E. Dummit's Math 3527 \sim Number Theory 1, Spring 2022 \sim Midterm 1 Review Problems

1. Define / describe / state: induction, the Euclidean algorithm, prime factorization, a residue class mod m, the multiplicative inverse of a unit, a zero divisor, the Chinese remainder theorem, successive squaring, the order of a unit mod m, Fermat's little theorem, Euler's φ -function, Euler's theorem, a primitive root mod m, repeating decimal expansions. 2. For each pair of integers (a, b), use the Euclidean algorithm to calculate their greatest common divisor $d = \gcd(a, b)$ and also to find integers x and y such that d = ax + by. (a) a = 12, b = 44.(b) a = 2022, b = 20232.(c) a = 5567, b = 12445.(d) a = 233, b = 144.3. Decide whether each residue class has a multiplicative inverse modulo m. If so, find it, and if not, explain why not: (d) The residue class $\overline{30}$ modulo 42. (a) The residue class $\overline{10}$ modulo 25. (b) The residue class $\overline{11}$ modulo 25. (e) The residue class $\overline{31}$ modulo 42. (c) The residue class $\overline{12}$ modulo 25. (f) The residue class $\overline{32}$ modulo 42. 4. Find the following orders of elements modulo m: (a) The orders of 2 and 3 modulo 13. (d) The orders of 3, 5, and 15 modulo 16. (e) The order of 5 modulo 22. (b) The orders of 2, 4, and 8 modulo 17. (f) The orders of 2, 4, 8, 16, and 32 modulo 55. (c) The orders of 2, 4, and 8 modulo 15. 5. Calculate the following things: (a) The gcd and lcm of 256 and 520. (j) All n with $n \equiv 2 \pmod{9}$ and $n \equiv 7 \pmod{14}$. (k) The remainder when 10! is divided by 11. (b) The gcd and lcm of 921 and 177. (c) The gcd and lcm of $2^3 3^2 5^4 7$ and $2^4 3^3 5^4 11$. (1) The remainder when 2^{47} is divided by 47. (m) The remainder when 6^{20} is divided by 25. (d) The values of $\overline{4} + \overline{6}$, $\overline{4} - \overline{6}$, and $\overline{4} \cdot \overline{6}$ modulo 8. (n) The values of $\varphi(121)$ and $\varphi(5^57^{10})$. (e) The inverses of $\overline{4}$, $\overline{5}$, and $\overline{6}$ modulo 71. (f) All units and all zero divisors modulo 14. (o) A primitive root modulo 7. (g) The solution to $5n \equiv 120 \pmod{190}$. (p) The number of primitive roots modulo 97. (q) The value $0.1\overline{25}$ as a rational number. (h) The solution to $6n \equiv 10 \pmod{100}$. (i) All n with $n \equiv 4 \pmod{19}$ and $n \equiv 3 \pmod{20}$. (r) The period of the repeating decimal of 7/11.

6. Prove the following:

(a) Prove that $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} = 2 - \frac{1}{2^n}$ for every positive integer *n*.

- (b) Suppose p is a prime and a is an integer. If $p|a^2$, prove that p|a.
- (c) If u is a unit and x is a zero divisor in a commutative ring with 1, prove that ux is also a zero divisor.
- (d) Show that 5 is a primitive root modulo 18.
- (e) Suppose $b_1 = 3$ and $b_n = 2b_{n-1} n + 1$ for all $n \ge 2$. Prove that $b_n = 2^n + n$ for every positive integer n.
- (f) Prove any two consecutive perfect squares (i.e., the integers k^2 and $(k+1)^2$) are relatively prime.

(g) Prove that $\frac{1}{1\cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2\cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3\cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n\cdot (n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$ for every positive integer n.

- (h) Show that 4^{240} is congruent to 16 modulo 239 and to 1 modulo 55. (Note 239 is prime.)
- (i) Show that $a^4 \equiv 0$ or 1 (mod 5) for every integer a. Deduce that 2024 is not the sum of three fourth powers.
- (j) Show that $a^3 a$ is divisible by 6 for every integer a.
- (k) Suppose $d_1 = 2$, $d_2 = 4$, and for all $n \ge 3$, $d_n = d_{n-1} + 2d_{n-2}$. Prove that $d_n = 2^n$ for every positive integer n.
- (1) If a and b are positive integers, prove that gcd(a, b) = lcm(a, b) if and only if a = b.
- (m) Prove that 3 has order 10 modulo 61.
- (n) Prove that 101 is the smallest prime divisor of 99! 1.