

Exercises 3: second batch solutions 5, 6, 7, 8

$$5. \quad 5^4 \cdot 2^{2^8} + 2^{32} = (5^4 + 2^4) \cdot 2^{28} \therefore 641 \mid 5^4 \cdot 2^{28} + 2^{32}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 5^4 \cdot 2^{2^8} - 1 &= (5 \cdot 2^7)^4 - 1 \\ &= ((5 \cdot 2^7)^2 - 1) \mid ((5 \cdot 2^7)^2 + 1) \\ &= (5 \cdot 2^7 - 1) \mid \underline{(5 \cdot 2^7 + 1)} \mid (5 \cdot 2^7)^2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \underline{641 \mid 5^4 \cdot 2^{2^8} - 1}$$

$$\text{But } F_5 = 2^{2^5} + 1 = 2^{32} + 1 = 5^4 \cdot 2^{28} + 2^{32} - (5^4 \cdot 2^{28} - 1)$$

$\therefore 641 \mid F_5$. It follows that F_5 is not a prime.

6. I've stolen this proof from oe & the class because I like it more than mine. We observe the pattern

$$a^2 - 1 = (a+1)(a-1)$$

$$a^{4^1} - 1 = (a^2 + 1)(a^2 - 1) = (a^2 + 1)(a+1)(a-1)$$

$$a^{4^2} - 1 = (a^4 + 1)(a^2 + 1)(a+1)(a-1)$$

$$\underline{a^{4^3} - 1 = (a^8 + 1)(a^4 + 1)(a^2 + 1)(a+1)(a-1)}$$

prove this in general

It follows that $F_{n-2} = 2^{2^n} - 1$ will have as a factor

$$2^{2^m} + 1 \quad \text{since } m < n.$$

I like this proof because you can see clearly why the result is true.

7. Suppose that there are only finitely many primes of the form $4q+3$. Let these be $p_1, \dots, p_k$. Put $N = 4p_1 \dots p_k - 1$.
Observe that N is odd. It follows that any primes that divide it must be odd and so either $\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ or $\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Not all prime factors can be $\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ because the product of any no. $\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ is again a no. $\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. And $N \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.
It follows that N must be divisible by a prime $\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ but this contradicts our original assumption that there are only finitely many such primes.

8.
$$\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c} f_0 & f_1 & f_2 & f_3 & \dots \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & \dots \end{array}$$

Base case when $n=1$, $f_0 = 0$, $f_1 = 1$, $f_2 = 1$ above gives matrix on the RHS.

IH Assume $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^n = \begin{pmatrix} f_{n+1} & f_n \\ f_n & f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$.

Proof per We calculate $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{n+1}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{n+1} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_{n+1} & f_n \\ f_n & f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} f_{n+1} + f_n & f_n + f_{n-1} \\ f_{n+1} & f_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_{n+2} & f_{n+1} \\ f_{n+1} & f_n \end{pmatrix} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^n = \left(\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)^n = (-1)^n$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} f_{n+1} & f_n \\ f_n & f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = f_{n+1}f_{n-1} - f_n^2$$

$$\therefore (-1)^n = f_{n+1}f_{n-1} - f_n^2$$

n even

$$1 = f_{n+1}f_{n-1} - f_n^2 \quad (1)$$

n odd

$$1 = f_n^2 - f_{n+1}f_{n-1} \quad (2)$$

The results imply $\gcd(f_n, f_{n+1}) = 1$ & (1) & (2)

as Bézout's Theorem applied to consecutive Fibonacci n's.