

MAS 4203 - QUIZ 5 - Summer 2014

~~Tuesday, August 5~~ MAKE-UP

NAME: _____

Instructions: all work should be written in a proper and coherent manner, and in a way that any student in the class can follow your work. Show all necessary reasoning and working. When giving proofs your reasoning should be clear. Only scientific or basic calculators are allowed.

TOTAL: 15 points = 100%

1. [1 + 2 + 2 + 2 1/2 = 7 1/2 points]

1 (a) Complete the Definition: Let p be an _____ prime and let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with _____. The Legendre symbol, denoted _____ is

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{---} \\ \text{---}, \text{ if } \text{---} \\ \text{---}, \text{ if } \text{---} \end{array} \right.$$

2 (b) Complete Euler's Criterion: Let p be an odd prime and let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $p \nmid a$. Then

$$\left(\frac{a}{p} \right) \text{---}$$

2 (c) Complete Gauss's Lemma: Let p be an odd prime and let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $p \nmid a$. Then

$$\left(\frac{a}{p} \right) = (-1)^n$$

where n is _____ of the integers that are _____

$2\frac{1}{2}$ (d) Use Gauss's Lemma to prove that

$$\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) = (-1)^n$$

where $n = \frac{1}{2}(p-1) - \left[\frac{p}{4}\right]$ and p is any odd prime.

2. [1 + 2 + 2 + 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ = 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ points]

1 (a) Complete the Law of Quadratic Reciprocity:

Let p, q be primes. Then

$$\left(\frac{p}{q}\right) \left(\frac{q}{p}\right) = (-1)^{\dots\dots\dots}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \dots\dots\dots \\ -1, & \text{if } \dots\dots\dots \end{cases}$$

If $p \dots\dots\dots$ then $\left(\frac{p}{q}\right) = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)$.

If $p \dots\dots\dots$ then $\left(\frac{p}{q}\right) = -\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)$.

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2 (b) Find ~~(122)~~ . . . Show all reasoning.

$$\left(\begin{array}{r} 2819 \\ \hline 4177 \end{array} \right)$$

2 (c) Complete Eisenstein's Lemma: Let p be an odd prime and let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $p \nmid a$ and $p \mid a_j$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$.

If
$$N = \sum_{j=1}^{(p-1)/2} a_j x^j$$

then

$$\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = \dots$$

2 1/2 (d) Find congruences that characterise all prime numbers p for which 7 is a quadratic residue mod p .

3. [3 bonus points]



RSA is one of the first practicable cryptosystems and is widely used for data transmission. In such a cryptosystem, the encryption key is _____ and differs from the decryption key which is kept _____. In RSA, this asymmetry is based on the practical difficulty of _____ the product of two large _____.

RSA stands for Rivest, Shamir, and Adleman, who first publicly described the algorithm in _____.