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Given:

$$n = pq$$

where $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$

factorisation of n not given

Show: knowledge of $p, q \Leftrightarrow$ ~~knowledge~~ knowledge of $\varphi(n)$

Proof:

From the definition of the totient function, we have:

$$\varphi(n) = (p-1)(q-1) = pq - p - q + 1$$

Since $n = pq$, we can rewrite as:

$$\varphi(n) = n - p - q + 1$$

rewriting for $p+q$ we have

$$p+q = n+1 - \varphi(n)$$

We therefore have the system:

$$\begin{cases} pq = n \\ p+q = n+1 - \varphi(n) \end{cases}$$

$$pq = n \Leftrightarrow q = \frac{n}{p}$$

$$p + \frac{n}{p} = n+1 - \varphi(n) \quad | \times p$$

$$p^2 + n = pn + p - \varphi(n)p$$

$$p^2 - p(n+1 - \varphi(n)) + n = 0$$

Which gives us a quadratic equation which can be easily solved, given that we have $n, \varphi(n)$, to find p . Finding q is trivial afterwards.

Since we have seen that knowledge of $\varphi(n), n$ is equivalent to knowing p, q , we can ~~also~~ also say that knowing $p, q \Leftrightarrow$ knowing $\varphi(n)$

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For $627^i \bmod 941$, a pattern emerges ~~starting~~, repeating after every $\approx 0.7 \times 10^6$ elements, when the result of the powmod operation is once again ~~the same~~ ^{the same in the following calculations} (we ~~are~~ ^{have} made a full "cycle").

For a larger prime, $627^i \bmod p$, the pattern starts repeating much sooner ~~and~~ for $p=65537$, the pattern repeats every $\approx 0.032 \times 10^6$ elements. ~~the pattern~~

When we take a larger p but a smaller base, ~~$7 \bmod 65537$~~ , the reoccurrence of the pattern is rarer. Specifically in the case of $7^{i \times 1024} \bmod 65537$, the pattern repeats ~~the pattern~~ (very closely to) every 65537 elements.