

Math 440/540 Homework 3

1. (#2.30 in Stein) (by hand) Use fast exponentiation together with Euler's Theorem to compute the last two digits of 3^{45} .

Answer: First we set up the problem we are trying to solve in modulo terms which is

$$3^{45} \pmod{100}$$

From there we can use Eulers Theorem

$$3^{\phi(100)} \equiv 1 \pmod{100} \Rightarrow 3^{40} \equiv 1 \pmod{100}$$

Using that we can then reduce our equation down to

$$3^5 \pmod{100}$$

since $3^{40} \equiv 1 \pmod{100}$ Then we can use fast exponentiation to calculate our final value

$$3^2 = 9 \Rightarrow 3^4 = 91 \Rightarrow 3^5 = 243 \equiv 43 \pmod{100}$$

2. (#2.32 in Stein) (using python or SageMath) Find the proportion of primes $p < 1000$ such that 2 is a primitive root modulo p (i.e. 2 has order $p - 1$ modulo p).

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primes = prime_range(1,1000)
prim_count = sum(primitive_root(p)==2 for p in primes)
print(f"num of primes {len(primes)}")
print(f"primitive root count {prim_count}")
print(f"proportion of primes {prim_count/len(primes)}")
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num of primes 168
primitive root count 67
proportion of primes 0.39880952380952384
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3. (using python or SageMath) Determine the smallest composite n that is a base 2 pseudoprime (i.e. $2^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$). What is the least base $a > 1$ for which the Pseudoprimality Theorem proves n is composite?

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n = 2
while True:
    if not is_prime(n):

        if mod(2^(n-1),n)==1:
            break
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n+=1
print(n)
=====
341

n = 341
for a in range(2,341):
    if mod(a^(n-1),n)!=1:
        print(a)
        break
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3

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4. (#3.4 in Stein) (by hand with calculator or using python or SageMath) You and Nikita wish to agree on a secret key s using the Diffie-Hellman key exchange. Nikita announces that $p = 3793$ and $g = 7$. She secretly chooses a number $n < p$ and tells you that $g^n \equiv 454 \pmod{p}$. You choose the random number $m = 1208$. What is the secret key?

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p = 3793
g = 7
m=1208
key = power_mod(454,m,p)
print(key)
=====
2156

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5. (using python or SageMath) Let $n = 14380057$.

- (a) Determine the largest block size you can use to encode strings of text for use with RSA with this n .
- (b) Using the block size in (a), encode the phrase ‘HAPPY HALLOWEEN’ as a list of numbers using our method from class.
- (c) If Nikita announces her public RSA key to be $(14380057, 7)$, encrypt your answer from (b) using Nikita’s public key.

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n = 14380057
max_block = floor(log(n,10)/2)
print(max_block)
msg = "HAPPY HALLOWEEN"
word_list = [msg[i:i+3] for i in range(0, len(msg), 3)]

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print(word_list)

def encode_character(c):
    if c == " ":
        return 0
    else:
        return ord(c)-64
encode_list = []
for block in word_list:
    num = 0
    i = 0
    for c in block:
        num += encode_character(c)*27^i
        i += 1
    encode_list.append(num)
print(encode_list)
e = 7
encrypt_list = [pow(b, e, n) for b in encode_list]
print(encrypt_list)
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['HAP', 'PY ', 'HAL', 'LOW', 'EEN']
[11699, 691, 8783, 17184, 10346]
[6961752, 2354377, 9032872, 3150324, 8876056]
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