

Math 446 - Homework # 5

1. List the elements of \mathbb{Z}_7^\times . For each element find its multiplicative inverse.
2. List the elements of \mathbb{Z}_8^\times . For each element find its multiplicative inverse.
3. List the elements of \mathbb{Z}_{15}^\times . For each element find its multiplicative inverse.
4. Find all of the primitive roots for \mathbb{Z}_7^\times . How many are there?
5. Find all of the primitive roots for \mathbb{Z}_{14}^\times . How many are there?
6. Find all of the primitive roots for \mathbb{Z}_9^\times . How many are there?
7. Find all of the primitive roots for \mathbb{Z}_{20}^\times . How many are there?
8. Reduce $\bar{7}^{103}$ in \mathbb{Z}_{13} .
9. Reduce $\bar{5}^{127}$ in \mathbb{Z}_{12} .
10. (a) Let p be a prime and let $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$. Prove that \bar{x}^{p-2} is the multiplicative inverse of \bar{x} in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times .
(b) Use (10a) to find the multiplicative inverse of $\bar{2}$ in \mathbb{Z}_7 .
(c) Use (10a) to find the multiplicative inverse of $\bar{3}$ in \mathbb{Z}_{11} .
11. Let p be a prime and let m and n be positive integers. Let $\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$. Prove that if $m \equiv n \pmod{p-1}$, then $\bar{a}^m = \bar{a}^n$ in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times .
12. Prove that $a^{6k} - 1$ is divisible by 7 for any positive integer a with $\gcd(a, 7) = 1$.
13. Prove that 19 is not a divisor of $4n^2 + 4$ for any integer n .
14. Let n be an integer with $n \geq 2$.
 - (a) Let a be an integer with $\gcd(a, n) = 1$. Suppose that $\bar{a} \cdot \bar{b} = \bar{a} \cdot \bar{c}$ in \mathbb{Z}_n . Prove that $\bar{b} = \bar{c}$.

(b) Let a be an integer with $\gcd(a, n) = 1$. Prove that

$$\bar{a} \cdot \mathbb{Z}_n = \{\bar{a} \cdot \bar{0}, \bar{a} \cdot \bar{1}, \bar{a} \cdot \bar{2}, \dots, \bar{a} \cdot \overline{n-1}\}$$

is equal to \mathbb{Z}_n .

(c) Give an example showing that if $\gcd(a, n) \neq 1$ then one can have $\bar{a} \cdot \bar{b} = \bar{a} \cdot \bar{c}$ in \mathbb{Z}_n , but $\bar{b} \neq \bar{c}$.

15. Prove that if $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ then $\gcd(a, n) = \gcd(b, n)$.