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2. (10 points)

(a) **Answer:**

- Yes,  $e$  is indeed an encryption function.
- It's associated decryption function  $d$  is  $d_k(c) \equiv k - c \pmod{N}$ .

(b) **Answer:**

- No,  $e$  is not an encryption function since it is not injective.
- We can make it an encryption function by restricting the set of keys to  $\mathcal{K} \equiv (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^* \pmod{N}$ . Then it will have an associated decryption function of  $d_k(c) \equiv k^{-1}c \pmod{N}$

(c) **Answer:**

- No,  $e$  is not an encryption function since it is not injective.
- We cannot make it an encryption function by restricting the set of keys.