

HOMEWORK 2

Problem 1 Let $\{x\} = x - [x]$ denote the fractional part of $x \in \mathbb{R}$. If $m > 1$, $(a, m) = 1$ and b is any integer, prove that

$$(1) \quad \sum_x \left\{ \frac{ax + b}{m} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} (m - 1),$$

where x runs over a complete system of residues modulo m ;

$$(2) \quad \sum_{\xi} \left\{ \frac{a\xi}{m} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \varphi(m),$$

where ξ runs over a reduced system of residues modulo m .

Problem 2 Let m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k be pair-wise relatively prime integers greater than 1 and

$$m_1 m_2 \cdots m_k = M_1 m_1 = M_2 m_2 = \cdots = M_k m_k.$$

- (a) Prove that if x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k run, respectively, through complete systems of residues to moduli m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k , the integers $x_1 M_1 + x_2 M_2 + \cdots + x_k M_k$ run through a complete system of residues modulo $m_1 m_2 \cdots m_k$.
- (b) Prove that if $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_k$ run, respectively, through reduced systems of residues to moduli m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k , the integers $\xi_1 M_1 + \xi_2 M_2 + \cdots + \xi_k M_k$ run through a reduced system of residues modulo $m_1 m_2 \cdots m_k$.

Problem 3 (a) Find the remainder after division of $(12371^{56} + 34)^{28}$ by 111.

(b) Is $2^{1093} - 2$ divisible by 1093^2 ?

Problem 4 Let $m > 1$ and $(a, m) = 1$. Prove that the congruence

$$ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$$

always has a solution $x \equiv ba^{\varphi(m)-1} \pmod{m}$.

Problem 5 Prove the following converse to the Wilson's theorem: if $P > 1$ is such that

$$(P - 1)! + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{P}$$

then P is a prime.

Problem 6 Prove that a necessary and sufficient condition for a congruence

$$f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}, \quad f(x) = x^n + a_1 x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_n; \quad n \leq p$$

to have n solutions is that all coefficients of the remainder of division $x^p - x$ by $f(x)$ are multiples of p .

Problem 7 Solve the following congruences:

(a) $256x \equiv 179 \pmod{337}$.

(b) $1215x \equiv 560 \pmod{2755}$.

Problem 8 Find a congruence of degree less than 5 equivalent to

$$3x^{14} + 4x^{13} + 3x^{12} + 2x^{11} + x^9 + 2x^8 + 4x^7 + x^6 + 3x^4 + x^3 + 4x^2 + 2x \equiv 0 \pmod{5}.$$