

Directions: Solve the following problems. All written work must be your own. See the course syllabus for detailed rules.

1. [JJJ 3.1] Solve the following congruences.
 - (a) $x^{19} \equiv 36 \pmod{97}$.
 - (b) $x^{137} \equiv 428 \pmod{541}$.
 - (c) $x^{73} \equiv 614 \pmod{1159}$.
 - (d) $x^{751} \equiv 677 \pmod{8023}$.
 - (e) $x^{38993} \equiv 328047 \pmod{401227}$. *Hint:* $401227 = 607 \cdot 661$.
2. [JJJ 3.6] Alice publishes her RSA public key $(N, e) = (2038667, 103)$.
 - (a) Bob wants to send Alice the message $m = 892383$. What ciphertext does Bob send to Alice?
 - (b) Alice knows that her modulus factors into a product of two primes, one of which is $p = 1301$. Find a decryption exponent d for Alice.
 - (c) Alice receives the ciphertext $c = 317730$ from Bob. Decrypt the message.
3. [JJJ 3.7] Bob's RSA public key has modulus $N = 12191$ and exponent $e = 37$. Alice sends Bob the ciphertext $c = 587$. Unfortunately, Bob has chosen too small a modulus. Help Eve by factoring N and decrypting Alice's message. *Hint:* N has a factor that is less than 100.
4. [JJJ 3.8] For each of the given values $N = pq$ and $N' = (p-1)(q-1)$, use the method in the proof that **FactorN** is at least as easy as **ComputeN'** to find p and q .
 - (a) $N = 352717$ and $N' = 351520$
 - (b) $N = 28424293$ and $N' = 28411488$
 - (c) $N = 111702827046011$ and $N' = 111702805302024$.
5. Consider the following two problems.

FactorN Given an integer N that is the product of distinct, unknown primes p and q , output p and q .

Reduce Given an integer a and an integer N that is the product of distinct, unknown primes p and q with $p < q$, output $b \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ and $c \in \mathbb{Z}_q$ such that $a \equiv b \pmod{p}$ and $a \equiv c \pmod{q}$.

- (a) Prove that **Reduce** \leq **FactorN**.
- (b) Prove that **FactorN** \leq **Reduce**.
- (c) Illustrate part (b) by factoring $N = 446846784807308867$. Given $a = 723728945230$ and N , your black box for **Reduce** reports that $a \equiv 299450419 \pmod{p}$ and $a \equiv 316955067 \pmod{q}$.

6. Suppose we know $N = pqr$, where p , q , and r are large, distinct, unknown primes. Somehow, we also know $N' = (p-1)(q-1)(r-1)$.

- (a) Use CRT to show that if $\gcd(a, N) = 1$, then $a^{N'} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$.
 (b) Show that if $z^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ but $z \not\equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ and $z \not\equiv -1 \pmod{N}$, then either $\gcd(z+1, N)$ or $\gcd(z-1, N)$ equals one of the three prime factors of N .

Comment: if we pick a random nonzero $a \in \mathbb{Z}_N$, then it is very likely that $a \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$ (and if not, then $\gcd(a, N)$ will give a nontrivial factor of N , such as p or qr). For $a \in \mathbb{Z}_N^*$, we know $a^{N'} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$. Consider the sequence $a^{N'}, a^{N'/2}, \dots, a^{N'/2^t}$, where t is the number of two's in the prime factorization of N' . It can be shown that with probability at least $3/4$, there exists j with $0 \leq j < t$ such that $a^{N'/2^j} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ but $a^{N'/2^{j+1}} \not\equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ and $a^{N'/2^{j+1}} \not\equiv -1 \pmod{N}$.

7. We are given integers N and N' below, where $N = pqr$ for distinct primes p , q , and r , and $N' = (p-1)(q-1)(r-1)$. Use the technique discussed in the previous problem to factor N into p , q , and r .

$N =$ 72574282558749478121831961777522352979922891373732
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$N' =$ 72574282558749478121831961777522352979922891373732
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