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1. (10+10 pts.) a) Show that $\phi(3n) = 3\phi(n)$ if and only if $3|n$.

Assume first that $3|n$, then $n = 3^k \cdot M$ for some $k \geq 1$ and $M \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $\gcd(3, M) = 1$.
 Then $\phi(3n) = \phi(3 \cdot 3^k \cdot M) = \phi(3^{k+1} \cdot M) = \phi(3^{k+1}) \cdot \phi(M)$ (since $\gcd(3^{k+1}, M) = 1$)
 $= (3^{k+1} - 3^k) \cdot \phi(M) = 3 \cdot (3^k - 3^{k-1}) \cdot \phi(M)$ ($k-1 \geq 0$ since $k \geq 1$)
 $= 3 \cdot \phi(3^k) \cdot \phi(M) = 3 \cdot \phi(3^k \cdot M) = 3 \cdot \phi(n)$

Hence, $3|n \Rightarrow \phi(3n) = 3 \cdot \phi(n)$

Assume now $3 \nmid n$, then $\gcd(3, n) = 1$

Thus, $\phi(3n) = \phi(3) \cdot \phi(n) = (3^1 - 3^0) \cdot \phi(n) = 2 \cdot \phi(n) \neq 3 \cdot \phi(n)$
 (since $\phi(n) \neq 0$)

Therefore

$3 \nmid n \Rightarrow \phi(3n) \neq 3 \cdot \phi(n)$

Equivalently $\phi(3n) = 3 \cdot \phi(n) \Rightarrow 3|n$.

b) Show that $\sigma(n)$ is odd if and only if $n = k^2$ or $n = 2k^2$ for some integer k .

Let prime factorization of n be given by $n = p_1^{d_1} \cdot p_2^{d_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_r^{d_r}$ ($d_i \geq 1$ for all i)

Then $\sigma(n) = (1 + p_1 + p_1^2 + \dots + p_1^{d_1}) \cdot (1 + p_2 + p_2^2 + \dots + p_2^{d_2}) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + p_r + p_r^2 + \dots + p_r^{d_r})$

$\sigma(n)$ is odd iff each factor $(1 + p_i + p_i^2 + \dots + p_i^{d_i})$ is odd.

If $p_i = 2$ for some i , $1 + p_i + p_i^2 + \dots + p_i^{d_i}$ is odd for any value of $d_i \geq 1$

For odd p_i , $1 + p_i + p_i^2 + \dots + p_i^{d_i} \equiv 1 + 1 + \dots + 1 \equiv \alpha_i + 1 \pmod{2}$, hence is odd if and only if α_i is even

Thus $\sigma(n)$ is odd if and only if

$$n = 2^{2\beta_1} \cdot p_2^{2\beta_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_r^{2\beta_r} \quad (\beta_i \geq 0) \quad \checkmark \quad n = 2^{2\beta_1+1} \cdot p_2^{2\beta_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_r^{2\beta_r} \quad (\beta_i \geq 0)$$

$$n = (2^{\beta_1} \cdot p_2^{\beta_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_r^{\beta_r})^2 \quad (\beta_i \geq 0) \quad \checkmark \quad n = 2 \cdot (2^{\beta_1} \cdot p_2^{\beta_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p_r^{\beta_r})^2 \quad (\beta_i \geq 0)$$

Note also if $n=1$, $\sigma(1)=1$ is odd and $1=1^2$ (statement holds for $n=1$).

2. (5+10 pts.) Let ω be defined by $\omega(1) = 0$ and $\omega(n)$ is the number of distinct prime divisors of n for $n > 1, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

a) Show that $f(n) := 2^{\omega(n)}$ is a multiplicative function from \mathbb{Z}^+ to \mathbb{Z} .

Let $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ ($m=1$ or $n=1$) $\Rightarrow 2^{\omega(m \cdot n)} = 2^{\omega(m) + \omega(n)} = 2^{\omega(m)} \cdot 2^{\omega(n)}$
 For $m > 1, n > 1$, $m = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_r^{\alpha_r}$, $n = q_1^{\beta_1} \cdots q_s^{\beta_s}$ ($q_i \neq p_j$, p_i are distinct primes, q_j are distinct primes)
 So $m \cdot n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_r^{\alpha_r} q_1^{\beta_1} \cdots q_s^{\beta_s}$
 $\omega(m \cdot n) = r + s = \omega(m) + \omega(n)$ $\omega(m) = r, \omega(n) = s$
 So $2^{\omega(m \cdot n)} = 2^{\omega(m) + \omega(n)} = 2^{\omega(m)} \cdot 2^{\omega(n)}$, hence $2^{\omega(n)}$ is a multiplicative func.

b) Show that $\tau(n^2) = \sum_{d|n} 2^{\omega(d)}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

Let $f(n) = 2^{\omega(n)}$, from above f is multiplicative, thus $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$ is also multiplicative.

$\tau(n)$ is multiplicative, then if $\gcd(m, n) = 1$, we have $\gcd(m^2, n^2) = 1$, hence

$$G(n) = \tau(n^2) \Rightarrow G(m \cdot n) = \tau((m \cdot n)^2) = \tau(m^2 \cdot n^2) = \tau(m^2) \cdot \tau(n^2) = G(m) \cdot G(n)$$

Therefore, $G(n) = \tau(n^2)$ is also multiplicative.

To prove two multiplicative functions $F(n)$ and $G(n)$ are equal for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, it suffices to prove $F(p^\alpha) = G(p^\alpha)$ for any prime p and $\alpha \geq 1$.

$$G(p^\alpha) = \tau(p^{2\alpha}) = 2\alpha + 1.$$

$$F(p^\alpha) = \sum_{d|p^\alpha} 2^{\omega(d)} = 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \cdots + 2^\alpha = 1 + d \cdot 2 = 2\alpha + 1$$

$$d|p^\alpha \Rightarrow d \in \{1, p, p^2, \dots, p^\alpha\} \text{ and } \omega(1) = 0, \omega(p^i) = i \text{ for } i \geq 1$$

Thus $F(p^\alpha) = G(p^\alpha)$

3. (10 pts.) Find a formula for $\sum_{d|n} \frac{(\mu(d))^2}{\phi(d)}$ in terms of the prime factorization of n .

$\mu(n)$ and $\phi(n)$ are multiplicative, then $f(n) = \frac{(\mu(n))^2}{\phi(n)}$ is also multiplicative.

Thus $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d) = \sum_{d|n} \frac{(\mu(d))^2}{\phi(d)}$ is also multiplicative.

$$n=1 \Rightarrow F(1) = 1$$

$n > 1 \Rightarrow$ Let prime factorization of n be $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2} \cdots p_r^{\alpha_r}$ (p_i distinct primes, $\alpha_i \geq 1$)

Then

$$F(n) = F(p_1^{\alpha_1}) \cdot F(p_2^{\alpha_2}) \cdots F(p_r^{\alpha_r})$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{1}{p_1 - 1}\right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{p_2 - 1}\right) \cdots \left(1 + \frac{1}{p_r - 1}\right) = \frac{p_1}{p_1 - 1} \cdot \frac{p_2}{p_2 - 1} \cdots \frac{p_r}{p_r - 1}$$

Since for any i ,

$$F(p_i^{\alpha_i}) = \sum_{d|p_i^{\alpha_i}} \frac{(\mu(d))^2}{\phi(d)} = \frac{(\mu(1))^2}{\phi(1)} + \frac{(\mu(p_i))^2}{\phi(p_i)} + 0 + \cdots + 0 = 1 + \frac{1}{p_i - 1}$$

$$(\mu(p_i^k))^2 = 0^2 = 0$$

if $k \geq 2$

4. (10+10 pts.) a) Find the largest $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $9^k \mid \frac{300!}{(100!)^3}$.

Largest r such that $3^r \mid 300!$

$$r = \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{300}{3^k} \right\rfloor = 100 + 33 + 11 + 3 + 1 = 148$$

Largest s such that $3^s \mid 100!$: $s = \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{100}{3^k} \right\rfloor = 33 + 11 + 3 + 1 = 48$

$\Rightarrow (3^{48})^3 = 3^{144}$ is the largest ~~power~~ power of 3 that divides $(100!)^3$

Then $3^{148-144} = 3^4$ is the highest power of 3 that divides $\frac{300!}{(100!)^3}$

$$3^4 = 9^2 \Rightarrow \text{Answer is } \underline{\underline{2}}$$

b) Find the largest $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $175^k \mid 365 \cdot 364 \cdot 363 \cdots 102 \cdot 101$.

$$175 = 7 \cdot 25 = 5^2 \cdot 7$$

$$365 \cdot 364 \cdots 102 \cdot 101 = \frac{365!}{100!}$$

$$\sum_{k=5}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{365}{5^k} \right\rfloor = 73 + 14 + 2 = 89, \quad \sum_{k=5}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{100}{5^k} \right\rfloor = 20 + 4 = 24$$

$5^{89-24} = 5^{65}$ is the highest power of 5 dividing $\frac{365!}{100!}$

$$\sum_{k=7}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{365}{7^k} \right\rfloor = 52 + 7 + 1 = 60, \quad \sum_{k=7}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{100}{7^k} \right\rfloor = 14 + 2 = 16$$

$7^{60-16} = 7^{44}$ is the highest power of 7 that divides $\frac{365!}{100!}$

$$(175)^k = (5^2 \cdot 7)^k = 5^{2k} \cdot 7^k \mid \frac{365!}{100!} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 2k \leq 65 & k \leq 44 \\ k \leq 32 & k \leq 44 \end{cases}$$

Thus $k \leq 32 \Leftrightarrow 175^k \mid \frac{365!}{100!}$ Answer: 32

5. (10 pts.) If $n > 1$ is a composite integer, show that $\phi(n) \leq n - \sqrt{n}$. (Hint: Consider the smallest prime divisor p of n .)

Assume n is composite and p is the smallest prime divisor of n .

$n = p \cdot a$ for some $a \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and $1 < a < n$. If q is a prime div. of a , then $q \mid a \wedge q \mid n \Rightarrow q \mid n$, hence $p \leq q$, so $p \leq a$.

$$n = p \cdot a \geq p \cdot p \Rightarrow n \geq p^2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \geq p.$$

The number of integers from 1 to n , which are divisible by p is $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{p} \right\rfloor \geq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{\sqrt{n}} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \sqrt{n} \right\rfloor$

These $\left\lfloor \sqrt{n} \right\rfloor$ integers are not relatively prime to n since p divides them and n .

So $\phi(n) \leq n - \left\lfloor \sqrt{n} \right\rfloor$ but if $\sqrt{n} \notin \mathbb{Z}$, then $n - \sqrt{n} < n - \left\lfloor \sqrt{n} \right\rfloor$, so

this is not a complete proof. The correct proof is:

$$n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdot p_2^{\alpha_2} \cdots p_r^{\alpha_r} \quad (r \geq 2, \alpha_i \geq 1, p_i \text{ distinct primes})$$

$$\phi(n) = n \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_2}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_r}\right) \leq n \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) = n - \frac{n}{p_1} \leq n - \sqrt{n}$$

equality if only prime factor is p

6. (10 pts.) Find $0 \leq x \leq 359$ such that $7^{9700} \equiv x \pmod{360}$.

By Euler's Thm, $7^{\phi(360)} \equiv 1 \pmod{360}$ since $\gcd(7, 360) = 1$

$$\phi(360) = \phi(2^3 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5) = (2^3 - 2^2) \cdot (3^2 - 3^1) \cdot (5^1 - 5^0) = 96$$

Then $7^{96} \equiv 1 \pmod{360}$

$$9700 = 96 \cdot 101 + 4$$

$$7^{9700} \equiv 7^{96 \cdot 101 + 4} \equiv (7^{96})^{101} \cdot 7^4 \equiv 1^{101} \cdot 7^4 \equiv 7^4 \equiv 49^2 \equiv 2401 \equiv 241 \pmod{360}$$

7. (3 x 5 pts.) State whether the following statements are True or False. Give brief explanation for each case.

a) Let $n > 1$. If $a^n \equiv a \pmod{n}$ for all $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, then n is a prime.

False. There are absolute pseudo prime numbers which are non-prime integers satisfying this given condition.

b) Let $n > 1$. If $(n-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$, then n is a prime.

True.

If $n = a \cdot b$ is composite (where $1 < a < n, 1 < b < n$), then

Case 1) $a \neq b \Rightarrow a \cdot b \mid (n-1)! \Rightarrow (n-1)! \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$

$a = b \Rightarrow$

Case 2) $a = b, n = a^2, 1 < a < n$.

$a \mid (n-1)! \Rightarrow a^2 = n \mid ((n-1)!)^2 \Rightarrow ((n-1)!)^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$

$0 \not\equiv -1 \pmod{n}$
since $n > 1$.

hence $(n-1)! \not\equiv -1 \pmod{n}$
otherwise $((n-1)!)^2 \equiv (-1)^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{n} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{n}$

c) If $\sum_{d|n} f(d) = \sum_{d|n} g(d)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, then $f(n) = g(n)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

True. Let $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d) = \sum_{d|n} g(d)$, then by Mobius Inversion Formula:

$$f\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{d|n} F(d) \cdot \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = g(n) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$