Week of 12 November 2018

**Fundamental theorem of arithmetic:** For every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  with n > 1, there exist unique prime numbers  $p_1, \ldots, p_k \in \mathbb{N}$  and unique  $e_1, \ldots, e_k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n = p_1^{e_1} \cdots p_k^{e_k}$ .

- 1. Find the prime factorization of each of the following integers.
  - (a) 4096 (c)  $\operatorname{lcm}(10^5, 5^{10})$
  - (b)  $gcd(25!, 25^2)$  (d) 30!

Hint: Do not make (d) too hard for yourself - in what numbers does each prime appear?

- 2. Most recent books are identified by their International Standard Book Number, or ISBN, which is a 13-digit number, separated into 5 blocks. The ISBN for the Math 215 textbook is 978-0-521-59718-0. The blocks are defined as follows:
  - The first block of digits, 978, is a prefix given when the standards switched from 10 numbers to 13 numbers in 2007,
  - The second block of digits, 0, represents the language of the book (English),
  - The third block, 521, represents the publisher (Cambridge University Press),
  - The fourth block, 59718, is the number assigned to the book by the publisher,
  - The last block, 0, is the **check digit**.

The check digit is used to determine wether an error has been made when an ISBN is copied. For an ISBN  $a_1a_2\cdots a_{13}$  with  $a_i \in \{0, \ldots, 9\}$ , the check digit  $a_{13}$  is chosen so that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{13} (2 + (-1)^i) a_i \equiv 0 \pmod{10}.$$

- (a) Determine whether 978-0-547-92822-7 is a valid ISBN.
- (b) Determine the value of the digit a so that 978-0-387-90a44-9 is a valid ISBN.
- (c) When an ISBN was copied, two adjacent digits were interchanged, resulting in the number 978-0-07-286593-4. Determine the original ISBN.
- 3. Prove by induction that  $5^n \equiv 1 + 4n \pmod{16}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ .