

before we get a repetition modulo  $r$  is of the order of  $r/2$  (by Exercise 5(b)) rather than  $\sqrt{r}$ , i.e., it is much worse.

7. (a)  $2^k \equiv 2^\ell \pmod{r-1}$ ; (b)  $\ell = s$  and  $k = s+m$ , where  $m$  is the *order* of 2 modulo  $t$ , i.e., the smallest positive integer such that  $2^m \equiv 1 \pmod{t}$ .  $m$  is also the *period* of the repeating binary expansion of  $1/t$ , as we see by writing  $2^m - 1 = ut$  and then  $1/t = u \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 2^{-mi}$ . (c)  $k$  can easily have order almost as large as  $r$ , e.g., if  $r-1$  is twice a prime and 2 happens to be a generator modulo that prime (in which case  $s = 1$ ,  $m = (r-3)/2$ ).

### § V.3.

1. (a) (using  $t = [\sqrt{n}] + 1 = 93$ )  $89 \cdot 97$ ; (b) (using  $t = [\sqrt{n}] + 4 = 903$ )  $823 \cdot 983$ ; (c) (using  $t = [\sqrt{n}] + 6 = 9613$ )  $9277 \cdot 9949$ ; (d) (using  $t = [\sqrt{n}] + 1 = 9390$ )  $9343 \cdot 9437$ ; (e) (using  $t = [\sqrt{n}] + 8 = 75$ )  $43 \cdot 107$ .
2. In the factorization  $n = ab$  with  $a > b$ , if  $a < \sqrt{n} + \sqrt[4]{n}$ , then  $b = n/a > n/(\sqrt{n} + \sqrt[4]{n}) > \sqrt{n} - \sqrt[4]{n}$ . On the other hand, if we start with  $b > \sqrt{n} - \sqrt[4]{n}$ , then we must have  $a < \sqrt{n} + \sqrt[4]{n} + 2$ , because otherwise we would have  $n = ab > (\sqrt{n} + \sqrt[4]{n} + 2)(\sqrt{n} - \sqrt[4]{n}) = n + \sqrt{n} - 2\sqrt[4]{n} > n$  (as soon as  $n > 15$ ; we check Exercise 2 separately for the first few  $n$ ). Thus, in either case  $a - b < 2(\sqrt[4]{n} + 1)$ . But if Fermat factorization fails to work for the first value of  $t$ , then the  $s$  and  $t$  corresponding to the factorization  $n = ab$  satisfy:  $t > \sqrt{n} + 1$ , and so  $s = \sqrt{t^2 - n} > \sqrt{(\sqrt{n} + 1)^2 - n} = \sqrt{2\sqrt{n} + 1} > \sqrt{2}\sqrt[4]{n}$ , which contradicts the relationship  $s = (a - b)/2 < \sqrt[4]{n} + 1$  as soon as  $n > 33$ .
3. (a) We would have  $t^2 - s^2 = kn \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ ; but modulo 4 the difference of two squares cannot be 2. (b) We would have  $t^2 - s^2 = 4n \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$ , which can hold only if both  $s$  and  $t$  are even; but then  $(t/2)^2 - n = (s/2)^2$ , and so simple Fermat factorization would have worked equally well.
4. (a) (using  $t = [\sqrt{3n}] + 1 = 455$ )  $149 \cdot 463$ ; (b) (using  $t = [\sqrt{3n}] + 2 = 9472$ )  $3217 \cdot 9293$ ; (c) (using  $t = [\sqrt{5n}] + 1 = 9894$ )  $1973 \cdot 9923$ ; (d) (using  $t = [\sqrt{5n}] + 2 = 9226$ )  $1877 \cdot 9067$ .
5.  $B = \{2, 3\}$ ; the vectors are  $\{0, 1\}$  and  $\{0, 1\}$ ;  $b = 52 \cdot 53 \pmod{n} = 55$ ,  $c = 2 \cdot 3^2 = 18$ ; g.c.d.(55 + 18, 2701) = 73;  $2701 = 37 \cdot 73$ .
6.  $B = \{-1, 2, 3, 61\}$ ; the vectors are  $\{1, 0, 0, 0\}$ ,  $\{1, 0, 0, 1\}$ , and  $\{0, 0, 0, 1\}$ ;  $b = 68 \cdot 152 \cdot 153 \pmod{n} = 1555$ ,  $c = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 61 = 366$ ; g.c.d.(1555 + 366, 4633) = 113;  $4633 = 41 \cdot 113$ .
7. (a) Estimate the difference by taking the sum of the “triangular regions” between the graph of  $\log x$  and the Riemann sum rectangles. (b) Compare  $\int_1^n \log x \, dx$  with the sum of the areas of the trapezoids whose tops join the points  $(j, \log j)$ , and show that the total area between the curve and the trapezoids is bounded by a constant. (c)  $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{y} \log y! - (\log y - 1) \right) = 0$ , so  $\log y - 1$  is the answer.
8. (a)  $(1 - 2^{-n})(1 - 2^{-n+1}) \cdots (1 - 2^{-n+k-1})$ ; (b) 0.298.