

1) Find all Pythagorean triples x, y, z (primitive and nonprimitive), with $x = 35$.

$$x^2 + y^2 = z^2, \quad x \text{ odd} \Rightarrow y \text{ even}$$

$$\text{let } d = \underset{=35}{(x, y, z)} \Rightarrow d | 35 \Rightarrow d \in \{1, 5, 7, 35\}$$

$$\text{I if } d=1 \rightarrow \exists m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \begin{cases} m > n \\ m \neq n \pmod{2} \end{cases} \begin{cases} x = m^2 - n^2 = 35 \\ y = 2mn \\ z = m^2 + n^2 \end{cases}$$

$$(m-n)(m+n) = 35 \begin{cases} m-n=1 \\ m+n=35 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} m=18 \\ n=17 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x=35 \\ y=612 \\ z=613 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} m-n=5 \\ m+n=7 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} m=6 \\ n=1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x=35 \\ y=12 \\ z=37 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{II if } d=5 \Rightarrow (35, y, z) = 5 \Rightarrow (7, y', z') = 1; \quad y' = \frac{y}{5}, \quad z' = \frac{z}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = m^2 - n^2 = 7 \\ y' = 2mn \\ z' = m^2 + n^2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow (m-n)(m+n) = 7 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} m-n=1 \\ m+n=7 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} m=4 \\ n=3 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x'=7 \\ y'=24 \\ z'=25 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x'=35 \\ y'=120 \\ z'=125 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{III if } d=7 \Rightarrow (35, y, z) = 7 \Rightarrow (5, y', z') = 1; \quad y' = \frac{y}{7}, \quad z' = \frac{z}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x' = m^2 - n^2 = 5 \\ y' = 2mn \\ z' = m^2 + n^2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} m-n=1 \\ m+n=5 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} m=3 \\ n=2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x'=5 \\ y'=12 \\ z'=13 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x=35 \\ y=84 \\ z=91 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{IV if } d=35 \Rightarrow (35, y, z) = 35 \Rightarrow (1, y', z') = 1; \quad y' = \frac{y}{35}, \quad z' = \frac{z}{35}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 = m^2 - n^2 \\ y' = 2mn \\ z' = m^2 + n^2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow m-n = m+n = 1 \quad \text{no sol.}$$

II) Find all integers x , with $\varphi(x) = 6$, where φ is the Euler function.

Assume $x = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_n^{\alpha_n}$ is the prime factorization of x

$$\varphi(x) = p_1^{\alpha_1-1} \dots p_n^{\alpha_n-1} (p_1-1) \dots (p_n-1) = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow p_i - 1 \leq 6 \quad \forall i \quad ; \quad p_i \leq 7 \Rightarrow p_i \in \{2, 3, 5, 7\}$$

$$\text{If } p = 5 \Rightarrow p-1 = 4 \text{ and } 4 \nmid 6 \Rightarrow p_i \in \{2, 3, 7\}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2^a 3^b 7^c$$

$$\textcircled{1} a, b, c > 0 ; \quad \varphi(x) = 2^{a-1} 3^{b-1} 7^{c-1} \underbrace{(2-1)}_1 \underbrace{(3-1)}_2 \underbrace{(7-1)}_6 = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{a-1} 3^{b-1} 7^{c-1} = 1 \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} a=0 \\ b=1 \\ c=1 \end{array} \right\} \text{contradiction no sol.}$$

$$\textcircled{2} a, b > 0, c = 0 ; \quad x = 2^a 3^b ; \quad \varphi(x) = 2^{a-1} 3^{b-1} (2-1) \underbrace{(3-1)}_2 = 6 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^a 3^{b-1} = 2 \cdot 3 \Rightarrow a=1 ; b=2 \Rightarrow x = 2 \cdot 3^2 = \textcircled{18}$$

$$\textcircled{3} a, c > 0, b = 0 ; \quad x = 2^a 7^c \Rightarrow \varphi(x) = 2^{a-1} 7^{c-1} \cdot 6 = 6 \Rightarrow a = c = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 \cdot 7 = \textcircled{14}$$

$$\textcircled{4} b, c > 0, a = 0 ; \quad x = 3^b 7^c ; \quad \varphi(x) = 3^{b-1} 7^{c-1} \underbrace{(3-1)}_2 \cdot 6 = 6 \text{ no sol.}$$

$$\textcircled{5} a > 0, b = c = 0 ; \quad x = 2^a ; \quad \varphi(x) = 2^{a-1} = 6 \text{ no sol.}$$

$$\textcircled{6} b > 0, a = c = 0 ; \quad x = 3^b ; \quad \varphi(x) = 3^{b-1} \cdot 2 = 6 \Rightarrow 3^{b-1} = 3 \Rightarrow b = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3^2 = \textcircled{9}$$

$$\textcircled{7} c > 0, a = b = 0 ; \quad x = 7^c ; \quad \varphi(x) = 7^{c-1} \cdot 6 = 6 \Rightarrow c = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 7^1 = \textcircled{7}$$

III) Define the Möbius function μ and prove that μ is multiplicative.

$$\mu: \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \{-1, 0, 1\}; \quad \mu(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n=1 \\ (-1)^{\sum \alpha_i}, & \text{if } n = p_1 \cdots p_k, p_i \text{ primes, distinct} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

• Let $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $(m, n) = 1$ (say m)
 If at least one of them is 1, then $\mu(mn) = \mu(m \cdot 1) = \mu(m) \cdot 1 = \mu(m) \mu(1)$
 If both are ≥ 2 then $m = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_k^{\alpha_k}$, $n = p_{k+1}^{\alpha_{k+1}} \cdots p_{k+t}^{\alpha_{k+t}}$
 where $p_1 \cdots p_{k+t}$ are distinct primes

$$mn = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_{k+t}^{\alpha_{k+t}}$$

The only case when $\mu(mn)$ is not 0 is when $\alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{k+t} = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \mu(mn) = (-1)^{k+t} = (-1)^k (-1)^t = \mu(m) \mu(n)$

IV) If f is an arithmetic function such that $\frac{\sigma(n)}{n} = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$, where σ is the sum of divisors function, prove that f is multiplicative. Compute $f(8)$.

$$\sigma \text{ is multiplicative } \Rightarrow \forall (m, n) = 1, \quad \frac{\sigma(mn)}{mn} = \frac{\sigma(m)\sigma(n)}{mn} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sigma(n)}{n} \text{ is multiplicative } \Rightarrow \sum_{d|n} f(d) \text{ is multiplicative. But}$$

this is the summative function of $f \Rightarrow f$ is multiplicative

$$f(1) = \frac{\sigma(1)}{1} = 1,$$

$$\frac{\sigma(2)}{2} = f(1) + f(2) \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} = 1 + f(2) \Rightarrow f(2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{\sigma(4)}{4} = f(1) + f(2) + f(4) \Rightarrow \frac{7}{4} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + f(4) \Rightarrow f(4) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{\sigma(8)}{8} = f(1) + f(2) + f(4) + f(8) \Rightarrow f(8) = \frac{1}{8}$$

V) If r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n is a complete set of residues modulo n , prove that $\sum_{i=1}^n r_i \equiv \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \pmod{n}$

• r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n compl. set of res. mod n . \Rightarrow they go modulo n
 $\Rightarrow r_1, \dots, r_n$ are congruent modulo n to $0, 1, \dots, n-1$ (in some order)

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n r_i \equiv \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} k \pmod{n} \equiv \frac{(n-1)n}{2} \pmod{n}$$

VI) If the Mersenne number $M_n = 2^n - 1$ is prime, prove that n is prime. Is the converse true? Justify your answer.

• If, by contradiction, n is composite $\Rightarrow n = ab$, $1 < a, b < n$

$$\Rightarrow M_n = 2^{ab} - 1 = (2^a)^b - 1 = \underbrace{(2^a - 1)}_{\substack{a > 1 \Rightarrow 2^a > 2 \\ \Rightarrow 2^a - 1 > 1}} \underbrace{\left[(2^a)^{b-1} + \dots + 1 \right]}_{> 1}$$

$\Rightarrow M_n$ is composite, contradict $\Rightarrow n$ is prime

• The converse is not true, as $M_{11} = 2^{11} - 1 = 23 \times 89$
 is not prime, although $p=11$ is prime

VII) Prove that there are infinitely many primes p of the form $p = 6k + 5$.

Assume, by contrad., that there are only finitely many primes of the form $6k+5$; say $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$.

Take $N = 6p_1 \dots p_n + 5 > p_1, \dots, p_n \Rightarrow N$ is composite $\Rightarrow N$ has a prime divisor. This divisor is either of the form $6k+1$ or $6k+5$.

But it cannot be $6k+5$, since not p_i divides N (otherwise, $p_i | N \Rightarrow p_i | 5$ contrad.)

$\Rightarrow N$ has only prime divisors of the form $6k+1 \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow N = 2_1 \dots 2_t$, $2_i = 6k_i + 1 \Rightarrow N \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow 1 \equiv 5 \pmod{6}$ contrad. \Rightarrow the set of primes of the form $6k+5$ is infinite

VIII) If p and q are primes greater than 3, prove that $24 | (p^2 - q^2)$.

• p, q are odd numbers;

$$\begin{aligned} \circ \quad p = 3k \pm 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad p^2 - q^2 &= (9k^2 \pm 6k + 1) - (9\alpha^2 \pm 6\alpha + 1) \Rightarrow \\ q = 3\alpha \pm 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad &\Rightarrow 3 | (p^2 - q^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \circ \quad p = 4k \pm 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad p^2 - q^2 &= (16k^2 \pm 8k + 1) - (16\alpha^2 \pm 8\alpha + 1) \Rightarrow \\ q = 4\alpha \pm 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad &\Rightarrow 8 | (p^2 - q^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet \quad (3, 8) = 1 \Rightarrow 24 | (p^2 - q^2)$$