MA503: Homework 3

You can use specialized software (e.g., wolfram alpha) to compute remainders of division and gcd's. Remainders can be computed by google, e.g., search '620^2 % 377753'.

Exercise 3.1. [5pts] Show that $n = 1105$ is a Carmichael number.

Exercise 3.2. [5pts] Use base-2 Miller–Rabin primality test to show that $N = 341$ is composite.

Exercise 3.3. [10pts] Use Pollard's $p-1$ algorithm with $a = 2$ to find a non-trivial factor of $N = 8611$.

Exercise 3.4. [10pts] Let $N = 377753$. Given the relations

$$\begin{aligned}
620^2 &\equiv_N 6647 = 17^2 \cdot 23, \\
621^2 &\equiv_N 7888 = 2^4 \cdot 17 \cdot 29 \\
645^2 &\equiv_N 38272 = 2^7 \cdot 13 \cdot 23 \\
655^2 &\equiv_N 51272 = 2^3 \cdot 13 \cdot 17 \cdot 29,
\end{aligned}$$

find a, b satisfying $a^2 \equiv_N b^2$ and compute $\gcd(a - b, N)$.

Exercise 3.5. [10pts] Use the Pollard's rho algorithm (with $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ and $x_1 = 2$) to find a non-trivial factor of $N = 8611$.

Definition 3.1. An **integer matrix** is in **row echelon form** if

(1) all nonzero rows (rows with at least one nonzero element) are above any rows of all zeroes (all zero rows, if any, belong at the bottom of the matrix), and
(2) the **leading coefficient** (the first nonzero number from the left, also called the **pivot**) of a nonzero row is always strictly to the right of the leading coefficient of the row above it.

For instance, the following matrix is in row echelon form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} & 2 & -1 & 5 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{2} & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

A **row reduction** is a process of reducing a given matrix to a row echelon form.

Definition 3.2 (Elementary row operations)**.**

- **Row addition**: a row can be replaced by the sum of that row and a (integer!)multiple of another row.
- **Row switching**: switch two rows.
- **Row inversion**: multiply a row by -1.

We use elementary row operations to reduce the matrix to a row echelon form. For instance, for

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Add row #1 multiplied by -2 to row #2 to get
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Add row #1 multiplied by -3 to row #3 to get
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Add row #2 multiplied by -2 to row #3 to get
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise 3.6. [+5pts] Compute a row echelon form of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$