

# CMSC 250

## Midterm II

Review

# Proof by cases

## Example

Use a proof by cases to show that 100 is not the cube of a positive integer.

# Constructive Proofs of Existence

Prove that there exists a pair of consecutive integers such that one of these integers is a perfect square and the other is a perfect cube.

# Universal Generalization - Method of Proof

- The most common technique for proving universally quantified statements.
- If you're not sure how to start - try this!

## Definition

Theorem:  $(\forall x \in D)[P(x)]$

Proof:

let  $a \in D$ , arbitrarily chosen.

...

$P(a)$

Since  $a$  was chosen arbitrarily,  $P(x)$  holds for all  $x \in D$ .

# Congruent Modulo Theorem

Let  $m$  be a positive integer. The integers  $a$  and  $b$  are congruent modulo  $m$  if and only if there is an integer  $k$  such that  $a = b + km$

# Congruent Modulus properties

Let  $m$  be a positive integer. If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$ , then

$$a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m} \text{ and } ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$$

# Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic (Unique Prime Factorization Theorem)

## Definition

Given any integer  $n > 1$ , there exist a positive integer  $k$ , distinct prime numbers  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k$ , and positive integers  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k$  such that

$$n = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} p_3^{e_3} \cdots p_k^{e_k}$$

and  $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_k$ .

# Quotient Remainder Theorem

## Definition

Given any integer  $n$  and positive integer  $d$ , there exist unique integers  $q$  and  $r$  such that

$$n = dq + r \text{ and } 0 \leq r < d$$

# Quotient Remainder Theorem Representation

If we represent integers using the quotient remainder theorem, we observe

Modulus	Forms
2	$2q, 2q + 1$
3	$3q, 3q + 1, 3q + 2$
4	$4q, 4q + 1, 4q + 2, 4q + 3$
....	
k	$kq, kq + 1, kq + 2 \dots kq + (k-1)$

# Remainder

Find remainder of  $4^{2349321230}$  when divided by 15.

# Floors and Ceilings

For any integer  $n$ ,

$$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{n-1}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

# Summation

$$\sum_{i=50}^{100} i$$

# Mathematical Induction

For  $n \geq 1$

$$1 \cdot 1! + 2 \cdot 2! + 3 \cdot 3! + \dots + n \cdot n! = (n + 1)! - 1$$

# Strong Induction

$a_1 = 1, a_2 = 8$  and  $a_n = a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2}$  for  $n \geq 3$

Prove that  $a_n = 3 \cdot 2^{n-1} + 2(-1)^n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

# Constructive Induction

Find

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