## **Number Theory Assignment #3**

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I primarily state that the 'math' library was indeed imported, as it does not show in the pictures below.

## 1) factoring\_simple()

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def factoring_simple(n):
    i = 2
    factor = []
    while i * i <= n:
       if n % i :
            i += 1
        else :
            n //= i
            factor.append(i)
    if n > 1:
        factor.append(n)
    return factor
                        the source code
>>> factoring_simple(11)
>>> factoring_simple(100) [2, 2, 5, 5]
[2, 2, 5, 5]
>>> factoring_simple(12345)
>>> factoring_simple(1000001)
   [101, 9901]
```

results of given examples

I have first declared an integer variable I which is going to be used as the dividing number. Then I've declared an array variable called *factor* which will be used as an array to store all the factors. Using the fact that an integer n always has a prime divisor smaller than the square root of n, I have restricted the condition of the while loop to only run until the square of i is smaller than or equal to n. If i cannot divide n, i is increased by 1. If i can divide n, n is now divided by that i, and that i is added to the array. If the square of i is greater than n, than the while loop ends, adding the remaining value of n to the array.

The picture below shows the results of the given examples, and it seems the code is working properly.

## 2) factoring\_fermat()

results of given examples

Since we have to find the value of *square x* and *square y*, I've set the integer variable a to the integer value that just exceeds the value of square root of n. The integer b is naturally set to the value of *square* a - n. If the square of b does not match the actual integer b, the value of a is added by 1 and the value of a is updated according to the new value of a as the while loop continues; it means we have yet to find the right values. When the while loop is finished it means we have found the right values. I've set the integer variable a0 as the bigger integer, adding the square root of a0 (which is an integer), and the smaller integer a1 is the value of subtracting the square root of a2 from a3.

The picture below shows the results of the given examples, and it seems the code is working properly.