

Modern Cryptography Spring 2024

Exercises

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Problem Nr.1 What is the probability that the text "apple" occurs, when the plaintext source generates independent, identically distributed 1-grams, as described in Example 1.1. Answer the same question when the Markov model of Example 1.3 is used? (01.01)

Solution.

1) For 1-grams, $Pr_{\text{plain}}(\text{apple}) = p(a) * p(p) * p(p) * p(l) * p(e) =$
 $= 0.0804 * 0.02 * 0.02 * 0.0414 * 0.1251 = 1.665611424 \times 10^{-7}$

a	0.0804	h	0.0549	o	0.0760	v	0.0099
b	0.0154	i	0.0726	p	0.0200	w	0.0192
c	0.0306	j	0.0016	q	0.0011	x	0.0019
d	0.0399	k	0.0067	r	0.0612	y	0.0173
e	0.1251	l	0.0414	s	0.0654	z	0.0009
f	0.0230	m	0.0253	t	0.0925		
g	0.0196	n	0.0709	u	0.0271		

Probability distributions of 1-grams in English.

2) For Markov model, $Pr_{\text{plain}}(\text{apple}) = p(a) * p(p|a) * p(p|p) * p(l|p) * p(e|l) =$
 $= 0.0723 * 0.0222 * 0.0581 * 0.0812 * 0.1918 = 1.45235249860176 \times 10^{-6}$

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ed["a"] = 0.0723; ed["j"] = 0.0006; ed["s"] = 0.0715;  
ed["b"] = 0.0060; ed["k"] = 0.0064; ed["t"] = 0.0773;  
ed["c"] = 0.0282; ed["l"] = 0.0396; ed["u"] = 0.0272;  
ed["d"] = 0.0483; ed["m"] = 0.0236; ed["v"] = 0.0117;  
ed["e"] = 0.1566; ed["n"] = 0.0814; ed["w"] = 0.0078;  
ed["f"] = 0.0167; ed["o"] = 0.0716; ed["x"] = 0.0030;  
ed["g"] = 0.0216; ed["p"] = 0.0161; ed["y"] = 0.0168;  
ed["h"] = 0.0402; ed["q"] = 0.0007; ed["z"] = 0.0010;  
ed["i"] = 0.0787; ed["r"] = 0.0751;
```

	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m
a	0.0011	0.0193	0.0388	0.0469	0.002	0.01	0.0233	0.002	0.048	0.002	0.0103	0.1052	0.0281
b	0.0931	0.0057	0.0016	0.0008	0.3219	0	0	0	0.0605	0.0057	0	0.1242	0.0049
c	0.1202	0	0.0196	0.0004	0.1707	0	0	0.1277	0.0761	0	0.0324	0.0369	0.0015
d	0.1044	0.002	0.0026	0.0218	0.3778	0.0007	0.0132	0.0007	0.1803	0.0033	0	0.0125	0.0178
e	0.066	0.0036	0.0433	0.1194	0.0438	0.0142	0.0125	0.0021	0.0158	0.0005	0.0036	0.0456	0.034
f	0.0838	0	0	0	0.1283	0.0924	0	0	0.1608	0	0	0.0299	0.0009
g	0.1078	0	0	0.0018	0.2394	0	0.0177	0.1281	0.0839	0	0	0.0203	0.0027
h	0.1769	0.0005	0.0014	0.0008	0.5623	0	0	0.0005	0.1167	0	0	0.0016	0.0016
i	0.038	0.0082	0.0767	0.0459	0.0437	0.0129	0.028	0.0002	0.0016	0	0.005	0.0567	0.0297
j	0.1259	0	0	0	0.1818	0	0	0	0.035	0	0	0	0
k	0.0395	0.0028	0	0.0028	0.5282	0.0028	0	0.0198	0.1582	0	0.0113	0.0198	0.0028
l	0.1342	0.0019	0.0022	0.0736	0.1918	0.0105	0.0108	0	0.1521	0	0.0079	0.1413	0.0082
m	0.1822	0.0337	0.0026	0	0.2975	0.001	0	0	0.1345	0	0	0.001	0.0654
n	0.055	0.0004	0.0621	0.1681	0.1212	0.0102	0.1391	0.0013	0.0665	0.0009	0.0066	0.0073	0.0104
o	0.0085	0.0101	0.0162	0.0231	0.0037	0.1299	0.0082	0.0025	0.0092	0.0014	0.0078	0.0416	0.0706
p	0.1359	0	0.0006	0	0.1747	0	0	0.0237	0.0423	0	0	0.0812	0.0073
q	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
r	0.1026	0.0033	0.0172	0.0282	0.2795	0.0031	0.0175	0.0017	0.1181	0	0.0205	0.0164	0.0303
s	0.0604	0.0012	0.0284	0.0027	0.1795	0.0024	0	0.0561	0.1177	0	0.0091	0.0145	0.0112
t	0.0619	0.0003	0.0036	0.0002	0.1417	0.0007	0.0002	0.3512	0.1406	0	0	0.0101	0.0044
u	0.0344	0.0415	0.0491	0.0243	0.0434	0.0052	0.0382	0.001	0.0258	0	0.0014	0.1097	0.0329
v	0.0749	0	0	0.0023	0.6014	0	0	0	0.2569	0	0	0	0.0012
w	0.2291	0.0008	0	0.0032	0.1942	0	0	0.1422	0.2104	0	0	0.0041	0
x	0.0672	0	0.1119	0	0.1269	0	0	0.0075	0.1119	0	0	0	0.0075
y	0.0586	0.0034	0.0103	0.0069	0.2897	0	0	0	0.069	0	0.0034	0.0172	0.0379
z	0.2278	0	0	0	0.4557	0	0	0	0.2152	0	0	0.0127	0

	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z
a	0.1878	0.0008	0.0222	0	0.118	0.1001	0.1574	0.0137	0.0212	0.0057	0.0026	0.0312	0.0023
b	0	0.0964	0	0	0.0662	0.0229	0.0049	0.0727	0.0016	0	0	0.1168	0
c	0.0011	0.2283	0	0.0004	0.0426	0.0087	0.0893	0.0347	0	0	0	0.0094	0
d	0.0053	0.0733	0	0.0007	0.0324	0.0495	0.0013	0.0601	0.0099	0.004	0	0.0264	0
e	0.1381	0.004	0.0192	0.0034	0.1927	0.1231	0.0404	0.0048	0.0215	0.0205	0.0152	0.0121	0.0004
f	0.0009	0.2789	0	0	0.1215	0.0026	0.0496	0.0462	0	0	0	0.0043	0
g	0.0451	0.114	0	0	0.1325	0.0256	0.0247	0.0512	0	0	0	0.0053	0
h	0.0038	0.0786	0	0	0.0153	0.0027	0.0233	0.0085	0	0.0011	0	0.0041	0
i	0.2498	0.0893	0.01	0.0008	0.0342	0.1194	0.1135	0.0011	0.025	0	0.0023	0.0002	0.0079
j	0	0.3147	0	0	0.007	0	0	0.3357	0	0	0	0	0
k	0.0565	0.0198	0	0	0.0085	0.1102	0.0028	0.0028	0	0	0	0.0113	0
l	0.0004	0.0778	0.0041	0	0.0034	0.0389	0.0254	0.0269	0.0056	0.0011	0	0.0819	0
m	0.0042	0.1246	0.0722	0	0.0026	0.0244	0.0005	0.0337	0.0005	0	0	0.0192	0
n	0.0194	0.0528	0.0004	0.0007	0.0011	0.0751	0.1641	0.0124	0.0068	0.0018	0.0002	0.0157	0.0004
o	0.219	0.0222	0.0292	0	0.153	0.0357	0.0396	0.0947	0.0334	0.0345	0.0012	0.0041	0.0004
p	0.0006	0.1511	0.0581	0	0.2306	0.018	0.0287	0.0457	0	0	0	0.0017	0
q	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
r	0.0325	0.1114	0.0055	0	0.0212	0.0655	0.0596	0.0192	0.0142	0.0017	0.0002	0.0306	0
s	0.0021	0.0706	0.0386	0.0009	0.0027	0.0836	0.2483	0.0579	0	0.0039	0	0.0081	0
t	0.0015	0.1229	0.0003	0	0.0479	0.0418	0.0213	0.0195	0.0005	0.0088	0	0.0203	0.0005
u	0.1517	0.0019	0.0386	0	0.146	0.1221	0.1255	0.0029	0.0014	0	0.001	0.0014	0.0005
v	0	0.053	0	0	0	0.0023	0	0.0012	0.0012	0	0	0.0058	0
w	0.0357	0.1292	0	0	0.0106	0.0366	0.0016	0	0	0	0	0.0024	0
x	0	0.0075	0.3507	0	0	0	0.1716	0	0	0	0.0373	0	0
y	0.0172	0.2207	0.031	0	0.031	0.1517	0.0172	0.0138	0	0.0103	0	0.0069	0.0034
z	0	0.0506	0	0	0	0	0	0.0127	0	0	0	0	0.0253

3) Use Mathematica to verify my answer:

```
sourcetext = "apple";
StringLength[sourcetext]-1
ed[StringTake[sourcetext, {1}]] *

$$\prod_{i=1}^{\text{StringLength[sourcetext]-1}} \text{TrPr}[\text{ToCharacterCode}[\text{StringTake[sourcetext, \{i\}]} - 96, \text{ToCharacterCode}[\text{StringTake[sourcetext, \{i + 1\}]}] - 96]]$$

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$\{1.45235 \times 10^{-6}\}$

Problem Nr.2 Encrypt the following plaintext using the Vigenère system with the key "vigenere": "who is afraid of virginia woolf". (02.03)

Solution.

First we convert alphabet to corresponding integers, then mod 26: $(m_i + k_i) \bmod 26$

Plaintext	w	h	o	i	s	a	f	r	a	i	d	o	f	v	i	r	g	i	n	i	a	w	o	o	l	f
m_i	2 2	7	1 4	8	1 8	0	5	1 7	0	8	3	1 4	5	2 1	8	1 7	6	8	1 3	8	0	2 2	1 4	1 4	1 1	5
Key	v	i	g	e	n	e	r	e	v	i	g	e	n	e	r	e	v	i	g	e	n	e	r	e	v	i
k_i	2 1	8	6	4	1 3	4	1 7	4	2 1	8	6	4	1 3	4	1 7	4	2 1	8	6	4	1 3	4	1 7	4	2 1	8
c_i	1 7	1 5	2 0	1 2	5	4	2 2	2 1	2 1	1 6	9	1 8	1 8	2 5	2 5	2 1	1 6	1 9	1 2	1 3	0	5	1 8	6	1 3	
Ciphertext	r	p	u	m	f	e	w	v	v	q	j	s	s	z	z	v	b	q	t	m	n	a	f	s	g	n

In conclusion, $E(\text{whoisafraidofvirginiawoolf}) = \text{rpumfewvvqjsszzvbqtmnafsgn}$

Use Mathematica to verify my answer:

```
plaintext = "whoisafraidofvirginiawoolf";
key = "vigenere";
ciphertext = "";
Do[ciphertext =
  ciphertext <> AddTwoLetters[StringTake[plaintext, {i}],
    StringTake[key, {Mod[i - 1, StringLength[key]] + 1}]], {i, 1, StringLength[plaintext]};
ciphertext
```

rpumfewvvqjsszzvbqtmnafsgn

Problem Nr.3 Check that 953 is a prime number and that 3 is a generator of Z_{953}^* . Find the three least significant bits of the solution m of the congruence relation $3^m \equiv 726 \pmod{953}$. (See the remark in the discussion of the special case $q - 1 = 2^n$ in Subsection 8.3.1.) (08.04)

Solution.

- 1) To check 953 is a prime number, I used the mathematica function PrimeQ[].

```
PrimeQ[953]
```

True

- 2) If x is a generator or primitive element of finite field $GF(p)$, each nonzero element y in $GF(p)$ can be written as a power of x , such that $y = x^m$, where m is unique modulo $p - 1$. To check 3 is a generator of Z_{953}^* , I used the mathematica function PowerList[] from the package "FiniteFields". This function finds a primitive element in F_p and generates all its powers (starting with the 0-th). The second element in this list is the primitive element itself, which means 3 is a generator of Z_{953}^*

```
<< "FiniteFields"
```

```
p = 953; PowerList[GF[p, 1]] [[2]]
```

{3}

- 3) Moreover, to check 3 is a primitive element modulo 953 We know the multiplicative group Z_{953}^* has order 952, so each element has an order dividing 952. Since the order of 3 does not divide $952/2$, $952/7$, $952/17$, the order must be 952.

```
FactorInteger[952]
```

```
{{2, 3}, {7, 1}, {17, 1}}
```

```
PowerMod[3, 952 / 2, 953] == 1
PowerMod[3, 952 / 7, 953] == 1
PowerMod[3, 952 / 17, 953] == 1
```

False

False

False

4) In order to find the solution m of $3^m \equiv 726 \pmod{953}$, we need to follow these steps:

a. Firstly, we factorize $952 = 2^3 7^1 17^1$, and compute the inverse of 3.

```
In[70]:= q = 953; a = 3; FactorInteger[q - 1]
        x = PowerMod[a, -1, q]
```

```
Out[70]= {{2, 3}, {7, 1}, {17, 1}}
```

```
Out[71]= 318
```

b. Secondly, we get the corresponding omegas, and a table for omegas' powers.

```
In[72]:= q = 953; a = 3;
        Om1 = PowerMod[a, (q - 1) / 2, q]
        Om2 = PowerMod[a, (q - 1) / 7, q]
        Om3 = PowerMod[a, (q - 1) / 17, q]
```

```
Out[73]= 952
```

```
Out[74]= 879
```

```
Out[75]= 256
        Table[PowerMod[Om1, i, q], {i, 0, 2}]
        Table[PowerMod[Om2, i, q], {i, 0, 7}]
        Table[PowerMod[Om3, i, q], {i, 0, 17}]
```

```
Out[97]= {1, 952, 1}
```

```
Out[98]= {1, 879, 711, 754, 431, 508, 528, 1}
```

```
Out[99]= {1, 256, 732, 604, 238, 889, 770, 802,
        417, 16, 284, 276, 134, 949, 882, 884, 443, 1}
```

c. Thirdly, we use Chinese Remainder Theorem with these factors.

```
In[105]:= u = ChineseRemainder[{1, 0, 0}, {8, 7, 17}]
        v = ChineseRemainder[{0, 1, 0}, {8, 7, 17}]
        w = ChineseRemainder[{0, 0, 1}, {8, 7, 17}]
```

```
Out[105]= 833
```

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Out[106]= 680
```

```
Out[107]= 392
```

d. Fourthly, we start solving equation $3^m \equiv 726 \pmod{953}$:

$$q = 953, 952 = 2^3 7^1 17^1, \alpha = 3, \alpha^{-1} = 318, c = 726, u = 833, v = 680, w = 392$$

First Prime Factor: $p_1 = 2, n_1 = 3$

$$c = 726, c^{952/2} = 952, m_0 = 1.$$

$$c_1 = c * \alpha^{-1} = 242, c_1^{952/4} = 1, m_1 = 0.$$

$$c_2 = c_1 * \alpha^0 = 242, c_2^{952/8} = 952, m_2 = 1.$$

$$\text{Hence : } m^{(1)} = 1 + 0 * 2^1 + 1 * 2^2 = 5.$$

Second Prime Factor: $p_2 = 7, n_2 = 1$

$$c = 726, c^{952/7} = 1, m_0 = 0.$$

$$\text{Hence : } m^{(2)} = 0.$$

Third Prime Factor: $p_3 = 17, n_3 = 1$

$$c = 726, c^{952/17} = 256, m_0 = 1.$$

$$\text{Hence : } m^{(3)} = 1.$$

Therefore, the final solution:

$$\begin{aligned} m &= u * m^{(1)} + v * m^{(2)} + w * m^{(3)} = 833 * 5 + 680 * 0 + 392 * 1 \\ &= 4557 \equiv 749 \pmod{952}. (3^{749} \equiv 726 \pmod{953}) \end{aligned}$$

Use Mathematica to verify my answer:

```
In[188]:= PowerMod[3, 749, 953]
```

```
Out[188]= 726
```


Problem Nr.4 Check that $g = 996$ is a generator of the multiplicative group Z_{4007}^* . Set up the index-calculus method with a factor base of size 6 and determine $\log_{996} 1111$. (08.08)

Solution.

- 1) To check 4007 is a prime number, I used the mathematica function PrimeQ[]. And to check 996 is a generator, we know Z_{4007}^* has order 4006, so each element of the group has an order dividing 4006. Since the order of 996 does not divide $4006/2$, $4006/2003$, the order must be 4006.

```
In[3]:= p = 4007; PrimeQ[p]
FactorInteger[p - 1]
```

```
Out[3]= True
```

```
Out[4]= {{2, 1}, {2003, 1}}
```

```
In[5]:= PowerMod[996, 4006 / 2, p]
PowerMod[996, 4006 / 2003, p]
```

```
Out[5]= 4006
```

```
Out[6]= 2287
```

- 2) Use Index-Calculus Method with a factor base of size 6 and calculate $\log_{996} 1111$.
 - a. Firstly, the Factor Base we take is the first 6 prime numbers: {2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13}.
 - b. Secondly, we find 6 elements that can be factorized using the Factor Base.

```
In[391]:= a = 996; p = 4007;
FactorInteger[PowerMod[a, 8, p]]
FactorInteger[PowerMod[a, 21, p]]
FactorInteger[PowerMod[a, 61, p]]
FactorInteger[PowerMod[a, 65, p]]
FactorInteger[PowerMod[a, 68, p]]
FactorInteger[PowerMod[a, 80, p]]
```

```
Out[392]= {{2, 5}, {3, 1}}
```

```
Out[393]= {{2, 6}, {3, 1}, {11, 1}}
```

```
Out[394]= {{3, 2}, {5, 1}, {13, 1}}
```

```
Out[395]= {{2, 1}, {3, 2}, {5, 1}, {7, 1}}
```

```
Out[396]= {{2, 1}, {3, 1}, {7, 2}, {13, 1}}
```

```
Out[397]= {{2, 1}, {5, 2}, {7, 2}}
```

$$m_1 = \log_{996} 2, m_2 = \log_{996} 3, m_3 = \log_{996} 5, m_4 = \log_{996} 7, m_5 = \log_{996} 11, m_6 = \log_{996} 13$$

$$\text{For example } 996^8 = 996^{5 \cdot \log_{996} 2} * 996^{\log_{996} 3} \bmod 4007, 8 = 5m_1 + m_2 \bmod 4006.$$

We have:

$$8 = 5m_1 + m_2 \bmod 4006$$

$$21 = 6m_1 + m_2 + m_5 \bmod 4006$$

$$61 = 2m_2 + m_3 + m_6 \bmod 4006$$

$$65 = m_1 + 2m_2 + m_3 + m_4 \bmod 4006$$

$$68 = m_1 + m_2 + 2m_4 + m_6 \bmod 4006$$

$$80 = m_1 + 2m_3 + 2m_4 \bmod 4006$$

Moreover, they must be linearly independent:

```
In[452]:= MatrixRank[{{5, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {6, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0}, {0, 2, 1, 0, 0, 1},
{1, 2, 1, 1, 0, 0}, {1, 1, 0, 2, 0, 1}, {1, 0, 2, 2, 0, 0}}]
```

```
Out[452]= 6
```

c. Thirdly, we solve the linearly independent system of equations:

```
In[456]:= m1 =.; m2 =.; m3 =.; m4 =.; m5 =.; m6 =.;
Solve[{5 * m1 + m2 == 8, 6 * m1 + m2 + m5 == 21, 2 * m2 + m3 + m6 == 61, m1 + 2 * m2 + m3 + m4 == 65,
m1 + m2 + 2 * m4 + m6 == 68, m1 + 2 * m3 + 2 * m4 == 80}, {m1, m2, m3, m4, m5, m6}, Modulus -> 4006]
```

```
Out[457]= {{m5 -> 1279, m6 -> 156, m4 -> 1426, m3 -> 3253, m2 -> 2332, m1 -> 2740}}
```

And get:

$$m_1 = \log_{996} 2 = 2740, m_2 = \log_{996} 3 = 2332, m_3 = \log_{996} 5 = 3253,$$

$$m_4 = \log_{996} 7 = 1426, m_5 = \log_{996} 11 = 1279, m_6 = \log_{996} 13 = 156.$$

Or, equivalently:

$$996^{2740} \equiv 2, 996^{2332} \equiv 3, 996^{3253} \equiv 5, (\bmod 4006),$$

$$996^{1426} \equiv 7, 996^{1279} \equiv 11, 996^{156} \equiv 13, (\bmod 4006).$$

d. Finally, we can find the solution of $996^m \equiv 1111 \pmod{4007}$, ($m = \log_{996} 1111$)

We see that 1111 can not be expressed as product of elements in Factor Base, but $996^1 * 1111$ can.

```
In[374]:= FactorInteger[1111]
          FactorInteger[Mod[996^1 * 1111, 4007]]
```

```
Out[374]= {{11, 1}, {101, 1}}
```

```
Out[375]= {{2, 4}, {3, 1}, {13, 1}}
```

We conclude that:

$$1 + m = 4 * m_1 + 1 * m_2 + 1 * m_6 = 4 * 2740 + 2332 + 156 \equiv 1430 \pmod{4006}$$

Therefore, the solution of $996^m \equiv 1111 \pmod{4006}$ is given by:

$$m \equiv 1429 \pmod{4006}$$

Use Mathematica to Check my solution:

```
In[502]:= PowerMod[996, 1429, 4007]
```

```
Out[502]= 1111
```

Problem Nr.5 Complete Example 9.7. (Hint: extend the search to H-105, 105L.) (09.07)

Solution.

- a. We want to factorize $n = 661643$, according to the Quadratic Sieve Factoring Algorithm, firstly, we make a Factor Base while the Jacobi Symbol of n and the chosen prime number is 1: $\{-1, 2, 11, 19, 23, 31, 37, 47, 53, 59, 79, 89\}$.

```
n = 661643; k = 10;
SS = {-1, 2}; i = 2;
While[Length[SS] - 2 < k,
  If[JacobiSymbol[n, Prime[i]] == 1, AppendTo[SS, Prime[i]]; i = i + 1];
SS
```

Out[68]= $\{-1, 2, 11, 19, 23, 31, 37, 47, 53, 59, 79, 89\}$

- b. Secondly, we choose pairs (a_i, b_i) , such that they can be factorized with the Factor Base, while $f(x) = a_i^2 - n$ must small numbers:

```
n = 661643; r = ⌊√n⌋;
i = {-74, -55, -52, -39, -34, -2, 4, 10, 41, 69, 72, 100, 104};
a = i + r;
f[x_] := (x + r)^2 - n; b = f[i];
TableForm[Table[{a[[i]], b[[i]], FactorInteger[b[[i]] // OutputForm}, {i, 1, Length[a]}],
  TableHeadings -> {{}, {"a", "a^2 mod n", "factors"}}, TableAlignments -> {Left}]
```

Out[152]//TableForm=

a	$a^2 \bmod n$	factors
739	-115 522	$\{-1, 1\}, \{2, 1\}, \{11, 1\}, \{59, 1\}, \{89, 1\}$
758	-87 079	$\{-1, 1\}, \{31, 1\}, \{53, 2\}$
761	-82 522	$\{-1, 1\}, \{2, 1\}, \{11, 3\}, \{31, 1\}$
774	-62 567	$\{-1, 1\}, \{19, 1\}, \{37, 1\}, \{89, 1\}$
779	-54 802	$\{-1, 1\}, \{2, 1\}, \{11, 1\}, \{47, 1\}, \{53, 1\}$
811	-3922	$\{-1, 1\}, \{2, 1\}, \{37, 1\}, \{53, 1\}$
817	5846	$\{2, 1\}, \{37, 1\}, \{79, 1\}$
823	15 686	$\{2, 1\}, \{11, 1\}, \{23, 1\}, \{31, 1\}$
854	67 673	$\{31, 1\}, \{37, 1\}, \{59, 1\}$
882	116 281	$\{11, 2\}, \{31, 2\}$
885	121 582	$\{2, 1\}, \{31, 1\}, \{37, 1\}, \{53, 1\}$
913	171 926	$\{2, 1\}, \{31, 1\}, \{47, 1\}, \{59, 1\}$
917	179 246	$\{2, 1\}, \{19, 1\}, \{53, 1\}, \{89, 1\}$

- c. Thirdly, we conclude the exponents in the factorization of b_i 's to form a matrix U , and use modulo 2 reductions to form a matrix V .

```
In[171]:= U = {{1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1}, {1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0},
               {1, 1, 3, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1},
               {1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0}, {1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0},
               {0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0}, {0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0},
               {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0}, {0, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0},
               {0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0},
               {0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0}};
V = Mod[U, 2];
MatrixForm[V]
```

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Out[173]//MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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- d. Fourthly, we find a non-trivial linear combination of the rows of V adding up to the all-zero vector modulo 2 and get a solution (the first one).

```
In[157]:= NullSpace[Transpose[V], Modulus -> 2]
Out[157]:= {{0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0}, {0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0}}
```

- e. Finally, we get x and y respectively using the above solution, and the factor will be the greatest common divisor of $x - y$ and n :

```
In[163]:= x = a[[2]] * a[[3]] * a[[5]] * a[[6]] * a[[9]] * a[[12]]
          y = (b[[2]] * b[[3]] * b[[5]] * b[[6]] * b[[9]] * b[[12]])1/2
          GCD[x - y, n]
```

```
Out[163]= 284 145 526 155 966 244
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```
Out[164]= 134 051 624 754 916
```

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Out[165]= 1223
```

such that: $n = 661643 = 1223 * 541$

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In[166]:= n / 1223
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```
Out[166]= 541
```

Problem Nr.6 Suppose that Alice has sent secret messages $m_1 = m$, $m_2 = m^2 + 10m + 20$ to Bob by the RSA system. Let Bob's modulus be $n_B = 483047$ and $e_B = 3$. Suppose that you have intercepted the transmitted ciphertexts $c_1 = 346208$ resp. $c_2 = 230313$ and that you know the above relation between m_1 and m_2 . Determine m_1 (see Example 9.10). (09.11)

Solution.

- a. Firstly, according to the General Method through GCD calculation, the message can be recovered by $\gcd(z^e - c_1, f(z)^e - c_2) \bmod n_B$, however, $n_B = 483047$ is not prime, we need to compute the gcd step by step using Euclid's Algorithm:

```
In[183]:= PrimeQ[483 047]
```

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Out[183]= False
```

- b. We have: $f_1(z) = z^6 + 30z^5 + 360z^4 + 2200z^3 + 7200z^2 + 12000z + 260734$
and $f_2(z) = z^3 - 346208$ over $Z_{483047}[z]$.

Start Euclid's Algorithm:

$$f_1(z) = f_2(z)(z^3 + 30z^2 + 360z + 348408) + (249453z^2 + 20754z + 231228)$$

$$f_2(z) = f_3(z)(21839z + 132325) + (317238z + 54813)$$

$$f_3(z) = f_4(z)(351887z + 172538) + (0)$$

$$\text{So } \gcd(f_1(z), f_2(z)) = 317238z + 54813$$

```
In[269]:= n = 483 047; c1 = 346 208; c2 = 230 313;
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f1 = Expand[(z^2 + 10 z + 20)^3 - c2]
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f2 = z^3 - c1;
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f3 = PolynomialMod[f1 - f2 * (z^3 + 30 z^2 + 360 z + 348 408), n]
```

```
Out[270]= -222 313 + 12 000 z + 7200 z^2 + 2200 z^3 + 360 z^4 + 30 z^5 + z^6
```

```
Out[272]= 231 228 + 20 754 z + 249 453 z^2
```

```
In[273]:= f4 = PolynomialMod[f2 - f3 * (21 839 z + 132 325), n]
```

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Out[273]= 54 813 + 317 238 z
```

```
In[274]:= f5 = PolynomialMod[f3 - f4 * (351 887 z + 172 538), n]
```

```
Out[274]= 0
```

```
In[275]:= InverseLeadCoeff = PowerMod[317238, -1, n];
          f4 = PolynomialMod[InverseLeadCoeff * f4, n]
```

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Out[276]= 50947 + z
```

c. Moreover:

$$\begin{aligned} \gcd(f_1(z), f_2(z)) &\equiv 317238z + 54813 \equiv \\ &\equiv z + 50947 \equiv z - 432100 \pmod{483047} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the secret message m is 432100.

d. Use Mathematica to verify my answer:

```
In[282]:= m = 432100; n = 483047;
          PowerMod[m, 3, n] == c1
          PowerMod[m^2 + 10 m + 20, 3, n] == c2
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Out[283]= True
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Out[284]= True
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Problem Nr.7 Let $(G, *)$ denote a commutative group. Let a and b be two elements in G of order m resp. n . (a) Assume that $\gcd(m, n) = 1$. Show that $a * b$ has order $m * n$. (b) Assume no longer that $\gcd(m, n) = 1$. Determine integers s and t such that $s \mid m$, $t \mid n$, $\gcd(s, t) = 1$, and $\text{lcm}[s, t] = \text{lcm}[m, n]$. (c) Construct an element in G of order $\text{lcm}[m, n]$. (B.06)

Solution.

- a. Since a, b commute, then we have $(ab)^{mn} = a^{mn}b^{mn} = e$, where e is the identity element in G , this means $o(ab) \mid mn$, where $o(ab)$ is the order of ab in G . Now, suppose $o(ab) = r$, such that $(ab)^r = e$. Raising m to both sides, we have $(ab)^{rm} = b^{rm} = e$, means that $n \mid rm$. Since $\gcd(m, n) = 1$, we have $n \mid r$. Similarly, (by raising n to both sides), we will have $m \mid r$. Now we have $n \mid r$ and $m \mid r$, since $\gcd(m, n) = 1$, we will have $mn \mid o(ab)$, means that $o(ab) = mn$.
- b. Since $\gcd(s, t) = 1$, as we know the least common multiple of two integers is the product divided by the gcd, which means that $\text{lcm}(s, t) = st/\gcd(s, t) = st/1 = st$. This yields to $st = \text{lcm}(m, n)$. For example, if $m = 4$, $n = 6$, $\text{lcm} = 12$, and $st = 12$, $s \mid 4$, $t \mid 6$. Then $s=4$ while $t=3$, or $s=2$ while $t=6$.
- c. Two cases for this item:
 - a) For the case $\gcd(m, n) = 1$, from item a, we know ab has order mn , and $\text{lcm}(m, n) = mn/\gcd(m, n) = mn$, which means ab is the element has order $\text{lcm}(m, n)$ that we want to construct.
 - b) For the case $\gcd(m, n) \neq 1$, we write $\text{lcm}(m, n) = p_1^{r_1} \dots p_s^{r_s}$ for distinct primes p_i and corresponding orders r_i . If we could find an element in G with order $p_i^{r_i}$ for every i , then the product of these elements will have order $\text{lcm}(m, n)$ because prime powers are all relatively prime to prime powers of different primes. Let i with $1 \leq i \leq s$ be given. We note that $p_i^{r_i}$ divides either m or n . Thus $a^{m/p_i^{r_i}}$ or $b^{n/p_i^{r_i}}$ (whichever one divides evenly) has order $p_i^{r_i}$. Therefore, the products of these elements is the element of order $\text{lcm}(m, n)$.

Problem Nr.8 Let α in $GF(q)$ have order m , $m < q - 1$. What is the probability that a random non-zero element β in $GF(q)$ has an order n dividing m ? Give an upperbound on this probability. Construct an element of order $\text{lcm}[m, n]$ (hint: see Problem B.06). (In fact, this method leads to an efficient way to find a primitive element in a finite field. It is due to Gauss.) (B.10)

Solution.

In order to solve this problem, we will use the following theorems:

Definition A.6

The *Euler's Totient Function* ϕ (see Euler) is defined by

$$\phi(m) = |\{ 0 \leq i < m \mid \gcd(i, m) = 1 \}|.$$

In words, $\phi(m)$ is the number of integers in between 0 and $m - 1$ that are coprime with m .

Theorem A.12

For all positive integers m

$$\sum_{d|m} \phi(d) = m.$$

Proof of Theorem A.12:

Let d divide m . By writing $r = id$ one sees immediately that the number of elements r , $0 \leq r < m$, with $\gcd(r, m) = d$ is equal to the number of integers i with $0 \leq i < \frac{m}{d}$ and $\gcd(i, \frac{m}{d}) = 1$, therefore, this number is $\phi(\frac{m}{d})$.

On the other hand, $\gcd(r, m)$ divides n for each integer r , $0 \leq r < m$. It follows that $\sum_{d|m} \phi(\frac{m}{d}) = m$. This statement is equivalent to what needs to be proved.

Theorem B.5

Let (G, \cdot) be a finite group of order n . Then every subgroup (H, \cdot) of (G, \cdot) has an order dividing n . Also every element a , $a \neq e$, in G has an order dividing n .

Theorem B.21

Let $(\mathbb{F}_q, +, \cdot)$ be a finite field and let d be an integer dividing $q - 1$. Then \mathbb{F}_q contains exactly $\phi(d)$ elements of order d .

In particular, $(\mathbb{F}_q \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ is a cyclic group of order $q - 1$, which contains $\phi(q - 1)$ primitive elements.

Proof: By Theorem B.5, every non-zero element in \mathbb{F}_q has a multiplicative order d , which divides $q - 1$. On the other hand, suppose that \mathbb{F}_q contains an element of order d , $d \mid (q - 1)$, say ω . Then all d distinct powers of ω are a zero of $x^d - e$. It follows from Theorem B.15 that every d -th root of unity in \mathbb{F}_q is a power of ω . It follows from Lemma B.4 that under the assumption that \mathbb{F}_q contains an element of order d , \mathbb{F}_q will contain exactly $\phi(d)$ elements of order d , namely ω^i , with $\text{GCD}[i, d] = 1$.

Let $a(d)$ be the number of elements of order d in \mathbb{F}_q . Then the above implies that

$$\text{i)} \quad a(d) = 0 \text{ or } a(d) = \phi(d)$$

and also that

$$\text{ii)} \quad \sum_{d \mid (q-1)} a(d) = q - 1.$$

On the other hand, Theorem A.12 states that $\sum_{d \mid (q-1)} \phi(d) = q - 1$. So, we conclude that $a(d) = \phi(d)$ for all $d \mid (q - 1)$.

In particular, $a(q - 1) = \phi(q - 1)$ which means that \mathbb{F}_q contains $\phi(q - 1)$ primitive elements and that $\mathbb{F}_q \setminus \{0\}$ is a cyclic group.

- 1) α in $\text{GF}(q)$ has order $m < q - 1$, we want to know the number of elements β in $\text{GF}(q)$ such that, $\text{o}(\beta) = n$, $n \mid m$.

Case 1: $m \mid (q - 1)$ and m is prime. Then, there exists a subgroup in $\text{GF}(q)$ with exactly m elements, and all the elements β 's in this subgroup have a order dividing m , thus the probability is

$$\frac{|\beta's|}{|\text{GF}(q)|} = \frac{m}{q - 1}$$

Case 2: $m \mid (q - 1)$ but m is not a prime, then by factoring $m = p_1^{r_1} \dots p_s^{r_s}$, the β 's we want are the elements having the order of these factors. Since $\text{o}(\beta) = n$, $n \mid m$, $n \mid q$, the number of β 's with order n is $\phi(n)$ by Theorem B.21. Then, for all β 's with order dividing m , the number is $\sum_{n \mid m} \phi(n)$, by Theorem A.12, that is m . So the probability is

$$\frac{|\beta's|}{|\text{GF}(q)|} = \frac{m}{q - 1}$$

Case 3: m does not divide $(q - 1)$. We consider $\text{gcd}(m, q - 1)$, similar with the above two cases, the probability is:

$$\frac{|\beta's|}{|\text{GF}(q)|} = \frac{\text{gcd}(m, q - 1)}{q - 1}$$

In conclusion, the upper bound of the probability is $m/q-1$.

2) If $n|m$, $\text{lcm}(m, n) = m$, then element of order $\text{lcm}(m, n)$ is α itself.

If n does not divide m , probability is $(1 - \frac{m}{q-1})$, from B.06, we have 2 cases:

- a) For the case $\text{gcd}(m, n) = 1$, we know $\alpha\beta$ has order mn , and $\text{lcm}(m, n) = mn/\text{gcd}(m, n) = mn$, which means $\alpha\beta$ is the element has order $\text{lcm}(m, n)$ that we want to construct.
- b) For the case $\text{gcd}(m, n) \neq 1$, we write $\text{lcm}(m, n) = p_1^{r_1} \dots p_s^{r_s}$ for distinct primes p_i and corresponding orders r_i . If we could find an element in $\text{GF}(q)$ with order $p_i^{r_i}$ for every i , then the product of these elements will have order $\text{lcm}(m, n)$ because prime powers are all relatively prime to prime powers of different primes. Let i with $1 \leq i \leq s$ be given. We note that $p_i^{r_i}$ divides either m or n . Thus $a^{m/p_i^{r_i}}$ or $b^{n/p_i^{r_i}}$ (whichever one divides evenly) has order $p_i^{r_i}$. Therefore, the products of these elements is the element of order $\text{lcm}(m, n)$.
- c) Moreover, the element will be the primitive element of $\text{GF}(q)$.

3) Gauss procedure to find a primitive element:

Choose a non-zero element α in $\text{GF}(q)$.

Let $m := o(\alpha)$, m is the first power of α such that $\alpha^m = 1$.

If $m = q - 1$:

Output(" α is primitive"), and finish.

Else:

While α is not primitive:

Find β , whose order IS NOT a divisor of m ,

Update $\alpha = \alpha\beta$, and $m = \text{lcm}(m, n)$,

Output(" α is primitive"), and finish.

Problem Nr.9 Duplicate Example 10.6 for the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} over Z_{523} defined by the equation $y^2 = x^3 + 111x^2 + 11x + 1$. Use for P a point of order at least one hundred. (10.07)

Solution.

a. For the elliptic curve \mathcal{E} over Z_{523} , the point $P = \{1, 80\}$ lies on it:

```
In[23]:= p = 523; a = 111; b = 11; c = 1;
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In[74]:= x = 1; y = 80; Mod[y^2 - (x^3 + a * x^2 + b * x + c), p] == 0
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```
Out[74]= True
```

b. The point $P = \{1, 80\}$ has order 528 since it goes to zero after 528 additions:

```
In[257]:= Clear[f];
```

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p = 523; a = 111; b = 11; c = 1; P = {1, 80}; f[1] = P;
```

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f[n_] := f[n] = EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, P, f[n - 1]];
```

```
Table[f[i], {i, 528 - 1, 528 + 1}]
```

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Out[260]= {{1, 443}, {0}, {1, 80}}
```

c. Moreover, only $528 * P = O$, while other factors of 528 do not (We convert integers into binary representation first, and use *EllipticAdd()* with corresponding indexes $P[i]$):

```
In[445]:= FactorInteger[528]
```

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IntegerDigits[528, 2]
```

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IntegerDigits[528 / 2, 2]
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```
IntegerDigits[528 / 3, 2]
```

```
IntegerDigits[528 / 11, 2]
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Out[445]= {{2, 4}, {3, 1}, {11, 1}}
```

```
Out[446]= {1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0}
```

```
Out[447]= {1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0}
```

```
Out[448]= {1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0}
```

```
Out[449]= {1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0}
```

```

In[450]:= Clear[P];
          p = 523; P = .;
          a = 111; b = 11; c = 1;
          P[0] = {1, 80};
          P[i_] := P[i] = EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, P[i - 1], P[i - 1]];
          Q = EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, P[9], P[4]]
          EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, P[8], P[3]]
          EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, P[7], EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, P[5], P[4]]]
          EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, P[5], P[4]]

```

```
Out[455]= {0}
```

```
Out[456]= {195, 0}
```

```
Out[457]= {174, 165}
```

```
Out[458]= {32, 226}
```

d. Then let Alice choose $m_A = 130$, and Bob choose $m_B = 288$, then:

$$Q_A = (332, 414), \text{ and } Q_B = (49, 214)$$

```

In[463]:= IntegerDigits[130, 2]
          IntegerDigits[288, 2]

```

```
Out[463]= {1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0}
```

```
Out[464]= {1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0}
```

```

In[465]:= QAlice = EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, P[7], P[1]]
          QBob = EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, P[8], P[5]]

```

```
Out[465]= {332, 414}
```

```
Out[466]= {49, 214}
```

(Use *EllipticAdd()* with corresponding indexes $P[i]$)

e. Finally, compute the common key $K_{A,B}$:

$$\text{Alice: } K_{A,B} = m_A Q_B = (32, 297)$$

$$\text{Bob: } K_{A,B} = m_A Q_A = (32, 297)$$

```
In[467]:= Clear[QA]; QA[0] = {49, 214};  
QA[i_] := QA[i] = EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, QA[i - 1], QA[i - 1]];  
EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, QA[7], QA[1]]
```

```
Out[469]= {32, 297}
```

```
In[470]:= Clear[QB]; QB[0] = {332, 414};  
QB[i_] := QB[i] = EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, QB[i - 1], QB[i - 1]];  
EllipticAdd[p, a, b, c, QB[8], QB[5]]
```

```
Out[472]= {32, 297}
```

As expected, they have the same results.

Problem Nr.10 Consider the following scheme over Z_3 :

Participant	Share
1	$a, b, c + s_2$
2	$a + s_1, b, c$
3	$b + s_1, c - s_2, d$
4	$b, d + s_2,$

Give the matrix description of this scheme. Prove that it is a secret sharing scheme for access structure (U, P, N) with $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $P = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{3, 1\}, \{3, 4\}\}$ and $N = \{\{1, 4\}, \{2, 4\}, \{3\}\}$. What is the information rate of this scheme? Is it perfect? Is it ideal? (15.04)

Solution.

- 1) Matrix description of this scheme (The first two columns are labeled by the secret bits s_1, s_2 , and the next four columns by the random variables a, b, c, d):

$$\text{In[16]:= } \text{GTA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \text{Gp1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$\text{Gp2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \text{Gp3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}; \text{Gp4} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix};$$

```

In[9]:= Clear[a, b, c, d, s1, s2];
vec = {s1, s2, a, b, c, d};
GTA.vec
Gp1.vec
Gp2.vec
Gp3.vec
Gp4.vec

```

Out[11]= {s1, s2}

Out[12]= {a, b, c + s2}

Out[13]= {a + s1, b, c}

Out[14]= {b + s1, c - s2, d}

Out[15]= {b, d + s2}

- 2) Verify the secrets (Privileged Sets $P = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{3, 1\}, \{3, 4\}\}$ can recover secrets s_1, s_2 , while Non-Privileged Sets $N = \{\{1, 4\}, \{2, 4\}, \{3\}\}$ can not):

$\{1, 2\}$ recover s_1 :

```
In[40]:= Clear[u, M];  
u = GTA[[1]];  
M = Join[Gp1, Gp2]; MatrixForm[M];  
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]
```

```
Out[43]= {2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0}
```

$\{1, 2\}$ recover s_2 :

```
In[44]:= Clear[u, M];  
u = GTA[[2]];  
M = Join[Gp1, Gp2]; MatrixForm[M];  
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]
```

```
Out[47]= {0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2}
```

$\{2, 3\}$ recover s_1 :

```
In[48]:= Clear[u, M];  
u = GTA[[1]];  
M = Join[Gp2, Gp3]; MatrixForm[M];  
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]
```

```
Out[51]= {0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 0}
```

$\{2, 3\}$ recover s_2 :

```
In[52]:= Clear[u, M];  
u = GTA[[2]];  
M = Join[Gp2, Gp3]; MatrixForm[M];  
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]
```

```
Out[55]= {0, 0, 1, 0, 2, 0}
```

$\{3, 1\}$ recover s_1 :

```
In[56]:= Clear[u, M];  
         u = GTA[[1]];  
         M = Join[Gp3, Gp1]; MatrixForm[M];  
         LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]  
  
Out[59]= {1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0}
```

$\{3, 1\}$ recover s_2 :

```
In[60]:= Clear[u, M];  
         u = GTA[[2]];  
         M = Join[Gp3, Gp1]; MatrixForm[M];  
         LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]  
  
Out[63]= {0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2}
```

$\{3, 4\}$ recover s_1 :

```
In[64]:= Clear[u, M];  
         u = GTA[[1]];  
         M = Join[Gp3, Gp4]; MatrixForm[M];  
         LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]  
  
Out[67]= {1, 0, 0, 2, 0}
```

$\{3, 4\}$ recover s_2 :

```
In[68]:= Clear[u, M];  
         u = GTA[[2]];  
         M = Join[Gp3, Gp4]; MatrixForm[M];  
         LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]  
  
Out[71]= {0, 0, 2, 0, 1}
```

$\{1, 4\}$ can not recover s_1 :

```
In[72]:= Clear[u, M];  
u = GTA[[1]];  
M = Join[Gp1, Gp4]; MatrixForm[M];  
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]  
  
... LinearSolve: Linear equation encountered that has no solution.  
Out[75]= LinearSolve[{{0, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 1, 0, 1}, {1, 0, 0, 0,
```

$\{1, 4\}$ can not recover s_2 :

```
In[76]:= Clear[u, M];  
u = GTA[[2]];  
M = Join[Gp1, Gp4]; MatrixForm[M];  
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]  
  
... LinearSolve: Linear equation encountered that has no solution.  
Out[79]= LinearSolve[{{0. 0. 0. 0. 0.}, {0. 0. 1. 0. 1.}, {1. 0. 0.
```

$\{2, 4\}$ can not recover s_1 :

```
In[80]:= Clear[u, M];  
u = GTA[[1]];  
M = Join[Gp2, Gp4]; MatrixForm[M];  
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]  
  
... LinearSolve: Linear equation encountered that has no solution.  
Out[83]= LinearSolve[{{1, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 1}, {1, 0, 0,
```

$\{2, 4\}$ can not recover s_2 :

```
In[84]:= Clear[u, M];  
u = GTA[[2]];  
M = Join[Gp2, Gp4]; MatrixForm[M];  
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]  
  
... LinearSolve: Linear equation encountered that has no solution.  
Out[87]= LinearSolve[{{1, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 1}, {1, 0, 0,
```

{3} can not recover s_1 :

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In[88]:= Clear[u, M];
u = GTA[[1]];
M = Gp3; MatrixForm[M];
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]

... LinearSolve: Linear equation encountered that has no solution.

Out[91]:= LinearSolve[{{1, 0, 0}, {0, -1, 0}, {0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0},
```

{3} can not recover s_2 :

```
In[92]:= Clear[u, M];
u = GTA[[2]];
M = Gp3; MatrixForm[M];
LinearSolve[Transpose[M], u, Modulus -> 3]

... LinearSolve: Linear equation encountered that has no solution.

Out[95]:= LinearSolve[{{1, 0, 0}, {0, -1, 0}, {0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0},
```

- 3) The information rate is the ratio between the size of the secret and the size of the longest share, so in this case is $2/3$.
- 4) The scheme is called perfect if the shares of any authorized subset uniquely determine the value of the secret, and the shares of a non-authorized subset give no information about the secret. From the experiments I made in item (1), the scheme is perfect.
- 5) A more compact way to denote this secret sharing scheme is:

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Share</i>
1	$a_1^{\{1,2\}}, a_1^{\{2,3\}}, a_1^{\{3,1\}} + s_2$
2	$a_1^{\{1,2\}} + s_1, a_1^{\{2,3\}}, a_1^{\{3,1\}}$
3	$a_1^{\{2,3\}} + s_1, a_1^{\{3,1\}} - s_2, a_1^{\{3,4\}}$
4	$a_1^{\{2,3\}}, a_1^{\{3,4\}} + s_2,$

A perfect scheme is called ideal if it has an efficiency rate equal to 1, so our case is not ideal.