Math 255: Spring 2016 Midterm 2

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SOLUTIONS

Time: 50 minutes

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Problem	Value	Score
1	4	
2	5	
3	5	
4	8	
5	8	
6	8	
7	12	
TOTAL	50	

Problem 1: (4 points) What is the order of 4 modulo 17?

$$(9(17)=16)$$
 so the order of 4 divides 16
 $4^2=16=-1 \mod 17$
 $4^4=(-1)^2=1 \mod 17$

4 has order 4 modulo 17

Problem 2: (5 points) What is 22^{-1} modulo 47?

Euclidean algorithm:

$$47 = 2.22 + 3$$
 $3 = 47 - 2.22$
 $22 = 7.3 + 1$ $\rightarrow 1 = 22 - 7.3$
 $1 = 22 - 7.47 + 14.22$
 $= 15.22 - 7.47$

So
$$22^{-1} = 15 \mod 47$$