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Homework No.6

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Write proofs of the following four claims. Use a single page for each problem. Staple your work to this title page. Remember to write neatly and to communicate clearly.

Problem A: Let m be a natural number. Prove that any set of $m^2 + 1$ integers, has a subset with m + 1 elements, such that the difference of any two numbers in the subset is divisible by m.

Problem B: Describe the set of primes which have a multiple that can be written with only 1's.

Problem C: Let p be a prime. A integer a is called *connected to* p if there are two consecutive integers, one of which is a perfect p-power, and the other is a multiple of a. For example, 9 is connected to the prime 5, since $125 = 5^3$ and 126 = 9x14.

Find all numbers connected to 7.

Problem D: Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{N}$ be arbitrary. Prove that if a|b and c|d, then gcd(a, c)|gcd(b, d).