

Problem Set 4
Due Friday, November 10.

Foundations of Number Theory

Math 435, Fall 2006

1. (10+10 pts.)

(a) Show that $n^2 + 3n + 5 \equiv (n - 4)^2 \pmod{11}$, for every integer n .

(b) Use (a) to show that there is no integer n such that $n^2 + 3n + 5$ is divisible by 121.

2. (20 pts.) Use induction on n to show that

$$2^{2n+1} \equiv 9n^2 - 3n + 2 \pmod{54}$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

3. (10+5+10+5 pts.)

(a) Show that $6 \mid (10^i - 4^i)$ for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$. Use this to show that

$$10^{10^i - 4^i} \equiv 1 \pmod{7}.$$

(Hint: Euler-Fermat Theorem.)

(b) Use (a) to show that $10^{10^i} \equiv 4^{4^i} \pmod{7}$ for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

(c) Show that $4^{4^i} \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$ for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

(d) Use (b) and (c) to determine the remainder of

$$\sum_{i=1}^{10} 10^{10^i}$$

upon division by 7.

4. (20 pts.) Find all primitive roots modulo 23 (up to congruence mod 23).

5. (10 pts.) Let m, n be positive integers with $m \mid n$. Show that $\varphi(m) \mid \varphi(n)$.

6. (20pts. extra credit.) Show that $2730 \mid (n^{13} - n)$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$.