

1. What is  $2^{67}$  modulo 61?
  2. Solve the congruences (in  $\mathbb{Z}$ )
    - a)  $12x \equiv 15 \pmod{21}$ ,
    - b)  $12x \equiv 4 \pmod{6}$ ,
    - c)  $12x \equiv 4 \pmod{2}$  and
    - d)  $30x \equiv 4 \pmod{37}$ .
  3. Compute the table of the operations of  $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$ ! What is the table of multiplication in  $(\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z})^*$ ?
  4. Determine the following values:
    - a)  $\varphi(23)$ ,  $\varphi(21)$ ,  $\varphi(63)$  and  $\varphi(10!)$ ,
    - b)  $120^{24} \pmod{23}$ ,  $115^{21} \pmod{21}$ ,  $68^{111} \pmod{63}$  and  $111^{68} \pmod{63}$   
(be careful, 63 and 111 are not relatively prime!) and
    - c) the last two digits of  $3^{3^{3^4}}$ .
  5. \* Prove Wilson's theorem:  $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  for all prime numbers  $p > 0$ .  
Hints:
    - (a) Make pairs of the form  $(a, a^{-1})!$  (why can this be done?)
    - (b) Which pairs are not really pairs? (try it for some prime  $p > 3$  and prove it using the fact that  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  has no zero divisors as it is a domain.
    - (c) Compute the product "pairwise".
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6. Solve the following system of congruences:

$$\begin{aligned}x &\equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\x &\equiv 3 \pmod{8} \\x &\equiv -4 \pmod{11}\end{aligned}$$

7. What is  $3^{3^2}$  modulo 13?
8. a) What is  $5^{-1} \pmod{26}$ ?  
b) Is 4 invertible modulo 26?
9. For which positive integers  $n$  is  $\varphi(n) = 6$ ?
10. \* Show that if  $H$  is a set, then  $(\mathcal{P}(H), \cap, \Delta)$  is a domain. Here  $\mathcal{P}(H)$  is the power set of  $H$ : the set of subsets of  $H$ ,  $\cap$  is the intersection and  $\Delta$  is the symmetric difference:  $A\Delta B = (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$ . Is  $(\mathcal{P}(H), \cup, \cap)$  a ring?

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