

CS60094 Computational Number Theory

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Quiz 1

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Marks: $10 \times 1.5 = 15$

Please write your answers in the space provided. Do not mark in the question itself.

1. Suppose we use Toom-4 method to multiply two n -digit integers in base B . How many multiplications of $n/4$ -digit integers are required?
A. 7
B. 10
C. 16
D. 8

2. Let a, b, c, x, y be arbitrary integers. Which one of the following is incorrect?
A. For $p \in \mathbb{P}$, if $p|a_1a_2 \cdots a_n$, then $p|a_i$ for some $i \in [n]$.
B. If $a|bc$ and $\gcd(a, b) = d$, then $a|dc$.
C. If $a|b$ and $b|c$, then $a|(bx + cy)$.
D. If $a|b$, $b|c$, then $a = \pm c$.

3. What is the intermediate result after 3rd iteration of square-and-multiply method for modular multiplication while computing $6^{13} \pmod{23}$? Assume the bits of the exponent are processed in left-to-right order.
A. 9
B. 6
C. 21
D. 12

4. Consider the polynomial $f(x) = 2x^3 - 7x^2 + 189$. We want to find roots of $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{675}$. Roots of $f(x)$ modulo 5^2 are
A. 0,8,13
B. 18
C. 0,9,17,18
D. 13

5. Which one of the following linear congruences is solvable?
A. $14x_1 + 10x_2 \equiv 7 \pmod{28}$
B. $4x \equiv 7 \pmod{11}$
C. $7x \equiv 4 \pmod{14}$
D. $21x \equiv 17 \pmod{60}$

6. Let $p \in \mathbb{P}$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Which of the following is correct?

- A. if $a^{p^r} + b^{p^r} \equiv a + b \pmod{p}$ then $a \equiv b \pmod{p}$
- B. $(p-1)! \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$
- C. $(a+b)^p \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$
- D. $\binom{p}{k} \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ for all $k = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$
7. Let p be a prime of the form $4k+1$, let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ with a odd and $a^2 + b^2 = p$. Then $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right)$ is
- A. 1
- B. $\left(\frac{b}{p}\right)$
- C. -1
- D. 0
8. Let $m \in \mathbb{N}$, $h = \text{ord}_m a$, $k = \text{ord}_m b$ and let $l \in \mathbb{Z}$. Identify which of the following statements is incorrect.
- A. $\text{ord}_m a^l = h / \gcd(h, l)$
- B. If $a^l \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$, then $l|h$.
- C. If $\gcd(h, k) = 1$, then $\text{ord}_m(ab) = hk$
- D. $\text{ord}_m(ab) | \text{lcm}(a, b)$
9. Let $p \in \mathbb{P} \setminus \{2\}$ and let $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ be a quadratic residue modulo p . Which of the following assertions is true?
- A. If $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ and $a^{(p-1)/4} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$, then $a^{(p-5)/8} \pmod{p}$ is a modular squareroot of a
- B. If $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then $a^{(p-3)/4} \pmod{p}$ is a modular squareroot of a .
- C. If $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ and $a^{(p-1)/4} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$, then $a^{(p+3)/8} \pmod{p}$ is a modular squareroot of a
- D. If $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ and $a^{(p-1)/4} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$, then $a^{(p+3)/8} \pmod{p}$ is a modular squareroot of a
10. Running time of the algorithm for finding solutions to t simultaneous linear congruences using Chinese Remainder Theorem (with pairwise coprime moduli m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t) is
- A. $O(t \log^2 \prod_i m_i)$
- B. $O(t^2 \log^2(\max_i m_i))$
- C. $O(t \log(\max_i m_i))$
- D. $O(t^2 \log \prod_i m_i)$