

(Q1)

Need to find the smallest positive solution to the system

$$\left. \begin{array}{l}
 x \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \\
 x \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\
 x \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\
 x \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \\
 x \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \\
 x \equiv 0 \pmod{7}
 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l}
 \text{equivalent} \\
 \text{to finding} \\
 \text{a sol}^n \text{ of the} \\
 \text{system}
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{or} \quad
 \left\{ \begin{array}{l}
 x \equiv 1 \pmod{60} \\
 x \equiv 0 \pmod{7}
 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (2/x-1) \wedge (3/x-1) \wedge (4/x-1) \wedge (5/x-1) \wedge (6/x-1) \\
 & \Leftrightarrow (60/x-1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\gcd(60, 7) = 1$ . By Chinese Remainder th<sup>m</sup>,

$x = 7x_1 + 0$   
is a sol<sup>n</sup> to the system of congruences.  
where  $x_1$  is a sol<sup>n</sup> to  $7x \equiv 1 \pmod{60}$

Euclidean Alg:

$$60 = 8 \times 7 + 4$$

$$7 = 1 \times 4 + 3$$

$$4 = 1 \times 3 + 1$$

$$1 = 4 - 3 = 4 - (7 - 4) = 2 \times 4 - 7$$

$$= 2(60 - 8 \times 7) - 7 = 2 \times 60 + (-17) \times 7$$

$$x_1 = -17 \text{ or } 43.$$

$$\text{So } x = 7 \times 43 = 301.$$

55 numbers chosen from the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, 100\}$ .

(Q3) 9 congruence classes of modulo 9.

$0, 1, 2, \dots, 8$

At least one congruence class must have 7 numbers <sup>all</sup> of 55.

$$a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_7.$$

Claim:  $\exists i \in \{1, \dots, 6\}$  s.t.  $a_{i+1} - a_i = 9$ .

$\nexists$  not  $\forall i$ ,  $a_{i+1} - a_i \in \{18, 27, \dots\}$ .

$$\Rightarrow a_7 - a_1 \geq 6 \times 18 = 108 \quad \times^c.$$

(Q2)  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $a, b \geq 1$ .

Assume  $(36a + b)(a + 36b)$  is a power of 2, for some  $a, b$ .

w.l.o.g assume  $a < b$  and  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ .

$$\Rightarrow 36a + b = 2^m \quad m < n$$

$$a + 36b = 2^n$$

$$\Rightarrow 35(a - b) = 2^m - 2^n = 2^m [1 - 2^{n-m}]$$

$$37(a + b) = 2^m + 2^n = 2^m [1 + 2^{n-m}]$$

$\Rightarrow$  Both  $(a - b)$  &  $(a + b)$  are divisible by  $2^m$

$\Rightarrow$  Both  $a$  &  $b$  are divisible by  $2^{m-1}$

$\Rightarrow$  Since  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ ,  $m - 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow 36a + b = 2$  which is impossible.

(Q4) No poly. with integer coefficients  $P(x)$  with  
 $P(7) = 5$  and  $P(15) = 9$ .

Assume there is a poly

$$P(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$$

with integer coefficients and  $P(7) = 5$  &  $P(15) = 9$ .

$$P(15) = a_0 + a_1(15) + a_2(15)^2 + \dots + a_n(15)^n$$

$$P(7) = a_0 + a_1(7) + a_2(7)^2 + \dots + a_n(7)^n$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 = P(15) - P(7) = a_1(15-7) + a_2(15^2-7^2) + \dots + a_n(15^n-7^n)$$

$$\Rightarrow 8/4 \quad \nexists^n$$

$15^k - 7^k$  is divisible by 8  
for all  $k \geq 1$ .

Q5

$$f: \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \longrightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\forall m, n \geq 0, \quad 2f(m^2 + n^2) = (f(m))^2 + (f(n))^2$$

Sol<sup>n</sup>:

$$m=0, n=0$$

$$2f(0) = 2f(0)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow f(0)(1 - f(0)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(0) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad f(0) = 1$$

$$f(0) = 0,$$

$$m=1, n=0$$

$$2f(1) = f(1)^2 + 0$$

$$f(1)(f(1) - 2) = 0$$

$$f(1) = 0, f(1) = 2.$$

$$f(0) = 0, f(1) = 0$$

$$f(0) = 0, f(1) = 2$$

$$f(0) = 1,$$

$$m=1, n=0$$

$$2f(1) = f(1)^2 + 1$$

$$f(1)^2 - 2f(1) + 1 = 0$$

$$(f(1) - 1)^2 = 0$$

$$f(1) = 1.$$

$$f(0) = 1, f(1) = 1$$

$$f(0) = 0, f(1) = 0, m=n=1 \Rightarrow 2f(2) = 0 \Rightarrow f(2) = 0$$

$$f(0) = 0, f(1) = 2, m=n=1 \Rightarrow 2f(2) = 8 \Rightarrow f(2) = 4.$$

$$f(0) = 1, f(1) = 1, m=n=1 \Rightarrow 2f(2) = 2 \Rightarrow f(2) = 1.$$

$$(a) f(0) = 0, f(1) = 0, f(2) = 0$$

$$(b) f(0) = 1, f(1) = 1, f(2) = 1$$

$$(c) f(0) = 0, f(1) = 2, f(2) = 4.$$

$$(0, 0) \rightarrow 0$$

$$(1, 0) \rightarrow 1$$

$$(1, 1) \rightarrow 2 \leftarrow 3 \text{ missing}$$

$$(2, 0) \rightarrow 4$$

$$(2, 1) \rightarrow 5$$

$$(5, 0) \rightarrow (3, 4) \rightarrow 3. \quad 6 \ \& \ 7 \text{ missing}$$

$$(2, 2) \rightarrow 8$$

$$(3, 0) \rightarrow 9$$

$$(3, 1) \rightarrow 10$$

$$(10, 0) \rightarrow (6, 8) \rightarrow 6$$

$$(5, 5) \rightarrow (7, 1) \rightarrow 7$$

$$f(4) = 8$$

$$f(5) = 10$$

$$f(3)^2 + f(4)^2 = f(5)^2 + f(6)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow f(3) = 6$$

$$f(8) = 16$$

$$f(9) = 18$$

$$f(10) = 20$$

$$f(n) = 2n, \quad n \leq 10$$

$$(5k)^2 + 0^2 = (3k)^2 + (4k)^2.$$

identity.

$$(5k)^2 + 0^2 = (3k)^2 + (4k)^2$$

$$(5k+1)^2 + 2^2 = (3k-1)^2 + (4k+2)^2$$

$$(5k+2)^2 + 1^2 = (3k+2)^2 + (4k+1)^2$$

$$(5k+3)^2 + 1^2 = (3k+1)^2 + (4k+3)^2$$

$$(5k+4)^2 + \quad = (3k+4)^2 + (4k+2)^2$$

If  $k \geq 2$  then the first term on the left is greater than any of two terms on the right.

Assume that  $f(k) = 2k$ , for  $k \leq n$ .

need to show  $f(n) = 2n$ .

Let  $n = 5m + j$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq 4$ .

Use the above identities, then we can write

$$n^2 + m_1^2 = m_2^2 + m_3^2 \text{ and}$$

$$(f(n))^2 + (f(m_1))^2 = 2 f(n^2 + m_1^2) = 2 f(m_2^2 + m_3^2) = f(m_2)^2 + f(m_3)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (f(n))^2 + (f(m_1))^2 = (f(m_2))^2 + (f(m_3))^2$$

$$\Rightarrow f(n)^2 + (2m_1)^2 = (2m_2)^2 + (2m_3)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow f(n)^2 = 4(m_2^2 + m_3^2 - m_1^2) = 4n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow f(n) = 2n$$

So by induction  $f(n) = 2n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

By similar argument  $f(n) = 0$  for all  $n$  in case (a) and  $f(n) = 1$  for all  $n$  in case (b)

Q6

$ax + by = c$ ,  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$  has a sol<sup>n</sup> in integers  $x$  and  $y$  iff  $\text{gcd}(a, b) \mid c$ .

If  $(x_0, y_0)$  is a integer sol<sup>n</sup> then

$$x' = x_0 + \frac{bk}{d}, \quad y' = y_0 - \frac{ak}{d}, \quad d = \text{gcd}(a, b)$$

are also sol<sup>n</sup> for each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . , and integer sol<sup>n</sup>s are of this form.

$$\Rightarrow \text{gcd}(a, b) \mid a \times \text{gcd}(a, b) \times b$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{gcd}(a, b) \mid ax + by$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{gcd}(a, b) \mid c.$$

$$\Leftarrow \text{Assume } c \in \text{gcd}(a, b).$$

$$\Rightarrow c = sa + tb \text{ for some } s, t \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\text{gcd}(a, b) \mid c \Rightarrow c = q \text{gcd}(a, b)$$

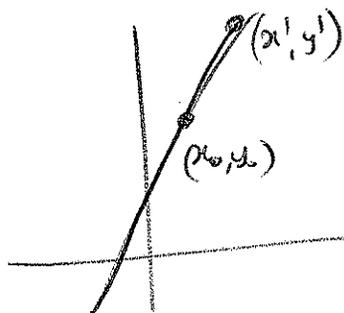
$$\Rightarrow c = q(sa + tb)$$

$$= (qs)a + (qt)b$$

$$= xa + yb.$$

$$x = qs, \quad y = qt.$$

$$\text{II} \quad ax' + by' = a\left(x_0 + \frac{bk}{d}\right) + b\left(y_0 - \frac{ak}{d}\right) \\ = ax_0 + by_0 = c$$



$$\frac{y' - y_0}{x' - x_0} = \frac{-a}{b} = \frac{-\frac{a}{d}}{\frac{b}{d}}$$

$$\Rightarrow y' = y_0 - \frac{a}{d}k, \quad x' = x_0 + \frac{b}{d}k.$$

Q7:  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$   $\gcd(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$  with

①  $\forall i=1, \dots, n, a_i \in \mathcal{S}$

②  $\forall i, j, a_i - a_j \in \mathcal{S}$

③  $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{S}$ , if  $x+y \in \mathcal{S}$  then  $x-y \in \mathcal{S}$ .

④  $0 \in \mathcal{S}$  [  $\because 0 = a_1 - a_1 \in \mathcal{S}$  by ② ]

⑤  $\forall x \in \mathcal{S}, -x \in \mathcal{S}$  [  $0+x \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow 0-x = -x \in \mathcal{S}$  ]

⑥  $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{S}, x-y \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow x+y \in \mathcal{S}$  [  $y \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow -y \in \mathcal{S}$  ⑤  
 $x+y = x - (-y) \in \mathcal{S}$  ③ ]

⑦  $\forall i, ma_i \in \mathcal{S}$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$(a_i - a_j) + a_j \in \mathcal{S} \xrightarrow{\text{③}} (a_i - a_j) - a_j = a_i - 2a_j \in \mathcal{S}$ .

If  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  generates  $\mathcal{S}$  then  $(a_1, a_2 - a_1, \dots, a_n - a_1)$  which again generates  $\mathcal{S}$ .

Apply this step to

$(|a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_n|)$  and assuming that  $|a_1|$  is the smallest of these numbers.

We obtain another  $n$ -tuple  $(|a_1|, |a_2| - |a_1|, \dots, |a_n| - |a_1|)$  the sum of whose entries is smaller. Because we cannot have infinite descent,

we eventually reach an  $n$ -tuple with the first entry equal to 0. In the process we did not change greatest common divisor of the entries.

Ignoring the zero entries, we can repeat the procedure until there is only one non-zero number left. This number must be 1.

$\gcd(x, y) = \gcd(x, y-n)$

Now  $0, 1 \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow -1 \in \mathcal{S}$ .

by ③  $1 + (-1) \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow 1 - (-1) = 2 \in \mathcal{S}$ .

Inductively we find that all positive, and also all negative integers are in  $\mathcal{S}$ .

$$\mathcal{S} = \mathbb{Z}.$$