

## 7-4 Some Properties of The Phi-Function

Note Title

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1. For a positive integer  $n$ , prove

$$\sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n/d} \phi(d) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ -n & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Pf: (1) If  $n$  is even, Then  $n = 2^k N$ , where  $N = p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}$ ,  $p_i \neq 2$ , and so  $N$  is odd.

Now break up the summation of  $d|n$  into sums of divisors that always contain  $2^k$  and all the other divisors. For divisors that always contain  $2^k$  as a factor, this can be expressed as

$$\sum_{d|N} (-1)^{2^k N / 2^k d} \phi(2^k d) = \sum_{d|N} (-1)^{N/d} \phi(2^k d)$$

But  $N$  is odd, so is  $d$ , so  $N/d$  is odd, and so  $(-1)^{N/d} = -1$  [ $d = p_1^{s_1} \dots p_r^{s_r}$ ,  $0 \leq s_i \leq k_i$ ,  $p_i \neq 2$ ]

$$\therefore \sum_{d|N} (-1)^{2^k N / 2^k d} \phi(2^k d) = - \sum_{d|N} \phi(2^k d)$$

All the other divisors run over  $2^{k-1} N$

$$\therefore \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n/d} \phi(d) = \sum_{d|2^{k-1} N} (-1)^{2^k N / d} \phi(d) - \sum_{d|N} \phi(2^k d)$$

But as  $d$  runs over  $2^{k-1}N$ ,  $2^kN/d$  will always be even as the highest power of 2 for  $d$  is  $2^{k-1}$ , so  $2^kN$  will always have a factor of 2.  $\therefore (-1)^{2^kN/d} = 1$

$$\therefore \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n/d} \phi(d) = \sum_{d|2^{k-1}N} \phi(d) - \sum_{d|N} \phi(2^k d)$$

By Th. 7.6 from Gauss,  $n = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d)$ , so

$$\sum_{d|2^{k-1}N} \phi(d) = 2^{k-1}N. \text{ Also, } \phi \text{ is multiplicative, so } \phi(2^k d) = \phi(2^k) \phi(d)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n/d} \phi(d) &= 2^{k-1}N - \phi(2^k) \sum_{d|N} \phi(d) \\ &= 2^{k-1}N - (2^k - 2^{k-1})(N) \\ &= 2^{k-1}N - 2^kN + 2^{k-1}N \\ &= 2 \cdot 2^{k-1}N - 2^kN = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore n \text{ even} \Rightarrow \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n/d} \phi(d) = 0$$

(2) If  $n$  is odd, then  $n = p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}$ ,  $p_i \neq 2$ .  
 $\therefore d = p_1^{s_1} \dots p_r^{s_r}$ ,  $0 \leq s_i \leq k_i$ , by Th. 6.1

$\therefore d$  is odd

$\therefore$  as  $d$  runs over  $n$ ,  $n/d$  is odd, so  $(-1)^{n/d} = -1$

$$\therefore \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n/d} \phi(d) = - \sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = -n$$

$$\therefore n \text{ odd} \Rightarrow \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n/d} \phi(d) = -n$$

2. Confirm that  $\sum_{d|36} \phi(d) = 36$  and  $\sum_{d|36} (-1)^{36/d} \phi(d) = 0$

The divisors,  $d$ , of 36 are: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 36  
 $\phi(d)$ : 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 6, 4, 6, 12

$$\therefore \sum_{d|36} \phi(d) = 1 + 1 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 6 + 4 + 6 + 12 = 36$$

$$\sum_{d|36} (-1)^{36/d} \phi(d) = 1 + 1 + 2 - 2 + 2 + 6 - 4 + 6 - 12 = 0$$

3. For a positive integer  $n$ , prove that

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu^2(d) / \phi(d) = n / \phi(n)$$

Pf: By prob. #19, Sec. 6.1, if  $f$  and  $g$  are multiplicative, so is  $f \cdot g$  and  $f/g$ .

$\therefore F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \frac{\mu^2(d)}{\phi(d)}$  is multiplicative.

Let  $n = p^k$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore F(p^k) &= \sum_{d|p^k} \frac{\mu^2(d)}{\phi(d)} = \frac{\mu^2(1)}{\phi(1)} + \frac{\mu^2(p)}{\phi(p)} + \dots + \frac{\mu^2(p^k)}{\phi(p^k)} \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{p-1} + \dots + 0 \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{p-1} = \frac{p}{p-1} \end{aligned}$$

as  $\mu(p^k) = 0$  for  $k \geq 2$

$\therefore$  if  $n = p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} F(n) &= F(p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}) = F(p_1^{k_1}) \dots F(p_r^{k_r}) \\ &= \frac{p_1}{p_1-1} \dots \frac{p_r}{p_r-1} \end{aligned}$$

From Th. 7.3,  $d(n) = n \left( \frac{p_1-1}{p_1} \right) \dots \left( \frac{p_r-1}{p_r} \right)$

$$\therefore \left( \frac{p_1-1}{p_1} \right) \dots \left( \frac{p_r-1}{p_r} \right) = \frac{\phi(n)}{n}$$

$$\therefore F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \frac{\mu^2(d)}{\phi(d)} = \frac{n}{\phi(n)}$$

4. Use problem 4(c), Sec. 6.2, to give a proof of the fact that  $n \sum_{d|n} \mu(d)/d = \phi(n)$ .

Pf: Prob. 4(c) states  $\sum_{d|n} \mu(d)/d = (1 - \frac{1}{p_1}) \cdots (1 - \frac{1}{p_r})$

if  $n = p_1^{k_1} \cdots p_r^{k_r}$ .

$$\therefore n \sum_{d|n} \mu(d)/d = n(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}) \cdots (1 - \frac{1}{p_r}) \\ = \phi(n) \text{ by Th. 7.3}$$

5. If  $n > 1$  has the prime factorization  $n = p_1^{k_1} \cdots p_r^{k_r}$ , establish each of the following:

(a)  $\sum_{d|n} \mu(d)\phi(d) = (2 - p_1)(2 - p_2) \cdots (2 - p_r)$

Pf: Since  $\mu$  and  $\phi$  are multiplicative, then  $\mu \cdot \phi$  is multiplicative (prob. 19, Sec. 6.1).

$$\therefore F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d)\phi(d) \text{ is multiplicative.}$$

$$F(p^k) = \sum_{d|p^k} \mu(d) \phi(d)$$

$$= \mu(1) \cdot \phi(1) + \mu(p) \cdot \phi(p) + \dots + \mu(p^k) \cdot \phi(p^k)$$

$$= 1 + (-1)(p-1) + 0 + 0 + \dots + 0 = 2-p,$$

since  $\mu(p^k) = 0$  for  $k \geq 2$

$$\therefore F(n) = F(p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}) = F(p_1^{k_1}) \dots F(p_r^{k_r})$$

$$= (2-p_1) \dots (2-p_r)$$

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Could also have used prob. 3, Sec. 6-2,  
which says,

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) f(d) = (1-f(p_1)) \dots (1-f(p_r))$$

where  $f$  is multiplicative, not identically zero. But  $\phi$  is multiplicative and not identically zero (e.g.,  $\phi(1)=1$ ,  $\phi(p)=p-1$ ).

$$\therefore \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \phi(d) = (1-\phi(p_1)) \dots (1-\phi(p_r))$$

$$= (1-(p_1-1)) \dots (1-(p_r-1))$$

$$= (2-p_1) \dots (2-p_r)$$

$$(6) \sum_{d|n} d \cdot \phi(d) = \left( \frac{p_1^{2k_1+1} + 1}{p_1 + 1} \right) \dots \left( \frac{p_r^{2k_r+1} + 1}{p_r + 1} \right)$$

pf:  $f(x) = x$  is multiplicative,  $\therefore f \cdot \phi$  is also.

$\therefore F(n) = \sum_{d|n} d \cdot \phi(d)$  is multiplicative.

$$(1) \text{ Consider } F(p^k) = \sum_{d|p^k} d \cdot \phi(d)$$

$$= 1 \cdot \phi(1) + p \cdot \phi(p) + p^2 \cdot \phi(p^2) + \dots + p^k \cdot \phi(p^k)$$

$$= 1 + p(p-1) + p^2(p^2-p) + \dots + p^k(p^k - p^{k-1})$$

$$= 1 + p^2 - p + p^4 - p^3 + p^6 - p^5 + \dots + p^{2k} - p^{2k-1}$$

$$= 1 + (-1)^1 p + (-1)^2 p^2 + (-1)^3 p^3 + \dots + (-1)^{2k} p^{2k}$$

$$\text{But } (a^{2r+1} + 1) = (a + 1)(a^{2r} - a^{2r-1} + a^{2r-2} - a^{2r-3} + \dots + r^2 - r + 1)$$

(i.e., coefficient of 1 for even exponents,  
-1 for odd exponents).

$$\therefore (p^{2k+1} + 1) = (p + 1)(p^{2k} - p^{2k-1} + \dots + p^2 - p + 1)$$

$$\therefore \frac{p^{2k+1} + 1}{p + 1} = p^{2k} - p^{2k-1} + \dots + p^2 - p + 1$$

$$\therefore F(p^k) = \frac{p^{2k+1} + 1}{p + 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2) \quad \therefore \sum_{d|n} d \cdot \phi(d) &= F(n) = F(p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}) \\ &= F(p_1^{k_1}) \cdot \dots \cdot F(p_r^{k_r}) \\ &= \left( \frac{p_1^{2k_1+1} + 1}{p_1 + 1} \right) \cdot \dots \cdot \left( \frac{p_r^{2k_r+1} + 1}{p_r + 1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$(c) \quad \sum_{d|n} \frac{\phi(d)}{d} = \left( 1 + \frac{k_1(p_1-1)}{p_1} \right) \cdot \dots \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{k_r(p_r-1)}{p_r} \right)$$

Pf:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is multiplicative.

$\therefore F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \frac{\phi(d)}{d}$  is multiplicative

$$(1) \text{ Consider } F(p^k) = \sum_{d|p^k} \phi(d)/d$$

$$= \frac{\phi(1)}{1} + \frac{\phi(p)}{p} + \dots + \frac{\phi(p^k)}{p^k}$$



$$= 1 + \frac{p^{-1}}{p} + \frac{p^2 - p}{p^2} + \dots + \frac{p^k - p^{k-1}}{p^k}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{p^{-1}}{p} + p \frac{(p^{-1})}{p^2} + \dots + \frac{p^{k-1}(p^{-1})}{p^k}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{p^{-1}}{p} + \frac{p^{-1}}{p} + \dots + \frac{p^{-1}}{p}$$

$$= 1 + k \left( \frac{p^{-1}}{p} \right)$$

$$(2) \therefore \sum_{d|n} \frac{\phi(d)}{d} = F(n) = F(p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r})$$

$$= F(p_1^{k_1}) \dots F(p_r^{k_r})$$

$$= \left( 1 + k_1 \frac{(p_1^{-1})}{p_1} \right) \dots \left( 1 + k_r \frac{(p_r^{-1})}{p_r} \right)$$

c. Verify the formula  $\sum_{d=1}^n \phi(d) \left[ \frac{n}{d} \right] = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}, n > 0.$

Pf: From Th. 7.6, if  $n > 0, n = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d)$

$$\text{Let } F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d)$$

$$\text{Since } F(n) = n, \text{ Then } \sum_{d=1}^N F(d) = \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$$

But by Th. 6.11,  $\sum_{d=1}^N F(d) = \sum_{d=1}^N \phi(d) \left[ \frac{N}{d} \right]$

$$\therefore \sum_{d=1}^N \phi(d) \left[ \frac{N}{d} \right] = \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$$

7. If  $n$  is square-free, prove  $\sum_{d|n} \sigma(d^{k-1}) \phi(d) = n^k$  for  $k \geq 2$ .

Pf:  $\sigma$  and  $\phi$  are multiplicative, so

$$F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \sigma(d^{k-1}) \phi(d) = \sum_{d|n} \underbrace{\sigma(d) \cdots \sigma(d)}_{k-1 \text{ times (since } k \geq 2)} \cdot \phi(d)$$

is also multiplicative.

(1) Consider  $n = p$  ( $n$  is square-free)

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore F(p) &= \sum_{d|p} \sigma(d^{k-1}) \phi(d) \\ &= \sigma(1) \phi(1) + \sigma(p^{k-1}) \phi(p) \\ &= 1 + \frac{p^{k-1+1} - 1}{p-1} \cdot (p-1) = p^k = n^k \end{aligned}$$

(2)  $\therefore$  if  $n = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_r$ , Then

$$\sum_{d|n} \sigma(d^{k-1}) \phi(d) = F(n) = F(p_1) F(p_2) \dots F(p_r) \\ = p_1^k p_2^k \dots p_r^k = (p_1 p_2 \dots p_r)^k = n^k$$

8. For a square-free integer  $n > 1$ , show that  $T(n^2) = n$  if and only if  $n = 3$ .

Pf: (1) If  $n = 3$ , then  $T(n^2) = T(3^2) = 2 + 1 = 3$   
by Th. 6.2

(2) Suppose  $n$  is square-free,  $n > 1$ , and  $T(n^2) = n$

Let  $n = p_1 p_2 \dots p_r$ , where  $p_i \neq p_j$  since  $n$  is square-free.

By Th. 6.2,  $T(n^2) = T(p_1^2 p_2^2 \dots p_r^2)$

$$= (2+1)(2+1) \dots (2+1) = 3^r$$

$$\therefore T(n^2) = n = p_1 p_2 \dots p_r = 3^r$$

By Th. 3.1 and its corollaries, all  $p_i = 3$ ,  
which mean  $n = 3$  and  $r = 1$ .

9. Prove that  $3 \mid \sigma(3n+2)$  and  $4 \mid \sigma(4n+3)$  for any positive integer  $n$ .

$$(a) \quad 3 \mid \sigma(3n+2)$$

$$\text{Let } 3n+2 = p_1^{k_1} \cdots p_r^{k_r}$$

$$\text{Since } 3 \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \text{ and } 3n+2 \equiv 2 \pmod{3},$$

$$\text{Then } p_i^{k_i} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3} \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, r$$

$$\text{If all } p_i^{k_i} \equiv 1 \pmod{3}, \text{ Then } p_1^{k_1} \cdots p_r^{k_r} \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$\text{Since } p_1^{k_1} \cdots p_r^{k_r} \equiv 2 \pmod{3}, \text{ There must}$$

$$\text{be one } p_i \text{ s.t. } p_i^{k_i} \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$(\text{and } \therefore p_i \equiv 2 \pmod{3}, \text{ for if } p_i \equiv 0, \text{ Then } p_i^{k_i} \equiv 0, \text{ and if } p_i \equiv 1, \text{ Then } p_i^{k_i} \equiv 1)$$

$$\text{Since } p_i \equiv 2 \pmod{3}, \text{ Then}$$

$$p_i^2 \equiv 4 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$p_i^3 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{ if } p_i^r \equiv 2 \pmod{3}, \text{ Then } r \text{ is odd.}$$

$$\therefore \text{ For } p_i^{k_i} \equiv 2 \pmod{3}, k_i \text{ is odd.}$$

$$\therefore \sigma(p_i^{k_i}) = \frac{p_i^{k_i+1} - 1}{p_i - 1} = \frac{(p_i - 1)(p_i^{k_i} + p_i^{k_i-1} + \dots + p_i + 1)}{p_i - 1}$$

$$= p_i^{k_i} + p_i^{k_i-1} + \dots + p_i + 1, \text{ and } k_i \text{ is odd.}$$

Note  $2 \equiv -1 \pmod{3}$ , so

if  $r$  is odd,  $p_i^r \equiv -1 \pmod{3}$

if  $r$  is even,  $p_i^r \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

$$\therefore \sigma(p_i^{k_i}) = p_i^{k_i} + p_i^{k_i-1} + \dots + p_i + 1$$

$$\equiv (-1) + 1 + \dots + (-1) + 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$\therefore 3 \mid \sigma(p_i^{k_i}) \Rightarrow 3 \mid \sigma(p_i^{k_i}) \dots \sigma(p_i^{k_i}) \dots \sigma(p_r^{k_r})$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \mid \sigma(p_i^{k_i} \dots p_r^{k_r}) \quad [\sigma \text{ is multiplicative}]$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \mid \sigma(3n+2)$$

$$(6) 4 \mid \sigma(4n+3)$$

$$\text{Let } 4n+3 = p_i^{k_i} \dots p_r^{k_r}$$

$$4n+3 \equiv 3 \equiv -1 \pmod{4}$$

As in (a), all  $p_i^{k_i} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , and  $p_i^{k_i} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$   
since if  $p_i^{k_i} \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \Rightarrow 4n+3 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

If  $p_i^{k_i} \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  for any  $i$ , Then

$p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r} \equiv 2 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $p_j \neq p_i$ , so

$$4n+3 = p_i^{k_i} p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r} \equiv 2 \cdot 2 \text{ or } 2 \cdot 3 \pmod{4} \\ \equiv 0 \text{ or } 2 \pmod{4}$$

$\therefore p_i^{k_i} \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  for any  $i$ .

$\therefore p_i^{k_i} \equiv 3 \equiv -1 \pmod{4}$  for some  $i$ ,

and  $\therefore p_i \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

for  $p_i \equiv 0 \Rightarrow p_i^{k_i} \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

$p_i \equiv 1 \Rightarrow p_i^{k_i} \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

$p_i \equiv 2 \Rightarrow p_i^{k_i} \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

$\therefore p_i^2 \equiv 9 \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \Rightarrow p_i^{2k} \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$   
for all  $k$

$\therefore$  if  $s$  is even,  $p_i^s \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

$\therefore p_i^{k_i} \equiv -1 \pmod{4} \Rightarrow k_i$  is odd

As in (a)  $\sigma(p_i^{k_i}) = p_i^{k_i} + p_i^{k_i-1} + \dots + p_i + 1$

$$\equiv (-1) + 1 + \dots + (-1) + 1$$

$$\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$$

$$\therefore 4 \mid \sigma(p_i^{k_i})$$

$$\therefore 4 \mid \sigma(p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} \dots p_r^{k_r}) \Rightarrow 4 \mid \sigma(4n+3)$$

10. (a) Given  $K > 0$ , establish that there exists a sequence of  $K$  consecutive integers  $n+1, n+2, \dots, n+K$  satisfying

$$\mu(n+1) = \mu(n+2) = \dots = \mu(n+K) = 0$$

Pf: Use the author's hint. Let  $p_k$  be the  $k$ th prime.

$$\therefore \gcd(p_i^2, p_j^2) = 1 \text{ for } i \neq j.$$

$\therefore$  By the Chinese Remainder Th., there is a solution to:

$$\begin{aligned} x &\equiv -1 \pmod{p_1^2} \\ x &\equiv -2 \pmod{p_2^2} \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

$$x \equiv -k \pmod{p_k^2}$$

where  $p_1 = 2, p_2 = 3, \dots, p_k = k$ th prime

By the discussion on p. 138, if  $n = p_1 p_2 \dots p_k$  and  $N_i = n/p_i$ , then a simultaneous solution is:

$$x = (-1)N_1^{\phi(p_1^2)} + (-2)N_2^{\phi(p_2^2)} + \dots + (-k)N_k^{\phi(p_k^2)}$$

$$\therefore x = -N_1^{\phi(2^2)} - 2N_2^{\phi(3^2)} - \dots - kN_k^{\phi(p_k^2)}$$

$$\therefore x+i \equiv 0 \pmod{p_i^2} \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, k$$

$$\therefore x+i = a_i p_i^2, \text{ some } a_i$$

$$\text{so } \mu(x+i) = 0, i=1, 2, \dots, k$$

(b) Find four consecutive integers for which  $\mu(n) = 0$

By (a), consider  $x \equiv -1 \pmod{2^2}$

$$x \equiv -2 \pmod{3^2}$$

$$x \equiv -3 \pmod{5^2}$$

$$x \equiv -4 \pmod{7^2}$$

$$\text{Let } s = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7^2 = 44100$$

$$N_1 = s/2^2 = 3^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7^2 = 11025$$

$$N_2 = s/3^2 = 2^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7^2 = 4900$$

$$N_3 = s/5^2 = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 7^2 = 1764$$

$$N_4 = s/7^2 = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^2 = 900$$

$$\text{Also, } \phi(2^2) = 2, \phi(3^2) = 6, \phi(5^2) = 20, \phi(7^2) = 42$$

$\therefore$  a simultaneous solution is:

$$x = -(11025)^2 - 2(4900)^6 - 3(1764)^{20} - 4(900)^{42}$$



$$\therefore \mu(x+1) = \mu(x+2) = \mu(x+3) = \mu(x+4) = 0$$

But This is a rather awkward number.

$\therefore$  solve by method developed in proof of Chinese Remainder Th. in sec. 4.4.

Using  $N_1, N_2, N_3, N_4$  as above, and  
 $a_1 = -1, a_2 = -2, a_3 = -3, a_4 = -4$

$$\begin{aligned} 11025x_1 &\equiv 1 \pmod{4} & 4900x_2 &\equiv 1 \pmod{9} \\ \therefore 11025x_1 - 11024x_1 &\equiv 1 & 4900x_2 - 9 \cdot 544x_2 &\equiv 1 \\ x_1 &\equiv 1 \pmod{4} & 4x_2 &\equiv 1 + 3 \cdot 9 = 28 \\ & & x_2 &\equiv 7 \pmod{9} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1764x_3 &\equiv 1 \pmod{25} & 900x_4 &\equiv 1 \pmod{49} \\ \therefore 1764x_3 - 1750x_3 &\equiv 1 & 900x_4 - 18 \cdot 49x_4 &\equiv 1 \\ 14x_3 &\equiv 1, 28x_3 &\equiv 2 & 18x_4 &\equiv 1, 54x_4 &\equiv 3 \\ 3x_3 &\equiv 2 + 25 = 27 & 54x_4 - 49x_4 &\equiv 3 \\ \therefore x_3 &\equiv 9 \pmod{25} & 5x_4 &\equiv 3, 50x_4 &\equiv 30 \\ & & \therefore x_4 &\equiv 30 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x = a_1 N_1 x_1 + a_2 N_2 x_2 + a_3 N_3 x_3 + a_4 N_4 x_4$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -11025(1) - 2(4900)(7) - 3(1764)(9) - 4(900)(30) \\ &= -11025 - 68600 - 47628 - 108000 \end{aligned}$$

$$= -235253$$

$\therefore x = -235,253$  is a solution.

Can make this number smaller noting that the solution is unique modulo  $2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7^2 = 44,100$ .

$$\therefore x = -235,253 + 6(44,100) = 29,347$$

$$\therefore x+1 = 29,348 = 2^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 23 \cdot 29$$

$$x+2 = 29,349 = 3^3 \cdot 1087$$

$$x+3 = 29,350 = 2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 587$$

$$x+4 = 29,351 = 7^2 \cdot 599$$

$$\therefore \mu(x+1) = \mu(x+2) = \mu(x+3) = \mu(x+4) = 0$$

11. Modify the proof of Gauss's Th. to establish

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \gcd(k, n) = \sum_{d|n} d \cdot \phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = n \sum_{d|n} \frac{\phi(d)}{d}, \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

Pf: Let  $d$  be a divisor of  $n$ . Create set  $S_d$  s.t.

$$S_d = \{m : \gcd(m, n) = d; 1 \leq m \leq n\}$$

Let  $N = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

If  $a \in N$ , Then if  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ , Then  $a \in S_1$ .

If  $\gcd(a, n) = c > 1$ , Then  $a \in S_c$ .

$\therefore a \in N$  is in at least one set  $S_i$ .

But every  $a \in N$  is in at most one set  $S_i$ .

For if  $a \in S_i, a \in S_j, i \neq j$ , Then  
 $\gcd(a, n) = i = j$ .

$\therefore$  The sets  $S_d$  partition  $N$  into a finite number of sets.

$$\gcd(m, n) = d \Leftrightarrow \gcd(m/d, n/d) = 1 \quad [1]$$

Pf: (a) By corollary 1 to Th. 2.4 in Sec. 2.2,  
 $\gcd(m, n) = d \Rightarrow \gcd(m/d, n/d) = 1$

(b) Suppose  $\gcd(m/d, n/d) = 1$

$\therefore$  There are integers  $x, y$  s.t.

$$\frac{m}{d}x + \frac{n}{d}y = 1, \therefore mx + ny = d$$

Suppose  $\gcd(m, n) = c. \therefore m = ac, n = bc$

$$\therefore (ac)x + (bc)y = d \Rightarrow c | d$$

$\therefore$  By Th. 2.5, Sec. 2.2,  $d = \gcd(m, n)$

Also, for  $S_d$ ,  $1 \leq m \leq n$ , so  $m/d \leq \frac{n}{d}$ .

$\therefore$  From [1], # elements in  $S_d$  = # positive integers,  $\leq n/d$ , that are relatively prime to  $n/d$ , and this is  $\phi(n/d)$ .

Thus, # elements in  $S_d = \phi(n/d)$

$$\therefore \sum_{k \in S_d} \gcd(k, n) = d \cdot \phi(n/d), \text{ since } \gcd(k, n) = d$$

As mentioned above,  $S_d$  exactly partitions  $N$ .

$$\therefore \sum_{k=1}^n \gcd(k, n) = \sum_{d|n} d \cdot \phi(n/d)$$

Now when  $d|n$ , there is a  $d'$  s.t.  $d \cdot d' = n$ , so that  $\{d: d|n\} = \{d': d|n\}$

$$\therefore \sum_{d|n} d \cdot \phi(n/d) = \sum_{d'|n} d' \cdot \phi(n/d')$$

$$= \sum_{\frac{n}{d}|n} \frac{n}{d} \cdot \phi\left(\frac{n}{n/d}\right) = n \sum_{d|n} \frac{\phi(d)}{d}$$

12. For  $n \geq 2$ , establish  $\phi(n^2) + \phi((n+1)^2) \leq 2n^2$

Pf: Relation does work for  $n=2$

$$\phi(2^2) + \phi(3^2) = \phi(4) + \phi(9) = 2 + 6 = 8 \leq 2 \cdot 2^2 = 8$$

By problem 7(c), Sec. 7.2, if  $K$  is composite,  
 $\phi(K) \leq K - \sqrt{K}$

$n^2$  is composite, so is  $(n+1)^2$

$$\therefore \phi(n^2) \leq n^2 - \sqrt{n^2} = n^2 - n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi((n+1)^2) &\leq (n+1)^2 - \sqrt{(n+1)^2} \\ &= n^2 + 2n + 1 - (n+1) \\ &= n^2 + n \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \phi(n^2) + \phi((n+1)^2) \leq n^2 - n + n^2 + n = 2n^2$$

13. Given integer  $n$ , prove There exists at least one  $K$  for which  $n \mid \phi(K)$ .

Pf: If  $K = p_1^{k_1} \cdots p_r^{k_r}$  so that

$$\phi(K) = p_1^{k_1-1} \cdots p_r^{k_r-1} (p_1-1) \cdots (p_r-1)$$

$$\text{We want } n = p_1^{k_1-1} \cdots p_r^{k_r-1}$$

$$\therefore \text{Let } n = q_1^{a_1} \cdots q_s^{a_s}$$

$$\text{Then choose } K = q_1^{a_1+1} \cdots q_s^{a_s+1}$$

$$\therefore \phi(K) = q_1^{a_1} \cdots q_s^{a_s} (q_1 - 1) \cdots (q_s - 1)$$

and clearly  $n \mid \phi(K)$

14. Show that if  $n$  is the product of twin primes, say  $n = p(p+2)$ , then  $\phi(n)\sigma(n) = (n+1)(n-3)$

Pf:  $\gcd(p, p+2) = 1$ , so

$$\phi(n) = \phi(p) \cdot \phi(p+2) = (p-1)(p+2-1) = (p-1)(p+1)$$

$$\text{But } \sigma(n) = \sigma(p) \sigma(p+2) = (p+1)(p+3)$$

$$\therefore \phi(n)\sigma(n) = (p-1)(p+1)^2(p+3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } (n+1)(n-3) &= (p^2 + 2p + 1)(p^2 + 2p - 3) \\ &= (p+1)^2(p+3)(p-1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \phi(n)\sigma(n) = (n+1)(n-3)$$

15. Prove (a)  $\sum_{d|n} \tau(d) \phi(n/d) = n \tau(n)$  and

$$(b) \sum_{d|n} \tau(d) \phi(n/d) = \tau(n)$$

Lemma: if  $d|n$ , then  $F(d) = \phi(n/d)$  is multiplicative

Pf: For any number theoretic function  $f$ ,

$$\sum_{d|n} f(d) = \sum_{d|n} f\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{Let } F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d)$$

Since  $\phi$  is multiplicative, by Th. 6.4,  $F$  is multiplicative.

$$\text{Let } g(d) = \phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$$

$$\therefore F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = \sum_{d|n} \phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{d|n} g(d)$$

By Th. 6.8,  $g(d) = \phi(n/d)$  is multiplicative

$\therefore$  if  $\gcd(r, s) = 1$  and  $rs|n$ , then

$$g(rs) = \phi\left(\frac{n}{rs}\right) = g(r)g(s) = \phi\left(\frac{n}{r}\right)\phi\left(\frac{n}{s}\right)$$

(a) Since  $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} \sigma(d) \phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$  is multiplicative by Lemma above and prob. 19, Sec. 6.1, it suffices to show for  $n = p^k$ ,  $p$  prime, that

$$F(p^k) = p^k \tilde{\tau}(p^k)$$

because if  $n = p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} F(n) &= F(p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}) = F(p_1^{k_1}) \dots F(p_r^{k_r}) = \\ &= p_1^{k_1} \tilde{\tau}(p_1^{k_1}) \dots p_r^{k_r} \tilde{\tau}(p_r^{k_r}) = n \tilde{\tau}(p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}) \\ &= n \tilde{\tau}(n) \end{aligned}$$

The divisors of  $p^k$  are  $1, p, p^2, \dots, p^{k-1}, p^k$   
 $(k+1)$  divisors  $= \tilde{\tau}(p^k)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore F(p^k) &= \sum_{d|p^k} \sigma(d) \phi\left(\frac{p^k}{d}\right) \\ &= \sigma(1) \phi\left(\frac{p^k}{1}\right) + \sigma(p) \phi\left(\frac{p^k}{p}\right) + \dots + \sigma(p^{k-1}) \phi\left(\frac{p^k}{p^{k-1}}\right) + \sigma(p^k) \phi\left(\frac{p^k}{p^k}\right) \\ &= 1 \cdot (p^k - p^{k-1}) + (p+1)(p^{k-1} - p^{k-2}) + \dots + \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{p^k - 1}{p - 1} \cdot (p - 1) + \frac{p^{k+1} - 1}{p - 1} \cdot 1 \\
&= (p^k - p^{k-1}) + (p^k - p^{k-1} + p^{k-1} - p^{k-2}) + \dots + \\
&\quad (p^k - 1) + (p^k + p^{k-1} + p^{k-2} + \dots + p + 1) \\
&= (p^k - p^{k-1}) + (p^k - p^{k-2}) + \dots + (p^k - 1) + (p^k + p^{k-1} + \dots + p + 1) \\
&= (k+1)p^k \\
&= p^k \tilde{\tau}(p^k) \\
&\therefore F(p^k) = p^k \tilde{\tau}(p^k) \\
&\therefore \sum_{d|n} \tau(d) \phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = n \tilde{\tau}(n)
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Since, as in (a),  $\tilde{F}(n) = \sum_{d|n} \tilde{\tau}(d) \phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$  is multiplicative, it suffices to show, for  $p$  prime,  $\tilde{F}(p^k) = \sigma(p^k)$ , for then  $\sum_{d|n} \tilde{\tau}(d) \phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sigma(n)$

$$\therefore F(p^k) = \sum_{d|p^k} \tau(d) \phi\left(\frac{p^k}{d}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \tau(1)\phi\left(\frac{p^k}{1}\right) + \tau(p)\phi\left(\frac{p^k}{p}\right) + \dots + \tau(p^{k-1})\phi\left(\frac{p^k}{p^{k-1}}\right) + \tau(p^k)\phi\left(\frac{p^k}{p^k}\right) \\
&= 1 \cdot (p^k - p^{k-1}) + (2) \cdot (p^{k-1} - p^{k-2}) + \dots + (k)(p - 1) + (k+1) \cdot 1 \\
&= p^k - p^{k-1} + 2 \cdot p^{k-1} - 2p^{k-2} + \dots + (k-1)p^2 - (k-1)p + kp - k + k+1 \\
&= p^k + p^{k-1} + p^{k-2} + \dots + p + 1 \\
&= \frac{p^{k+1} - 1}{p - 1} = \sigma(p^k)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore F(p^k) = \sigma(p^k)$$

$$\therefore \sum_{d|n} \tau(d)\phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sigma(n)$$

16. If  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{\phi(n)}$  is a reduced set of residues modulo  $n$ , show  $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{\phi(n)} \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ ,  $n > 2$

Pf: Let  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{\phi(n)}$  be the positive integers, less than  $n$ , that are relatively prime to  $n$ . Then by Th. 7.7,  
for  $n \geq 2$ ,  $b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_{\phi(n)} = \frac{1}{2} n \phi(n)$

But  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ . For  $n > 2$ ,  $\phi(n)$  is even, so  $\frac{1}{2}\phi(n)$  is an integer, so

$$b_1 + \dots + b_{\phi(n)} = \frac{1}{2} n \phi(n) \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$$

Also,  $b_i \not\equiv b_j \pmod{n}$  since  $1 \leq b_i, b_j < n$

Now,  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{\phi(n)}$  are congruent, not necessarily in order of appearance, to  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{\phi(n)}$ , since both are reduced sets of residues.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore a_1 &\equiv b'_1 \pmod{n} \\ a_2 &\equiv b'_2 \pmod{n} \\ &\vdots \\ a_{\phi(n)} &\equiv b'_{\phi(n)} \pmod{n} \end{aligned}$$

where  $b'_1, \dots, b'_{\phi(n)}$  are the integers

$b_1, \dots, b_{\phi(n)}$  in some order.

$$\therefore a_1 + \dots + a_{\phi(n)} \equiv b'_1 + \dots + b'_{\phi(n)} = b_1 + \dots + b_{\phi(n)} \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$$

$$\therefore a_1 + \dots + a_{\phi(n)} \equiv 0 \pmod{n} \quad (n > 2)$$