

Number Sets. An expression such as $k \in \mathbb{N}$ (read as “ k is an element of \mathbb{N} ” or “ k in \mathbb{N} ”) means that k is a natural number; a **natnum**.

\mathbb{N} = natural numbers = $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.

\mathbb{Z} = integers = $\{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, \dots\}$. For the set $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ of positive integers, the **posints**, use \mathbb{Z}_+ . Use \mathbb{Z}_- for the negative integers, the **negints**.

\mathbb{Q} = rational numbers = $\{\frac{p}{q} \mid p \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$. Use \mathbb{Q}_+ for the positive **ratnums** and \mathbb{Q}_- for the negative ratnums.

\mathbb{R} = reals. The **posreals** \mathbb{R}_+ and the **negreals** \mathbb{R}_- .

\mathbb{C} = complex numbers, also called the **complexes**.

An “**interval of integers**” $[b..c)$ means the intersection $[b, c) \cap \mathbb{Z}$; ditto for open and closed intervals. So $[e..2\pi] = \{3, 4, 5, 6\} = [3..6] = (2..6]$. We allow b and c to be $\pm\infty$; so $(-\infty..-1]$ is \mathbb{Z}_- .

Floor function: $\lfloor \pi \rfloor = 3$, $\lfloor -\pi \rfloor = -4$. Ceiling fnc: $\lceil \pi \rceil = 4$. Absolute value: $|-6| = 6 = |6|$ and $|-5 + 2i| = \sqrt{29}$.

Mathematical objects. Seq: ‘sequence’. poly(s): ‘polynomial(s)’. irred: ‘irreducible’. Coeff: ‘coefficient’ and var(s): ‘variable(s)’ and parm(s): ‘parameter(s)’. Expr.: ‘expression’. Fnc: ‘function’ (so ratfnc: means rational function, a ratio of polynomials). ctg: ‘continuity’. cts: ‘continuous’. diff’able: ‘differentiable’. CoV: ‘Change-of-Variable’. Col: ‘Constant of Integration’. Lol: ‘Limit(s) of Integration’.

Soln: ‘Solution’. Thm: ‘Theorem’. Prop’n: ‘Proposition’. CEX: ‘Counterexample’. eqn: ‘equation’. RhS: ‘RightHand Side’ of an eqn or inequality. LhS: ‘left-hand side’. Sqrt or Sroot: ‘square-root’, e.g., “the sqroot of 16 is 4”. Ptn: ‘partition’, but pt: ‘point’, as in “a fixed-pt of a map”.

FTC: ‘Fund. Thm of Calculus’. IVT: ‘intermediate-Value Thm’. MVT: ‘Mean-Value Thm’.

The **logarithm** fnc, defined for $x > 0$, is $\log(x) := \int_1^x \frac{dv}{v}$. Its inverse-fnc is **exp()**. For $x > 0$, then, $\exp(\log(x)) = x = e^{\log(x)}$. For real t , naturally, $\log(\exp(t)) = t = \log(e^t)$. PolyExp: ‘Polynomial-times-exponential’. E.g, $F(t) := [3 + t^2] \cdot e^{4t}$ is a polyExp.

Phrases. WLOG: ‘Without loss of generality’. TFAE: ‘The following are equivalent’. ITOF: ‘In Terms Of’. OTForm: ‘of the form’. FTSOC: ‘For the sake of contradiction’. Use iff: ‘if and only if’.

IST: ‘It Suffices to’ as in ISTShow, ISTExhibit.

Use w.r.t: ‘with respect to’ and s.t: ‘such that’.

Latin: e.g: *exempli gratia*, ‘for example’. i.e: *id est*, ‘that is’. N.B: *Nota bene*, ‘Note well’. QED: *quod erat demonstrandum*, meaning “end of proof”.

Q1: ^{Thu.} _{05 Jul} LBolt gives $G := \text{GCD}(413, 294) = \dots$. And $413S + 294T = G$, where $S = \dots$ & $T = \dots$ are integers.

Also $x = \dots \in [0..13)$ solves congr. $5x \equiv_{13} 3$.

Q2: ^{Fri.}_{06 Jul} LBolt: $\text{GCD}(70, 42) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ $\cdot 70 + \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ $\cdot 42$.

So (LBolt again) $G := \text{GCD}(70, 42, 60) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ and $\underline{\hspace{2cm}} \cdot 70 + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \cdot 42 + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \cdot 60 = G$.

Q6: ^{Thu.}_{12 Jul} With $M := 22$ and $\mathbf{J} := [0..M)$, use *repeated-squaring* to compute $6^{1024} \equiv_M \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \in \mathbf{J}$. Since 1033 equals $2^{10} + 2^3 + 2^0$, power $6^{1033} \equiv_M \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \in \mathbf{J}$.
[Hint: Compute with symm. residues, and use periodicity.]

Q3: ^{Mon.}_{09 Jul} Mod $K := 50$, the recipr. $\langle \frac{1}{21} \rangle_K = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \in [0..K)$.
The last two digits of 29^{128} are $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$. [Hint: Use repeated-squaring, and look for a pattern.]

Q4: ^{Tue.}_{10 Jul} Euler $\varphi(36300) = 2^A \cdot 3^B \cdot 5^C \cdot 7^D \cdot 11^E$, where $A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, $B = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, $C = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, $D = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, $E = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

As a single number, $\tau(36300) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

Q5: ^{Wed.}_{11 Jul} With $M := 88$, congruence $36x \equiv_M 28$ has $N = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ solns in $[0..M)$. The *smallest* such is $S = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

As $k = 0, 1, \dots, \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, formula $S + [kB]$ gives *all* solns in $[0..M)$, where $B = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

Q7: ^{Mon.}_{16 Jul} Magic integers G_1, G_2, G_3 , each in $[0..330)$, are such that the $g: \mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_{11} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{330}$ mapping is a ring-isomorphism, where

$$g((z_1, z_2, z_3)) := \left\langle z_1 G_1 + z_2 G_2 + z_3 G_3 \right\rangle_{330}.$$

Then $G_3 = \text{.....} \in [0..330)$. Also: “Element $g((6, 11, 5))$ is a zero-divisor in \mathbb{Z}_{330} .” (Circle) $\quad T \quad F$

Q8: ^{Mon.}_{06 Aug} Since $221 = 13 \cdot 17$, then $221 = a^2 + b^2$ where $a \perp b$ and posints $a = \text{.....} \leq b = \text{.....}$.

Doubling, $442 = x^2 + y^2$, where $x \perp y$ are posints, and $x = \text{.....} \leq y = \text{.....}$.

Q9: ^{Tue.}_{07 Aug}

A **primitive** Pythagorean triple has $a^2 + 28^2 = c^2$, where $a = \text{.....}$ and $c = \text{.....}$ with $a \perp c$.

That's All, Folks!

Mr. Green's will left *half* of his estate to his eldest, Abe; a *quarter* to Bert; and an *eighth* to his youngest, Carl. Alas, his "estate" comprises 7 horses; and nobody wants a fractional horse. [It's messy for the humans. . . —and uncomfortable for the horse.] *What to do?*

Ta da! Nancy NumberTheorist rides up and adds her horse to the 7, making 8. She gives 4 horses to Abe, 2 to Bert, 1 horse to Carl, then rides off on her own horse, well contented.

*Whoa! Each child got more than his fair share of the estate, receiving his fraction out of 8 horses, rather than 7. And yet, Nancy lost nothing; she rides off into the *Sunset*, on Sunset [the name of her horse].*

Explain this

