


Elementary Number Theory Problems. Part XIII

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Summary. This paper formalizes problems 41, 92, 121–123, 172, 182, 183, 191, 192 and 192a from “250 Problems in Elementary Number Theory” by Waśław Sierpiński [8].

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INTRODUCTION

In this paper, Problems 41 from Section I, 92, 121, 122, 123 from Section IV, 172, 182, 183, 191, 192, and 192a from Section V of [8] are formalized, using the Mizar formalism [2], [1]. The paper is a part of the project *Formalization of Elementary Number Theory in Mizar* [7], [4], [5], [6], [3].

In the preliminary section, we proved some trivial but useful facts about numbers.

In problem 92 the inequality $p_{k+1} + p_{k+2} \leq p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot \dots \cdot p_k$ should be justified for any integer $k \geq 3$, where p_k denotes the k -th prime. Because we count primes starting from the index 0, we formulated the fact as:

3 <= k implies

primenumber(k) + primenumber(k+1) <= Product primesFinS(k);

where **primesFinS(k)** denotes the finite sequence of primes of the length **k**, and elements of finite sequences are indexed from 1.

Problem 121 about finding the least positive integer n for which $k \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$ is composite is represented as separated theorems for every positive $k \leq 10$.

Problem 122 requires finding all positive integers $k \leq 10$ such that every number $k \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) is composite. The proof lies in the fact that numbers $(3 \cdot t + 2) \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$ are all divisible by 3 and greater than 3, for every natural t , and every positive natural n . In the book, there are minor misprints in the proof, where $2 \cdot 2^{2^2} + 1$ should be $2 \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$ and $5 \cdot 2^{2^2} + 1$ should be $5 \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$.

Problems 191 and 192 are generalized from positive integers to non-zero integers.

Problem 192a is formulated incorrectly in the book. It asks to prove that the system of two equations $x^2 + 7y^2 = z^2$ and $7x^2 + y^2 = t^2$ has no solutions in positive integers x, y, z , and t . However, it has solutions, for instance, $x = 3$, $y = 1$, $z = 4$, and $t = 8$. The example is provided in the book.

Proofs of other problems are straightforward formalizations of solutions given in the book.

1. PRELIMINARIES

From now on a, b, c, k, m, n denote natural numbers, i, j denote integers, and p denotes a prime number.

Now we state the propositions:

- (1) If $n < 3$, then $n = 0$ or $n = 1$ or $n = 2$.
- (2) If $n < 4$, then $n = 0$ or $n = 1$ or $n = 2$ or $n = 3$.
- (3) If $n < 5$, then $n = 0$ or $n = 1$ or $n = 2$ or $n = 3$ or $n = 4$.

Let us note that $\frac{1}{2}$ is non integer and there exists a rational number which is non natural and there exists a rational number which is non integer.

Now we state the proposition:

- (4) If $j \neq 0$ and $\frac{i}{j}$ is integer, then $j \mid i$.

Let q be a non integer rational number. One can verify that q^2 is non integer. Now we state the proposition:

- (5) If $\frac{a}{b} \cdot c$ is natural and $b \neq 0$ and a and b are relatively prime, then there exists a natural number d such that $c = b \cdot d$.

2. PROBLEM 41

Let us consider an integer k . Now we state the propositions:

- (6) $2 \cdot k + 1$ and $9 \cdot k + 4$ are relatively prime.
 (7) $\gcd(2 \cdot k - 1, 9 \cdot k + 4) = \gcd(k + 8, 17)$.

3. PROBLEM 92

Now we state the proposition:

- (8) If $m > 1$ and $n > 1$ and m and n are relatively prime, then there exist prime numbers p, q such that $p \mid m$ and $p \nmid n$ and $q \mid n$ and $q \nmid m$ and $p \neq q$.

Let us consider k . The functor $\text{primesFinS}(k)$ yielding a finite sequence of elements of \mathbb{N} is defined by

- (Def. 1) $\text{len } it = k$ and for every natural number i such that $i < k$ holds $it(i+1) = \text{pr}(i)$.

Let us observe that $\text{primesFinS}(0)$ is empty.

Now we state the propositions:

- (9) $\text{primesFinS}(1) = \langle 2 \rangle$.
 (10) $\text{primesFinS}(2) = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$.
 (11) $\text{primesFinS}(3) = \langle 2, 3, 5 \rangle$.
 (12) $p < \text{pr}(k)$ if and only if $\text{primeindex}(p) < k$.
 (13) If $\text{primeindex}(p) < k$, then $1 + \text{primeindex}(p) \in \text{dom}(\text{primesFinS}(k))$.
 (14) If $\text{primeindex}(p) < k$, then $(\text{primesFinS}(k))(1 + \text{primeindex}(p)) = p$.
 (15) If $p < \text{pr}(k)$, then $p \in \text{rng } \text{primesFinS}(k)$. The theorem is a consequence of (13), (12), and (14).
 (16) If p and $\prod \text{primesFinS}(k)$ are relatively prime, then $\text{pr}(k) \leq p$. The theorem is a consequence of (15).

Let us consider k . Let us note that $\text{primesFinS}(k)$ is positive yielding and $\text{primesFinS}(k)$ is increasing.

Let R be an extended real-valued binary relation. We say that R has values greater or equal one if and only if

(Def. 2) for every extended real r such that $r \in \text{rng } R$ holds $r \geq 1$.

Observe that $\langle 1 \rangle$ has values greater or equal one and there exists a natural-valued finite sequence which has values greater or equal one.

Let f be an extended real-valued function. Let us observe that f has values greater or equal one if and only if the condition (Def. 3) is satisfied.

(Def. 3) for every object x such that $x \in \text{dom } f$ holds $f(x) \geq 1$.

Let f be an extended real-valued finite sequence. One can verify that f has values greater or equal one if and only if the condition (Def. 4) is satisfied.

(Def. 4) for every natural number n such that $1 \leq n \leq \text{len } f$ holds $f(n) \geq 1$.

One can verify that every extended real-valued binary relation which is empty has also values greater or equal one and every extended real-valued binary relation which has values greater or equal one is also positive yielding.

Now we state the propositions:

(17) If $m \leq n$, then $\text{primesFinS}(n) \upharpoonright m = \text{primesFinS}(m)$.

(18) Let us consider extended real-valued binary relations P, R . Suppose $\text{rng } P \subseteq \text{rng } R$ and R has values greater or equal one. Then P has values greater or equal one.

(19) Let us consider extended real-valued finite sequences f, g . Suppose $f \wedge g$ has values greater or equal one. Then

- (i) f has values greater or equal one, and
- (ii) g has values greater or equal one.

(20) Let us consider an extended real r . If $\langle r \rangle$ has values greater or equal one, then $r \geq 1$.

Let us consider a real-valued finite sequence f with values greater or equal one. Now we state the propositions:

(21) $\prod f \geq 1$.

PROOF: Define $\mathcal{P}[\text{finite sequence of elements of } \mathbb{R}] \equiv \text{for every real-valued finite sequence } g \text{ with values greater or equal one such that } g = \$_1 \text{ holds } \prod \$_1 \geq 1$. For every finite sequence p of elements of \mathbb{R} and for every element x of \mathbb{R} such that $\mathcal{P}[p]$ holds $\mathcal{P}[p \wedge \langle x \rangle]$. For every finite sequence p of elements of \mathbb{R} , $\mathcal{P}[p]$. \square

(22) $\prod(f \upharpoonright n) \leq \prod f$. The theorem is a consequence of (19) and (20).

Let us consider k . One can verify that $\text{primesFinS}(k)$ has values greater or equal one.

Now we state the proposition:

(23) If $3 \leq k$, then $\text{pr}(k) + \text{pr}(k + 1) \leq \prod \text{primesFinS}(k)$. The theorem is a consequence of (8) and (16).

4. PROBLEM 121

Let k, n be natural numbers. We say that n satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for k if and only if

(Def. 5) $k \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$ is composite and for every positive natural number m such that $m < n$ holds $k \cdot 2^{2^m} + 1$ is not composite.

Now we state the propositions:

- (24) 5 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 1. The theorem is a consequence of (3).
- (25) 1 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 2.
- (26) 2 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 3.
- (27) 2 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 4.
- (28) 1 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 5.
- (29) 1 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 6.
- (30) 3 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 7. The theorem is a consequence of (1).
- (31) 1 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 8.
- (32) 2 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 9.
- (33) 2 satisfies Sierpiński Problem 121 for 10.

5. PROBLEM 122

Let us consider a positive natural number n .

Now we state the propositions:

- (34) $3 \mid (3 \cdot a + 2) \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$.
- (35) $2 \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$ is composite.
- (36) $5 \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$ is composite. The theorem is a consequence of (34).
- (37) $8 \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$ is composite. The theorem is a consequence of (34).
- (38) Let us consider a positive natural number k . Then $k \leq 10$ and for every positive natural number n , $k \cdot 2^{2^n} + 1$ is composite if and only if $k \in \{2, 5, 8\}$. The theorem is a consequence of (24), (26), (27), (30), (32), (33), (35), (36), and (37).

6. PROBLEM 123

Now we state the propositions:

$$(39) \quad 2^{2^{n+1}} + 2^{2^n} + 1 \geq 7.$$

$$(40) \quad \text{If } n > 0, \text{ then } 2^{2^{n+1}} + 2^{2^n} + 1 \geq 21.$$

$$(41) \quad \text{If } n > 1, \text{ then } 2^{2^{n+1}} + 2^{2^n} + 1 \geq 273.$$

$$(42) \quad \text{If } m \text{ is even or } m = 2 \cdot n, \text{ then } 2^m \bmod 3 = 1.$$

PROOF: Define $\mathcal{P}[\text{natural number}] \equiv 2^{2^{\S_1}} \bmod 3 = 1$. For every k such that $\mathcal{P}[k]$ holds $\mathcal{P}[k+1]$. For every k , $\mathcal{P}[k]$. \square

$$(43) \quad \text{If } m \text{ is odd or } m = 2 \cdot n + 1, \text{ then } 2^m \bmod 3 = 2.$$

PROOF: Define $\mathcal{P}[\text{natural number}] \equiv 2^{2^{\S_1+1}} \bmod 3 = 2$. For every k such that $\mathcal{P}[k]$ holds $\mathcal{P}[k+1]$. For every k , $\mathcal{P}[k]$. \square

$$(44) \quad \text{Let us consider a non zero natural number } n. \text{ Then } 3 \mid 2^{2^{n+1}} + 2^{2^n} + 1. \\ \text{The theorem is a consequence of (42).}$$

$$(45) \quad 7 \mid 2^{2^{n+1}} + 2^{2^n} + 1. \text{ The theorem is a consequence of (42) and (43).}$$

Let n be a non zero natural number. Note that $\frac{1}{3} \cdot (2^{2^{n+1}} + 2^{2^n} + 1)$ is natural.

Now we state the proposition:

$$(46) \quad \text{Let us consider a non zero natural number } n. \text{ If } n > 1, \text{ then } \frac{1}{3} \cdot (2^{2^{n+1}} + 2^{2^n} + 1) \text{ is composite. The theorem is a consequence of (39), (45), (44), and (41).}$$

7. PROBLEM 172

Now we state the proposition:

$$(47) \quad \text{Let us consider positive natural numbers } n, x, y, z. \text{ Then } n^x + n^y = n^z \\ \text{if and only if } n = 2 \text{ and } y = x \text{ and } z = x + 1.$$

8. PROBLEM 182

Now we state the proposition:

$$(48) \quad \text{Let us consider real numbers } a, b, c. \text{ If } c > 1 \text{ and } c^a = c^b, \text{ then } a = b.$$

Let us consider positive natural numbers n, x, y, z, t . Now we state the propositions:

$$(49) \quad \text{If } x \leq y \leq z, \text{ then } n^x + n^y + n^z = n^t \text{ iff } n = 2 \text{ and } y = x \text{ and } z = x + 1 \\ \text{and } t = x + 2 \text{ or } n = 3 \text{ and } y = x \text{ and } z = x \text{ and } t = x + 1.$$

- (50) $n^x + n^y + n^z = n^t$ if and only if $n = 2$ and $y = x$ and $z = x + 1$ and $t = x + 2$ or $n = 2$ and $y = x + 1$ and $z = x$ and $t = x + 2$ or $n = 2$ and $z = y$ and $x = y + 1$ and $t = y + 2$ or $n = 3$ and $y = x$ and $z = x$ and $t = x + 1$. The theorem is a consequence of (49).

9. PROBLEM 183

Now we state the proposition:

- (51) Let us consider positive natural numbers x, y, z, t . Then $4^x + 4^y + 4^z \neq 4^t$.

10. PROBLEM 191

Now we state the proposition:

- (52) Let us consider non zero integers x, y, z, t . Then
- (i) $x^2 + 5 \cdot y^2 \neq z^2$, or
 - (ii) $5 \cdot x^2 + y^2 \neq t^2$.

11. PROBLEM 192

Now we state the propositions:

- (53) Let us consider non zero integers x, y, z, t . Then
- (i) $x^2 + 6 \cdot y^2 \neq z^2$, or
 - (ii) $6 \cdot x^2 + y^2 \neq t^2$.
- (54) (i) $3^2 + 7 \cdot 1^2 = 4^2$, and
- (ii) $7 \cdot 3^2 + 1^2 = 8^2$.

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