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Department of Mathematics

Seminar Room -1, Department of Mathematics

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Continued Fractions and Factoring

Abstract: Legendre found that the continued fraction expansion of \sqrt{N} having odd period leads directly to an explicit representation of N as the sum of two squares. Similarly, it is shown here that the continued fraction expansion of \sqrt{N} having even period directly produces a factor of a composite N. Shanks' infrastructural method is then revisited, and some consequences of its application to factorization by means of the continued fraction expansion of \sqrt{N} are derived.

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CONTATTI

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