

Q) Let $n, p > 1$ be positive integers and p be a prime. If $n \mid p-1$ and $p \mid n^3-1$, prove that $4p-3$ is a perfect square.

Ans:- $p \mid n^3-1 \Rightarrow p \mid (n-1)(n^2+n+1)$ as $n \mid (p-1) \Rightarrow n \leq p-1$
 $\Rightarrow p \mid (n^2+n+1)$ ← Let $p = nk_1+1$

$$\Rightarrow p = (nk_1+1) \mid (n^2+n+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow nk_1+1 \leq n^2+n+1$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 \leq n+1$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 - n \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 - n = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 = n+1$$

Also, $(nk_1+1) \mid (k_1n^2+k_1n+k_1)$

$$\Rightarrow (nk_1+1) \mid (k_1n^2+k_1n+k_1 - n(k_1n+1))$$

$$\Rightarrow (nk_1+1) \mid (k_1n+k_1-n)$$

$$\Rightarrow (nk_1+1) \leq k_1n + (k_1-n)$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 - n \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p = n(n+1)+1 = n^2+n+1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4p-3 = 4n^2+4n+4-3 = 4n^2+4n+1 = (2n+1)^2 //$$

Q) Evaluate $\lfloor \frac{2^0}{3} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{2^1}{3} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{2^2}{3} \rfloor + \dots + \lfloor \frac{2^{1000}}{3} \rfloor$

Ans:- In mod 3, $2^0 \equiv 1, 2^1 \equiv 2, 2^2 \equiv 1, 2^3 \equiv 2, 2^4 \equiv 1, \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \lfloor \frac{2^0}{3} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{2^1}{3} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{2^2}{3} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{2^4}{3} \rfloor + \dots + \lfloor \frac{2^{1000}}{3} \rfloor$$

$$= \frac{2^0-1}{3} + \frac{2^1-2}{3} + \frac{2^2-1}{3} + \frac{2^4-2}{3} + \dots + \frac{2^{1000}-1}{3}$$

$$= 0 + \frac{1}{3} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{1000} 2^i - 500 \times (2+1) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{1000} 2^i - 1500 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (2^{1001} - 2) - 500$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n 2^i = 2^{n+1} - 1$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n 2^i = 2^{n+1} - 2$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} \approx \frac{1}{3} (2^{1001} - 2) - 500$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n a^i = \frac{a^{n+1} - 1}{a - 1}$$

$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$
for large n it tends to $\ln n$

Q) Find the remainder when,
 $2024^{2023} 2022 \dots 2^1 + 2025^{2024} 2017 \dots 5^1$
 is divided by 19.

Ans:- (to be done later)

Q) Find positive reals a, b, c such that,
 $\sqrt{\frac{a}{b+c}} + \sqrt{\frac{b}{c+a}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{a+b}} = 2$

Ans:- Let $a \geq b \geq c$

$$\frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b+c}} + \frac{\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{c+a}} + \frac{\sqrt{c}}{\sqrt{a+b}} \geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{abc}}{\sqrt{a+b}\sqrt{b+c}\sqrt{c+a}}}$$

For equality,

$$\frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b+c}} = \frac{\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{c+a}} = \frac{\sqrt{c}}{\sqrt{a+b}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b+c} = \frac{b}{c+a} = \frac{c}{a+b}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + a^2 = b^2 + bc$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - b^2 = bc - ac$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-b)(a+b) = c(b-a)$$

$$\text{If } a \neq b \Rightarrow a+b = -c \Rightarrow a+b+c = 0 \text{ not possible}$$

If $a=b$, then,

$$\frac{b}{c+a} = \frac{c}{a+b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{c+a} = \frac{c}{2a} \Rightarrow 2a^2 = c^2 + ac$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = c^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a = c$$

$$\Rightarrow a = b = c$$

$\Rightarrow a = b = c$ is must for equality

$$\text{Then } \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{2a}} + \frac{\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{2a}} + \frac{\sqrt{c}}{\sqrt{2a}} \geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{a^3}}{\sqrt{2^3 a^3}}} = 3 \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{2a}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} > 2$$

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$$\text{Then, } \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b+c}} + \frac{\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{c+a}} + \frac{\sqrt{c}}{\sqrt{a+b}} \geq 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sqrt{a^3}}{\sqrt{2^3 a^3}}} = 3 \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{2a}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} > 2$$

\Rightarrow No solution exists