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(25pts) Solve 2 of the problems on this page. Do not work more than 2, you need the time remaining for the rest of the test. Thanks.

**Problem 1** How many positive integers between 1 and 221 are relatively prime to 221?

Hint:  $221 = (13)(17)$ .

**Problem 2** Find the Egyptian fraction presentation of  $\frac{20}{13}$ .

**Problem 3** Find the continued fraction form of  $\frac{99}{26}$ .

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**Problem 4** Express 101 in its base-two representation. Then, for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , show how we can calculate  $m^{101}$  from the value 1 by successive multiplications by  $m$  and squaring. Loosely, your exponentiation should not have more than about 10 steps.

**Problem 5** Calculate the least positive residue of  $50^{201} \pmod{33}$ .

**Problem 6** Find the last two digits of  $5 \cdot 33^{7,000,321} \cdot 3^{7,000,322}$ . Hint:  $99 = 3 \cdot 33$ .

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**Problem 7** Find  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\gcd(131, 30) = m(131) + n(30)$ . Also, calculate  $[30]^{-1}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{131}^{\times}$ .

**Problem 8** Find all integer solutions of  $2x + 3y = 20$ .

**Problem 9** Simultaneously solve the system of congruences:

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5} \quad \& \quad x \equiv 4 \pmod{17}.$$

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**Problem 10** Find the order of 10 modulo 41. What is the significance of your result as you compare the order to the decimal expansion of  $1/41$ ? (use your calculator to see the expansion)

**Problem 11** Let  $b \in \mathbb{N}$  and suppose that  $\gcd(b + 18, b)$  is even and divisible by an odd prime. List the possible values for  $\gcd(b + 18, b)$ .

**Problem 12** Recall the base-eight representation of a number:

$$(c_d \dots c_2 c_1 c_0)_8 = c_d \times 8^d + \dots + c_2 \times 8^2 + c_1 \times 8 + c_0 \times 1$$

where  $0 \leq c_0, c_1, \dots, c_d \leq 7$ . Is  $(7654321)_8$  divisible by 9?

*To be clear: from here on out, attempt all the problems you can. Thanks!*

**Problem 13** (10pts) Let  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $a \mid b$  and  $c \mid d$ . Prove that  $ac \mid bd$ .

**Problem 14** (10pts) Prove that the product of successive integers is even. (I expect a proof referencing integers and precise definitions)

**Problem 15** (10pts) Suppose  $[a] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  has order  $k > 1$ . Furthermore, suppose  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  has  $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ . Prove  $[b]$  also has order  $k$ .

**Problem 16** (5pts) Arrange the following list of mathematicians in chronological order from ancient to modern: Gauss, Dirichlet, Diophantus, Euclid, Euler, Sprano :

**Problem 17** (10pts) Consider  $G = (\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z})^\times = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  where the multiplication is defined modulo 5. Fill out the following multiplication table:

| $(\mathbb{Z}_5)^\times$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| 1                       |   |   |   |   |
| 2                       |   |   |   |   |
| 3                       |   |   |   |   |
| 4                       |   |   |   |   |

Define  $H = \{1, 4\}$ . Show how  $G$  is partitioned by the cosets of  $H$ .

**Problem 18** (15pts) State and prove Lagrange's Theorem.