} - b^{18}$.
- (3) [3pt] (5.2.3) From Fermat's theorem deduce that, for any integer $n \geq 0$,

$$13 \mid 11^{12n+6} + 1.$$
- (4) [2pt] (5.2.7+) If $p = 2m + 1$ is an odd prime and $p \nmid a$, prove that $a^m - 1$ or $a^m + 1$ is divisible by p . (*Hint*: Consider the product of these numbers.)
- (5) [3pt] (5.2.18b) For $n = 195 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 13$, prove that $a^{n-2} \equiv a \pmod{n}$ for any integer a .
- (6) (5.2.10) Assuming a and b are integers not divisible by the prime p , establish the following:
 - (a) [3pt] If $a^p \equiv b^p \pmod{p}$, then $a \equiv b \pmod{p}$.
 - (b) [4pt] If $a^p \equiv b^p \pmod{p}$, then $a^p \equiv b^p \pmod{p^2}$. (*Hint*: By (a), $a = b + pk$ for some k , so that $a^p - b^p = (b + kp)^p - b^p$; now show that p^2 divides the later expression.)
- (7) [4pt] (5.2.14) If p and q are distinct primes, prove that

$$p^{q-1} + q^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}.$$
- (8) [3pt] (5.3.1a) Find the remainder when $15!$ is divided by 17.
- (9) [3pt] (5.3.3) Arrange the integers $2, 3, 4, \dots, 21$ in pairs a, b that satisfy $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{23}$.
- (10) [4pt] (5.3.9) Using Wilson's theorem, prove that for any odd prime p ,

$$1^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdots (p-2)^2 \equiv (-1)^{(p+1)/2} \pmod{p}.$$
 (*Hint*: Using that $k \equiv -(p-k) \pmod{p}$, show that

$$2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (p-1) \equiv (-1)^{(p-1)/2} 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (p-2) \pmod{p}.$$
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- (11) [4pt] (5.3.18) Prove that if p and $p+2$ are a pair of twin primes, then

$$4((p-1)! + 1) + p \equiv 0 \pmod{p(p+2)}.$$