

## Q1 Team name

0 Points

NULL

## Q2 Commands

10 Points

List the commands used in the game to reach the ciphertext.

go, enter, pick, c, c, back, give, back,  
back, thrnxtzy, read

## Q3 Analysis

50 Points

Give a detailed analysis of how you figured out the password?  
(Explain in less than 500 words)

The problem statement is to find the solution to the following system of equations:

$$password * g^{324} = b_1 - (1)$$

$$password * g^{2345} = b_2 - (2)$$

$$password * g^{9513} = b_3 - (3)$$

where  $password, g, b_1, b_2, b_3 \in F_p^*$  and

$$\begin{aligned} p &= 19807040628566084398385987581 \\ b_1 &= 11226815350263531814963336315 \\ b_2 &= 9190548667900274300830391220 \\ b_3 &= 4138652629655613570819000497 \end{aligned}$$

Our strategy is to first find  $g$  and then substitute it in one of the equations to find  $password$ . To pursue this approach, we first eliminate  $password$  and obtain equations which only involve  $g$ . Multiplying Equation 2 with the inverse of Equation 1 and

Equation 3 with inverse of Equation 2 gives us the following set of Equations.

$$g^{2021} = b_2 * b_1^{-1} - (4)$$

$$g^{7168} = b_3 * b_2^{-1} - (5)$$

The modular inverses  $b_1^{-1}$  and  $b_2^{-1}$  can be calculated using extended euclidean algorithm by solving the equations  $p * x + b_i * y = \gcd(p, b_i) = 1$  which gives  $b_i^{-1} = y \mod p$  or alternatively  $b_i^{-1}$  can be found using fermat's little theorem since  $b_i^{p-1} = 1 \mod p$ , multiplying with  $b_i^{-1}$  on both sides gives  $b_i^{-1} = b_i^{p-2} \mod p$  and  $b_i^{p-2} \mod p$  can be calculated using binary exponentiation.

The next crucial observation is that  $\gcd(2021, 7168) = 1$  which guarantees that there exists an integer linear combination of 2021 and 7168 which equals 1 due to Bezout's Identity and one of such coefficients can be found using Extended Euclid Algorithm. Let  $x$  and  $y$  denote the coefficients obtained by using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm.

$$x * 2021 + y * 7168 = \gcd(2021, 7168) = 1$$

Now exponentiating both sides of Equation 4 to the power  $x$  and Equation 5 to the power  $y$  and multiplying them gives us the following.

$$g^{x*2021+y*7168} = b_1^{-x} * b_2^{x-y} * b_3^y$$

which implies

$$g = b_1^{-x} * b_2^{x-y} * b_3^y$$

Now substituting this in Equation 1 gives us  $password = b_1 * g^{-324}$ .

The values of various quantities calculated as stated above are as follows

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 439 \\ y &= -139 \\ g &= 192847283928500239481729 \end{aligned}$$

$password = 3608528850368400786036725$

As we can see, the value of  $g$  obtained matches the pattern given in the hint.

The code for calculating these values using the Extended Euclidean Algorithm and Binary Exponentiation is attached in the code section below.

## Q4 Password

10 Points

What was the final command used to clear this level?

3608528850368400786036725

## Q5 Codes

0 Points

Upload any code that you have used to solve this level.

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1 def extended_gcd(a, b):
2     """returns gcd(a, b), s, r s.t. a * s + b * r ==
gcd(a, b)"""
3     s, old_s = 0, 1
4     r, old_r = b, a
5     while r:
6         q = old_r // r
7         old_r, r = r, old_r - q * r
8         old_s, s = s, old_s - q * s
9     return old_r, old_s, (old_r - old_s * a) // b if b
else 0
10
11
12 def modinv(a, m):
13     """returns the modular inverse of a w.r.t. to m,
works when a and m are coprime"""
14     g, x, _ = extended_gcd(a % m, m)
15     return x % m if g == 1 else None
16
17
18 def binpow(a, n, m):
19     res = 1
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20     while n > 0:
21         if n % 2 != 0:
22             res = res*a % m
23             a = a*a % m
24             n = n//2
25         return res
26
27
28 p = 19807040628566084398385987581
29
30 a1 = 324
31 a2 = 2345
32 a3 = 9513
33
34 b1 = 11226815350263531814963336315
35 b2 = 9190548667900274300830391220
36 b3 = 4138652629655613570819000497
37
38
39 g, p1, p2 = extended_gcd(a2-a1, a3-a2)
40 g = binpow(b2*modinv(b1, p) % p, p1, p) * \
41     binpow(b3*modinv(b2, p) % p, p-1+p2, p) % p
42 passwd = b1*binpow(g, p-1-324, p) % p
43
44 print(g)
45 print(passwd)
46 assert (passwd * binpow(g, a1, p) % p == b1)
47 assert (passwd * binpow(g, a2, p) % p == b2)
48 assert (passwd * binpow(g, a3, p) % p == b3)
49

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## Assignment 3

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### TOTAL POINTS

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**QUESTION 3**

Analysis

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