

MATH 575 Homework 1

Problem 1 Write down the values for the variables `u`, `v`, `bot`, `top`, `side` after each iteration.

We will follow the procedure.

1. Since `x` = 137641, the groups are (13)(76)(41).
2. We first have `u` = 0, `v` = 0, `bot` = 0, `top` = 0, `side` = 0.
3. We will iterate over each group.
 - (a) The first group is 13.
 - `bot` = (`bot` - `u`)^(the current group from `x`) = $(0 - 0)^{13} = 013$.
 - `side` = $2 * \text{top} = 2 * 0 = 0$.
 - `v` = the largest single digit such that $v * (\text{side}^v) \leq \text{bot} = 3$.
 - `u` = $v * (\text{side}^v) = 3 * (0^3) = 3 * 03 = 09$.
 - `top` = $\text{top}^v = 0^3 = 03$.
 - (b) The second group is 76.
 - `bot` = (`bot` - `u`)^(the current group from `x`) = $(013 - 09)^{76} = 0476$.
 - `side` = $2 * \text{top} = 2 * 03 = 06$.
 - `v` = the largest single digit such that $v * (\text{side}^v) \leq \text{bot} = 7$.
 - `u` = $v * (\text{side}^v) = 7 * (06^7) = 7 * 067 = 0469$.
 - `top` = $\text{top}^v = 03^7 = 037$.
 - (c) The third group is 41.
 - `bot` = (`bot` - `u`)^(the current group from `x`) = $(0476 - 0469)^{41} = 07^{41} = 0741$.
 - `side` = $2 * \text{top} = 2 * 037 = 074$.
 - `v` = the largest single digit such that $v * (\text{side}^v) \leq \text{bot} = 1$.
 - `u` = $v * (\text{side}^v) = 1 * (074^1) = 1 * (074^1) = 1 * 0741 = 0741$.
 - `top` = $\text{top}^v = 037^1 = 0371$.
4. The final value of `top` is 0371.

Problem 2 What is the relationship between the final value `top` and the input 137641?

A notable relationship is that $371^2 = 137641$.

Problem 3 What is your guess for what the procedure `PROCX` is doing?

My guess is that for a given input $n \in \mathbb{N}$, `PROCX` is finding $\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor$.