

SKETCH OF SOLUTIONS (HOMEWORK VII)

- 3.- By Wilson's theorem $18 \equiv 18! \equiv 16!(17)(18) \pmod{19}$ Therefore $1 \equiv 16!(-2) \pmod{19}$ i.e. $-10 \equiv 16! \pmod{19}$ so $9 \equiv 16! \pmod{19}$
- 12.- $2^{1000000} \equiv (2^{16})^{62500} \equiv 1^{62500} \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$
- 15.- a) $7^{15} \equiv (7^3)^5 \equiv 3^5 \equiv 5 \pmod{17}$ Therefore $x \equiv 7^{15} \cdot 12 \equiv 5 \cdot 12 \equiv 9 \pmod{17}$
- b) Analogously $4^{17} \equiv 5 \pmod{19}$ Therefore $x \equiv 5 \cdot 11 \equiv 17 \pmod{19}$
- 20.- Notice $168 = 2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 7$ Since $(42, a) = 1$ we know a is odd, therefore $a^6 \equiv (a^2)^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ (since every unit modulo 8 has order 2). Also, by FLT we get $a^6 \equiv (a^2)^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ and $a^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$. These three congruences imply $a^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{168}$
- 22.- Since $30 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$. We only need to solve $n^9 - n \equiv 0 \pmod{2, 3, 5}$ notice that if $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2, 3, 5}$ the congruences are satisfied. Otherwise n is a unit $\pmod{2, 3, 5}$ and we obtain the equivalent set of congruences $n^8 \equiv 1 \pmod{2, 3, 5}$. These set of congruences can be simultaneously solved by FLT
- 23.- Apply FLT to every term of the sum. Adding all the terms we get $p-1 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$

Section 6.3

2.-

$$17^{45} \equiv 17^{4 \cdot 11} 17 \equiv 1^{11} 17 \equiv 17 \pmod{45}$$

$$19^{45} \equiv 19^{2 \cdot 22} 19 \equiv 1^{22} 19 \equiv 19 \pmod{45}$$

7.- We know

$$2^{2^n} \equiv -1 \pmod{F_n}$$

raising each side of the congruence to the power 2^{2^n-n} we get

$$\left(2^{2^n}\right)^{2^{2^n-n}} \equiv 2^{2^n(2^{2^n-n})} \equiv 2^{2^{2^n}} \equiv 1 \pmod{F_n}$$