

Q2)

2. Without using a computer or a calculator,
find the last two digits of 7^{442}

$$7^{442} \pmod{100}$$

$$\varphi(100) = \varphi(2^2 \cdot 5^2) = \varphi(2^2) \varphi(5^2) = 2 \cdot 20 = 40$$

7 and 100 are relatively prime

$$7^{40} \equiv 1 \pmod{100}$$

$$7^{442} = 7^{40 \cdot 11 + 2} = (7^{40})^{11} \cdot 7^2 \equiv 1^{11} \cdot 7^2 \pmod{100}$$

$$7^2 \equiv 49 \pmod{100} \quad \textcircled{49}$$