

# Homework 3

## Math 329: Number Theory

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### 1 Easy

**Problem 1.** Find an integer  $0 \leq r < 997$  satisfying  $r \equiv 2^{1000} \pmod{997}$ .

**Problem 2.** Prove that  $2011^{1001} + 2012^{1001} + 2013^{1001} + 2014^{1001} + 2015^{1001} + 2016^{1001} + 2017^{1001}$  is a multiple of 7.

**Problem 3.** Show that if  $n$  is odd, then  $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ .

**Problem 4.** Find an integer  $0 \leq r < 977$  such that  $r \equiv 2^{972} \pmod{977}$ .

**Problem 5.** Prove that every palindrome with an even number of digits is a multiple of 11. Note: A number is a palindrome if it can be read from left-to-right or right-to-left and yield the same number. For example, 121, 5445 and 12521 are palindromes.

### 2 Medium

**Problem 6.** How many 40-digit palindromes are there that are multiples of 99?

**Problem 7.** Find all integers  $n$  with 7 digits where every digit is 3 or 7, and that satisfy that  $3|n$  and  $7|n$ .

**Problem 8.** Let  $S = \{9, 99, 999, \dots\}$ . Prove that for any prime  $p > 5$ , there are infinitely many members of  $S$  that are divisible by  $p$ .

**Problem 9.** The sum of the squares of two consecutive numbers can be equal a perfect square, namely  $3^2 + 4^2 = 5^2$ .

- (a) Show that the sum of the squares of  $m$  consecutive integers cannot be a square if  $m = 3$  or  $m = 6$ .
- (b) Find an example of 11 consecutive integers where the sum of its squares is a square.

### 3 Hard

**Problem 10.** Determine all positive integers relatively prime to all the terms of the infinite sequence

$$a_n = 2^n + 3^n + 6^n - 1, \quad n \geq 1.$$

Note: We say that  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime if  $(a, b) = 1$ .